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New Campus Will Make Us All Proud

Being a good steward oftentimes means making difficult decisions. Many times, these outcomes are not popular – at least not with everyone. Yet, they are for the greater good and therefore must be carried out.

Such is the case with our municipal complex. About six years ago, the Supervisors had considered undertaking construction of a brand-new building. After careful analysis, our board determined that while improvements could be made to our complex, it was not fiscally responsible to build a completely new structure.

Under the leadership of our Township Manager Matthew Takita, an architect who has worked in public service for 30 years, our elected officials are moving forward with much-needed upgrades to our municipal complex. However, this time around, we are leaning on our professionals, including Mr. Takita, to help us be the best stewards possible for our residents.

The outlook for our updated and renovated municipal complex is exciting and truly one our residents can be proud of. For starters, the upgraded building will offer greater community access. Perhaps most importantly, all municipal functions will be housed on the first floor. This was a significant design decision in that it will allow our elderly residents and those with handicaps to get where they need to go within our building more easily. Speaking of ease, our engineer will be adding a second access and exit point from the site to help drivers get in and out more effectively.

The municipal project entails a complete updating of the existing building and integrating functions. Upgrades will include improvements to administration, code enforcement and the fire marshal, finance, parks and recreation, police, clerks, tax collector, public works, as well as a transition from a public meeting room to a community room, which could be used by residents and local groups.

A planned new addition – which I've highlighted in this space previously – is the incubator space for new businesses and start-ups. This roughly 9,000 square feet of extra municipal building space will be available for lease by local companies, entrepreneurs, and small business owners. For solo practitioners in particular, the ability to rent the space needed, whether it be a desk, a full office, or an office suite, is invaluable.

Promoting small businesses in Falls Township has been a tenet of our Live Here, Spend Here campaign since its inception in 2015. Adding dedicated space to support our small businesses empowers all of us to have a greater stake in the success of our business community, thereby strengthening economic development in the region.

Our board is committed to continuing progress on this project. Earlier this year, the Supervisors hired a construction management firm, Grace Construction. The firm's first task involved overseeing the bidding process and recommending an architectural firm to undertake the municipal building design phase. In June, the Supervisors appointed IEI Architects. IEI will work to help departments that have either aged out of their space, outgrown their area, or are functioning in spaces that are not feasible for municipal purposes.

IEI anticipates finalizing design development in September, with construction documents being finalized by Oct. 1. The construction phase is expected to go out for bid on Jan. 1, 2023, with IEI overseeing construction administration from Feb. 1, 2023, through Feb. 1, 2024. It's exciting to think that in under two years' time, Falls Township will have an improved municipal campus that all can be proud of.

-Jeffrey Dence

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Police Department

Add Your Name to the No Solicitation Registry

In 2014, the Board of Supervisors passed an ordinance that allows residents to add their name to a No Solicitation Registry. This list is distributed to anyone that applies for a Solicitation Permit with instructions not to solicit at any of the addresses on

the list. To be placed on this list, please contact the Police Records department at **(215) 949-9100**.

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Police Add Body-Worn Cameras

All 53 members of the Falls Township Police Department will soon be able to effortlessly document evidence, particularly as arrests are made, through the use of body worn cameras.



The Falls Supervisors approved the first-time purchase of the devices at a cost of \$166,620 for five years. The department will receive a complete equipment refresh at the three-year mark, according to the contract with WatchGuard Video.

The technology will complement in-car cameras and as-

sists police in collecting and documenting evidence, particularly during incidents when arrests are made.

Falls Supervisor Chairman Jeff Dence lauded the addition of body cameras.

“This is going to bring us up to the modern-day body cameras that most police departments have,” Dence said.

Each officer will receive his or her own camera. As footage is uploaded to the server, the content will be linked to that officer.

According to the Bureau of Justice Assistance, body worn cameras are widely used by law enforcement agencies. In addition to helping improve interactions between police and the public, cameras also provide “an unalterable audio and visual record of interactions” which can be used as evidence in case of a crime or to record incidents between police and community members. Footage from cameras can also help determine if police acted appropriately in use-of-force incidents.

Internet Sales Zone Provides Safe Transactions

With the multitude of online yard sales and marketplaces, it is easier than ever to buy and sell items.

However, transactions between unknown parties can be dangerous, especially if one party is coming to another individual’s home.

The safer way to buy and sell goods locally is to take advantage of Falls Township Police Department’s Internet Safety/Sales Zone.

Located in the front lot of the police department, the area is marked by two green painted parking stalls and is always under video surveillance.



Anonymous Tip Line: (215) 949-9120



Falls Township Police has created a tip line allowing the public to contact the Police department anonymously. Members of the public are encouraged to report suspicious individuals or activity. Tips are then analyzed and passed on to the appropriate division for follow-up. Because the tip line is anonymous, the sender will not receive a response. To leave a tip by email,

use: tiplines@fallstwpd.com. The tip line is not an emergency number. If you witness a crime in progress or have an emergency that requires the police, please call **911**.

SafetyNet Tracking Systems

Caring for someone with a cognitive condition who wanders is a considerable responsibility. SafetyNet Tracking Systems helps public safety agencies quickly find and bring home loved ones who may be lost.

Falls Township Police can provide your loved one with a SafetyNet bracelet that they should always wear. Water-proof bracelets feature a radio frequency transmitter that emits a continuous signal. If a loved one is missing, caregivers would contact authorities immediately. Trained search and rescue teams track the signal emitted from the bracelet, locate the missing person and return him or her home safely.

Radio frequency technology can work in densely wooded areas, buildings and shallow water, even when GPS and cellular technology can not.

If you know anyone who would benefit from this program, or would like more information, call **(215) 949-9100 ext. 345**.

Police Benefit From WM Grant

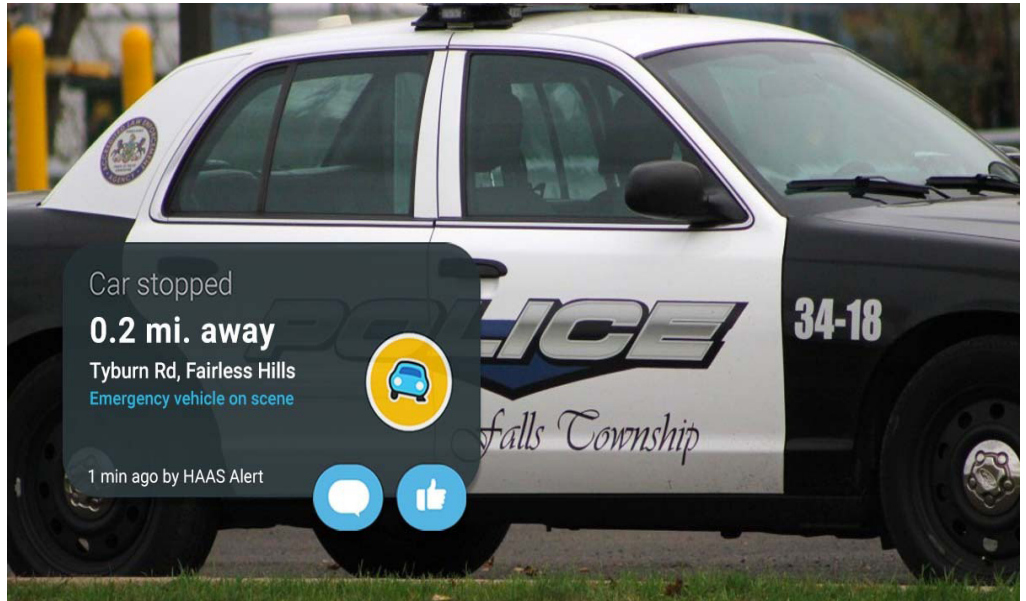
The Falls Township Police Department officers, firefighters and medical personnel have been safer while responding to roadside emergencies since early this year thanks to a grant provided by Waste Management's Fairless Landfill.

The \$47,000 gift was used to purchase and install a HAAS Alert System in the department's patrol cars. When the cars' emergency lights are activated, the HAAS Alert System automatically warns approaching motorists of a potential roadside hazard through the motorists' navigation systems and Waze app.

Studies have shown that use of the system can result in an 80 percent reduction in hard braking by motorists approaching a roadside emergency.

Two department patrol cars were totaled during police responses to emergencies on Route 13 in 2019. None of the police department's officers were injured.

"We are committed to our communities and proud to make this contribution to the safety of our local first responders



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and the public," said Fairless Landfill Senior District Manager Bobby Jones, a life member and former chief of the Tullytown Volunteer Fire Co. "Safety is a core

value at WM and we are thankful to be able to support the local police, firefighters, emergency medical personnel and other first responders with this grant."

Memorial Markers Honor Local Heroes



The family of Blake Sims stands with his newly installed memorial marker.

Falls Township Police are continuing a program to honor loved ones killed in motor vehicle accidents in Falls Township.

The memorial marker program began to honor Blake Sims, an active-duty U.S. Navy sailor who was driving through Falls Township when he lost control of his motorcycle in May 2021 and died at the scene. Since then, several markers have been placed on roadways to honor loved ones lost to fatal crashes in Falls Township.

Following an application process, markers can be installed on roadways where no right of way issue exists. Markers can not be placed on limited access highways such as Route 1 or Route 13.

The marker will remain at its location for a minimum of one year from the installation date. Additional ornaments or decorations are not permitted. All applications should be submitted to Sgt. Christopher Clark at c.clark@fallstwpd.com, or in-person to the records department.

Officer Stecklair Reflects on First Year

Police officer Dean Stecklair transitioned from “behind-the-scenes helper” to “front-runner” within a few months of joining the Falls Township Police Department in August 2021.

Stecklair, whose in-laws are from Ukraine, in February suggested to his colleagues at the police department that Falls Police could begin collecting items for people in the war-torn country. After his mother-in-law – who had begun collecting donations for Ukraine – asked for help obtaining ballistic vests and ballistic helmets, Stecklair became committed to the cause.

“She said, ‘they’re literally civilians that are fighting in this war,’” Stecklair recalled. “I was really touched by that.”

Since then, Falls Township Police Department has collected countless humanitarian items, including clothing, medical aid and supplies and hygiene items, as well as more than 250 vests and approximately 75 ballistic helmets. A large, oversized work van picks up collections. Falls Police have had at least a dozen pickups since the collection drive began.

“In a world where people have been fighting about political agendas and COVID, people came together for a cause,” he said. “They’re still supporting it.”

Stecklair, who grew up in northeast Philadelphia, had worked as an Amtrak police officer since 2010.

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Donations For Ukraine Still Being Collected

The Falls Township Police Department is serving as a 24-7 donation drop-off site for much-needed supplies to Ukraine.

Police officer Dean Stecklair, who has family in Ukraine, was the driving force behind the effort, which includes loading a plane with donated goods and sending it to the war-stricken country.

The following equipment/supplies are being requested as donations:

Items urgently needed:

- Radio sets (multiple items)
- Arresting bleeding tourniquet C.A.T.
- 4” Israeli bandage with pressure bar
- Hemostatic saturated blood stopping compression roller bandage for tamponade
- Nasopharyngeal airway (different sizes)
- Occlusal bandage halo chest seal
- Needle decompression
- Individual first aid dressing package
- Roller bandage for wound tamponade
- Sticking plaster
- Non-traumatic scissors
- Sterile gloves
- Markers

How you can help

Anyone interested in donating any of the above listed items is requested to bring them to the Falls Township Police Department lobby (188 Lincoln Highway, Fairless Hills). Donations will be accepted 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Anyone interested in making monetary contributions is directed to contact the Ukrainian Educational and Cultural Center, Jenkintown, www.ueccphila.org, for additional information. Anyone with questions should contact Sergeant Christopher Clark, at (215) 302-3315, or email c.clark@fallstwpdpd.com.

- Wounded report card
- Tranexamic acid 500-1000 mg ampouled
- Noradrenaline (norepinephrine)
- Intraosseous access sets
- Neck collars
- Laryngeal masks
- Cricothyroidism set

- Quick Clot Combat Gauze Z-folded
- Double lumen centra
- Peripheral venous catheter
- Coatings for burns
- Chlorhexidine 0,05 % and 2 %
- Povidone iodine
- Betadine
- Medical gloves sterile/non-sterile
- Medical patch
- Trauma shears for clothes
- Tactical backpacks/bags for emergency assistance
- External bone fixation devices
- Temporary vascular shunt
- Arterial shunt (different sizes)
- Hemostatic sponges
- Surgispon
- Pneumatic turnstiles
- Surgical tourniquet
- Suture materials of any kind

Other Items

- Non-perishable food items (cans)
- Pet food
- Clothes for any size and age
- Shoes for any size and age
- Diapers
- Feminine products

Aid For Mental Health Needs

During the first six months of a two-year program that pairs Falls police with a specially trained social worker, the department has received approximately 80 referrals for social service or mental health needs.

Assistance runs the gamut of de-escalating adolescent issues or runaway scenarios to helping with domestic violence calls, assisting elderly residents who may be experiencing mental strife, and intervening in instances where suicide and self-harm are a concern. Cara Gadzinski, the police department's designated social worker, receives, on average, 10 new referrals per month for a myriad of these and similar needs.

The intent of the program is to divert individuals with primary human service needs from further penetration into the justice system.

"Once I arrive on scene, I complete my own assessment to figure out the best outcome for an individual," she said. Beyond the initial call to police, Gadzinski serves as the intermediary, connecting the individual to the appropriate professionals who can address their needs, including counseling services, medical or psychiatric care and more.

"I continue to follow up with that person for 30-90 days to ensure that the person was appropriately connected with service," she said. "There are some people who aren't ready for a specific service, but just maybe need somebody to talk to. I'm happy to be an outlet. My way of doing my work is to meet people where they're at."

A 2014 Temple University graduate, Gadzinski holds a degree in Psychology and has eight years' experience in the mental health and social service field. Before joining the Falls Township Police De-

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Social Worker Cara Gadzinski



partment, she worked in acute psychiatric treatment, supports coordination and child welfare. She is trained in trauma-informed care and recently finished training in Mental Health First Aid.

"I have always been passionate about mental health and eager to find new ways to bring advocacy and supports to our communities," she said. "I look forward to working collaboratively with Falls Township Police in a way that is both meaningful and innovative. As the program continues to evolve, I am hopeful to promote a community of wellness and opportunity for those in all walks of life."

The Bucks County Co-Responder Initiative is fully funded through 2023 by a two-year Community Mental Health Services Block Grant from Bucks County. The grant provides police departments in Falls and Middletown with an in-house social worker/mental health professional to assist with social service needs that arise from 911 calls. The intent is to decrease the time police spend responding to situations

involving social service needs, while effectively connecting those in need with the appropriate resources onsite and following the initial call.

According to Falls Police records, police received 239 mental health calls for service in 2019; 245 in 2020; and 376 in 2021. Domestic dispute calls rose from 627 in 2019 to 683 in 2020. In 2021, Falls police responded to 920 domestic violence calls.

The Falls and Middletown co-responder effort followed a successful pilot program the year prior in Bensalem. Within the first six months, co-responders in Bensalem had contact with 132 people across 188 calls. Referrals for mental health in adults and youth accounted for more than half of all referrals in Bensalem during the first six months.

"The success of that program let us expand," Gadzinski said. "I'm hopeful to continue to learn and best support individuals in the community, especially when they're in a moment of need."

Officer Stecklair Reflects on First Year

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Prior to that, Stecklair served as a volunteer firefighter and union carpenter with the Philadelphia Carpenters Union. He has an associate's degree in applied science from Thaddeus Stevens College.

When it came time to consider departing Amtrak, Stecklair had "jumped on" his first pick.

"I've known about Falls Township for a long time," Stecklair said. "It's one of

the top police departments in the Bucks County area. It was my first department that I put in for that I wanted to work for. Fortunately, I was able to get the job."

Looking ahead beyond his first year with Falls Police, the married father of three hopes to get into narcotics work with Bucks County. In five years when he is eligible, he plans to take the corporal test.

An officer of 13 years, it was not un-

til he joined Falls Police that Stecklair had heard of the Youth Police Academy, which teaches students in 7th- through 12th-grades about careers in law enforcement.

"I would love to see more programs like that," he said.

Stecklair would also like to see his department continue to grow.

"Falls is a unique department," he said. "They really support their police officers in any endeavor."

Youth Kickball

Falls Township Parks and Recreation is once again holding a youth kickball program (ages 7-11) on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Mill Creek Road Sports Complex (Levittown Continental Challenger Field). Dates are Sept. 10, Sept. 24, Oct. 1, Oct. 8, Oct. 15 and Oct. 22. Cost for residents is \$10. Cost for non-residents is \$15.

For further information or to register, please contact Brian Andrews at **(215) 949-9000 ext. 220**.



Yoga



Indoor yoga at The Falls Township Senior Center (282 Trenton Road) in the annex building, will be held on Mondays from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Cost for a six-week session is \$48 for a resident; \$54 for a non-resident. Drop-in rate is \$10 per class. At least eight participants must be registered in order to run the class. Interested participants can register online using their existing Capturepoint/

Community Pass Account. For further information or if anyone needs assistance with registration, please contact Brian Andrews at **(215) 949-9000 ext. 220**.

Family Festival Weekend

Falls Township will be holding a two-day Family Festival Weekend which includes several new additions to our annual event. The weekend kicks off on the evening of Friday, Sept. 16 with food trucks, live music from The SEVEN Band and a beer garden from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Falls Township Community Park. On Saturday, Sept. 17 our annual Touch a Truck and Family Festival return – but this time together as one event from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event will be held on the soccer field side of the park.



Touch a Truck/ Family Festival kicks off with a sensory friendly quiet hour from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. During the event, families can explore construction vehicles, fire trucks, police vehicles and more. Levittown Fire Co. #1 will sell food and drink. Additional food and drink will be available for purchase. Kids and families will enjoy bounce houses, facepainting, balloon artistry, table vendors and much more. The day culminates with an awesome fireworks display at dusk. The rain date for Saturday's event is Saturday, Sept. 24.

Medicare Information Workshop

Getting close to retirement and not quite sure what Medicare will and will not cover? Falls Township is offering an opportunity to get answers to these questions during an educational seminar on Oct. 6 from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. A representative from DelVal Senior Advisers will be on hand for the workshop, which will be held in the public meeting room at the Falls Township municipal complex (188 Lincoln Highway). To pre-register, please contact Brian Andrews at **(215) 949-9000 ext. 220** or by email b.andrews@fallstwp.com.

Community yard sale



Looking to clear out unwanted goods – or find new treasures? Be sure to stop by Fallsington Library's fall community yard sale on Sunday, Oct. 16 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Falls Township Community Park. Vendor

space is available for this event. First priority is given to Falls Township residents. Tables cost \$15 or two for \$25. All proceeds benefit Fallsington Library. For more information, contact Brian Andrews at **(215) 949-9000 ext. 220** or by email b.andrews@fallstwp.com.

Holiday Party/Tree Lighting

Falls Township will be holding a Holiday Party and Tree Lighting Ceremony at the Falls Township Senior Center on Saturday, Dec. 3 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Pre-registration is required using an existing Capturepoint/Community Pass account. Light refreshments and entertainment will be provided. Tree Lighting will take place at 6 p.m. For information, please contact Barbara Loessy at **(215) 949-9000 ext. 221**.



Board Meetings

The Park and Recreation Board will meet the first Tuesday of the month at the Falls Township municipal complex in the public meeting room at 7 p.m. Meetings are open to the public. Note: The first meeting of the fall will be Tuesday, Sept. 6. For questions or further information, please contact Barbara Loessy at **(215) 949-9000 ext. 221**.

***** All programs/events are subject to change due to any COVID-19 guidelines/restrictions that may be put in place by local department of health officials. For the most up-to-date information, follow us on Facebook. *****

Fire Tax Up \$1 Per Week in '23

In the nearly three decades that the Falls Township fire departments have made do with the same level of tax revenue, gas prices have surged five-fold from \$1.11 on average per gallon in 1994 to more than \$5 per gallon in 2022.

Besides fuel, the costs of everything have risen considerably in that time as well, with pumper trucks costing \$550,000 or more and aerial ladder trucks topping \$1 million.

Volunteer firefighters rent out fire department halls, sell flowers and host beef and beer fundraisers to help offset the costs of apparatus, equipment, building

maintenance, utilities, and other fire-related expenses.

The Township Supervisors, in an effort to provide fire departments with needed funding while limiting the financial impact on taxpayers, will institute a nominal increase in the fire tax. Starting in 2023, the current rate of 1.75 mills will rise to 3 mills.

At that rate, the owner of a Falls home assessed at the Township average of \$30,000 would pay an additional \$52.50 per year for the fire protection fund. In all, the owner of a home assessed at the Township average would pay a total of \$90 annually for fire service.

“For as little as \$1 per week – a fraction of the cost of a cup of coffee – Falls residents will have peace of mind knowing fire departments have the resources needed to continue providing vital life-saving services,” Supervisors Chairman Jeff Dence said.

The fire protection fund provides funding to the Township’s three fire departments: Falls Township Fire Co., Fairless Hills Fire Department and Levittown Fire Co.

In 1994, Falls Township voters approved a referendum to allow fire protection tax of up to 5 mills.

Cameras Installed at Community Park

To help prevent tragedies and assist emergency services professionals during a potential crisis, the Board of Supervisors authorized the addition of 12 cameras at Falls Township Community Park.

Citing last year’s near drowning at the park’s lake and previous reports of a capsized boat, the governing body awarded a \$96,500 contract to Armour & Sons Electric Inc. to purchase and install a dozen cameras at the popular Township park.

Supervisors Chairman Jeff Dence said Falls has seen “pretty significant instances” in recent years that warrant the need for cameras. Enabling Township personnel and first responders the ability to view cameras remotely “will be a huge help” in acting quickly and determining specific locations should incidents occur. “No one’s going to be monitoring these cameras 24/7.”

In 2019, Falls installed cameras at Quaker Penn Park to help reduce inappropriate behavior there.



Grant Writing Successful for Township

Following a successful year that yielded more than \$800,000 in grants for the Township, the Falls Supervisors opted to continue its annual contract with a grant writing company.

Falls began working with Millennium Strategies, LLC after neighboring Middletown Township netted more than \$10 million in grant funding since 2010. For 2021, Millennium helped Falls obtain a \$756,881 grant from the PA Department of Transportation to fund pedestrian safety improvements at various intersections. An additional \$55,029 was secured from the PA Department of Community and Economic Development – Greenways, Trails, and Recreation Program for upgrades to

the Township’s roller hockey rink.

“There’s a long list of stuff they’re looking into as well,” Supervisors Chairman Jeff Dence said.

Supervisor John Palmer wants to ensure that the grant writing service is used to its fullest extent possible among all Township departments and said he would reach out to fire services to help the volunteer companies defer some of their expenses through grants as well.

In 2021, the Township contracted with Millennium for a \$3,000 monthly retainer. For 2022, Falls has adjusted the proposal to an hourly basis with a monthly cost of \$1,500 and an amount not to exceed \$18,000 per year.

In addition to Falls and Middletown, Millennium Strategies provides grant writing services to more than 90 municipalities, counties, school districts and nonprofits in New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania. Since its inception in 2005, the company has secured more than \$600 million in both governmental and non-governmental grants for its clients.

Millennium has secured funding for a wide range of projects, including arts and culture, economic development, open space preservation, parks and recreation, environmental planning and restoration, public safety, sustainable energy, historic preservation, as well as transportation-related projects.

Historic Fallsington

See What You've Been Missing



Christmas Tree Lighting

Sunday, Dec. 12 at 6 p.m.

Begin the busy holiday season with Historic Fallsington during the annual community Christmas Tree Lighting! We'll gather around the tree setup on Meetinghouse Square, sing a few Christmas carols with The Quaker Singers, & light the tree for the season. Then enjoy some homemade snacks provided by our neighbors after visiting with Santa at the Burges-Lippincott House. Parking: Fallsington Friends Meeting.

Christmas Tours

Fridays and Saturdays in December beginning at 10:30 a.m. (Dec. 3-4, Dec. 10-11, Dec. 17-18)

The three historic houses will showcase almost 100 years of Christmas history as part of the tour.

Tours offered by pre-registration at 10:30 a.m., noon, 1:30 p.m. and 3 p.m. Contact Historic Fallsington about tickets.

Historic Fallsington Day

Saturday, Oct. 8: 10 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

This FREE community event will include something for everyone with many family-friendly activities including live music, historical demonstrations, and participation from many community partners. Don't forget to visit the entire village to purchase some homemade crafts, buy new & used books, tour the historic museum buildings and other places throughout the town, purchase a homemade treat or two, and enter for a chance to win a handmade quilt. Parking: Fallsington Elementary School.

Spirits of the Past Tours

Sunday, Oct. 23 beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Join us for a guided, candle-lit stroll through the historic village to learn more about the spirits that once lived and worked here during earlier centuries. Tours offered by pre-registration: 6:30, 6:45, 7, 7:15, 7:30, 7:45, and 8:00. Fee: \$10/adult, \$5/child (3-12 years old). Contact Historic Fallsington for tickets.

Fall Fling

Saturday, Nov. 19 at 6 p.m.

Our autumn benefit event to support the continued education and preservation efforts of Historic Fallsington Inc. Your ticket includes an evening of delicious food and drink amongst good company and at the historic Bella Tori at the Mansion. The evening will conclude with a live auction! Tickets cost \$95. Contact Historic Fallsington about tickets.



Auction Benefits Library Programs

What does an antique violin, a guitar, a painting, ceramics, and a variety of gift cards from Falls Township businesses have in common? All will be auctioned off as part of a fundraiser to benefit programming at Fallsington Library.

The online auction will begin on Fallsington Library's Facebook page on Sept. 25 and continue until Oct. 9 (the day after Historic Fallsington Day). Buyers can place bids on items, including restaurant gift cards for Playa Bowls, ComfortFood and Arosso, A Touch of Sicily. Other items up for auction include a gift basket with items from Wade's Comic Madness, an antique violin, a guitar, ceramics, a painting, as well as a gift certificate from Elite Massage Therapy of Bucks County.

During Historic Fallsington Day, the library will host a rummage sale, a book sale, and a bake sale, with all proceeds benefiting library programming. A craft involving succulents will also be available to visitors on Historic Fallsington Day, which runs 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Oct. 8.



This guitar is one of many items to be auctioned off as part of the fundraiser.

Bulk Disposal Day Set For October 15

Mark your calendars for the next FREE BULK DISPOSAL DAY, which will be held on Saturday, October 15 from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. This bulk disposal program is for resident homeowners of Falls Township and Tullytown Borough. Proof of residency is required. It is not intended for commercial customers or contractors.

WHERE: GROWS Landfill behind Waste Management's Turkey Hill Office 1000 New Ford Mill Road, Falls Township

DROP OFF: Bulky waste items, yard waste and appliances. For additional information please call Waste Management at **(800) 869-5566**.

PLEASE NOTE: The following materials cannot be accepted: liquids, oil, paint, car batteries, propane tanks, gas cylinders, hazardous household wastes, tires, chemicals, pesticides and spray cans. No refrigerators, air conditioners or freezers. No electronics, including TVs, computer equipment, stereo equipment, or any other electrical item that plugs in or operates on batteries. Bucks County organizes household hazardous waste collections throughout the year. For further details on the household hazardous waste collections, please call **(215) 345-3400**.



Dementia Care Information Available Online

Did you know there are more than 20 memory care facilities in Bucks County offering a variety of services for people afflicted with Alzheimer's disease or dementia?

Families seeking health care options for their loved ones struggling with memory loss disorders can have at their fingertips the names and addresses of facilities, pricing, and availability via Alzheimer Support.

The website is a free service that helps families and Falls – and elsewhere – obtain insight on health care options for those battling Alzheimer's and dementia. The site's free search tool and database of care facilities provides families in need of care for their loved ones with guidance on locating local licensed care homes and communities best equipped to provide care for their loved ones.

To learn more visit <https://www.alzheimersupport.com>.

Falls Welcomes New Businesses

Falls Township has had the pleasure of welcoming nearly three dozen new businesses to town in the last six months. A tenet of our Live Here, Spend Here campaign is that by shopping Falls first we continue to bolster our local economy, creating jobs and helping our local businesses to thrive.

We welcome the following new business additions:

The Activity Group Inc., 423 S. Oxford Valley Rd., Fairless Hills;
Fox Railroad Services, 450 Old Bordentown Rd., Fairless Hills;
Evergreen Property Group, 8608-8624 New Falls Rd., Levittown;
DC Quality Flooring, LLC, 914 Trenton Rd., Ste. 3, Fairless Hills;
Empire Motors Auto Sales, 78 E. Cabot Blvd., Ste. 300, Langhorne;
Salute Ristorante Italiano, 364 W. Trenton Ave., Ste. A, Morrisville;
RW Contracting Philadelphia, LLC, 3000 W. Cabot Blvd., Ste. 200 B, Langhorne;
Dynamic Metals, Inc., 20 S. Steel Rd., Ste. 100, Morrisville;
Atlantic Recovery Services, Inc., 965 Lincoln Highway, Ste. 2, Morrisville;
EZ Keys, 90 Elderberry Dr., Levittown;
Wellington Woods Apartments, 2003 Sweetbriar Rd., Morrisville;
Esco Concrete, 1035 Bristol Pike, Morrisville;
Earl's Proper Detail, 95 Bristol Oxford Valley Rd., Langhorne;
Yogi Spine Care & Physical Therapy, LLC, 85 Makefield Rd., Ste. 10, Morrisville;
Willow Emergency Billing, LLC, 443 S. Oxford Valley Rd., Fairless Hills;
Kamronics, 180 Woolston Dr., Morrisville;
OMG Seafood & Chicken, 229 Plaza Blvd., Ste. 30, Morrisville;
Jo-Jo's Ice Cream and Water Ice, 8801 New Falls Rd., Levittown;
BGB Steel Fabricators, One Ben Fairless Dr., Ste. 104, Fairless Hills;
Glenwood Auto Repair, Inc., 333 Woolston Dr., Morrisville;
Redplum Distributors, LLC, 85 Makefield Rd., Ste. 5, Morrisville;



Laundry Depot of Morrisville, 322 W. Trenton Ave., Morrisville;
MM Metals USA, LLC, One Ben Fairless Dr., Ste. 105, Fairless Hills;
BlessAnka, 309 W. Trenton Ave., Morrisville;
Red Rhino Car Wash 6, LLC, 553 Lincoln Highway, Fairless Hills;
Hesski Service Center, 8821 New Falls Rd., Levittown;
American Consulting & Training Group, 9071 Mill Creek Rd., Ste. 2008, Levittown;
Honest Hands Home Care, LLC, 333 N. Oxford Valley Rd, Ste. 302, Langhorne;
Virgo III Ltd., 312 W. Trenton Ave., Ste. 4, Morrisville;
NP Falls Township Industrial, Inc., One Ben Fairless Dr., Fairless Hills;
Silver Home Care, 680 Lincoln Highway, Fairless Hills;
Vitality Hospice Pennsylvania, LLC, 3000 W. Cabot Blvd., Ste. 200A, Langhorne;
Glitz & Glam Lashes, LLC, 81 Big Oak Rd., Ste. 12, Morrisville;
Fairless Defense, 914 Trenton Rd., Ste. 4, Morrisville;
Mezzanine – GFS, Inc., 225 Lincoln Highway, Fairless Hills.

Fast Facts From Waste Management...

...on Waste Removal

When should trash be placed at the curb?

Place trash and recyclables out after 6 p.m. the evening before your pickup day. Place containers so they are not blocked by parked vehicles.

What size containers should I use?

Household waste containers should be between 20 and 35 gallons and may not exceed 50 pounds in weight. Use up to 10 sturdy plastic or metal containers with handles and detachable lids. Recyclables should be placed in a recycle bin or can clearly marked as "Recyclables."

How do I dispose of leftover paint?

Evaporate latex paint by air-drying or mixing with kitty litter, shredded newspaper or other absorbent. Bag and put out with your regular trash.

Which wastes are not acceptable?

We do not accept liquid waste of any type, tree stumps or tires. We do not accept HHW of any type, including insecticides, pesticides, gasoline, waste oil, non-latex paints, varnish, thinners, drain cleaner, pool chemicals, car parts or similar materials as part of your regular waste removal services. Hold all Household Hazardous Waste materials for special HHW collection events.

...on Bulk Items

When are bulk items collected?

Larger items are collected on the second pickup day of the week, sometimes by a second crew.

What type of bulk items are collected?

Examples of regular bulk items include furniture, cabinets, washers and dryers.

How much can I discard at once?

The limit is one bulk item per week.

What about refrigerators?

Some items require an appointment, such as refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners and dehumidifiers containing CFCs. To make an appointment, call (800) 869-5566.

...on Holiday Pickups

What if my pickup day falls on a holiday?

If a scheduled holiday (Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day) falls on your regular pickup day, trash and recyclables will be collected on your next regular service day.

For more information, call (215) 788-5555.



Food Collections Continue in 2023

Non-perishable food collections are often plentiful around the holidays. But, what about the other months of the year? That was the question on Falls Township Fire Marshal Rich Dippolito's mind when he proposed to the Falls Board of Supervisors his idea of offering a year-round food drive to benefit local food pantries. "A kid should never be hungry," said Dippolito, noting that children in need line up early at school for breakfast because there's nothing to eat at home.

The easiest fix is to launch an ongoing food drive and invite the community to contribute non-perishable food items and toiletries as they're able. The public is welcome to drop off items at the Fire Marshal's office at the Falls Township municipal building, 188 Lincoln Highway, Fairless Hills or arrange for a food pickup. Donations would benefit a different Falls-area food pantry each month.

A representative of Mary's Cupboard Food Bank, which is located at St. Frances Cabrini Church on Oxford Valley Road, said the pantry is always in need of peanut butter, jelly, cereal as well as various household and personal care items including toothpaste, shampoo, dish soap, laundry detergent, toilet paper and paper towels.

Food pantries collect other non-perishable food items, including canned fruits and vegetables, as well as soup, canned pastas, crackers, cookies, bagged pasta, spaghetti sauce and more that's distributed to people in need.

Donations can be dropped off at the Township building, or pickup can be arranged.

To get involved

To arrange a food pickup, email Rich Dippolito at r.dippolito@fallstwp.com. Food should be left in bags at the curb for pickup. Items can also be dropped off at the Falls Township municipal building, 188 Lincoln Highway Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. If you know a local food pantry that would benefit from food donations, please share with Rich.

Tech Could Limit Landscape Waste

A local landscaper shared with the Falls Supervisors how what FEMA deems its "best available control technology" for disaster cleanup could dramatically reduce landscaping waste in the Township.

Michael DiNardo, president of Shades of Green Inc., presented a conceptual plan that could potentially involve the implementation of equipment from AirBurners., a Florida-based company that manufactures wood and vegetative waste elimination systems. DiNardo told the Supervisors that he is considering putting the company's FireBox machinery to use on a vacant tract in an industrial area situated at 80 MY Lane.

"In my business, we generate a lot of green waste. It's an exuberant problem," DiNardo told the board. "This green waste is not going away. It's very expensive and creates a lot of pollution to create mulch."



The possible solution, he said, is using AirBurners equipment for a "slow, controlled burn," which would reduce waste material by as much as 90 percent. The machinery can burn 15 tons of wood and landscape waste an hour.

According to AirBurners, the FireBox produces clean carbon ash – also called biochar – which can be added to the soil. Mike Schmidt, an AirBurners rep, told the Supervisors via Zoom that FEMA has designated the company's equipment as the "best available control technology" for disaster cleanup.

"Every time you hear about hurricanes or tornadoes, our machines are there to clean it up," he said, adding that the equipment is "designed to burn clean."

The Falls Supervisors took no action on the matter. To move forward, DiNardo would need to file a land development application which would be reviewed and considered by the Supervisors.

Supervisors Chairman Jeff Dence called the machinery "interesting technology" and said the location DiNardo has envisioned is suited for the use.

"There's essentially no neighbors, no residential," DiNardo said.

A fire hydrant is on property now. Should the plan move to fruition, DiNardo said he would add additional fire suppression systems.

DiNardo said businesses in Jamison and Doylestown have incorporated the waste-reducing technology.

Best Practices For Recycling

Municipal and state regulations require that residents, commercial establishments, and non-residential establishments recycle all recyclable materials. Commonly recycled materials include:

- Paper – newspaper, office/copy paper, glossy paper, color paper, cardboard, junk mail, phone books, cereal/cracker boxes

- Plastic – bottles and jugs No. 1-7

- Glass – clear, green and brown containers

- Metal – aluminum, steel, tin, and bimetal cans and containers

Please check with your hauler for a complete list of acceptable recyclable materials.



Avoid contamination of recycling materials with food or liquids

Materials contaminated with food or liquid cannot be recycled. Here is what you should do:

- Check that the material is recyclable. Look for the recycle symbol on items.

- Rinse jars, bottles, and cans that have visible residue in them. A quick rinse is usually adequate.

- Throw away heavily soiled items.

Acceptable waste is recycled

This question often comes up. People are concerned that not all the materials they put in their recycle bin are recycled. Their concern is that some end up in landfills. This leads some to minimize their recycling efforts. According to several major waste management firms in Montgomery County, all the acceptable recycled materials listed above are being recycled.

You should continue to recycle all the items listed to the left in the first bulleted list.

Things you should not put in your recycle bin

- Foam containers and cups, even if they have a recycle symbol on them

- Cups coated with wax or plastic such as soda cups

- Plastic bags such as grocery store bags (You can often take these bags back to the grocery store.)

- Flexible packaging such as chip bags or juice pouches

- Plastic wrap

- Container caps

- Diapers



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“Live Here, Spend Here” Good For Local Economy

In an effort to promote existing Township businesses and encourage residents to spend more – or all – of their hard-earned money within Township borders, the Falls Supervisors are continuing with the popular “Live Here, Spend Here” initiative. Spending in one’s hometown not only supports the local business community, but creates jobs, strengthens the local economy and helps lessen the need for municipal taxes.

If each of the 13,000 Falls Township households spend as little as \$20 weekly on takeout dinner, or a gift from a local boutique, we could ensure that more than \$13 million is spent within our Township borders. The more spending our community does within Falls Township, the greater support we provide to our local businesses.

- Our local businesses give back to our community by:
- Creating local jobs for our neighbors
- Buying supplies/services from other local businesses
- Investing in our community
- Strengthening our local economy
- Generating tax revenue to reduce the need for municipal taxes

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To nominate a business to be featured as part of our “Live Here, Spend Here” effort, email admin@fallstwp.com.

Yard Waste to be Collected Oct. 29, Nov. 12 and Nov. 19

Falls Township will collect all yard waste, as well as leaves, on Oct. 29, Nov. 12 and Nov. 19. **We will not accept yard waste with regular trash collection until the last yard waste collection date.**

Leaves **MUST** be bagged in 30-gallon biodegradable PAPER BAGS or placed in 30-gallon trash containers **WITHOUT LIDS**. They are to be placed curbside by 6 a.m. on the designated collection day in the same location as your regular trash pickup. **LEAVES IN ANY OTHER CONTAINER WILL NOT BE COLLECTED.**

Christmas tree pickup dates are Jan. 14 and Jan. 28, 2023. Trees will not be picked up with regular trash.



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Falls Township Polling Places

1-1	Fallsington Elementary School	134 Yardley Ave.	Fallsington
1-2	Pennsbury West High School	608 Olds Blvd S.	Fairless Hills
1-3	Eleanor Roosevelt Elementary School	185 Walton Dr.	Morrisville
1-4	Village Park Elementary School	75 Unity Dr.	Fairless Hills
1-5	Eleanor Roosevelt Elementary School	185 Walton Dr.	Morrisville
1-6	Eleanor Roosevelt Elementary School	185 Walton Dr.	Morrisville
1-7	Fallsington Elementary School	134 Yardley Ave.	Fallsington
2-1	Oxford Valley Elementary School	430 Trenton Rd.	Fairless Hills
2-2	Pennsbury West High School	608 Olds Blvd S.	Fairless Hills
3-1	Oxford Valley Elementary School	430 Trenton Rd.	Fairless Hills
3-2	Oxford Valley Public Golf Course	141 N. Oxford Valley Rd.	Fairless Hills
4-1	St. Paul's Episcopal Church.....	89 Pinewood Dr.....	Levittown
4-2	Penn Valley Elementary School.....	180 North Turn Ln.	Levittown
4-3	Manor Elementary School	401 Penn Valley Rd.....	Levittown
4-4	Penn Valley Elementary School.....	180 North Turn Ln.	Levittown
4-5	Penn Valley Elementary School.....	180 North Turn Ln.	Levittown
4-6	Manor Elementary School	401 Penn Valley Rd.....	Levittown
4-7	Manor Elementary School	401 Penn Valley Rd.....	Levittown

Get involved: Become a Volunteer

Do you have extra time on your hands? Would you like to get more involved in the community?

Residents are welcome to volunteer to serve on one of the many boards and advisory bodies in Falls Township. If interested, please check the Township website for the most up-to-date openings. Letters of interest, noting preference for any of the openings, can be forwarded to: Falls Township, c/o Township Manager, 188 Lincoln Highway, Suite 100 Fairless Hills, PA 19030. You may fax the letter of interest to 215-949-9013 or email admin@fallstwp.org.



Smoke Detectors Save Lives

There have been far too many unnecessary tragedies due to non-working or missing smoke detectors. Smoke detectors save lives! If you need them, please contact the Falls Township Fire Marshal's office and staff will provide and install them free of charge.



Safety tips

- Install smoke alarms in every bedroom and outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home.

- Install alarms in the basement.
- Large homes may need extra smoke alarms.
- It is best to use interconnected smoke alarms. When one smoke alarm

sounds, they all sound.

- Test all smoke alarms monthly.
- A smoke alarm should be on the ceiling or high on a wall.
- Keep smoke alarms away from the kitchen to reduce false alarms. They should be at least 10 feet from the stove.
- People who are hard-of-hearing or deaf can use special alarms which have strobe lights and bed shakers.
- Replace all smoke alarms when they are 10 years old.

Put a Freeze on Winter Fires

Home fires occur more in winter than in any other season. As you stay cozy and warm this winter season, be fire smart!

Half of all home heating fires occur in December, January and February. Heating equipment is involved in one in every seven reported home fires and one in every six home fire deaths.

Tips for winter safety:

- Keep anything that can burn at least three feet from any heat source like fireplaces, wood stoves, radiators, or space heaters.
- Keep portable generators outside, away from windows, and as far away as possible from your house.
- Install and test carbon monoxide alarms once a month.
- Have a qualified professional clean and inspect your chimney and vents yearly.
- Store cooled ashes in a tightly, covered metal container, and keep it outside at least 10 feet from your home, any nearby buildings and fences.
- Plug only one heat-producing appliance (such as a space heater) into an electrical outlet at a time.

For more information on how to prevent winter fires, visit: www.usfa.fema.gov/winter or www.nfpa.org/winter.

Who We Are & What We Do

The Fire Marshal's Office is comprised of five full-time employees. The Director of Emergency Services/Fire Marshal, three Fire Inspector/Firefighters and an Administrative Assistant.

The department completes a wide variety of assignments throughout the year. Our primary responsibility includes conducting fire investigations to determine origin and cause, completing life/safety inspections, and responding to all fire and emergency incidents during the day to supplement the local volunteer fire companies.

The department completes life/safety inspections at nearly 1,000 locations annually. These locations include every business, school, hotel/motel, apartment complex and daycare within the Township. Collectively the office responded to over 580 fire company incidents in 2021.

The department also completes the additional tasks of reviewing fire detection and suppression plans for new installations and modifications of systems, inspecting the same systems to ensure compliance with regulations, following up on fire company responses to reduce false alarms, conducting fire prevention/safety training sessions, completing incident pre-planning exercises, testing and installing smoke detectors and other miscellaneous tasks as needed.

THINK BEFORE you deck the halls



More than 1/3 of home decoration fires are started by candles.



Think about using battery-operated flameless candles.



U.S. Fire Administration



Falls Unveils New Fleet of Vehicles



Fairless Hills Seeks Volunteer Firefighters

The Fairless Hills Fire Department seeks individuals to serve as volunteer firefighters. We also offer a Junior Firefighting program for ages 16-17.

Member benefits include free training, a pay-per-call incentive program, life insurance and bunk-in opportunities. If interested, stop by the fire station any Tuesday at 7 p.m. to speak with one of our firefighters.

Last year the emergency responders at Fairless Hills Fire Department responded to more than 600 calls and spent more than 4,000 hours on:

- Emergency incidents
- Training
- Community events and activities
- Educating approximately 2,000 students, teachers, and community members on fire safety

Our volunteers provide emergency services 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. A lot of time, effort and energy goes into keeping you, our community members, safe. The members of the Fairless Hills Volunteer Fire Department want to thank you for your continued support.



Join us for these upcoming events:

- 19th annual golf outing on Friday, Sept. 16
- Fire prevention open house, Thursday, Oct. 13 at 6 p.m.
- Breakfast with Santa, Sunday, Dec. 18 from 8 a.m. - noon.

William "Bill" Roberts Longtime Public Works Employee, Friend

William "Bill" Roberts Jr. was a hard-working man who relished his job as an operator for Falls Township's Public Works department. Bill's co-workers became family, and with them and his wife, Tammy, he traveled to NASCAR races in his camper.

"Bill loved work. He loved the guys that he worked with. They were like brothers to him," Bill's brother-in-law, Sherwood Taylor said. "They knew they were going to have a good day when they were assigned to work with Bill."

Bill, who had worked for the Public Works department for 46 years, died at age 63 in April.

"He was a great employee," Public Works Director Jason Lawson said. "There was never an issue with him. He did anything I asked."

Public Works Foreman Joe Arnao, who had worked with Bill for the last 30 to 40 years, echoed Lawson's sentiments.

"He was just a great guy," Arnao said. "Quiet. Never complained. Just a nice guy all around on and off the job."

Scott Gowton, who had worked with Bill for 33 years, recalled going to NASCAR races in Dover, Richmond and the



Poconos with Bill, and Tammy, prior to her death. He also enjoyed fishing with Bill and working alongside him.

"His demeanor was the best," Gowton said. "He was really close with his wife. Those two did a lot together."

In addition to co-workers, Bill enjoyed bringing family along on outings.

"When they went camping, they always took family with them, their nephews, their niece," Taylor said of his sister and brother-in-law. "They tried to make it a family affair."

Although the couple never had children, they treated Taylor's children like their own, making a point to attend all of the kids' soap box racing activities.

"Bill and Tammy were always there helping," he said. "My kids just thought the world of both of them."

An avid San Francisco 49ers fan – who was married for 35 years to an Eagles fan – Bill endured ribbing over his choice of NFL teams.

"He wasn't much of an Eagles fan, which drove his wife nuts," Taylor remembered. "He had their memorabilia, their jersey, the 49ers lamps. He was very much into the 49ers. He always was."

A Pennsbury High School graduate, Bill grew up in Fairless Hills and owned a

home in Fallsington.

"Bill enjoyed his home. He had a Harley-Davidson motorcycle, which he loved to ride," Taylor said. "He loved to grill. He had smokers and regular grills. Friday nights he would cook up steaks for him and Tammy."

A lover of music, he had an expansive record and CD collection, as well as 10 guitars ranging from acoustic to electric.

"His mom, Arlene Roberts, is donating one of his guitars to honor her son and benefit the Fallsington Library's upcoming silent auction for Fallsington Day," Taylor said. "She wants the music to play on. Bill would have liked that."

In addition to music, the couple also had three dogs and a few cats.

"They doted over their dogs," Taylor said. "They loved their dogs."

The couple's house backed up to Tammy's mother's home and he would regularly help his mother-in-law out around the house.

"Bill was like a third son to her," Taylor said. "Bill was very family oriented."

Sadly, the family lost both Bill and Tammy within a short span of time.

"He's very much missed by the whole family," Taylor said. "It's a big loss. We lost both of them in less than a year."



Tips For Safe Snow Removal

While enjoying the winter wonderland, remember these tips to help Falls Township crews clear the roads more quickly and efficiently:

- Mailboxes should be installed in accordance with U.S. Postal Service standards. Mailboxes installed incorrectly and, as a result are struck by a Township plow during snow removal operations, will be the sole responsibility of the property owner to repair.

- Move your vehicles out of the street and into private driveways (this also reduces the amount of snow you have to shovel).

- During any snow emergency, all vehicles must be removed from roadways.

- Wait to shovel your driveway until the plows have completed their final pass along the curb line or edge of pavement. A pass or two through the neighborhood does not mean the Township is finished with snow removal and your effort to clear your driveway entrance might be wasted.

- Shovel to the right-hand side of your driveway to reduce the amount of snow pushed back onto your driveways by plows.

- Clear your sidewalk by shoveling and salting within 24 hours of the last evidence of precipitation.

- Do not throw snow from any sidewalk or driveway into the roadway. Doing so is illegal, and you will be cited.

- Keep all receptacles (trash and recycling) on the sidewalk, not in the street.

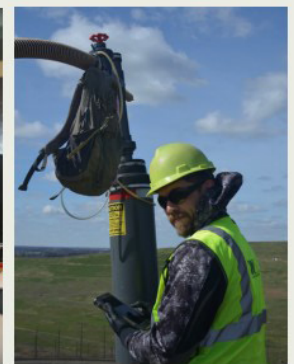
- If you have an inlet in front of your property, please assist the Township in keeping it clear of snow and ice. This will



prevent ice from accumulating and reduce drainage issues when snow begins to melt.

Please be patient during the snow removal process while the Township's plow operators work to clear roadways. We are here to get the roads open for travel as quickly as possible. Please remember we try to plow the roads from curb to curb to open the roadway as wide as possible. Some residents have no grass buffer between the curb and their sidewalks and snow is plowed onto the sidewalk area. This cannot be avoided. Snow is plowed to the shoulder of the roads to clear the travel areas.

We Value Safety and the Environment



At WM, our employees are committed to safety, environmental protection and conservation. Our core values include being responsible stewards of the environment and champions for sustainability. In Falls Township, our more than 100 employees are always working for a sustainable tomorrow.



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Free Township Job Fair Oct. 19

In an effort to connect Falls Township residents with local businesses seeking to fill myriad job openings, Falls Township will host a free job fair at Westaby Hall in the Fairless Hills Fire Department on Wednesday, Oct. 19 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Falls Township Fall Job Fair will feature hundreds of career opportunities from several dozen employers and businesses within the Township and the surrounding area. Job seekers will have the chance to meet and interact with local employers and hiring managers.

The event is free and open to the public. Job openings will be available from various industries.

It is recommended that applicants dress for success, wearing professional attire. In addition, it is a good idea to bring several resume copies.



To learn more

The event will be held on October 19 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Westaby Hall in the Fairless Hills Fire Department, 425 Hood Boulevard, Fairless Hills. To register your business for the job fair, please call Theresa Katalinas at **(215) 519-8833** or email katalinascommunications@gmail.com.