



## October 2023 - Digital Newsletter

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Road crew members will be going around the Township in zones, as they have in years past beginning November 6th. Click the picture above for a full schedule. The Road crew will be around a second time by zones, around November 27th weather permitting and will be finished by December 16th or with the first snowfall.

**YARD WASTE:** Road Crew members will collect yard waste by appointment only during the weeks of November 20th and November 27th.



**Don't forget to turn your clocks back one hour on November 5th.**

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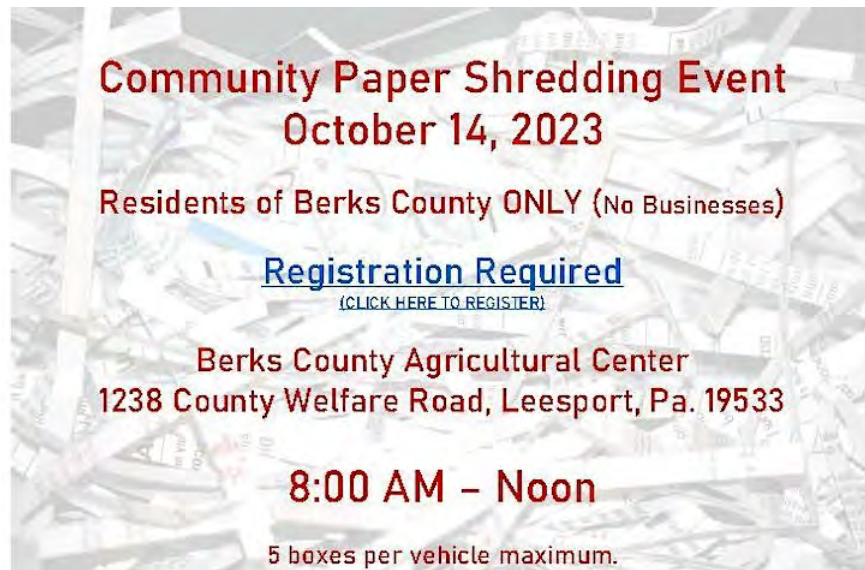


The rehabilitation of the Township's oldest park was completed with the installation of a new swingset in September. Park improvements over the past few years included demolition of the pavilion and erection of the new pavilion closer to the playground. Playground equipment was replaced. Basketball and tennis courts were completely redone and resurfaced, along with the parking lot. The skate park was resurfaced, old equipment removed, most of the equipment was salvageable and re-installed. Two new pieces of skate park equipment were purchased and installed. The Township plans to apply for grant funding to potentially purchase additional equipment for the skate park. These improvements were made possible in-part by a \$200,000.00 DCNR grant, matching Township funds, and a \$30,000.00 USTA grant.

Lake Drive Park is the most centrally positioned park with the greatest amount of access because it's within walking distance of so many residents. Amity Township was fortunate to have received grant funding for these improvements and hope residents enjoy their renewed park for years to come.

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## **Berks County Solid Waste Authority Save the Dates**

A graphic for a community paper shredding event. The background is a pile of shredded paper. The text is centered and reads: "Community Paper Shredding Event" in red, "October 14, 2023" in red, "Residents of Berks County ONLY (No Businesses)" in red, "Registration Required" in blue with a link "(CLICK HERE TO REGISTER)", "Berks County Agricultural Center" in red, "1238 County Welfare Road, Leesport, Pa. 19533" in red, "8:00 AM - Noon" in red, and "5 boxes per vehicle maximum." in red.

**Community Paper Shredding Event**  
**October 14, 2023**  
Residents of Berks County ONLY (No Businesses)  
**Registration Required**  
[\(CLICK HERE TO REGISTER\)](#)  
Berks County Agricultural Center  
1238 County Welfare Road, Leesport, Pa. 19533  
**8:00 AM - Noon**  
5 boxes per vehicle maximum.

## **BERKS COUNTY HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE**

**ALL RESIDENTS MUST PRE-REGISTER FOR THIS EVENT**  
**(RESIDENTS OF BERKS COUNTY ONLY)**

OCTOBER 21, 2023 (8:00 AM – NOON)  
BERKS COUNTY AGRICULTURAL CENTER  
1238 COUNTY WELFARE ROAD  
LEESPORT, PA 19533

**CLICK HERE to Register!**



BERKS COUNTY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY

## Electronic Recycling Center - 2023

~~~~~1316 Hilltop Rd., Leesport, Pa. (Bern Twp.)~~~~~

OPEN EVERY  
TUESDAY, THURSDAY & SATURDAY  
8:00 AM – NOON

ALL VISITORS MUST REMAIN IN THEIR VEHICLE,  
WHILE ON SITE.

PLEASE HAVE ALL ELECTRONICS IN THE TRUNK OF  
YOUR CAR OR BED OF PICKUP TRUCK

Televisions (Maximum of two per resident/vehicle per day)

**MAXIMUM OF 10 ITEMS PER VEHICLE**  
**(NO EXCEPTIONS)**

[Click Here for Details](#)

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## Monocacy Hill



**SUNDAY NOVEMBER 5, 1:30 PM - WALK IN THE WOODS**

**SUNDAY DECEMBER 3, 1:30 PM - WALK IN THE WOODS**

ALL WALKS START FROM THE PARK ENTRANCE (GEIGER ROAD  
PARKING LOT ) AND ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. ALL  
CHILDREN YOUNGER THAN 18 YEARS OF AGE MUST ACCOMPANIED  
BY AN ADULT.



# Helping Hands BINGO



Fridays at 10:15am  
Everyone Welcome for Picture BINGO

BINGO helps people of all ages with:

- concentration
- hand-eye coordination
- emotional well-being

Boone Area Library ~ 129 N. Mill St. Birdsboro, PA 19508

Join Boone Area Library for Helping Hands BINGO every Friday at 10:15am. This program is designed to create meaningful connections between community members of all ages and abilities. Senior citizens, adults, and children (3+) will help each other play picture BINGO. There will be small prizes, but the real reward is making new friendships. Registration is not required. Small prize donations accepted. All ages are encouraged to attend!

Boone Area Library has something for everyone! Check out their calendar of events monthly to see what they have for YOU! Click the picture above to learn more about programs and events at the library during the month of October.

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## Fire Prevention

During the month of October, volunteer firefighters are busy visiting schools to teach fire prevention. Every Friday, Amity Fire Company will post a safety tip on their Facebook page with an initiate on cooking safety. See the first tip of the month below:



# Cooking Safety

Cooking brings family and friends together, provides an outlet for creativity and can be relaxing. But did you know that cooking fires are the number one cause of home fires and home injuries? By following a few safety tips you can prevent these fires.

## “COOK WITH CAUTION”

- Be on alert! If you are sleepy or have consumed alcohol don't use the stove or stovetop.
- Stay in the kitchen while you are frying, boiling, grilling, or broiling food. If you leave the kitchen for even a short period of time, turn off the stove.
- If you are simmering, baking, or roasting food, check it regularly, remain in the home while food is cooking, and use a timer to remind you that you are cooking.
- Keep anything that can catch fire — oven mitts, wooden utensils, food packaging, towels or curtains — away from your stovetop.

## If you have a small (grease) cooking fire and decide to fight the fire...

- On the stovetop, smother the flames by sliding a lid over the pan and turning off the burner. Leave the pan covered until it is completely cooled.
- For an oven fire, turn off the heat and keep the door closed.

## If you have any doubt about fighting a small fire...

- Just get out! When you leave, close the door behind you to help contain the fire.
- Call 9-1-1 or the local emergency number from outside the home.



## Cooking and Kids

Have a “kid-free zone” of at least 3 feet (1 metre) around the stove and areas where hot food or drink is prepared or carried.

## FACTS

- ❗ The leading cause of fires in the kitchen is unattended cooking.
- ❗ Most cooking fires in the home involve the kitchen stove.



**NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION**  
The leading information and knowledge resource on fire, electrical and related hazards



[nfpa.org/education](http://nfpa.org/education) ©NFPA 2018

**If you are in need of a fire extinguisher please contact Amity Fire Company at 610-689-5218. Supplies are limited. Call today!**





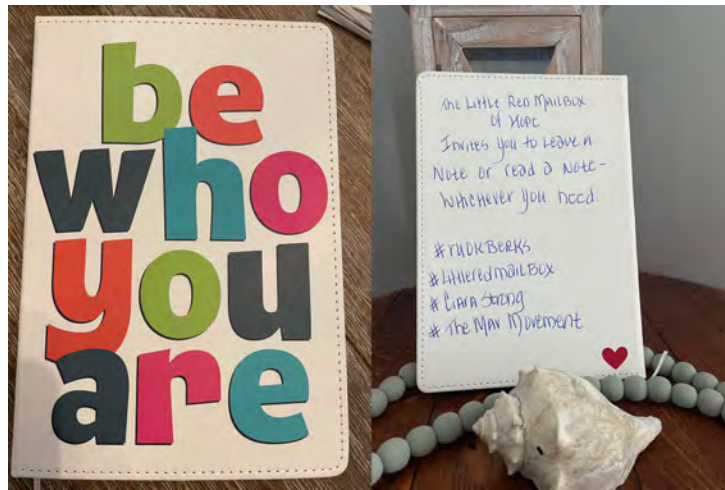
Not only is October Fire Prevention Month, it's also "round up month" at Kimberton Whole Foods. Now through October 31st, you can round up and donate the Amity Fire Company. Kimberton Whole Foods matches all donations!

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This November, the Little Red Mailbox of Hope turns 7 years old! Community members came together to give the mailbox a new look. The mailbox was originally dedicated to provide visitors of the park with a place to reflect upon feelings of sadness, loss or grief. It has evolved to a place you could read a note or leave a note that may become an inspiration for someone who may need it.

New this year, is a Sensory Journal, specifically designed for those with ADHD. The volunteers in our community have continued to support and seek hope, give hope and invest in hope every step of the way. For everything they've done to make the Little Red Mailbox of Hope a local treasure, Amity Township thanks you.



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## In honor of Roman Young

This beautiful bench is located at the lacrosse field at Amity Community Park. The bench serves as a place in our community where all those who knew and loved Roman Young can go to remember and reflect on the impact his young life had on them. Thank you to the friends and family of Roman Young for the donation of this bench and helping keep his memory alive.



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**Water will be turned off and bathrooms closed at all Township Parks on November 6th.**





**Restrooms will remain open at the Butch Boyer Memorial Pavilion in Amity Community Park.**

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## November 4th - Veteran's Appreciation Breakfast

**Veterans Appreciation Breakfast**

**VETERANS- Please RSVP by Friday, October 27**

**Senator Tracy Pennycuick**  
24th District

Please join me for breakfast to honor the military men and women who have served our country. The Keynote Speaker will be the Honorable State Representative Timothy J. O'Neal (Captain, United States Army), District 48.

- ★ **DATE:** Saturday, November 4, 2023
- ★ **TIME:** Doors open at 7:45 a.m. for check-in and the event is from 8:30 – 10:30 a.m.
- ★ **LOCATION:** Upper Perkiomen High School  
Two Walt Road, Pennsburg, PA 18073

Montgomery County veterans can bring their DD214 (military discharge papers) and a photo identification card (such as a Pennsylvania Driver's License) to receive a Veterans Photo ID Card. Berks County veterans can obtain information by contacting the Berks County Recorder of Deeds office.

Seating is limited. Veterans may register themselves and one guest by contacting Senator Pennycuick's office at (215) 541-2388 or online at [www.senatorpennycuick.com/veterans-appreciation-breakfast](http://www.senatorpennycuick.com/veterans-appreciation-breakfast).

Our Commonwealth is home to one of the largest veteran populations in the nation. If you are a veteran, thank you for your service! Sign up below using the RSVP button to register for a morning of fellowship, appreciation and information gathering from community resources.

**RSVP**

# Crafters Wanted!

**The 41st Annual  
Daniel Boone Optimist Club  
*Holiday Craft Show***

**Saturday December 2, 2023  
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Daniel Boone Middle School  
1845 Weavertown Road  
Douglassville, PA 19518**

**Quality Handcrafted Items From Over 100 crafters  
Free Admission \* Free Parking  
Refreshments \* Raffle**

For questions email: [DBCraftShow@gmail.com](mailto:DBCraftShow@gmail.com)

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**Vendor Application**



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**As we approach the holidays, it should be a time of joy and cheer. But for those who have lost loved ones, the holidays can also be a difficult time with periods of sadness. It's ok to not be ok. If you feel overwhelmed, please reach out for help. Operators are available to talk, text or chat any time, any day. Please call. Help is available when you need it!**

**We can all prevent suicide.  
Help is available 24/7/365**

**988 SUICIDE & CRISIS  
LIFELINE**

**24/7 CALL, TEXT, CHAT**





**Don't become a victim! Unlocked cars are easy targets for thieves, especially when items are left in plain sight. If you must leave valuables in your car, place them in the trunk and out of sight.**

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Thursday, October 12th at 7:00PM - Planning Commission

Wednesday, October 18th at 7:00PM - Board of Supervisors

Wednesday, November 1st at 7:00PM - Board of Supervisors Workshop

Thursday, November 9th at 7:00PM - Planning Commission

Wednesday, November 15th at 7:00PM - Board of Supervisors

Tuesday, November 21st - Parks and Recreation

Wednesday, November 29th at 7:00PM - Board of Supervisors Special Meeting

**Meetings are held at the Township building, 2004 Weavertown Road.**

Township Office will be closed on November 7th but will remain open for voting.

Township Office will be closed November 10th in observation of Veteran's Day.

Township Office will be closed November 23-24th in observation of Thanksgiving.

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## Amity Township Board of Supervisors

Kim McGrath, Chairperson / Dave Hackett, Vice Chair

Paul "Skip" Weller, Terry Jones, and Kevin Keifrider

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