

# Recycle properly—it's the law

Recycling is required in the state of Pennsylvania under Act 101, the Municipal Waste Planning, Recycling and Waste Reduction Act of 1988. As part of this legislation, the amount of recycled materials collected within each township is recorded, and municipalities are awarded performance grants based on the tons of recycled materials recorded each year.

In 2004, the most recent award, Franklin Township received a \$2,495 Recycling Program Performance Grant. With a population of 3,850 people, it collected 210.7 tons of recyclable material, with a recycling rate of 6.8 percent of all trash collected. The state of Pennsylvania has set a goal to recycle 25 percent of all trash.

Some people choose to take advantage

of their trash hauler's curb side recycling program, while others choose to take the recyclable items to local collection bins, including the bins located at Franklin Township's offices (behind the Post Office on Municipal Lane).

To help alleviate confusion as to what is and is not recyclable, a list of "do" and "do not" recycle is provided for each of the recycling bins at the Township building. The same items are accepted for recycling curb side, but are co-mingled in the recycling tub.

Keeping as much recyclable material out of the landfill as possible is important for everyone. Make it a goal to decrease the amount of waste your household generates and increase the amount of waste that can be recycled. Then recycle it properly for the benefit of all.

## Do Recycle

**ALUMINUM-** aluminum beverage cans

**METAL FOOD CONTAINERS-** rinsed metal food cans

**GLASS-** glass food containers, glass beverage containers

**PLASTIC BOTTLES-** soda bottles (PETE #1), milk jugs (HDPE #2)

**PAPER PRODUCTS-** newspapers, magazines, junk mail, phone books, catalogs, flattened egg cartons and cereal boxes

**CARDBOARD-** Corrugated cardboard only (must be flattened)

## Don't Recycle

**ALUMINUM-** foil, pie plates, chair legs, aluminum siding

**METAL FOOD CONTAINERS-** paint cans, miscellaneous metal, pipe, metal cylinders  
*(All other metals can be taken to various metal recyclers in the region, where you can even receive cash for your effort, while keeping recyclable materials out of the landfill)*

**GLASS-** plate glass, mirrors, Pyrex, light bulbs, ceramics

**PLASTIC BOTTLES-** butter tubs, buckets, plastic bags, Styrofoam, plastic fruit trays

**PAPER PRODUCTS-** waxed papers, milk cartons, metal coated papers, plastic coated papers, pizza boxes

## Open Space Committee Update

### Open Space Acquisition

Chester County has awarded Franklin Township a grant for the purchase of a partially-natural, partially-agricultural property. We anticipate a parallel grant from the state of Pennsylvania for this same property, as well as another grant for which the County earlier granted an award. Grant applications for several other properties have also been submitted to the County and State.

### Botanical Survey

The Township-wide botanical survey – part of a larger survey of the White Clay Creek watershed – is nearing completion. Janet Ebert, the study author, is tentatively

scheduled to review her findings during the Monday, December 10 Open Space meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building. At last count she has identified 804 species including 16 listed as Pennsylvania Natural Species Inventory species of special concern.

### Crossan Park

The new multipurpose playing field at Crossan Park was installed in August. Between Mother Nature and the contractor watering the field, the grass is beginning to germinate. Depending on the weather conditions over the next year, the field could be available for limited use in the fall of 2008.

## Directory

### Board of Supervisors

Juanita Bennett, chairman  
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Norman Hughes, member  
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### Township Administration

Stephen J. Ross - Interim Twsp. Manager  
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### Township Office

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### Township Meetings

All meetings are held in the meeting room at the Township Office

Work Session –  
2nd Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Board Meeting –  
3rd Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Planning Commission –  
1st Thursday, 7 p.m.

Historical Architectural Review Board –  
3rd Tuesday, odd months, 7 p.m.

Historical Commission –  
3rd Tuesday, odd months, 7 p.m.

Open Space Committee –  
2nd Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.