

CONOY TOWNSHIP

News

SPRING/SUMMER 2026

Conoy Township

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Monday-Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Board of Supervisors

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Meeting Dates:

Board of Supervisors Meetings

Second Thursday - 6:00 pm

Planning Commission Meetings

First Tuesday - 6:00 pm

Bainbridge Water Authority Meetings

Second Monday - 7:00 pm

Parks & Recreation

Third Monday (Jan, May, Sept) - 6:00 pm

Zoning Hearing Board

Fourth Thursday, as needed - 6:00 pm

Agriculture Security & Historical Review

as needed

The office will be closed on the following dates:

Good Friday Closed April 3
Memorial Day Closed May 25
Independence Day Closed July 4
Labor Day Closed September 7
Columbus Day Closed October 12
Veteran's Day Closed November 11
Thanksgiving Closed November 26 & 27
Christmas Closed December 24 & 25



Congratulations!!

At the January 5, 2026, Conoy Township Board of Supervisors meeting, Chairman Mariani presented the Outstanding Conoy Citizen Award to the late Christina "Tina" Mark for her outstanding service and

volunteerism to Conoy Township. Tina was a proud member of the Haldeman Mansion, the Conoy Parks and Recreation Commission, and volunteered her time to teach the summer playground kids about nature. Accepting the award on her behalf was her husband Dana and her family.

Summer Playground

The Conoy Township Summer Playground program will run June 3rd through July 31st. Registration is: Residents \$125.00 for the first child or \$250.00 per family; Non-Residents \$185.00 for the first child or \$310.00 per family. All participants are required to pay for elective trips and activities. Trips this year include Hershey Park, Lake Tobias, Turkey Hill Experience, Pretzel Factory, Cherry Crest Farms, Adventure Park, Go N' Bananas, Whitaker Center, Sky Zone, Guppy Gulch or Muddy Run, Urban Air, Dutch Apple, and the Lazer Factory. Raffle tickets are available for you to sell to help cover the cost of the trips and activities. Purchasers have the chance to win great prizes. Registration forms can be picked up at the Township Office or online at: <https://conoytownship.org/parks-and-recreation-commission/>. Registration forms are due by May 8, 2026, to guarantee a t-shirt. A late registration fee of \$10.00 will apply after May 8th. Contact Gina Mariani at 717-278-8484 with any questions. You can also search "I Love Conoy Summer Playground" on Facebook.

Conoy Township Brush Pile

The Conoy Township Brush Pile is being constructed off Division Street. When complete, residents will be required to register their property, vehicle, and or trailer for key fob access. The fee will be \$25.00 per year. More information will be available once the site is ready for use. Please continue to check our website, www.conoytownship.org for updates.



GriefShare, a support group for those who have lost a loved one will meet Monday evenings February 16, 2026-May 18, 2026 at the Conoy Community House, Conoy Township, 2346 River Rd, Bainbridge. Meetings which run from 6:30PM to 8:00 PM include a video series followed by a time for discussion and sharing. Members may purchase a workbook for more study. Call Karen Schatz 717-951-9000 or Tina Gruber 717-344-1531 for more information. (sponsored by Word of Life Chapel, Bainbridge).

Bainbridge Fire Department Steak & Shrimp Dinner Fundraiser

Saturday, April 18, 2026 - Take Out or Dine In.

\$36 Meal Includes: 1 Grilled New York Strip Steak, 1 Pound Shrimp, Baked Potato, Salad, Drink & Cupcake. For tickets or more information contact: Scott Garner 717-575-2631 or Dean Frank 717-572-3878.



Bainbridge Fire Department 2026 **Spring Craft and Vendor Fair**. Saturday, May 2nd at the Bainbridge Fire Hall. 9 am-2pm. Indoor & Outdoor Vendors, Raffles, Sweet Treats, Hot Dogs, & Soups for Sale



CJs FREE Youth 15 & under **Fishing Derby** will be held Saturday, May 23rd from 8:30 am - Noon at Conoy Park East Strickland Field off Rt 441 - bait fishing only. Contact Steve Mohr, 717-278-8542 for more info. Free door prizes will be given!

The annual **Memorial Day Parade** will be on Monday, May 25th at 9:00 am beginning at the Bainbridge Elementary School. The parade will travel down Second St. to the Bainbridge Cemetery where a Memorial Day service will be held. The annual bicycle contest for kids will also be held. Dust off those bikes and get them decorated for the parade. A community picnic at the Bainbridge Fire House will follow. Conoy Township will continue the tradition of selecting a Poppy King and Queen. If you know or have a 5th grade student interested in being selected contact Gina Mariani at 717-278-8484 for more information.



The Haldeman Mansion **Strawberry Festival** will be a two-day event this year with a Native American theme and honoring the late Tina Mark. The festival will be held on Saturday, June 6th from 10 am - 6 pm and Sunday, June 7th from 11 am - 4pm at the Haldeman Mansion on Locust Grove Road.



ECHOS of Hope Gala

Join them on May 14, 2026, at the Historic Acres of Hershey for the 5th Annual ECHOS of Hope Gala. When you attend the Gala, you are directly contributing to life-changing programs that provide emergency shelter, housing assistance, and critical resources to those in need.

At the ECHOS of Hope Gala, you'll be a part of a mission-focused evening filled with celebration, fine dining, silent and live auctions, and powerful storytelling. You'll have the chance to bid on baskets and vacations during their silent auction, all of which will benefit ECHOS.

Attendees will hear empowering statistics showing the ECHOS impact across their many programs and hear directly from an ECHOS client. Their clients have fought long and hard to get to where they are today. They are honored to be able to share their journeys with you at the ECHOS of Hope Gala.

For more information, visit their webpage at: <https://www.echoslanaster.org/echos-of-hope-gala> or contact them at 717-361-0740, office@echoslanaster.org.



Bainbridge Street Sweeping is scheduled for the week of June 1st. Please move vehicles and trailers from the posted streets so the sweeper can sweep as close to the curb and road edge as possible.

Elizabethtown Public Library Update

Thank you for your support! The Library is a place for all people to come explore. Whether you are looking for something new to learn, a skill to hone, a cake pan to bake, to socialize with friends, meet someone for work, grab a cup of coffee, find a new book, attend a program, or one of the many other things you can do here, we are here to help make your dreams come true! Your support makes numerous resources available for everyone in our community, and for that we are grateful!

Summer Reading Program for all ages starts Saturday, June 6. Join us *Unearth a Story* while earning prizes as we read, play, and learn with programs including our new Archaeologist Academy, which will explore dinosaurs and other extinct animals!

Youth Programming: Storytimes take place frequently throughout the year. On Mondays our youngest visitors meet at 9:30am. Wednesdays are for toddlers and Thursdays are for families, both meeting at 10:30am. Check our calendar for the current schedule. Musik Time meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. Baby **Musik Time** starts at 9:50am and Preschool Musik Time follows at 10:30am. This is an interactive and engaging program emphasizing music and promoting healthy developmental skills.

Coffee Shop: Did you know that the Library operates its very own coffee shop? We have responsibly sourced beans, which are roasted on site from a wide variety of coffee growing countries. Stop in to enjoy a single origin roast or one of our blends today. You can also buy beans by the pound, or now in K-Cup compatible pods! We also have teas, smoothies, and other drinks to satisfy your thirst when coffee isn't what you're after. Our Café is also the driving force behind our yearlong **World Café program**. Throughout the year we highlight a variety of regions of the world. You can pick up your World Café Passport at the Library and join us as we explore the world in which we live, learning about other cultures, traditions, and histories. As you complete tasks in the passport, you will try new recipes, read new books, learn fun facts, and create things all while earning prizes along the way.

Fingerprinting Services: Fingerprinting appointments are available Monday through Friday from 10am-1:50pm and Saturday from 9am-1:50pm. Walk-ins are encouraged to come between 9am and 10am, Monday through Friday. All people must pre-register at uenroll.identogo.com.

Book Sales: The spring book sale will run from March 24-28. The first day of the sale is a preview. It opens at 2 pm and there is a \$10 entrance fee, or people with a Friend's membership get in free. The remaining days of the sale will be open during regular Library hours and be extended to closing at 7pm on Friday. You can also visit the Friends of the Library's bookstore throughout the year to find great books at great prices as well as artwork from local artists. The bookstore is located on the first floor of the Library, near the Market Street entrance.

Library Hours:

Monday: 9am to 4pm
Tuesday: 9am to 7pm
Wednesday: 9am to 7pm
Thursday: 9am to 7pm
Friday: 9am to 4pm, or 2pm*
Saturday: 9am to 4pm, or 2pm*
*From Memorial Day to Labor Day.

Upcoming Closures:

April 4 (Spring Holiday)
April 17 (In-Service)
May 23 & 25 (Memorial Day)
July 4 (Independence Day)
September 5 & 7 (Labor Day)

To stay up-to-date on Library hours, services, programs, and closures, be sure to visit our website www.ETownPublicLibrary.org and our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/ElizabethtownPublicLibrary>.



**Municipal Emergency Services
Authority of Lancaster County**



Two MESA Team Members Now 'Car Seat Certified'

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), about half of all child car seats are installed incorrectly, significantly reducing their effectiveness in a crash. Proper car seat installation is essential to help children stay safe when traveling in a vehicle and maximizing protection.

Earlier this year, two Municipal Emergency Services Authority of Lancaster County (MESA) team members became "Car Seat Certified," which is a national certification for technicians who teach people how to use car seats correctly.

To be Car Seat Certified means to have completed extensive training covering the proper installation, use, and selection of car seats for various ages and vehicles. Car Seat Certified individuals are knowledgeable about state laws, different types of car seats (rear-facing, forward-facing, boosters), and how to accommodate special needs. Certification requires passing both written and hands-on examinations and is typically renewed every two years through continuing education.

Make a Car Seat Inspection Visit

Offering car seat inspections is one more way MESA helps keep our community safe! MESA is now accepting appointments for car seat inspections. During a car seat inspection visit, MESA will:

- Review your car seat's history to ensure it hasn't been recalled, isn't expired, and wasn't involved in a moderate-to-severe crash.
- Demonstrate proper installation using your specific car and seat, including checking for tightness (less than one inch of movement side-to-side and front-to-back at the belt path) and correct angle.
- Verify the harness fit on your child, ensuring the chest clip is at armpit level and the straps are snug against the child's body.
- Answer any questions and practice installation with you so you feel confident doing it yourself.

MESA also has a limited supply of car seats available, donated by the American Trauma Society, for families who lack financial resources or have an immediate need due to an accident that damaged a car seat.

For more information or to schedule a car seat inspection, call MESA at 717-361-8220. Representatives are available Monday through Friday, 9 am to 3 pm.

Be Prepared, Save a Life: Signs of Heart Attack

Heart disease is the leading cause of death worldwide and the most common cause of heart attacks. However, a heart attack doesn't always look like the dramatic "chest clutching" moment seen on television. Knowing the warning signs of a heart attack and when to get help is life-saving knowledge.

What to look for:

- Chest Discomfort – Most people who have a heart attack feel discomfort in the center of the chest that lasts more than a few minutes, or goes away and then returns. It may feel like an uncomfortable pressure, squeezing, fullness or pain.
- Upper Body Pain – Symptoms also can include pain or discomfort in one or both arms, the back, neck, jaw, or stomach.
- Shortness of Breath – This can happen with or without chest discomfort.
- Other Symptoms – Other possible signs to watch for include breaking out in a cold sweat, nausea, lightheadedness, profound fatigue, or an unusually rapid or irregular heartbeat.

If you or someone nearby exhibits these signs, do not wait. CALL 911 immediately. Minutes matter.

Thank You for Your Support in 2025

At MESA, we pride ourselves on our service to you and our community. Our team is dedicated to providing exceptional emergency medical response, and we are grateful for your support!

PERMITS

For a complete breakdown of when permits are needed, the permit process, applications and links to township ordinances, please refer to the Zoning/Permit section on the Township's website, www.conoytownship.org or contact the Zoning Officer **Brian Ziegler, Associated Building Inspections at 717-917-1149 or brian.z@weknowcodes.com**.

Fences and Walls

A permit is required to be obtained prior to the installation of a fence or freestanding wall. Livestock fencing is exempt from this requirement. Here are a few of the requirements for fences and freestanding walls:
**No fence or freestanding wall shall be erected to a height of more than forty-two inches in any front yard, with a few exceptions.

- No Fence or wall shall be erected to a height of more than six feet in any side or rear yard, with the exception of properties located in the Local Commercial District and Industrial District.
- Fences installed along side or rear lot lines are not subject to yard or setback requirements. Freestanding walls shall be setback five (5) feet from side and rear lot lines.
- Fences or freestanding walls within the front yard shall be located a minimum of two (2) feet behind the required street right-of-way. All fences shall be located completely within lot boundaries, and no fence may coincide with any lot line. If you are unsure of where your property lines/boundaries are, it is highly advisable to obtain the services of a professional surveyor.
- No fence or freestanding wall shall be erected within any clear sight triangle, within any area which blocks or limits visibility for driveways on adjacent properties, or within a public right-of-way or other rights-of-ways or easements.

Swimming Pools

Any pool with the ability to hold water deeper than twenty-four (24) inches requires a permit and inspection from Conoy Township. This includes "big box store" pool kits (Blue Wave, Intex, etc.). Consider the following building permit guidelines BEFORE you make a pool purchase:

- Swimming pools must be completely enclosed by a four (4) foot high fence or wall with a self-closing locking gate. This does not apply to above ground pools having a minimum solid wall height of four feet and having a retractable ladder, or those having less than twenty-four (24) inches of water. The fence or wall must be erected and inspected before the pool is filled with water.
- All pools shall be set back ten (10) feet from side and rear property lines measured either from the wall of the pool or any associated decking or concrete aprons.
- No water from a pool shall be discharged onto any public street or alley nor onto any adjoining property.
- Pools MAY NOT use extension cords to connect the pump. A single twist-lock receptacle may be located between five and ten feet from the pool. A 120-volt convenience outlet shall be located within ten feet and twenty feet of the pool. All receptacles serving the pool and all outdoor receptacles shall be GFCI protected.

Our 2025 performance and impact at-a-glance:

- Average Dispatch to Response Time: 01:21 minutes
- Average Dispatch to On-Scene Time: 08:00 minutes
- Total Dispatches (assignment to a call): 7,158
 - MESA Member Municipalities: 5,851
 - Mutual Aid Municipalities: 1,307
- Patient Contacts (assessments of a person): 6,009

Annual Fee Payments Due April 10

To maintain our high-quality operation and services, MESA assesses an annual fee to property owners. The funding ensures that when an emergency happens, we have the staff and equipment ready to respond 24/7.

Annual fee bills for 2026 were mailed in mid-February. Payment is due by April 10, 2026.

To save time, you can pay online using the account number of your bill by visiting the Pay Bill page on mesalancasterpa.gov and clicking "pay online."



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211 FALMOUTH ROAD
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Please note as of January 1, 2026,
the Township office hours are
Monday-Friday 8:00 am-4:00 pm
or by appointment.

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OTHER CONOY TOWNSHIP EVENTS & INFORMATION

Lancaster County 2027 Property Reassessment

Lancaster County is preparing for the 2027 property reassessment and encourages property owners within the County to do the same. Counties are required by law to conduct periodic reassessments of all properties. The County of Lancaster previously completed reassessments in 2017.

Property owners can begin checking their property record at www.lancastercounty.pa.gov/154/Property-Assessment to ensure that all data on file is correct. Property owners who find inaccurate or missing information may complete a property correction form or may contact the Property Assessment Office by emailing paquestions@lancastercounty.pa.gov.

National Night Out

Mark your calendars now for National Night Out which will be held in Conoy Township this year. The Susquehanna Regional Police Department will host National Night Out on Tuesday, August 4th. Activities will take place at the Division Street Field. More information will be available closer to the event.

2026 LCSWMA Vouchers

LCSWMA values the Conoy Township community and appreciates the ongoing support of their Lancaster Waste-to-Energy (WTE) Facility. To honor this partnership, LCSWMA offers Conoy Township residents a limited number of free disposal trips to its Lancaster WTE Facility each year. This program is limited to Conoy Township residents only. Residents can stop by the township office during regular business hours to pick up their free vouchers.

**WITHOUT IDENTIFICATION,
A LOST DOG MAY NEVER
MAKE IT HOME.**

Your best friend's best chance to make it home safely is to be properly licensed.

All dogs must be licensed when you buy or adopt them (earliest is 8 weeks old) or 3 months of age, whichever comes first, by Jan. 1 of each year.



Failure to have your dog licensed may result in a fine of up to \$500 plus court costs.

How to apply for a Dog License

Lancaster County Treasurer
150 N Queen Street, Ste 122
Lancaster, PA 17603
717-299-8222



Scan to apply online or find a location to purchase in person!

How much does a license cost?

Annual Licenses	\$10.00
Lifetime Licenses	\$52.00
Senior Citizens or Residents with Disabilities:	
Annual Licenses	\$8.00
Lifetime Licenses	\$36.00

Licenses can be obtained through your County Treasurer.

For a list of County Treasurers, visit www.licensesourtpa.com



For more information, contact the PA Department of Agriculture at 717.787.3062



Sewer Payments - Sewer bills are mailed quarterly: January 15, April 15, July 15, & October 15. Sewer payments can be made online with a credit card or your bank account information: <https://conoytownship.org/sanitary-sewer>. Accounts incur a 10% penalty after the due date and 18% annum interest. For payments mailed the postmark determines if payment was received on time. Any account over \$420.00 past due will be sent to the solicitor for collections and/or the filing of a municipal lien against the property. All fees associated with collections will be the property owner's responsibility and will be posted on the account.