

BOROUGH SERVICES SCHEDULE

APRIL ~ SEPTEMBER 2016

YARD WASTE AND RECYCLING CONTAINERS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT THE BOROUGH OFFICE. THE COST IS \$13 EACH FOR A 20 GALLON CONTAINER.

YARDWASTE COLLECTION

Month	PLACE YARD WASTE CONTAINERS OUT BY 7AM ON MONDAY OF THE FOLLOWING WEEKS:
April	25th
May	23rd
June	20th
July	27th
August	22nd
September	26th

Yard Waste Guidelines

- Different trucks collect various types of yard waste and not always at the same time. Therefore, yard waste must be placed in your regular refuse collection area by **7am on Monday morning** to be collected sometime that week
- No bags or boxes will be accepted – only open containers.
- Yard waste containers may not have lids and must be marked with the complete word “yard waste” in large letters on all sides of the can.
- All yard waste containers must have drainage holes in the bottom of the can and hand holds.
- Limbs 1”-12” in diameter must be neatly stacked in the regular refuse collection area with cut ends facing one direction towards the street or alley
- Plants, twigs, and any bush trimmings smaller than 1” diameter, must be put in open containers not exceeding 45 pounds, or, bound together in bundles not exceeding 4-feet in length or 45-pounds in weight using cotton or sisal

twine only. **Bagged items and unbound loose piles will not be picked up!**

- Tree stumps or branches larger than 12” in diameter may be placed for collection, but will be picked up separately from the other yard waste.
- The Borough does not collect grass clippings.
- **Pumpkins, gourds, hay bales, and other vegetation used for seasonal decorations will be collected as yard waste.**

PLEASE NOTE: Any items not at the appropriate pick-up location by the described time will be missed.

SPRING LEAF COLLECTION ~ APRIL 4 THROUGH 8

Leaves will not be collected from any alleys. No limbs, grass, or yard waste may be mixed in with the leaves.

STREET SWEEPING ~ Begins the month of April and ends in October. Street sweeping will start the first weekday of every month for a one week period of time.

RECYCLING COLLECTION ~ EVERY WEEK

Place recycling cans out for collection not before dusk of the day before your collection and not after 7 AM of the day of collection.

Holiday Refuse/Recycling Schedule (Subject to change):

- Holiday on Monday = Tuesday is collection day
- Holiday on Tuesday = Wednesday is collection day
- Holiday on Wednesday = Thursday is collection day
- Holiday on Thursday = Friday is collection day
- Holiday on Friday = Thursday (prior to holiday) is collection day

The Borough office will be closed on the following dates:

- Memorial Day - Monday, May 30th
- Independence Day - Monday, July 4th
- Labor Day - Monday, September 5th
- Columbus Day - Monday, October 10th

Please contact the Borough office at (717) 838-6361 if you have any questions.

Spring 2016



Working Together for a Common Cause - a Better Community!

Our Town News

COLLECTION CHANGES TAKE EFFECT IN 2016

At GLRA'S ELECTRONICS FACILITY

Beginning January 2016, the Greater Lebanon Refuse Authority renegotiated the contract with its electronics recycling vendor and as a result changes went into effect. GLRA's electronics recycling vendor will no longer accept household appliances for free, so GLRA elected to drop them from the program.

THESE ITEMS ARE NO LONGER ACCEPTED AND ARE ALLOWED TO BE DISPOSED OF IN THE REGULAR TRASH: Stereo · Radio · Boom Box · Digital Clock · Copy Machine · Fax Machine · Calculator · CD Player · VCR · DVR · DVD Player · Toaster · Toaster Oven · Stereo Speakers · Answering Machine · Sweeper · Vacuum · Iron · Hair Dryer · Hand Mixer · Stand Mixer · Blender · Microwave Oven · Small Satellite Dish · Console Stereo · Christmas Tree String Lights

THESE ARE THE ACCEPTED ELECTRONIC DEVICES THAT GLRA WILL TAKE FOR FREE:

- All Computers and PCs (Desktops, Laptops, Notebooks, Tablets, and Servers)
- All Computer Monitors and Televisions (CRT, LCD, LED, Plasma, Flat screen, Projection and Console)
- Computer Peripherals: Keyboards, Mice, Computer Speakers, and External Devices External Devices include: CD/DVD/Blu-Ray ROM/Burners, Scanners, Wireless Routers/Switches Modems, and External Tape, Optical, and Hard Disc Drives
- Printers: All Desktop Printers, Dot Matrix, Inkjet, Laser, and All in Ones (Printer-Scanner-Fax Combos)
- Digital Cameras and Camcorders (Video)
- Telephones, Cell Phones, PDAs, Smart Phones, Mobile Devices, Hand-held PCs, and MP3 Players
- All Electronic Cables and Wiring
- Video Games, Gaming Consoles, and Controllers
- Power Supplies, UPS (Un interruptible Power Supply) Systems, USB Ports/Drives, and Battery Back Ups

Yard Waste and Recycle Containers for Sale

The Borough has purchased new containers for recycling and yard waste. The recycling containers are 25 gallons and blue in color. The yard waste containers are also 25 gallons and are bright yellow in color. The containers will be sold for \$13.00 each and are available at the Borough office. Residents are permitted to continue using the green recycling containers as well as your current yard waste containers provided they meet the following requirements: Containers may not exceed 33 gal. or 45 lbs., must have handles and drainage holes, and no lids. No bags or cardboard boxes are permitted.

Refuse/Recycling Can Corrals

If you keep your refuse/recycling cans in a corral, please be advised that our crews will not pull those cans out of the corral. This procedure is a worker's compensation claim waiting to happen, which will ultimately increase the costs to all Borough residents. Residents are permitted to keep their cans in corrals, but need to remove their cans or bags from the corral on their designated collection day.

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WANT TO SAVE MONEY ON YOUR REFUSE BILL? RECYCLE MORE!!

This removes weight from the Refuse truck, which results in the Borough paying less in tipping fees, which affects your wallet! Your decisions help control costs.

THE PALMYRA POLICE DEPARTMENT STEPS UP ENFORCEMENT FOR THE FOLLOWING...

Railroad Safety: According to Just Drive PA, there were 106 crashes at rail crossings, resulting in 7 fatalities and 60 injuries in 2014. 37 of these crashes involved a train. This compares to 57 crashes, 2 fatalities and 44 injuries in 2013. 19 of these crashes involved a train. These safety tips and other railroad safety information available through Operation Lifesaver can help you stay safe around Pennsylvania's railroads.



- Never drive around lowered gates - it's illegal and deadly.
- Never race a train to the crossing - even if you tie, you lose.
- Do not get trapped on the tracks. Only proceed through a highway-rail grade crossing if you are sure you can completely clear the crossing without stopping. Remember, the train is three feet wider than the tracks on both sides.
- If your vehicle ever stalls on a track while a train is coming, get out immediately and move quickly away from the tracks in the direction from which the train is coming.
- At a multiple track crossing waiting for a train to pass, watch out for a second train on the other tracks, approaching in either direction.
- Always expect a train! Freight trains do not follow set schedules.
- Be aware that trains cannot stop quickly. A freight train moving 55 miles per hour can take a mile or more to stop. That's 18 football fields!
- Do not be fooled - the train you see is closer and faster moving than you think.
- When you need to cross train tracks, go to a designated crossing, look both ways, and cross the tracks quickly, without stopping.
- Cross tracks only at designated pedestrian or roadway crossings.
- Never walk down a train track; it's illegal and it's dangerous.

Follow one simple rule – don't move until the red crossing lights stop flashing!



Pedestrian Crosswalks: All motorists and pedestrians are asked to observe the pedestrian crosswalks. The PA Motor Vehicle Code lists the following regulations for pedestrian crosswalks:

1. When traffic-control signals are not in place or not in operation, the driver of a vehicle shall yield the right of way to a pedestrian crossing the roadway within any marked crosswalk or within any unmarked crosswalk at an intersection.
2. No pedestrian shall suddenly leave a curb or other place of safety and walk or run into the path of a vehicle which is so close as to constitute a hazard.
3. Whenever any vehicle is stopped at any crosswalk at an intersection or at any marked crosswalk to permit a pedestrian to cross the roadway, the driver of any other vehicle approaching from the rear shall not overtake and pass the stopped vehicle.

WHAT DO WEST NILE VIRUS AND OLD TIRES HAVE IN COMMON? *MOSQUITOES!*

Mosquitoes can be annoying and sometimes pose a serious risk to public health. In certain areas of the United States, mosquitoes can transmit diseases like West Nile Virus and equine encephalitis. To combat mosquitoes and the public health hazards they present, many federal agencies, states and localities have established mosquito control programs. One of those programs offered by the Penn State Cooperative Extension office in Lebanon is tire collection. Rainwater settles into old tires, creating a breeding point for mosquitoes.

The Lebanon Tire Collection program will take place at the Lebanon Expo Center, 80 Rocherty Road on Wednesday, April 20th from 8 AM to 6 PM. The Penn State Extension Office asks Lebanon County residents to follow these steps:

- Open to persons living in Lebanon County. Please bring proof of address: driver's license, phone bill, etc. Out-of-county individuals or tire related businesses need to pay for all tires they dispose of at the collection.
- 12 auto or 2 large (or a mix of 1 large and up to 6 auto) tires can be taken for free.
- Excess tires or tires from municipalities that are out of funds, will be accepted at \$2.50 per auto tire and \$20 per large tire.
- Tires must be off the rim, drained of water, unburned, and not excessively dirty.

REDUCING STORM WATER POLLUTION

Is EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS!



STORM WATER – When it rains, storm water runoff carries pollutants from EVERYONE'S rooftops, lawns, driveways, sidewalks, streets and parking lots into nearby streams. Follow these simple tips for cleaner streams and healthier environment:

- NEVER dump anything down a storm drain.
- Sweep up yard debris rather than hosing down paved areas.
- Compost or recycle yard waste.
- Clean up pet waste.
- Plant a tree or shrub-they soak up storm water.
- Keep lawn chemicals off driveways & sidewalks.
- Fix oil and radiator leaks on your car & tractor.
- NEVER put trash, tires or old appliances in a stream.
- Don't put oil or trash in storm drains – storm drains empty into streams.
- Don't pour waste household chemicals onto the ground or in old wells-dispose of them properly.
- Don't put grass cuttings or leaves in street gutters.
- Don't litter - put trash in a trash can.