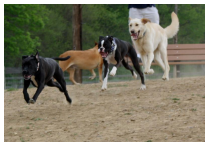




Dear Diana,

Thank you for welcoming us into your inbox and **WELCOME to our newest subscribers**. Here is your **September 2017** issue of the Ferguson Township e-Newsletter.

Changes happening at area parks



Construction activities have begun on the Tudek Dog Park parking lot and Township Public Works crews are removing the playground equipment at the Overlook Heights Tot Lot. [Learn more...](#)

Police are concerned about marked increase in school bus violations



Local school bus violations doubled between the 2015-16 and 2016-17. Children's safety is at risk when drivers meet or pass stopped school buses, and the penalties are severe. [Learn more...](#)

Supervisors adopt 2018 - 2022 Capital Improvement Program



At its Regular Meeting on Tuesday, September 5, the Ferguson Township Board of Supervisors unanimously adopted the 2018 - 2022 Capital Improvement Program (CIP), a five-year financial guide for the Township. [Learn more...](#)

October will be National Community Planning Month



At its Regular Meeting on Monday, September 18, the Ferguson Township Board of Supervisors proclaimed October as **National Community Planning Month** in Ferguson Township. The Pennsylvania Chapter of the American Planning Association (APA-PA) will host its annual statewide conference at The Penn Stater October 22 - 24. [Read about the Planning & Zoning Department's current projects...](#)

- FERGUSON TOWNSHIP CALENDAR**
- SEPTEMBER 25**  
Planning Commission, 6 pm
- SEPTEMBER 26**  
Zoning Hearing Board, 7 pm
- OCTOBER 2**  
Board of Supervisors, 7 pm
- [Next round of Brush and Leaf Collection begins, curbside by 7 am](#)
- OCTOBER 9**  
Planning Commission, 6 pm
- OCTOBER 14**  
[Coffee & Conversation with Ferguson Township, 8 - 9:30 am](#)
- OCTOBER 16**  
Tree Commission, 6:30 pm
- Board of



October

Brush and Leaf Collection begins Monday, October 2

Curbside by 7 am October 2

Special Brush Collection begins Monday, October 16

Curbside by 7 am October 16

Township will continue collecting leaves Monday through Saturday starting the 3rd week in October and continue until winter operations start or collection is no longer needed

November

No collections on Thanksgiving

Leaf Collection begins Monday, November 6

Curbside by 7 am November 6

Last round of Brush Collection begins Monday, November 6

Brush Collection will resume in the spring

Leaf Collection will continue until winter operations begin or no longer necessary

December

No collections after December 15, when winter operations begin

Leaf Collection begins Monday, December 4

Curbside by 7 am December 4, weather permitting

Winter operations continue through March

**Fall Brush and Leaf Collection Schedule**  
The next weeklong round of Brush and Leaf Collection begins Monday, **October 2**, and a **Special Brush Collection** will take place the week of **October 16**. [Brush and Leaf Collection Guidelines...](#)

School Real Estate Taxes Due

Two (2) percent discount period ended August 31

Supplemental Real Estate Taxes

Please be aware that most escrow companies will not pay supplemental real estate bills. It is the homeowner's responsibility to pay.

Regional Tax Rates

See chart below.

The Annual Audit Report (CAFR) has been completed

The Township is financially healthy and continues to have strong fund balances. In 2016, revenues exceeded budget and expenditures were under budget.

The 2018 - 2022 Capital Improvement Plan is underway

The Township has completed the five-year Capital Improvement Plan for the current year. The CIP aims to predict large expenditures for the next five years. It is the product of public comment and many hours of work by Township staff and elected officials.



- Supervisors, 7 pm
- Special Brush Collection
- OCTOBER 23  
Planning Commission, 6 pm
- OCTOBER 24  
Zoning Hearing Board, 7 pm
- OCTOBER 31  
[Trick or Treat Night in Ferguson Township, 6 - 8 pm](#)
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- Cost of daily essential services:
- [2017 Budget Executive Summary](#)
- [2018 - 2022 Capital ImprovementProgram](#)
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REGIONAL TAX RATES		
Tax	Rate	Collector
Township Real Estate	2.422 mils	Ferguson Township
County Real Estate	7.84 mils	Centre County
School Real Estate	44.1468 mils	Ferguson Township
School Earned Income Tax	.95 percent	State College Borough
Township Earned Income	1.4 percent	State College Borough
Local Services Tax	\$52 per year	State College Borough
Transfer Tax	1.25 percent	Centre County

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**2017 FALL & WINTER HOLIDAY  
TRASH & RECYCLING DATES**  
  
If your weekly pick-up day falls on or after these holidays, your trash and recycling service will be delayed by one (1) day during the holiday week:  
  
**NOVEMBER 27 FIRST DAY OF BUCK SEASON  
DECEMBER 25 CHRISTMAS WEEK  
JANUARY 1, 2018 NEW YEAR'S DAY  
2017 FALL BULK WASTE WEEK  
October 9 - 13, 2017**  
  
**University Area Joint Authority (UAJA) Compost Facility**  
Open year 'round, 6:30 am - 3 pm Monday through Friday (except holidays)  
Compost is \$7 per cubic yard March 1 - September 30; \$5 per cubic yard  
\$2 per car with container. All loads must be tarped/covered.  
Call (814) 238-5361 for more information.







### Photo Gallery: Penn State's Ag Progress Days

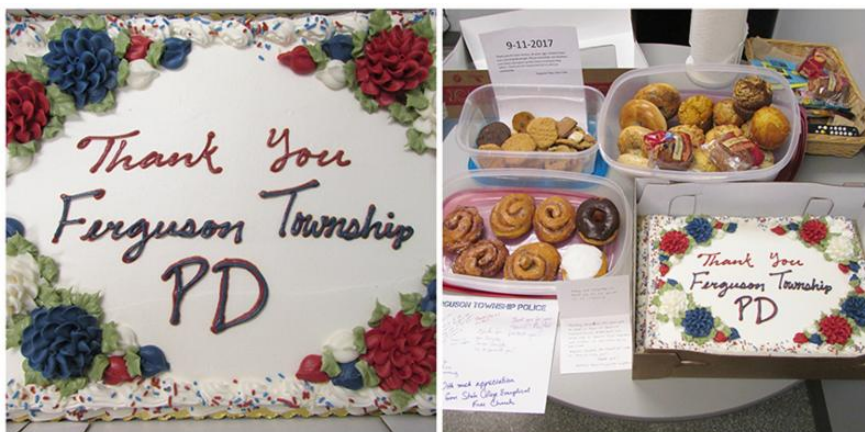
Penn State's Ag Progress Days took place August 15 - 17 on 150 acres at the Russell E. Larson Agricultural Research Center in Rock Springs. There was plenty to see and do, including a kid-safe tree climb using safety ropes and harnesses, assisted by certified arborists, and a corn maze. [Read more...](#)



### Photo Gallery: Pine Grove Mills Harvest Festival

People who are interested in a farmers market for Pine Grove Mills came together in the parking lot at St. Paul Lutheran Church on September 16 to sell and shop. This was an opportunity for local farmers and other vendors to test the community's desire for a farmers market that, if approved under an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance, would open this spring.





### Honored on the anniversary of 9/11, FTPD thanks the community

The Ferguson Township Police Department thanks those who brought cards and treats September 11 in honor of the 16th anniversary. A note from the Ferguson Township Lions Club thanked the department for their service, in remembrance of all those lost on 9/11, particularly the first responders who sacrificed their lives trying to help others. "Thank you for being there for us and our community."

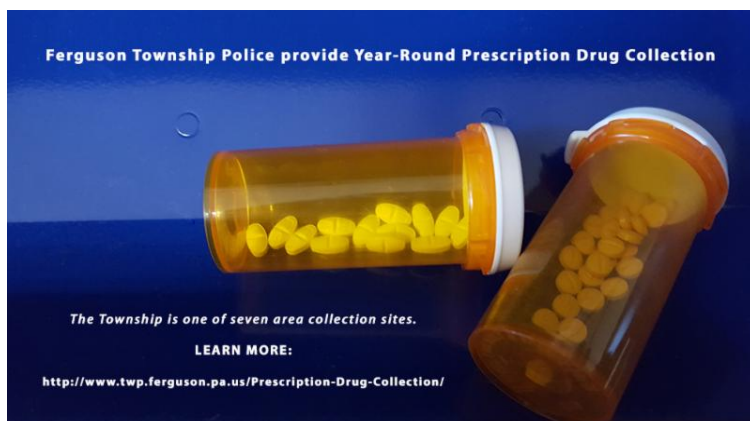
### September is Suicide Awareness and Prevention Month



Our Board of Supervisors designated September as Ferguson Township Suicide Awareness and Prevention Month. The Jana Marie Foundation will host a Mokita dialogue on **Suicide Prevention from noon to 1 pm at New Leaf Initiative, State College**

**Municipal Building, 243 S. Allen St., Suite 337, Thursday, September 28.**

### [Year-Round Prescription Drug Collection](#)



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