

Ferguson Township e-Newsletter

September 2014



Dear Tonya,

Here is your September issue of the Ferguson Township e-Newsletter! Thank you for welcoming us into your inbox.



Ready for winter weather? Stay informed

Morning temperatures have already dropped into the low 40s and it's not even officially fall. Is winter just around the corner? Last winter's bitter cold and snow

reminds us to be prepared. We can keep you informed about our snow emergency routes; protecting your mailbox from snow plow operations; responsibility for snow and ice removal; maintenance of our shared use paths during the winter months, and winter brush and leaf collection.

[Sign up for our Winter Weather Reminders](#). Click on the Winter Weather Reminders e-mail list at the link.

New ordinance addresses trees with infectious disease

Our trees in Ferguson Township are protected by a new ordinance adopted by the Board of Supervisors on August 18. Caring for them is a commitment the township takes seriously by planting, maintaining and removing them as necessary to preserve the health of all trees in the township. Section 5 of the new ordinance outlines the Township's policy on hazardous and nuisance trees on public and private property. These include trees that may be infected with oak wilt. [Read more about the new tree ordinance and learn about oak wilt.](#)



Township adds three farms to the County's Agricultural Conservation Easement program

One of the many assets Ferguson Township is committed to preserving is its agricultural heritage.

Our Township is home to numerous farms run by hard working families who want to keep farming generation after generation. In cooperation with Centre County and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the Township recently closed on three Agricultural Conservation Easements--a total of 316.02 acres. [Read more...](#)

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TRIAD CITIZEN'S POLICE ACADEMY

Get to know law enforcement and how to prevent crime. Ferguson Township will host the Wednesday, October 1, session of the Centre County TRIAD's 17th Annual Citizen's Police Academy from 8:30 am to noon at the Ferguson Township Municipal Building.

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TRICK-OR-TREAT NIGHT IN THE CENTRE REGION

6 - 8 pm Thursday, October 30

Your Ferguson Township Police Department will schedule extra patrols on Trick-Or-Treat Night to help keep participating families safe.

Please drive slowly and be mindful of children

Township prepares 2015 Annual Operating Budget

Ferguson Township is preparing an expanded 2015 Annual Operating Budget. The Operating Budget is part of a series of planning documents used by the Township, including the [Strategic Plan](#), [Capital Improvement Plan](#) and the [Comprehensive Annual Financial Report \(CAFR\)](#). Read more at the highlighted links. For more insight into the budget process, you may be interested in reviewing the [2014 Budget Executive Summary](#). The document will be submitted in consideration for the Government Finance Officers Association Distinguished Budget Presentation Award.

Public Works earns praise for McKee bike path repairs



Our Ferguson Township Public Works crews are hard at work making our township roads, public areas, and shared walking and bicycle paths look and function at their best. Their achievements this summer included repairs to the McKee Street bike path from Clinton Avenue in Ferguson Township to McKee Street in the

Borough of State College. Brian Dempsey, who chairs the Centre Region Bicycle Advisory Committee, commended Public Works on its improvements. "Thanks for keeping the biking community informed," he wrote, "and especially thanks for the marvelous widening and resurfacing of the McKee Street bike path. I can vouch that it's a great improvement on what was formerly a very good path but with some spots that needed attention. We certainly appreciate Ferguson Township's efforts to improve alternative transportation opportunities."

We can share the path



Members of this bike-friendly community came together on September 4 at Sunset Park to show their support for sharing our paths in the Centre Region. "As a community we can all be a little more aware of how we can contribute to the safe use of the bikeways," said Ferguson Township Manager Mark Kunkle, "while enjoying them to the fullest." [Read more.](#)

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and their families walking through neighborhoods and streets.

YOUR FALL NEWSLETTER

Your Ferguson Township fall newsletter features stories about the Tudek Park Trust, the Centre Region Share the Path program, and ways that our Ferguson Township Police are building trusted relationships in the community. In addition, you'll find information about bulk waste collection, trash and recycling during the holidays, CATA game day shuttles, fall Centre Region Parks & Recreation programs and Schlow Centre Region Library resources. [Read it online.](#)

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