

Storm Water Pollution Solutions



When storm water crosses driveways, lawns, and sidewalks, it picks up debris, chemicals, dirt, and other pollutants on the way into the storm sewer system. Anything mixed with the water will then be released, untreated, into the waters we use for swimming, fishing, and to provide our drinking water. **Polluted runoff is the nation's greatest threat to clean water.**

Healthy Household Habits for Clean Water

- ☉ **Vehicle & Garage:** use a commercial car wash, or wash your car on a lawn or an unpaved surface to minimize the amount of dirty, soapy water flowing into the storm drain. **Recycle used oil** at participating service stations. **Check your vehicles and equipment for leaks and spills**, and repair them promptly. **Clean up spills with absorbent material** (kitty litter, sand) and dispose of the absorbent material properly.
- ☉ **Lawn & Garden:** use pesticides and fertilizers sparingly. Select native plants and grasses that are drought and pest resistant; they need less water and less of these chemicals. **Sweep up yard debris**, rather than hosing down areas. **Compost or recycle yard waste.** Water your lawn during the cool time of day, and don't overwater.
- ☉ **Home Repair & Improvement:** know where the nearest storm drain is, and protect it from debris or other materials used in outdoor projects. **Sweep up and properly dispose of** construction debris such as concrete and mortar. **Purchase and use nontoxic, biodegradable, recycled, and recyclable products whenever possible.** Use the smallest amount possible of hazardous substances like paints, solvents, and cleaners. Always follow label directions, and clean up spills immediately. Store substances properly to avoid leaks and spills. **Reduce the amount of paved area** and increase the vegetated area in your yard. **Direct downspouts away from paved surfaces and onto lawns.**
- ☉ **Pet Care:** always pick up after your pet! Flushing is the best disposal method.
- ☉ **Swimming Pool/Spa:** drain only when chlorine level does not register on a test kit, preferably into the sanitary sewer system. Properly store pool & spa chemicals to prevent leaks and spills.

—————▶ **REMEMBER: ONLY RAIN DOWN THE DRAIN!** ◀—————

LEAF COLLECTION SCHEDULE & FALL/WINTER CLEANUP TIPS



Leaves will be collected curbside during the weeks of **OCTOBER 26, NOVEMBER 9, NOVEMBER 23, and DECEMBER 7.** Be sure to have your leaves at the curb by 7 am Monday of the collection week, or take them to the fenced area at the Borough Garage on Spruce St.

⇒ **NO GRASS OR OTHER YARD WASTE SHOULD BE MIXED WITH THE LEAVES,**
because they will clog the leaf vacuum. **MIXED PILES WILL NOT BE PICKED UP.**

Leaves, grass, garden and yard waste, and tree and shrub trimmings can all go to the Emmaus Yard Waste Site. Christmas trees are not recycled, and should be placed out for trash. Dates for pickup will be announced later-check the website for updated info.

* **WHEN IT SNOWS, PLEASE REMEMBER:** *

- * ⇒ It is **ILLEGAL** to blow or shovel your snow into the street (this is a Pennsylvania State Law).
 - * ⇒ Sidewalks must be cleared of snow and ice within 24 hours of the end of the storm, and kept clear. Violators will be notified and cited if necessary.
 - * ⇒ When a **Snow Emergency** is declared, all vehicles must be removed from streets that are posted as Snow Emergency Routes, or they will be towed.
 - * ⇒ Snow emergencies will be announced on TV Channel 69 and local radio stations. Streets involved are posted on our web site, or call Borough Hall at 610-966-2503.
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The **Macungie Business Revitalization Program** is working on a **Downtown Master Plan** that will help to determine how Main Street will develop, what businesses should be recruited and assisted, how the Borough can best promote itself, and what changes should be made to the Borough's regulations to promote growth, success, and a thriving downtown business district.

This is your Main Street! We need your input to develop this plan. The committee meets once a month at the Macungie Institute (call 610-966-2503 for more info). Two community meetings will be held in the near future, and we are looking for input from residents and businesses. You can be involved in shaping the future of the Borough—for more information, call Borough Hall (610-966-2503), or contact Mike Schlossberg (484-809-1796), or email MikeS@lehighvalleychamber.org.

Farmers Market: It's hard to believe, but the 3rd season of the Macungie Farmers Market will end on October 29th. On behalf of the vendors, we thank you for supporting the market, making this our most successful season. We look forward to seeing you again next June.

Free Prescription Discount Cards - from Lehigh County are available at Borough Hall or the MI, and can be used by any county resident who has no prescription coverage. For info visit the County's website, www.lehighcounty.org, and search the word "prescription".

New in the Borough

Lehigh Street News: New decorative LED street lights have been installed on Lehigh Street, purchased with grants from Lehigh County Main Street initiatives, Lehigh Valley Chamber Foundation, and Town Beautification. A new pedestrian bridge will be constructed over Mountain Creek by year end, connecting the sidewalk on both sides. This bridge was purchased with privately donated funds. The Lehigh Street project will be completed when this bridge is installed.

"Welcome to Macungie" signs: If you haven't noticed, new "Welcome to Macungie" signs were installed in 2008 on Route 100 at both ends of town. Recently, new signs have been added on the other streets entering town (S. Church St., Lehigh St., N. Chestnut St., and Mountain Rd./S. Chestnut St.). These signs were purchased with excess funds donated by the 150th Anniversary Committee.

Additional recyclables: All plastics # 1-7 can now be recycled. Cardboard must be cut to 4' x 4' size and bundled.

GET TO KNOW THE MACUNGIE INSTITUTE

The "MI" is now a state-of-the-art meeting & conference facility, whether for a business meeting or a social event. Visit www.macungieinstitute.com or call Karen at 610-966-7830 for information about any events and/or to make a reservation. There is so much more to do at the "MI"!

Be sure to check the Borough website for a full listing of events open to the public.

- ⇒ **Music-Music-Music:** the "MI" is the location for music and fun for infants/toddlers and their parents. To register call Gina at 610-360-1439, or email her at valleymusictogether@yahoo.com.
- ⇒ The "MI" is a branch campus for the Community Music School of Allentown. Call 610-435-7725 for information or to schedule piano and other instrument lessons.
- ⇒ **FREE Friday Family Movie Night** the 1st Friday of each month October through May: Nov. 6: "Pocahontas"; Dec. 4: "A Dennis The Menace Christmas"; Jan. 8: "Robots"; Feb. 5: "Meet the Robinsons"; Mar. 5: "Madagascar"; Apr. 2: "Cats & Dogs"; May 7: "Shark Tale". Snacks cost only 50 cents: popcorn, soda, candy, bottled water. Kids can bring their pillows and blankets, and watch from the special Kids Section!
- ⇒ **NEW THIS YEAR:** The Parkland Art League will be displaying local artists' works on the walls of the "MI". Stop by anytime the "MI" is open to view these exhibits, which will be changed monthly. If interested in purchasing any artwork, contact Karen at 610-966-7830 for more information.

Want to support the Macungie Institute? Purchase a leaf on the "Tree of Life", which is mounted on the wall in the hallway of the "MI". For a donation of \$75 or more, friends, family, groups, or other organizations can honor, memorialize, or recognize the giver and/or an individual named by the giver. All gifts are tax-deductible. For info, call 610-966-7830, or go to www.macungieinstitute.com and click on the "Tree of Life" link.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR - DON'T MISS OUT ON ALL THE FUN!

ADOPT-A-SCARECROW—This fund raiser by the Town Beautification Committee decorates Main Street with colorful scarecrows starting in October. For \$10, you can “adopt” and name your own scarecrow. Call or stop in at the Macungie Institute, 510 E. Main St. (610-966-7830) for more information.



HALLOWEEN PARADE:

Saturday October 24 - 7:30 PM

Rain date: October 31st.

Registration forms are available at Borough Hall or by calling Anthony Esposito at 610-395-3542.



The Lower Lehigh Lions will be soliciting funds to sponsor this event. Please consider making a donation to support this parade. Donations can be mailed to Lower Lehigh Lions, P. O. Box 41, Macungie PA 18062.

TRICK OR TREAT NIGHT is on Saturday, October 31 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM in the Borough of Macungie.

There is no Rain Date.

Be sure to stop by the Flower Park to visit the live scarecrows.



MACUNGIE MINSTRELAIRES SHOW: “Telethon Melodies & Mayhem” at 8:00 PM on October 23rd & 24th, 30th and 31st, and at 2:00 PM on October 24th and 31st at Lower Macungie Middle School.

For tickets or information, call 610-770-6845, email minstrel@ptd.net, or visit the website: www.macungie-minstrelaires.org

NOVEMBER 3RD: ELECTION DAY
VOTE AT MACUNGIE MEMORIAL PARK
POLLS ARE OPEN 7 AM – 8 PM

SHEEP ROCK TREK AND THANKSGIVING SUNRISE SERVICE –November 26, 5:45 AM, meet at Macungie Fire Company. Hike up the mountain and watch the sun rise. After the service, donuts and hot cocoa will be served back at the Fire Co.

The **HOLIDAY LIGHTING CEREMONY** will be held on Tuesday, December 1 @ 6:30 PM, at the Flower Park on Main Street. Come out and join in the festivities, which include music, singing of carols, hot chocolate, cookies and snacks.

MACUNGIE HOLIDAY: Saturday, December 12 - 9 AM to 3 PM:



Don't miss this fun filled day packed with activities for kids and adults alike. Macungie is decorated for the season, and there will be **special activities and events** throughout the Borough, sponsored by local businesses, churches, service groups and non-profit organizations. Kalmbach Memorial Park will feature their 7th Annual **Gingerbread Contest display**. Check our website www.macungie.pa.us for details or call 610-966-7830 or 610-966-2503. A list of events will be available at Borough Hall, the Macungie Institute, and online by the end of October-pick up a copy so you won't miss any of the fun!

Volunteers needed: any business owner or resident who would like to help with Macungie Holiday-please call Karen at the Macungie Institute: 610-966-7830.

HOLIDAY DECORATING CONTEST:

Macungie Borough residents are invited to participate in a holiday decorating contest. This is a Town Beautification Committee event and judging dates will be announced later. Show off your Holiday Spirit!

HOAGIE SALES BENEFIT TOWN BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

Town Beautification sells Hoagies from Fat Freddie's as a fund-raiser. They are delivered on the third Wednesday of every other month starting in September. Hoagies cost \$3 for 6", \$4 for 10". Order from Barbara Levinson at 610-966-0242, or from any committee member.

*** * * HOLIDAY CHANGES * * ***

*** TO TRASH & RECYCLING SCHEDULE ***

Thanksgiving Week: trash & recycling should be placed out on Thursday night, instead of Wednesday night. The Monday pickup is not changed. There is NO CHANGE to the weeks of Christmas and New Year's Day.

If your trash or recycling is not picked up by noon, please call the Borough office at **610-966-2503**. We will contact the hauler.

Live, Work & Play in Macungie PA



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GET INVOLVED IN THE CRIME WATCH PROGRAM. You can help keep our town a safe place to live by joining or starting a neighborhood watch group. Residents and concerned Citizens become the eyes and ears of the police department by becoming more aware and alert to the activity in the area in which they live and by reporting suspicious activity to police. For more information, visit the police department website at www.macungiepd.org or email crimewatch@macungiepd.org, or call the department at 610-966-2222.

WINTER ZONING OFFICE HOURS

NEW HOURS EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 1ST

The Zoning Officer will be in the office on Monday-Wednesday-Friday: 8 am until 12 noon

He is also available by appointment only
Tuesday and Thursday evenings
and Saturday mornings

Mr. Zettlemoyer can be reached at 610-966-2503,
Or email him at jzettlemoyer@macungie.pa.us

REMINDER:

All residences and businesses
MUST have their house number
clearly displayed on the property,
where it is visible from the street.

IF WE CAN'T FIND YOU WE CAN'T HELP YOU!

**THE 2009 COMMUNITY
INFORMATION GUIDE
IS NOW AVAILABLE**



**STOP BY
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PICK UP
YOUR
FREE COPY**

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