

# HEIDELBERG HAPPENINGS

## Special points of interest:

- The Township Office will be closed:
- May 31—Memorial Day
- July 5—Independence Day (observed)
- September 6—Labor Day

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## UTILITY BILL COMBINATION COMING IN JUNE

For the last seven years, residents with public water and sewer have been receiving separate invoices for each service. To streamline billing for customers and staff, these public utility bills will be merged on one invoice starting in June.

If you are a customer serviced solely by sewer, you will not see any change to your current billing schedule or invoice. For those customers serviced solely by water, your bill will look the same, but will be changed to the new billing schedule seen below. Water usage from January through May will be captured on your June invoice. Customers who are serviced by public water and public sewer will see one invoice that will include both utility billing amounts. The detailed service information seen on the sewer invoice will remain the same and a line item will be added to show the charges for water usage during the period. The bill sent in June will contain usage from the period March, April and May for both the sewer and water consumption. With the omission of the April water bill, the water usage from January and February will be included on this June invoice at a rate of \$4 for every 1,000 gallons of water used.

Here is an example of what the June invoice will look like for a sewer and water customer:

If consumption of 4,500 gallons from 3/1/21 (previous read on last sewer bill) through 6/1/21 (new read for June billing)

Sewer charges will remain the same

Water charges will be the minimum of \$100 plus consumption of January & February.

If consumption of 2,000 gallons from 1/5/21 (last read from water bill in January) to 3/1/21 (read taken for sewer billing in March) - \$8.00

In order to give customers some adjustment period to the new invoicing schedule, there will be no late fees assessed for THE JUNE INVOICE ONLY as long as it is paid prior to the next invoice period beginning September 1. If the invoice remains unpaid as of September 1, interest will be charged on all unpaid amounts as of that date.

Moving forward, every public utility customer will only see invoices in March, June, September and December. Whether you have only public water, only public sewer or are serviced by both public utilities, these will be the months invoices will be generated. This now means that all public utility invoice dates are as follows:

Invoice Date/Due Date

March 15th /April 15th

June 15th /July 15th

September 15th /October 15th

December 15th /January 15th

At this time the township office remains closed to the public. Please utilize the secure lockbox located on the front of the building to pay your invoices. Remember, NO CASH is accepted for payment. Payment methods remain check or money order.

We hope with merging the public utility invoicing we will alleviate some customer confusion and ease the payment process. If you have any questions about your new bill when you receive it in June, please call the Township Office at (717) 949-3885.



## Hydrant flushing will take place in May.

Please be aware of running water and operators in the area of hydrants during this time. This is a normal practice to verify water pressure, remove sediment and make sure each hydrant is in good working order.

*"Sure I wave the American Flag. Do you know a better flag to wave?"*

*-John Wayne*



## SHORT-TERM RENTALS UNAVAILABLE IN HT

Heidelberg Township is located in a serene and central location to amenities and amusements in many neighboring communities. The Township Office has received some requests recently for the implementing of short-term rentals at property locations within the Township. Short-term rentals would be those you might find on VRBO or AirBnB to facilitate hotel or motel type stays.

Per our zoning ordinance definition, these types of rentals are not allowed within Heidelberg Township. This means that no property owner may offer a whole house, portion of a house, guest house, camper, renovated garage or apartment on a short-term rental basis. Not only are these ventures considered commercial in nature, but the properties themselves would need to

be remodeled to meet certain commercial-grade standards per Uniform Construction Code.

If you have a question regarding the definition of short-term rental, please contact the Heidelberg Township zoning officer Barry Wagner at (717) 625-0444 or via e-mail at [brwconsultants@dejazzd.com](mailto:brwconsultants@dejazzd.com).

## **FREE Paper Shredding Event** **Lebanon County RESIDENTS ONLY**



**July 12, 2021**  
**8:00 AM to NOON**



**FREE Event for Shredding of PAPER Documents ONLY**

**LIMIT of 5 File Boxes (12" x 18") or**  
**5 Brown Paper Grocery Bags Per Vehicle**  
**NO PLASTIC BAGS**

**PLEASE REMOVE Binder Clips and Paper Clips**  
**FACE MASK & ID REQUIRED**

**This FREE event is being sponsored by the**  
**Greater Lebanon Refuse Authority located at**  
**1610 Russell Road in North Lebanon Township.**  
**Please Call (717) 867-5790 with Questions.**

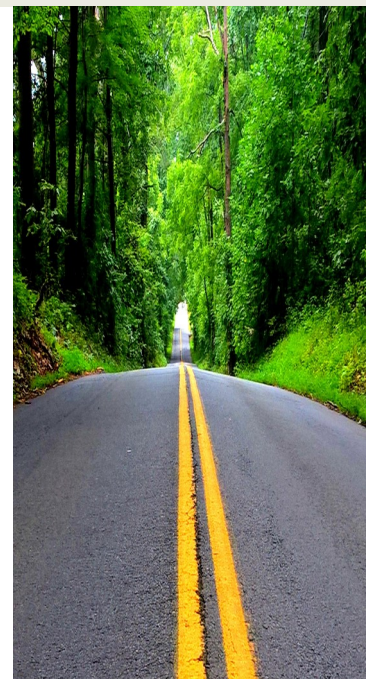
## ROAD PROJECTS FOR 2021

As always, road maintenance is a key component of smooth travel through and around the Township. For 2021, Heidelberg Township has a small number of road projects scheduled. When preparing a budget, estimates are used to determine what projects may be feasible in the coming year.

The 2021 Paving Project consist of paving the township parking lot, Miller Street, Spruce Street and sections of Prescott Road between Route 419 Route 897. Bids will be reviewed at the Board of Supervisors meeting on May 25th and the lowest responsible bidder will be awarded the project. The paving project will be paid using a combination of State Liquid Fuels funding (money from Pennsylvania that is only allowed to be used on road related expenses) and General Fund money.

The 2021 Seal Coat Project will only include work on Mountain Road this year. The value of the project does not require legal bidding so securing of three quotes will be sufficient to award the job to a contractor. The quotes will be reviewed at the May 25th Board of Supervisor meeting. This work will be paid using a combination of Lebanon County Liquid Fuels money (money from Lebanon County that is only allowed to be used on road related expenses) and General Fund money.

The Board would like to thank all residents and motorists for their cooperation during the construction time. Your patience is always appreciated to ensure a safe working environment and a solid finished project.





## YARD WASTE AND RECYCLING OPPORTUNITY

With the opening of the Yard Waste and Recycling Center at 3 Linden Road, Lebanon, residents of both South Lebanon Township and surrounding municipalities now have the ability to utilize all the center offers. Through an intermunicipal agreement with South Lebanon Township, Heidelberg Township residents now have an option for disposal of yard waste items! The gated yard waste recycling area requires a permit which can be

obtained from the South Lebanon Township office. The yearly permit will cost Heidelberg residents \$50 and will be valid for a calendar year. Also available to Heidelberg Township residents are the recycling bins located outside of the gated yard waste area. These recycling bins are available without a permit and can be used by anyone during their open hours. Please see the graphics below for location details and specifics on what can and can't be recycled at the center.

The application for the yard waste permit is located on the Heidelberg Township website. All questions regarding the application or the recycling center should be direct to South Lebanon Township at [sltownship.com](http://sltownship.com) or by calling (717)274-0481. Heidelberg Township would like to thank South Lebanon Township for offering the use of this facility to our residents and applauds them for undertaking such community-minded project.

### Yard Waste and Recycling Center



#### Inside the gated area (Access Card required)

- ⇒ **MULCH:** When available, mulch is **FREE** for all permit holders to take and will be placed in this bin.
- ⇒ **GARDEN RESIDUE:** This bin includes plant material, flowers, ornamental grass, etc. **NO GRASS CLIPPINGS!**
- ⇒ **LEAVES:** This bin is only for loose leaves. **NO BAGS of any kind!**
- ⇒ **BRUSH:** This bin is for twigs, branches less than 15 inches in diameter, hedge trimmings, shrubs, Christmas trees, etc.

### Drop-Off Yard Waste Center inside the fence.



(From LEFT to RIGHT) 1) Mulch 2) Garden Residue 3) Leaves 4) Brush



Drop-Off Recycling Center outside the fence.

#### Outside the gated area (FREE to all residents)

- ⇒ There are 4 blue recycling bins outside the fence (corrugated cardboard, mixed paper, aluminum cans and tin / steel cans) that are **FREE** for all residents to use.
- ⇒ After depositing your mixed paper or cans into the bins, be sure to **close the doors** to keep water out!
- ⇒ Flatten all cardboard before placing in the corrugated cardboard bin.



#### Outside the gated area (FREE to all residents)

- ⇒ **CORRUGATED CARDBOARD:** Only cardboard with ridges inside (i.e. shipping boxes). **NO PAPERBOARD!**
- ⇒ **MIXED PAPER:** This includes shredded paper (**NO BAGS!**), office and copy paper, manilla folders (no binders), junk mail, magazines, newspapers and the inserts, phone books and paperback books (**NO HARDCOVERS!**), cereal boxes and other similar boxes (i.e. paperboard), etc.
- ⇒ **TIN / STEEL CANS:** Only tin or steel cans (i.e. food cans). **NO SCRAP METAL!**
- ⇒ **ALUMINUM CANS:** Only aluminum cans (i.e. soda, beer, energy drinks, etc.). **NO ALUMINUM FOIL or SCRAP!**

For the remainder of 2021, the once-a-month recycling held on the first Saturday of the month at the Township Building is cancelled. The Board of Supervisors is reviewing options to continue the program in 2022. Thank you for your understanding with this matter.



*The Park & Recreation Board is looking for some new members.*

*Please contact the Township Office for more information!*

## HEIDELBERG HAPPENINGS

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emailed to you.**

### UPCOMING EVENTS IN HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP

#### Schaefferstown Fire Company

##### East End fire Companies Gun/Cash Raffle

June 5th, 12 PM–5 PM

This is a ticketed event. Ticket price is \$20. Please see a Fire Company member for ticket purchase.

##### Antique and Classic Tractor Pull

July 10th, 10 AM-8 PM

Fun and food for everyone!

**All events take place at the Schaefferstown  
Carnival Grounds, 200 N. Locust St, Schaefferstown**

#### Historic Schaefferstown

##### Cherry Fair and Craft Show

June 26th, 10 AM–5 PM

Admission—\$5.00 Ages 13 and up. Under 13 Free

##### Garden Tea

July 11th, 2PM

Admission—\$5.00 Donation

##### WWII Weekend

July 17th 9 AM-5 PM & 18th 9A M-3 PM

Admission—\$5.00 Parking Fee

##### Fall Harvest Fair

September 18th 10 AM-5 PM & 19th 11:30 AM-4:30 PM

Admission—\$5.00 Ages 13 and up. Under 13 Free

**All events take place at the Alexander Schaeffer  
Farm, 213 S Carpenter St, Schaefferstown**