

South Coventry News

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Retirement Celebration for Millie

On December 31, 2016, Millie Donnell will be retiring from her position as Secretary-Treasurer of South Coventry Township. For over 31 years, she has been a resource for residents and businesses and a vital part of our community.

The Board of Supervisors would like to honor and celebrate the service of Millie Donnell to South Coventry Township. Friends and residents are invited to join us in recognizing Millie for her years of service and commitment to our community on Tuesday, December 20, 2016 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm at Old Philadelphia Public House located at 1701 Pottstown Pike. Light hor d'oeuvres will be served during this informal gathering. Stop in to wish Millie well and share your memories of South Coventry Township!

Millie accepted the position of Township Secretary-Treasurer on April 1, 1985 and was appointed to the Township's Planning Commission in 1987. In 2003, after the death of one of the supervisors, she was also asked to take on the role of Township Supervisor.

When she accepted the position of Secretary-Treasurer on April 1, 1985, South Coventry looked very different than it does today. Properties did not have addresses (just rural routes for mail carriers) and there was not a Township Office. Millie worked out of her home on Daisy Point Road, meeting with residents to discuss questions and provide information. (Continued on page 2)



The Township will be honoring Millie Donnell for her 31+ years of service on Dec. 20, 2016. See insert for more information and RSVP details.

Toys for Tots Toy Collection

The South Coventry Township Office is a 2016 drop-off location for the Toys for Tots Campaign. Toys for Tots is an organization supported by the U.S. Marine Corps and is dedicated to the collection and distribution of new toys to needy children.

Toy collection for this holiday season has already begun! If you wish to donate a new unwrapped toy to the Toys for Tots campaign, please drop it off at the Township Office during normal business hours. Please be sure to drop off your toys on or before December 12, 2016.

For more information about Toys for Tots or to make a donation, visit www.toysfortots.org.

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Upcoming Events

Toys for Tots Toy Collection

Final drop-off — Dec. 12, 2016
South Coventry Township Office

Millie’s Retirement Celebration

Dec. 20, 2016—6pm - 8pm
Old Philadelphia Public House
Please RSVP by Dec. 12
See insert for details

Township Office Closed

December 26, 2016 and
January 2, 2016

Coventry Food Pantry Collection

Ongoing—Non-perishable food items
South Coventry Township Office

Retirement Celebration

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She vividly remembers meeting with the Township Auditors to perform the annual audit at her dining room table as her children played at their feet.

After a particularly adamant resident barged into her home at 7:30am to discuss Township business, Millie contacted the Board members to request that they consider finding an official office with stated business hours. Two different offices were rented in the Township before the current Township Building on New Philadelphia Road was constructed in 2005.

The Township has grown and changed over the last 31 years but one constant has been the Township’s Secretary. When asked what she enjoyed most about the Township, Millie immediately responded, “The people. I love South Coventry and it has been an honor serving my community.”

Winter Storm Reminder

As winter approaches the Township would like to remind residents of our Winter Storm Regulations:

1. Vehicles are not permitted to park on roadways, shoulders or cul-de-sacs during winter storms. No trash cans or other obstructions may be placed on the roadways or shoulders.
2. No snow, ice or slush may be thrown, piled or pushed onto a public roadway, drainage area, stream, culvert or catch basin. No snow, ice or slush may be pushed or deposited at or near any intersection so as to create a traffic hazard by impairing visibility.
3. Mailboxes—If a mailbox is accidentally hit by a Township snowplow itself, the Township will repair the mailbox. If damage is caused by snow, ice or slush that is pushed while the roads are being plowed, repair is the owner’s responsibility.

Please note Township roads are plowed in the following order:

- 1st—Main collector roads
- 2nd—Secondary roads
- 3rd—Development roads
- 4th—Cul-de-Sacs

Volunteers Needed

There are currently vacancies on several Township Boards and Commissions. South Coventry is in need of volunteers willing to attend one meeting a month to discuss and make recommendations on parks and environmental issues, historic preservation, as well as planning and development.

If you are interested in serving, please complete the volunteer application on the enclosed insert and submit it to the Township Office. The volunteer application can be downloaded at www.southcoventry.org on the Documents and Permits page.

New Supervisor Appointed



The Board of Supervisors would like to welcome Cory Mowrer to the Board and thank him for his willingness to serve! Cory will be filling the unexpired term of Millie Donnell who resigned from the Board of Supervisors on October 20, 2016.

Cory grew up in East Vincent Township and moved to South Coventry six years ago with his wife Megan, who grew up in our township. Three years ago, they purchased the former Lloyd Farm on Coventryville Road and have since preserved and placed it into Agricultural Easement. The farm is now currently used for raising beef cattle.

Cory has a long standing resume of public service and looks forward to serving his community in his new role as Township Supervisor.

Protect Our Creeks and Streams this Winter!

Winter winds will be blowing in soon so it's time to prepare for the snow and ice they bring. When selecting deicers please follow these environmentally friendly tips and suggestions!

- Some deicers (even some sands) are significant sources of phosphorous pollution.** Excess phosphorous is the nutrient that boosts unwanted plant growth in lakes and ponds. Look for products that contain no or low phosphorous (50 parts per million or less).
- Always apply deicing products according to the manufacturer's instructions.** Deicers are not meant to provide complete evaporation of ice and snow. Different types of deicers also have differing amounts of active ingredients so read instructions before purchasing or applying.
- Deicers can become "anti-icers" if applied as soon as snowy or icy conditions appear.** Proper application can help prevent the bond from forming between the pavement and the ice, making it easier to shovel!

Pigeon Creek Rd Bridge Completed

After being closed for several years, the Board of Supervisors is pleased to announce that the Pigeon Creek Road bridge has been replaced and is now open to traffic. The bridge replacement was completed in October.

Motorists are reminded that the Pigeon Creek Road Bridge is a one lane bridge and drivers must yield to oncoming traffic when approaching to cross over the bridge.



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1371 New Philadelphia Road
Pottstown, PA 19465
www.southcoventry.org

South Coventry Township Upcoming Meetings

Board of Supervisors - 7:30 PM

Monday, December 5, 2016

Tuesday, January 3, 2017

Monday, February 6, 2017

Board of Supervisors - 7:30 AM

Friday, December 2, 2016

Friday, February 3, 2017

Historic Review Board & Comm. - 7:00 PM

Wednesday, December 14, 2016

Wednesday, January 11, 2017

Wednesday, February 8, 2017

Planning Commission - 7:30 PM

Monday, December 19, 2016

Monday, January 16, 2017

Monday, February 20, 2017

Open Space, Recreation & Environmental Oversight Board - 7:00 PM

Monday, January 23, 2017

Monday, February 27, 2017

Retirement Celebration for Millie

Millie's retiring, she's put in her time,
She leaves us now, with relaxing in mind.
Just reading, resting and taking life slow,
Or probably watching her grandkids grow!
Please join us to wish her well!



**Tuesday, December 20, 2016
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Old Philadelphia Public House
1701 Pottstown Pike, Pottstown PA**

Light hor d'oeuvres will be served.

Please RSVP by Monday, Dec. 12 to Amanda at
milliesretiring@gmail.com or (610) 469-0444.

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Volunteer Position Application

Our Township has a number of committees, commissions and special task forces that are staffed by volunteers. At various times, there is a need to find new members for these positions. In order to facilitate the finding of new members, the Township maintains a human resources file of people who have a desire to serve. If you are interested, please fill out this form and return it to the Township Office. Thank you.

DATE: _____ NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE #: _____ EMAIL: _____

I would be interested in serving on the following:

Historical Review Board & Com. _____ Agricultural Advisory Committee _____

Planning Commission _____ Zoning Hearing Board _____

Open Space, Recreation & Environmental Oversight Board _____ Emergency Management Team _____

Special Project Teams _____

*Note: A Special Project Team will focus on specific tasks such as trail maintenance or event planning as needed.

Some special qualifications that may be of help to the municipality (please include any other boards you have/currently serve on in other organizations or municipalities, special skills/knowledge, etc.):

This form will remain on file for a period of two years.