



*New Garden Township*

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# CITIZEN'S HANDBOOK

Presented by the  
New Garden Township  
Board of Supervisors

## *Note to Residents*

Welcome residents to New Garden Township! This pamphlet is meant to be helpful in directing you to the resources you may need for your family to establish yourselves as residents of New Garden Township, Chester County, Pennsylvania.

Residents are invited to attend all public meetings and are encouraged to get involved in a committee.

For full listing of all officials, committees, authorities and commissions and for a schedule of all meetings please visit our website at [www.newgarden.org](http://www.newgarden.org).

## *Brief History of New Garden*

Before William Penn, Jr. obtained his patent for land given him by his father in 1706, he arranged its sale. This land included the area known as

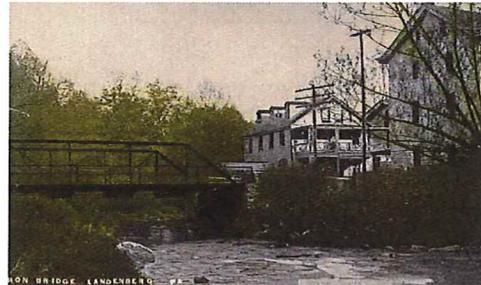


New Garden Township, an area of steep slopes and rolling hills cut by fast-moving creeks and meandering streams.

Homes were built, land was cleared and cultivated and Meeting Houses and schools were constructed. Soon villages sprouted - New Garden which grew around the Meeting House; Toughkenamon on the "road from Brandywine to Nottingham" and where the old inn, best known as The

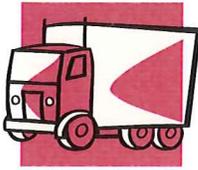
Hammer & Trowel was located; Landenberg which was the home of many mills located along the White Clay Creek (most notably cotton mills and woolen mills); and Kaolin which was the center of extensive clay quarries from which a fine china clay was excavated.

As years passed and water power gave way to other sources of energy, the mills closed and many employees moved on to more prosperous industrial areas. The clay quarries filled with water, and the Township returned primarily to farming, and so it remained for many years.



The countryside is changing, but all around us we can still see the lovely homes, schoolhouses, Meeting Houses and Churches that date from the 1700s and 1800s.

## Utilities and Local Services



Visit [www.MovePa.com](http://www.MovePa.com) to find help with setting up utility services in your area.



### Phone Directory

To obtain a phone directory call (800)888-8448 or visit online at [www.directorystore.com](http://www.directorystore.com).



### Motor Vehicle

To obtain a Pennsylvania State drivers license and/or change your address and registration of your cars visit:

[www.pennsylvania.dmv.org](http://www.pennsylvania.dmv.org) to find locations or call (800)932-4600



### Cable/ Internet

To hook up your cable, internet or general questions about service, contact:

Comcast at <http://comcast.com> or (800)-COMCAST

Verizon at [www.verizon.net](http://www.verizon.net) or (800)-VERIZON

Or any Digital Satellite Cable provider of your choice



### Power Outages

Customer Service

(800)494-4000

To report a power outage please call PECO

(800)841-4141

To report streetlight outages please call PECO

(800)265-4189



## Chester Water Authority

(800)793-2323

View <http://www.chesterwater.com/> to find out about water quality, answers to questions about your services, annual reports, etc.



## New Garden Sewer Authority

Please note that sewer bills are based on water usage through Chester Water Authority. Please call Joanne Hafner, Sewer Billing Clerk with any questions regarding current rates or billing questions at (610) 268-2915.



## Daily Local Newspaper

To subscribe or place an add call (610)696-1775

<http://www.dailylocal.com>

## The Kennett Paper

Call toll free at to subscribe or place an add (888) 299-3822

<http://www.zwire.com/site/news.cfm?brd=2250>

## The Philadelphia Inquirer

To subscribe or place an add call 215-854-2000

<http://www.philly.com/mld/inquirer/>

## The Chester County Press

To subscribe or place an add call (610) 869-5553

[www.chestercounty.com](http://www.chestercounty.com)



## Voters Service

For a list of local representatives, to register to vote or find your local polling place, call (610)344-6410 or view <http://dsf.chesco.org/election/site/default.asp>



## Garbage/ Recycling Haulers

To set up weekly garbage removal, following are a few local services:

MONTEREY REFUSE SERVICE, INC.  
480 W. Christine Road  
Nottingham, PA 19362  
(610)932-7711  
<http://www.montereyrefuse.com/>

PENN CONTAINER  
1020 Broad Run Road  
Landenberg, PA 19350  
(610)274-1306  
<http://www.penncontainer.com/>

ALLIED WASTE SERVICES  
(610)869-2222  
<http://www.disposal.com/>



## Recycling & Hazardous Waste Disposal

To find out about disposal of hazardous waste, recycling or general information about waste management in Chester County visit <http://www.chestercountyswa.org/>,

See the attachment hereto Or call SECCRA Landfill at (610)869-2452

## Residential E-Waste Recycling

<p><b>AERC</b> 2591 Mitchell Avenue Allentown, PA 18103 610-797-7608      2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of Month 9:00-3:00 PM</p>
<p><b>Apple Computer</b> – Free Recycling with purchase of Mac computer</p>
<p><b>Best Buy</b> – TV's 32" or smaller, DVD players, computer monitors, audio/video cables, Flat screens up 60". Pick up service available-Contact your store for details</p>
<p><b>BJ's</b> - Downingtown, PA 610-518-5000 Bring in your old <u>working</u> TV and receive a voucher towards purchasing a new TV (\$25-\$75) at the store.</p>
<p><b>Brandywine Recycling &amp; Disposal</b> 172 Barons Hill Road (near Hibernia Rd) Brandamore, PA 19316 (West Brandywine Twp.) 610-942-2333</p>
<p><b>CC Disability Services</b> 749 Springdale Drive Exton, PA 19341      8:30-4:00 PM Monday-Friday 610-524-5850      Computers no older than 3 years</p>
<p><b>Chester County Solid Waste Authority      Fees Apply</b> <b>Lanchester Landfill</b> 7224 Division Highway (Rte. 322W) Narvon, PA 17555 610-273-3771      7:00-4:30PM Monday-Friday, 7-11:30AM Sat TV's, computers, monitors, small electronics <b>Be Prepared to Unload On Your Own</b></p>
<p><b>Corporate Lamp &amp; Electronic Recycling</b> 503 N. Walnut Road Kennett Square, PA 610-444-0688      Call first - Computers</p>
<p><b>Costco</b> 700 Evergreen Dr. Glen Mills, PA 19342      610-387-2205 1875 Hempstead Rd. Lancaster, PA 17601      717-396-8450 Will take back old computers, laptops, printers within 90 days of purchasing new one      <a href="http://www.costco.com">www.costco.com</a></p>
<p><b>Eforce Compliance</b> 3114 Grays Ferry Avenue Philadelphia, PA 866-468-6935 or 215-964-6665 "Anything with a plug" including Freon appliances</p>
<p><b>Elemental Inc.</b> 2371 Church Street Philadelphia, PA 215-289-1475      Fees apply-Printers, monitors, TV's <a href="http://www.eleminc.com">www.eleminc.com</a></p>
<p><b>Goodwill Industries</b> 610-558-3722 Chadds Ford, PA      Computers, TV's</p>
<p><b>Greendisks</b> 800-305-disks or 425-392-8700 Computers, DVD's, CD's, printer cartridges Cell phones, pagers, PDA's, inkjet cartridges, Video/audio tapes <a href="http://www.greendisk.com">www.greendisk.com</a></p>

<p><b>Harris Metals</b> 446 Gum Tree Road Coatesville, PA 19320 610-857-4670      Computers, Laptops – NO TVs or Monitors</p>
<p><b>Materials Processing Corporation (MPC)</b> 2401 Pennsylvania Avenue #15B33 Philadelphia, PA 19130      215-769-1283      Electronics-TV's</p>
<p><b>JVS Environmental</b> 413 Broadway Street Rockwood, PA 15557      (814) 442-4481      <a href="http://www.jvsenvironmental.com">www.jvsenvironmental.com</a> Shredding, fluorescent bulb recycling, refrigerant recovery, electronics</p>
<p><b>Office Depot</b>–very small TV's, cell phones, monitors</p>
<p><b>Russell Morello, Inc.</b> 18 Maple Street Conshohocken, PA      7:00-3:00PM Monday-Friday 610-828-1612      Fees apply-Printers, monitors, TV's, Keyboards</p>
<p><b>SECCRA (Southeastern Chester Co. Refuse Authority)</b> 219 Street Road      SECCRA residents only – Fees Apply West Grove, PA 19390 610-869-2452 <a href="http://www.seccra.org">www.seccra.org</a></p>
<p><b>Second Source Computer Center</b> 1241 West Chester Pike      Monday-Tues-Wed-Friday 9:00-6:00PM West Chester, PA 19382      Thursday-9:00-8:00PM 610-692-9200      Saturday-10:00-5:00PM Computers Pentium 3 or higher</p>
<p><b>Sony</b> – Will take back all of its own products 877-439-2795      <a href="http://www.sony.com/recycle">www.sony.com/recycle</a></p>
<p><b>Staples</b> – Dell computers- free recycling – all others \$10.</p>
<p><b>Target</b> – laptops and notebooks</p>
<p><b>Team Children</b> 960 W. Rittenhouse Road Audubon, PA 19403 610-666-1795      Computers</p>

**U.S. Postal Services** provides cash for old small electronic devices. [www.usps.com/ship/recycle-through-usps.htm](http://www.usps.com/ship/recycle-through-usps.htm)  
Free recycling mail-back envelopes at participating USPS locations. (cell phones, PDAs, MP3 players, digital cameras or used ink jet cartridges.)

## Children & Family



### Library

Bayard Taylor Memorial Library  
(610)444-2702  
(610)444-2988  
Next to Post Office  
216 East State Street  
Kennett Square, PA  
<http://www.bayardtaylor.org/>

New Garden Township supports the Library and as residents you are encouraged to use the Library. There are many programs year round for children and adults. Please take a look at the website or give them a call to find out what programs are available for you and your family. It is very easy to obtain a card to become a member of the library. All you need to do is fill out the application, which can be obtained at the library, and show proof of address.



### School

Kennett Consolidated School District  
<http://www.kcsd.org/>  
(610)444-6600



### New Garden Park

8934 Gap Newport Pike  
Landenberg, PA 19350

Contact Barb Underwood, New Garden Parks and Recreation Director, by email at [Bunderwood@newgarden.org](mailto:Bunderwood@newgarden.org), to learn about events going on in the park for children and adults. Also, visit New Garden's website at "EVENTS" page at [www.newgarden.org](http://www.newgarden.org). Please call the Township building to reserve park pavilions (610)268-2915.

# Emergency Services-911

For all real emergencies always call 911.



## New Garden Police Department

8934 Gap Newport Pike  
Landenberg, PA 19350  
(610)268-2907 for non-emergencies  
Gerald Simpson, Chief  
[www.ngpd.org](http://www.ngpd.org)

## Pennsylvania State Police

Avondale State Police Barracks  
2 Moxley Lane  
Avondale, PA 19311  
(610)268-2022 for non-emergencies  
<http://www.psp.state.pa.us/troopj/cwp/view.asp?A=579&Q=172399>



## Avondale Fire Company

123 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Avondale, PA 19311  
(610)268-2486 / (610)268-2309 for non-emergencies



To contact Poison Control call (888)222-1222

## Local Hospitals



Al DuPont Children's Hospital  
[www.Nemours.com](http://www.Nemours.com)  
1600 Rockland Road  
Wilmington, DE  
(302) 651-4000

Jennersville Regional Hospital  
[www.jennersville.com](http://www.jennersville.com)  
1015 W. Baltimore Pike  
West Grove, PA 19390  
(610)869-1000

The Chester County Hospital  
[www.cchosp.com](http://www.cchosp.com)  
701 East Marshal Street  
West Chester, PA 19380  
(610)431-5000

Christiana Hospital  
<http://www.christianacare.org/>  
4755 Ogletown- Stanton Road  
Newark, DE 19718  
(302)733-1000



## TAX OFFICES

**New Garden Property Taxes**  
Elected Collector, Joseph Bohnert , (610)274-8669  
Collected By: Chester County Treasurer's Office  
2 North High Street, Suite 120  
West Chester, PA 19380  
(610)344-6370

**School Taxes**  
Kennett Consolidated  
300 E. South Street  
Kennett Square, PA 19348  
(610)444-6605

**County Tax Office**  
Chester County Courthouse  
Chester County Treasurer's Office  
2 North High Street, Suite 120  
West Chester, PA 19380  
<http://dsf.chesco.org/chesco/cwp/view.asp?a=1413&q=573814>  
(610)344-6370

**Emergency Municipal Services Tax**  
**Amusement Tax**  
BERKHEIMER  
1883 Jury Road  
Penn Argile, PA 18072  
(610)363-7214  
<http://www.hab-inc.com/content/>

**Earned Income Tax (1%)**  
**Fire Hydrant Tax**  
**Occupational Service Tax**  
Keystone Collection Group  
P.O. Box 505  
Irwin, PA 15642  
(724)978-0300

For additional information on New Garden Township tax rates visit  
[http://munstatspa.dced.state.pa.us/ReportViewer.aspx?R=MunicipalTaxInformation&municipality\\_id=151055&reporting\\_year=2006&rendering=H](http://munstatspa.dced.state.pa.us/ReportViewer.aspx?R=MunicipalTaxInformation&municipality_id=151055&reporting_year=2006&rendering=H)

Or

[www.newgarden.org](http://www.newgarden.org)



## Getting Married in Chester County

Congratulations! You will need to apply for a marriage license not 60 days before your wedding day but at least three business days before. To learn about what is required to obtain a marriage license visit:

[http://www.wedalert.com/content/articles/married\\_pa.asp](http://www.wedalert.com/content/articles/married_pa.asp) or  
<http://www.weddingvendors.com/marriage-license-laws/united-states/pennsylvania/> or call Chester County Courthouse at (610)344-6355.

The closest Courthouse that you may obtain a marriage license is:

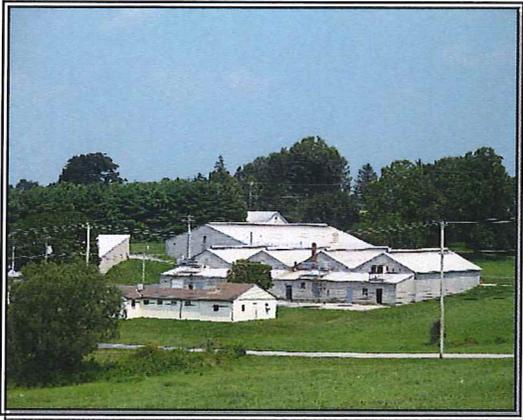
Chester County Courthouse  
Register of Wills  
2 North High Street, Suite 109  
PO Box 2748  
West Chester PA, 19380  
or for more information please call (610) 344-6335



To find out more general information about Chester County, visit <http://dsf.chesco.org/>, (610)344-6000, (800)692-1100 or by mail at 2 N. High Street, Box 2748, West Chester, PA 19380

You may view the Code of New Garden Township at [www.generalcode.com](http://www.generalcode.com). This is very helpful for any one with Zoning and/or Ordinance questions. Copies are also available at the Township Building.

## New Garden Township and Agriculture



Photos by Scott Gantt

New residents are reminded that part of the charm of the Township is its agriculture. There are many corn and hay fields that dot the landscape and provide a unique break from the typical urban and suburban scenery. Along with the beautiful landscape, there are inconveniences like farm equipment on the roads that slow down traffic. Additionally, commonly spotted in Chester County are mushroom growing facilities. As with any agricultural facility, there are odors associated with natural products and these are unavoidable. While farmers make every effort to minimize these odors, they are a consequence of the unique and diverse landscape that we call New Garden Township.



