



January/February 2018

CHESTER COUNTY QUARANTINE SPOTTED LANTERNFLY (*LYCORMA DELICATULA*)

Herb Hamilton, Elverson Tree Commission Chairman

The Spotted Lanternfly is a colorful insect. Its forewings are dark grey at the end then change to light grey with black spots. The forewings cover two beautiful hindwings. The first is black with a white band and the second is red with black spots. The nymph is also brightly colored. Its red and black body has white spots as do its black legs. As pretty as the Spotted Lanternfly may be, it is a pest of significant destructive capability.



While it prefers Tree-of-Heaven and Willow, there are at least 70 plants on which it will feed. What is most disconcerting is that among these additional plants are grapes, fruit trees and timber trees like maples and oaks. The potential damage that this insect may wreak across major agricultural industries within our state is why the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture is taking the unusual step of asking for the public's help.

What to know:

The nymphs are active spring – early summer as they feed on various plants. The adults are active late summer – fall as they look for places to lay eggs. Egg laying takes place September to frost. Egg masses may be found late fall – early spring and not only on plants but also on patio furniture, cars, structures and rocks. New egg masses have a grey mud like appearance. Old egg masses look like brown seeds lined up in 4-7 columns of 30-50 eggs.

What to do:

If you see egg masses, scrape them off, double bag them and throw them away. You can also place the eggs into rubbing alcohol or hand sanitizer to kill them. Please report all destroyed egg masses on our website.

- **Collect a specimen:** Specimens of any life stage can be turned in to the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture's Entomology lab for verification. Submit samples with the Entomology Program Sample Submission Form.
- **Take a picture:** A photograph of any life stage (including egg masses) can be submitted to Badbug@pa.gov.
- **Report a site:** If you can't take a specimen or photograph, call the Automated Invasive Species Report Line at 1-866-253-7189 and leave a message detailing your sighting and contact information.

This barely scratches the formation search Spotted

surface. For further in-Lanternfly Quarantine.



How Well Do You Know Elverson Borough?

Jody Phillips

Since no one guessed the location of my last photo, possibly because of shorter, colder, busier days in December, I am printing another view of the mystery photo from the last Newsletter. I will also tell you that once you spy it, you will be quite safe if you stop to examine the site more closely. I will give you until February 1 to find it. By then I might even be recovered enough from my broken leg that I will be able to hobble around and look for another distinctive Elverson landmark. Call me at 610-286-8913 or email jodysfritz@gmail.com if you find it.

Everyone who identifies the photo will win a “buy-one-get-one” free breakfast at the Heritage Restaurant in Morgantown. Treat a friend to breakfast and the lower-priced breakfast will be free. The Heritage is under new management so the prize for a correct answer might change. But I guarantee it will be worth your quest.



TRASH UPDATE:

Due to landfill fees, there will now be a separate fee for disposal of mattresses or box springs, at a cost of \$20 each. To request a disposal pick-up of a mattress or box spring, you will need to contact Eagle Disposal at least 48 hours in advance of bulk pick up day at **717.355.9560**.

As a reminder, any item for disposal that takes Freon has a charge of \$45 per item, and pick up will also need to be scheduled in advance, by contacting Eagle Disposal.

Christmas trees will be picked up with regular trash during January trash pick up days.



Doug Hoskins

The Elverson-Honey Brook area Emergency Medical Services has begun their 2018 membership fund drive. The brochure you received asks you to choose the membership plan that applies to you or your family. Once you send in your check and designate the appropriate plan, you will be a member for 2018 and entitled to the various benefits that only members enjoy.

In years past only 18-20% of the population responded and became members. Membership revenue should be a significant part of the revenue picture but with only a 20% participation rate, it's not. Had we achieved an 80-100% rate, I wouldn't need to write a reminder article like this, encouraging you to join. Membership rates range from \$45-\$90 depending on your age and family makeup.

The EMS service receives the bulk of their income from you the donor, and general service such as Medicare/Medicaid and insurance reimbursements. Unfortunately, the government is not only slow in processing claims, but they have cut back on the amount they reimburse.

The 2018 Elverson-Honey Brook EMS budget has been prepared and unless we get a better membership participation, it is projected we will not meet our expenses.

If everyone steps up to the plate and becomes a member, we will overcome this challenge. In many cases your membership performs like an insurance policy. For example, if you're a senior citizen and you call 911 and the EMS responds, but you elect not to be transported, Medicare/Medicaid will not pay for the call. But being a member will allow two free non transport calls.

Non seniors have their own perks but it depends on the membership you choose. Some will drastically reduce your out of pocket expenses after your insurance company processes the claim.

In closing, those who already sent in their membership

Elverson is a pedestrian-friendly town. We appreciate when sidewalks are shoveled so residents can walk safely after a snow fall. So, please get out your shovel and be the first to have a snow-free sidewalk. Thanks!





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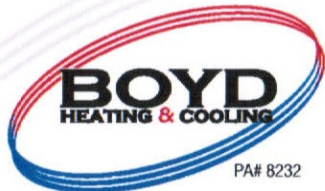
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I certainly hope you had a wonderful holiday season! After all the hubbub it is nice to get back to normal activities, which I hope includes reading a good book. Many staff members have made note of the best five books they read in 2017. If you are looking for some book suggestions, you can find them at: <http://chescolibraries.org/books-movies-music/staff-picks>

If you are a fledging writer and want to learn more about the process of editing, publishing and promoting your book, I hope you attend a program Sunday, January 7th, at 2 PM. Bruce Mowday, who has authored more than 15 books and has garnered over \$1 million in sales, will discuss his experiences. Bruce's recent book, *Selling Your Book: A Step By Step Guide for Promoting and Selling Your Book*, will be available for purchase.

If you are a Star Wars fan, come to the library on Sunday, January 14th, for a program, and a Meet and Greet with an array of Star Wars characters. Tickets will be distributed on a first come, first serve basis starting at 1 PM when the library opens. The program begins at 2 PM. Photo opportunities will be available. Bring your camera!!

Beverly Lawler, Manager, Henrietta Hankin Branch Library

BRICK LANE COMMUNITY CHURCH COMES TO ELVERSON

No, a second church is not being built on Brick Lane. Community Evangelical Free Church which is up on the hill on Brick Lane will officially change names beginning in February. Because of changes in policy and doctrine, the church voted to disassociate with the Evangelical Free Church of America and align with the Gospel Coalition (<https://www.thegospelcoalition.org>). This change necessitated a new name. Agreement in naming is always a challenge and especially when there are many stakeholders. But, after hours of work and research, the congregation voted to become Brick Lane Community Church (BLCC).

Even though our name has changed, BLCC's goal to glorify God by making disciples who, gripped by God's grace spend themselves exalting God, edifying one another, and extending the gospel of grace to the whole world will continue. BLCC will still be a church that values Biblical Truth, Strong Relationships, and Practical Help.

