
PA CLEANWAYS OF LAWRENCE COUNTY

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PURPOSE AND HISTORY

PA CleanWays works to clean and keep clean areas spoiled by illegal dumping by helping concerned people clean up their environment. The group originated in Westmoreland County in 1990 when some County citizens got tired of people dumping on their roadways. The success in Westmoreland County spread to Lawrence County, and in 1993, a local chapter was formed.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The local chapter held its initial cleanup April 3, 1993 on Paper Mill Road, which runs along the Neshannock Creek in New Castle. Over 50 volunteers helped to clean the 3/4 mile stretch of road. Local businesses supported the effort by donating hamburgers, donuts, drinks, napkins, and cups. By the time the cleanup was completed, just under 10 tons of trash had been removed, including close to 300 tires. The site is still being maintained by the group. The second cleanup was held April 24, 1993 in Wilmington Township. The site chosen for the cleanup was located just off Route 956. About 40 people volunteered for the cleanup, and once again area businesses offered their support. Close to 17 tons of debris was removed from the area. Of the 17 tons, 2.5 tons of metals were recycled.

FUTURE EVENTS

The chapter is planning a cleanup for April 23, 1994 in Wilmington Township. Sites in New Castle, Shenango Township, and Mahoning Township are also being considered for cleanups. Watch your papers and listen to the radio for details.

MEETINGS

The next chapter meeting will be April 21, 1994. Meet at the Lawrence County Recycling & Solid Waste Department at 7:30 p.m. Meetings are always held monthly on the third Thursday at 7:30 p.m., so mark your calendars now. Locations for each meeting will be announced at the beginning of each month, so keep watching your mail and newspapers for more information.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

We have accomplished a lot in a year's time. If you are interested in cleaning up our county, and you aren't already a member, we hope you consider joining. Send the completed membership form to:

PA CleanWays of Lawrence County
c/o Lawrence Co. Recycling/Solid Waste
Lawrence County Government Center
430 Court Street
New Castle, PA 16101
Phone: 658-6925

**PA CleanWays
Lawrence County Chapter
Membership Application**

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AN INTRODUCTION TO PA CLEANWAYS

The Problem - Too many of our beautiful roadways are being spoiled by uncaring people who toss trash out of their vehicles. And worse, large piles of garbage often lie along remote rural roads. These dumps contain every item imaginable: old refrigerators, spoiled carpeting, tires, garbage, etc.

One Solution - The Adopt-A-Highway program provides an opportunity to help keep our state-maintained roads litter-free. But what about the other roads?

Another Solution - In 1990, a few Westmoreland County citizens felt a similar program could be applied to the other roads, particularly roads which contained illegal dumps. The result was PA CleanWays. PA CleanWays uses community resources to clean non-state maintained roads. The success of PA CleanWays has been spreading throughout the Commonwealth, in 1993, a chapter in Lawrence County was formed. Inside you will find more information regarding the Lawrence County Chapter of PA CleanWays.

Individually we can make a difference. Together there is no limit to what we can do. Join us in making all our ways PA CleanWays.