

North Lebanon Township Supervisor Nominates Two Residents to Receive Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful's Community Pride Award

North Lebanon Township Supervisor, Ed Brensinger nominated LuAnn Horn and Kathy Redinger for the Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful Community Pride Award. Fondly known as the 'Litter Ladies of Lebanon County,' Horn and Redinger spend countless volunteer hours, on their own accord, cleaning up litter throughout Lebanon County. For several years, and on a regular basis, they have walked the Lebanon Rails Business Park and Hanford Drive year-round, picking up litter and making sure it gets disposed of properly.

"North Lebanon Township is honored to nominate and present the Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful's Community Pride Award to LuAnn and Kathy, our "Litter Ladies". Their litter patrol and clean-up of high litter areas in North Lebanon Township and surrounding municipalities is greatly appreciated. We hope their voluntary act of service to the community will inspire others to do the same," said North Lebanon Township Supervisor, Ed Brensinger.

The pair are well known to many neighboring townships and broughs for their selfless acts of targeting areas of high litter and spending countless hours walking and picking up trash in neighborhoods, along roadways and waterways and in local parks. After witnessing their dedication to a litter-free environment and the depth of their community service and pride over the years, many neighboring townships and boroughs provide safety vests, gloves, garbage bags and the use of municipal waste dumpsters for the trash they collect.

Their daily walk routes have evolved to strategically target areas within their community that are littered and require TLC.

The Community Pride Awards were presented to Horn and Redinger at a recent ceremony on the evening of June 6, 2023, held during the Greater Lebanon Refuse Authority's June Board of Directors' Meeting at its Maintenance Operations Engineering Facility located at 1610 Russell Road, Lebanon, PA.

"Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful congratulates and commends LuAnn Horn and Kathy Redinger for their efforts to keep Lebanon County clean and beautiful. Litter knows no boundaries and I am delighted to recognize LuAnn and Kathy for cleaning up, not only their own neighborhood, but also surrounding ones. Thank you for keeping our shared public spaces clean and beautiful, said Shannon Reiter, President of Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful.

Clean and beautiful communities tend to see less littering and other illegal behavior, making it a better place for all residents and providing a foundation for community and economic development.

"We are grateful for Ed Brensinger and North Lebanon Township for recognizing LuAnn and Kathy for their many contributions to the local community. We encourage all public officials to recognize the noble and necessary work and the special people who coordinate local programs that keep our communities clean and beautiful," said Reiter.

The Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful Community Pride Award recognizes outstanding environmental stewardship by an individual, school, community organization or civic group that makes an outstanding commitment to litter control, recycling, beautification or general environmental stewardship. The community Pride Award is available to elected officials to recognize those in the community working to change behaviors at the local level. Elected officials interested in nominating a constituent for a <u>Community Pride Award</u> should visit keeppabeautiful.org and choose grants and awards, then awards, then Community Pride Award for more information. The award is open on a rolling basis.

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About Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful

Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful's vision is a clean and beautiful Pennsylvania. Since 1990, Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful has worked with hundreds of thousands of volunteers across the state to pick up nearly 155 million pounds of trash from Pennsylvania's roadways, waterways, greenways, vacant lots, forestlands and other community spaces. Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful's core programming focuses on litter and illegal dump prevention, cleanup, community greening, and proper waste handling and sustainable practices. Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful works with many partnering organizations on the state and grassroots level to accomplish our goal of a clean and beautiful Pennsylvania. Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful is the state affiliate of Keep America Beautiful, Inc., the nation's largest volunteer-based community action and education organization. To learn more about Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful, visit www.keeppabeautiful.org.