



BOROUGH OF PENNSBURY VILLAGE MUNICIPAL NEWSLETTER

Borough Officials

Mayor – Lucy Harper
President – Steve Stecko
Vice President - Barbara Sigler
Administrative – Barbara Sigler
Parks & Recreation – Carolyn Waldner
and Brenda George
Public Works – Sharon Bennardo
Community Affairs – Ann Clay and
Barbara Cimpinski
Tax Collector – Patricia Notaro
Borough Manager – Rae Carol Wolf
Borough Engineer – Clint Reilly
Solicitor – Ryan Wotus
Police Chief – Jeffrey Kennedy

Borough Office Hours

Tuesday & Thursday
9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
412-279-7876

Borough Council Meetings

2nd Tuesday of each month @ 6:30 PM
Pennsbury Village Community Room

Police, Fire, & Ambulance EMERGENCY DIAL 911

Tax Collections

Borough Real Estate, School
Tax, Refuse Fees
Patricia Notaro
412-276-6181

Jordan Tax Service

Local Earned Income Tax
412-835-5243, Press #6
Business Privilege/Mercantile Tax
412-835-5243, Press #8

**Pennsbury Village
Condominium Association**
412-276-5100

Animal Control Services
911 (via Carnegie Police Dept.)

Fall 2017

There have been numerous reports of raccoons and rodents – rats and groundhogs - in Pennsbury. You will see “rat traps” in various areas at the ends of buildings. As we have been saying, you **MUST NOT** leave bags of garbage outside your unit. You must pick up after your dog and close the doors and tops of refuse containers. We all love the birds and wild animals but by putting food out for them, you are providing food for unwanted visitors. Please eliminate bird feeders in your area to help us control this situation.

- We are all paying an annual refuse fee. Our fees have been increasing in part due to extra pickups (leaving refuse outside the dumpsters, placing large items and building supplies in or around the dumpsters, ignoring outsiders who are depositing their trash in our dumpsters so you can pay for it rather than them). Make note of people who are not following the rules and report them to the Borough office.
- Pennsbury has a noise ordinance which is enforced by the Carnegie Police Department. Call 911 for loud noises (dogs, people, music, tv, etc) after 11 pm.
- Also call 911 for any suspicious activity. **PLEASE CALL IMMEDIATELY** so the police can address the problem as it exists. There is nothing they can do the next day.
- Landlords with rental units in Pennsbury **MUST register all tenants** on an annual basis or within 30 days of new tenants moving into the community. A similar ordinance has been passed in other communities for safety and security. The ordinance has been in effect since 2009.
- Tenants must follow the same rules/regulations and ordinances by the Condominium and Borough as unit owners. Both tenants AND landlords can be cited for violations.
- Business Privilege/Mercantile Tax is a mandatory tax paid to the Borough by any business in Pennsbury Village. **This tax must also be paid by all landlords with rental properties in the municipality.** Contact Jordan Tax Service for forms.
- We are again receiving numerous complaints about the parking in Pennsbury. We cannot issue reserved parking within the municipality but we have to ask residents to be considerate of your neighbors. If you have more than one vehicle (and many have 3 – 4), please only park one in front of your unit and park the others in “**non-prime**” spaces. This is a condominium complex and we are all living in close quarters. Please show your neighbors consideration.
- Please do not walk your dog directly in front of units and do not allow them to urinate on the shrubs and flowers. Try to walk along the edge of the street to avoid problems.

**PENNSBURY WILL CELEBRATE HALLOWEEN ON
OCTOBER 31 FROM 6 – 8 PM. Turn on your outside
light if you want to participate.**

Tax Information: The discount period for School Tax ended on September 30. After that date the tax is due at face value. Please be sure the tax office has your current mortgage company information or your mailing information if you pay your own taxes. The Tax Collector will also begin to prepare our annual refuse bills which mail in early January. If you do not receive a refuse bill by January 15, 2018, contact Trish Notaro at 412-276-6181. Refuse payment is due by January 31 to avoid paying a penalty.

Eastern Standard Time: Remember to “fall back” (turn your clocks back 1 hour) at 2 am on Sunday, November 5 for the beginning of Eastern Standard Time. This is also a good time to change the batteries in your smoke alarm and carbon monoxide detectors and have your furnace serviced for the winter.

Neighbors: Be aware of changes in the activities around you. Let your neighbors know if you will be out of town. You can also notify the Carnegie Police Department to do vacation checks to be sure everything is ok when you are away. We have numerous older people who call Pennsbury home. Please be aware if you see something unusual and notify either the Condominium office or Carnegie Police. We have had a few residents fall inside their homes who were unable to call for help. Be sure someone has an emergency contact number, especially if you live alone.

Please be careful when walking at dusk or after dark. Use a flashlight and/or reflective tape on yourself and the dog’s leash or collar. Also, scooters and skateboards are NOT permitted in Pennsbury but many children are riding them in the middle of the streets in the evening. You can be fined for this violation.

Borough Activities:

The Borough will host a **Food Drive** for the Crafton Food Bank on Saturday, November 4. Members of Borough Council will be at the bottom of the steps to the Commercial area from 10 am – 12 Noon to take your donations. Cash and checks made out to the “Crafton U.P. Church” with “Food Bank” in the memo line will also be accepted.

Toys for Tots: The Borough will participate with the Carnegie Police Department in the Toys for Tots campaign. New, unwrapped toys can be dropped off in the Borough office during normal office hours on Tuesdays and Thursdays in November. Borough officials will also be at the bottom of the steps to the Commercial area on Sunday, November 26 from 11 am – 1 pm.

Election Day: Don’t forget to do your civic duty and vote in the November 7 election. The polls for Pennsbury are held in the Community Room and will be open from 7 am – 8 pm.

Landlord – Tenant Ordinance: The initial landlord – tenant ordinance was passed in 2009. This initial ordinance mandated landlords within Pennsbury to register their tenants annually and within 30 days of a change in tenant. A broader ordinance was passed late in 2015 and is in the process of being implemented. This ordinance will be available for review within the next few weeks and will require landlords to ensure their units are safe prior to leasing.

Web site: Watch for the new, updated Borough Web site in the next few weeks. We apologize for the delay in providing you with updated information through the site and know you will be excited with the changes and ease of use. If you have submitted your email address to the PENS program and receive alerts of events/emergencies within the Borough, you will receive a notification when the new Web site is available.