



THE BOROUGH OF PENNSBURY VILLAGE NEWSLETTER FALL 2022

Pet Reminders

Per Borough Ordinance, all pets must be restrained by a leash, not to exceed eight feet in length, and held by a responsible person at all times.

Pets are not permitted in the commercial area, even if they are on a leash.

It has come to our attention that residents are letting their dogs run and play on the sports courts. **Pets are not permitted on the sports courts.** Not only are there potential sanitary issues if the pet is not picked up after, but the sports court material is very expensive to replace if damaged.

In Memorium

For those of you who are long-time residents, we are sad to report the recent passing of two men who served the Borough for many years. Darryl Albert was a member of Borough Council and the head of the Public Works committee during his lengthy tenure. Ed Adamski also served the Borough for many years as Tax Collector. Our sympathies to their families.

Increase in Police Patrols

You may have noticed that there has been a marked increase in patrols in the Borough by the Carnegie Police Department. In addition to more vehicle patrols in the Borough, the officers are making frequent foot patrols. We are grateful to the police for making their presence so visible and keeping our residents safe.

If you witness any suspicious activity within the Borough, please call 911 rather than posting the

incident on social media. No law enforcement action or official report will be made if the incident is not reported through 911.

Improvements in Pennsbury Park

Recognizing that the park is a much-used and enjoyed part of our community, Borough Council has been exploring funding sources to make some long-needed improvements and updates. Meanwhile, a safety inspection was recently conducted and some minor repairs were made to keep the playground and equipment open and safe for our youngest residents and guests. We hope you take advantage of these warm Fall days to enjoy the park safely.

Down in the Dumps(ers)

What is the most complained about topic in the Borough? Trash and dumpsters. We get complaints on a weekly basis, so here are some reminders again:

- When a holiday falls on a Monday, trash pick-up is delayed by one day. In those weeks, trash will be picked up on Friday instead of Thursday;
- Remember to latch the sides of the dumpsters and close the lids completely after depositing trash;
- Break down all boxes to allow for more room in the dumpsters;
- Be mindful of the no parking signs and spaces on refuse pick up days. If Valley Waste Service cannot access a dumpster that is blocked by a car, that dumpster will not be emptied that week;

- DO NOT PLACE DISCARDED APPLIANCES, FURNITURE, MATTRESSES OR CARPETING IN OR NEXT TO A DUMPSTER. Contact the Condominium Office at (412) 276-5100 to arrange for maintenance employees (“Helping Hands”) to come directly to your home to remove any items not permitted in the dumpsters. There is a small fee charged for this service.
- Dumpsters are for household trash only! CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS ARE NOT TO BE PLACED IN THE DUMPSTERS. Prohibited items include, but are not limited to, drywall, carpeting, sinks, counter, stone, concrete, wood, paint cans, toilets, etc. CONTRACTORS WILL BE FINED IN ADDITION TO THE RESIDENT OWNER!
- **This is not only a Borough violation but a State DEP violation with very large fines.**
- Inform your contractor BEFORE work starts on your unit that they are NOT permitted to use the Borough’s dumpsters.
- Dumpsters are for use only by residents of the Borough of Pennsbury Village who have paid their refuse fees. Use by a non-resident will result in arrest and charges filed for theft of services.
- Residents have access to a convenient service to properly dispose and recycle Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) and E-WASTE (electronic) items. THERE IS NO COST FOR YOU TO PARTICIPATE. But you must register in advance with Valley Waste Service to receive the required collection containers and instructions for pickup. E-Waste is collected monthly and HHW is collected once per quarter. Details are on the Borough’s website or email Valley Waste Service at customersvc@valleywasteservice.com, call 724-843-9373 or go to

valleywasteservice.com to set up an appointment.

- If you see someone violating these rules, DO NOT CONFRONT THEM. Please report the person, or the make of the car and the license plate, to the Borough Manager. **One person’s recent report has led to a citation being issued against the violator.**

Abuse of these rules leads to higher refuse fees for all of us. Please be considerate and observant.

Happy Fall Y’All

Halloween Trick or Treat will be held in the Borough on Monday, October 31, from 6 to 8 pm. Please turn on your outside light if you want to participate, and drivers please slow down if driving in the Borough that evening.

Daylight Savings Time ends at 2 am on Sunday, November 6. Remember to “fall back” on that date.

Tuesday, November 8, 2022, is the General Election. Polls are open on election day from 7 am to 8 pm in the Community Room.

“Someone struggled for your right to vote. Use it.”

Susan B. Anthony

Pennsbury Village Borough would like to introduce Savvy Citizen. Savvy Citizen is a free notification system for Apple and Android users that will enable the borough to send information about important borough news and events directly to residents’ mobile devices. Residents may access Savvy Citizen by downloading the smartphone app, visiting the website below or scanning the QR code with your phone’s camera.

For more info:
SavvyCitizenApp.com
 Sign up and become a savvy citizen!

SIGN UP FOR SAVVY CITIZEN

Join over 360 of your neighbors who have already signed up for Savvy Citizen to receive up-to-the-minute critical news in the community. It’s FREE and simple for residents to sign up. You don’t want to miss the information you need to know!

Tax Reminders

It's the time of year when school taxes are due. There is a 2 % discount if paid by September 30, 2022. Tax is due at face value by November 30, 2022 and there is a 10% penalty assessed if paid after that date.

Any Refuse/Trash accounts that remain outstanding for 2022 - amount now due is \$202.50. This is **not included** in your monthly Condo Payment.

New Residents to Pennsbury – please contact the Tax Office with your Mortgage or Billing information. (this includes changes to your mortgage for current owners)

Any Tax or Refuse/Trash accounts that remain delinquent as of December 31, 2022 will be turned over for delinquent collection.

Please contact Patricia Notaro at 412-276-6181 with any questions about your real estate, school tax or refuse/trash fees. We do not collect Allegheny County Taxes.

Join Us

Please join us at the monthly meeting of Borough Council, the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm in the Community Room.

You'll have the opportunity to learn about the current issues Council is working on as well as upcoming concerns and plans. We welcome your presence and questions!

Public meeting agendas are made available at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting, both in print and in digital form – on the Borough's website and on the Borough Office door.

Borough Office

The Borough office is still operating on an appointment -only basis. Call 412-279-7876 to schedule an appointment during regular Borough hours – Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 am to 5 pm. Face coverings are recommended but are not mandatory in the office.

Watt's Up?

Who says you can't get anything for free? Active Duquesne Light customers can receive a FREE Energy Efficiency Conservation Kit by entering your name, address and email on the Duquesne Light website:

<https://duquesnelight.com/energykits/>. The kit includes two 60-watt LED light bulbs and a nightlight.

Duquesne Light's Watt Choices program will pay you \$50 to recycle your old, energy-wasting refrigerator and they will haul it away for free. If you are planning to get a new refrigerator, contact them to set up an appointment to remove your old one.

Reminder to call 412-393-7000 or log on to Duquesne Light's website to report any power outages. During the last power outage in the Borough, they received almost 250 reports from Pennsbury residents. More reports help to move up the response time to a community.



Summer Food Drive Thank You!

We are thrilled to share that Pennsbury residents and friends donated two carloads of bags and boxes of non-perishable food, supplies and pet food for this summer's food drive to benefit the Crafton Ingram Food Pantry. Like the song says, "we get by with a little help from our friends." Thank you for your generosity and thoughtfulness in helping out our neighbors during times of need. Please read this thank-you note to our community from the food pantry:

Dear Pennsbury Village Staff,

Attention Barb:

Thank you so much for your generosity in hosting the Pennsbury village food drive and donating it to the Crafton-Ingram Food Pantry. Your support will help us ensure families in need in our community will have food on their tables. We really appreciate your assistance; it means so much to the church and the community.

Thank you,

Andi Sevacico

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Food Bank Director

Borough Officials

Mayor – Lucy Harper
President – Steven Stecko
Vice President – Brenda George

Council Members:

Barbara Cinpinski
Marita Haubrick
Nicholas Honchar
Maria Shamsi
Carolyn Waldner
Tax Collector – Patricia Notaro
Borough Manager – Rae Carol Wolff
Landlord/Tenant Administrative Assistant – Pat Franks
Borough Engineer – Clint Reilly
Borough Solicitor – Christopher Voltz, Esq.
Police Chief – Jeffrey Kennedy, Carnegie Police Department

Borough Office Hours

Tuesdays & Thursday (BY APPOINTMENT ONLY)
9:00 AM – 5 PM
412-279-7876

Council Meetings

2nd Tuesday of the month – 6:30 pm
Community Room

Police, Fire & Ambulance

EMERGENCY DIAL 911

Animal Control Service

911 (via Carnegie Police)

Tax Collections

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

Local Earned Income Tax

Business Privilege/Mercantile Tax
Jordan Tax Service
412-835-5243
Pennsbury Village Condominium Association
412-276-5100

Borough Website - <http://pennsburyvillageboro.com/>