

CHALFANT BOROUGH NEWSLETTER

July August September October November December 2023

Hello Everyone! This newsletter covers the second half of 2023. I've repeated some information from the first newsletter and added some new information for Chalfant and our surrounding communities. Please hang on to both newsletters for future reference. If you have any ideas for future newsletters please let us know.

Future editions of the newsletter will be by subscription only. If you want to continue to receive the newsletter, you must call (412-823-6500) or email (chalfantborough@gmail.com) the borough office to subscribe. Please provide your name and address if you'd like a paper copy mailed to you. If you'd like to receive an electronic copy, please provide your email address as well. If you are currently receiving the electronic version, you do not need to resubscribe unless you want a paper copy as well.

MAYOR PERRY'S 45 YEAR SERVICE AWARD

Congratulations to our Mayor Jim Perry who was awarded the Pennsylvania State Association Of Boroughs Trustees Award. This award was presented at the PSAB annual conference in Hershey on

Tuesday, June 5 for completing 45 years of municipal government service to the citizens of Chalfant.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Stephanie Schwogel Boro Secretary		412-823-6500
Jim Perry	Mayor	412-823-8197
Chad Hoover	Council President	412-477-5618
Owen Lilac	Park, Recreation	
	Boro Property	412-443-7453
Evelyn Fullwood	Treasurer, Finance &	
	Administration	412-443-8375
Diane Hillen	Permits & Ordinances	412-780-7684
Brandon Sauter	Roads & Public Works	412-690-5818
Derrick Royster	Public Safety	412-478-8876
Carol Fennel	Health & Sanitation	412-512-7993
Luann Bouvier	Crime Watch	412-848-6774
Forest Hills Police	Emergency	911
Chalfant Vol. Fire	Emergency	911
Ray Wroblewski Fire Chief		
1	Non-Emergency	412-829-7415
EMS/Ambulance	Emergency	911
Carol Donahue	Tax Collector	412-824-3283
Leonard Wroblewski Park & Community		
	Ctr. Rentals	412-694-2695
Hoffman Kennels	Animal Control	724-468-5505
Duquesne Light	Emergency	1-888-393-7100
Equitable Gas	Emergency	1-800-400-4271
	Or	1-800-764-0111
WPJWA	Emergency	412-243-6200

FYI FOR CHALFANT RESIDENTS

TRASH COLLECTION - Due to personnel changes, Swissvale has issued a revised trash collection schedule for the remainder of 2023 as follows: Independence Day pickup on Sat.

July 8th/ Labor Day on Sat. Sept. 9th/ Thanksgiving on Sat. Nov. 25th/ Christmas on Sat. Dec. 30th and New Years Day on Sat. Jan. 6th.

TAX INFO - Chalfant Borough FACE VALUE taxes are due by 6/30/23. After 6/30 they are considered delinquent and in the penalty phase. The Woodland Hills School District approved a 0.5 mil tax cut. Hopefully this will affect the school tax for the 2023-2024 school year. This tax is mailed out on July 1, 2023. A discount is applied if paid by 8/31/23. Face value if paid by 10/31/23. After 10/31/23 the tax is in the penalty phase. If paying by installment the first installment is due 10/31/23, the second 1/31/24, and the third and final installment is due 3/31/24. Please call Carol Donahue, our tax collector, at 412-823-3283 with any questions.

ELECTION - Municipal election day is Tuesday, November 7, 2023 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. You must be registered to vote by 10/23/23 (if you are a new voter). Mail-in ballots are due by 10/31/23. If you need assistance or information, contact the Allegheny County Election Division at 412-350-4500 or online at Vote.Pa.Gov. Our voting poll is located at the Community Center, 218 North Ave.

NUTRITION ASSISTANCE - There are several food pantries in our area providing fresh fruits and vegetables and packaged goods.

The Human Services Center at 413 Penn Ave. Ext. in Turtle Creek provides free food the 2nd Saturday of the month from 8:30 to 10:30. Call 412-829-7112 for more information.

The Presentation of Christ Church (Olympia Hall) located on Electric Ave has a free food pantry, clothing and a hot meal offering starting at 11:00 a.m. the following Saturdays: June 24, July 22, August 26, September 23, October 28, November 18 and December 23 of this year. Call 412-824-9188 for further information.

Meals for Friends delivers nutritious, hot meals to senior and disabled residents on Monday and Friday for \$20 a week. To sign up or volunteer call 422-824-2400.

The Pennsylvania SNAP program (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) aka food stamps can be reached at 1-866-550-4358 the Consume Service Center or online at www.compass.state.pa.us to request an application to determine eligibility.

The United Way has a free "resource and information hub" that provides assistance for health, disaster and community services. They are a confidential source and are available 24/7 by calling 211 or online at pa211sw.org

The Calvary United Church of Christ on Shaw Ave. in Turtle Creek is home to the "Opportunity Shop" or the "Op Shop" as it is known. They sell VERY affordable, gently used

clothing and home goods for the whole family. They are open from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.

STATE REPRESENTATIVE - Our State Rep. Abigail

Salisbury can help with the following: property tax and rent rebates, PRT (formerly PAT) senior bus passes, driver's license renewal, vehicle registration, disability placards etc. and she provides free notary service. Her phone number is 412-273-3400 and her office is located at 501 Braddock Ave. in Braddock.

SENIOR PROPERTY TAX RELIEF- information can be found by calling 1-866-282-8297.

PARK - The Chalfant Servicemen's Park is open everyday from dawn to dusk. The pavilion is available to rent for picnics, parties, etc. Contact Len Wroblewski at 412-694-2695 for information. A printable application is available on the Chalfant website, chalfantborough-pa.org

The Community Center is also available to rent. That application is also online or contact Mr. Wroblewski. When using our beautiful park, please keep it clean (and that means language too!!) Respect the handicap parking spots AND NO DOGS PLEASE!! Chalfant residents are permitted to use the Forest Hills Dog Park located at 400 Braddock Rd. within the main park.

CAEC - The Churchill Area Environment Council serving Chalfant, Churchill, Forest Hills, and Wilkins Twp is seeking new members. Its mission is to advise member municipalities and their residents on matters of environmental interest and importance. Periodically the Council develops and distributes advisories on environmental issues impacting our communities. The Council meets regularly on the third Tuesday of April and October and occasionally additional workshop meetings. To learn more about CAEC and view its advisories you can visit:

<u>www.churchillborough.com/community/around-town/the-churchill-area-environmental</u>-council. If you are interested in joining please email: churchillareaenvcouncil@gmail.com

CRIME WATCH - The Chalfant Crime Watch teamed up with Borough Council to show support and appreciation for the Forest Hills Police during National Police Week in May by providing a luncheon spread for all three shifts. A beautiful police themed wreath made by a resident was presented to the FHPD as well. A special thank you to Tom Crombie for the preparation of his Triangle Hoagies.

Thank you to those that attended our last Crime Watch meeting in May. Special thanks to Deputy Lewis of the Allegheny County Sheriff's Office for a very interesting and also helpful presentation. If you would like to join the Crime Watch Program please contact Luann Bouvier at 412-848-6774 or email luannbouvier@yahoo.com

SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING - Please if you are witness to anything suspicious please call 911. Let the police decide the course of action. Also, when you dial 911, you can

report either an emergency or non-emergency situation. AND you have the right to remain anonymous.

THINGS TO DO IN OUR AREA

- June 9, 16, 23, 30 Farmer's Market at Westinghouse Lodge, 4-7 pm.
- June 13, 20, 27- Library Programs Chalfant Park 4-6 pm June 14, 21, 28 - Food Trucks/Bake Sale at Forest Hills Presby. Church (FHPC), 4 pm.
 - June 17 Concert at the Forest Hills Park, 7-9 pm June 30 - Forest Hills Garden Club 100th Anniversary
 - Party. 6-8 pm, Westinghouse Lodge

 July 4 Forest Hills Community Day Forest Hills

Park 10 am to 4 pm

- July 5, 12, 19, 26 Food Trucks/Bake Sale at FHPC, 4 pm July 7, 14 21, 28 - Farmer's Market Westinghouse Lodge, 4-7 pm
 - July 11, 18, 25 Library Programs Chalfant Park 4-6 pm
- July 21 Movie Night Westinghouse Baseball Field at dusk July 29 - Car Cruise Westinghouse Lodge 11 am to 4 pm July 29 - Concert in the Park Forest Hills Boro Bldg 6-8 pm July 27-29 - Greek Food Fest Olympia Hall Electric Ave.
 - August 1 National Night Out 7-10 pm August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 - Library Programs Chalfant Park 4-6 pm
 - August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Food Trucks/Bake Sale FHPC 4 pm
 - August 4, 11, 18, 25 Farmer's Market Westinghouse Lodge 4-7 pm
 - August 12 Churchill Community Day at Pace School Greensburg Pike
- August 18 Concert in the Park Forest Hills Boro Bldg 6-8 August 19 - Chalfant Community Day Chalfant Park 12-7 August 20 - Wilkins Twp Community Day @ Wilkins Elementary Steam Academy Churchill Rd.

August 23 - Back to School for Woodland Hills

Sept. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 - Farmer's Market Westinghouse
Lodge 4-7 pm
October 6, 13, 20, 27 Farmer's Market 4-7pm
October 31 - Halloween (time to be announced)
November 7 - Election Day 7 am to 8 pm
November 23 - Thanksgiving
December 25 - Christmas

A FEW MORE ACTIVITIES

CHALFANT COMMUNITY DAY - Our Community Day is on Saturday August 19 this year from 12 to 7pm. It is proving to be bigger and better than last year. More activities for the kids including a bounce house, face painting, bead table and more. Food trucks and local cuisine. Two bands and solo entertainment along with a DJ. Raffle table and craft/collectable table. Vendors and information tables. ETC. ETC. Save the date EVERYONE is welcome (sorry Fido you have to stay home).

BCLA - The Braddock Carnegie Library Association is sponsoring a Children and Teen programming for this summer. A story walk will be posted at the park this year again as well. Library programs take place every Tuesday from 4pm to 6pm at Chalfant Park. For further information call 412-351-5356 or email either

mandee@thebcla.org or alexis@thebcla.org The Library also offers many other interesting programs available to children, tweens, and teens during the summer months.

YOGA - Beginning the week of July 10, Forest Hills resident Marissa Arndt will be offering a variety of in-person summer evening yoga classes for a six week series at the Westinghouse Lodge. For more information or to enroll please email Marissa directly at marissamurin2@gmail.com

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT - August 1st 7 to 10pm is National Night Out. Turn your porch lights on, sit on your porch watching out for the neighborhood or even have a block party! It is more important than ever to send a message to criminals that we are actively involved in deterring crime.

CHALFANT COUNCIL meets the second Wednesday of every month at 7:00 pm at the Community Center, North Ave. Please attend! Bring your thoughts, your questions or concerns about our Borough. Bring a neighbor!

HAVE A GREAT SUMMER EVERYONE! BE CAREFUL, BE KIND AND LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR!

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