



CHALFANT BOROUGH NEWSLETTER

March April May June 2023

Hello Everyone! Welcome back to the Chalfant Boro Newsletter. This newsletter will be published twice a year..January-June & July-December, after this initial publication. Council's goal is to reach every citizen in Chalfant who is unable to make use of the internet or a cell phone. Those who have access to those devices can use the Savvy Citizen App, our Facebook page or our website. Those sign-on instructions will be explained later in this post. We are asking for your input on this format and to let us know of anyone we may have omitted in the mailings. All the important phone numbers are listed below as well as media information.

Stephanie Schwoegl Boro Secretary 412-823-6500

COUNCIL

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| 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 |

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| Diane Hillen | Permits & Ordinances | 412-780-7684 |
| Brandon Sauter | Roads & Public Works | 412-690-5818 |
| Derrick Royster | Public Safety | 412-478-8876 |
| Carol Fennell | Health & Sanitation | 412-512-7993 |

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

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| Luann Bouvier | Crime Watch | 412-848-6774 |
| Hoffman Kennels | Animal Control | 724-468-5505 |
| Forest Hills Police | Emergency | 911 |
| Chalfant Vol. Fire | Emergency | 911 |
| Ray Wroblewski | Fire Chief - | |
| | Non-Emergency | 412-829-7415 |
| Carol Donahue | Tax Collector | 412-824-3283 |
| EMS/Ambulance | | 911 |

Savvy Citizen/Facebook/Website

The SwiftReach Communication System is being phased out by the Forest Hills Police. There will be no more crime alerts via phone. To receive real time updates on what is happening in Chalfant you can download the free Savvy Citizen App. If you do not want the app you can opt for text or email notifications. This app will display both emergency notifications and community events.

For App users: Download Savvy Citizen app from the Apple Store or Google Play. Open the app and put in the requested information if you would like to create an account. OR skip all steps until it asks for our zip code. Type in 15112

and select Chalfant. Complete the setup by choosing if you want information from surrounding communities (check the communities you want info from). When asked about Push Notifications click ALLOW to receive notifications.

For Text or Email Notifications: Go to the Savvy Citizen website. Click “sign up” to create an account. Put in zip code (15112) and select Chalfant. Then when prompted enter your cell phone number for text notifications and/or your email address for email notifications. Any questions please call the Boro office (412-823-6500).

On FACEBOOK we are listed as “Chalfant Borough Information Page”

Our Website is www.chalfantborough-pa.org.

USE THE SAVVY CITIZEN APP AS A FIRST RESORT

Garbage and Recycling

There are NO DELAYS for garbage pickup for the year 2023. Garbage will be picked up on Fridays for the remainder of 2023. And PLEASE do not put your garbage to the curb more than 24 hours before collection. This is a code violation and you could be cited.

The Boro recycle center is located in the driveway area behind the Firehall accessible from Rossmore. These bins will accommodate glass, aluminum, plastic bottles, paperboard and non-corrugated cardboard. Recyclable cans, plastic and glass should be clean and non-corrugated

cardboard should be compacted to make room in bins. Please use paper bags only. Plastic garbage bags are NOT recyclable.

A Message From Our Tax Collector, Carol Donahue

Chalfant Boro taxes are mailed out on March 1, 2023. If you do not receive them within a week of that date, please call Carol Donahue at 412-824-3283. Boro taxes are payable at discount by April 30, 2023 and face value by June 30, 2023. After June 30, 2023 boro taxes will be in the penalty phase.

Woodland Hills School District taxes are mailed on July 1, 2023. Again if you do not receive them within a week of this date please call our Tax Collector, Carol Donahue at 412-823-3283. WHSD taxes are payable at discount by August 31, 2023 and face value by October 31, 2023. After October 31 2023 taxes will be in the penalty phase. WHSD installment payments are due 10/31/2023 (first installment), 1/31/2024 (second installment) and 3/31/2024 (third and final installment).

If you have paid off your mortgage, refinanced or changed mortgage companies it is YOUR (the property owner) responsibility to advise the following: 1) notify your Local Tax Collector 2) notify the Allegheny County Tax Office and 3) notify your insurance company. It is the Homeowner's responsibility to notify these people and/or agencies of any

changes to the mailing address of tax bills. Not receiving a tax bill does not relieve you of paying your taxes. If you have ANY questions or concerns, please contact Carol Donahue, Tax Collector, at 412-823-3283.

Important Information and Services

EMS - Please note that ALL Chalfant residents are members of the Woodland Hills Emergency Medical Service and will not be charged for this service. If you receive a bill from WHEMS please call the Boro office at 412-823-6500. Eligibility is determined from the resident's Annual Report of Occupancy. It is imperative that the form be completed and returned to the Boro office at 144 Lynnwood Ave.

MEALS FOR FRIENDS - This service delivers nutritious, hot meals to senior and disabled Chalfant residents three days a week (M-W-F) with a bagged lunch for the days in between. The cost is \$20 per week. For more information or to register please call 412-824-2400 211 Southwest.

UNITED WAY - United Way has a free "resource and information hub" that provides assistance for health, disaster and community services. This is a confidential source and they are available 24-7 by calling 211 or by going online to <http://pa211sw.org/>

PROPERTY SALES & TRANSFERS - It is a requirement that a Certificate of Occupancy be obtained BEFORE properties are sold or transferred or when there is a change of tenant. Please visit tcvcog.com "Permit & Inspection Application/Turtle Creek Valley Council of Governments" to schedule an inspection.

Private Lateral Time of Sale and dye testing must be completed before properties are sold or transferred. Please visit:
<https://chalfantborough-pa.org/borough-document-resources/buying-and-selling-property-in-chalfant-borough/> for the complete application, instructions and minimum requirements. "No-lien" letters will not be issued until all requirements are met.

BUILDING PERMITS - A building permit may be required for home improvement projects. Please call the Boro office, 412-823-6500, for information regarding both commercial and residential building permits.

DUMPSTER/BAGSTER PERMITS - When doing home improvements residents are reminded of the ordinance that requires a permit to be issued for the use of any Dumpster or Bagster. Please call the Boro office for more information and to obtain a permit.

COMMUNITY DAY - This year's Community Day will be held on Saturday, August 19. The hours will be from 12 noon to 7:00 p.m. This year promises to have MORE food, MORE music and MORE fun. Stay tuned for our next Newsletter for MORE details.

COUNCIL MEETINGS - Chalfant Boro Council meetings are held the second Wednesday of the month. EVERY resident is welcome to attend these meetings. They start at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center, 218 North Ave. The remaining dates for 2023 are..March 8, April 12, May 10, June 14, July 12, August 9, September 13, October 11, November 8 and December 13.

UPCOMING ELECTIONS - There are two elections this year. The first is the Municipal Primary on May 16, 2023. The last day to request a mail-in or absentee ballot is May 9, 2023 and the last day to register to vote is May 1, 2023. The second election is the Municipal Election on November 7, 2023. The last day to register to vote is October 23, 2023 and the last day to request an absentee or mail-in ballot is October 31, 2023. Voting is held from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. at the Community Center, 218 North Ave.

SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING - Our Mayor has a mantra that he says quite frequently. "See Something,

Say Something". Please call the Police at 911 if you see or hear anything out of the ordinary. That could be a speeding car, persons acting suspiciously, loud arguing, a neighbor you think may need a welfare check. Nothing is too big or too small. You could potentially save a life.

Our next Newsletter will come out in June and it will cover the months of July through December 2023. If you have anything you wish to ask or add regarding this publication please call the Boro Office at 412-823-6500, Evelyn Fullwood at 412-443-8375 or come to a council meeting.

AND FINALLY !!!! PLEASE DO NOT FEED THE DEER. IT IS ILLEGAL IN CHALFANT AS PER ORDINANCE 431. THEY CAN TRANSMIT AT LEAST 7 KNOWN DISEASES TO HUMANS. THOSE ARE NOT "ENERGY PILLS" YOUR DOG IS EATING OFF THE LAWN!

SAVE THIS NEWSLETTER FOR FUTURE USE

