



Chalfant Borough Newsletter

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Remember your pets during inclement weather. Animals, like people can get frostbite too. Talk to your veterinarian about pet safety during cold weather.

MEET OUR “NEW” NEWSLETTER EDITOR



As you know, our borough has been searching for a “new” newsletter editor for some time. After seeing the notice again in the fall newsletter, I decided to volunteer for this position. I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to you. My name is Susan Scampane. I have been a resident for 5 years and take pride in our community. I am the owner and chef for Universal Catering, which has been in operation for 10 years. I worked as an Editorial Associate for UPMC’s Cancer Institute and as a Systems Analyst for Children’s Hospital.

If you have a story or information that you would like to share, contact me at 412-377-8449. I look forward to serving as borough newsletter editor.

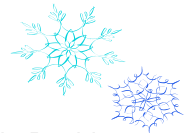
ANNUAL OCCUPANCY REPORT

It is once again time for borough residence to complete the Annual Occupancy Report. All homeowners and landlords are REQUIRED by borough ordinance to complete this form annually.

Please complete the enclosed form and promptly return it to the borough office at 144 Lynnwood Avenue **NO LATER** than February 28, 2012.

Remember, an occupancy inspection must be done each time a home is sold or there is a change in tenants. Inspection forms are available at the borough office, 144 Lynnwood Street or by calling 412-823-6500.

WINTER WEATHER



Old Man Winter has arrived, and with that comes the snowfall. Residents are reminded that borough ordinance (Chapter 21, section 321) requires that:

- **Sidewalks are shoveled within 24 hours of a snowfall. We ask that property owners do their best to clear a path for the safety of pedestrians and school children.**
- **When shoveling your sidewalk and/or driveway, DO NOT shovel the snow into the street**
- **In the event of a significant snowfall, if you have a driveway, please park there in order for our snowplows to clear snow more effectively.**
- **If there is a fire hydrant near your home, please assist our volunteers by removing snow from around the hydrant.**

The borough will enforce the ordinance and we ask all to comply.

Remember when shoveling snow, take frequent breaks and drink plenty of fluids. Bend from the knees, not your back, to prevent back injury, and be sure not to overload your shovel. Try to push snow instead of lifting it.

LEND A HELPING HAND/SAFETY TIPS

Chalfant Borough is known for its friendly citizens and close neighborhoods where a lot of our residents are elderly or perhaps handicapped. We ask that you help your neighbors and that all residents check on those who may be stranded in their homes during severe weather. Lend a helping hand. A little kindness goes a long way.

If using portable heaters, plug them directly into the outlet and do not leave them unattended. Avoid extension cords. Be sure to keep them out of reach of children. If you have a fireplace, it is important to remember to keep the chimney clean and free of soot which may cause a fire.

In the event of a power outage, use caution when using candles. Always keep candles in a candle holder and away from anything which could catch on fire and out of the reach of children. Battery powered lights with radios are an excellent alternative to candles. Be sure that you have batteries for flashlights.

Drivers should be aware of children playing in the snow or sledding and of pedestrians.

FROM THE CHURCHILL AREA ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL (CAEC)



Each year, the Churchill Area Environmental Council (CAEC) awards a monetary environmental scholarship to a qualified Woodland Hills High School senior. If you know a senior who has completed an environmental project within the school district or in the community urge him/her to pick up a copy of the simple, one-page application form available at the high school guidance office or you can download one from the CAEC website or call 412-241-7113.

For additional information, visit the CAEC website at www.cpeg-inc.com/caec. The deadline for applications is MARCH 31, 2012.

WILKINS AREA MEALS-ON-WHEELS NEEDS YOUR HELP



Full-time paid and volunteer drivers are needed for Meals-on-Wheels deliveries to residents of Chalfant, Wilkins Township, Braddock, Braddock Hills and Rankin.

For additional information, contact Alan at the Meals-on-Wheels kitchen located at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Eastmont at 412-824-5579.

NO INCREASE IN MILLAGE OR SEWER SURCHARGE

The Chalfant Council is pleased to inform residents that the budget for 2012 does not require an increase in millage or sewer surcharge fees, despite the fact that Forest Hills increased our police and public works contracts costs by about 10%.

CHANGES IN THE EARNED INCOME TAX

The *earned income tax laws* have changed. State law requires employers to withhold and remit the 1% tax on a quarterly basis. Residents of Chalfant are required to register through your employer a residency verification form. To help Chalfant residents, our PSD code is 721003.

CHALFANT FIRE DEPARTMENT NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT



The Fire Department has scheduled the first fundraisers of the year. The pasta dinner will be Saturday, March 24 from 3pm to 7pm at the community center. The hoagie sale will be May 19th for pick-up. The Fire Department will be taking orders during the two weeks prior.

REDD UP CHALFANT DAY

The Chalfant Clean-up Day is scheduled for Saturday, March 31st (rain date will be Saturday, April 7). We are asking all residents to pitch in by cleaning their own property and sidewalk sometime between March 15-31. Consider offering to assist a neighbor who is unable to clean up their own property and/or sidewalk.

Volunteers are also needed for "Redd Up Day" to help clean up public areas in the Borough. "Redd Up Day" is scheduled for Saturday, March 31, 2012 from 1 – 3PM (rain date April 7). Your help would be greatly appreciated.

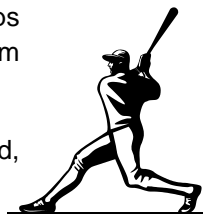
Meet at the Community Center, 218 North Avenue starting at 12:30 PM for sign-ups. Wear heavy shoes or boots, gloves and hats. Gloves, bags, and safety vests will be provided. You can help at the Center if you're unable to participate in the borough clean up.

A picnic for everyone who participated will be held at the Community Center between March 15-31. For more information and to volunteer, please contact Bob Lasser at 412-823-8233 or speak to any other Chalfant council members.

FROM THE CHALFANT ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Baseball and T-ball through Pony League sign-ups will be held on Saturday, February 11, 2012 from 1pm to 4pm at the Community Center.

If you have any questions or are unable to attend, please contact Diane Hillen at 412-823-5358.



IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Chalfant Borough Office
144 Lynnwood Avenue
East Pittsburgh, PA 15112
412-823-6500

Police/Fire Emergency	911
Non-emergency	412-351-7347
Athletic Association	
Diane Hillen	412-823-5358
Chalfant Borough Office	412-823-6500
Chalfant Borough Faxline	412-229-8304
Newsletter Editor	
Susan Scampone	412-377-8449
Parks/Community Center	
Rentals – Doris Libell	412-824-4295
Volunteer Fire Department	412-829-7415

Council Members

James Perry, Mayor	412-823-8197
Laurie Williams	
Council President	412-829-2341
Thomas Kasardo	412-352-8867
Mark Ryan Swinney	
Council Vice President	412-824-8375
Michael Spurduto	
Council Treasure	412-824-5616
William C. Fisher, Constable	
Kirsten Schwoegl, Secretary	
Chad Hoover	412-477-5618
Bob Lasser	412-823-8233
Annette Simek	412-824-3261

TAX COLLECTORS OFFICE

Bob Baburich, Tax Collector
239 North Avenue
East Pittsburgh, PA 15112

REMEMBER.....YOUR VOICE COUNTS! BOROUGH MEETINGS ARE HELD THE 2ND WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 7:00 P.M.

ADVERTISE IN THE NEWSLETTER

Are you looking for an economical way to advertise your business? Advertise with us!

The cost for a business card size ad is \$20.00. Send your business card along with a check made payable to Chalfant Borough, 144 Lynnwood Avenue, East Pittsburgh, PA 15112
ATTN: Susan Scampone, Newsletter Editor,

Space is limited! All paid advertisements will be placed in the next edition of the newsletter.

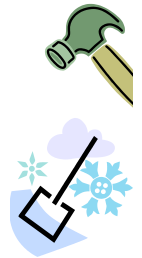
Rick's Lawn Service/Snow Removal/Handyman Services



Rick Lasser, Owner

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