



# Chalfant Borough Newsletter

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## A WORD FROM CHIEF WILLIAMS ON SUMMER SAFETY

Now that the weather is warmer, residents are reminded to always lock vehicles and homes to prevent the potential for crimes of opportunity.

**As always, if you see something—say something! Call 911.**

## FYI'S FOR RESIDENTS

**DATES OF HOLIDAY TRASH COLLECTION:** Memorial Day and Labor Day both fall on Monday so Waste Management will collect trash one day later than our normal scheduled pick up. During that week, our pick up day will become Thursday. All other trash collection days will remain on Wednesday. Please do not put trash out sooner than 24 hours before collection and trash should be placed on curb, not on sidewalks.

**CHALFANT SERVICEMAN'S MEMORIAL PARK ORDINANCES:** Residents are reminded of the three important park related ordinances as there have been recent issues with all three. The Forest Hills Police will be monitoring the park to ensure that residents and guests in the park are complying with our ordinances. Residents are also encouraged to call 911 should you see a violation of these ordinances.

**DOGS:** As per Borough ordinance, dogs are not permitted in our park. Residents are reminded that several parks in Forest Hills and also Frick Park have specially designed dog friendly facilities where dogs can be walked and exercised.

**PARKING:** Only vehicles bearing handicapped parking tags are permitted to park in the spots designated as such at the entrance to the park. Illegal parking prevents those handicapped individuals from having access to our park and will result in vehicles being tagged and towed.

**PARK HOURS:** Our newly renovated park is open from sunrise through dusk. As of late, there have been complaints of noise and activity in the park after dark. Again, should residents witness activity in the park, please notify 911 as the police will help to address this concern.

**PASSAGE OF DUMPSTER ORDINANCE:** Summer is a time when many residents make improvements to properties and with some of those projects come the need for a dumpster. Residents are advised that as of late fall 2015, an ordinance was passed that requires a permit to be issued for the use of any dumpster or bagster. For information regarding this process, please contact Joanne Baburich at 412-496-3644.

**MEALS FOR FRIENDS:** Local non-profit Meals for Friends delivers two meals a day, five days a week to Chalfant residents who are seniors or disabled citizens for a recommended donation of \$6.00 per day for freshly cooked nutritious hot meals and bagged lunches. For more information or to register with Meals for Friends, please contact 412-824-2400.

**211 SOUTHWEST:** Residents are advised that the 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/>.

## ADVERTISE WITH CHALFANT BOROUGH

If you own your own business or patronize one that you believe would serve residents of Chalfant, please contact the Chalfant Borough Newsletter at 412-823-8798 or [aliaclevenger@gmail.com](mailto:aliaclevenger@gmail.com) for more information about advertising in future editions.



### RICK'S LAWN SERVICE

243 Lynnwood Avenue  
East Pittsburgh, PA 15112

**RACHAEL B. LASSER**

**412-952-4063**

**Rilley1@gmail.com**

## CHALFANT NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

### CHALFANT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FUNDRAISERS

The Chalfant Volunteer Fire Department will host their Hoagie Sale on April 23<sup>rd</sup> from 11 A.M. to 4.00 P.M. at the Corner of North and Rossmore Avenues. \$7.00 per hoagie. A soup and chili sale will be scheduled for the May Primary with more details to follow.

The VFD is also going to be taking over the Chalfant Car Cruise which will take place on Saturday, July 30, 2016, rain date on July 31st.

### JOIN THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

If you would like to join the VFD, serve your community, and make new friends please stop by the Volunteer Fire Department any Thursday at 6:00 P.M. and talk with the officers.

### CHALFANT ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION 2016 BASEBALL & T-BALL REGISTRATION

Chalfant Athletic Association will be holding their 2016 Baseball and T-Ball registration via telephone this year. Players must be between the ages of 4 to 12 years old and reside within the Woodland Hills School District.

For additional information or to register players, please call Diane Hillen at 412-823-5359 by February 29, 2016.

### BEAUTIFY OUR COMMUNITY

Volunteers are needed to help maintain the plantings around the Memorials at the Park, North Avenue, and at the signs at Chalfant Street and the Greensburg Pike. If you are interested in helping, please contact Alia Pustorino-Clevenger at 412-823-8798 or by email at [aliaclevenger@gmail.com](mailto:aliaclevenger@gmail.com).

Residents are also cordially invited to the annual Borough Redd Up which will take place on Saturday, April 2, 2016. We will meet at 1 P.M. in the Community Center and will spend approximately two hours cleaning our streets.

### COMMUNITY CENTER AVAILABLE FOR RENT

Planning a family reunion or other special event? The Community Center is available to Chalfant residents. The cost to rent the center is \$175.00. A security deposit of \$100.00 will be returned if there is no damage and the center is left clean. For rental information or to book a date, please contact the Eileen Wroblewski at 412-277-0693.

### E-CYCLING AND RECYCLING IN THE BOROUGH

Residents are reminded that **all unwanted electronic devices need to be recycled!**

This new mandate, effective 1/2014 includes televisions, computer screens, and any other device with an electronic cord attachment. Please be proactive and contact Council Members to make arrangements to take any electronic items to the borough garage for recycling. Borough residents are also reminded that there are recycling containers outside of the borough garage as well. Please be certain to continue to separate paper from other recycling. All residents are asked to properly store your unwanted recycling bags in the trash container provided beside the recycling dumpster to help keep the borough clean.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING TRASH COLLECTION RESTRICTIONS AND RECYCLING

As a reminder, residents are advised that there are prohibited items which are not permitted to be picked up during curbside trash collection. As such, Waste Management has provided a new list of guidelines for resident pickup. The following items are PROHIBITED:

Appliances of any kind  
Dead animals or animal parts  
Antifreeze  
Asbestos  
Barrels  
Batteries  
Chemical Products  
Contaminated Oils (Mixed with solvents, gasoline, etc)  
Dirt  
Fluorescent Tubes  
Hazardous Waste  
Herbicides & Pesticides  
Industrial Waste  
Lubricating or Hydraulic Oil  
Medical Waste  
Monitors (Computer)  
Motor Oil  
Oil Filters  
Other Flammable Liquids  
Paint (Except completely dried latex paint cans, no liquids)  
Petroleum Contaminated Soil/Lead Paint Chips  
Propane Tanks  
Radioactive Material  
Railroad Ties  
Solvents  
Televisions, Computers, and Other E-Waste  
Tires  
Transmission Oil

Please Note: All garbage must be containerized or bagged with a weight NOT TO EXCEED 40 lbs.

Carpeting and tree branches must be bundled and not to exceed a length of 4 feet.

Construction and renovation material WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

When a material can be considered hazardous to the environment or the Waste Management operators, it will not be collected.

If materials are left at curbside, the property owner will be responsible for removal and will be cited when this is not done promptly.

For questions or solutions please call Waste Management Customer Service at 1-800-458-4090.

Additional local resources include:

Construction Junction  
The Center for Creative Reuse (onsite at Construction Junction)  
The Pennsylvania Resources Council hosts hard to recycle events  
Best Buy (ink cartridges, compact discs, small electronics/phones, etc.)  
Target (ink cartridges, compact discs, small electronics/phones, etc.)  
Duquesne Light offers a program for old refrigerator collection

### PROPERTY ORDINANCES AND REMINDERS

This summer, residents are reminded of the following ordinances that relate to home upkeep in our Borough:

- **Trees that overhang streets and sidewalks must be kept trimmed to a height of 8 feet above sidewalks and 14 feet above the street.**
- **Sidewalk maintenance is the responsibility of the property owner where a sidewalk is located at the end of the property. Please keep them free of trash, debris, or yard waste.**
- **Fire-pits may only be burned during good weather conditions and residents can only use seasoned wood. Residents are also advised that these must be extinguished should requests be made by the VFD or the Police department. Failure to comply will result in a citation.**
- **Residents are also reminded to be considerate of neighbors when hosting events as excessive noise from loud music, and late evening gatherings do violate our noise ordinance.**
- **Lawns must be mowed on a regular basis and your yard waste must be properly disposed of properly.**
- **If there is a fire hydrant near your home, please assist our Volunteer Fire Department by removing weeds from around the hydrant.**
- **If you are planning to be away from your home for a period of time, you must make arrangements to have your property maintained.**

### UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS & VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**Memorial Day**—Residents are invited to celebrate Memorial Day, noon, Sunday, May 29, 2016 at the North Avenue Memorial. The Borough would be honored if any man or woman who served in the Armed forces would like to place the wreaths on the Memorial during the ceremony. A post ceremony celebration lunch will be held at the Community Center. Please call Joanne Baburich to RSVP at 412-496-3644.

**CAA Schedule**—The Chalfant Athletic Association invites residents to come down to watch the Little League in its remaining game schedule:

- May 23—10 year olds, 6 P.M.
- May 25—8 year olds, 6 P.M.
- May 26—12 year olds, 6 P.M.
- May 27—10 year olds, 6 P.M.
- June 2—12 year olds, 6 P.M.
- June 8—8 year olds, 6 P.M.
- June 10—12 year olds, 6 P.M.
- June 11—8 year olds, 10 A.M., 12 year olds, 12 P.M.

**Car Cruise**—The Chalfant Volunteer Fire Department will be hosting the annual Car Cruise on Saturday, July 30, 2016 from 11:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. on North Avenue. Vehicle entrance is \$5.00 per car. Refreshments, a D.J., and other activities are still being planned for the day. Should there be rain, the Cruise will be moved to the following day.

**OASIS**—Local not for profit OASIS pairs volunteers with children in a literacy program that is currently in need of senior volunteers (50 years plus). Tutor trainings will occur in July. Interested residents are asked to call Mary Perrone at 412-576-1091 or email mary.perrone525@gmail.com.

**Meals for Friends**—Meals for Friends needs volunteers to help with food preparation, delivery, and donations. For more information, please contact 412-824-2400.

### FIRE DEPARTMENT FYI'S

The Chalfant Volunteer Fire Department asks that you review your current homeowner's policy to ask that your address is listed in Chalfant Borough and not East Pittsburgh. This important distinction helps to assure that state monies are generated to the appropriate fire department.

### WELCOME DAN MILLER AND DEN SYSKA TO COUNCIL

Borough Council wishes to extend a warm welcome to residents Dan Miller and Den Syska who have joined Council in the past few months.

Dan will be taking up responsibility for Borough Property and Recreation while Den will be assuming Road Department duties.

Both men are long-time Chalfant residents and are enthusiastic to serve our Borough.

Please join Council in welcoming Dan and Den in their new roles in our community.

### FAREWELL TO COUNCIL MEMBERS MARK SWINNEY AND BOB LASSER

Borough Council wants to extend best wishes to both Mark Swinney and Bob Lasser as they vacated their seats in early winter.

Mark and Bob served the Borough for many years in a number of different capacities and certainly made the community a better place with their hard work.

While both men are no longer serving in the capacity of Councilmen, they have already taken active roles in several different community committees and their time is very much appreciated by all who have gotten to know them over the years!

### RENT THE COMMUNITY CENTER OR PARK FOR YOUR EVENT

Do you have a summer event planned but simply don't have the space to host it on your property?

Rent the Chalfant Community Center or the Chalfant Serviceman's Park.

In order to rent the property, please do the following:

Contact Eileen Wroblewski at 412-277-0693.

Eileen will arrange a time to schedule a tour of the facilities and will complete the application and permit with interested parties.

### REDD UP THANK YOU!

The Chalfant Redd Up took place on April 2, 2016 and coordinator Alia M. Pustorino-Clevenger wishes to extend a warm thank you to the twelve residents who donated their Saturday afternoon to cleaning the park, Parkway Steps, and removing debris from our streets.

Residents are encouraged to maintain these efforts throughout the year by encouraging others not to litter and by keeping individual properties cleaned.

### IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Chalfant Borough Office  
144 Lynnwood Avenue  
Chalfant Borough, PA 15112  
412-823-6500 Fax: 412-229-8304

#### SECRETARY

Kirsten Schwoegl: *Available in office: Mondays 6-7 p.m. and by appointment (except week of council meetings, second Wednesday of the month)*

#### MAYOR

James Perry 412-823-8197

#### COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Chad Hoover 412-477-5618

#### COUNCIL MEMBERS

Den Syska 412-965-0767

Road Department

Tom Kasardo 412-352-8867

Vice President, Public Safety (Police and Fire)

Dan Miller 412-463-6013

Borough Property & Recreation

Joanne Baburich 412-496-3644

Permits & Ordinances

Alia M. Pustorino-Clevenger 412-823-8798

Treasurer, Administration

Bob Hensell 412-823-4713

Health & Sanitation

#### OTHER BOROUGH CONTACTS:

Athletic Association:

Jolene Chiaverini 412-215-3773

Constable: William Fisher

Engineer: Glenn Engineering & Associates

Community Center/Park Rentals:

Eileen Wroblewski 412-277-0693

Ordinance Officer:

BIU 412-766-8565

Solicitor: G. N. Evashavik

Tax Collector: Robert Baburich 412-823-9689

Volunteer Fire Chief: Ray Wroblewski

**Police: Forest Hills Police Department  
Emergency & Non-emergency 911**

**BOROUGH MEETINGS ARE HELD THE 2ND  
WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 7:00  
P.M.**

#### 2016 Borough Council Meeting Dates

February 10	July 13
March 9	August 10
April 13	September 14
May 11	October 12
June 8	November 9
	December 14