

# **BOROUGH OF CHURCHILL**

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THE EASTER BUNNY WILL BE HOPPIN' THROUGH THE BOROUGH ON SATURDAY, APRIL 7, 2007.

THE CHURCHILL RECREATION BOARD AND FIRE COMPANY WILL PASS OUT SPECIAL TREATS TO CHILDREN 12 YEARS OF AGE OR YOUNGER.

WE'LL DO OUR BEST TO FOLLOW THE SCHEDULE.

AM TIME	<u>STREET</u>	PM TIME	<u>STREET</u>	
10:00	MCCRADY/SAYBROOK	1:15	OLD BEULAH/BEULAH	
10:10	FOREST DRIVE	1:20	WOODLAND HILLS	
10:20	COLLINS ROAD	1:30	KINGSDALE	
10:30	HOLLYWOOD	1:40	HOMER	
10:45	BARTON DRIVE	1:50	HAMPSTEAD	
10:55	MARBURY DRIVE	2:05	ROSE	
11:00	GREENSBURG PIKE	2:10	BRANNING	
11:05	MARGATE ROAD	2:15	HOLLAND	
11:10	GARDEN TERRACE	2:30	HUNTINGDON	
11:30	RURAL COURT	2:40	RIDGEWOOD	
11:40	HENLEY DRIVE	2:55	NOTTINGHAM/SCATHELOCKE	
12:00	THORNBERRY	3:05	CHURCHILL	
12:10	GARRICK DRIVE			
12:30	FENWICK			

#### 2007 REAL ESTATE TAX PAYMENTS

The 2007 Borough real estate tax statements were mailed on or about March 1. Council held the millage rate for the second consecutive year at .00400 mills. The 2% discount due date is April 30 and the face amount due date is June 30. A 10% penalty will be assessed beginning July 1. The Woodland Hills School District tax statements should be mailed on or about July 1. Within the past year, if you have paid your mortgage off, refinanced and your taxes are not escrowed, please notify the Borough office immediately.

#### **ELECTIONS**

The spring <u>Primary Election</u> will be held on <u>Tuesday, May 15, 2007</u>. Polls will be open from 7AM to 8PM at the Churchill Municipal Building (District 1), the Woodland Hills Administration Building (Districts 2 and 3), and the Pace School (District 4). There are 3 Churchill Council positions to be filled as well as 4 openings on the Court of Common Pleas, District Judge, 2 Judges of Superior Court, Justice of the Supreme Court, County Chief Executive, Controller, District Attorney, Treasurer, Sheriff, and County Council Member at Large

The primary offers voters of both major political parties the chance to select candidates for these positions to run in the November general election. Please display candidate yard signs for only two weeks prior to election day (no sooner than May 1, 2007). Remove them promptly after the election to reduce visual clutter and litter. All signs must meet borough size regulations and must be on private property with permission of the owner.

## CHURCHILL **GARDEN CLUB AUCTION**

Come and be a part of the fun when you attend the Churchill Garden Club annual plant auction.

This year the auction will be held on Wednesday, May 9, 2007 in the Yagle Community Room at the Borough Building. Refreshments and silent auction will begin at 7PM; the live auction will start promptly at 7:30PM. Mark your calendar and join us!

## **CHURCHILL ORGANIZATIONS/CLUBS**

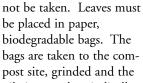
There are several community-based factions that meet regularly in the Yagle Community Room. One or more of these listed may peak your interest to become involved. For more information, please telephone the contact person. Chevy Club-Richard H. James 412-241-4263 Churchill Garden Club-Carole Wray 412-244-9907



Churchill Recreation Board-Bob Ferry 412-247-1173 Churchill Womens Club-Marie West 412-242-5666 Lace Club-Barb Lis 412-242-5238 Wilkinsburg Stamp Club-Andy Novotny 412-351-4954 Democratic Chairperson-Sheila Mozer 412-731-6297 Republic Chairperson-Maxine Niehoff 412-243-6666

## **SPRING LEAF BAG COLLECTION**

Two Monday's, April 30 and May 7, have been designated for collection of leaf bags. ONLY LEAVES will be taken; if you place grass, twigs, miscellaneous yard debris in the bags they will not be taken. Leaves must be placed in paper, biodegradable bags. The





pile is turned periodically, which produces the "black gold" mulch that will be distributed the following year. Bags can be purchased at the Municipal Building at a cost of 5 bags for \$3.00.



## FROM THE CHURCHILL AREA ENVIRONMENTAL **COUNCIL:**

A new advisory "Oh Deer What Can the Matter Be" is available free to all residents. Pick yours up at the Municipal Building during regular office hours or send a SASE (4" x 9") to C.A.E.C., Churchill Borough, 2300 William Penn Highway, Pittsburgh, 15235. Mark it "Deer Advisory" on the



back. This new flier contains useful, up-to-date information on the growing problem of suburban deer as well as measures homeowners can take to discourage deer and minimize their damage. Other C.A.E.C. advisories are available at the borough office. Check the display rack inside the front door.

A \$150 scholarship is awarded each year by the C.A.E.C., supported by its member municipalities (Chalfant, Churchill, Forest Hills and Wilkins). The award goes to a Woodland Hills High School senior who has carried out a project of environmental significance



within the community or the school district. Urge eligible students to apply. Information and application forms are available from the High School office or the Churchill Borough Building. The deadline is April 2, 2007.

Spring is here! It is time to mosquito-proof your property by covering or discarding ALL objects that can collect and retain water. Be sure your pool, pond, or water feature is properly maintained with flowing water,



mosquito "Dunks" pellets, or live, predatory fish such as goldfish or minnows.

Electricity rates are scheduled for significant increases, pending P.U.C. approval. Give your home an energy make-over. Replace incandescent bulbs with fluorescent and compact fluorescent lamps (CFL's). These offer equivalent illumination at a third the electricity cost. 13 watt CFL's (equivalent to 60 watt incandescents) cost less than \$2 a



piece when purchased in packages of 6 at many local stores. Buy appliances that have the "Energy Star" label. These use up to 50% less energy (and water) than other models, quickly paying back their slightly higher purchase prices.

#### Water now carries a municipal surcharge of \$1.75/1,000 gallons.

This money pays for upgrades to municipal sewer systems mandated by the Clean Water Act and enforced by the EPA. Our ALCOSAN area has suffered sewage overflows that affect human

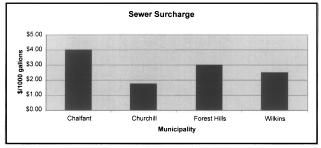


health and are out of compliance with the law. Conserve water to keep your bills low and to minimize flow into the ALCOSAN system. For suggestions: <h2ouse.org>

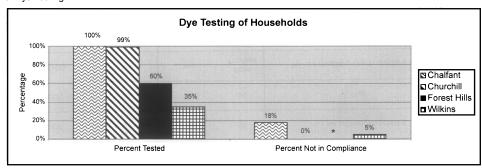
#### Results of the Churchill Area Environmental Council Municipal Sewer Survey 2006

Survey responses have been received from Chalfant Borough, Churchill Borough, Forest Hills Borough, and Wilkins Township. The results have been summarized below:

- 1. Regional Coordination: All municipalities have a representative(s) to the "East Communities Basin Group" part of the 3 Rivers Wet Weather Demonstration Program.
- 2. Sewer Surcharge: All municipalities have imposed a "sewer surcharge" to pay for infrastructure assessments, repairs and upgrades required by the Administrative Consent Order (ACO) with the Allegheny County Health Department (ACHD) and the federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in compliance with provisions of the Clean Water Act.



- 3. ACHD/EPA Consent Order Compliance: All municipalities have begun the first phase of the Consent Order.
- a. All municipalities have an ordinance prohibiting storm water connections to sanitary systems.
- b. All municipalities are in progress regarding mapping and inspection of municipal sewer structures (manholes, etc.)
- c. Dye Testing:



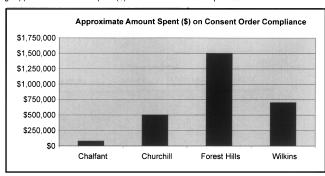
\* Forest Hills had "No Response" to Percent Not in Compliance.

Dye Testing Violations	Fine?	Require prompt Correction?	Number of Days?	Does municipality inspect neighboring properties to be sure they are not adversely affected by disconnected downspouts or drains?
Chalfant	Only if not corrected none yet.	Yes	90	No - but ordinance prohibits it.
Churchill	No	Yes	90	Yes
Forest Hills	No	Yes	None Provided	No - but Allegheny County plumbing does.
Wilkins	No	Yes	60	No - but regular plumber does.

d. Televising/Inspecting lines: All municipalities are in progress regarding televising municipal sanitary lines to identify structural problems.

However, none of the municipalities plan on televising or inspecting house laterals as part of their program.

- e. Repairing serious structural problems found in municipal sanitary lines: All but Chalfant are in progress.
- f. Flow monitoring for wet and dry comparisons: All but Chalfant are in progress.
- g. Approximate Amount Spent (\$) on Consent Order Compliance:



### Join the Blackridge Swim Club for Summer 2007

Are you looking for a way to stay cool this summer? Join the Blackridge Swim Club (BSC), an outdoor swimming facility located off Beulah Rd. in Churchill. The BSC is offering new members the opportunity to join the BSC for \$150.

BSC facilities include a five-lane, 25-yard lap pool, baby pool, grassy areas and sun deck, vending machines, and rest rooms with hot water showers. Children are invited to join the Barracudas, BSC's competitive swim team.

You can download an application for membership online. For this and more information about the BSC and the Barracudas, visit the BSC web site at <a href="https://www.blackridge-bca.org/bsc">www.blackridge-bca.org/bsc</a>. Or, call Kathy Schenkel at 412-371-8755.



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OUR RESOURCES

**Paper recycling** has come to Churchill! A bright green and yellow ABITIBI bin has been placed on the lower parking lot of the Municipal Building. Residents are urged to **use it anytime** for ALL newspaper, magazines. catalogs, stationery, and "junk" mail. **No phone books or cardboard**, please. The paper you donate will be reprocessed into newsprint. Proceeds will go to support services to the borough by the C.C. Mellor Library.

**Glass and metal containers** can be recycled at the volunteer center on the parking lot behind the Woodland Hills Administration Building on Greensburg Pike.

Collections are on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month from 10AM to 1PM. Remember to remove metal rings from screw-type glass bottles.

**All commodities** (including those listed above) can be dropped into the labeled bins on the parking lot of Construction Junction anytime. They are located at the corner of Lexington and Meade Streets (just off Penn Ave.) in Homewood. Used computers, monitors, and the like, can be placed in a bin inside the building.

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