

# BOROUGH OF CHURCHILL

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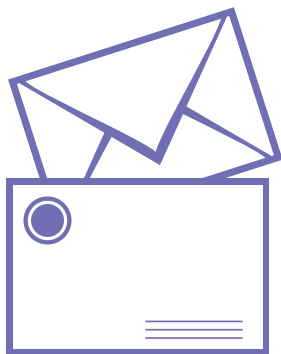
## CHANGE IN CHURCHILL COUNCIL MEETINGS

The 2014 workshop and regular meeting dates will change to the first and second Monday of each month, respectively, beginning in April 2014. The exception will be the September meetings due to the Labor Day Holiday and these meetings will be held the second and third Monday. The workshop meetings begin at 7pm and the regular meetings at 7:30pm.



## REAL ESTATE TAX BILLS

You should have received your Borough real estate tax bills in the mail. There is a 2% discount period that ends April 30 and afterward the face amount is due June 30. A 10% penalty is added thereafter. If you paid off your mortgage, please call the Borough office for a duplicate tax bill. The mortgage company will not forward your bill to you.



## 2014 Spring Leaf and Yard Waste Program

### Leaves Only

- Dates: April 21st, 28th, May 5th.
- Managed by Allied Republic, Churchill waste hauler.
  - No appointment necessary.
- Leaves place in paper biodegradable bags on evening prior to pick-up
  - No plastic bags.
  - No taping or stapling bag shut.
  - No other yard waste except for leaves.

### Leaf and Yard Waste

- Dates: May 19th, June 2nd, 26th, 30th
- By appointment only- via phone or email.
  - Call in to borough office by Friday afternoon prior to pick-up.
  - Email to Borough Office by 8 AM on day of pick-up.
- Leaves and yard waste placed into paper biodegradable bags.

#### ◦ Acceptable items

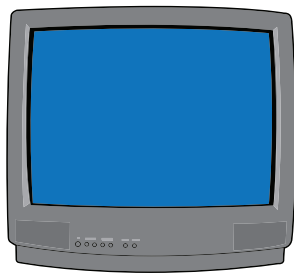
- Leaves
- Trimmings, cuttings and clippings from trees.
- Small bushes and other plants, garden residue.
- Longer branches-less than 3 feet in length-bundled together.
- No dirt, stones, or grass clippings. No heavy tree trunks, stumps, excessively large items.
- Please place in paper biodegradable bags.
- Please do not staple or use tape to close bags

#### ◦ Non-acceptable items

- Dirt, stones, or grass clippings not accepted. No heavy tree trunks, stumps, excessively large items accepted.
- Managed by Churchill Public Works
  - Public works crew needs to be able to lift bag into truck and then toss from truck to a dumpster.
  - Public works crew will have discretion. Heavy, large, or excessive amount of material will not be accepted.

## COMPUTER AND ELECTRONICS COLLECTION DAY

Saturday, June 2st, 9 AM-1 PM Forest Hills Municipal Building -2071 Ardmore Boulevard.



Bring your unwanted computers, monitors, printers, fax machines, cell phones, digital cameras, chargers, adapters, microwaves, stereo systems, VCRs—and any other hard-to-recycle electronic waste. **Unfortunately, TVs will not be accepted.**

## Churchill Recycles

Churchill is a green community, and we are proud of our recycling program. Please be eco-conscious and always consider reduce, re-use, and then use the blue-bin. The goal is zero waste.



## Waste reminders

- Cardboard. Please take the time to get it into the blue-bin.
- Cartons of all type are blue-bin friendly.
- Plastic bags are not blue-bin friendly. They may be taken to Giant Eagle, Target, Shop n' Save, or Lowes.
- Electronic waste may not be placed at the curb.
- Please consider your role in our aesthetic curb appeal. Waste receptacles stored in your neighbors' view are an eyesore. Please do not place them to the curb prior to 6 PM on the evening prior to pick-up, and remove them promptly.

## Rain Barrel Seminar and Composting Workshop

The Churchill Garden Club and Pittsburgh Resources Council are partnering in Rain Barrel and Composting seminar and workshop.

## Celebrate the Rain!

Learn how to harvest rainwater from your roof and divert it for on-site usage in the landscape. This seminar will raise your awareness of watershed issues, and you will learn to assemble and install a retro-fitted 55-gallon drum/rain barrel.

Participants receive the hardware (not the drum) to assemble a rain barrel, and receive a \$10 coupon good toward the purchase of a 55 gallon Penn Barrel Company.

**Date: Thursday, April 10th 2014, 6:30 PM**

**Place: Yagle Community Center. 2300**

**William Penn Hwy, Churchill PA**

**Cost: \$50 per person or \$55 per couple.**

## Backyard Composting Workshop

This workshop thoroughly covers the importance and benefits and process of composting, setting up a responsible compost pile, proper maintenance, and ways of using compost. Participants will receive an Earth Compost Bin with attendance. This bin, approved across the state as an ideal bin for urban and suburban areas, has an eighty gallon capacity.

**Date: Thursday May 15th, 2014; 6:30 PM**

**Place: Yagle Community Center, 2300 William Penn Hwy, Churchill PA**

**Cost: \$50 per person or \$55 per couple.**

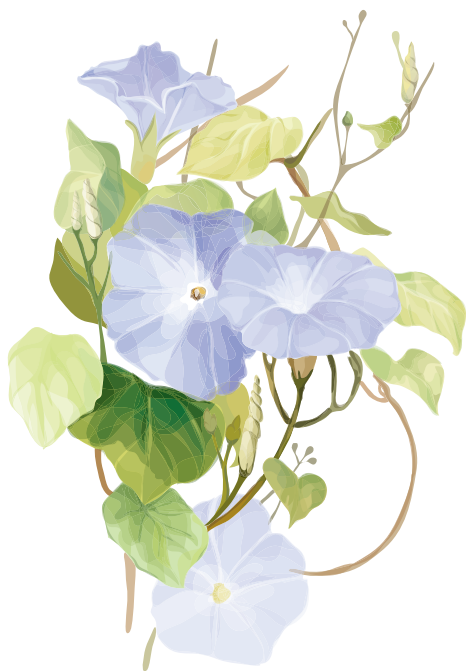
Seminar and workshop information/registration contact: Nancy at 412.488.7490 X 247 or [nancym@ccicenter.org](mailto:nancym@ccicenter.org) or [www.prc.com](http://www.prc.com) or [www.zerowaste.org](http://www.zerowaste.org)

## FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK..... PAUL McKENNA

Wow that sure was a long winter! The Garden BRIGADE is anxious to get back to our municipal gardens and welcome all new volunteers. We meet on Saturday mornings at 9am and work for approximately one hour. The BRIGADE plants and tends two areas in the borough, the Churchill Commons located on the corner of Beulah and Churchill Roads and the Churchill parkway exit ramp area. These are actually very large areas so we really need your help. Last year we started smaller gardens at the Thornberry Drive entrance and the area on Beulah Road that leads to Woodland Hills Drive. Local



residents committed to maintaining these gardens and we are grateful for their help. The BRIGADE will meet at the Commons on the following dates: April 5 and 26, May 10 and 24, June 7 and 21, July 5 and 19, August 2, 16 and 30, and finally September 13 and 27. We have a party in October to celebrate our accomplishments! We also share garden tips and plant material at our Saturday meetings. So please consider joining us. Certainly we have 20 more people in the borough who could contribute a few hours towards keeping Churchill beautiful and a great place to live. Feel free to call me if you have any questions at 412-371-8552.



## CHURCHILL GARDEN CLUB UPDATES

### APRIL 22, 2014

Meeting begins at 9am in the Yagle Room at the Churchill Borough Building. The presentation is “Step into Spring with Carabella”. The theme is fashion to make you look as good as roses.

### MAY 14, 2014

Meeting begins at 9am in the Yagle Room at the Churchill Borough Building. We will tour Reilly’s Garden Center. Guests are welcome.

### JUNE 18, 2014

We will meet at 9am in the Churchill Borough parking lot and gather to carpool to tour three gardens in Squirrel Hill. Lunch and installation of officers will follow at

Edgewood Country Club. Guests are welcome with reservations and a \$25 fee.

If interested in any of the Churchill Garden Club events, please contact Paul McKenna at 412-371-8552 or 222mayor@comcast.net

## FROM THE CHURCHILL AREA ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL (CAEC)

Available now - a brand new advisory for our residents, **INVASIVE ALIEN WEEDS - “Right Here In River City”** can be picked up at the Borough Office or downloaded in full color from the CAEC website at <<http://www.churchillborough.com/around-town/environment.aspx>>.

This advisory has complete descriptions, illustrations, and control measures for fourteen of the most troublesome, invasive plants in our immediate area - gardens, local parks, and roadsides.

Get your own copy, carry it with you when you visit Bullock-Pens Park (at the end of McCrady Road), and see more than half of these problem plants in one area.

Check the website for other CAEC advisories that may be of interest to you.

#### NAME

**Garlic mustard**



**Japanese knotweed**



**Japanese stiltgrass**



**Japan. Honeysuckle**



**Oriental bittersweet**



**Porcelain berry**





# Annual Bunny Parade: April 19

The Bunny is Back! Don't miss Bullock-Pens Park's Resident Bunny welcoming the arrival of spring! Please meet the Bunny at the closest intersection of the specified route below:

**10:00 AM Leave Borough Building**

**10:05 Forest Dr**

**10:15 Williamsburg Pl - upper**

**10:20 Hollywood Dr**

**10:30 Collins Rd**

**10:35 Williamsburg Pl - lower**

**10:45 Greensburg Pike**

**10:50 Marbury Rd**

**11:15 Garden Terrace**

**11:25 Henley Dr**

**11:35 Thornberry Dr**

**11:40 Garrick Dr**

**12:00 Fenwick Dr**

**12:10 Beulah/Old Beulah Rd**

**12:20 Kings Dale Rd**

**12:25 Woodland Hills Dr**

**12:35 Homer Dr**

**12:40 Hampstead Dr**

**1:00 Holland Rd**

**1:10 Churchill Rd**

**1:30 - 2:00 Bunny Reception at Borough Building**







## Community Day and Picnic at Bullock-Pens Park

Join your neighbors on Saturday May 17, 2014 at Bullock-Pens Park.

### Here's the schedule:

- 10:30** Dedication of Eagle Scout project by Ben Krings
- 11:00** Weeding (bring your gloves and weeding tools!)
- 11:30** Guided Tour of Trail (1.1 miles)
- 11- 1 pm** Fairy House Finding and Building
- 12:30** Picnic Lunch. Bring a side dish and a blanket or chairs

In case of rain, the dedication will still be held at scheduled time and place, but the Fairy House building and Picnic will be moved to the Yagle Room at the Borough Building.

## The Joy of Responsible Gardening

Our very own Botanist, Joan Gottlieb Ph.D, will present The Joy of Responsible Gardening in the Yagle Room of the Borough Building on Saturday April 26, 2014 at 2 pm. Joan will help you prepare your yard for spring and summer while maintaining an environmentally conscious look and preserving our local ecosystem. No fee or registration required. For more information, please visit [facebook.com/churchillrecboard](http://facebook.com/churchillrecboard) or [churchillborough.com](http://churchillborough.com).

## Hear ye, hear ye!

Magician in the family? Budding Puppeteer?

The Churchill Recreation Board is looking for fresh talent for our annual Halloween Party... if you have anyone in mind who would like to lend a hand, please send an email to [churchillrecboard@gmail.com](mailto:churchillrecboard@gmail.com), or contact the Borough office.



## The 1893 World's Colombian Exposition

What do ragtime, the Ferris wheel and George Westinghouse have in common? They all helped to make the nation come alive during the grandest fair in the world. Learn what made the fair so significant and how it forever altered the nation. Along the way, discover its many surprising ties to Pittsburgh. Join us in the Yagle Room for another dynamic presentation from the Frick Art and Historical Center on Friday June 6, 2014 from 2-4 pm.



**Reception to follow Presentation.**

## Weekly Morning Walk in the Woods to Resume May 15th

Join your neighbors to experience the renewal of spring in Churchill's own Bullock-Pens Park! Our weekly hike will resume Thursday mornings at 9 am from the first shelter of the Park, which is located at the end of McCrady Road. The loop trail includes a 200-foot vertical climb followed by a gradual descent; and takes about an

## RUN HOME!!



Come support our Pittsburghers and those coming back to the 'burgh to "Run Home" for the Pittsburgh Marathon, Half Marathon and Marathon Relay Teams on Sunday May 4, 2014. The Churchill Cheer Station will meet at the corner of Braddock and Penn Avenue around 10 am. We'll be the ones standing next to the giant pink dinosaur! Bring your signs and noisemakers!

hour to cover. Joan and Milton walk every week: you can join us every week or any week. Walks continue every Thursday from May 15 to Oct 16, 2014. Be forewarned: this hike is addictive!

## What Novels are Churchill Readers Enjoying this Spring?

The Churchill Book Club will be focusing on contemporary women authors who happen to be writing about 19th century lives.

For April 16th, we will be discussing The Luminaries, by Eleanor Catton. A tale of murder, mystery, gold rush, and boom times set in 1866 New Zealand.

For May 21st, the book selection is Destiny of the Republic: A Tale of Madness, Medicine, and the Murder of A President, by Candice Millard. This story explores the shooting of James Garfield in 1881; including the assassin and the medical response.

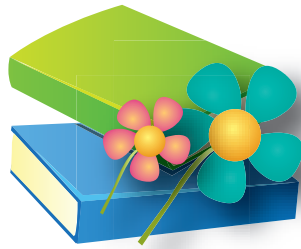
For June 18th, we will be sharing our impressions of The Invention of Wings, by Sue Monk Kidd; a historical novel based on the lives of 19th century notables. The story is based on the Grimke sisters of South Carolina who rose from prominence during the abolition movement to become early spokeswomen for suffrage.

The Book Club meets in the Borough Building on the **third Wednesday of the month, 7-8:30 pm**. CC Mellor provides the interlibrary loan service to keep us supplied with books. Bring your own non-alcoholic beverage for the evening. Newcomers always welcome.

## Health Talk Series - Living and Dealing with Arthritis

**Saturday, April 5, 2014 , 10 AM-11:30 AM -Churchill Yagle Community Center**

Join a panel of health care professionals led by Orthopedic Surgeon Brett Pericelli, M.D. as we talk about arthritis. We will discuss current trends in the treatment of Degenerative

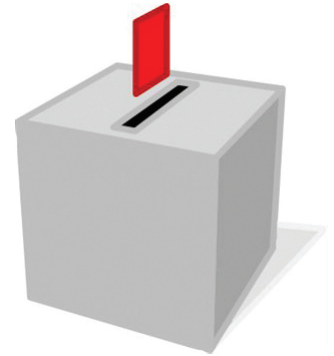


Joint Disease, including medication, physical, and occupational therapy, injections, and total joint replacement.

Please RSVP to Cindy Simm, Recreation Director, Forest Hills Borough - 412-351-7330, Ext. 220 or csimm901@aol.com.

## Primary Election Day - May 20, 2014

It's time to select candidates to run for office in November. We call it the PRIMARY ELECTION, and this spring it will be held on MAY 20. If you are registered to vote as a Democrat or a Republican, you will be able to vote for your favorite candidates. Independent voters are not eligible to vote for any candidates in the Primary, although they can vote for referenda (if any) that may be on the ballot. There is still time to change your registration so you will not be disenfranchised in primary elections. The Borough Office has voter registration/change of address/change of party forms, along with absentee ballot applications for the incapacitated or those who expect to be out of town on May 20. Plan to get forms for your adult children away at college.



The deadline for new registrations is April 21. Voted absentee ballots must be received at the County Election Division by May 16. Candidates on the May 20th ballot will include those running for:

GOVERNOR, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR,  
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS,  
U.S. Congress, Washington DC  
REPRESENTATIVE IN PENNSYLVANIA  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY,  
Harrisburg, PA  
REPUBLICAN STATE COMMITTEE member  
DEMOCRATIC STATE AND COUNTY  
COMMITTEE members

It may be "only" a primary election, but this is when the men and women who will be our next governor, state rep-

representative, member of Congress, and others will be chosen. If we want the best possible people in public service we have to support their candidacies by voting in every election. Barring last minute court action, voters will not be required to show identification at the polls during the May primary.

**Churchill has a long-standing tradition of installing candidate yard signs no sooner than two weeks prior to an election (May 6). Please remove signs promptly following the primary election.**

Call the County Election Division (412-350-4500) or the Borough Office (412-241-7113) if you have any questions about voting.

## Dogs

We love your dog as much as you do, but incessant barking is a noise nuisance and ordinance violation. Please be considerate of your neighbors. Otherwise they may call 911 and Churchill Police may issue an embarrassing and expensive citation.



## Skunks Love Bird Feed

If we want to eliminate skunks and other nuisance critters, it is important to remove their food source. Bird feed scattered on the ground attracts these unwanted visitors. Supplying birds with seed also disturbs natural migratory patterns and contributes to disease from the communal trough. Allowing birds to feed for themselves is good for them, and good for the smell of the neighborhood.

## Summer 2014 Forest Hills Basketball League

The Forest Hills Borough is once again calling all boys and girls, ages 7-15, who are interested in joining the basketball league this summer at the Forest Hills Park on Ardmore Boulevard, so don't miss out on this fun-filled sport. For more information call 412-351-7330 x220.



## BLACK GOLD

**OUR FAMOUS "BLACK GOLD"** will be ready for distribution on Saturday, June 14 and 21. You can pick up a supply from the Joint Compost site located at the corner of Business Route 22 and Rodi Road between the hours of 8am-1pm. Bring your own containers and there is a suggested donation of \$2/vehicle. Delivery is available at a cost of \$10/bucket of mulch (2 buckets equal 4 cubic yards), plus \$30 for delivery. Call the Borough office for delivery arrangements.

Use it liberally as a mulch around all plants, including vegetables, flower beds, shrubs, and trees, leaving a 6-8" mulch-free "moat" around tree bases to discourage rodents from nesting and feeding at the bark. Your black gold will continue to age, retaining moisture, releasing plant nutrients (minerals) and improving the texture of your soil. After several years of applying it, there will be a garden for you to enjoy and others to envy!



## STREET SWEEPING

Street sweeping will be conducted throughout the Borough on April 10, 11 and 17. Please assist by not parking your vehicle on the street during the hours of 7am – 3:30pm on these dates. Your cooperation will be appreciated.





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