BOROUGH OF CHURCHILL

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October 2017

BOROUGH VACANCY

There is a vacancy on the Civil Service Commission. Any interested party should send a resume and letter of interest to the Churchill Borough Building, 2300 William Penn Highway, Pittsburgh, PA 15235 or an email to office@churchillborough.com.

Waste Management

Churchill Borough's garbage service contract with Allied Republic is up at the end of 2017. Waste Management Inc. was the low bid for this service, and was awarded a five year contract at the September Council meeting, effective January 1st, 2018. The 2018 model for management of our waste will include automated collection of both recycling material and waste intended for the landfill. Waste Management Inc. will also manage collection of residential electronic and hazardous waste. We are currently working out the details regarding collection days and methods with the new garbage hauler, and will begin an education process in the near future.

Public Meeting – Churchill-Monroeville Wilkins Implementable Comprehensive Plan

- Join us on October 19, 2017 at 7p.m. at Rec333 (333 Penn Center Boulevard) for an update on the Implementable Comprehensive Plan that is being prepared for Wilkins, Monroeville and Churchill by Pashek & Associates. Implementable planning is a way of working out feasible solutions to problems that communities want to resolve. Some of the key issues that have been identified include: Property Maintenance and Code Enforcement; Transit, Trail, Bike and Pedestrian Connectivity; Shared Services; Recreation Facilities and Programming; Large Site Redevelopment and Community Engagement and Branding. The steering committee met at the end of July and began working through the concept of "Growing Smaller, Smarter." Wilkins, Churchill and Monroeville have all lost population over the course of the last two decades. What does this mean, how will it continue to affect us and how can we curtail the headwinds? Join us on October 19 and let's have a conversation!

LEAF PICK-UP

Leaf pick-up dates are on the following Mondays: October 23 & 30, November 6, 13, 20 and December 4. Please place **LEAVES ONLY** in paper, biodegradable bags at the curb on Sunday evening. Leaves in plastic bags will not be picked up. The leaves are composted and next June the "black gold" will be available as a rich fertilizer for your trees and shrubs. If you gather more leaves after the last date of pick up on December 4, you will need to make special arrangements with a landscaper or other contractor to have them removed.

Annual Children's Halloween Party

Don't be a scaredy-cat! Join your neighbors for the annual Halloween Party in the Yagle Community Center on Sunday, October 29, 2017 from 2-4 p.m. Games, prizes and light refreshments will be available.

DOOR-TO-DOOR TRICK OR TREAT

will take place between the hours of 6-8 p.m. on Tuesday, October 31. Please light the entrance to your home if you plan to partici-



pate by distributing goodies. Try to have your child wear something reflective. The Police and Fire Departments will be patrolling the streets.

Woodland Hills School District Tax Information

Due dates are as follows:

First installment is due October 31, 2017, second is January 31, 2018, last one is March 31, 2018 and face amount is due October 31. All checks made payable to Daniel R. Duerring, Real Estate Tax Collector. A reminder, if you paid off your mortgage please call the borough office to let us know.

General Election Day - Tuesday, November 7, 2017

In our upcoming "local" election, your vote is your voice in choosing the state, county, and borough

officials whose decisions most closely affect your daily life. These are the leaders who leverage your tax dollars to make the budgetary decisions that fund your police, fire fighters, school district, roads, parks, and libraries. This election is also significant because there are 10 judicial positions on the ballot for Allegheny County and the state! Your vote is important because it can help determine the health and well-being of your state, county, and community.

Only registered voters can vote in the November General Election. If you are not registered, but are a citizen of the United States who will be at least 18 years old by November 7, 2017, you can register at either the Churchill Borough Office or online at **www.votespa.com**. Also, on the website you can update your current registration or request absentee ballots for voters who are incapacitated or expect to be out of town on Election Day. Be sure to get absentee ballots for college-age children, who need them!

New or Updated Registration Forms must be received at the County Elections Division (Downtown, Ross and Forbes) by **5 pm on October 10, 2017.**

Absentee Ballot Requests must be received at the County Elections Division by 5 pm on October 31, 2017. Be sure to request absentee ballots early!

Completed Absentee Ballots must be received at the County Elections Division by 5 pm on November 3, 2017.

THE NOVEMBER 7 ELECTION LINE-UP:

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

PA Supreme Court Judge – 1 position PA Superior Court Judge – 4 positions PA Commonwealth Judge – 2 positions

Allegheny County

Common Pleas Court Judge – 2 positions Magisterial District Judge – 1 position Sheriff – 1 position

Churchill Borough

Mayor

Tax Collector

Council Member (4-year-term) 4 positions Council Member (2-year-term) 1 position Election Boards – Judge of Election, Inspector of Election (all 4 Churchill voting districts)

Woodland Hills School District

School Board Director, Region 1 (4-year-term) 1 position School Board Director, Region 1 (2-year-term) 1 position

District 1 District 2 Polling Place - Churchill Boro Bldg. Polling Place - St. John Fisher Church Black Forest Drive Barton Drive Chapel Hill Drive Beulah Road (1881 - 2108)

Collins Road (2390 - 2527)

Creekedge Drive

Croft Court

Forest Drive

Georgetown Place

Bushcliff Road

Camelot Drive

Elmhill Road

Fenwick Drive

Garrick Drive (1900 - 2023)

Gilchrest Drive Greensburg Pike (2300 - 2525) Graham Boulevard Hampstead Drive Harmain Road Holland Road (45 - 74) Hollywood Drive Lance Wood Drive Jamestown Place Lewin Lane McCrady Road Marbury Road McCrea Road Royal Oak Avenue McNary Boulevard (2359) Suzanne Drive

Orlando Place (2726 - 2738) Ridgewood Drive Saybrook Drive Thornycroft Drive

William Penn Highway (2200 - 2296)

William Penn Highway (22)
Williamsburg Place
Yorktown Place
District 3

Polling Place - St. John Fisher Church

Bayer Lane Beulah Road (2116 - 2302)

Burnaby Drive Garden Terrace Garrick Drive (2031 - 2195) Greensburg Pike (3707 - 3857)

Greensburg Pike (3/0
Henley Drive
Kings Dale Road
Lear Drive
Margate Road
Rodi Road (1299)
Rural Court East
Rural Court West
Stevendale Drive
Stevens Lane

Surry Place Thornberry Drive

District 4

Polling Place - PACE School Beulah Road (730 - 834) & (1403 - 1489)

Bowstone Road
Branning Road

Valiant Drive

Brown Avenue Ext. (730 - 834)

Carlton Street

Churchill Road (2 - 394) & (2424 - 2506)

Cliffwood Trail
Edgewood Drive
Holland Road (1 - 40)
Homer Drive
Huntingdon Drive
Locksley Drive
Longbow Drive
Margaretta Street
Merrie Woode Drive
Nottingham Drive
Old Beulah Road
Rose Drive
Scathelocke Road

William Penn Highway (3000 - 3012)

Woodland Hills Drive



CHURCHILL AREA ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL (CAEC) NEWS

NEW ADVISORY

The CAEC has issued a completely revised advisory - "THE STATE OF RECYCLING - 2017 UPDATE" so our residents can find LOCAL places and businesses that accept reusable and recyclable items that cannot go into curbside containers. Remember: plastic sheeting (grocery bags and wrapping material) CANNOT be recycled from your curbside bin (the sorting mechanism gets jammed), so take unwanted, clean plastic bags back to stores (Giant Eagle, Shop and Save) that have special drop-off containers for them.

This advisory is FREE and available at the Municipal Building during regular business hours or you can download a copy from the CAEC website hosted at **<churchill-borough.com>.** Simply click "Around Town" on the menu bar, scroll down to "Churchill Area Environmental Council" and go to "Advisories." Be sure to check for other recent advisories of current interest, e.g. "Marcellus Shale Update 2016, Sewage Overload Solutions, 2015, etc.

ENVIRONMENTAL GRADUATION AWARD

The CAEC and its member municipalities (Chalfant, Churchill, Forest Hills, Wilkins) will sponsor a 2018 Graduation Award for a qualifying environmental project.



Any senior graduating from Woodland Hills High School in 2018 is eligible to apply, The deadline is March 31. The project cannot be an essay, but must represent "hands-on" activity in which the applicant had a leadership role. It may be completed at any high school grade level, and must be carried out within the high school or any of of the municipalities within the WHSD.

For more information, examples of project types and topics, and a copy of the application form, go to the CAEC website <churchillborough.com>, the Guidance Office, or most department chairmen at WHHS.

In 2017 the CAEC Graduation Award went to Ella Krings of Churchill Borough for her activities as a member of the school Green Team on recycling, fundraising for environmental issues and for special efforts to make the school's memorial garden pollinator friendly.

Historical W.P.A Wall

Headed by councilman, Ray Jurewicz, several members of the Churchill Garden Club along with some residents met Saturday morning August 26, 2017. The project was the maintenance of the landmark wall on the corner of Lewin Lane and Beulah Road. Built in 1937, this wall is a reminder of our past history. Our volunteers worked in record time to clear and prune plantings so traffic visibility is not obstructed at that intersection. If you would like to volunteer for one of our neighborhood clean ups or have a suggestion, please contact Paul Gamrat at pgamrat@churchillborough.com



Pictured L-R Eva Nagy, Ginger Bauer, Denise Crane, Ray Jurewicz, Janet Paull, Charles Bostaph, Eileen Gelet, Dan Paull, Pattie Gamrat, (not pictured) Dave Gerenyi, Paul Gamrat August 28, 2017

Just to refresh your history, take a look at these links about the W.P.A.

http://www.history.com/topics/works-progress-administration and http://www.ncpedia.org/history/20th-Century/wpps

Compiled by Charles Bostaph, Churchill Garden Club Publicity Coordinator

Bullock-Pens Park in Churchill was named after the oxen General Forbes kept in the ravine during the French and Indian War. It is a natural wilderness area composed of a secondary growth forest located just northeast of McCrady Road and the Parkway East westbound exit ramp from Monroeville. After the "Seven Years War" ended a small settlement grew up in the area. Rev. Charles Beatty served as Chaplain to General Forbes in 1758 and returned to Bullock-Pens in 1766 to preach to the people in the settlement. "Bullock-Pens Presbyterian Church" had its origins in this Pioneer settlement and was renamed Pitt Township Presbyterian Church in 1784. The congregation was renamed again in 1804 to Beulah Presbyterian Church at the ordination of Rev. James Graham. Churchill Borough was named for this "church on the hill". The name "Beulah" refers to the beautiful land. Take note of the native vegetation and flowers as you explore and hike in Bullock-Pens Park. Compiled by April Kline,

Churchill Garden Club Horticultural Coordinator Reference document: Beulah Presbyterian Church 1874-1984 by Lenore Bayus

Churchill Garden Club Makes Impact on the Community

The Churchill Garden Club is an active club that takes care of the Churchill Commons flower gardens and entrances to the parkway as well as learning how to make our fantastic gardens around Churchill more delightful, colorful and deer proof. The Garden Club has many activities such as touring the Strip District, visiting historic sites, participating in Lawrenceville food bits and bites, hiking Bullock-Pens Park as well as touring many gardens throughout the Pittsburgh area and beyond. House parties that the club sponsors are a great time to show off your wonderful gardens and meet your neighbors during an extended social hour. Join the Churchill Garden Club and take part in their many fun activities!

Let's Beautify Churchill

It has been a rewarding experience serving as your Mayor for the past several months and I am thankful I can make a contribution to such a wonderful community. What I have seen is a dedicated Borough Council, whose members give their time and expertise to ensure that the Borough is operating well and efficiently. A group of Borough employees who run the day-to-day operations like a well-oiled machine. A top-notch police force that is up to date on the latest technologies and techniques needed to enforce the laws and keep our community safe.

I have been talking with many new and long-time residents. Many of their concerns are centered around code enforcement, road maintenance and property maintenance. Each of these concerns are high on the Borough's priority list. While the first two are Borough responsibilities, property maintenance falls on the home owner. There are so many beautifully manicured properties.

We also see areas that are in need of attention. Grass cutting, weed pulling, and tree and bush trimming can do a lot to improve property values for all of us. I am planning to work with Borough officials to provide more frequent removal of yard waste, which seems to be one of the biggest challenges when cleaning the yards. Until then, the Borough offers yard waste pick up on specific dates throughout the year.

If there is an area around your property that makes it difficult for motorists to see oncoming traffic at an intersection, it would be appreciated if you would correct

the hazard. Overgrown areas provide an unsightly view of Churchill and provide a danger to drivers when the vegetation encroaches into the road surface. I would urge you to take a look around and make any improvements you can for the "beautification" of Churchill.

On a last note, I would like to thank all the volunteers who come out to maintain the garden areas throughout Churchill. The Churchill gardens at the intersections of Beulah and Churchill Roads, as well as Holland Road, have been kept up by members of the Churchill Garden Club and some resident volunteers. The Blackridge Garden Club does a fantastic job taking care of the area's corners. There are others who volunteer to keep the corners clean and neat. Organizers have been regularly removing trash from the entrances and exits off the Parkway East. Unfortunately, the Borough workers and the state do not have the manpower to do this. We rely on volunteers. If you would like to join with the volunteer groups who work throughout the borough, please contact me personally through my borough office email, pgamrat@churchillborough.com and leave your name and contact information. I will be in touch with you. For that, we thank you!

Mayor Paul G. Gamrat

OASIS INTERGENERATIONAL TUTORING PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

For Our Upcoming Training In November

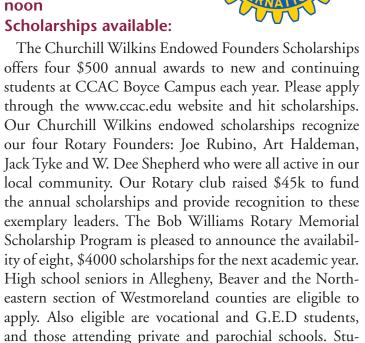
An hour a week and you can brighten up the life of a child. Become an OASIS tutor and have the opportunity to give back, have fun and make a difference. OASIS is a non-profit organization. We recruit and train older adults (50+) to tutor children in the Pittsburgh Public and Woodland Hills School Districts in grades K-4 in reading and writing. We have tutors in over 32 schools, serving over 200 students yearly. All training, materials and clearances are free.

Training will be held on Monday, November 6th and Thursday, November 9th from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at 411 Seventh Avenue, Suite 525 (Duquesne Light Building) downtown Pittsburgh. For more information or to register, contact John D. Spehar, OASIS Tutoring Program Director at (412) 393-7648 or by email at jdspehar@oasisnet.org.

OASIS is an Affiliate of Greater Pittsburgh Literacy Council.

Join the CHURCHILL WILKINS ROTARY CLUB:

Meets Wednesdays at noon



dents must have a grade point average of 2.5 or higher

and must complete an essay which highlights the students'

community/school service. Complete application materi-

als for the \$4000 Bob Williams Scholarships are available

on the Rotary District 7300 website and from local Rotary

Community Involvement:

clubs or school guidance counselors.

The Churchill Wilkins Rotary Club has funded many projects locally and internationally. Some of our projects and donations include Oasis Books and Tutoring for local schools, The American Diabetes Foundation, Turkey Dinners to feed 400 people each year, Monroeville Arts Council, transportation for Immigration Services in Squirrel Hill, Wilmerding YMCA campers and knapsack food parcels (annual), Rainbow Kitchen Race, Sponsor for Eagle Scout Dinner for BSA to improve Churchill Parks, Ward Home for boys in Swissvale, Blessing Board, Poinsettias for elderly in our area (Twenty-second year), Dictionary Project for Woodland Hills Schools (annual), RYLA Rotary Youth and Leadership Awards, International Project to build school for deaf in Dominican Republic, Young Life for Campers; Pace School; scholarships; Autism Summer Camp at Beulah Church; W.A.R. War Against Hunger; Pittsburgh Food Bank and many more.

Wine Tasting called "Rotary Uncorked" on Saturday, November 11

You are invited to the wine tasting and wine pairing dinner at Grandview Golf Club on Saturday, November 11. The cost is \$100 per person paid in advance. All proceeds go to charitable causes. Please contact Rotary for a flyer. This event will be a fun evening with live music, good wine and food, great company and panoramic views overlooking the river.

Join our Rotary and Help Others

The Rotary is a charitable club that has fun, builds friendships, and makes lasting business connections. We need you to make this happen at the local level. All the money our Rotary raises goes back to the community. There are no administrative fees. The Churchill Wilkins Rotary meets every Wednesday at noon at Edgewood Country Club for lunch with outstanding speakers. Please join us at ECC or send an email to Dr. Charles Bostaph at charlesbostaph@hotmail.com for more information on all events and member.

From the Fire Company

When the fire siren sounds, that means that some of your neighbors are leaving their homes and jobs to respond to an emergency. Churchill Fire Company volunteers respond to over 250 incidents per year, which include house and car fires, car accidents, and hazardous conditions like gas leaks, downed wires, or carbon monoxide/smoke alarms. Very few communities in Pennsylvania have paid fire departments; most are volunteer. Yet they still have the same expenses for vehicles, training, supplies, and equipment as a paid fire company. For Churchill, we have ordered a new fire truck to replace a 20-year-old fire engine at a cost of \$350,000. The new truck will increase our response capabilities, but it will also increase the pressure on our budget. The majority of our yearly budget comes from individual donations like yours. We are part of a small community, which means that every donation matters. The Fire Company has not yet met its 2017 fundraising goals. If you have already donated to the annual fund drive, thank you. If not, please consider donating securely online at www.churchillfire.org/donate or by responding to our fund drive letter. A reminder will be mailed later in October. We are also always looking for new volunteer firefighters (16 years or older). All training and equipment is provided. Contact info@churchillfire.org for more information. Brian Papa, President P.S. Don't forget to change your smoke detector batteries when the clocks change.

Pigeon Heroes Presentation

Presented by Ken Haselrig, Pigeon Farmer & Historian Sunday, February 18 at 2:00 p.m. Yagle Community Center Carrier pigeons have been used to transport massages for centuries. During the First and Second World Wars these courageous birds flew back and forth behind enemy lines to deliver their messages. Some even became famous for their unwavering commitment in spite of enemy fire. Come listen to Ken tell their story and show off some of his feathered flock. All ages.

MEALS ON WHEELS



Churchill Meals on Wheels is a nonprofit organization that delivers meals to homebound seniors five (5) days a week and operates out of

Beulah Church. Providing an important service to residents of Churchill, this volunteer organization is always in need of additional manpower. The staff includes cooks, those who assemble the bag lunch, those who donate desserts, and the delivery drivers. Two to three times a month (about 2 hours), or any amount of time you can give, is most welcome. The smiles and gratitude of the thankful recipients are very rewarding. Bonus: Not only does volunteering bring out one's best qualities and make an important difference in the lives of others, it has been proven that those who volunteer are happier people, experiencing a sense of achievement and personal fulfillment.

Although there is a nominal charge for the meals, the actual preparation of the meals and the delivering is done by volunteers. Each day's delivery includes a "brown bag" lunch, soup, and a hot meal. Special diets can be accommodated to a limited degree, such as low salt or diabetic. The cost is \$5/day, and you can ask to receive a meal any number of days each week. Meals are delivered between 9-11a.m., Monday through Friday.

If you would like more information, are interested in volunteering or if you have a friend, neighbor or relative in need of this service, please call Judy Shepherd at 412-243-3413.





REMINDERS:

- With cold weather soon approaching please remove snow within 24 hours from your sidewalk and NEVER throw snow onto the street. During snow events do not park on the street so the snow trucks/ plows can maneuver in an efficient manner.
- Check regularly with your elderly neighbors, not only during winter months, but all year long.
- Keep your doors and cars locked and don't leave valuables such as cell phones, money, computers, etc. in visible sight.
- A Carnegie Library drop box is located in the rear of the Municipal Building.
- There is a bin for worn and tattered flags in the lobby of the Municipal Building. Boy Scout Troop 90 properly disposes of them.
- Senior Citizens (age 65 and over) may complete an application for a PA Senior Citizen Transit Identification Card at the Borough Building. Proof of age must be presented. The card can be used on most public transit systems in the state of Pennsylvania (check with the transit system when in doubt).

All Household Hazardous Waste: \$1.35/lb. Small Freon Containing Devices: \$0.62/lb.

Universal Waste: (Bulbs & Batteries): \$1.32/lb.

All Tube/CRT TV & Monitors: \$0.55/lb Mercury Containing Devices: \$6.45/lb.

All Non-CRT Devices/Other Electronics: \$0.35/lb

Churchill Borough

WHEN?

Saturday October 21, 2017 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

CALL NOW FOR YOUR
APPOINTMENT
1-866-815-0016
OR REGISTER
ONLINE
WWW.ECSR.NET

WHERE?

PACE School

2432 Greensburg Pike
Pittsburgh, PA,

WHAT TO BRING ELECTRONICS...

- COMPUTERS AND PERIPHERALS
- TELEVISIONS
- PRINTERS
- MICROWAVES
- STEREOS/CD AND TAPE PLAYERS
- COPIERS
- FAX MACHINES
- CELL PHONES/TELEPHONES
- LAPTOP COMPUTERS
- VCR'S/DVD PLAYERS
- PHONE SYSTEMS
- DEHUMIDFIERS
- AIR CONDITIONERS

WHAT TO BRING HHW...

- HOUSEHOLD CLEANING PRODUCTS
- AEROSOLS
- POOL CHEMICALS
- PAINTS
- WOOD/METAL CLEANERS AND POLISH
- GASOLINES/KEROSENE/DIESEL FUEL
- PROPANE TANKS/ COMPRESSED GAS CYLANDERS
- DRIVEWAY SEALER
- STAINS/FINISHES
- PAINT STRIPPER
- BATTERIES
- LIGHT BULBS

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- WASTE OILS/MOTOR OIL
- FUEL ADDITIVES
- TRANSMISSION/BRAKE/STARTER FLUID
- ANTIFREEZE
- DEGREASERS
- CAR WAX AND POLISHES
- BLEACH
- LYE
- INDOOR PESTICIDES
- FLEA REPELLANTS/SHAMPOO
- BUG SPRAYS
- STRYCHNINE
- MOUSE/RAT POISONS
- FUEL ADDITIVES



WHAT NOT TO BRING...

- EXPLOSIVES
- RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL
- AMMUNITION
- TIRES
- MEDICAL WASTE
- SYRINGES
- LARGE APPLIANCES











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Table and Vine Goes International

ISTANBUL SOFRA

Sunday April 15, 2018 7600 Forbes Avenue (AT THE CORNER OF FORBES & SOUTH BRADDOCK AVENUES) Menu Table Vine Appetizers Hummus, Haydari, Baba Ghanoush and Tabuli Entrées Selections— Each is served with homemade rice, garnish salad and grilled tomato and peppers Lamb Kebab Chicken Kebab Shrimp Kebab Veggie Platter- grilled carrots, zucchini, mushrooms, NAME: tomatoes, eggplant, red and green bell peppers served with homemade rice and garnish salad Dessert

Assorted dessert tray

Beverages – soft drinks, American coffee or Turkish Tea

BYOB ---- Please bring your wine of choice to enjoy with this delicious meal.

Cost per person \$36.00

Please reserve the date

Resevations and checks made payable to the Borough of Churchill will be required by Friday April 6, 2018