

THE PENN TOWNSHIP PIPELINE

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COMMUNITY NEWS

2009 Penn Township Fall Festival – September 18-19

Bringing the Community Together

Mark your calendar and come to the Penn Township Municipal Park in Harrison City for the *3rd Annual Fall Festival!*



The festival will be held:

Friday September 18, 5:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Saturday, September 19, 10:00 am - 10:15 pm

The festival will include craft and food vendors, games, rides, a parade, a car cruise, a petting zoo, a celebrity softball game, exhibitions, entertainment, and fireworks. It's fun for the whole family!

The schedule of activities for the weekend is:

Friday, September 18, 2009

- 5:00 pm - Opening ceremonies
- 5:00 pm - Booths, rides, and petting zoo open
- 5:25 pm - Brothers in Praise
- 6:20 pm - The Silent Wire
- 7:25 pm - The Gyst
- 8:30 pm - Hill City Lights
- 9:35 pm - Soul Searchers
- 11:00 pm - Park closes

Saturday, September 19, 2009

- 10:15 pm - Parade
- 11:00 am - Booths, rides, and petting zoo open
- 12:00 pm - Opening / welcome
- 12:00 pm - Car cruise
- 12:15 pm - Penn Trafford Community Band
- 1:15 pm - Standard Broadcast
- 2:00 pm - Sweet Revenge
- 2:40 pm - PTARC presentation

- 4:15 pm - 3 Way Street
- 5:00 pm - Celebrity softball
- 5:15 pm - Poolside Eye Candy
- 6:10 pm - Leah Fisher
- 7:00 pm - Justin Hale
- 8:30 pm - 8th Street Rox
- 9:45 pm - Fireworks
- 10:15 pm - Park closes

Visit the Penn Township Fall Festival web site at www.penntownshippfallfestival.com, or call 724-744-2171 for further information.

See you there!

Fall is Here!

The leaves are beginning to fall, and Penn Township residents have four options for disposing of leaves.

Keep in mind that the burning of leaves is NOT ALLOWED in the township.

Option 1 – Mulch / Compost: The preferred method is to return the nutrients to the soil by mulching and/or composting the leaves. Running over the leaves with a mulching lawn mower reduces the leaves to shreds that decompose and fertilize your lawn.

Option 2 – Take Bagged Leaves to Valley Landfill: Township residents may take bagged leaves to Valley Landfill themselves between the hours of 6:00 am and 2:00 pm on weekdays, or 7:00 am to 11:00 am on Saturdays. There is no charge.



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Leaves can be left in the biodegradable bags that are for sale at the Penn Township Municipal Building (see below), but must be emptied and removed from regular, plastic garbage bags.

Penn Township has 35-gallon, biodegradable, paper leaf bags for sale at the municipal building in Harrison City between 8:30 am and 5:00 pm on weekdays at the cost of \$8.50 per 10 bags (\$0.85 each).

Option 3 – Place Leaves in Biodegradable Bags for Curbside Pickup: Township residents may place bags of leaves at the curbside for collection by Waste Management trucks on the first two Wednesdays in November and December only – November 4 and 11 and December 2 and 9.

Bagged leaves will not be collected with the regular trash collection. In addition, leaves placed in regular plastic garbage bags will not be picked up.

Option 4 – Rake Leaves to the Curbside for Vacuuming: Township residents may rake leaves to the curbside for vacuuming only during their appropriate collection weeks. The collection schedule is as follows.

West of the Turnpike: Pickup will be during weeks of October 4, October 18, November 1, November 15, and November 29 if needed.

East of Turnpike: Pickup will be during weeks of October 11, October 25, November 8, November 22, and December 6 if needed.

Keep in mind that the township has only one vacuum machine to service the entire township. A very early or late frost, high winds, or heavy rains can all affect when the leaves will fall, so the schedule shown above for leaf vacuuming is just approximate.

From the Township Tax Collector

2009 School Real Estate Taxes Due

September 30, 2009 is the last day for property owners to pay their 2009 Penn-Trafford school real estate taxes at the 2% discount amount.

Monday, November 30, 2009 is the last day to pay these taxes at the face amount.

All payments received beginning 12/1/09 will have a 10% penalty added to the face amount.

Residents who qualify for the Homestead exception may pay their taxes in three installments. For further information, contact the tax collector at 724-744-1414.

Other questions about the payment of your real estate taxes, including the Penn Township street light assessment, should be directed to him also.

Property Tax/Rent Rebate Forms

The deadline for filing for a rebate on your 2008 property tax or rent payments from the state has been extended until December 31, 2009.

Property Tax/Rent Rebate Forms are available at state representative offices.

The program was expanded a couple of years so many more people who didn't qualify in the past now qualify.

The Property Tax/Rent Rebate program, available to qualified seniors and permanently disabled citizens, is funded by the Pennsylvania Lottery and administered by the PA Department of Revenue.

Claimants who qualify can be reimbursed up to \$650 a year for the amount they paid in property taxes or rent in the previous year.

Claimants or spouses 65 years of age or older, widows or widowers 50 years of age or older and the permanently disabled 18 years of age or older may qualify for this program.

Claimants with an annual household eligibility income of up to \$35,000 may qualify. 50% of social security payments and Railroad Retirement benefit payments are excluded from eligibility income.

Tax Payment Deadline

Pennsylvania Act 169 of 1998 (Collection of Taxes - Effective 12/31/1999) requires all real estate taxes for the current tax year (2009) to be paid by 12/31/2009. All payments made or postmarked after 12/31/09 must be made at the Westmoreland County Courthouse - Tax Claim Bureau, 724-830-3428.

2009 Local Services Tax

The third quarter payments for the Local Services Tax (LST), formerly the EMS tax, for the year 2009 are due by October 31, 2009.

All persons who are employed or self-employed, including both resident and non-resident individuals, eighteen years of age or older as of

January 1, 2009, engaging in an occupation within Penn Township are liable for this tax. A refund can be given at the end of the year if the employed has income from all sources less than \$12,000.

Self employed individuals that have not received their LST tax form should contact the tax office at 724-744-1414. You are required by township ordinance to pay this \$52 tax.

Tax Office Contact Information

The office of Larry Wojcik, the Penn Township Tax Collector and Treasurer, is located in the municipal building, 2001 Municipal Court, Harrison City, PA 15636.

His phone number is 724-744-1414. Normal business hours are Monday - Thursday, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

ALSO SEE the Club and Organization News section for information about other events.

OCTOBER 2009

October 3 - Bushy Run Battlefield's Annual Fall Nature Walk

Explore Bushy Run Battlefield's woodlands and learn about Western Pennsylvania's Flora and Fauna with their local naturalist George Heasley. The walk will be held on Saturday, October 3, 2009 at 10:00 am. This program is free of charge to members of Bushy Run Battlefield Heritage Society. There will be a fee of \$5 for non-members.



October 3 – Annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection

Westmoreland CleanWays will hold their 13th annual Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection on Saturday, October 3, from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm, at the Westmoreland Fairgrounds on Mt. Pleasant Road.

In the last 12 collections, over 297 tons of hazardous waste was collected for proper disposal. Take advantage of this once-a-year opportunity to properly dispose of household hazardous waste.

Since the Penn Township commissioners are a sponsor of this collection, residents of the township can participate in this collection at no charge. So see what you have in your home, and take some time to clean up!

Acceptable Materials

Aerosols - Flammable / Paints / Poisons
Ammonia
Antifreeze
Arts & Crafts Supplies
Batteries - Rechargeable / Alkaline
Brake Fluid
Compact Fluorescent Light Bulbs
Creosote
Degreasers
Drain Cleaners
Dry Cleaning Fluids
Engine & Radiator Flushes
Fertilizers
Fluorescent Lights - Tubes and Compact Bulbs
Herbicides
Insect Sprays
Kerosene
Metal Polish
Moth Balls
Muriatic Acid
Mercury
Oil-Based Paints
Old Chemistry Sets
Oven Cleaners
Paint Thinner / Lacquer
Pesticides
Photography Chemicals
Pool Chemicals
Radiator Cleaners
Rodent Poisons
Rust Inhibitors
Solvents
Transmission Fluids
Wood Preservatives



Unacceptable Materials

Explosives / Ammunition
Blasting Caps / Fireworks
Flares
Gun Powder Pressurized Fire
Extinguishers
Chemotherapeutic Waste Biohazardous Waste
Empty/Dry Paint Cans
Radioactive Wastes
Regulated Substances
Smoke Detectors
Construction Wastes
Tires / Car Batteries / Appliances *
Latex Paint **

* Tires, vehicle batteries, freon appliances, scrap metal, and electronics will be collected at the Westmoreland Fairgrounds on September 12 or Norwin Hills Shopping Center on September 26 from 8:30 am - noon. There is a fee for recycling tires, freon appliances and electronics. This fee is not covered by the HHW sponsorship. Call Westmoreland CleanWays at 724-836-4129 for additional information.

** Latex paint can be dried by pouring it over an absorbent substance, such as a clay based cat litter or shredded newspaper. After the paint has dried, place it in a plastic bag and dispose of it with your regular trash.

October 10 - PTARC Fundraiser: Wine Tasting Extravaganza

Sample award winning wines with complimenting hors d'oeuvres and decadent desserts while helping raise funds for PTARC on Saturday, October 10, 2009, 7:00-9:00 pm. Donation: \$20 per person. Call 724-744-2171 ext. 205 or 204 for information and tickets.

October 10 & 11 - Clothing and Furniture Collection

Want to help a neighbor in need? The non-profit Christian Laymen Corps (CLC) will hold its next clothing and furniture drive on October 10 and October 11, at the Penn Township municipal building parking lot on Municipal Street, Harrison City. Hours will be from 10 am until 2 pm on both days.

Gently-used items in good condition are needed including: bedding, linens, towels, dishes, silverware, utensils, clothing, nonperishable food, and school supplies.

Good furniture and working appliances are also desperately needed. If you cannot transport the furniture or appliances, please call the CLC store at 724-834-4464 to schedule a pickup.

Through generous community donations, the CLC's thrift store and outreach programs have served thousands of people in Westmoreland and Fayette Counties, and in West Virginia, by providing clothing, furniture, emergency food, and other assistance.

The CLC, which operates solely with donations and volunteers, has also helped needy people from more than 70 area agencies including The Red Cross, St. Vincent DePaul center, the Blackburn Center Against Domestic and Sexual

Violence, Salvation Army, and the Westmoreland Case Management and Supports, Inc.

Donations are also accepted year-round at the CLC Thrift Store at 258 East Pittsburgh Street, Greensburg, from 10 am to 2:00 pm, at the rear of the building.

October 10 & 11 - Native American Day Gathering

Chiefs and dignitaries from various Native American nations will be in attendance at the 12th Annual Native American Day Gathering to be held at Cedar Creek Park in Rostraver Township, PA on October 10 and 11, 2009. The gathering is sponsored by the Western Pennsylvania Native American Association, Inc., a non-profit, intertribal group with members from Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

The public is invited to attend this free event and enjoy the Native American drumming, dancing, and storytelling. Gates open at 10 am; Grand Entry at noon both days. The event will end at 6 pm Saturday and 5 pm on Sunday. There will also be food, Native American crafts, and jewelry for sale at vendors' booths. Bring a lawn chair and stay a while!

October 24 - Penn Township Business Association Costume Parade

The Penn Township Business Association will hold its annual Costume Parade on Saturday, October 24. Registration is from 1-2 pm with the parade from 2-4 pm.

October 24 - Holiday Craft Show

The Harrison City Area Woman's Club is having its annual holiday craft show on Saturday, October 24, 2009 at the Penn-Trafford High School cafeteria from 10:00 am - 3:00 pm. Proceeds benefits scholarships and community projects.

October 24 - Bushy Run Battlefield's Haunted History Hayride

Enjoy riding a hay wagon while being frightened with historic scenes from Pontiac's War. Events include a story teller, admission to the museum, gift shop, and a concession stand. The ride will be held on Saturday, October 24, 2009 from 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm. A nominal fee will be charged.



The hayride is by reservation only. Reservations only taken after October 1, 2009. Seating limited. Call 724-527-5584.

October 31 – Trick or Treat

The township will celebrate Halloween treat or treat on Saturday, October 31, 2009, from 6:00 -8:00 pm.



NOVEMBER 2009

November 7 - PTARC Fundraiser: Community Road Rally

PTARC will be holding a road rally fundraiser on Saturday, November 7, 2009. Adults, at least 25 years of age, drive Grade 7-12 teams on an amazing race throughout the Penn-Trafford School District. Businesses and community organizations provide activities that must be completed throughout the area.

Points are awarded for the least time, the least mileage, and the completion of each activity by the team members within the allotted time frame.

Cash prizes are awarded to the top finishing teams! For more information, visit www.ptarc.org or call 724-744-2171, ext. 204 or 205. Registration deadline is October 30.

November 21 - PTARC Fundraiser: Holiday Kickoff Concert

Enjoy this concert with the Penn-Trafford Community Band & Community Ringers English Hand Bell Choir. The show will be held in the Penn Middle School Auditorium on Saturday, November 21, 2009, 2:00-4:00 pm. Donation: \$5 per person. Call 724-744-2171 ext. 205 or 204 for information and tickets.

DECEMBER 2009

December 4 – Light-Up Night

The Penn Township Business Association will hold their annual Light-Up Night on December 4 at 6 pm.

Parade formation begins at the municipal building at 5 pm. All organizations within Penn Township and Penn-Trafford School District are welcome to participate in parade.

CLUB AND ORGANIZATION NEWS

Recreation Groups

Penn Area Library

It's fall already! Didn't the summer go by fast? It was a great summer at your library. Summer reading was excellent. The theme was "Be Creative @ your Library," and the library and participants were creative. There were so many programs including the Westmoreland Symphony, art classes, an art show, Stage Right, and more. Over twelve hundred children were in the program, and the final party was so much fun! The library would like to take this opportunity to thank their marvelous staff, fabulous volunteers, Westmoreland Library Network, Monessen District, Representative Jim Casario, and all other sponsors of the program.

Storytime this Fall: This fall the Penn Area Library will again have storytimes. They are held on Mondays for toddlers at 10:00 am and 11:00 am; Tuesdays for pre-school at 11:00 am and 1:00 pm; and Baby Lap Sit on Thursdays at 11:00 am. Please remember to sign-up for these programs so that the library can have a count on the amount of material needed for each of the sessions.



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is published quarterly by the township. Your comments and contributions are always welcome.

Mail, e-mail, or drop off your information to:

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Harrison City, PA 15636
pipeline@penntwp.org

Thank you to Annette Blonar of Level Green for volunteering her time to edit *The Penn Township Pipeline* and to everyone who contributed information to this issue.

After School Art Program: The library will also hold an after school art program on October 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th. An art show will be held from October 9th to the 14th. Please call or e-mail the library for more details.

Used Book Sale: The Friends of the Library will host a book sale from October 14 until October 17. The sale will be during regular library hours, (Wednesday and Thursday 9:00 am until 8:00 pm and Friday and Saturday 9:00 am until 5:00 pm).

Remember the Friends can always use help and materials donations. In addition, they would like to have more members. Please think about joining. They host meetings once per month on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm. You can have fun while helping the library!

Annual American Girls Tea: On October 23rd, the 10th annual American Girls Tea will be held at the library at 6:00 pm. Again, the library is raffling two American Girl dolls. Both dolls are the doll of the year, Chrissa. Tickets can be purchased at the library until Thursday October 22nd. The winners will be announced on October 23rd, prior to the tea.

This year there will be a doll “fashion show”, a craft, loads of prizes, and, of course, punch and cookies. Sign-ups will begin on October 5th. You can call or visit the library to sign-up. All you need is you and your favorite doll! Come and join in on the fun! Each year the tea is even more fun.

Annual Bedtime with Bears: “Bedtime with Bears” will be held this year on November 13 at 6:30 pm. All you need to do is wear your favorite PJs and bring along a stuffed animal. There will be milk or cider and cookies for all. It will be great fun! Check with the library for sign-ups.



Santa Arrives in December: An honored guest is coming to the library in December on Saturday the 19th. It is the man with the red suit and long white beard, you guessed—Santa. Pittsburgh Puppets will entertain and help to celebrate the season. Please check with the library for more details in November.

State Funding Brings Inter-Library Loan to a Halt (and more?): Library programs are fun, but next year may be very difficult. The state has not passed a budget, and what is worse is that they may be planning a 50% to 55% cut in library funding. This has meant that the District Center, Monessen, whose fiscal year is from July 1 to June 30, received zero dollars, and there have been many lay-offs at the District Center. Peggy Tseng, District Consultant, has gallantly tried to keep business going, but as of October 1, there will no longer be interlibrary loan van service in Westmoreland and Fayette Counties. To the patron of each library, this means they can no longer order materials and place holds unless they plan to pick up and return materials on their own.

If you are a patron of Penn Area Library, you can still place holds, renew materials, and order books but they must be from Penn Area Library or you have to pick them up at the library you requested the materials from and return them yourself. Please do not put materials from other libraries in the book drop or plan on leaving them at the Penn Area Library; we have no way of picking up or delivering.

This is the same in all Monessen District Libraries until a budget is passed and it is known much the libraries' funding has been cut. Inter-library loan could resume, but there are no guarantees. Penn Area Library may lose \$50,000.00 or more from the state, the library's second largest funder next to the township. The library is not on a tax base and funds are not guaranteed.

The Free Library of Philadelphia and its branches will close on October 1 if there is no budget from the state. Many libraries have had to reduce hours or cut materials budgets. Libraries in the past years have seen increased circulation, computer usage, and attendance. Just look at what libraries have to offer: free internet including wireless access, newspapers, periodicals, online databases to take practice tests for employment, DVDs and CDs and all are FREE to library card patrons. Please consider contacting your state representatives and senators to ask them not to reduce library funding and pass a budget quickly. The library would greatly appreciate your help.

Penn-Trafford Area Recreation Commission (PTARC)

Fall Activity Guide Mailed: The Fall Activity Guide was mailed to residents of the Penn-Trafford School District around mid-August.

The guide includes fun activities running from September through December 2009 for all ages: Falls View Casino Trip, Halloween & Horses, Dad & Daughter Night Out, Mother/Son Par 3 Scramble, The Dance Academy, Audition Preparation, Safety on the World Wide Web, Fitness Boot Camp, Paranormal Investigation, Parents Night Out, Pilates & more!

The activity guide is also posted online at www.ptarc.org. Copies may also be obtained at the PTARC office in the municipal building.

PTARC Fundraisers: PTARC will be holding 3 fundraisers this fall: a Wine Tasting Extravaganza on October 10, a Community Road Rally on November 7, 2009, and Holiday Kickoff Concert November 21, 2009. For more information see the calendar of events.

About PTARC: PTARC is a nonprofit, intergovernmental organization formed between the boroughs of Penn, Trafford, and Manor, Penn Township, and the Penn-Trafford School District.

PTARC's mission is to provide the opportunity for life-long learning, fitness and fun through wholesome, affordable, recreational activities and safe, appealing facilities. They can be reached at 724-744-2171, ext. 204 or 205.

Penn-Trafford Adult Education (PTAE)

Fall Class Brochure Mailed in Mid-August: The brochure of fall classes organized by Penn-Trafford Adult Education (PTAE) was included in the August issue of the school district's newsletter, The Prospectus, which was mailed to residents of the Penn-Trafford school district.

The classes are also listed on the group's web site, www.ptae.org. Registrations are accepted up until one week before the class begins. Many classes are still open for registration.

About Penn-Trafford Adult Education: Penn-Trafford Adult Education is an all-volunteer organization that has been providing educational opportunities for adults since 1962. For more information on the group and its programs, contact Devra Cherrone, chairperson, at 724-744-2303.

Penn-Trafford Adult Education is always looking for new volunteers to help organize and run classes for the community and instructors for new classes. Contact them if you are interested.

Volunteer Fire Departments

Grandview VFD

Grandview VFD meetings: Third Wednesday of each month beginning at 8:00 pm.

Grandview Auxiliary meetings: First Tuesday of each month from September through June. Meetings begin at 7:30 pm. New members are always welcome.

Bingo: Weekly bingo on Monday night beginning at 7:00 pm with 50/50 early bird games beginning at 6:15 pm. As well as regular games, specials and quickies, there is a 600 point progressive jackpot. It is always a pleasure to see new players on Mondays. The kitchen opens at 5:30 pm with a variety of food.

Hall rentals: For weddings, anniversaries, graduations, birthdays, etc. Call 724-523-8251 for information about hall rentals.

Harrison City VFD

Unless otherwise noted, for more information on HCVFD events, visit their web site www.hcvfd.org.

Harrison City VFD's Pavilion Rental: Perfect place for your family gathering, graduation party and any other outdoor celebration.

Bingo: Thursdays. Early birds at 6:30 pm. Regular games at 6:45 pm.

Harrison Room Banquet Hall: Seats up to 450 people comfortably. Perfect facility to make your day special. Please call to set up an appointment to view the room with their rental agent.

Tours: If you would like to tour the station or see any of their fire equipment, please feel free to stop by any Monday night after 6:00 pm.

Level Green VFD

Unless otherwise noted, for more information on LGVFD events, call 412-372-9669 or visit their web site, www.levelgreenvfd.org.

Weekly Bingo: Mondays. Doors open at 4:30 pm. Bingo starts at 6:30 pm. For more info, call 412-372-9669 or 412-372-9625.

Fire Department Meetings: First Tuesday of every month. Always looking for new members.

Fireman's Auxiliary Meetings: First Wednesday of the month. New members always welcome.

Kitchen: Open Mondays from 5-9 pm and Thursday 6-10 pm. Thursday is Wing Night, eat-in special. Run by the Auxiliary.

Social Club: Membership is \$5.00 per year.

Banquet Hall: Available for all occasions. For more information, please call Chris at 412-380-6168.

Paintertown VFD

Fire Department: Meetings on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month. Always looking for new members. Need community service for high school credit? Contact Chief Brian Lee at 724-863-7769. Web site: www.pvfc7.us.

Ladies Auxiliary: Meets on the second Wednesday of every month. President Tracy Pany is welcoming new members – call 724-864-0334.

Social Club / Kitchen: Accepting social members for only \$5.00 per year. Come in and try their famous wings, fish sandwiches, salads, and more. The kitchen is open every Monday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Call the club for hours – 724-863-7769.

Social Hall: Accommodates 200. Great for showers, small weddings, graduation parties, and holiday events.

Claridge VFD

For more information on the Claridge Volunteer Fire Department, call 724-744-2400.

Colton Social Hall: Perfect place to hold any event, especially your wedding reception. They offer several caterers for you to choose, ample parking, and comfortable seating for up to 500 guests. Please call today to set up a tour of the facility.

Weekly Bingo: Wednesdays. Doors open at 5:00 pm. Warm-ups start at 6:25 pm.



Churches

Community Church Route 130, Harrison City, PA

Noah's Kids before/after school program is expands its Kindergarten Kare program to now service both am and pm kindergarten kids who attend Sunrise, McCullough, or Harrison Park schools. For quality before and after school care please call 724-744-3413 ext 104 to register your child for the 2009-2010 school year.

Penn-Zion's Lutheran Parish

The Rev. Roger Steiner, Pastor
Box 351, Harrison City, PA 15636
724-744-3151 (church office)

Sept, Oct, Nov & Dec 2009

Zion's Lutheran Church
Route 130 Harrison City, PA 15636
Church School Classes 10:30 am; Worship Service 9:30 am; Wednesday Holy Communion Service 7:00 pm; Friday Bible Study 11:00 am.

Penn Lutheran Church
Harrison Avenue, Penn, PA 15675
Worship Service 11:00 am; Contemporary Service 1st Saturday of the month.

Helping Hands Night: Tuesdays, Sept. 15 and Oct. 20, 6:30 pm. Share an hour of fun and fellowship as you work on mission projects. Open to children and adults

Project Hope September: Lydia's Place: During the month of September, children's storybooks and women's toiletry items are being collected for Lydia's Place, a local program that works with incarcerated women and their children.

Project Hope October: St. Afterschool: During the month of October bags of candy will be collected to distribute through St. Afterschool, an outreach program providing afterschool care and tutoring to children K-5th grade.

Storytime and Kidz Klub: Morning of games, stories, crafts, and lots of fun on Saturday, October 17 at Penn. Storytime (age 2 to pre-K) 10 am and Kidz Klub (K-6 grade) 11 am.

Youth Group: Mini Golf outing to Monster Golf in Monroeville Sunday, September 20 (cost \$7.50); Get Lost Maze at Lonesome Valley Farms on October 25 (cost \$7.00). Sign up at church office required.

Family Movie Night: Animal Planet feature *The Retrievers* Saturday, September 26th 6:00 pm.

Men's Prayer Breakfasts: Monthly. Saturday, October 17th at Penn. Sign up with pastor.

Bible Study: Friday mornings, Zion's 11:00 am.

Another Parish Fellowship and Dinner: Sunday, November 1, 12:30, Penn Lutheran Church. Both parishes come together.

Community Meetings

Get involved with YOUR community! Attend community meetings to learn what's happening and voice your opinion! A complete description of each of Penn Township's boards and commissions and their meeting dates can be found on the Penn Township web site.

Penn Township Commissioners Business Meetings - 3rd Monday of each month, 7:30 pm, Penn Township Municipal Building.

Penn Township Commissioner Caucus Meetings - Wednesday preceding the third Monday of the month, 7:30 pm, Penn Township Municipal Building.

Penn Township Zoning Hearing Board - 2nd Thursday of each month, 7:30 pm, Penn Township Municipal Building.

Penn Township Planning and Zoning Commission - 1st Tuesday of each month, 7:30 pm, Penn Township Municipal Building.

Penn Township Recreation Board - 4th Thursday of each month, 7:30 pm, Penn Township Municipal Building.

Penn Area Library Board - 2nd Tuesday of alternate months beginning in January, 7:30 pm, Penn Area Library.

Penn Township Sewage Authority Business Meetings - 3rd Tuesday of each month, 7:30 pm, Sewage Authority building at 1032 Nike Site Road.

Penn Township Sewage Authority Workshop Meetings - 2nd Tuesday of each month, 7:30 pm, Sewage Authority building at 1032 Nike Site Road.

Western Westmoreland Municipal Authority - 3rd Thursday of each month, 7:00 pm, Sewage treatment facility on Route 993.

Penn Township Business Professional Association - For meeting dates visit www.penntownship.biz.

PTARC (Penn-Trafford Area Recreation Commission) - 1st Monday of each month, 3:00 pm, Warrior Center.

✂ CLIP OUT AND SAVE ✂

The deadline for material for the **Winter 2009** issue of The Penn Township Pipeline, which will include information for **January, February, and March 2010**, is **Tuesday, December 8, 2009**.

When submitting information on events, please be as specific as possible. Please include what the event is, who is sponsoring it, where it will be held, and when it is (the date and time).

For all submissions, please include a **contact person and telephone number for additional information**. As always, please get your material in early. Late submissions may not be able to be published

DIRECTORY (All area codes are 724 unless otherwise noted)

EMERGENCY CALLS 911

PENN TOWNSHIP COMMISSIONERS

Ward 1 – Kenneth Darragh 523-5355

E-MAIL: None AREA: Grandview, Oakford Heights, Pheasant Run, Shanty Town, Burrell Hill, Boquet, Mt. Manor (south side), Observatory, Penn Heights mobile home park, Walton Crossings

POLLING: 1-1 Grandview Fire Hall; 1-2 Westmoreland County Community College - Bushy Run Campus

Ward 2 – George S. Dunbar 724-433-9703

E-MAIL: gdunbar@penntwp.org AREA: Harrison City, Harrison Park, Harrison Estates, McCullough, Skyview, Penn Glade, portions of Deerfield plan, Mt. Manor, (north side) Stoney Creek, Lorrie (south side), Bushy Run Fields, Johnstown

POLLING: 2-1 Warrior Center (High School Stadium); 2-2 Harrison City Fire Hall

Ward 3 – Paul Wersing 744-4887

E-MAIL: compw3@aol.com AREA: Claridge, St. Barbara, Boxcartown, Country Farms, one-half of Prosperity Farms (divided by Seanor Rd), Penn Highlands, Oak Farms Estates, Blackthorne, Deerfield north of Waugaman Rd., Bella Victoria, Campbell Farms

POLLING: 3-1 Colton Hall in Claridge; 3-2 Township Municipal Building (Library); 3-3 New Life Church on Raymaley Road

Ward 4 – Charles Horvat 744-2607

E-MAIL: chcom4@penntwp.org AREA: East side of Paintertown Road, Sunrise, Rose Acres, The Villa, Meadow Wood, Penn Towne, Country View area, The Willows, one-half of Prosperity Farms, Cortina Marie, Mull High Acres (west portion)

POLLING: 4-1 Sunrise Estates Elementary School; 4-2 Rescue 6 on Sandy Hill Road

Ward 5 – Michael Ginsburg 412-372-6289

E-MAIL: comfive@comcast.net AREA: Level Green, Deer Run, portions of Baker School Rd, west side of Paintertown Road

POLLING: 5-1, 5-2, and 5-3 Level Green Community Building

WESTMORELAND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Tom Balya (Chairman) 830-3101

Thomas Ceraso 830-3102

Charles W. Anderson 830-3104

DISTRICT MAGISTRATE

Helen M. Kistler 744-3031

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Penn Township (official site) www.penntwp.org

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