

# THE PENN TOWNSHIP PIPELINE

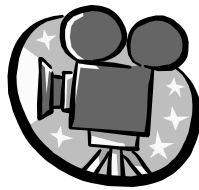
**SUMMER 2003**

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## COMMUNITY NEWS

### PTARC Plans Exciting Summer Recreation Events

PTARC (Penn-Trafford Area Recreation Commission), our local recreation department, has a variety of fun classes, trips, and special events planned for the summer months. All activities are open to residents of all ages who reside in the Penn-Trafford School District.



Summer activity brochures were mailed to your home in June. If you didn't receive one, you can pick up one at the Penn Township Municipal Building or learn about the activities on the department's web site at [www.ptarc.org](http://www.ptarc.org).

PTARC is currently conducting classes on wellness, exercise, crafts, and nature. In addition, they have several exciting trips planned and are selling discount tickets to regional amusement parks. For additional information, contact PTARC at 724-744-2171, extension 204 or 205.

### Summer Special Events

#### Movies in the Park

Mark these days on your calendar for the new "Movies in the Park" series held at a park near you.

Gather your family and bring your blankets, flashlights, and picnic baskets for an evening of family entertainment. These movies are appropriate for all age groups.

Local organizations may be selling pre-packaged snacks for your convenience.

All movies begin at dusk and are free and open to the public.

Date	Location	Movie
Wed., 6/4	Penn Borough Park	The Country Bears
Sun., 6/8	PT Municipal Park	Shrek
Sun., 6/15	BY Park, Trafford	Monsters, Inc.
Wed., 6/18	Penn Borough Park	Scooby Doo
Sun., 6/22	PT Municipal Park	Toy Story
Sun., 6/29	BY Park, Trafford	Spy Kids
Wed., 7/2	Penn Borough Park	Monsters, Inc.
Sun., 7/6	Level Green Park	Ice Age
Sun. 7/13	BY Park, Trafford	Shrek
Wed., 7/16	Penn Borough Park	Harry Potter
Sun., 7/20	PT Municipal Park	To be determined
Sun., 7/27	BY Park, Trafford	Babe
Wed., 7/30	Penn Borough Park	Princess Diaries
Sun., 8/3	PT Municipal Park	To be determined
Sun., 8/10	BY Park, Trafford	Lady and the Tramp

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## PTARC continued

### PTARC / WTAE “Healthy for Life” Community Sports and Health Expo

PTARC’s first annual Community Sports and Health Expo will be held on Saturday, July 19, 2003, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Penn Trafford High School track. PTARC is excited to announce their event partner WTAE “Healthy 4 Life”.

The purpose of this event is to highlight health and fitness and the opportunities that are available in our region. Recreation and parks departments are an important component to the health of a community. PTARC believes that they can make a difference in the health and lives of the area’s citizens.

This expo coincides with the national celebration of recreation and parks held each July (July is recreation and parks month). The national theme of “enhancing the quality of sports through parks and recreation” will provide the impetus for PTARC’s celebration of “community sports and health”.

The day’s activities will include: a 34-mile, round-trip bike ride (pre-registration required); table displays staffed by members of local youth and adult sports leagues and organizations; health screenings and information provided by Jeannette Mercy Hospital (cholesterol, blood pressure, diabetes, obesity, etc.); demonstrations of cooking, spinning, karate, gymnastics, chiropractic health, cheerleading / dance, CPR by Saving Hands, infant massage, massage therapy, and skateboarding; a kids area; senior activities; a police department / DARE display; a group aerobics class; and much more.



All of the activities are free and open to the public.

Look in your local newspaper closer to the day of the event for more detailed information.

Volunteers are needed! To volunteer to help with this event, contact the Penn Trafford Area Recreation Department at 724-744-2171.

## From the Township Police

### Citizens Police Academy

The Penn Township Police Department will begin a fourth class of the Citizens Police Academy on Thursday, September 4, 2003 at 6:00 p.m.

The classes will continue for 12 consecutive Thursdays and one Saturday (September 27). A graduation ceremony will be held on the last day of class, November 20, 2003.

Each class will run from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. All classes except the Saturday class will be held at the Penn Township Police Station.

The academy is open to all Penn Township residents, 18 years of age or older. Five applicants from each of the township’s five wards will be accepted on a first come, first served basis.

If five applications are not received from a particular ward, applicants will be selected from the other wards. Residents will be notified upon their acceptance to the class.

Students accepted into the class are required to attend 80% of the classes to graduate.



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Participants are also required to pass a background check and sign a waiver of liability.

Applications may be obtained at the police station. If you have any questions about the academy, contact Lt. Ralph Boura (ext. 182) or Sgt. John Simcoviak (ext 186) at 724-863-1119.

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## From the Municipal Staff

### New Office Hours

On May 1, the Penn Township Municipal Building set new hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The office will be closed on July 4 and September 1 (Labor Day).

### 2003 Community Picnic in August

The 18th annual Penn Township Community Picnic will be held on Friday, August 1, 2003, in pavilions D-1 and D-2 at Idlewild Park in Ligonier.

The cost of an all-day ride ticket is:

Age 2 and under: free  
 Age 3 - 54: \$12.00  
 Age 55 and over: \$9.00

***Tickets will be sold at the municipal building on:***

Monday, July 28: 10:00 a.m. - noon  
 Tuesday, July 29: 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday, July 30: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
 Thursday, July 31: 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

***Free bus transportation and drinks*** will be provided. In the morning, the bus will pick up passengers at these locations and drop them off near the pavilions at Idlewild.

Level Green Community Building  
 9:00 a.m.

Irwin Bank and Trust, Route 130  
 9:15 a.m.

Penn Township Municipal Building  
 9:30 a.m.

Bushy Run Legion, Claridge  
 10:00 a.m.

The return bus will leave the park at 8:00 p.m. from the pavilions.

***If you purchase an all-day ride ticket from the picnic committee, you'll be eligible to win one of the many door prizes to be given away.***

For more information, contact picnic organizer, Bob Geiger, 724-863-2895.

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## From Community Development

### Planning Any Improvements?

Are you planning to do any landscaping or major remodeling at your home?

You should be aware that it is a violation of Ordinance No. 768, punishable with up to \$500 in fines, if you have anything (e.g., mulch, top soil, rocks, dumpster, etc.) placed on the road.

The ordinance does have a provision whereby a permit to place items on the road can be secured **ONLY** if your yard has no area available for depositing the items. The permit costs \$100. In addition, the property owner is responsible for supplying approved yellow warning lights around the perimeter of the item to be placed on the road.

Specific questions regarding provisions of this ordinance should be directed to the Penn Township Code Enforcement Office at 724-744-2171, extension 207 or 208.

Remember that if your yard or driveway has enough space to dump materials, you will not be granted a permit to dump in the street. Just purchase a few sheets of plywood to protect your driveway or yard surface; it's much less costly than the fine!

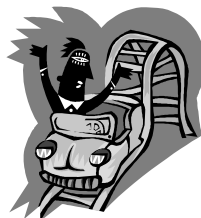
### Outdoor Burning

Don't forget about the rules for burning in the township or you can be fined!

Burning in residential areas (with R1, R2, R3, or R4 zoning) is only permitted Tuesday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. until 12 noon.

All burning in residential areas must be contained in a burning barrel.

Rules for other zoning districts can be obtained by contacting the community development department at 724-744-2171.



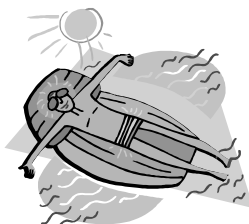
Note that burning of offensive material such as tires, plastics, leaves, etc. is prohibited. Our township police do enforce the burning rules.

**Permits for Improvements**

Do you need a permit to make improvements to your home? Here’s a summary of the rules for common summer projects.

Project	Permit required?
Swimming pools	Yes
Fences	No, but regulations must be followed
Sheds	Yes
Decks	Depends on the construction and design. Contact the Community Development Department.

Permits are required for certain projects to ensure safety in the community. To obtain permits, contact the Community Development Department at the Penn Township Municipal Building, 724-744-2171.



**Permits for Septic Repairs**

DEP (Department of Environmental Protection) regulations require you to obtain a permit before having any repairs done to your septic system.

To obtain a permit, contact the sewage enforcement officer in the Community Development Department at the Penn Township Municipal Building, 724-744-2171.

**From the Tax Collector**

**2003 Real Estate Taxes**

The last day for property owners to pay the Westmoreland County and Penn Township real estate tax at the face amount is June 30, 2003.

Payments postmarked after June 30 and through December 31, 2003 will be accepted at the 10% penalty amount.

**School Real Estate Taxes**

The Penn-Trafford real estate tax notices will be mailed August 1, 2003. Homeowners and businesses that have not received their tax statements within seven working days from that

date should call Larry Ratkus at the Penn Township tax office at 724-744-1414.

In addition, please call the tax office if you believe that you received a tax statement in error, (e.g., it should have been sent to your mortgage company).

The 2% discount period is from August 1, 2003, through September 30, 2003.

Payments postmarked after September 30, 2003 through November 30, 2003 will be accepted at the face amount.

Remember that you can always use the after hours mail slot at the tax collector’s office to make payments before or after normal business hours. Normal business hours are Monday through Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**Street Light Assessments**

Payments for the Penn Township street light assessment statements are now due through December 31, 2003, at the 5% penalty amount.

**Occupational Privilege Taxes**

The second quarter payments for the occupational privilege tax for the year 2003 are due by July 31, 2003.

All persons who are employed or self-employed, including both resident and non-resident individuals, engaging in an occupation in Penn Township who have earnings of over \$1,500.00, are liable for this tax.

Employers are required to withhold this tax from all employees regardless of their resident district.

Self-employed individuals or businesses that have not received their occupational privilege tax forms should contact the tax office.

This tax is jointly assessed by the Penn Township Commissioners and the Penn-Trafford School District at a rate of \$10.00 per year.



**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**JULY 2003**

**July 9, July 13, and July 20 – Penn-Trafford Soccer Club Fall 2003 Sign-Ups**

Sign-ups for the Penn-Trafford Soccer Club’s (PTSC) fall 2003 season will be held on Wednesday, July 9 from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.



They will also be held on Sunday, July 13 and Sunday, July 20, from 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Sign-ups will be held at the PTSC clubhouse located at Bushy Run Soccer Fields.

First time players are required to bring an original or copy of their birth certificate. Medical forms must be completed by every player.

Please bring all necessary information with you such as doctor’s name, phone number, insurance policy number, and emergency contact.

To avoid late fees, you must sign up on the above scheduled dates. If you have any questions, call 724-744-4053.

**July 12 – Composting Workshop**

PA CleanWays is sponsoring home composting workshops for the next few months.

Attendance is free; however, pre-registration is required.

All workshops will be held at the Westmoreland Conservation District Barn Compost Demonstration Area on Donohoe Road in Greensburg.

<b>Date/Time</b>	<b>Registration Deadline</b>
July 12, 9 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	Thurs., July 3, noon
August 16, 9 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	Fri., August 8, noon
Sept. 13, 9 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	Fri., Sept. 5, noon
Oct. 11, 9 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	Fri., Oct. 3, noon

Please call PA CleanWays at 724-836-4129 if you need additional information.

**AUGUST 2003**

**August 1 – Penn Township 18th Annual Community Picnic**

Penn Township’s 18th annual community picnic will be held on August 1, 2003, at Idlewild Park.

For more information, see the “Community News” section of this newsletter.

**August 2 - 3 – 240th Anniversary of the Battle of Bushy Run**

Re-visit the past at Bushy Run Battlefield on Saturday and Sunday, August 2 - 3, 2003, for their annual reenactment of the Battle of Bushy Run!

For more information, contact Bushy Run Battlefield at 724-527-5584.

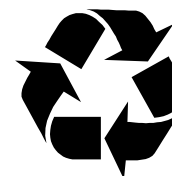
**August 22 - 30 – Westmoreland County Fair**

The Westmoreland County Fair will be held this year from August 22 - 30 at the Westmoreland County Fairgrounds.

For more information, visit their web site at [www.westmorelandfair.com](http://www.westmorelandfair.com), or call 724-423-5005.

**SEPTEMBER 2003**

**September 13 – Tire, Battery, Scrap Metal, and Appliance Recycling**



PA CleanWays will collect tires, vehicle batteries, scrap metal, and appliances from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on September 13 at the Westmoreland Fairgrounds.

There is a fee to recycle tires -- \$1.75 off-rim for cars and light trucks and \$2.75 on-rim. PA CleanWays members receive a 50-cent per tire discount. Larger tires are charged by the ply.

There is a \$10 removal fee for freon-containing appliances, unless they have been tagged by a certified technician stating that the freon has been removed.

There is no charge to recycle lead acid batteries, other appliances, or clean scrap metal.

**September 20 – Household Hazardous Waste Collection**

PA CleanWays is sponsoring a countywide household hazardous waste collection on Saturday, September 20, 2003, at the Westmoreland Fairgrounds in Greensburg, from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. *Since Penn Township is a sponsor, residents can drop-off their items for FREE.*

Household hazardous wastes (HHW) are those wastes produced in our households that are hazardous in nature, but are not regulated as hazardous waste, under federal and state laws.

Each person in Pennsylvania produces an average of four pounds of HHW each year for a total of about 25,000 tons per year statewide.

Included are items such as old paints and paint-related products, pesticides, pool chemicals, drain cleaners, and degreasers and other car care products.

Such consumer waste products, if carelessly managed can, and frequently do, create environmental and public health hazards.

For more information, watch the local papers or contact PA CleanWays at 724-836-4129.

**September 20 – Kids Day America / International**

On Saturday, September 20, 2003, Drs. Todd and Jason Cinti will be sponsoring Kids Day America / International, a health, safety, and environmental awareness day. It will be held in their office from 12:00 noon until 3:00 p.m. at 2090 Harrison Avenue, Jeannette.

Essential information will be provided on child safety, crime prevention, and environmental awareness. ID cards will be given to every child who attends, and the Penn Township Police Department will provide free fingerprinting of all children.

The Harrison City Fire Department will bring their fire truck and teach fire safety tips.

Cinti Chiropractic Center will provide free spinal exams and scoliosis screenings and will distribute vital information on disease prevention and health issues that affect children.

Free balloons and snacks will also be provided. Special giveaways and prize drawings will be held every fifteen minutes. In addition,

donations for the Penn Township Children's Library will be accepted.

**September 27 and 28 – Clothing and Furniture Drive**

The Christian Laymen Corps. (CLC), a non-profit organization, will hold their next clothing and furniture drive on Saturday and Sunday, September 27 and 28, 2003, in the Penn Township Municipal Building parking lot. The hours will be from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. on both days. For furniture pickup, please call the CLC store at 724-834-4464 to schedule an evening or weekend pickup.

CLC has given donated furniture and clothing to 802 families in Westmoreland County through 44 agencies since April 2003. The Red Cross, St. Vincent DePaul center, the Center Against Domestic and Sexual Violence, Salvation Army, and Westmoreland Case Management and Supports, Inc. have all been assisted by CLC.

What items can you donate? Bedding, linens, and towels in good condition; dishes, silverware, or utensils in good condition; clothing; non-perishable foods; toys and books; school supplies; good furniture; and working appliances.

You can also drop-off donations at the CLC store directly at 258 East Pittsburgh Street, Greensburg, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. daily from Monday through Saturday.

**HIGH SCHOOL REUNIONS**

The **Penn Joint High School Class of 1958** is planning to hold a class reunion in October 2003. Anyone not receiving information who would like to participate or who has addresses of classmates out of town should contact one of the following people as soon as possible: Kay Shula Battistella, 724-744-2982, 23 Gongaware Road, Jeannette, PA 15644, or La Verne Good-Mochnick, 724-744-3632, RD#1 Box 149A, Jeannette, PA 15644.

The **Penn-Trafford High School Class of 1978** will hold its 25th year reunion on October 18, 2003, at Lincoln Hills Country Club in Irwin. People interested in helping plan the reunion or attending should contact Cheryl Magill Parson, 110 Parson Lane, Jeannette, PA 15644, 724-522-1148, cparson@elliott-turbo.com, or Sandy

Freger Weaver, 8 Nancy Drive, Jeannette, PA, 15644, 724-744-9875, sweaver@ciber.com.

The **Penn-Trafford High School Class of 1973** will hold its 30th class reunion on Saturday, August 2, 2003. Please contact Sharon (Petrill) Eads, 724-327-6721, if you moved in last 5 years or never received an invitation for the 20th or 25th reunion.

## ON-GOING

**CPR Courses, Penn Township Ambulance Association (Rescue 6)** – Adult, child, infant, and choking. Cost starts at \$15.00 per student. 724-744-4112.

**Bingo, Claridge Volunteer Fire Department** – Weekly on Wednesday. Claridge Colton Hall. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. Warm-ups start at 6:25 p.m. 724-744-2400 after 7:00 p.m.

**Bingo, Grandview Volunteer Fire Department** – Weekly on Monday. Pre-early bird games from 5:45 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. Regular games start at 7:05 p.m. 50/50 on the first Saturday of every month from 7:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. 724-523-9506 or 724-523-2411.

**Bingo, Harrison City Volunteer Fire Department** – Weekly on Thursday. Harrison Room. 7:00 p.m. 724-744-4477.

**Bingo, Level Green Volunteer Fire Department** – Weekly on Monday. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. Bingo starts at 6:30 p.m. 412-372-9669 or 412-372-9625

**Hoagie Sale, Grandview VFD** – Second Friday of every month. 724-523-8251 to order.

**Kitchen, Paintertown VFD** – Breakfast on second Sunday of every month, 9:00 a.m. to noon. Pancakes; french toast; scrambled eggs; bacon; sausage; cake, torte, or cookies; coffee, tea; milk; and orange juice. Also, full menu Monday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Eat-in or take-out. 724-863-7769.

**Social Club, Paintertown VFD** – \$3.00 per year for all benefits. 724-863-7769.

**Social Hall, Claridge VFD** – Weddings, Christmas parties, showers, graduation parties in Colton Hall. 724-744-2400.

**Social Hall, Grandview VFD** – Wedding receptions, bridal showers, parties. Special rates

for Sundays through Fridays. Paul 724-523-2411 or leave number at 724-523-8251.

**Social Hall, Paintertown VFD** – Wedding receptions, bridal showers, parties. 724-863-7769.

**Softball for Seniors (About 55 and Older)** – Every Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. to noon at the Police Athletic League ball fields located in Shafton next to Irwin at the end of Bridge Street (Route 993 crosses Bridge Street). In this year-round event, everyone plays even if you have not played for 30 years; new players are welcome and needed. For information, call Bill Medve at 724-861-0289 or Bill Rollason at 724-863-4201.



## CLUB AND ORGANIZATION NEWS

### Penn Area Library

#### Million Minute Reading Challenge Going On

The Penn Area Library is participating in a Million Minute Reading Challenge that will raise funds for the library.



If patrons of the Penn Area Library read for 750,000 minutes from June 16, 2003 until September 15, 2003, the library will receive \$1,000.00 from The Westmoreland County Federated System and the Westmoreland County commissioners.

It is easy to participate! All you have to do is to visit the library, sign a registration form, and keep a log of the minutes you read.

You can log minutes for reading the newspaper or a magazine, reading to your children (and they can also record their minutes for the summer reading program), reading a book by your favorite author, or even listening to an audio book.

When you log 1,000 minutes, you will receive a bookmark. When you reach 3,000 minutes, you will receive a magnet. And for 7,500 minutes, you will receive a coupon “to get out of a fine free” (value up to \$5.00).

Logs can be turned in either monthly or when you reach one of the prize levels.

Remember every minute counts! A thousand dollars will purchase many new materials for the library.

### **Upcoming Events to be Held**

#### ***July Events***

Manners / Dating Etiquette Seminar for Teens

#### ***August Events***

College Fair

#### ***September Events***

Video Nights

Bedtime with Bears

#### ***October Events***

Used Book Sale

American Girls Tea

Mystery Night for Teens

Mystery Night for Adults

Watch future issues of the Pipeline for details on these events, or visit or call the library.

#### ***Other Events***

There will be more programs in November and December -- a craft evening for teens and Santa Claus for everyone.

Visit the library to enjoy all of their services! They are free to all patrons.

### **Friends of the Library Holds Meeting**

The Penn Area Library held its first Friends of the Library meeting on June 19, 2003.

There is still time to join!

Anyone interested in helping the library is welcome to join.

The Friends group will be a great asset to the library, helping with fund raising and programs.

### **Additions in the Young Adult Area**

The young adult (teen) area in the Penn Area Library has quite a few new additions. Many career books and videos have been purchased. Graphic novels, new fiction, and non-fiction are also available.

The library is always open to suggestions from teens that will help plan new programs or on new books, videos, and audio books that should be purchased.



The library recently received a grant from The Westmoreland Federated System to help provide materials and programs.

### **On-Going Programs**

Ongoing programs at the Penn Area Library include:

Chess lessons with Mr. Budden

Computer classes (including basic, Internet, and Word). Joe, the instructor, teaches on Thursday evenings and Saturdays.

Quilt group

Book discussion group (to resume in the fall)

Story Times for children

Game Days for children

Summer Reading Club for children and teens

Young Authors and Illustrators Club (to resume in the fall)

Teen Discussion Group (to begin in the fall)

### **New Power Libraries Program**

Power Libraries, which provides research and reference services via the Internet, has a new program called Novelist. Novelist allows you to find information on authors and their works.

All of the resources of Power Libraries can be used by Penn Area Library patrons from their homes.

To access Power Libraries:

(1) Go to the Penn Township web site at <http://trfn.clpgh.org/penntwp>.

(2) Click on the Recreation link, then on the Penn Area Library link, then on the Power Libraries link.

(3) Enter the barcode on your Penn Area Library card, which is "PPAL" and 10 digits. If your barcode ends in a letter (A-Z) or a punctuation mark use a zero at the end. For example if your barcode reads PPAL00000000A or PPAL00000000#, enter a 0 (zero) in place of the letter or punctuation mark.

Power Libraries contains many resources, such as Ebsco Host to help you find most magazines (many in full texts), health and prescription facts, and much more.

### Summer Reading Program Underway

Although the Penn Area Library's summer reading program, "Get in the Game @ Your Library," is in full swing, it's not too late to join the fun.

The library is still taking registrations, and there is still plenty of time to read and win prizes. Some of the prizes are tickets to a Pirates game, Penguins shirts, tickets to Pittsburgh attractions, craft kits, games, Sponge Bob items, Bob the Builder toys, and Lemony Snicket books and T-shirts.

The following summer reading programs are scheduled for July and August:

Winnie the Pooh Magic Show – Monday, July 7, 11:00 a.m.

"Curious George" by Stage Right – Monday, July 14, 11:00 a.m.

Birdhouse Painting – Monday, July 21, 2:00 p.m.

"Henry and Mudge" by Stage Right – Monday, July 28, 2:00 p.m.

End of the Summer Party for children registered for the summer reading program - Tuesday, August 5, 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Games of skill and chance, prizes, refreshments, activities, and a surprise guest will be there.

So, don't miss the fun! Get in the game and read!

For more information on the summer reading program, call Pat Cappeta at 724-744-4414 extension 106.

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## PTAE

The fall session of classes sponsored by PTAE (Penn-Trafford Adult Education) begins the week of September 15, 2003.

All residents of Penn Township will receive the fall brochure in the fall issue of the Penn-Trafford School District's publication, called *The Prospectus*, mailed in mid August.

PTAE offers a variety of classes for adults, including ones in fitness, crafts, and special interests.

Three sessions of classes are held – spring, fall, and holiday.

Class offerings are also listed on the township web site at <http://trfn.clpgh.org/penntwp/aecourse.htm>.

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## Bushy Run Battlefield

Colonel Henry Bouquet and a force of British soldiers left Carlisle in July to relieve the besieged Fort Pitt and end a series of unchecked attacks against frontier outposts.



The opening of western Pennsylvania to settlement was the result of a decisive victory over the Native Americans at the Battle of Bushy Run on August 5 and 6, 1763, in the Pontiac War.

Our township is fortunate to have the historic Bushy Run Battlefield located on within its boundaries. Bushy Run Battlefield is a 213-acre historic site located on Route 993, between Route 66 and Route 130.

Bushy Run Battlefield is designated as a Registered National Historic Landmark and is listed with the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission.

Many different types of activities are held at the Bushy Run Battlefield. There is a museum that holds guided and self-guided tours. There are several walking nature trails with information cards describing the plants and trees in the area. There are also many educational programs, special events, and picnic areas. In addition, a Battle of Bushy Run reenactment is held every year.

The following programs are being conducted this summer.

### Frontier Family Days

Saturday and Sunday in July 2003. Dates and information to be announced.

### 240th Anniversary Re-Enactment of the Battle of Bushy Run

August 2 and 3, 2003, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
 Adults: \$5.00, children 17 and under: \$3.00  
 Come celebrate the 240th anniversary of the Battle of Bushy Run as historical re-enactors bring this pivotal battle of Pontiac's War to life.

At this event, you have a chance to see how Colonel Henry Bouquet and some 450 men of the 42nd, 77th, and 60th and Captain Lemuel

Barrett's rangers defeated Native American warriors, while marching to save Fort Pitt. The re-enactment will include British and Native American encampments, trades and weapons, demonstrations, and concessions.

### **Bushy Run Battlefield Heritage Society's General Meeting and Lecture**

September 4, 2003, 1:00 p.m.

Speaker to be announced. Free of charge and open to the public.

### **Annual Fall Nature Walk**

September 27, 2003, 10:00 a.m.

Cost: \$2.00 per person

Naturalist George Heasley will take you on a tour of the grounds, exploring the fall foliage of Bushy Run Battlefield.



### **Hours**

The hours of the park at Bushy Run Battlefield are year-round, Wednesday through Sunday from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

The hours at the visitor's center are:

April 1 through October 31, Wednesday through Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sundays from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

November 1 - March 31 (weekends only), Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Bushy Run Battlefield is closed Monday, Tuesday, and holidays, except Memorial Day, July 4, and Labor Day.

For more information on Bushy Run Battlefield, contact their office at 724-527-5584, or visit their web site at <http://www.bushyrunbattlefield.com/>.

## **Level Green Presbyterian Church**

Are you looking for a warm, welcoming place of worship? Do your children love to learn and play and make new friends? Are you single? Newly wed? Married with kids? Retired?

The Level Green Presbyterian Church family invites you to join them for summer worship, fellowship, and fun.

### **Summer Worship Services**

Sundays, 8:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. through August 31. Services offer nursery care for infants and toddlers, as well as activities for kids of early elementary age.

Special outdoor services will be held at 10:00 a.m. at the BY Park in Trafford on Sundays, June 15, July 20, and August 17, weather permitting.

These services replace the 9:30 a.m. service in the church. Following the August 17 service, the church will hold their annual picnic full of fellowship, food, and games. Bring a family-size food item to share and table service for your family.

### **Fall Worship Services**

Beginning September 7, Sundays, 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Sunday school for all ages (pre-school through adult) at 9:15 a.m.

### **Summer Youth Activities**

**Children's Story Hour** – every Tuesday morning through August 12. 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. for children entering grades 1, 2, and 3. 10:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. for children age 3 by January 1, 2004 through those entering kindergarten. Contact: Roian Koerber at 412-372-5237 or Alison Agnew at 412-380-2425

**Son Seekers** – Bible study for anyone entering grades 4 and 5. Held every Tuesday through August 12 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Contact: Cheryl Rhea at 412-372-5370.

**Vacation Bible School** – Monday through Friday, August 4 to 8 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Class time, crafts, and outdoor play. For children age 4 by August 1 through those entering the Grade 5. Registrations can be called into the church office.

### **Directions**

Just minutes from Murrysville, Harrison City, and Trafford. In Level Green, turn off of Route 130 at Pizza Shack onto Wayne Drive. Make the first right onto Olive Drive. The church has a spacious air-conditioned sanctuary, a new education wing, ample parking, and elevator access.

For more information, call the church office at 412-372-5370, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. until noon. Or, you can e-mail

office@levelgreenchurch.org or visit the church's web site at www.levelgreenchurch.org.

## Zion's/Penn Lutheran

The July and August schedule for Zion's Lutheran Church and Penn Lutheran Church is as follows:

Zion's worship service – 11:00 a.m. Holy Communion every Sunday.

Penn worship service – 9:30 a.m.

No church school classes are held at either church during the summer.

Services for the two churches alternate times every four months and will continue with this summer schedule until September when it will change to Penn Lutheran at 11:00 a.m. and Zion's Lutheran at 9:30 a.m.

Church school classes will resume on Sunday, September 14 at 10:30 a.m. at Zion's.

Confirmation information will be available in September for those young people who will be involved in this program.

Mid-week (1/2-hour) spoken liturgy and Holy Communion is offered every Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. This service is led by Pastor Robert Marks.

Bible study is held every Friday at Zion's at 11:00 a.m.



### ✂ CLIP OUT AND SAVE ✂

The deadline for material for the **Fall 2003** issue of The Penn Township Pipeline, which will include information for **October, November, and December 2003**, is **Wednesday, September 3, 2003**.

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.

## 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 p.m., Penn Township Municipal Building.

**Penn Township Commissioner Caucus Meetings** – Wednesday preceding the third Monday of the month, 7:30 p.m., Penn Township Municipal Building.

**Penn Township Zoning Hearing Board** – 2nd Thursday of each month, 7:30 p.m., Penn Township Municipal Building.

**Penn Township Planning and Zoning Commission** – 1st Tuesday of each month, 7:30 p.m., Penn Township Municipal Building.

**Penn Township Recreation Board** – 4th Thursday of each month, 7:30 p.m., Penn Township Municipal Building.

**Penn Area Library Board** – 2nd Tuesday of alternate months beginning in January, 7:30 p.m., Penn Area Library.

**Penn Township Sewage Authority Business Meetings** – 3rd Tuesday of each month, 7:30 p.m., Sewage Authority building at 1032 Nike Site Road.

Effective February 3, 2003, the office hours for the Penn Township Sewage Authority will be 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

**Penn Township Sewage Authority Workshop Meetings** – 2nd Tuesday of each month, 7:30 p.m., Sewage Authority building at 1032 Nike Site Road.

**Western Westmoreland Municipal Authority** – 3rd Thursday of each month, 7:00 p.m., Sewage treatment facility on Route 993.

**Penn Township Business Professional Association** – Last Monday of the month, 7:00 p.m., Harrison City VFD's Harrison Room.

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

**DIRECTORY (All area codes are 724 unless otherwise noted)**

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**PENN TOWNSHIP COMMISSIONERS**

**Ward 1 - Kenneth Darragh 523-5355**

AREA: Grandview, Oakford, Pheasant Run, Shanty Town, Burrell Hill, Boquet

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

**Ward 2 - Joseph S. Lauricia 744-2201**

AREA: Harrison City, Harrison Park, Harrison Estates, McCullough, Skyview

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

**Ward 3 - Paul Wersing 744-4887**

AREA: Claridge, St. Barbara, Boxcartown, Country Farms, Deerfield, one-half of Prosperity Farms (divided by Seanor Road), Penn Highlands, Oak Farm Estates

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**

AREA: Paintertown, Sunrise, Rose Acres, Penn High, Penn Town, one-half of Prosperity Farms, Cortina, Mull High, Level Green south of Route 130

POLLING: 4-1 Paintertown Fire Hall; 4-2 Community United Methodist Church on Route 130; 4-3 Level Green Community Building

**Ward 5 Tracy Farbacher 412-856-9689**

AREA: Level Green

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

**TOWNSHIP WEB SITES**

Penn Township (official site) [trfn.clpgh.org/penntwp/](http://trfn.clpgh.org/penntwp/)

Penn-Trafford Area Recreation Commission [www.ptarc.org](http://www.ptarc.org)

Penn-Trafford School District [www.penntrafford.org](http://www.penntrafford.org)

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Community Dev. Secretary-Jean Ann Elliot ext. 210

Police-Chief Michael Mastroianni 863-1119

Road Department-Tom Lamacz 863-5710

Library-Mary Anne Fulmer, Library Director 744-4414

Sewer Authority-Stan Caroline, Authority Manager 744-4333

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