

BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN PARK NEWSLETTER

FALL 2020



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COVID-19

A YEAR GONE, A NEW WAY OF LIFE ARRIVES

February 2020, COVID-19 hits the United States. By March 19, 2020 Governor Wolf closes the state to only essential businesses being open. Our new way of life had just begun. Here in Franklin Park Borough, changes were made to how the Municipal Building accepted visitors. For the first time, the doors were locked, departments closed, and staff was requested to work from home.

Residents were asked not to come in-person but to contact us via phone or email with any question or concerns. Employees continued to provide services to residents while working from home. Although our doors were locked, the Municipal Building was never closed or totally inaccessible to residents. A few staff members stayed on to handle any issues, questions or concerns that residents had during this time. Currently, the Municipal Building is open, but residents are restricted to the inner lobby. The tax collector is only accepting tax payments via mail, drop-off box or through an access window in the outer lobby. It is strongly recommended that residents and visitors wear face masks when entering and doing business at the Municipal Building.

June 1, 2020, Governor Wolf put us in the GREEN PHASE! Face masks and social distancing are still the most important acts that help to combat the spread of COVID-19 but now you can socialize with your friends and loved ones. Daily life is one step closer to normal.

Council meetings are being held in a hybrid model via both Zoom and in-person. Social distancing and personal protective equipment guidelines must be followed. Due to the constantly changing restrictions and guidelines issued by the State and County governments, check the Borough's website to see how specific meetings will be conducted.

Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 our Festival in the Park, Franklin Park Community Scholarship Golf Outing and Wine and Cheese Event were cancelled for 2020. Facility rentals for wedding receptions, graduation parties and various other events were cancelled. Programs and activities that parents and children were looking forward to and counting on this year were also cancelled. Now, rentals have been rescheduled and activities and programs are taking place with all the necessary restrictions and following all the required guidelines.

The Borough is working daily to conform with current guidelines regarding social distancing, face masks, number of people allowed at events, sporting events and activities to try to stop the spread of COVID-19. You can keep updated with the Borough's guidelines regarding programs, activities, meetings and building status by checking the COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS) INFORMATION alert on our Homepage at www.franklinparkborough.us. To view the current information and guidelines click on the link to the News Flash.

Franklin Park Borough staff, Council and Mayor hope you stay safe and healthy while stepping forward.

Through it all we had our saviors. Our first responders; police officers, fire fighters, EMTs all did their jobs while we were secure in our new workplace, our home. To the nurses, doctors, store clerks, delivery drivers, restaurant workers, and utility workers who stayed on the job to serve our needs. Essential workers are what have made America what it is today, and their actions speak volumes. **THANK YOU!**



THE BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN PARK COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

In January of 2007, Borough Council and Mayor adopted the Borough of Franklin Park 2006 Comprehensive Plan. This plan updated the prior plan that was adopted in 1992. While not legally required, it is recommended in Article III of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code that comprehensive plans be reviewed and updated every 10 years. The 2006 Comprehensive Plan was developed as a joint effort with Ohio Township and Sewickley Hills Borough to identify a regional set of plan recommendations. As stated in the Plan: “The Borough of Franklin Park 2006 Comprehensive Plan strives to:

- Protect, preserve, and enhance those elements that create a high quality of life in the borough such as its rural character, open space, farmland, and areas of high aesthetic value.
- Encourage and facilitate the orderly, coordinated, and practical development of the borough.
- Encourage development to occur in locations adjacent to compatible land uses to minimize impacts on environmentally sensitive areas.
- Promote a distribution of population and land development districts that will facilitate and conserve adequate provisions for transportation, water, drainage and sanitation systems, educational recreational and other public facilities, and protect the natural resources and the environment.
- Promote high-quality development that is visually appealing and environmentally sound.
- Promote a sense of community and shared responsibility for maintaining our borough’s character and quality of life.
- Manage growth in Franklin Park to benefit the community at large without placing an undue burden on the borough’s financial resources.”

We encourage you to go to the Borough web site to read the entire 170+ page document. The Plan is not an ordinance or law, but rather a guide to help elected and appointed officials make decisions that are consistent with the vision for the Borough.

The Borough has begun the process of reviewing and updating the 2006 Comprehensive Plan. The process starts in the Planning Commission and normally involves contracting with a consultant. Participation and input from focus groups and residents will be a critical part of this process, and it generally takes 18-24 months to go from initial review to final product.

The Borough Planning Commission met with members of the Ohio Township Planning Commission and representatives of the PA Department of Community and Economic Development earlier this year to discuss the components of a multi-municipal plan and potential funding that may be available. The Planning Commissions of Franklin Park and Ohio Township will now work to determine whether a joint plan will be viable and beneficial to both communities. We will keep you updated throughout this process and notify you of opportunities to provide input through public meetings, surveys, and service on focus groups.



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RENTAL PROPERTIES

TO ALL PROPERTY OWNERS/RENTERS:

If you are the owner of a rental property or a renter of a property in Franklin Park Borough, you are required to inform the Borough with all tenant information. In accordance with Ordinance 96-71, landlords are required to keep Borough records up to date with information regarding tenants or occupants and to report any changes in tenants or occupants within thirty (30) days of the change. A request for updated renter information will be mailed to the owner of any rental property in April of each year. The form must be returned even if no changes have occurred. Report any changes in tenants or occupants to Mary Ross at 412-364-4115, Ext. 301, by email at mross@franklinparkborough.us, download the form or submit the form online from our website by following this link <https://www.franklinparkborough.us/381/Requirements-for-Rental-Properties>.

HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS

Does your housing plan have a Homeowners Association?

The Borough maintains a list of all homeowners associations and their president/contact's name. The list is utilized when it is necessary to quickly provide information to the residents of a given neighborhood. Cancellation of events, gas leaks, crimes and safety concerns are examples of when the list is utilized. This information is especially needed for all new housing plans. If you would like to verify that we have contact information for your HOA, please contact Donna Platt 412-364-4115, Ext. 302 or by email at dplatt@franklinparkborough.us. If you would like to submit new information or a change in information you can complete and submit the Homeowners Association Contact Information form. The form can be accessed by following this link: <https://www.franklinparkborough.us/380/Registering-a-Homeowners-Association>.

DOOR TO DOOR SOLICITING

Door to door soliciting policies within the Borough are as follows:

- Chapter 154 of the Franklin Park Borough Code requires every person who engages in door to door sales to be registered with the Borough by applying for and obtaining a Solicitation Permit. It is illegal to conduct door to door sales unless the solicitor has completed the application process and has been issued a Solicitation Permit (laminated card with photo). Based on a ruling by the U.S. Supreme Court political, religious, and certain non-profit organizations are exempt from the Borough's solicitation requirements.
 - The issued permit should be visible on each solicitor. Before purchasing any products or services, check for the Borough issued identification card/permit. If the salesperson does not have this credential (laminated card with photo), we urge you to call 9-1-1- or the Franklin Park Police Department (during normal business hours) at 412-364-1227, Monday – Friday from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, to report the incident. You can also contact Donna Platt at 412-364-4115, x302, Monday-Friday from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, to verify if the organization is registered with the Borough.
 - If you do not wish to have commercial solicitors approach your door, we do maintain a “No Solicitation” list and offer “No Soliciting” stickers to be placed on your door. You can be placed on the list and/or request a sticker by calling Donna Platt at 412-364-4115, Ext. 302 or by emailing dplatt@franklinparkborough.us. Solicitors not abiding by the No Solicitation List and/or No Solicitation sticker are in violation of our Solicitation Ordinance.
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LEAF AND BRUSH COLLECTION

LEAF BAG COLLECTION

FALL COLLECTION DATES:

The weeks of October 26, November 2, 9,
16 and 23, 2020*

*Dates are tentative based on weather conditions, check our website for updated information.

All bags must be placed at the curb by 6:00 AM Monday morning of each week.

Leaf pick up could take several days to cover the entire Borough.

Only leaves in biodegradable paper bags will be collected. Do not close leaf bags with duct tape!! Please leave enough room at the top of the bag so you can either fold or roll it closed.

For additional information visit our website at www.franklinparkborough.us under the Services/Utilities tab.

TO STAY INFORMED ON BOROUGH EVENTS, ISSUES, NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

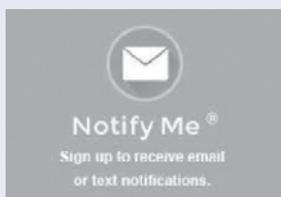
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At the Home Page click on "Create an Account" in the upper left-hand corner and follow the directions

OR

Go to the "How Do I" tab, under "Register For"
Click on "Notify Me"



BRUSH CHIPPING

FALL COLLECTION BEGINS:

Monday, November 2, 2020

All brush must be placed at the curb by 7:00 AM Monday.

The chipper will pass through the Borough one time. The chipping service may take several days to get to all areas of the borough. This service is provided for brush and tree trimmings only up to 4" in diameter. No thorn bushes will be accepted. If you have a tree or trees to dispose of, you must contact a private contractor. Borough crews will not spend more than 15 minutes at your home.

Please cut and place your brush perpendicular to the curb with the butt end out.

If your brush is not out at the curb when the chipper passes, you may take your branches to the yard waste drop off on Blaine's Way in Blueberry Hill Park. A permit is required and can be obtained at the municipal building. Permits are available to Franklin Park residents only. For additional information visit our website at www.franklinparkborough.us under the Services/Utilities tab.

WOOD CHIPS & LEAF COMPOST FREE TO RESIDENTS

Wood chips and leaf compost are free to Borough residents only and are located in Blueberry Hill Park, near McDevitt Road. Leaf mulch will be available at the park in the Spring.

**IT IS ILLEGAL TO DUMP ANYTHING IN
BOROUGH PARK DUMPSTERS OR ANY OTHER
AREA IN OUR PARK.**



CURBSIDE CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION

COLLECTION DATES: The weeks of – January 11 and January 18, 2021

(All trees must be placed at the curb by 6:00 AM Monday morning of each week)

Tree pick up could take a few days to cover the entire Borough.

The public works crews will only make one trip for each scheduled collection but depending on weather conditions and the number of trees that are placed at the curb, it could take them a full week to collect the trees. **DO NOT** leave plastic or any decorations on the tree. Please do not place the trees at the Yard Waste Drop Off Site.

For additional information visit our website at www.franklinparkborough.us under the Services/Utilities tab.

YARD WASTE DROP OFF SITE BLUEBERRY HILL PARK

(For Franklin Park Borough residents use only.)



The drop off site is to only be used for items such as tree or brush trimmings and weeds. Leaves can also be left, kept in the brown biodegradable bags, and placed in the designated area. Only trimmings that are up to 4” in diameter can be accepted. The Borough also asks that you please utilize the April and November curbside brush chipping and leaf collection whenever possible.

A permit is required and can be obtained by completing the Yard Waste Drop Off Site application available at the Municipal Building or on our website at <https://www.franklinparkborough.us/333/Yard-Waste-Drop-Off-Site>. Permits must be renewed annually. All permits expire in December of the year they were issued. This site is for residential disposal only, commercial use is prohibited. Disposal of entire trees is prohibited. The site is open March 1st to December 1st of each year.

****IMPORTANT**** This site is currently under camera surveillance. Anyone caught dumping illegally or placing any of the following prohibited materials at the Yard Waste Drop Off Site will be subject to having their permit pulled to receiving fines of up to \$300.00. The prohibited materials are grass clippings, tree or brush trimmings larger than 4” in diameter, garbage, stumps, logs, asphalt, concrete, dirt, mulch, clay, stone, construction materials or anything that won’t degrade. Under no circumstances should anything be left in plastic bags. Placing yard waste in any dumpster or other areas of the park is strictly prohibited.

Please contact Mary Ross at 412-364-4115 Ext. 301 or email mross@franklinparkborough.us with any questions.



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HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

Waste Management provides a service called “At Your Door” Special Collection as part of their residential solid waste and recycling contract with Franklin Park Borough. This curbside service gives you a convenient year-round opportunity to dispose of your household generated special materials safely, easily, and responsibly.

The At Your Door Special Collection accepts **E-waste** such as televisions and computer systems and **Hazardous Household Waste** such as paint, automotive products, garden chemicals, household cleaners, vehicle and household batteries, fluorescent tubes and CFLs. Contact Waste Management’s At Your Door Service at 1-800-449-7587 to set up a pick-up date.



A flyer providing all the necessary information needed to utilize this service can be found on our website at www.franklinparkborough.us or one can be obtained at the Franklin Park Borough Municipal Building. If you have any questions regarding this service you can contact Donna Platt at 412-364-4115, Ext. 302 or by email at dplatt@franklinparkborough.us.

COMMERCIAL RECYCLING

PA Act 101 requires business establishments, office buildings, churches, schools, and other non-profit organizations to recycle the following materials:

High-grade office paper
Corrugated cardboard
Aluminum and bi-metal beverage cans

If you do not have a recycling program in place you are in violation of Ordinance No. 377-91 and could face fines up to \$1,000, and costs of prosecution for each offense.

If you have any questions concerning the requirements of Franklin Park’s Recycling Ordinance, please feel free to contact Donna Platt at 412-364-4115, Ext 302 or by email at dplatt@franklinparkborough.us.

REFUSE GUIDELINES

Garbage should be placed at the curb **NO EARLIER THAN 4:00 PM** on the evening before your scheduled pick up day. Residents should place all refuse in plastic garbage bags to avoid garbage falling on to the street. To avoid garbage bags from being torn into by animals, please place your bags in a trash can. Garbage cans must be removed from the curb no later than 10:00 PM the day of your garbage collection.

The “Snowbird Clause” allows a resident to suspend service for up to five (5) months while they spend the winter months elsewhere. The resident must notify Waste Management in writing 30 days prior to the start of the suspension of service. The written notification should include the approximate date of return.

If you have any questions you can contact Donna Platt at 412-364-4115, Ext. 302 or by email at dplatt@franklinparkborough.us.

CORRUGATED CARDBOARD RECYCLING

Corrugated cardboard recycling bins are located in the Municipal Building parking lot near the Police Department. The previous bins have been replaced with containers that have slots in the front for flattened cardboard only. All of the containers are for corrugated cardboard only. There is no longer a container for household recycling. When using these cardboard dumpsters, the following rules must be followed.

CORRUGATED CARDBOARD DUMPSTER RULES

- ❖ **ONLY** corrugated cardboard that is clean and dry can be placed in these dumpsters.
- ❖ **ALL** boxes must be broken down and inserted through the slot.
- ❖ **DO NOT** leave any cardboard/boxes on the ground around and/or leaning on the dumpsters.
- ❖ **DO NOT** leave any household recycling outside the dumpsters in bags or otherwise. Any household recycling material will be considered trash.
- ❖ **DO NOT** place pizza boxes, paper, cereal/food, Kleenex or similar boxes, junk mail, magazines, or shredded paper, loose or bagged in these dumpsters.
- ❖ **DO NOT** place any type of packing material or plastic in or around the dumpsters.
- ❖ **DO NOT** place garbage in or around the dumpsters.

This area is under video surveillance. Violators will be prosecuted.

RECYCLING GUIDELINES

WASTE MANAGEMENT is currently contracted by Franklin Park Borough to collect our residential waste and recycling. Their customer service phone number is 1-800-866-4460.

Please review the following list of items that can be recycled curbside and their guidelines.

- **Plastic** - numbered 1 and 2 only. Food containers with the acceptable number must be free of any food, e.g. peanut butter, and mayonnaise containers, etc.
- **Bi-metal, steel, and aluminum cans** - with any food debris removed.
- **Paper and cardboard food boxes** - (including but not limited to newsprint, junk mail, phone books, magazines and catalogs, cereal boxes, Kleenex boxes or similar).
- **Corrugated cardboard** can be placed at curbside if the cardboard fits inside the recycling bin. Corrugated cardboard can also be placed in the dumpsters at the Municipal Building. All cardboard must be broken down before placing in dumpster.
- **Brush, leaves, and yard waste** cannot be placed at the curb, except for grass clippings which can be placed at the curb with your trash in black plastic bags.
- **Please do not place any of the following out for recycling:** Plastics numbered 3-7, glass, cartons, batteries, Styrofoam of any kind, light bulbs, unnumbered plastics, wax coated cardboard and any material with food debris such as pizza boxes.
- **No plastic bags can be placed in the recycling container.**

If you have any questions you can contact Donna Platt at 412-364-4115, Ext. 302 or by email at dplatt@franklinparkborough.us.

SAVE THE DATE – WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY TOUR

Franklin Park Borough had another tour scheduled at Waste Management's Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) located on Neville Island. The MRF separates and processes recyclable materials through a combination of manual and automated sorting. However, due to COVID-19 all tours of their facilities have been postponed. Therefore, Waste Management has arranged a virtual tour on Wednesday, October 7, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. The virtual tour will consist of a very informative video presentation followed by a question and answer session. Since the tour will be done virtually there will be no need to limit attendance. If you would like to join the virtual tour please contact Donna Platt at the borough office at 412-364-4115, Ext. 302 or by email at dplatt@franklinparkborough.us. When you call, please provide your name, email address and phone number so you can be contacted with the appropriate instructions.

BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

If you are interested in serving on any one of the following boards, please complete the application form available on our website at www.franklinparkborough.us under Borough Government then click on Boards and Commissions. The application should be submitted with a letter of interest and/or resume which outlines your background and experience. When a vacancy occurs, Council will review the resumes submitted for that position then conduct interviews before making a final selection.

Building Board of Appeals
Civil Service Commission
Environmental Advisory Council
McCandless/Franklin Park Ambulance Authority
Northland Library Authority
Planning Commission
Recreation Board
Scholarship Selection Committee
Vacancy Board
Zoning Hearing Board

To learn more about the duties and responsibilities of each board visit www.franklinparkborough.us, click on "Borough Government", then click on "Boards & Commissions".

JUNIOR COUNCIL PERSON PROGRAM

We would like to recognize Nathan Gierczynski for his participation in the program and thank him for his time and service to the community. At the July 15, 2020 meeting Emma Bernardi took the Junior Council Person pledge. Miss Bernardi will serve during the 2020-2021 school year. If you are a young adult and have an idea or suggestion for your local government email our new Junior Council Person at juniorcouncilperson@franklinparkborough.us.

In April of each year the Borough seeks resumes from interested students. Additional information pertaining to this program is available on the borough website.

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Tara Roth	Ext. 313	Building/Zoning Secretary	troth@franklinparkborough.us
Carolyn Strunk	Ext. 303	Treasurer	cstrunk@franklinparkborough.us

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

The following employees were recognized in December 2019 for reaching an employment anniversary. Many thanks for their dedication and years of service to Franklin Park Borough.

10 Year Employee

Kathryn Hunt – Part-time Police Secretary

20 Year Employee

Edward Poisker – Police Officer

25 Year Employees

Ronald Avolio – Equipment Operator

Kurt Hartman – Skilled Laborer

30 Year Employee

Cathy Krummert – Borough Secretary

40 Year Employee

Bruce Kennedy – Equipment Operator

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SCHOLARSHIP GOLF OUTING

Franklin Park's 18th Annual Community Scholarship Golf Outing was unfortunately cancelled due to COVID-19. However, the borough was still able to award ten (10) \$1,000 scholarships in 2020. If you would still like to make a donation to the Community Scholarship Fund you can submit a check payable to the "Franklin Park Community Scholarship Fund" and mail it to Franklin Park Borough, 2344 West Ingomar Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15237.

COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP HONOR ROLL

Anyone wishing to contribute to the Franklin Park Community Scholarship Fund may do so by donating to the Community Scholarship Honor Roll. The names of contributors will be published in the next edition of the fall newsletter on the Community Scholarship Honor Roll, as shown below. If you would like to contribute to the Honor Roll, please forward a check to the borough offices and write "Community Scholarship" on the memo line.

HONOR ROLL

Bradford Woods
Women's Club
(Memory of Bill Kipp)

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

At the July 15, 2020 public meeting, Borough Council and Mayor awarded ten (10) \$1,000 scholarships to graduating seniors from our community. However, due to COVID-19 guidelines the scholarships were not presented to the winners in-person. Nathan Gierczynski, Junior Council Person announced the scholarship recipients during the meeting via Zoom. The winners were invited to join the Zoom meeting and provide the school they will be attending and their course of study. Thanks to the generosity of our residents and businesses all funds used for the scholarships came from private donations. The Scholarship Program began in 2004 when four \$750 scholarships were awarded. To date, the Borough has awarded 155 well deserving recipients.

Applications are turned over to the Scholarship Selection Committee consisting of seven members from our community. The students that were chosen demonstrated a high level of academic performance, an exemplary involvement in their school and community and provided countless hours performing volunteer work to benefit others.

2020 Franklin Park Community Scholarship Winners

Akshana Mario Dassanaik-Perera

Nathan Gierczynski

Meghan Rose Hendricks

Jessica Marie Huwar

Grace Lee

Erin Nicole Mahoney

Sanath Bejoy Panicker

Eli Prem

Stephen Robert Salamone

Joshua Jaqi Zhou

RESIDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

If you or a member of your family will need assistance in case of an evacuation order, please call 412-364-4115 and provide your name, address and type of disability. The Borough will incorporate your information into the Emergency Operations Plan, so that help can be rendered in case of an evacuation order.

PETS IN OUR COMMUNITY PARKS

Residents and visitors of Franklin Park Borough are privileged to have access to beautiful parks and recreation areas within the Borough. However, some dog owners are not living up to their responsibilities and, in fact, are violating State law and Borough ordinances at the same time. Visitors of the parks are letting their dogs run loose in the park and/or not picking up after their pets, even though the Borough provides pet waste stations. This activity can be an annoyance to other park visitors and can be a health hazard to the young children who use the parks.

Park rules allow for pets, but they must be on a physical leash (not electronic) and pet waste must be picked up. Anyone wishing to “run” their dogs off leash should find a suitable fenced in dog park in the area. We encourage all pet owners to follow the rules in order for Franklin Park Borough to continue welcoming pets in our community parks. We appreciate your cooperation.



LOST AND FOUND

Any items which are found in our parks or on any borough property are brought to the Municipal Building Administrative Offices (upper level).

Feel free to stop in or call 412-364-4115 to see if your lost item has been found and turned in. Thank you.



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REMINDERS FROM THE REAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTOR

Kristin Losco, Real Estate Tax Collector

2344 West Ingomar Road

Pittsburgh, PA 15237

412-364-4848

kristinlosco@gmail.com

All property owners are required to pay real estate taxes on the real estate they own in the Borough of Franklin Park whether it is undeveloped (vacant) or improved.

Dates to remember:

Borough Tax Bills mailed:	May 1
2% discount	May-June 30
Face	July-August 31
10% Penalty	After August 31

School Tax Bills mailed:	July 1
2% discount	July-August 31
Face	September-October 31
10% Penalty	After October 31

- If you do not receive a tax bill, you are responsible for calling or stopping into the Tax Office and obtaining one. Failure to receive a tax bill does not relieve any taxpayer from liability of paying taxes.
- The Real Estate Tax Collector cannot accept post-dated checks.
- If you have refinanced your mortgage and have an escrow account with a different bank or mortgage lender, please notify the Tax Office so your tax statements can be redirected.
- The Real Estate Tax Collector does not determine the “Full Market Value” or your property. Contact Allegheny County Assessment Department at 412-350-4600 with any questions.

Due to COVID-19, when paying your taxes at the municipal building, please use the window in the outer lobby. The tax office is open from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. If you come to the municipal building and the tax office is closed, place your tax bill and check in your envelope and place it in the box provided in the inner lobby. Please include your phone number on the check or envelope.

REMINDER: SENIOR CITIZEN TAX RELIEF PROGRAM

This program entitles all qualified senior citizens to a flat 30% discount on the real estate tax for their primary residence, income guidelines apply. To obtain information call Allegheny County, 412-350-3875.





For the fifth year, the Borough will team up with North Hills Community Outreach to serve as a drop off location for *Thanksgiving on Every Table*.

Donations will be accepted in the General Office: **October 19th - November 6th from 8:00AM-4:30PM**

Please consider donating any of these items to help a family that may be in need this year!

- \$15 grocery store gift card
- Large box of stuffing mix
- Large box of instant mashed potatoes
- Can of cranberry sauce
- Cans of vegetables
- Napkins
- Can of “easy” pumpkin pie mix
- Can of evaporated milk
- Muffin mix (especially corn)
- Turkey gravy mix
- Pie crust mix

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Recycling	Police	Roads	Acorn

MS4 (STORMWATER MANAGEMENT)

WHAT IS MS4? MS4 stands for Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System. When it rains, stormwater is carried to the nearest waterway through conveyance systems such as underground pipes, open channels, ditches, swales, or a combination of these. MS4 refers to the pipes, channels and methods used to convey stormwater in your Municipality.

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT? MS4 is important because it is the path or journey of all precipitation from the atmosphere to its eventual discharge into our rivers, streams, or waterways. Along this journey, stormwater may become polluted before it reaches the river, stream, or waterway. The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) created the MS4 program to help ensure our stormwater is free of pollutants before it reaches our waterways.

WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS OF MS-4? The municipality must develop, implement, and enforce a Stormwater Management Program to reduce the discharge of pollutants from its regulated MS4s to the Maximum Extent Practicable to meet water quality standards and satisfy the appropriate water quality requirements of the federal Clean Water Act and the Pennsylvania Clean Streams Law. The program must be approved by DEP and contain Best Management Practices (BMPs) and measurable goals for each of the six Minimum Control Measures (MCMs) described below.

The federal regulations establish six Minimum Control Measures (MCMs) that must be implemented by the municipality. These six MCMs in the federal regulations are:

1. Public Education and Outreach,
2. Public Participation and Involvement,
3. Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination,
4. Construction Site Runoff Control,
5. Post-Construction Stormwater Management in New Development and Redevelopment, and
6. Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping for Municipal Operations and Maintenance

2020 PAVING PROJECTS

The Borough owns and maintains approximately 64 miles of roadway. There is an established goal to resurface roads every 15 years, on average. Council, Mayor, and staff conduct a fall tour to evaluate roads. The following were approved for resurfacing in 2020, and paving has been completed.

Barnwood Drive
Colony Court
Meadow Drive
Sylvan Drive

Clearvue Road
Longmount Drive
Salem Drive
Wexford Run Road

WINTER STORMS... LET'S WORK TOGETHER

The Borough's snow removal priorities are major or arterial roadways, followed by school bus routes, neighborhood roads and finally cul-de-sacs.

REMINDERS:

- Ordinance No. 202-13 prohibits parking of vehicles on Borough roads during periods of snowfall, ice accumulation and inclement weather. Vehicles will be ticketed and fined.
- Do not shovel or plow snow into the street, pile the snow in your yard area.



Snow must be removed from the sidewalk along your property within a reasonable time but not later than 12 hours after a cessation of snowfall.

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CLOVER HILL GOLF COURSE

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Clover Hill Golf Course is in its 31st year of operation in 2020. Clover Hill is a challenging, 9-hole golf course, maintained and open all year round, weather and course conditions permitting. Clover Hill is not a long course, but it provides a unique test of golf skills. It uses sand traps, rolling greens, water hazards and other obstacles, emphasizing accuracy rather than distance. Tee times are highly recommended, and they must be made no later than one hour before the scheduled start. Tee times can be made one week in advance. Golfers can make tee times anytime except during scheduled league times. We also host small outings and special events. Tee times and events can be scheduled by calling 412-364-2447. Tee times can no longer be booked online.

For those of you who are really into the game and are avid golfers, you might want to take advantage of the Season Pass Rates. All 2021 rates are listed below.

Membership Type	Season Pass	Monthly Pass
Adult	\$450.00	\$150.00
Seniors	\$300.00	\$125.00
Juniors	\$300.00	\$125.00

Weekdays	Nine Holes	2nd Nine
Adult	\$13.00	\$5.50
Seniors	\$11.00	\$5.50
Juniors	\$11.00	\$5.50
Weekend/Holidays	Nine Holes	2nd Nine
Adult	\$14.00	\$5.50
Seniors	\$11.00	\$5.50
Juniors	\$11.00	\$5.50
Cart Rental	Nine Holes	2nd Nine
Golf Cart Rental per person	\$9.00	\$5.00
Golf Cart Rental single rider	\$11.00	\$5.00
Pull Cart Rental	\$2.00	N/A

The golf course will continue its partnership with Junior Team Golf in 2021. This has been an outstanding program to offer an opportunity for juniors to learn and develop their golf skills, etiquette and to build character. For this program there are three sessions offered, spring, summer, and fall. Juniors receive lessons at the Pine Creek Golf Center during the week and each Saturday a golf event is hosted at Clover Hill Golf Course. Information and enrollment for the program can be found at www.jrteamgolf.com or by visiting <https://www.franklinparkborough.us/313/Junior-Golf>. We look forward to serving the community at Clover Hill Golf Course throughout the golf season. Tee times can be made by calling the clubhouse at 412-364-2447. The golf course opens daily at 7:00 a.m.

Make a reservation today and enjoy a great round of golf with friends and family at Clover Hill Golf Course.

MAILBOXES VS. SNOWPLOWS

The policy of the Borough is to replace a mailbox if it is physically struck by a Borough snowplow. If snow thrown from a plow knocks over a mailbox, the replacement of the box and/or post is at the homeowner's expense.



NEED TO REPORT A POTHOLE? "POTHOLE HOTLINE" CONTACT INFORMATION

FRANKLIN PARK BOROUGH

All Borough Owned Roads

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Gary Bucuren, 412-364-4115, EXT. 316
gbucuren@franklinparkborough.us

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POLICE DEPARTMENT

New Officers

Officer Keaton Blöse joined the Franklin Park Police Department in June as a full-time officer.

Officer Anthony Starko joined the Franklin Park Police Department in June as a full-time officer.

FRANKLIN PARK VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY

2019 – 350 Calls

The Franklin Park Volunteer Fire Company has provided emergency response services to the residents of Franklin Park since 1922. Last year our fire company responded to a record setting 350 emergency calls. A summary of some additional data for 2019 is found in the charts below. It is interesting to note that 4,037 times a firefighter or a fire police officer responded to those 350 emergency calls. Pagers blare out 350 emergency calls and 4,037 times a member of our Fire Company drop whatever they are doing or sleepily awake in the middle of the night and respond to some unknown danger.

Year	Total Calls for Year	CALL LENGTH (Dispatch to In Serv)	Total Time on Calls - Hours
2019	350	32:32	2,186
2018	244	31:19	1,815
2017	238	31:53	1,396
2016	244	25:53	1,080
2015	247	N/A	1,116
2014	259	N/A	N/A

Number of Times a Member Attended a Call	4,037
Average Number of Members Responding per Call	11.5
Number of Times an Apparatus Left Station for a Call	1,281
Average Number of Apparatus's per Call	3.7

Fire Company Time	Hours	
Fire Calls	2,186	
Line, Business & Directors Meetings	953	
Work Nights	776	
Point Checks	1,061	
Building Meeting	185	
Training - ACFA	595	Total Training Time =1,905
Training - On Line	0	
Training - Other	1,310	
Other	1,998	
Total Time for All Events	9,064	

Perhaps in response to the implications of the pandemic, the number of calls in the first half of 2020 were 49 fewer than in 2019. However, the nature of calls was notably more involved. In the first six months of 2020 there were seven structure fires, one chimney fire, five passenger vehicle fires, one transport vehicle fire, four brush fires and three outdoor storage fires. As a percent of the total calls these represent an increase of 55% over the same period of 2019.

What A Special Day

A recognition parade for first responders was held Saturday May 16th from noon until 2:00 PM. It included the Franklin Park Police, Franklin Park Fire Company members and McCandless-Franklin Park Ambulance Authority personnel. It came about at the request of a Franklin Park citizen who was insistent upon showing appreciation for first responders during this challenging time. The parade was overwhelmingly received by the citizens of Franklin Park as hundreds enthusiastically cheered, clapped, and waved while the short but somewhat loud procession passed by. There were even a number of children who dressed up in police and fire uniforms to show their appreciation. Thank you signs were notably commonplace. Gratitude was reflected in the faces of both those viewing and of those participating.

New Members

Congratulations to our two newest members Firefighter Steve Moore and Junior Firefighter Josh Bailey. Steve is an accredited firefighter and brings a wealth of enthusiastic experience. Josh is an energetic high school junior displaying an infectious smile and a positive perspective.

New members added in 2019 include Kiran Kumar Gunti, firefighter, Michael Settino, firefighter and Tom Stein, MD, fire police officer.



Josh Bailey



Steve Moore

Our Personnel

~Executive Personnel~

President - John Parks*	Vice President - Jared Dauer*
Treasurer - Andy Nock*	Financial Secretary - Jim Hogg
Corresponding Secretary - Bob Jarvis*	Recording Secretary - Bob George*
Junior Coordinator - Chris McHenry	Media Relations
Director - Bill Miller*	Director - David Vodarick*
Director - Bob Neugebauer*	Director - LZ Johnston Jr.*
Class C Uniform Admin - Lou Urso	* <i>Board of Directors</i>

~Line Officers~

Chief - Bill Chicots	Assistant Chief - Scott Merriman
Deputy Chief - Jason Thompson	Captain - Bob Cerra
Captain 2 - Roger Sechler	1st Lieutenant - Bill Miller
2nd Lieutenant - Ben Marshall	3rd Lieutenant - Bo Schwab
Chief Engineer - Andy Nock	Asst Engineer - Brian Marriner
Asst Engineer - Chris McHenry	Asst Engineer - Sam Marriner
Training Officer - Steve Bollinger	Fire Police Captain - Edd Maus
Fire Police Lieutenant - Lou Urso	

Of Note

The involvement of the following four individuals in the Franklin Park Volunteer Fire Company is nothing short of amazing. Below is a small taste of their incredible commitments.



Remembering Gary Scheller

It is with great sadness and heavy hearts that we lost our friend and fellow firefighter Gary T. Scheller who passed away on February 19, 2020. Gary was only 64 but served the Fire Company for 46 years! During that time, he was Engineer, Captain and Chief. His friendly manner and quick wit will be long remembered, and Gary will be greatly missed.



Ray Maas

Ray became a member of the fire Department on June 16, 1960, and continues to go on calls to this day. Ray has served various positions during his tenure including Director, Recording Secretary, Assistant Chief and Chief. He continues to meticulously maintain our points system. Ray Maas was awarded with the 60 years of service pin.



Ron Merriman

On November 16, 1972, Ron became a member of our fire company. In 1973 Ron became a second Lieutenant serving until 1976. For a short period in 1976 he served as assistant chief and then became chief in August of that year. He served in that capacity until 1985. From 1985 until the end of 2019 he again served as Assistant Chief. Ron still regularly responds to calls.



Bob Jarvis

After serving as President of the fire company for five years Bob Jarvis remains involved serving as our Corresponding Secretary. During his presidency Bob coordinated the logistics to replace the old, obsolete Fire Station with a new, code compliant Station designed for the future. During his career as a member Bob served as a first Lieutenant, Vice President and chaired several additional committees.

On their way are a couple of other long service members; namely Skip Wilker who reached his 59th year in September and Mike Marchese who reached his 53rd year in August.

Our Trucks

Our fire company has eleven trucks and apparatus. We have two engines, a rescue truck, a new tanker truck, a fire police truck, a squad truck, a UTV, and three command/ chief trucks. These trucks are all equipped with the tools and equipment that are needed to keep you safe. All of these trucks are at the ready to assist our community with any emergency that may require them.



And Now a Ladder Truck

This past February the fire company purchased a 2000 Sutphen 75'+ ladder truck from our neighboring Ohio Township Fire Company. The truck came to us fully equipped and ready to serve the Borough. The addition of the ladder truck allows the fire company to not rely on neighboring agencies for their ladder truck. Member training is complete, and the truck has been placed in service responding to both residential and commercial fire calls.

And Some New Tools

Assisted by a Commonwealth grant we were able to purchase three battery-operated rescue tools. These “Jaws-of-Life” class of tools manufactured by Hurst include a Spreader, a Cutter, and a Ram. While still requiring specialized skill and training these tools enable firefighters to perform vehicle extrication and rescue. The new tools are mounted on Engine 2 at the Fire Company’s substation on Wexford Bayne Road. The tools complement the traditional hydraulic rescue tools currently on the Company’s Rescue truck at the main station. By having rescue tools available on vehicles responding out of both stations, the Fire Company will be able to begin rescue operations more quickly. Importantly, Engine 2 out of the substation can typically reach accidents on I79 and I279 more quickly, and those crews can now begin vehicle rescue immediately while other units are still in transit. The battery powered tools can also be used in locations far away from the fire apparatus and result in fewer tripping and entanglement hazards since there are no hoses or cables tethered to the apparatus.

What We Do and Why WE NEED YOU

Your Fire Company is staffed entirely by volunteers. Both retired and those with regular full-time jobs dedicate time for training, work nights and emergency responses. We are always looking for new members! We need members of all capacities – firefighters, drivers, accountants, architects, nurses, secretaries, media relations, information techs, tradesmen, etc. Please consider stopping by the main fire station located at 2360 Rochester Road. We are there every Thursday evening at 7:00 pm. You can also email us at vicepresident@franklinpark158.org, or reach out via our Facebook page.

Our Live-In Program

We are seeking students/young men or women who are interested in becoming firefighters and would like to occupy one of our comfortably provided live-in rooms. Additionally, there is an opportunity for free college tuition through a program provided by Allegheny County. Please inquire for additional information.



Community Events

Due to COVID-19 a number of regular events have been cancelled or deferred. However, we still look forward to the possibility of Responders' Night Out, perhaps an open house and certainly Santa Sunday scheduled for December 20, 2020.

General Things to Know

- Dial 911 for all emergencies.
- Keep fire hydrants clear of high grass, tree branches and snow.
- Change the batteries in your smoke detector at least once per year unless otherwise instructed by the manufacturer. Test all detectors at least monthly.
- If planning a campfire, cookout or other open fire, please be aware of and follow the Franklin Park Borough Open Burning regulations, available on the Borough website at www.franklinparkborough.us
- Know your security/fire alarm system codes and be familiar with the operation of your home security/fire alarm system.
- Make sure your house number is visible from the road from both directions.
- Go over evacuation plans with your family and have a meeting place.
- Follow our Facebook and Website (www.franklinparkvfc158.org) for information on upcoming events, safety tips, and general updates at the 158 house.
- THANK YOU to the entire Franklin Park Community for your support of our members!



Get in Contact with Us

Emergencies: 911

Facebook: 

Franklin Park Volunteer
Fire Company

Online:

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SANTA'S ANNUAL VISIT

What's more exciting than Fire trucks and Santa Claus!!!

The annual visit of Santa Claus sponsored by the Franklin Park Volunteer Fire Co. will be held on Sunday, December 20, 2020 from 1:00PM - 5:00PM. Santa will be riding on the fire truck and will travel over all streets and roads. Parents should listen for the fire truck siren and escort younger children to the truck to receive a candy present from Santa.

Santa's visit is a borough tradition that has continued for many years. Members of the volunteer fire company sponsor Santa's visit to express their appreciation for the financial support borough residents provide.



McCANDLESS-FRANKLIN PARK AMBULANCE AUTHORITY

When I envisioned writing this year's article for the Franklin Park community newsletter, I never imagined it would refer to our local response to a global pandemic.

Throughout this health crisis, the Authority's paramedics and emergency medical technicians (EMTs) have remained committed to delivering the highest quality pre-hospital medical care – the kind of care that residents of Franklin Park and the four other communities we serve have come to depend upon.

I can report to you that your first line medical responders have delivered services that meet or exceed all guidelines issued by county, state, and federal regulators in connection with the COVID-19. Authority management and the clinical staff quickly and collaboratively instituted new procedures to minimize the risks of transmission of the virus to our crews, medical personnel, and patients. We have mandated donning of personal protective equipment (PPE), enhanced our sanitation systems and even physically modified the ambulances to reduce the risk of transmission. Throughout, the crews have approached the new demands as an opportunity to better serve, not an obstacle. The Authority Board and I could not be prouder of the work they have done to keep themselves, their co-workers, their families, and our communities safe.

The crisis – which is still unfolding – has added to the financial challenges we and every other emergency medical service system are facing. Our response to the virus (PPE, enhanced sanitation, etc.) significantly increased our cost of readiness, while the “new” care model of using “Tele-Health” and other virtual care models and the very real reluctance to seek medical care greatly reduced our revenues.

Through our community partnerships, like the one with Franklin Park, we are able to successfully continue our mission to serve. Our crews may dress a little different, but the Authority Board, our Administrative Staff and our front-line caregivers remain committed to excellence in everything we do.

– Steven McKinniss
Administrator

RECREATION PROGRAM REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Please pre-register for the programs early to ensure your participation in the program and to provide us the necessary time to properly prepare and purchase needed supplies. **To register for the programs, you can register online, obtain a registration form from the Borough website (www.franklinparkborough.us), pick one up at the Borough Building, or listed in this newsletter.**

****IMPORTANT****

DUE TO COVID-19 THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE OR CANCELLATION. MONITOR THE BOROUGH'S COVID-19 ALERT, ON THE HOME PAGE OF OUR WEBSITE OR FACEBOOK (FRANKLIN PARK – PARKS AND REC) FOR ALL UPDATES ON EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES.



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YOUTH AND TEEN PROGRAMS

SOCCER SHOTS

Soccer Shots is an engaging children's soccer program with a focus on character development. We positively impact children's lives on and off the field through our best-in-class coaching, communication, and curriculum. Visit Soccershots.org/Pittsburgh for registration and more information.

WHO: All children ages 2-8: Mini (2-3), Classic (3-5), and Premier (6-8)

TUESDAY

WHERE: Linbrook Park
WHEN: September 8 – October 27

SATURDAY

WHERE: Linbrook Park
WHEN: September 12 – October 31



CHAMPION FORCE CHEERLEADING

Champion Force Cheerleading is a program designed for children ages 4-15 to help promote and instill self-esteem, self-confidence, coordination, physical fitness, flexibility, and team work wrapped up in a fun and exciting program. This is a “pay as you go” program with a one-time, non-refundable registration fee. We offer recreational cheerleading with competitive opportunities! We offer fun clinics, cheer camps and much more! Registration and more information at www.championforce.com.

WEDNESDAY

WHO: Boys & Girls ages 4-15
WHERE: Blueberry Hill Park Activity Center
WHEN: Registration & first class is Wednesday, September 2
TIME: Division 1 (ages 4-6) - 5:30PM
Division 2 (ages 7-9) - 6:30PM
Division 3 (ages 10+) - 7:15PM

MONDAY - Advanced Class, Must be pre-approved

WHO: Boys & Girls ages 4-15
WHERE: Blueberry Hill Park Activity Center
WHEN: Registration & first class is Monday, August 31
TIME: 6:00PM



INSTRUCTOR: Coach Tiffany, FPrubies@gmail.com

FB: Champion Force - Franklin Park Rubies/Champion Force of Pennsylvania

ADULT AND SENIOR PROGRAMS

FRANKLIN PARK SENIORS AND FRIENDS LUNCHEON

Our Senior Program, held the second Thursday of every month at 11:00AM, has been very successful and well attended. Many seniors enjoy the monthly programs, where they socialize, meet new friends, and experience a variety of delicious food.

Call Zach Brower at 412-364-4115 ext. 347 to make your reservation and for entertainment information.

WHO:	Anyone age 55+
WHERE:	Blueberry Hill Park Activity Center
WHEN:	2nd Thursday of Each Month
TIME:	11:00AM – 1:00PM
FEE:	\$15 yearly dues, and \$10 each program (includes lunch)

LINE DANCING

Come and join in the fun as we begin a line dancing class. Line dancing is very popular all over the world right now, and you will love learning the classics as well as the popular new dances. We are offering three levels of line dancing: Beginner, Improver and Intermediate. If you are a new line dancer or a seasoned line dancer who prefers to dance the easier dances, you will want to sign up for the beginner level class. If you have been line dancing for several years now and want to be on the cutting edge, learning the hottest and most challenging line dances out there, you will want to come to the Improver and/or Intermediate classes. All levels of classes will be dancing to cha cha, rumba, east and west coast swing, waltz, tango, and nightclub two-step rhythms. Don't miss out on a chance to kick up your heels. Sign up today! *Pre-registration required. Minimum: 12 Participants*

WHO:	Adults and Seniors
WHERE:	Blueberry Hill Park Activity Center
TIME:	9:30AM – 10:45AM: Beginner Level 11:00AM – 12:15PM: Improver Level
INSTRUCTOR:	Shirley Shultz

	FALL CLASSES
WHEN:	September 18 – November 6
RESIDENT FEE:	\$43 per 8-week session
NON-RESIDENT FEE:	\$48 per 8-week session
WEEKLY FEE:	\$7



REMINDER:
Halloween Trick or Treat Night will be held on
Saturday, October 31, 2020
from 6:00PM – 8:00PM



COMMUNITY EVENTS

FIRST RESPONDERS' NIGHT OUT

The 4th annual responders' night out will be held on October 6, 2020, from 5:30-7:00PM at Blueberry Hill Park. Come out and take home a "We support our First Responders" sign to display in your front yard the week of the night out and any other time you see fit. *While supplies last*

This is a great time to give thanks to our first responders! Activities include: meeting our responders, touring the emergency vehicles, write a thank you note and a complementary hotdog dinner!

DUE TO COVID-19 THIS EVENT IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE OR CANCELLATION. MONITOR THE BOROUGH'S COVID-19 ALERT ON THE HOME PAGE OF OUR WEBSITE FOR ALL UPDATES ON EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES.



HALLOWEEN PARTY

The Annual Halloween Costume Party is scheduled for Saturday, October 24, 2020, at Blueberry Hill Park Activity Center. Check our website and Facebook (Franklin Park – Parks and Rec) page for more details.

DUE TO COVID-19 THIS EVENT IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE OR CANCELLATION. MONITOR THE BOROUGH'S COVID-19 ALERT ON THE HOME PAGE OF OUR WEBSITE FOR ALL UPDATES ON EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES.

BRUNCH WITH SANTA CLAUS

The Annual Visit with Santa is scheduled for Saturday, December 12, 2020, at Blueberry Hill Park Activity Center. Check our website and Facebook (Franklin Park – Parks and Rec) page for more details.

All families must be pre-registered and pre-paid by December 4th.

For more information call 412-364-4115, Ext 347.

WHO: Entire Family
WHERE: Blueberry Hill Park Activity Center
WHEN: Saturday, December 12, 2020



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CENSUS TAKERS IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

Census takers will be visiting homes that have not yet responded to the 2020 Census. Census takers will wear masks and follow state and county public health guidelines when they visit your home. All census takers complete a virtual COVID-19 training on social distancing and other health and safety protocols before beginning their work in neighborhoods. Census takers will work between 9:00 am and 9:00 pm, including weekends. If no one is home when the census taker visits, the census taker will leave a notice of their visit with information about how to respond online, by phone or by mail.

The results of the 2020 Census will help determine how hundreds of billions of dollars in federal funding flow into communities every year for the next decade. The results determine the number of seats each state has in the House of Representatives and are also used to draw congressional and state legislative districts. Where communities need new schools, clinics, roads and more services for families, older adults and children are all effected by the Census count results.

It is important everyone in the community do their part to get an accurate count. So take part in the 2020 Census and get counted!



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BLUEBERRY HILL PARK ACTIVITY CENTER, PAVILION AND GAZEBO RENTALS FOR 2022

According to Borough policy, the Borough will begin accepting permits for rental of the Activity Center, Pavilion and Gazebo for all 2022 dates. **Franklin Park Borough residents will have first opportunity to rent our facilities beginning the first Monday March 1, 2021 at 9:30 AM.** Non-residents will be able to start renting our facilities beginning Monday March 15, 2021.

In order to secure a date, the Borough must receive a completed rental permit packet and appropriate check(s) made out to "Franklin Park Borough". We cannot reserve your requested date until we receive these items. Rental permit packets and policies can be downloaded from our website at www.franklinparkborough.us. Under the "Recreation" tab go to "Facility Rentals" and click on the appropriate venue. Please read all information thoroughly and call Zach Brower at 412-364-4115 ext. 347 with any questions. Must be 21 years of age or older to rent any Franklin Park Borough facility.



SAND VOLLEYBALL COURT RENTALS

Residents have the first opportunity to rent Sand Volleyball Court B in Blueberry Hill Park starting January 4, 2021. Non-residents will be able to rent Court B starting January 18, 2021. A Recreation Facility Application will need to be completed for rental of the volleyball court. This form is found on our website at www.franklinparkborough.us.



WANTED! THE SPOTTED LANTERNFLY (PREFERABLY DEAD, NOT ALIVE!)

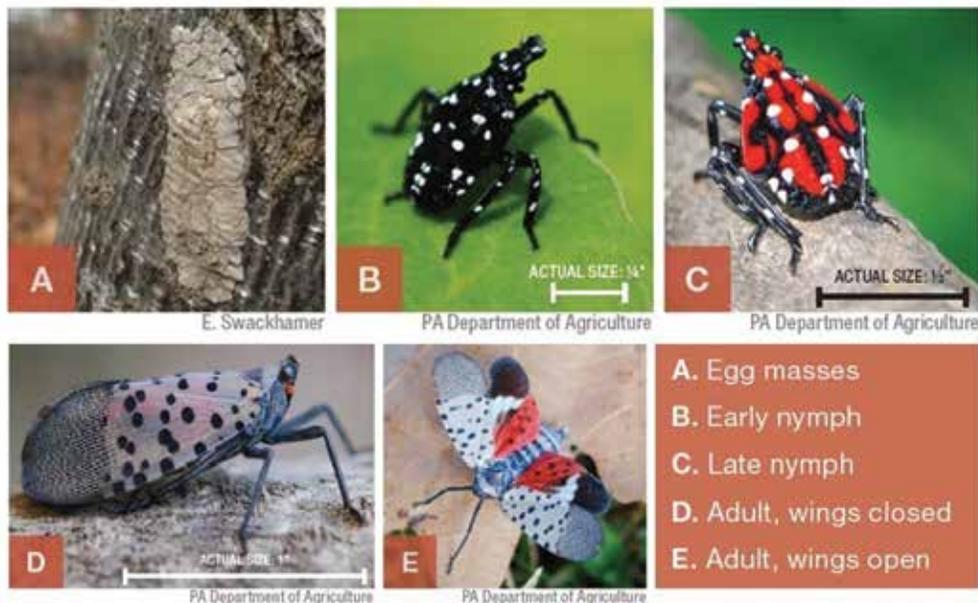
If you find a spotted lanternfly, KILL IT & report it immediately by calling
1-888-4BAD-FLY

Quick Facts

- The spotted lanternfly (SLF) is a **destructive, invasive pest insect** that is native to southeast Asia.
- **The SLF causes significant damage to over 70 plant species**, threatening important hardwoods, ornamental and shade trees, and agriculture crops. **If not contained, the SLF could cost the PA economy at least \$324 million annually.**
- The SLF was recently found in Allegheny and Beaver counties. **A SLF quarantine is now in effect.** This is an important legal designation, and **it applies to vehicles and other conveyances, as well as to plants, wood, stone products, and outdoor household items.**
- **SLF lay eggs on almost any surface, including vehicles, and so are easily spread by people.**

What does the SLF look like?

- The SLF goes through five stages of growth. Stages 1-4 (in spring) are called nymphs and cannot fly. **Early nymphs are black with white spots. Late nymphs are red with patches of black, and white spots.**
- **Adults (in summer) are about 1" long. Their wings are grey with black spots above, and bright red underneath.**
- In fall, **adults lay eggs in masses on trees, under bark, posts, cars, and many other surfaces.** The SLF live through the winter as eggs, which hatch as nymphs in spring.



What can YOU do to help stop the spread?

- **LOOK BEFORE YOU LEAVE!**
Inspect cars or other vehicles. Remove and kill any SLF eggs, nymphs, or adults before traveling in and out of the quarantine zone.
- **Scrape off and destroy egg masses** from any outdoor equipment (grills, mowers, firewood etc.)
- **Band trees kill nymphs and adults and remove tree-of-heaven** (a favored, invasive host plant).
- **For more information, see Penn State Extension: <https://extension.psu.edu/spotted-lanternfly>**



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Regular Meeting is held on the third Wednesday of each month at 8:00 PM.

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Meetings are subject to change and will be advertised and posted on website.

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Kristin Losco

Office hours are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10 AM to noon.

Meetings are held in the Borough Building and are open to the public. All residents are invited to attend. Agendas and minutes for meetings of Borough Council, Planning Commission and Environmental Advisory Council are available on the Borough's web site: www.franklinparkborough.us