



Whitehall **BOROUGH**

2020 SPRING SUMMER REPORT

A HOME RULE COMMUNITY FOUNDED 1948



MAYOR JIM NOWALK

WHAT RESIDENTS CAN DO TO IMPROVE AND BEAUTIFY Whitehall Borough

Shady, tree-lined streets. . .flower beds and boxes filled with color. . .litter-free roadways. . .these are the images that come to my mind when I think of beautiful and charming cities and towns that I have visited. These are also signs of homes and neighborhoods which show that the people of a community care enough to expend the extra energy and time required to maintain such beauty. Whitehall Borough has a number of these picturesque neighborhoods.

April provides all Borough residents with two occasions that serve as reminders and opportunities to improve and beautify our community. They are Earth Day, which is annually celebrated on April 22, and National Arbor Day, which is celebrated on the last Friday in April which this year happens to be April 24.

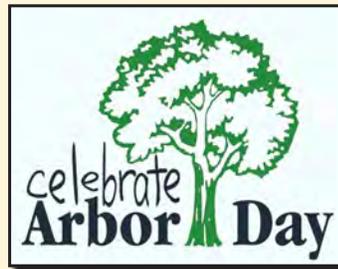


For many years, Whitehall Borough has sponsored an event to coincide with Earth Day as well as national and regional efforts to beautify and improve the natural environment. This year, April 25 will be designated as "Earth Day" in Whitehall Borough. On Earth Day, elected officials, members of Whitehall's Police and Road

Departments, and civic-minded residents will venture into the public areas of the Borough, to clean up trash and debris that has collected over the winter.

Earth Day is also a reminder that all residents should make a concerted effort to clean up litter; reduce their use of non-renewable resources such as

fuel oils, plastics and fresh water; properly dispose of toxic substances and otherwise work to beautify and preserve the environment. The newly formed Whitehall Committee for Environmental Action is working to provide opportunities and inform residents on ways to be good stewards of the Earth. See their message in another part of this bulletin.



National Arbor Day reminds us that another excellent way to reduce energy use and beautify the community is by planting trees. Well placed trees serve as wind breaks and provide shade, which lower heating and cooling costs.

They have also been shown to enhance property values, as well as providing a haven for song birds. I encourage all residents to plant a tree sometime this spring, so that in the not-so-distant future we will all benefit from their year-round beauty and rewards. For assistance in this endeavor, please contact the Shade Tree Commission, which is a multi-municipal organization composed of Whitehall, Baldwin and Brentwood residents.

It is my hope that Borough residents will celebrate the coming of spring by practicing the community lessons of Earth Day and National Arbor Day; making our borough a shining example of Earth friendliness and natural beauty.

First Recipient of Whitehall Borough Extraordinary Deeds Award

On Feb. 5, Mayor James Nowalk, along with Whitehall Borough Council, recognized 14 year old Ryan Shaneman for his courage in an emergency situation and presented him with the Extraordinary Deeds Award, created to honor citizens in the community of Whitehall Borough and recognize them as models for others to emulate.

On their way home from a trip, the Shaneman family stopped to go for a hike near Cucumber Falls. They were halfway between the falls and the river when Ryan's father, Shane, saw what he thought was the spot for the perfect picture. He stepped back to take the family portrait when a rock gave way. His leg became pinched between the rocks. He suffered a near compound fracture and broke both his tibia and fibula.

Ryan, a boy scout with first aid training, rushed to his dad's side and immediately took charge of the situation. He found sticks in the woods and made a splint to secure his father's leg. He and his older brothers helped carry their father for a quarter mile back to the car. Ryan helped to lead them, even telling them the best way to carry their dad to safety.

Ryan also received The Medal of Merit presented by the National Court of Honor through the Boy Scouts of America for outstanding service in implementing scouting skills and ideals.

Congratulations Ryan!

Read the whole story at <https://triblive.com/local/south-hills/whitehall-boy-scout-honored-for-heroics/>



Ryan Shaneman

RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANT WORK of Boards & Commissions

Council President **Glenn Nagy**



BOROUGH COUNCIL works hard to always act in the best interests of our residents. Many decisions are voted upon at our bi-monthly public meetings. These sometimes-tough decisions could not be made without the valuable input from the Borough's Boards and Commissions. These volunteers work tirelessly behind the scenes using their knowledge and expertise to make recommendations to Borough Council for action. For this - we thank them.

Below is a brief overview of the current boards and commissions that function in the Borough:

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

The Whitehall Borough Civil Service Commission is comprised of three individuals whose main task is to administer the civil service exam for Police Officers. These volunteers are responsible for preparing eligibility lists which are presented to Borough Council for hiring consideration. This independent Commission also oversees promotional tests for the Police Department.

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Established in September of 1961, the Library Board of Trustees is tasked with overseeing the Whitehall Public Library. The seven members work diligently to ensure the Library has the ability to continue to be a resource center for the community and host its numerous and various programs throughout the year.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Founded alongside Whitehall Borough itself, the Planning Commission reviews "proposed Ordinances pertaining to the location of any public buildings or the location or relocation of any street, road, park, playground or parkway" in the Borough. The five members of the Planning Commission work closely with the Borough Director of Planning, Zoning and Code Enforcement to scrutinize proposed Ordinances before making recommendations to Borough Council.

RECREATION BOARD

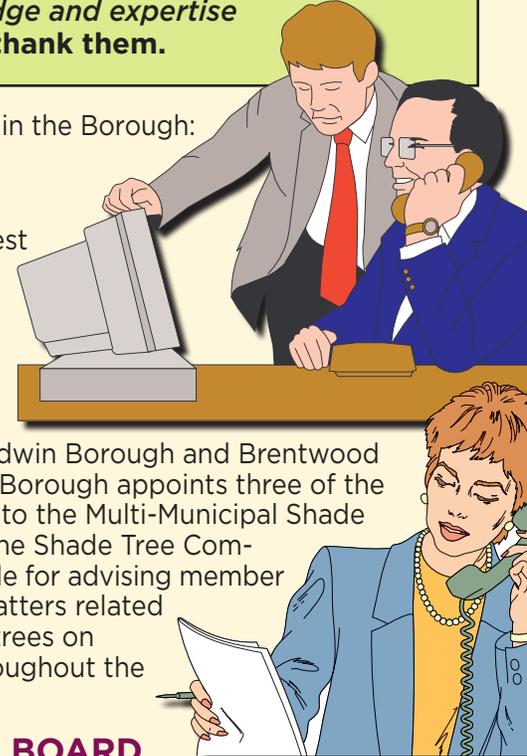
With the formation of the Recreation Board, the scope of recreation in the Borough expanded dramatically. The 11-member Board works under the Borough Recreation Director to plan and host a multitude of activities throughout the year for residents including the Summer Recreation Program and annual Community Day.



SHADE TREE COMMISSION

The Borough's newest Commission was established in the Spring of 2012 as part of an inter-governmental cooperation

agreement with Baldwin Borough and Brentwood Borough. Whitehall Borough appoints three of the nine total members to the Multi-Municipal Shade Tree Commission. The Shade Tree Commission is responsible for advising member municipalities on matters related to the inventory of trees on public property throughout the three Boroughs.



UCC APPEALS BOARD

Residents wishing to appeal Borough decisions under the Property Maintenance Code do so to the Uniform Construction Code (UCC) Board of Appeals. This Board is comprised of three members of the community with professional backgrounds in construction and engineering.

ZONING HEARING BOARD

Zoning was one of the primary reasons that Whitehall Borough seceded from Baldwin Township (now Baldwin Borough). The Zoning Hearing Board was established to oversee zoning laws that would encourage growth in an orderly manner. This three-member Board hears appeals of decisions made by the Borough Building Inspector.

Residents that are interested in serving on a board or commission are encouraged to send a resume to the Borough Administration Office. Vacancies are posted on the new Borough Website under "Volunteer."

**CORRIDOR
COMMUNITIES**

• Baldwin • Brentwood • Whitehall • Canaan • Oneonta





William Veith
Chair

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

2020 Whitehall Borough Budget

SUMMARY OF ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

	GENERAL FUND	LIQUID FUELS	SAN. SEWER FUND	STORM SEWER FUND	CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	TOTAL
Cash-Opening Balance	\$ 1,230,785	\$ 324,473	\$ 900,568	\$ 651,685.40	\$ 540,000	\$ 3,647,511.40
Receipts from Taxes	9,002,300					9,002,300.00
Licenses, Permits, Fines	348,550					348,550.00
Interests, Rent, Entitlements	941,395	393,527	50,000	7,800.00	85,750	1,478,472.00
Department Earnings	133,850		4,634,000	720,000.00		5,487,850.00
Miscellaneous	180,000					180,000.00
Other Financing Sources						0.00
Interfund Transfers					768,132	768,132.00
TOTAL	\$11,836,800	\$718,000	\$5,584,568	\$1,379,485.40	\$1,393,882	\$20,912,815.40

SUMMARY OF ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES

Administrative Services	\$ 684,911				\$ 5,000	\$ 689,911.00
Buildings & Grounds	267,574				120,000	387,574.00
Public Safety	2,984,329	\$ 16,000			684,132	3,684,461.00
Fire Protection	352,903					352,903.00
Planning & Zoning	267,530					267,530.00
Emergency Management	74,300					74,300.00
Health & Sanitation	1,097,480		\$ 5,584,568			6,682,048.00
Public Works	2,004,673	702,000		\$ 1,379,568.40	339,000	4,425,158.40
Swimming Pool	276,412					276,412.00
Recreation	124,161				195,000	319,161.00
Library	389,760					389,760.00
Insurance & Benefits	2,355,753					2,355,753.00
Debt Service & Transfers	957,094					957,094.00
TOTAL	\$11,836,880	\$718,000	\$5,584,568	\$1,379,485.40	\$1,343,132	\$20,862,065.40
Surplus (Use) to/of Fund Balance	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 50,750	\$ 50,750.00

DATES TO REMEMBER

Primary Election **Tuesday, April 28**

Hard to Get Rid of Items Drop-Off (7:00 AM - 3:00 PM) **Saturday, May 16**

Armed Forces Day **Saturday, May 16**

Pool Opens **Saturday, May 23**

Memorial Day **Monday, May 25**
(One day delay in refuse collection)
(Borough offices closed)

Flag Day **Sunday, June 14**

July 4th Fireworks **Friday, June 26**
Caste Village

E-Waste Collection **Saturday, June 27**

(9:00 AM - 1:00 PM)
(Registration required)

Fourth of July Holiday **Saturday, July 4**

Community Day & 5K Race **Saturday, August 29**

Labor Day **Monday, September 7**
(One day delay in refuse collection)
(Borough offices closed)

Hard to Get Rid of Items Drop-Off (7:00 AM - 3:00 PM) **Saturday, September 19**

Halloween **Saturday, October 31**
(Trick or Treat - 6:00 to 8:00 PM)

General Election **Tuesday, November 3**
(Borough offices closed)

Veteran's Day **Wednesday, November 11**

Thanksgiving Day **Thursday, November 26**
(One day delay in refuse collection)
(Borough offices closed Thursday & Friday)

Christmas Day **Friday, December 25**
(One day delay in refuse collection)
(Borough offices closed)

New Year's Day **Friday, January 1, 2021**

MANAGER'S REPORT

JAMES LEVENTRY

Warmer weather has arrived, following a winter that really wasn't. I keep getting comments on how much money the Borough must have saved on rock salt this winter. While that's true with respect to overtime for the Public Works Dept., it's not necessarily true about salt. I will touch on this subject a bit later in this article. But with the arrival of warmer weather, people turn to more outdoor activities, including use of the popular Whitehall Borough swimming pool. I'd just like to re-state what I said in my Fall 2019 newsletter article. I know of no issue that would cause the pool to open late this year. At the end of the 2019 season, the pool was operating normally, and I expect 2020 to follow suit.

Now, about that salt savings. Most people aren't familiar with how rock salt contracts work. In a nutshell, municipalities are required in June to provide the salt company with an estimated usage figure. For Whitehall, that figure typically is 2600 tons per season. The Borough is then obligated to purchase up to 80% of that estimate. That amounts to roughly 2100 tons. What that ultimately means is that, because we will start next winter off with a large stockpile, we will be able to drastically reduce our estimate for 20/21. Accordingly, the savings from this winter will be realized next year. The good news is that once the new salt storage facility is finished, hopefully by the end of March, we will have somewhere to store the original supply, unlike in past years. Pictured below are the new shed under construction taken by Scott Dellett.

Columbia Gas began a 5,000-foot gas main replacement project on March 9 of this year. The areas affected include Greenridge, Orchard Hill, McKee, Springvalley and Grove. In addition to replacing the main, I'm told that many residents will have their service lines and meters replaced as well. The project likely will last well into the Fall of 2020.

The preliminary list of roads scheduled to be paved by the Borough in 2020 include all or portions of the

following: Willow Drive, Cook Drive, Glenallen Drive, Leona Drive, Frich Drive, Clubvue Drive, Oakridge Drive, Belmont Lane, Deemer Drive, Springmeadow Court, Sherwood Drive, Shelia Court and Reiland Road. (I've always been intrigued with the number of our roads that are "Drives". Anyone else ever wondered about that?) Bids for the paving project will be opened on April 9, with work hopefully to start shortly thereafter. Our goal is to not have the project finish up around Thanksgiving as it did last year.

And speaking of roads, there is another issue that is front and present, not just to Whitehall, but most Pennsylvania communities. A few years ago, PennDOT, without notice, began enforcing the State Highway Act of 1945. This act allows PennDOT to treat cities, boroughs and townships differently with regards to maintenance of storm water facilities along state roads. PennDOT has decreed that cities and boroughs will now be forced to pay for operation, repair and replacement of storm water facilities previously maintained by the state. Townships, in many instances, are exempt from this provision. That was the logic in 1945, although why is anyone's guess.

What this means is that PennDOT now expects Whitehall to be financially liable for all storm water systems on roads like Route 51, Baptist and Weyman Roads. Where they expect towns like Whitehall to find these millions of dollars, I have no idea. They have already sent us a letter demanding repairs to be made on Route 51 and Baptist Road. They have also threatened to sue Whitehall for a repair they made on Baptist Road in 2016 to the tune of \$83,000. And that is just the tip of the iceberg. Your Borough Council has aggressively lobbied our state representative and senator to change this law. So far, not much has happened. It wouldn't hurt for citizens to reach out as well.

In closing, please remember that my staff and I are available to assist you in whatever concerns you may have regarding the borough. Please don't hesitate to contact us should the need arise.



YOUR WHITEHALL MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

are pleased to present the following Spring and Summer events and information.



Jim Nowalk
Mayor



Glenn Nagy
President



John Wotus
Vice Pres.



Bill Veith



Robert
McKown, CPA



Linda
Book



Philip
Lahr



Kathleen
DePuy

James F. Nowalk Mayor

MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

- Glenn P. Nagy President of Council
- John A. Wotus Vice President of Council & Chair - Planning & Zoning
- William J. Veith Chair - Administrative Services
- Robert J. McKown, CPA Chair - Public Safety
- Linda J. Book Chair - Public Works
- Philip J. Lahr Chair - Library
- Kathleen N. DePuy Chair - Recreation
- Irving Firman Solicitor
- Scott Rusmisl Engineer

STAFF

- James E. Leventry Borough Manager
- Courtney M. Wertz Assistant Manager
- Vincent G. Yevins Finance Director
- Scott Dellett, AICP Director of Planning, Zoning & Code Enforcement
- Marc Zeoli Code Enforcement Officer
- Roxanne J. Dudjak Code Enforcement Administrative Assistant
- Keith P. Henderson Chief of Police
- Jason C. Gagorik Deputy Chief of Police
- Eric Harris Public Works Supervisor
- Eric Harris Fire Chief
- Kelly Sgattoni Property Tax Collector
- Paula Kelly Library Director
- Hannah Vetere Recreation Director

IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

Ambulance 911
www.mrtsa.com

Police Department 412-884-1100
wpd@whitehallboro.org

- Fire Department 412-884-1100**
- Code Enforcement Office 412-884-1368
- Other Borough Calls 412-884-0505
info@whitehallboro.org
- Recreation Director 412-304-8347
- Library 412-882-6622
www.whitehallpubliclibrary.org
- Property Tax Collector 412-881-1644
ksgattoni@bwschools.net
- Earned Income Tax Collector 412-835-5243
(Jordan Tax Services) 724-731-2300
www.JordanTax.com
- Swimming Pool 412-881-3314
(seasonal)
- Trash/Recycling Collector 1-866-258-1708

The Borough's Telephone Information Line can be reached 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

412-884-0505, ext. 1

BOROUGH OFFICE HOURS:
8:30 AM to 4:30 PM Monday - Friday

www.whitehallboro.org

BOROUGH MEETINGS

Residents are welcome to attend all public meetings of Council and the Boards and Commissions of Whitehall Borough. All meetings are held in the Borough Building.

Council

7:00 PM - 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month

Planning Commission

7:30 PM - 2nd Wednesday of every month

Zoning Hearing Board

7:30 PM - 3rd Tuesday of every month as applicable

Recreation Board

7:00 PM - 2nd Monday of every month

Library Board

7:00 PM - 2nd Wednesday of every month

The Civil Service Commission and the UCC Appeals Board meet as needed; times and dates will be announced.





Paula Kelly
Library Director

WHITEHALL PUBLIC LIBRARY EVENTS



PHIL LAHR, Chair

Thank you for being a Friend!

Our amazing Friends of the Whitehall Public Library work diligently on their annual fundraising appeal. We feel so lucky to have such a devoted group. To those of you who have donated - thank you! To those of you who haven't, please consider a donation to the Friends. All donations go directly to support library programs, services and collection items. It's a gift to the whole community!



The Friends

Love Your Library Annual Fall Author Luncheon

**SAVE
THE DATE**

**Sunday,
September 27**

South Hills Country Club



Rebecca Drake's latest book, *Just Between Us*, was selected by *O, The Oprah Magazine*, as a "compulsively readable thriller," while *Publisher's Weekly* and the *Associated Press* lauded it as "tense, bombshell laden and action-packed" and "twisty and compelling."

She is also the author of *Only Ever You*, *The Dead Place*, *The Next Killing*, and *Don't Be Afraid*, as well as short fiction featured in *A Thousand Doors* and *Pittsburgh Noir*.

Rebecca is a Penn State grad and has taught in Seton Hill University's Writing Popular Fiction MFA program. A native New Yorker, she currently lives in Pittsburgh with her husband, two children, a big cat, and a small dog.

See you there!

United States®
**Census
2020**

The 2020 Census: IF YOU HAVEN'T BEEN COUNTED YET, IT'S NOT TOO LATE!

The census provides critical data that lawmakers, business owners, teachers, and many others use to provide daily services, products, and support for you and your community. Every year, billions of dollars in federal funding go to hospitals, fire departments, schools, roads, and other resources based on census data.

The results of the census also determine the number of seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives, and they are used to draw congressional and state legislative districts.

The U.S. Census Bureau is bound by law to protect your answers and keep them strictly confidential.

Participating in the census is required by law. A complete and accurate count is critical for you and your community, because the results of the 2020 Census will affect community funding, congressional representation, and more.

Questions about the census? Feel free to contact the library; we're a registered census hub.

2020census.gov

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday-Thursday 9 AM to 9 PM
Friday 1 PM to 5 PM
Saturday 9 AM to 5 PM
Sunday 12 PM to 4 PM

Closed Sundays beginning
July 5 - September 6, 2020

Holiday Closings

May 24 and 25 | July 4 |
September 7



www.whitehallpubliclibrary.org

Check website or call Library for updates on program availability.

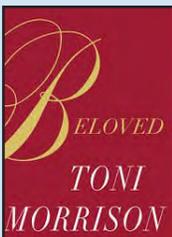
Whitehall Reads 2020

Please join the library this summer as we collectively read Toni Morrison's Pulitzer Prize-winning novel, *Beloved*.

Legendary author Toni Morrison, who passed away in 2019, was the first African-American woman to win the Nobel Prize for literature and the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

Beloved examines the destructive legacy of slavery as it chronicles the life of a black woman named Sethe from her pre-Civil War days as a slave in Kentucky to her time in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1873. Although Sethe lives there as a free woman, she is held prisoner by memories of the trauma of her life as a slave. <https://www.britannica.com>

Stay tuned as we plan for facilitated group discussion opportunities, special guest lecturers and a screening of the 2019 documentary about Morrison's life, *The Pieces I Am*.



DRIVEN
TO
GIVE

Take the wheel.
Share the wealth.

Drive a Lincoln & SUPPORT THE LIBRARY!

Sunday, June 7

9 AM - 1 PM



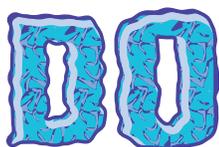
The Residence at Whitehall

(4750 Clairton Blvd., 15236) will be hosting a second annual "Driven to Give" fundraising event with Benson Lincoln in cooperation with the Friends of the Library. Come to the beautiful new Residence at Whitehall to test drive a gorgeous Lincoln! The library receives a generous donation for every test drive. Help us build upon last year's fundraising success. What a win-win!



ART WALL: REQUEST FOR ARTISTS

Calling all artists! We are seeking artwork for our community gallery space. Art may be hung or displayed on modular shelves. Displays are on exhibit for one month. For more information, contact Sarah Scott (scotts2@einetnetwork.net).



YOU HAVE RECORDS TAKING UP SPACE AND COLLECTING DUST IN YOUR HOUSE?

Turn them into funding for the library!

With the current interest in records, please consider donating your used albums and 45's to the library. They will be cleaned, sleeved and sold at the upcoming Pittsburgh Record Fest and the Whitehall Public Library Book Sale, with ALL

proceeds going directly to the library. No collection is too big or too small. Albums and singles can be dropped off at the library during business hours. Give those dusty old records a second life, make some room in your home, and benefit your Whitehall Public Library all at the same time!



Library Programs

We're always adding programs that you're sure to enjoy! You won't miss a thing if you stop in and visit the library or visit us online at www.whitehallpubliclibrary.org. Follow us on Facebook and Twitter too!

Programs fill quickly, so be sure to register by coming in, visiting our website or calling the library at 412-882-6622.

ADULT PROGRAMS



Chair Yoga with Cathy Tuttle

**1st & 3rd Mondays of the Month
9:30 - 10:30 AM
Whitehall Community Room**

Who says you can't work your chakras in a chair?

Join the library and specialist Cathy Tuttle for a gentler and kinder yoga series accessible to people of all ages and abilities.

No mat? No problem! Just take a chair and we'll start from there!

This class offers yoga postures and gentle breathwork with a special focus on increased flexibility, strength, balance, and guided relaxation. Everyone should experience a felt sense of joy in their day, so make the journey with us to a better, stronger, more flexible you!

Suggested donation of \$2.00 - \$5.00



Down to Earth Speaker Series: Fresh Looks at Our Environment

Join the library and the new Whitehall Committee for Environmental Action for a special speaker series designed to address ways we can better understand, appreciate, and work with our larger environment.

May 27 • 7:00 PM

Birds and Climate Change: Survival by Degrees
with Gabi Hughes of the Audubon Society

June 24 • 7:00 PM

Let's Talk About the Woods
with John Liebenguth, PA Forest Steward

The Gilded Age: A Culture Series with the Frick Pittsburgh

Join the library and the Frick Pittsburgh for a series of Tuesday lectures about life and how our forebearers made the most of it!

May 12 • 7:00 PM

**Land of Abundance:
Pittsburgh and the American Garden**

June 9 • 2:00 PM

Staying Well in the Gilded Age

November 10 • 7:00 PM

**A Well-Appointed Table:
Dining at the Turn of the Century**

December 8 • 2:00 PM

Victorian Holiday Traditions

DO THE WRITE THING: BOOK RECEPTION EVENT



Save the Date - August 2020

Come support local writers and celebrate the publication of our community anthology! Join us for a special book release reception event where authors will read excerpts from the collection; afterwards, socialize with the writers and enjoy delicious treats. Registration will be required; call or check our website for more details!

ADULT BOOK GROUPS

Classic Works!

This book club turns masterpieces into pieces of cake! It's easy to be intimidated by the classics, but there's strength (and support!) in numbers. We'll tackle another classic book each month to discuss its significance and if it deserves its place on history's highest shelf! **We meet on the last Saturday of the month at 10:30 AM.**

Evening book club

The Evening Book Discussion Group meets the third Thursday of the month at 7 PM. We read a broad mix of both fiction and nonfiction and have great conversations. Join us at any time.

Mystery book club

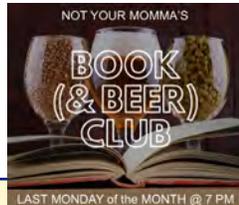
Do you enjoy a good mystery? If so, join the Mystery Lovers Book Group! **We meet every month on the last Thursday at 10:30 AM to discuss the hottest whodunnits.**

NOT YOUR MOMMA'S BOOK CLUB

Our Book & Beer Club has a new day and location!

Join us at the Crafterhouse Stage & Grill on the last Monday of the month at 7 PM.

For more information and to find out what book we are reading, join the group online at www.facebook.com/groups/WPLbookclub

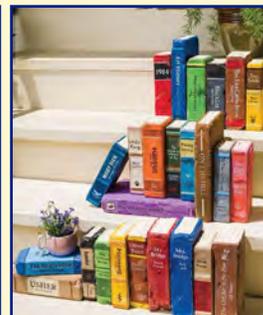


CRAFTERNOONS

Turning the Page Calling all crafty and creative book lovers! Each month, we explore a different upcycled book-themed craft, turning a damaged or unusable donation into something beautiful. We provide the supplies, you bring the creativity! **Registration is required; \$2 suggested donation for materials. Adults only.**



JUNE 13
String Art Vase



JULY 11
Painted Book Bricks



AUGUST 8
Mermaid Sculpture

ALL PROGRAMS RUN FROM 2-4 PM

Do You Have a Black Thumb?

If plants wilt in your presence, join us for our waterless plant Crafternoon! Every other month, we will DIY household plants and flowers from paper, felt, rocks, and more. *SPACE IS EXTREMELY LIMITED* and registration is required; \$2 suggested donation for materials. **Adults only.**

JULY, Date TBD: Mixed Planters

Keep your eye on our calendar!

Using leftover supplies from our past year of paper plants, we will create mixed planters with smaller versions of the class favorites - plus a new easy one as a surprise!



CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS



Imagine Your Story

**Summer Reading Theme
Imagine Your Story
@ Whitehall Public
Library**

Summer reading begins June 1. Kids and teens can read for prizes. Check our website at www.whitehallpubliclibrary.org for all our fun events.

Discovery Days!

**Tuesdays
1:30 - 2:30 PM**

Discover Science at the library!

June 16

Carnegie Science Center presents *"The Science of Magic."*



June 23

The Pittsburgh Zoo and PPG Aquarium present *"The Wonders of Wildlife."*



June 30

Mystery Science

July 7

Verna McGinley from Creative Environmental Education presents *"All about Bugs."*

July 14

Carnegie Museum of Natural History presents *"Exploring Ancient Egypt."*

July 21

Allegheny County Park Rangers present *"Animal Adaptations."*



July 28

Carnegie Science Center presents *"Illusions! Can you See Science?"*

Classes recommended for children in grades 1-5

Children's Production Studio Workshop

**Fridays, June 12, 19, & 26
1:30 - 3:30 PM**

Calling all young filmmakers!

Do you love movies? Ever think about making your own?

In a three week period we will teach you how to write, film, direct and edit your very own short film. This class will include the history and basics all young filmmakers should know.

The workshop is recommended for children in grades 5-8.



Children's Animation Workshop

**Fridays, July 10, 17 & 24
1:30 - 3:30 PM**

Is your favorite film Frozen? Do you love Disney movies? Or cartoons? Animation is one of the most popular forms of entertainment today. In a three-week span, you can learn the history of animation, as well as make your very own animated shorts using Stop-Motion, Claymation and Rotoscoping!

The workshop is recommended for children in grades 5-8.



Stories in the Park Monday, June 29 6:00 PM

Join us at Brennan Plaza for storytime in the park. We will have stories, art, games and more. Bring a picnic basket and blanket, and the library will provide hot dogs and ice cream. Registration is required.





Calling all Junior Conservationists! Fridays | 10:00 – 11:00 AM

Register for our new children's summer series of workshops sponsored by Whitehall Committee for Environmental Action (WCEA). This series is for children entering Kindergarten-2nd grade. Participants will play games, create crafts, and have fun while learning how they can do their part to help our local ecosystems. Each class will have a take-home activity so that caregivers and their children can continue the learning at home! At the end, all participants will earn a WCEA Junior Conservationist badge.

Class 1: June 19

How to Become a Home Conservationist!

Junior Conservationists will participate in activities that illustrate how animals, plants, and humans are interconnected in Southwestern Pennsylvania and brainstorm ways to create positive change for our planet right in their very own home.

Class 2: June 26

Pollinator Biodiversity: Bees, butterflies, birds, and more!

Junior Conservationists will repurpose recyclables into a safe, take-home bee hotel!

Class 3: July 10

Healthy People, Healthy Earth: Using herb gardens to create healthy minds, bodies, and homes.

Junior Conservationists will plant peppermint and enjoy refreshments illustrating the fruits of their labor.

Class 4: July 17

Backyard Buddies: Opossums

Junior Conservationists will make an adorable opossum craft and participate in a scavenger hunt highlighting the habitat this nocturnal underdog needs.

Class 5: July 24

Watershed: Where does our rainwater go?

Junior Conservationists will use a model to follow stormwater from our homes to our waterways, and practice doing their part to keep the ecosystem clean!

Please register at www.whitehallpubliclibrary.org

But wait, there's more! Check our website for further details on additional special programs.

TECHNOLOGY

DECLUTTER & SPEED UP YOUR DEVICE

Saturday, May 30 • 10:30-11:30 AM

Is your smartphone or tablet sluggish, acting strangely or experiencing battery drain? Come to this class to learn simple tricks to speed up and extend the life of your device.

Please bring fully charged devices. If you are having sign-in or password issues, please call ahead to schedule a 1:1 appointment prior to class. This class does not address hardware problems.

Registration is required; call the library 412-882-6622.



TAKE HOME A MOBILE HOTSPOT!

We have hotspots! A mobile hotspot is a portable gadget that allows nearby wifi devices (such as laptops, iPads, iPhones, Androids) to connect to the Internet. When you check out a hotspot, you can use it at home, in your car on the move, in a park—anywhere there is 3G or 4G coverage—all free of charge, for 3 weeks. Call the library to put your name on the HOLDS list: **412-882-6622.**

WIRELESS PRINTING

This new service allows you to print virtually any document or web page from your computer, phone or tablet, even from home. The print jobs will be sent to our library printers, and you can immediately pick them up at the front desk.

- Black-and-white printing is 10 cents per page.
- Color prints are 50 cents per page.



NOTE: Print jobs are held for 24 hours from when they are sent to our printers. Check our website for specific details.

30-MINUTE TECH HELP APPOINTMENTS!

Can't make it to a tech class? If you have questions about computers, the web or a mobile device, you may schedule a one-on-one session with a knowledgeable staff member. We'll do our best to answer any and all tech queries.

To set up a session, please call 412-882-6622 or email slimonl@einetwork.net or scotts2@einetwork.net to arrange a mutually compatible time.

- Due to limited staff time and availability, sessions are limited to 30 minutes and patrons are encouraged to sign up for only one session per month.
- These sessions are designed to be instructional; library staff may provide support but cannot execute the actual work.
- Please note, we will not diagnose or troubleshoot any problems on your home system, personal devices or laptop.



PLANNING & ZONING REPORT

JOHN WOTUS
Vice President of Council &
Chair, Planning & Zoning

Below is a report on the Borough Planning Commission's activities for 2019:

APPROVALS

The following application was reviewed by the Planning Commission and approved by Borough Council:

Land Development (Site Plan) Application

2019-SLD-01 Whitehall Borough Salt Storage Land Development Plan, 100 Borough Park Drive.

Combined preliminary and final land development (site plan) approval to construct a 4,453-square-foot salt storage building on part of an existing 14.3-acre parcel (Allegheny County Block and Lot No. 314-E-100). The parcel is located in Civic District C-1 and Commercial District C2-S. Borough Council approved the application at its July 17, 2019 meeting.

ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS

The following ordinance amendments were reviewed by the Planning Commission and adopted by Borough Council:

ORDINANCE NO. 1121 (ZONING ORDINANCE)

Added definitions for Restaurant, High-Turnover Restaurant, Drive Through, High-Turnover Restaurant, Take Out and Low-Turnover Restaurant; amended Commercial District C-2 to permit Low-Turnover Restaurant as a permitted use; amended Commercial District C-3 to permit Low-Turnover Restaurant and High-Turnover Restaurant, Take Out as permitted uses; amended Commercial District C-4 to permit High-Turnover Restaurant, Drive Through as a conditional use.

The following proposed ordinance was recommended for approval and sent to Borough Council for consideration:

ARTICLE XXV ACCESSORY USES (ZONING ORDINANCE)

Added definitions for Carport, Freestanding Deck, Gazebo, Greenhouse, Pavilion, Pergola and Sports Court, repealed and replaced definitions of Detached Garage and Structure; amended Residential

Districts R-1, R-2, R-3, R-4, R-5 and R-7 to allow Accessory Structures as a permitted use; and repealed and replaced existing Article XXV (Accessory Use Building) with a new Article XXV (Accessory Structures).

The Planning Commission worked on the following proposed ordinance amendments in 2019:

- Amendments to Article XLII Streetscape Enhancement Overlay (SEO) District (Zoning Ordinance)
- Replacement of Article XXIV Signs (Zoning Ordinance)
- Creation of new Article XXVII Express Standards and Criteria for Conditional Uses and Special Exceptions.
- Replacement of Chapter 157 Subdivision of Land with new Chapter 157 Subdivision and Land Development.

TOO
TOXIC
TO
TRASH



Whitehall Borough
Recycling
Collection Event



ECSR

R2

Responsible Recycling Certified

Dispose of Household Hazardous & Electronic Waste the right way on Saturday: JUNE 27, 2020

Rates:

\$0.60/lb. CRT, Projection TVs and Monitors
\$0.40/lb. All other electronics
\$0.70/lb. Freon devices (AC Units)
\$1.00/lb. Paint

\$2.00/lb. All other Household Hazardous Waste
\$1.50/lb. Universal Waste (i.e. Bulbs & Batteries)
\$8/ea. Propane

What you CAN bring to the Event (examples):

- ✓ Household Chemicals including: paint, paint thinner, cleaning products, pesticides, car & household batteries, lights bulbs, fluorescent tubes, pool chemicals, oil, anti-freeze, flammables, & more.
- ✓ Electronic waste including: TVs, computers, towers, monitors, printers, cell phones, AC Units, dehumidifiers, mini fridges, video game consoles, radios, & more.

What you CAN'T bring to the Event:

- ✗ Explosives, ammunition, radioactive materials, road flares
- ✗ Large appliances
- ✗ Pharmaceuticals, syringes, medical waste
- ✗ Fire extinguishers and smoke detectors
- ✗ Elemental mercury & mercury containing devices
- ✗ Compressed Gas (no cylinders)
- ✗ Tires
- ✗ Municipal Waste (misc wood, vhs tapes and cds)



Public Works Garage
100 Borough Park Drive
Pittsburgh, PA 15236

Saturday, June 27, 2020
9:00 am to 1:00 pm

REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Visit www.ecsr.net or call 866-815-0016 to schedule your appointment today.



**ORGAN
DONOR**

IN 1984, Whitehall Borough resident and 41st District State Legislator Raymond T. Book introduced House Bill 1155. This Bill permitted Organ Donor stickers to be applied to PA Driver's Licenses to expedite the donation process of organs being donated by the drivers licenseholder.

This innovative idea continues over 35 years later. Many citizens may not be aware that it can easily be accessed online to sign up by going to the following link: www.dmv.pa.gov/Driver-Services/Driver-Information/Pages/Organ-Donation.aspx You don't have to wait for your renewal registration. If you want to be part of saving lives, please participate today.

SPRING Code Reminders



- Avoid blowing leaves or grass clippings onto the street — it is prohibited by the Borough.
- Spring cleaning can also mean spring cleanouts. For any project requiring a POD, Bagster or Dumpster YOU MUST fill out a registration form with the Borough. Please see the Planning, Zoning & Code Enforcement office for registration. (Registration is FREE)

- Not only does cutting and maintain the grass increase the curb appeal of your property, it also helps with controlling ticks and pest harborage.
- The Borough Code PROHIBITS high grass and overgrowth on a property. Borough Code states the maximum height for overgrowth and grass is eight (8) inches.
- Vehicles are NOT allowed to be parked on the lawn. Vehicles are only allowed to be parked on paved surfaces constructed of materials such as concrete, asphalt, brick or block.

- Trash cans are allowed to be placed at the curb starting at 3 PM the day before your collection day and they must be removed from the curb no later than 8 PM on your collection day.



Code Enforcement will send reminders to residents if they forget. If residents continuously leave trash cans at the curb, they will be sent violation notices.

WHAT IS A DYE TEST & HOW ARE THEY PERFORMED?

DYE TESTS detect whether your home is properly connected to the sewer system. Dye Tests are required when selling your home.

A Certified Plumber of the seller's choice will come out to the property and introduce dye into the storm water collection system by placing a non-staining water soluble dye into the drain or downspout of the property and flush it with water to determine where it goes. The plumber will inspect for traces of the dyed water.

A dye test fails when this dye enters into the sanitary sewer system.

Another common reason for the failure of a Dye Test are FRESH AIR VENTS. Buried Fresh Air Vents

cannot function properly which can result in allowing ground water to enter the sanitary sewer. Keep in mind Fresh Air Vents are also the primary access point for a plumber should the sewer ever become clogged because they are located directly above the main house trap and therefore should be visible and raised so as to not accept storm or surface water.

Camera (lateral) Dye Tests are not a requirement.

Refinancing does not require a new dye test.

****IMPORTANT**
BE SURE TO SUBMIT YOUR COMPLETED DYE TEST FORM**

TO THE BOROUGH AT LEAST TWO (2) WEEKS PRIOR TO YOUR CLOSING TO ENSURE AMPLE TIME FOR PROCESSING. Forms are found at www.whitehallboro.org under the Planning & Zoning, Permits Link labeled Plumbers Report.

Dye tests are valid for five (5) years in the Borough of Whitehall. If you are selling your home, please be sure to contact the Code Enforcement Office at 412-884-1368 ext 324 to check the date of your last dye test.

It is a requirement to have a valid dye test at the time of your sale under the Borough of Whitehall Code, Chapter 147.36.

PROJECT STATUS UPDATE

from Scott Dellett, AICP,
Director of Planning,
Zoning & Code Enforcement



Redevelopment of the former Sisters of St. Francis site continues. One project will be completed this spring; construction of the first building of a townhouse development should be finished later this year.

The first occupants of the **South Hills Square Retirement Resort** should move in June 1. Final touches for the 130-unit senior living apartment complex should be completed by the end of March. As of February, 50 apartment units have been leased. For more information on **South Hills Square Retirement Resort**, prospective residents may call 412-255-3670 or obtain more information at <http://rlcommunities.com>.

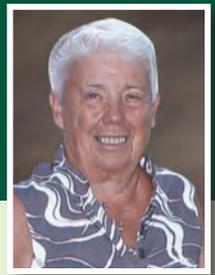


A permit for the first 5-unit townhouse building at **Grove Pointe Residential Development** was issued late last year. Grove Pointe will have 73 units upon buildout.



A MESSAGE FROM

The Parks Committee



Kathleen DePuy
Creator and Chair

The Parks Committee is pleased to announce that the Borough's Parks Master Plan has been completed. The Committee thanks residents for their valuable input and the dynamic discussions that took place during this process. A copy of the report is available for viewing at the Borough Administration Office during regular business hours. The Master Plan will also be available electronically on the new and improved Borough website under the Parks tab.

Renovations at Frank Park have also been completed. A new pavilion with ADA compliant picnic tables and electricity is now available for use by residents. A small parking lot has been added to the park, in addition to an asphalt walking trail along the perimeter. However, the biggest improvement at the park has been the addition of a new playground and swing set.

Much gratitude is due to the Borough Public Works Department for their help in the renovations at Frank Park. The Department worked diligently to construct the new playground and swing set, saving the Borough \$13,000 in installation costs. Public Works is also responsible for fixing the concrete pad at the shelter house, ensuring the safety of those who utilize the building.

The Committee hopes that residents will take advantage of these new amenities to host family and neighborhood gatherings at the park. Park reservations can be made at the Administration Office during regular business hours. The permit request form can be found online under the Parks tab.

The next project to be completed under the new Parks Master Plan will be constructed later this year at Prospect Park. A new shade structure will be constructed

on an existing concrete pad, two ADA parking spaces will be installed and a new paved pathway will connect existing elements of the park, increasing accessibility for residents with physical handicaps.

On deck for 2021 is Union Park Phase I. Assistant Manager Courtney Wertz is currently working on another DCNR grant to help fund this endeavor. If awarded, the grant would cover the demolition of the existing basketball court to make way for the installation of an inclusive play area. The new equipment will be connected to the parking lot via an ADA asphalt walkway to be placed along the outfield of the existing baseball field.



Congratulations to our 2019 House Decorating Contest Winners

Best Overall: 134 E. Club Drive (Scott & Lisa Schaming);
Best All White Lights: 125 Audbert Drive (Kenneth & Kristin Figura); **Best Traditional:** 4625 W. Barlind Drive (William & Mary Nee); **Best Colored Lights:** 4619 Echo Glen Drive (Jennifer Rosenberry);

Best Inside Decoration: 5100 Clairton Boulevard (Eat N Park, Fran Jacobetz, Manager); **Best Environmental Display:** 4305 Hamilton Road (James & Lois Berroth); **Best Christmas Window Display:** 5072 Brownsville Road (John & Kimberly Hudon)



412-835-6428
www.mbhauling.com

Thanks to the tremendous response from the community, Michael Brothers Hauling & Recycling has indefinitely extended our glass recycling program as well as adding the acceptance of cardboard during our regular business hours!

THERE IS NO CHARGE FOR THIS SERVICE!

North Hills Location:

**Reserve Park
Waste Transfer Station**
408 Hoffman Rd., Pittsburgh PA 15212
Monday-Friday 7:30AM - 4:30PM
Saturday 7:30AM - 12:30PM

South Hills Location:

**Michael Brothers Waste Transfer Station
& Scrap Metal Recycling Facility**
901 Horning Rd., Pittsburgh PA 15236
Monday-Friday 7AM - 5PM
Saturday 7AM - 1PM

Bring us your scrap metal and we will pay you cash on the spot at our South Hills location!

Michael Brothers Hauling & Recycling accepts all grades of metal, such as aluminum cans, wire, household appliances and cars.

Have household junk or construction & demolition material to get rid of?

Michael Brothers Hauling & Recycling accepts waste at both our North & South Hills location and charges \$80 per ton with a \$60 minimum.

Public SAFETY



CHAIR, PUBLIC SAFETY
ROBERT J. MCKOWN, CPA



Keith P. Henderson,
Police Chief

SHARE THE ROAD: TIPS FOR DRIVERS, CYCLISTS AND PEDESTRIANS

Summer will soon be upon us and increased numbers of Motorists, Pedestrians, and Bicyclists will be sharing Whitehall Roads. Here are a few tips to help keep you and others safe when out and about.

TIPS FOR DRIVERS

Drivers are reminded to turn on vehicle headlights at dusk and be vigilant in looking out for cyclists and pedestrians. Additionally, drivers should:

- Stop for pedestrians at crosswalks.
- Slow down and obey the posted speed limit.
- Yield to pedestrians and cyclists when turning.
- Look before opening your door.
- Be careful when passing stopped vehicles.
- Allow three feet when passing bicyclists.

TIPS FOR CYCLISTS

When travelling on Borough streets, cyclists should follow the same rules of the road as motorized vehicles. This means stopping at stop signs; obeying traffic signals and lane markings; and using hand signals to let others know your intention to stop or turn. Furthermore, cyclists are advised to be aware of their surroundings:

- Don't wear headphones; you need to be able to hear if a car is approaching.
- Slow down and check for oncoming traffic before entering any street or intersection.
- Do your best to anticipate hazards and adjust your position in traffic accordingly.
- Be predictable: ride with the flow of traffic, on the right, and in a straight line - not in and out of parked cars on the side of the street.

TIPS FOR WALKERS AND RUNNERS

Whether you're going for an afternoon stroll, commuting to work on foot, or getting some exercise, walking and running are great activities. However, it's important to pay attention. When walking or exercising, especially in the early morning or at dusk or dark, pedestrians should keep the following tips in mind:



Deputy Chief
Jason C. Gagorik

- WPD encourages walkers to use signaled crosswalks when possible. Use extreme caution when crossing at intersections without signals.
- Look both ways before crossing the street.
- Never run between cars into the street.
- Wear clothing that allows drivers and people to see you. That means no dark clothes after dark or early in the morning.
- Exercising outdoors at dusk or at night can be dangerous without some type of reflective device on your clothing. Many athletic shoes have reflective qualities built in, but also consider a vest complete with reflective tape.

Remember that the BEST way to stay safe is being aware of others sharing the road with you.

Police & Fire



Rob McHugh
President



WE ARE READY TO HELP YOU

WHITEHALL FIRE COMPANY extinguishes fires while minimizing water and smoke damage to property; pumps water from flooded basements after heavy rainstorms; safely manages fireworks displays for the enjoyment of the public; provides privacy barriers and clean up after motor vehicle or other accidents; maintains proficiency through regular training; assists volunteer fire companies in neighboring communities when needed and we maintain fire and rescue equipment in top condition for the service of residents. Every fire-fighter completes a minimum of 200 hours of training.

ONLY YOU CAN HELP US!

\$60 HOUSEHOLD CONTRIBUTION

\$100 BUSINESS CONTRIBUTION IS REQUESTED

www.whitehallboro.org/public-safety/fire.html
Click on Whitehall Fire Company Donations & follow instructions

OR Visit www.whitehallfirecompany.org
Click on the Donations tab to donate with Paypal

OR Send **CHECK**

www.facebook.com/wfc301?ref=br_tf
Whitehall Fire Company, Station 301



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Whitehall Fire Company Thanks You for your Generous Donations



Eric Harris,
Fire Chief

About to START A HOME PROJECT? FAQ'S NEED TO KNOW'S



Is a building permit required?

A good rule of thumb is to think yes before no. It is always a good idea to contact the Code Enforcement Office at 412-884-1368 ext 324 prior to planning or beginning any home project(s). Many projects will require a permit so be sure to leave yourself enough time to gather all the pertinent information needed by our office and also to allow ample time for the review process. It is the contractors, design professional and ultimately the property owner who remain responsible for providing the appropriate plan elements and construction details to obtain the required permits. We want your project to go as beautifully and smoothly as you do!

How long will it take to get my building permit?

The plans will be reviewed in as timely a fashion as possible. Inadequate plan detail and information is the most common reason for a delay in the review process. The review process has two phases for most projects (Zoning Department approval & Building Inspection Department approval)

When do I know I can begin my project?

Once a Building Permit is issued, construction may begin. The builder is responsible for contacting the Building Inspector for field inspections to verify Code Compliance at various stages of a project. (The builder has to be on site at these inspections; no exceptions)

How do others know I have a permit to do my project?

When you receive your Building Permit, you will be given either an Orange or Green Placard to place in your front window. This will let officials and neighbors know you are in compliance with code for your project.

How do I find and how will I know if I have a reputable contractor or not?

FINDING a knowledgeable and well-informed contractor for your project is a very important step to its successful completion; uninformed contractors all too often learn about the code after a failed inspection, which can affect the construction schedule and eventual outcome of the improvement.

- One way is to ask your contractor for his Home Improvement Contractor Identification #. This number means he is registered with the state as a licensed contractor.
- Ask around to neighbors, family, anyone you know for referrals (the Borough cannot give referrals).
- Check the Better Business Bureau website for ratings on your chosen contractor.

Applications can be found on the "Whitehall Borough" Website (www.whitehallboro.org) for projects such as: Fences, Sheds, Driveways

Applications can be found on the "Building Inspection Underwriters" Website (www.biupa.com) for projects such as: Air Conditioners, Additions, Alterations, Porches, Decks, Roofs, Swimming Pools, Demolitions, Signs



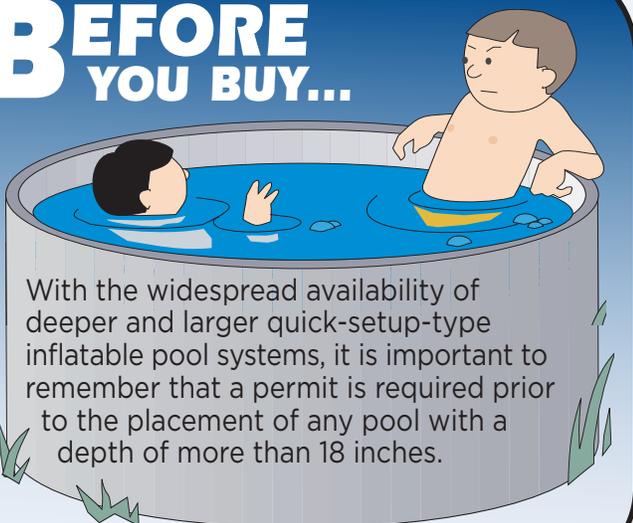
WHEN WALKING YOUR DOG...

You may not realize the damage that can come from not cleaning up after your pet. Not only is neglecting to clean up after your pet irresponsible and a violation in resulting possible fines, it is unsanitary, unneighborly and unattractive.

Leaving pet waste not only leaves opportunity for bacteria and toxins to accumulate eventually killing the surrounding grass but can spread diseases to other animals.

So please be courteous of your Whitehall neighbors and be diligent cleaning up after your pooch!

BEFORE YOU BUY...



With the widespread availability of deeper and larger quick-setup-type inflatable pool systems, it is important to remember that a permit is required prior to the placement of any pool with a depth of more than 18 inches.

Whitehall Committee for Environmental Action

Decades ago, the phrase, “Think globally, act locally” was coined. The newly formed Whitehall Committee for Environmental Action (WCEA) has taken that phrase to heart. An outgrowth of the Whitehall Wildlife Management Committee, this group has dedicated itself to informing, educating, and supporting the Whitehall community in its efforts to implement best environmental practices.

With the support of Mayor Nowalk, 13 Whitehall residents comprise the committee. In its first three months, the WCEA has proven itself to be a dynamic force for acting locally to preserve and improve our environment. Two subcommittees — Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle/Energy and Greenspace, which includes Wildlife Management — are working to institute programs to inform residents and improve

our community’s participation in environmentally safe practices. We have several initiatives planned for both adults and children.

The Greenspace Subcommittee focuses on opportunities for residents to learn more about how we can become stewards of the land and the creatures that inhabit it through educational seminars, workshops, and other activities.

Environmental Speakers’ Series for Adults at the Whitehall Public Library

April 22, Earth Day, 7:00 PM

Speaker: Dr. Ryan Gott, Associate Director of Integrated Pest Management, Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens

Title: Eco-friendly Tactics for Peaceful Coexistence with Household “Pests”
Learn the basic steps of integrated (non-toxic) pest management for the home and in the yard.

May 27, 7:00 PM

Speaker: Gabrielle Hughes, Environmental Educator, Audubon Society of Western Pennsylvania

Title: Birds and Climate Change: Survival by Degrees
Learn more about what climate change may mean for hundreds of bird species, from hard-to-find rarities to our most common backyard friends, and what we can do about it.

June 24, 7:00 PM

Speaker: John L. Liebenguth, Pennsylvania Forest Steward

Title: Let’s Talk about the Woods
Learn about the importance of maintaining and replanting native trees and shrubs, and threats to trees and wildlife in the form of invasive plants, insects, diseases, and too many deer.

FOR CHILDREN

The WCEA, in cooperation with Whitehall Public Library, is calling all Junior Conservationists (entering grades K-2) to participate in a new summer series of workshops. Outside in Brennan

Plaza, they will play games, craft, snack, and have fun while learning how to help Whitehall’s environment. All participants will receive a WCEA Junior Conservationist badge and a take-home activity

to continue the learning at home! Come to one or all workshops. In advance, please visit whitehallpubliclibrary.org, click Events, and search by date under **All Events to register for free.**

Class 1: June 19, 10 - 11 AM

How to Become a Home Conservationist!

Class 2: June 26, 10 - 11 AM

Pollinator Biodiversity: Bees, Butterflies, Birds, and More!

Class 3: July 10, 10 - 11 AM

Healthy People, Healthy Earth: Using Herb Gardens to Create Healthy Minds, Bodies, and Homes

Class 4: July 17, 10 - 11 AM

Backyard Buddies: Opossums

Class 5: July 24, 10 - 11 AM

Watershed: Where does our rainwater go?

The **Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle/Energy Subcommittee** is working to support and enhance Whitehall Borough’s curbside recycling program by identifying places to recycle items residents might normally throw in the trash. Here are a few:

Electronics:

Best Buy – 473 Clairton Blvd, (Century III) or Bethel Park (near Market District)

Glass, Metal Items, Insulated Wires (Including Christmas Lights):

Michael Brothers – 901 Horning Rd, Pittsburgh, PA 15236

Note: The WCEA is investigating the possibility of establishing glass recycling in the Borough.

Unusable Clothing and other Items:

University of Pittsburgh — Pitt has bins to recycle unusable coats, jewelry, shoes, gloves, linens, towels, pillows, and drapes or curtains. The **Cathedral of Learning** (ground floor near elevators) and **Hillman Library** (ground floor lobby) are two locations.

Alkaline and Rechargeable Batteries (not auto or industrial):

IKEA, Robinson Town Centre, 2001 Park Manor Blvd and **Batteries Plus Bulbs**, 3912 Library Road (*fee for some batteries*)

To sustain the Whitehall environment and support WCEA efforts, we ask Whitehall residents to practice the “Three R’s”: REDUCE, REUSE and RECYCLE. clean bottles, jars, cans, metal, paper and cardboard (no greasy pizza boxes). Clean all food and liquid out of items being recycled. Do not recycle plastic bags and do not bag recyclables. Rinse out and recap plastic milk jugs and pop bottles. When shopping, take advantage of reusable or paper bags. When dining out, avoid using plastic straws.

Reminders: Whitehall Borough curbside recycling includes paper and clean cardboard, bimetal and aluminum cans, and clean # 1 and # 2 plastic bottles, jugs, and jars only. The Wildlife Management Subcommittee

reminds all residents not to feed wildlife, and keep your cats inside or put a bell on their collars to protect songbirds.

We welcome ideas for making our borough a “greener” place to live. Please contact the WCEA through the Borough office or on our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/wc4ea/>. Look for updates on the Borough website (<https://www.whitehallboro.org/>), at the Library, and on Facebook. Whitehall Public Library is an important partner of the WCEA. Visit the Library or its website for more information about our activities. Also, visit the WCEA booth on Community Day to share your experiences and concerns, or to obtain additional information.





PUBLIC Works



LINDA BOOK, CHAIR

HOUSEHOLD CHEMICAL COLLECTION EVENTS

PRC West has hosted Household Chemical Collection Events in Western Pennsylvania since 2003 with the support of many partners and volunteers. These events have directly resulted in the safe management of over 5,000,000 pounds of household chemicals.

PLEASE NOTE: All Household Chemical Collection events are held on **Saturdays, 9:00 AM-1:00 PM**, rain or shine. **Participant fee:** \$3.00 per gallon (a few exceptions apply). **CASH ONLY.**

Call 412.488.7490 for more information.

DISCLAIMER: All event dates and/or locations are subject to change; check back frequently for the most up-to-date list of PRC collections events, hours, fees and list of acceptable materials.

May 2, 2020

Allegheny County #1
North Park Swimming
Pool parking lot
S Ridge Dr.
Allison Park, PA 15101

May 16, 2020

Cambria County
Concurrent Technologies
Corporation ETF Facility
Johnstown, PA 15904

June 27, 2020

Washington County
Wild Things Park
1 Washington Federal Way
Washington, PA 15301

August 15, 2020

Allegheny County #2
Boyce Park Four Seasons
Ski Lodge parking lot
(GPS address: 754 Center Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15239)

September 19, 2020

Allegheny County #3
South Park Wave Pool
parking lot
1 Wave Pool Complex
Bethel Park, PA 15102

October 10, 2020

Beaver County
Bradys Run Park
Recycling Center

HARD TO RECYCLE EVENTS

Since 2003, Pennsylvania Resources Council has held Hard to Recycle collections in Southwestern PA. The goal is to provide responsible and convenient disposal for items that are not eligible for curbside recycling. At these events, individuals have been able to recycle items such as e-waste, cell phones, polystyrene, compact fluorescent bulbs, alkaline batteries, Freon-containing appliances, tires and more.

Over the past 16 years, 31,000+ residents have participated in Hard to Recycle events. We have recycled 2,000,000 pounds of electronics, 12,000 plus tires, 3,700 appliances and much more.

May 9, 2020

Galleria At Pittsburgh Mills

June 20, 2020

Bethel Park High School

July 25, 2020

La Roche University

October 3, 2020

Settlers Cabin Park
Wave Pool Parking Lot

PLEASE NOTE: All events are held on **Saturdays from 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM**, rain or shine.

Materials Collected at NO Cost:

- CPU (towers), laptops, mice, & keyboards
- Home phones & cellphones
- Tablets, PDAs, & UPS
- Servers, routers, & modems
- Web & digital cameras
- DVD Players & VCRs
- Copiers, fax machines, & scanners
- Electronic cables
- Video game consoles
- Expanded Polystyrene packaging material
- (CFL) Compact Fluorescent Light bulbs
- Glass bottles, jugs, and jars (all colors, labels and lids can remain on)
- Clock Radios
- Stereos
- Microwaves
- Paper Shredders

Materials Collected for a FEE:

- All Computer Monitors (flat screen & CRT) - \$20 each
- Console or Rear Projection TVs - \$40 each
- Small Freon Containing Appliances (window ac units, dehumidifiers) \$10 each
- Tires (car/truck) \$3.50 without rims \$10 with rims
- Hard Drive Data Destruction Verification - 1 Drive \$11.50 each
- Hard Drive Data Destruction Verification - each additional drive after 1st \$3 each
- Printers - \$5 each
- Televisions - \$30 each
- CDs, DVDs, VHS tapes & floppy disks \$1.00 per pound
- Alkaline Batteries - \$1.50 per pound
- Fluorescent Tubes \$2 for 4ft & \$3.50 for 8ft

Memorial Day Ceremony

RAIN OR SHINE!

Please join Whitehall Borough at 10:00 AM for its 17th year in honoring our nation's heroes this MEMORIAL DAY, MONDAY, MAY 25, 2020.

First meet us at 9:30 AM in Brennan Plaza (located next to Whitehall Pool) for refreshments provided again by the Whitehall Community Lions Club — our sponsor for this event since its inception in 2004.

If you would like to participate in our ceremony, please contact Whitehall Councilwoman, Army Veteran Linda Book at 412-576-6768.

PLEASE TAKE TIME TO HONOR THOSE WHO PAID THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE.



LINDA BOOK
Chairwoman,
Veteran Celebration

Whitehall Borough **MILITARY BANNER** Program

WHITEHALL BOROUGH has continued to accept applications for the Whitehall Military Banner Program. To preserve the banners during inclement weather, they are placed in storage the week following Veterans Day and re-installed sometime during the week prior to Memorial Day. You may access the application information on our Whitehall Borough website or by calling Elaine Frombach at 412-551-6374. Please note: with the volume of

participants, WE CANNOT PROMISE SPECIFIC LOCATIONS FOR BANNERS TO BE INSTALLED. The Whitehall Banner Program is for soldiers or veterans FROM WHITEHALL BOROUGH ONLY OR WITH FAMILY MEMBERS LIVING IN WHITEHALL BOROUGH ONLY. We are proud that so many Whitehall residents have joined Whitehall Borough in saying "THANK YOU!" to those who have served our country.

Yard need a new **SHADE TREE?**

To grow a healthy tree, be sure to research the growing requirements for any cultivar before purchase. Need advise? Contact the Shade Tree Commission: BBWSTC@gmail.com or [facebook.com/BBWSTC](https://www.facebook.com/BBWSTC)

A FEW NATIVE AND BEAUTIFUL CHOICES FOR YOU TO CONSIDER

SMALL MAX 20' x 20'



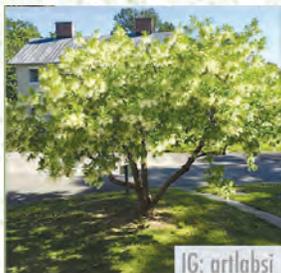
Thornless Cockspur Hawthorn 'Inermis'
3-season interest, attracts birds, tolerates clay



Allegheny Serviceberry
Fragrant, attracts birds, edible fruit, 4-season interest

MEDIUM MAX 30' x 30'

American Hornbeam
Fall / Winter interest, tolerates shade & clay, slow growth rate



Fringe Tree
Low maintenance, slow growth, male is more showy



Sourwood
Fragrant summer flowers, Fall color, slow growth rate, low maintenance

Eastern Rebud
Spring / Fall interest, grows best in partial shade, moderate growth rate,





Whitehall Borough RECREATION

KATHLEEN DePUY, CHAIR

What Did You Miss?



HANNAH VETERE
Recreation Director



Whitehall Kids of Steel

Kids of STEEL is P3R's free training program that helps motivate kids and their families to get moving. The program is available to individuals and at more than 150 schools and communities in western Pennsylvania.



Pumpkin Painting and Halloween Movie

Children had fun designing their unique pumpkins to take home. They watched a movie while snacking on and playing with items from their goodie bags!

Breakfast with Santa

Santa arrived at GV Social Hall to see each and every child that came to see him. They start their morning with a great breakfast and ended it with a present from Santa and Mrs. Claus.



Winter Blues Comedy Cure

People had a great time with dinner, drinks, dessert bar, and lots of laughter. Many big winners with 16 baskets, door prize, a mystery prize, 50/50 and \$200.00.
Don't miss it next year!



WHAT'S COMING UP?

AUGUST 29

**29TH ANNUAL
5K RACE &**

**Community
Day 2020
CELEBRATION**

Whitehall Municipal Complex & Snyder Park Toughest 5K in the South Hills

A full day of fantastic entertainment, delicious food, prizes, Inflatables, games, crafts, and more!

Race applications and full schedule of events on the borough website under the recreation link



SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM

Monday June 22 -
Friday July 31
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM Daily



Mark your calendars for registration
Tuesday, June 9 & Monday, June 15 • 6-8 PM
Whitehall Borough Administration Office
Registration packets available on the borough
website under June in the recreation calendar at
www.whitehallboro.org

Summer day camp fun at four different park locations
throughout the borough: Frank, Overlook Acres, Union,
and Snyder. Kids will explore a variety of games, crafts,
and sports daily as well as field trips, swims days,
special events, and inter-park play. This program is
FREE to Whitehall Residents between the ages of 5-14.
**Outings and special events priced individually.*

WATER AEROBICS

Slim down in a splash!
Monday/Wednesday Session
June 1- August 26 (26 sessions)
Tuesday/Thursday Session
June 2 - August 27 (26 sessions)
9 to 10 AM daily, \$55 per session

REGISTRATION DATES

Monday, May 4 • 9 AM • Whitehall Borough Residents
Monday, May 11 • 9 AM • Non- Residents
Registration forms available on the Borough website
under recreation link.

FOOD TRUCK RALLY

May 16, 2020 • 12- 5
Best food trucks in Pittsburgh
Parking Lot of the Whitehall Library and Pool



THIRSTY THURSDAYS

Scrapbooking fun featuring a cool new
beverage each week!

Smoothies • Flavored Iced Teas • Lemonade
Invite all your scrapbooking friends!

Thursday Nights in the
Community Room
June - August • 6 - 10 PM

\$5 Admission



CONCERT IN THE PARK

June 5 and July 10
Acts to be determined
**check out our website
for updates**

Contact: Hannah Vetere
412-304-8347
whitehallbororecreation@gmail.com



Please check website or call Borough for updates on program availability.

Whitehall Library and Whitehall Borough Recreation Present:

Whitehall's Kidsfest Kick-Off to Summer

June 13, 2020 • 12-4
Brennan Plaza

Sign up for Sumer Reading and
Borough Summer Camp Food Trucks

Stay tuned to our websites for more information.



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THE
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Activities

And
a whole
lot more
FAMILY
FUN

Get Ready to Swim AT THE WHITEHALL POOL

The Whitehall Borough Pool will open on Saturday, May 23.
Following is information concerning rates, registration hours and pool hours.

SWIMMING POOL I.D. PROCEDURE

If you purchased tags last year, please bring with you the photo ID with the metal clip and proof of residency. One adult family member may purchase tags for everyone in their family if all members were pool pass holders in 2019. Any person over 12 years of age who purchased a tag in 2019 and wishes to have a new photo taken for 2020 will be charged a fee of \$10.00. **This \$10.00 charge is in addition to the cost of the pool tag.**

NEW HOURS POOL I.D. CARD SALES: Whitehall Borough Building

May 16 through May 24

Week Nights: 5:00 to 7:00 PM
Saturdays: 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Sundays: 1:00 to 4:00 PM

May 26 through July 30

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS ONLY
1:00 to 3:00 PM and 5:00 to 7:00 PM

Pool Tags are not sold after July 30. Residents may pay the \$6 daily rate at the front desk to utilize the pool.

*Buy Your Pool I.D. Early!
Take Advantage of the "Early Bird" Rates.*

POOL HOURS

Sunday	12:30 to 6:00 PM 12:30 to 1:00 PM ADULT
Monday, Wednesday Friday	12:00 to 8:00 PM 12:00 to 12:30 PM ADULT 5:00 to 6:00 PM ADULT (part of pool)
Tuesday & Thursday	12:00 to 8:00 PM 12:00 to 12:30 PM ADULT 6:30 to 8:00PM FAMILY (anyone under 17 must be accompanied by an adult) 7:30 to 8:00 PM ADULT (part of pool)
Saturday	12:00 to 8:00 PM 12:00 to 12:30 PM ADULT
Holidays	12:00 to 6:00 PM 12:00 to 12:30 PM ADULT

NO REGISTRATION MEMORIAL DAY May 25, 2020

Season Rates	Through May 24	From May 26	From July 5
Individual			
(6 yrs and older)	\$40.00	\$50.00	\$30.00
Tots (2-5yrs.)	\$10.00	\$12.00	\$8.00
Under 2 yrs.	FREE	FREE	FREE
Over 65 yrs.	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00
Family			
Maximum	\$200.00	\$250.00	\$150.00
Lost I.D.	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00

GENERAL ADMISSION RATE – \$6.00

GUEST PASSES may be purchased by adult pass holders for use by visitors. Guest passes are available for \$50.00 and are good for 10 visits. Guest passes may be used by more than one person, however, an adult pass holder must accompany the guest.

On Memorial Day the pool hours will be 12:00 until 6:00 PM
Adult Swim is from 12:00PM to 12:30 PM.
After Memorial Day, regular pool hours will be observed.

All pool hours are subject to change depending on weather conditions and attendance. During inclement weather, call the pool (412-881-3314) for information.

NOTE: Any change in hours or season closing date will be posted at the pool.

ADDITIONAL POOL RULES

Borough residents who are not pool I.D. holders may pay the daily admission rate to use the pool. Proof of ...residency is required. Non I.D. holders MAY NOT bring guests into the pool.

NO FOOD IN GRASS AREA

ALCOHOL IS NOT PERMITTED

SUN GLASSES IN THE POOL

Sun glasses with plastic lenses only will be permitted in the pool, provided that a safety strap is attached to the glasses. Sun glasses will be worn at the wearer's own risk.

POOL PARKING REMINDER

Pool patrons are reminded that parking is available in the pool rear/tennis court lot. This parking lot has easy access to the pool area and may be more convenient.

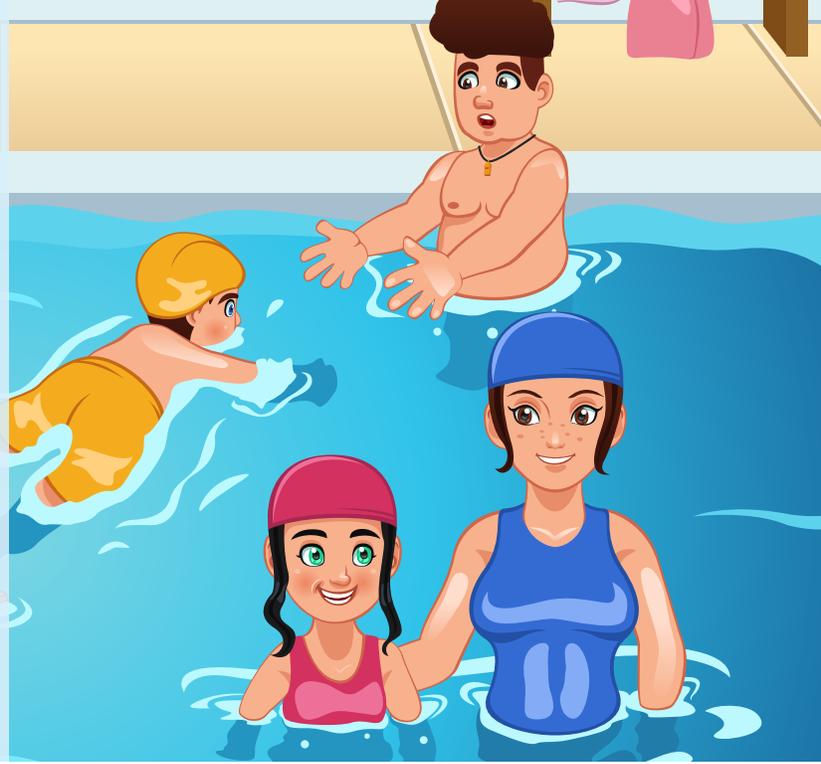
SWIMMING LESSONS

During the months of June and July, swimming lessons for children of Borough residents will be offered. Exact dates will be posted at the pool. Instructions will be given in the following groups:

- A. **Beginners - (including non-swimmers)** acclimating children to the pool and initial stroke segments.
- B. **Advanced Beginners -** Basic coordination of swimming strokes.
- C. **Intermediate -** Deep water instruction to new swimmers and orientation to various strokes.
- D. **Advanced -** Lessons in various strokes and aquatic safety instruction.

Parents may acquire the necessary forms to enroll their children from attendants at the control desk at the pool. Schedules will then be posted if balancing numbers of pupils becomes necessary.

Cost for each group lesson is \$30.00 per child.



Rain Barrels:

Rain Barrels are an environmentally friendly way to minimize water usage (and reduce a homeowners water costs) during warmer months. An effective stormwater management solution, rain barrels, collect runoff from rooftops that can be used for other things, such as watering the lawn, flowers or washing patio furniture.

Using a rain barrel reduces the volume of water that needs to be treated through storm drains, minimizing localized flooding and erosions. Re-using this harvested rain water for home use eliminates 100 percent of the toxins, solids, metals and pathogens that would have reached downstream water bodies through the storm sewer.

Attached to a home's downspout, rain barrels work by delivering water through the force of gravity. Rain water from the roof's surface collects in the rain barrel. A hose attached to a nozzle in the barrel allows this water to be re-used for outdoor watering needs.

*Want to install a rain barrel?
Visit HarvestH2O.com to learn how.*

5 Things To Consider

1. Locate your rain barrel on level and stable ground.
2. Ensure your rain barrel is watertight and has a smooth interior surface.
3. Empty the water in your rain barrel weekly to eliminate the chances of attracting mosquitoes and other bugs.
4. Disconnect your rain barrel to prevent freezing in winter months.
5. **DO NOT** collect the run-off from tar and gravel, asbestos shingles or treated cedar shake rooftops.



**Scott
Rusmisl**
Engineer





U.S. SENATE



Senator Pam Iovino

As a native of Whitehall, it is an honor and privilege to represent this community, part of the 37th Senatorial District, which spans the Southern and Western suburbs of Allegheny County and Peters Township in Washington County. I wanted to share some of my legislative accomplishments and district activities since being sworn-in as your state Senator in April 2019. I look forward to remaining engaged with Whitehall Borough through my office's regular mobile office hours at Whitehall Public Library and attending community events. If my office can ever assist you with accessing state government programs or services, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Improving the Coordination of Veterans' Services

Last Fall, the Pennsylvania State Senate unanimously passed SR 170, legislation I introduced to improve the coordination of services for Pennsylvania's over 800,000 veterans.

SR 170, with strong bipartisan co-sponsorship from 22 Democrats, 15 Republicans, and 1 Independent, directs the Joint State Government Commission to establish a task force to study the coordination of the nearly 6,000 veteran service entities in the Commonwealth, including federal, state, local, not-for-profit, and private programs. As noted in a 2014 Needs Assessment, lack of programs and benefits for veterans is not the issue but, rather awareness and accessing benefits. The task force will conduct a comprehensive review and analysis of the programs and procedures in Pennsylvania regarding the coordination of veterans' services and will issue a report with findings and recommendations to the Senate. With these recommendations, the legislature and state can take informed actions to better accommodate connecting veterans to the benefits that are available and that they have earned.

Supporting Fire Departments

First responders, a critical element of public safety in every Pennsylvania community, are facing a crisis of recruitment and retention. In the 1970s, Pennsylvania had more than 300,000 active volunteer firefighters. Today, there are about 38,000. In

November 22, 2019 – Sen. Iovino with Representatives Bill Kortz and Harry Readshaw and Baldwin-Whitehall School District leadership and staff at Baldwin HS to highlight PAsmart state grants for K-12 STEM education.



January 21, 2020 – Sen. Iovino and staff with Whitehall Public Library Director Paula Kelly at the inaugural mobile office hours. Check the Senator's website for upcoming mobile office hours events.

response to this ongoing crisis, I have used direct input from fire service personnel to craft a legislative package that will help them continue keeping us safe.

Incentivizing Innovative Recruitment & Retention

This legislation would create a new grant program available to fire and EMS departments that think outside-the-box in their recruitment and retention efforts. An example is already in place at the Peters Township Fire Department, where they provide a "work from home at the station" workspace to allow volunteers to work remotely.

Improving Fire Department Management Training

Under this bill, management training would initially be recommended, and eventually required, for at least one member of fire department leadership. Additional grant funding would be available to assist departments with leadership training. The training would include legal and fiduciary guidelines, best practices to create efficiency of operations, human resources management, and working with public officials and elected officials.

BETHEL PARK OFFICE

100 Broughton Road
Bethel Park, PA 15102
Phone: (412) 831-0250
Fax: (412) 831-2740
Monday-Friday 9:00 AM-5:00 PM

HARRISBURG OFFICE

458 Main Capitol Senate Box 203037
Harrisburg, PA 17120-3037
Phone: (717) 787-5839
Fax: (717) 772-4437
Monday-Friday 9:00 AM-5:00 PM

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November 14, 2019 – Sen. Iovino hosting an Affordable Care Act insurance enrollment event in the Whitehall Community Room.





renew your Membership!

Contact our offices **412-343-5111** or visit our website **www.mrtsa.com**



PHILIP LAHR



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MRTSA Board Members

TAX COLLECTION

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

KELLY SGATTONI

To contact me via email please send your message to ksgattoni@bwschools.net

Send delinquent **BOROUGH** payments to:

JORDAN TAX SERVICE
102 RAHWAY RD
MCMURRAY, PA 15317
412-835-5243

Send delinquent **SCHOOL DISTRICT** payments to:

WEISS BURKARDT KRAMER
445 FORT PITT BLVD.
SUITE 503
PITTSBURGH, PA 15219
412-391-0177

Q: What taxes do you collect?

A: I collect current real estate taxes for Whitehall Borough and the Baldwin-Whitehall School District.

Q: Where can I pay my taxes in person?

A: During the final two weeks of the discount period for both the Whitehall Borough and BWSD Real Estate Tax seasons, dates and times will be on the bottom of your tax bill stating when "in-person" taxes will be collected at the Whitehall Borough Building. If these hours are not convenient, you may drop off your taxes Monday through Friday 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM at the Borough administration office where it will be placed in the tax collector's mail box, however a paid receipt WILL NOT be available at that time. You must leave a self-addressed, stamped envelope and a receipt will be mailed to you.

Q: Where would I mail my payment and how will I get a receipt?

A: You can also mail your payments to 3584 Reiland Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15227. If you would like a receipt, you must enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope and a receipt will be mailed to you.

Q: Do you accept credit cards?

A: No.

Q: Can I pay in installments? If so what are those due dates?

A: No and Yes. No for the Borough tax, there is no provision to pay in installments for the municipal tax. Yes for the School tax. You may pay in 3 installments. The due dates for the installment program is 8/31, 10/31 and 12/31.

Q: What if I would like to appeal my assessment?

A: This is done through Allegheny County.

Q: When do my Real Estate taxes become delinquent?

A: I must send all unpaid taxes to Jordan Tax Service in January. So, the last day that I am able to accept payment is January 10th. Any tax payments received after that date will be forwarded to Jordan Tax Service.

Q: Do you collect delinquent tax payments?

A: No, they are collected by the Borough's and School District's delinquent tax collector.

Q: Where do I find information regarding Property Tax Relief?

A: Property Tax Relief questions should be directed to Allegheny County. This includes both questions on the Homestead Act 50 (County ONLY) and Senior Relief ACT 77 programs (County and Borough ONLY). Please contact them for appropriate forms and to see if you qualify. **PHONE: 412-350-4600**

Q: When are millage rates set?

A: Typically they are set in December for Whitehall Borough and June for Baldwin Whitehall School District.

Some additional notes:

- Taxes are due and payable as prescribed by law, whether or not a Tax Bill has been received by the taxpayer. The Tax Collector will not be held responsible if a bill is not received.
- IF A BANK OR MORTGAGE COMPANY ESCROWS YOUR TAX MONEY, PLEASE FORWARD A COPY OF YOUR TAX BILL TO THEM IMMEDIATELY.
- If a Check is returned for any reason a \$25.00 fee must be paid.
- In order to earn discounts or avoid penalty, payments must be postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service on or before the payment due dates as shown on the bill.
- If a receipt is desired you must return both copies of the tax bill with a self-addressed stamped envelope.
- 2020 SCHOOL DISTRICT Tax Bills are scheduled to be mailed on or about July 1, 2020 if you don't receive your Tax Bill by 7/20/20 call (412) 881-1644. If you are going away during the mailing period please make arrangements with the postal service, etc. to have your mail forwarded. Not receiving your Tax Bill does not relieve you of your responsibility to pay your Taxes in a timely manner.



WHITEHALL WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE UPDATE



DEER AND OTHER WILDLIFE are a fact of life in our community. The Whitehall Wildlife Management Committee (WWMC) has been actively researching methods and pursuing legal, ethical and fiscally viable means of controlling and not attracting wildlife in our community. An acceptable and successful effort in this endeavor requires the cooperation of all Whitehall residents. By working together we can minimize the impact of deer, raccoons, rabbits, groundhogs, coyotes and other wildlife on our property and, more importantly, our health and well-being and that of our pets.

WHILE MAY IS LYME DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH, black-legged ticks (also called deer ticks) are prevalent from spring through fall. The risk of human infection is greatest in late spring and summer. Due to a wet autumn and a mild and wet winter, ticks will be particularly abundant this year. Ticks like moist, shady and grassy areas. When working in your yard, remember to protect yourself from the black-legged tick which carries Lyme Disease. Use a suitable repellent on your skin and clothing. Woodland creatures such as squirrels, chipmunks and mice are the primary hosts for ticks in the pre-adult stages, which is when Lyme Disease is largely spread. A tick nymph is about the size of a poppy seed whereas an adult tick is about the size of a sesame seed. To kill ticks in your yard, apply permethrin or cedar oil to cotton balls or small pieces of cloth. Small animals will use this material for their nests. These chemicals will not harm the animals or their young. Deer, some birds, pets and people are hosts in ticks' adult stage.

Consult your veterinarian for the best method to protect your pets. For more information on Lyme Disease, refer to the Allegheny County Health Department or U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention websites. Report any tick bites to your doctor immediately.

DO NOT FEED DEER, OTHER WILDLIFE OR FERAL ANIMALS. Not only is it prohibited by Whitehall Ordinance 71.6.5 but it is harmful to the digestive health of wild animals and their fecal matter contributes to the spread of disease. If you see anyone feeding wild or feral animals, please contact the Whitehall Code Enforcement Office at (412) 884-1368. Please follow up to ensure that appropriate action is taken. Your call will be kept anonymous. One feeding site in Whitehall attracted a bear! Please note that properly maintained bird feeders are acceptable but keep the area around the feeders clean to avoid attracting rodents. Don't attract raccoons or coyotes by leaving your garbage cans unsecured. Adding an ounce of bleach to a garbage bag will deter raccoons and coyotes from looking for a snack. If you have a small animal nuisance problem and need assistance, contact animal control through our police department.

SPRING AND SUMMER ARE PRIME SEASONS for planting trees, shrubs, flowers and ground cover. What we plant and cultivate in our yards impacts on the wildlife populations in our community. When selecting plants for your gardens, choose plants that deer and rabbits usually avoid. Why attract wildlife by offering them a tempting feast? A suggested source for planting is <http://njaes.rutgers.edu/deerresistance>. Limited copies are available at our library. When shopping, seek guidance from knowledgeable staff at local nurseries. Please note that groundhogs will eat anything in your garden and can be more destructive than deer. If you see one, please contact animal control through the police department to get an appropriate cage.

PROTECT YOUR FLOWERS, SHRUBS AND YOUNG TREES by using deer and rabbit repellent products regularly (every two or three weeks and after heavy rains). Alternate different repellents since deer and rabbits become accustomed to a single brand or mixture. Your tulips, impatiens, geraniums, coleus, and hostas are deer and rabbit favorites. Deer also like yews, azaleas, rhododendrons and roses, thorns and all. For vegetable gardens, a sturdy fence around and above your garden and planting some marigolds may help.

MAINTAIN YOUR PROPERTY. Keep it free of debris, especially fallen leaves and high grass. Don't provide wildlife with a refuge or give mice, ticks and other vermin a habitat. If someone is not taking proper care of their property, please notify the Code Enforcement Office and ensure that action is taken.

THERE ARE COYOTES IN WHITEHALL AND THEY ARE THE ONLY EFFECTIVE DEER PREDATOR (except for man and his automobile) in our area. Hybridization with wolves has resulted in larger size and the tendency to hunt in packs or family units. Since they are primarily nocturnal and generally timid around humans, you may never see them. If you are leaving food outside for your pets, you may be feeding them as well as raccoons. Leaving a pet outdoors at night also might be food source for coyotes. Please note that coyotes can climb some fences! Raccoons are resourceful and not timid. They can enter a home through a partially open window. Also keep in mind that raccoons, skunks and coyotes can be rabid.

ACCORDING TO THE PENNSYLVANIA GAME COMMISSION, black bears (actual colors vary) are spreading into the Pittsburgh area suburbs. They will eat anything including garbage, berries, fruit and vegetables, bird seed, pet food and even small pets. If you see one, do not confront it, notify the police department immediately. As noted above, a bear was sighted last year at a feeding site in Whitehall.

IF YOU HAVE A VEHICULAR ACCIDENT WITH A DEER in the Borough of Whitehall, please notify the Police Department.

MEMBERS OF THE WWMC will have a display at Community Day. Please visit us to share your experiences and concerns or to obtain additional information. The Whitehall Library is an excellent source on local wildlife and Lyme Disease. The WWMC in conjunction with the library will be sponsoring information seminars on wildlife related topics. In addition, the WWMC is now included on the Borough of Whitehall website. Residents have reported that changing their property's environment has decreased the number of deer and other wildlife on their property and lessened damage. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the WWMC through the Borough office or ask to attend a WWMC meeting. **Please remember to do what you can to prevent attracting wildlife to your property.**





YARD WASTE COLLECTION

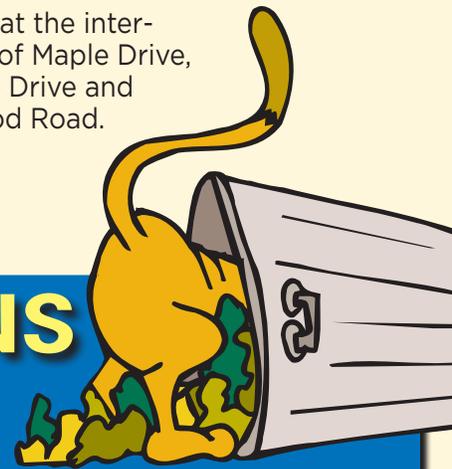
Under the Borough's current contract, Waste Management no longer provides a separate curbside collection for yard waste.

Residents that wish to dispose of yard waste curbside may do so in their trash totes. Items collected curbside will be taken to the landfill.

For residents that wish to have their yard waste composted, a dumpster will be placed in the upper lot at the entrance to Prospect Park. Residents may dispose of their yard waste at this location from April 1 to October 31.

The entrance to Prospect Park is

located at the intersection of Maple Drive, Dunluce Drive and Hollywood Road.



GARBAGE REGULATIONS

The placement of garbage, rubbish and recycling containers at curbside may be no earlier than 3:00 PM on the day prior to the designated collection day and must be removed from curbside to the storage area no

later than 8:00 PM on the day of collection.

With the exception of pickup days when the containers are placed at curbside for collection, garbage, rubbish and recycling containers shall

be properly stored behind the front face of the building and be screened from view from the street.

OTHER REFUSE REMINDERS

Hours of collection - 6:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Please be considerate of your neighbors when putting out garbage on windy days.

Garbage or recycling containers may not be placed at the curb prior to 3:00 PM the afternoon before collection day and must be removed before 8 PM on the day of collection. Refuse & recyclables must be placed within 5 feet of the curb.

Paint: Mix leftover paint in a heavy plastic bag with kitty-litter until all the liquid is absorbed. Empty paint cans (with lids off)

and the plastic bags containing the paint/litter mixture can then be placed at the curb.

Carpet & pads: Five-foot width maximum, rolled and tied, bundles not to exceed 50 pounds.

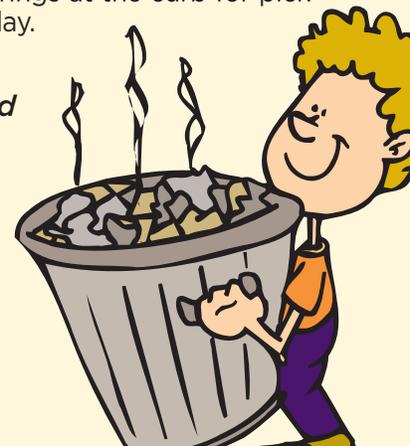
Shrubbery and branches: Three-foot length maximum, 3-inch diameter maximum, bundled and tied.

Hypodermic needles must be placed in a sealed container (coffee can, etc.) or they will not be collected. Excluded items from collection: Ashes, construction materials, stones, concrete, auto parts, dirt and paint can - with liquid remaining.

Scavenging of recyclables and refuse is prohibited. Call the police if you see scavengers.

Residents may place no more than two (2) bulk items such as mattresses and box springs at the curb for pickup on their regular collection day.

Questions, comments or complaints may be directed to Waste Management at 1-866-258-1708, or to the Borough office 412-884-0505.



REFUSE RECYCLING

COLLECTION SCHEDULE

REFUSE COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Refuse is collected on a five day a week schedule according to the A to Z street listing shown on the next page of this bulletin.

2020 - refuse collections will be **delayed one day the ENTIRE WEEK of May 25, one day the ENTIRE WEEK of September 7, ONE DAY for Thanksgiving Day on November 26 and ONE DAY for Christmas on December 25.**

RECYCLING COLLECTION SCHEDULE

The weeks shaded in green on the 2020 calendars are the recycling collection weeks.

2020 - recycling collections will be delayed for **ONE DAY the ENTIRE WEEK of September 7.**

Single Stream Recycling has been implemented in the Borough. **Recyclable items include: aluminum and tin cans, PLASTICS 1 and 2 ONLY, magazines, catalogs, telephone books, junk mail, envelopes, all color office paper, paper grocery bags, chipboard food boxes, newspapers and insert and cardboard boxes.** Cardboard boxes must be flattened and cut in three-foot sections. All of the above items can be mixed together in a recycling bin for curbside collection.

The following items are NOT able to be recycled: SHREDDED PAPER, GLASS, PLASTIC BAGS. All recyclable materials must be placed curbside in **BINS**. Recycling bins are available if needed, for \$8.00, at the Borough's Administration office during regular business hours.

GREEN SHADED WEEKS = RECYCLING COLLECTION WEEKS

IF HOLIDAY **REVERSED IN GREEN BOLD BOX** IS A WEEKDAY ON OR BEFORE YOUR PICKUP DAY, COLLECTION WILL BE ONE DAY LATER

(New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day)

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REFUSE/RECYCLING STREET LISTING

Abbey Lane	M	Frank Street	T	Parkside Lane	M
Abbott Drive	W	Frisch Drive	W	Parkvue Drive	TH
Aldred Lane	W	Gardenville Road	TH	Parkvue Drive Ext.	W
Audbert Drive	TH	Giese Drive	W	Parliament Place (pvt)	M
Augusta Way	TH	Girard Road	W	Peach Drive	W
Azalea Drive	M	Glen Robin Drive	M	Plymouth Road	TH
Baldwin Manor Road	T	Glen Elm Drive	W	Portview Circle	W
Baptist Road	TH	Glenallen Drive	TH	Prospect Road	W
Barlind Drive, E&W	T	Glowood Drive	T	Provost Road	T
Barone Drive	W	Greenlee Road	T	Radford Road	F
Bauman Avenue	W	Greenridge Drive	M	Raintree Road	M
Beall Drive	W	Grove Road	M	Ranger Drive	TH
Bel-Air Drive	T	Hamilton Road	M	Reece Drive	T
Belmont Lane	M	Harter Circle	W	Reiland Street	T
Benson Circle	F	Heinen Street	T	Rhodes Avenue	W
Bevan Road	F	Hennig Drive	M	Roberta Drive	TH
Borough Park Drive	TH	Highgrove Road	M	Rolling Hills Road	TH
Brant Drive	TH	Hollyrood Drive	F	Salem Drive	TH
Brightview Avenue, E&W	T	Jewel Drive	TH	Seton Street	T
Brownsville Road	TH	Jill Drive	W	Shadow Drive	T
Carlyn Drive	TH	Kay Drive	T	Shadowlawn Drive	T
Carriage Drive	TH	Lachman Drive	TH	Shadowlawn Circle	T
Caste Drive	M	Lantern Hill - Drive & Ext.	M	Sheila Court	T
Cecelia Drive	W	Lawnview Drive, E&W	T	Sherwood Drive	TH
Cherryvale Drive	M	Leona Drive	W	Short Street	TH
Child Drive	TH	Lewis Court	TH	Skyline Drive	F
Clairton Boulevard	W	Locust Drive	TH	Skyvue Drive	T
Club Drive, E & W	TH	Longwood Drive	T	Snyder Drive	TH
Clubvue Boulevard	W	Lucy Drive	T	South Passage Drive	M
Colonial Park Drive	T	Maple Drive	F	Southvue Drive	TH
Colter Drive	W	Margaret Street	T	Spring Valley Drive	M
Colteryahn Drive	W	Maryal Drive	TH	Springmeadow Court	M
Cook Avenue	TH	Marylea Avenue	T	Steeplechase Court	M
Country Club Drive	W	Maxwell Drive & Ext.	TH	Stilley Road	W
Curry Road	TH	Mayflower Drive	T	Streets Run Road	W
Dallett Road	W	McAnulty Road	TH	Teal Drive	TH
Daube Drive	M	McKee Drive	M	Thomas Drive	W
Deemer Drive	T	McRoberts Road	T	Thurner Drive	TH
Del Rio Drive	TH	Meadow Park Drive	TH	Tomfran Drive	TH
Delma Drive	TH	Meadowgreen Drive	TH	Varner Road	W
Divine Drive	TH	Mooreridge Drive	W	Veman Avenue	W
Dolores Drive	W	Morningrise Drive	M	Villaview Drive	M
Doris Drive	T	Mulberry Court	T	Wainwright Avenue	W
Doverdell Drive	TH	Niblick Way	W	Wakefield Drive	W
Doyle Road	W	Norwin Road	TH	Wallace Park Drive	F
Duncan Lane	M	Nurnberger Drive	W	Wedgewood Drive	F
Dunluce Drive	F	Oakridge Drive	W	Weyman Road	M
Dunn Drive	T	Old Boston Road	T	Wheaton Drive	TH
Earlford Drive	W	Old Clairton Road	W	White Hill Circle	T
Earlsdale Road	T	Orchard Hill Drive	M	Wilburke Avenue	TH
East Willock Road	W	Overlook Glen Drive	M	Willow Drive	TH
Echo Glen Drive	W	Paddock Lane	M	Windvale Drive	TH
Edge Road	W	Panama Lodge Drive	TH	Woodridge Drive	T
Emblem Avenue, N & S	W	Par Drive	TH	Woodvue Drive	T
Felix Drive	TH	Parkline Drive	F	Woody Crest Drive	T
Fieldcrest Drive	M				
Flamingo Drive	TH				

**M - MONDAY; T - TUESDAY; W - WEDNESDAY;
TH - THURSDAY; F - FRIDAY**



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