



# CHALFANT BOROUGH NEWSLETTER

## FALL/WINTER 2023 SUPPLEMENT

Hello Chalfant! This newsletter is a supplement to the previous newsletter distributed in June 2023. Just a few extra bits of information to pass along.

First of all we wanted to address the increase in stolen and vandalized vehicles in the Borough. Specifically Kia Sportage 2015 to 2021. (Some Hyundais are involved also.) Apparently these models which still use the metal key, lack a necessary anti-theft device making it easier for thieves to steal the car. Kia claims to have fixed the problem. Other than keeping your car in the garage, the “old fashioned Club” or an after- market alarm system can act as a deterrent to theft. Those people stealing cars

want quick and easy access to your car. Lock your car and call the police if you see any suspicious activity.

### COMMUNITY DAY

Due to the success of our Community Day in August of this year Chalfant was able to donate \$769.50 to the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank and \$769.50 to Sable Kennels. We were also able to start a fund for Community Day 2025. Thanks to all who attended!

### LIGHT UP THE BOROUGH HOLIDAY CONTEST

Okay Chalfant let's see those decorations 🎄 Council will be sponsoring this event. 1st, 2nd and 3rd place prizes will be awarded by neutral judges. 1st place will be a cash prize 💰 Don't be shy, the more lights the better. Judging will be Thursday, December 21, 2023 between 7 & 9 p.m. Good luck to all who participate.

### LEAF COLLECTION

This year's leaf pickup is scheduled for the second week of November. Please rake your leaves to the curb in piles. Please do not rake them onto the street.

### RECYCLING

The Borough recycle bins are still available to those residents who want to use them. It is not mandatory. They are located in the parking lot on the Rossmore side

of the Fire Department Building. We recycle glass jars, and bottles, cans, cardboard and plastic 1-5 & 7. No plastic bags are acceptable. Please use cardboard boxes for your overflow. Pickup is on Friday.

### BOROUGH ORDINANCE 258/STATE DOG LAW

Dogs running at large have become a big problem in the Borough. Dog owners are required by Chalfant and Pennsylvania State Law to have their dogs leashed and under control at all times. And they are mandated by these laws to be tethered while on any property that is not fenced in. Irresponsibility in this matter will result in the dog being picked up by the dog warden as well as fines levied on the owner. Having your dog chipped and wearing ID will help get your dog back to you. Also, for the safety and well-being of the people who use our lovely Chalfant Park, there are still no dogs permitted in the park.

### A MESSAGE FROM CAROL DONAHUE OUR TAX COLLECTOR

All unpaid 2023 Chalfant Borough taxes are due by December 31, 2023 at the Penalty Amount. All unpaid taxes after 12/31/23 will be turned over to Jordan Tax Services for collection. WHSD Face amount and/or 1st installment is due October 31, 2023. Any face amount not

paid and/or installment amount will be in the Penalty amount until 12/31/23. All unpaid taxes at that time will be turned over to Jordan Tax Services for collection.

Chalfant Borough Taxes are mailed out on March 1st of each current year. If you do not receive your tax bill a week after that date, please contact me (Carol Donahue) at 412-824-3283. Borough taxes are payable at Discount by April 30th and Face value by June 30th of the current year. After June 30th of the current year, borough taxes will be in the penalty amount. All unpaid taxes will be turned over to Jordan Tax Services for collection after December 31st of the current year.

Woodland Hills School District taxes are mailed on July 1st of each current year. Again, if you do not receive a tax bill within one week of that date, please call me. WHSD taxes are payable at Discount by August 31st of current year and Face amount by October 31st of current year. Installment payments may be made on October 31st of the current year (1st installment payment) and (2nd installment) January 31st the following year and (3rd installment) March 31st the following year. Any unpaid taxes including the 1st installment payment will be turned over to Jordan Tax Services for collection after December 31st of current year.

If you have paid off your mortgage, refinanced or changed mortgage companies it is YOUR responsibility to advise the following: 1) Notify your local tax office. 2) Notify the County Tax Office. 3) Notify your insurance company. It is the HOMEOWNER'S responsibility to notify these agencies of any changes to the mailing address of tax bills. Not receiving a tax bill does NOT exempt you from paying your taxes. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Carol Donahue, Tax Collector, at 412-824-3283.

### WINTER PREDICTIONS

The Farmer's Almanac has predicted a "hodge podge" of winter weather for Pennsylvania. It warns we are in for a "frosty, flaky and slushy" season and it all begins with Halloween, which is predicted to be unseasonably cold. No snow mentioned until mid November with heavy rain and snow forecasted. November wraps up with wet snow, sleet and rain. December roars in with heavy snow from the 1st to the 3rd followed by four days of light snow. The Almanac says we will be finishing our Christmas shopping with wintry precipitation from the 20th to 23rd. No White Christmas for us though. January will have cold temperatures and snow possible from early to mid month. February promises a plethora of weather with a threat of a FOOT (yikes!) of snow from February 8th to 10th (2024)

and snow early in March. Maybe a snowstorm as we welcome Spring. And that is the final mention of snow for Winter 2023/2024. So keep those warm clothes and shovels handy and PLEASE help your elderly neighbors and those folks who may not be able to shovel their sidewalks.

### NOW...A LITTLE LEVITY

What do you call a pudgy psychic? A “four-chin” teller.

A Termite walks into a bar and says, “So is the bar-tender here?”

I used to hate facial hair...but then it grew on me.

How do you talk to an Italian Ghost? A “Luigi Board”!

I called the incontinence hotline today. They asked if I could hold!



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**HAPPY HOLIDAYS CHALFANT !!**

