



CHALFANT BOROUGH NEWSLETTER

**APRIL MAY JUNE JULY
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Welcome to the Spring/Summer edition of the Chalfant Borough Newsletter. In this edition, I've covered a few new topics and have gone over a few from previous editions. As always, I welcome your suggestions and input for future newsletters.

EASTER EGG HUNT

Cheers to everyone who made the Chalfant Easter Egg Hunt and Meet the Easter Bunny on March 24th a huge success! Approximately 44 children attended. Lauren Sivak brought her reptile exhibition to the event. It was a good day..no kids were bitten by reptiles and no reptiles bitten by kids. Treats abounded and prizes were collected. Thanks to all!

CHALFANT SERVICEMEN'S PARK

Now that the warmer weather is here, come out and enjoy our beautiful park. Walk, exercise, or play on the swings and jungle gyms. The hoops are up for basketball. Please save the handicap parking for those who need it and remember no profanity and no dogs

in the park. The park is open from dawn to dusk and available to rent.

CHALFANT COMMUNITY CENTER & SERVICEMEN'S PARK

We are lucky to have two wonderful venues to rent for get-togethers. Our Community Center accommodates up to 125 people and is available for \$175. There is a \$125 deposit required which will be held in case of damage. Our park pavillion rents for \$50 with a \$125 deposit. To rent the Community Center, call rental coordinator, Leonard Wroblewski, at 412-694-2695 to get an application for a permit To rent the park, please call the borough office at 412-823-6500 or email chalfantborough@gmail.com. A complete set of rules and regulations is available online at chalfantborough-pa.org under BOROUGH DOCUMENTS.

STORM SEWERS/RECYCLING

When the urge to spring clean hits you please don't get the urge to toss hazardous materials down the storm sewers. That includes paint, chemicals, liquid solvents, yard waste or anything else considered noxious. Ideally, the way to dispose of this type of waste is through a recycling program. The PRC (Pennsylvania Resources Council) has a household chemical recycling event in our area on August 17, 2024 at Boyce Park. For more information phone 412-488-7490. The PRC also sponsors "Hard to Recycle" events around the area. The next one is at the Galleria in Pittsburgh Mills on May 11th and Next Tier Connect in Monroeville on October 5th. Registration is required. Their website is prc.org or call the phone number above.

MOWING

Grass cutting time is here. Chalfant's ordinance requires a moratorium on noise between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. daily. Be mindful of your sleeping neighbor when revving up the lawnmower and consider also they may not be a fan of Metallica blaring from your outdoor speakers. Sweeping grass off the street looks good and also keeps it out of the storm sewers.

FIRE/POLICE/DPW

To reiterate, our Borough is protected by the Forest Hills Fire Department, Police Department, and Department of Public Works. Wilkins 3 Fire may also respond to any fire call from Chalfant. If you have received a donation letter from Forest Hills Fire Dept. be advised it is a voluntary donation.

INFORMATION FROM OUR TAX COLLECTOR

Reminder that the Borough 2024 taxes are due on April 30, 2024 to be eligible for the discount amount. You may mail your payment, drop it off at 144 Lynnwood Ave (Borough Office) or come into the office on April 23rd to April 26th and April 29th and 30th from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. to pay your taxes in person. It is always a pleasure to see our neighbors.

Woodland Hills School District 2024 Taxes will be mailed out on July 1, 2024. If you don't receive a tax bill within 7 days of that date, please contact me. WHSD taxes are payable at a DISCOUNT by August 31, 2024 and FACE value by October 31, 2024. After October 31 taxes will be in penalty value. If paying on the WHSD installment plan payments are due 1) October 31, 2024 2) January 31, 2025 and 3) Final payment due March 31, 2025.

If you have paid off your mortgage or just purchased a home in the Borough or refinanced or changed mortgage companies, it is YOUR responsibility as the property owner to advise the following:

- 1. Notify your local tax collector**
- 2. Notify Allegheny County Department of Real Estate (412-350-4100) to update your billing address**
- 3. Notify your home insurance carrier.**

It is the Property Owner's responsibility to notify these people and /or agencies of any change to the mailing of tax bills. Not receiving a tax bill DOES NOT relieve you of paying your taxes. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Carol Donahue, Tax Collector, at 412-824-3283 or email at cadon4946@hotmail.com

TAX COLLECTOR HOURS - The Tax Collector (Carol Donahue) can be reached between 9 and 4 daily at 412-823-3283. If I am not available, please leave a message and your call will be returned within 24 hours. Any messages left on the weekend will be returned the following Monday. All tax payments are accepted at the Borough office located at 144 Lynnwood Ave, either by postage mail or dropped off. DO NOT USE THE FIRE DEPT. MAIL SLOT ON ROSSMORE AVE.

If you have any questions or concerns, please give me a call. Wishing all a happy and healthy year.

REDD-UP DAY

Please mark your calendars for our next "Redd-Up" day in Chalfant on Saturday, April 20th, 2024 from 10 a.m. until noon. The rain date will be Sunday, April 21st from 10 a.m. until noon. Anyone interested in helping with this Council and Crime Watch event should meet at the Community Center at 218 North Ave at 10 a.m. Bags will be provided.

If you are unable to attend, please consider picking up trash near your own home, curbs, sidewalks, street, etc. Let's take pride in where we live and keep our community clean.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND NOTEWORTHY DATES

APRIL	15	Income Tax deadline
	20	Chalfant Redd-Up Day
	22	Earth Day
	23	Primary Election
	25-27	Woodland Hills School musical
	26	Arbor Day (plant a tree)
MAY	2-4	Woodland Hills School musical
	5	Orthodox Easter
	12	Mother's Day
	27	Memorial Day
		Forest Hills Farmers Market
JUNE	14	Flag Day
	16	Father's Day
	19	Juneteenth
JULY	4	Independence Day

WOODLAND HILLS MUSICAL

This spring the Woodland Hills Department of Performing Arts will stage a musical never before seen on the high school stage. Woodland Hills is one of two schools in the country that will produce a pilot production of "Wonderland" a reworked edition of a 2011 Broadway

show that has never been licensed for high schools to produce. There will be performances on April 25, 26 and 27 and also May 2, 3 and 4. The Box Office is open and tickets are \$15. For more information visit Woodland Hills Musical Facebook page or call 412-244-1100.

FOREST HILLS FARMERS MARKET

The Forest Hills Farmers Market will be opening sometime the end of May through October 2024. Booths will be set up at the Westinghouse Lodge parking lot on Greensburg Pike next to the Police Station Fridays from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

FLAG FLYING ETIQUETTE AND RULES

Here are some tips for hanging the American Flag properly on the Fourth of July, Flag Day and every other day of the year.

Flags are meant to be displayed from sunrise to sunset. You can fly the flag at night, but if you do, it should be illuminated.

The flag should never touch the ground, the floor, or anything that may sit beneath it, including tables, chairs, railings, and bushes.

There is a difference between “half-staff” and “half-mast”. Half-mast technically refers to a flag flown on a ship’s mast, while half-staff describes the flags flown on land, though they are commonly used interchangeably. (Flags should be flown at “half-staff” until noon on Memorial Day.)

It is against the official Flag Code to hang a tattered flag. If yours is in bad shape, you can wash it, dry-clean and/or sew it.

Unsalvageable flags should be dropped off at a local American Legion or VFW for retirement or burned discreetly.

Fly your American Flag proudly! You live in the best Country on Earth!

CRIME WATCH

Chalfant Crime Watch is looking for Block Captains. If you are interested please contact Luann via email at luannbouvier@yahoo.com for more details. Thank you.

There will be a Crime Watch event on August 6th, 2024. National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police and community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie. Please turn your outside lights on to show support of fighting crime. We will be doing a neighborhood walk that night. Time and place to be announced on Savvy Citizen, various social media pages and this Newsletter. Our walk will be led by our Official Crime Watch dog, Draco! Stay tuned for more info!

COUNCIL

Chalfant Borough Council convenes the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. We welcome your attendance. Bring your concerns and questions. Council will address your issue and work towards a solution. We are here for YOU!

The next Newsletter will be published at the end of July 2024.

