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CRAFTON POOL BATHHOUSE RENOVATION UNVEILED

We were thrilled to announce the grand opening of the newly renovated bathhouse at Crafton Pool in Crafton Park. This exciting project, which enhances our community's recreational facilities, was made possible through a collaborative effort and generous funding support.

The renovated bathhouse officially opened its doors to the public on Saturday, May 25th, just in time for the summer season. A ribbon-cutting ceremony was held on Thursday, May 23rd, to commemorate this significant milestone for our community.

The \$600,000 renovation project was partially funded by a \$250,000 grant from the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR). We extend our heartfelt gratitude to State Representative Dan Deasy and State Senator Wayne Fontana for their instrumental role in securing these funds.

The renovated bathhouse features three ADA accessible bathrooms and showers, a family restroom for those who desire more privacy, and a hallway that connects directly to the pool, allowing patrons to forgo the changing rooms. There is also increased video security presence, and updated sound system, new lockers, and other new amenities as well. If you have not yet had a chance to visit, please come before we close on Labor Day weekend.

The project brought together a team of skilled professionals to ensure its success:

- Design: McLean Architects and Gateway Engineers
- General Construction: M.A. Dunn Construction
- Electrical Work: Independent Mechanical
- Plumbing: East End Plumbing and Mechanical

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PHOTO ABOVE: Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on Thursday May 23rd - Erin Bollenbacher, Councilmember; Pam Pulkownik, Councilmember; Mike Hough, Councilmember; Dave Mclean, Architect; Coletta Perry, Mayor; Larry Keenan, Borough Engineer; John Oliverio, Council President; John Malizia, Engineer; Kate Reiche Varhola, District Director for Wayne Fontana; Dan Deasy, State Representative; Kirsten Compitello, Council Vice President; Rick Minsterman, Gateway Engineer



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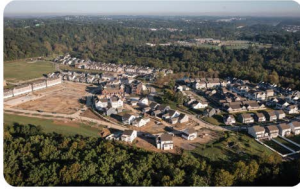
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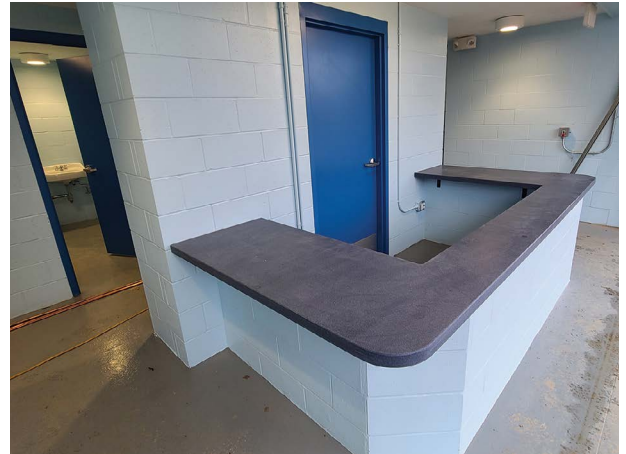
Crafton Pool Bathhouse Renovation Unveiled

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Our dedicated Crafton Public Works Crew also contributed significantly to the project, installing new concrete pads, painting light posts and the slide, erecting a new fence, and completing various other tasks to enhance the overall pool area.

This renovation represents a significant investment in our community's recreational infrastructure, providing improved facilities for residents and visitors alike. We invite everyone to come and enjoy the newly renovated bathhouse and pool facilities throughout the summer season.

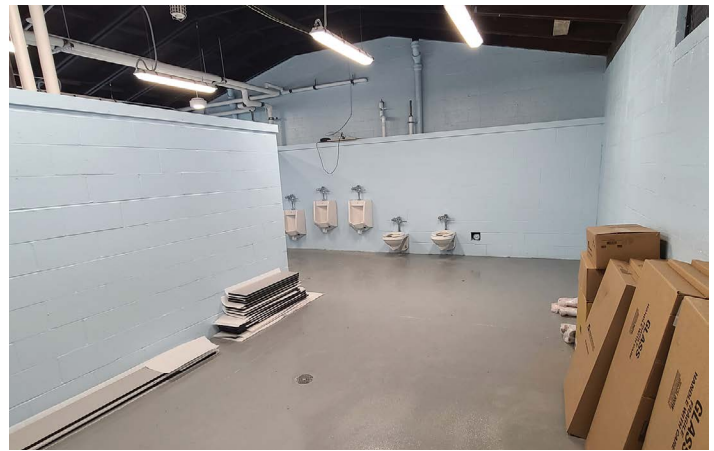
The Crafton Borough administration would like to thank all parties involved in bringing this project to fruition, as well as our residents for their patience during the renovation process. We look forward to many summers of fun and relaxation at the improved Crafton Pool!



New front desk – ready to check people in!



New handicap parking spots – concrete was installed by Public Works



New plumbing fixtures in the bathhouse men's room



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John Oliverio
Council President

Council President's Message

As we prepare for year end, there is a lot going on in our borough, continuing to move us forward. Since the last newsletter, we have quite a few accomplishments including:

1. **Pool Bathhouse Renovation** – Construction was completed in May on schedule, and the pool opened Memorial Day weekend.
2. **Board/Commission Vacancies** – All positions are filled with Recreation and Zoning Hearing openings occurring later this year.
3. **Police CBA Contract** – With the retirement of the Police Chief this year, the current contract was extended one more year.
4. **Community & Economic Development Director hired** – Mike Tedesco started in April with a focus on attracting businesses and developing the amenities of our community.
5. **2024 Banner Community** – Awarded from Allegheny League of Municipalities for our commitment to sustainable practices including professional development, intergovernmental cooperation, sound fiscal management and proactive communications to engage community stakeholders with transparency and accountability.

6. Newsletter updated the format and publisher to a modern look with the opportunity for local businesses to advertise.



April 27, Arbor Day Dedication

We are working on the following projects:

1. **Garbage/Recycling Contract** – Bids were received in mid-July. Options are being evaluated with public comments and input vitally important to the process.
2. **Multi Municipal Zoning Project** – Steering committee met several times since the public forum and will have final edits to the draft by late summer.
3. **2024 Road Paving Project** – Awarded the contract in June with paving already begun on the 8 worst roads determined by the new software Vialytics, in addition to replacing the old guardrail on Promenade.
4. **Stairs Projects** – Belvidere railing replacement and Promenade to Fountain steps were completed. Work has begun on Clearview/Crafton/Walnut stairs.
5. **Crafton Logo** – With community input received, look for the unveiling of the new logo in late summer.
6. **Giving Grove Project** – Partnering with Tree Pittsburgh for a grant covering a fruit tree orchard in Crafton Park to supplement the Food Bank.
7. **2024 Financials** – Mid year, the borough's finances are in line with the budget.



May 23, Pool bathhouse Ribbon Cutting

Our future projects include:

1. **Broadhead Sewer Separation Project** – This is a major project that will improve our sewer systems (as required by Alcosan consent decree) in addition to fixing the corresponding roads with \$7M in grants awarded. Project is out to bid.
2. **Consent Decree for C-20 Sewer Separation** – Alcosan accepted the major project. The smaller projects will be submitted next year for funding.
3. **Trails Study** – RFP has been submitted and meeting held with DCNR project manager.
4. **Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)** – Partnering with neighboring communities to submit the grant application at end of August.

As a reminder, Council meetings are open to the public, and I encourage residents to attend (2nd and 4th Thursday of every month at 7:00 PM) in person or via Zoom to keep up to date on what is happening in our community. If you have any questions about anything on the agenda or happening in the community, please feel free to reach out to me.

It was good seeing many of you at the Senior Dinners, Music Festival, Arbor Day/Community Clean Up, July 4th celebration, and Pool Ribbon Cutting. I look forward to the festivities planned for Fall Fest, Haunted Crafton, Celebration of Lights, and Christmas House Tour. I hope everyone enjoyed the summer and is looking forward to the first day of school and fall activities. I continue to appreciate the opportunity to serve you.

Respectfully,

John Oliverio, Council President



Mayor's Report

There are many events for which I am honored to take part. None more than the annual Memorial Day Reading of the Names. Each year, since 2005 at noon, we gather in front of the Borough Building to commemorate the Crafton residents who have given their lives defending freedom throughout the world. This year, Ralph Michelfelder was added. Ralph served in WWI and gave his life during the battle of Meuse-Argonne. 104 names were read and the number of times the bell tolled. Find out more at www.craftonfallen.org.

The memorial was erected after WWII. The plaque was added through the efforts of the American Legion in 2005.

I am always acutely aware of how much I, personally, have to be grateful for, as I step forward to read the names assigned to me. (My mother was an 8-year-old refugee to France from Belgium at the start of WWII in 1940. My father met her years later while serving in the Air Force in France during the time of the Korean War in the early 50s.)

On a more upbeat note – it was incredibly rewarding to take part in the ribbon cutting ceremony for the updated pool bathhouse. It's wonderful to see the community enjoying the fruits of several long years of planning and the final building.



WWII Memorial

Police Chief Search Commences

Chief Mark Sumpter, who has served Crafton for 45 years, will be retiring at the end of this year. His are mighty big shoes to fill.

Council and I are committed to finding the best possible leader for our department and for the community. We also want to ensure a fair and impartial process. Council has appointed council members Michael Hough, Colton Chandler, and me to the search committee. Council agreed to retain the Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police Association to assist with our search and to guide us through the entire process at the recommendation of the committee.

Rest assured, we are starting the search at home by guaranteeing any current officer who applied for the position an automatic interview.

The position was advertised on the Chiefs Association's job site. The site reaches across the state and beyond. It was also posted on other regional boards. The applications closed on July 19. By the time you are reading this, they will have reviewed all submissions and will have made their top six recommendations to Council for initial interviews. Council will conduct the final interviews of the top two or three candidates and will make the final decision by majority vote at an open council meeting in the near future.

Coletta Perry, Mayor

Manager's Report

While our Council President, John Oliverio, has shared many of the visible improvements happening in our Borough, I'd like to take a moment to highlight some of the less obvious but equally important changes we're implementing to modernize Crafton's operations.

Over the past year, we've been actively working to streamline processes across various departments, enhancing efficiency and improving services for our residents. Let me share a few examples:

1. **Pool Pass System:** Last year, we introduced an online pool pass system that allows residents to sign up and pay for passes from the comfort of their homes. This system also provides pool attendants with photos of passholders, enhancing security and streamlining entry.
2. **Automated Bill Invoicing:** We've recently implemented an automated bill invoicing system that saves both time and money while improving the speed at which we pay our bills. This ensures our local vendors and partners are paid promptly, fostering better relationships and potentially leading to cost savings.
3. **Automated Payroll System:** We're currently rolling out a new automated payroll system that improves access to information for our employees. This not only increases transparency but also reduces administrative workload, allowing our staff to focus on serving you better.
4. **Building and Codes Department Update:** We're excited to announce upcoming improvements to our permitting

processes and payment system in the Building and Codes department. This will make it easier for residents and businesses to apply for and track permits, facilitating development and improvements in our community.

These upgrades may not be immediately visible, but they play a crucial role in improving Crafton's economic outcomes. By embracing efficiency and innovation, we're able to:

1. **Reduce** operational costs, leading to savings for taxpayers.
2. **Improve** service delivery, making Crafton a more attractive place to live and do business.
3. **Free up** staff time to focus on strategic initiatives and resident needs.
4. **Attract** new businesses by demonstrating our commitment to modern, efficient governance.
5. **Enhance** transparency and accountability in our operations.

As we continue to modernize our Borough operations, we're not just keeping up with the times – we're positioning Crafton for a brighter, more prosperous future. These improvements lay the groundwork for economic growth, better services, and a more engaged community.

We're committed to continuing this journey of innovation and efficiency, always with the goal of making Crafton an even better place to live, work, and play. Thank you for your support as we move forward together.

Jim Price, Borough Manager





United States House of Representatives

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Pennsylvania State Senate

PROBLEM GAMBLING LEGISLATION

State Senator Wayne Fontana, 42nd Senatorial District

Between 17 brick-and-mortar casinos, 21 online casinos and 13 sports betting operators, the gaming industry in Pennsylvania set an overall gambling revenue record of nearly \$5.7 billion last year. But this form of entertainment is also highly addictive. Research indicates that almost 6 million Americans struggle with a gambling disorder.

To help combat this growing problem, earlier this year I introduced Senate Bill 1159, legislation that would prohibit the use of credit cards for iLottery, online casino games, sports betting and fantasy sports.

Most adults in the United States have placed some type of gaming bet, and most do it without problems. But a significant subset of people who start gambling go on to develop a gambling disorder. Since the expansion of online gaming and sports wagering in Pennsylvania nearly seven years ago, there is greater access to gambling which in turn increases the number of individuals who may develop a gambling disorder.

According to a 2022 Online Gaming Report produced by Pennsylvania State University, in coordination with the Pennsylvania Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs as well as the state's Gaming Control Board, over 36 percent of online gaming participants in the commonwealth reported at least one gambling problem.

Gambling and credit card debt often go hand in hand. The ease and convenience of being able to gamble from the comforts of your home or from a mobile device, any time or day, can create the perfect storm when one factors in the ability to use a credit card to do so. With high interest rates, unpredictable fees, and credit score implications, this disorder can lead to major financial problems and affect a person's ability to pay off debt.

Credit cards are the fastest rising category of household debt which has reached a record high of \$1.08 trillion nationwide. In Pennsylvania, the average credit card debt a consumer carries exceeds, \$5,600. In our region, the average balance is more than \$11,000, almost double that of the state average.

Online gaming should be enjoyed responsibly and not at the expense of taking on crippling credit card balances. States that have already outlawed credit card use for online gambling include Iowa, Massachusetts, and Tennessee. My consumer protection bill will prohibit the use of credit cards for online gambling in the commonwealth and eliminate one avenue to push someone into unmanageable debt.

Learn more about this bill and other legislation I have introduced, and more, at www.senatorfontana.com.



State Senator Wayne Fontana

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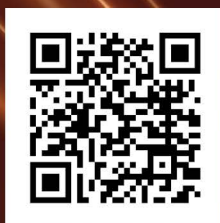
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Daniel J. Deasy

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I am committed to bringing state government services directly to you. This fall, I will be hosting various community outreach events, including community vaccine clinics, mobile district office stops at different locations within the 27th Legislative District, document shredding, illegible license plate replacement, workshops for landlords and tenants, and more.

State Representative Dan Deasy

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Crafton Leaders Gather To Discuss Community Events

On Saturday, May 18th, the Crafton Community Events Coordination Meeting brought together representatives from various local organizations to discuss collaboration opportunities and partnerships for public events. The meeting, facilitated by the Evolve EA planning group, aimed to foster a sense of unity and cooperation among the different groups that contribute to the vibrant community life in Crafton.

Attendees included members from the Crafton Council, Crafton Recreation Committee, Crafton Public Library, Crafton Performing Arts Association, Crafton Ingram Thornburg Baseball/Softball League, Crafton-Ingram Rotary, Boy Scouts of America, and Crafton Heritage Association. Each organization plays a unique role in enriching the lives of Crafton residents through their respective activities and events.



During the meeting, participants engaged in productive discussions, sharing ideas and insights on how to better coordinate their efforts. By exploring potential partnerships and collaborative initiatives, these organizations aim to create a more cohesive and engaging calendar of events for the community.

The Crafton Community Events Coordination Meeting serves as a testament to the dedication and passion of local organizations working together to enhance the quality of life for all residents. Through continued cooperation and open communication, Crafton is poised to host an array of exciting and inclusive public events in the future.

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Crafton's New Community and Economic Development Director: Mike Tedesco Ready to Make a Difference



Mike Tedesco

Crafton is thrilled to welcome Mike Tedesco as our new Community and Economic Development Director. With his impressive track record and infectious enthusiasm, Mr. Tedesco is ready to roll up his sleeves and work hand-in-hand with our community to bring about positive change and growth.

Don't let his laid-back demeanor fool you—Mike is a seasoned professional who has overseen a staggering \$500 million worth of local projects across the country. From the high altitudes of a small Colorado town (where he learned to dodge elk on his way to work) to the urban renewal challenges of Pueblo (where he mastered the art of funding projects with a smile and a shoestring budget), he has seen it all.

But that's not all! Mike even helped the Spokane Tribe of Indians build a \$60 million casino. As their go-to guy for all things development, he was the tribe's equivalent to a city manager.

Fresh off a stint in Johnstown, where he launched a community development corporation, Mike is now ready to bring his expertise to Crafton. With two grown kids and a wealth of experience under his belt, he's eager to help our town reach new heights.

For Mike, success isn't just about the dollar signs attached to projects; it's about making a real difference in the lives of our residents and improving the place we call home.

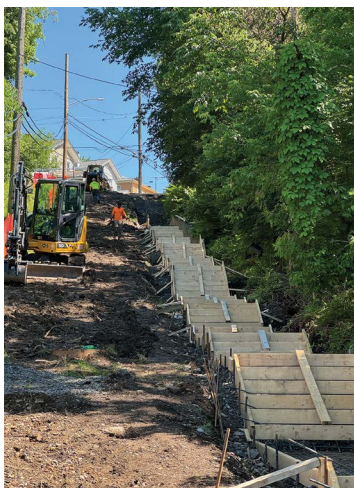
So, let's give a warm Crafton welcome to Mike Tedesco, our new Community and Economic Development Director.

Crafton to Improve Several Public Stairways

The Borough of Crafton has embarked on a major renovation project to restore and modernize a portion of its iconic public stairway system, a defining feature of the community's landscape and connectivity.

"Crafton's public stairs are more than just walkways – they are a vital part of our community fabric that connect neighborhoods and enhance quality of life," said Council President, John Oliverio. "With hundreds of vertical feet of stairways crisscrossing our borough, maintaining them is important for promoting walkability and multi-modal transit."

With a total construction cost estimated at \$585,000, Crafton is replacing the railing on the Afton to Belvidere stairs, and completely replacing the stairs from Fountain St. to Promenade St. and from Walnut St. to Crafton Blvd. Crafton partnered with State Senator Wayne Fontana and State Representative Dan Deasy to secure \$293,911 in ARPA funding from the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny



County, and \$200,000 of additional support generously provided from the Gaming Economic Development Tourism Fund. All projects are planned for completion by the end of August.

Public stairways are a defining part of Crafton and metropolitan Pittsburgh as a whole. Many of the region's public stairways are in a state of disrepair, and we are working to improve them. "We see our stairways just like we see our streets," said Larry Keenan, the borough's Engineer. "If a street has a pothole, we fill it. If a public staircase needs improvements, we work to improve it. Both are important for our urban fabric."

According to Mayor Coletta Perry, many of the borough's public stairways date back to the when the trolley first started running in Crafton and play a crucial role in connecting the hilly terrain to residential areas, business districts and public transit. Regionally, it's estimated that over 24,000 vertical feet of public stairways crisscross Pittsburgh's neighborhoods and boroughs.

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5th Annual Haunted Crafton

Saturday, October 19 to October 31

If you are interested in decorating the outside of your home for our Haunted Crafton Tour, please sign up at <http://www.craftonborough.com/haunted-crafton-tour>. We would like a story from you (real or not) about your Halloween themed decorations and if you have any mysteries in the house. This year, we are starting all the activities at Crafton Park off Steuben Street with Trunk or Treat in the parking lot. Looking forward to seeing all of you dressed in your best Halloween costumes.



Fall Festival

Saturday, September 28

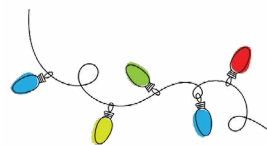
Come and join us for our Fall Festival located in Crafton Park. Have fun in the inflatable obstacle course and inflatable basketball hoops. You can also get your face painted and get a fantastic balloon created just for you from our balloon artist. We will also have Axe Throwing if you are daring enough to try it. Mini golf will be open so you can walk across the street and test your skills. Food trucks, food booths, beer vendor, craft vendors, dancing, and a band will fill your day with lots of Fall fun.



Crafton's Celebration of Lights

Saturday, December 7

Join us at Crafton Park as we light up the holiday season with Santa and the Snow Princess. We will have children's activities, sing holiday songs, and play fun games. Of course, all of us will help Santa turn on the holiday lights in the park.



Christmas House Tour

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FAMILY STORYTIME | Tuesdays @ 11:00 Am

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LEGO NIGHT | Thursdays @ 4:30 Pm

Kiddos are invited to play, build, and learn with the Library's collection of Lego blocks!

MONTHLY

NO STRINGS ATTACHED BOOK CLUB | Last Wednesday @ 5:00 Pm

Read our book of the month and join us for a discussion... or not! No strings attached.

THE DINNER AT CRAFTON LIBRARY | Second Friday @ 6:00 Pm

Choose a recipe from the month's cookbook and prepare it to share it!

WRITERS SUPPORT GROUP | Various Saturdays @ 10:00 Am

Meet with fellow local writers to trade tips and share your work. Check website for dates.



**SPOOKTACULAR
MINI GOLF**

Boo! Spooktacular Mini Golf will be back, **Fridays and Saturdays, in October** from **7:00 pm to 9:00 pm** through **October 26**. Join the scary goblins and spooky spiders at the Crafton Mini Golf course on Steuben Street across from Crafton Park. There is plenty of parking and the price is only \$2/person!! Wear your costumes (or don't) and come join in the spooky fun! Bring your friends and neighbors for the best deal in town. Crafton IS the place to be!

Shade Tree Commission News



TREE CITY USA®

As we inch ever closer to the fall planting season, the Shade Tree Commission is still open to homeowners with adequate front lawn space that would be interested in a tree or who would be interested in one next year! If you would be interested in receiving a tree, please contact the Borough or complete an online application <https://www.craftonborough.com/shade-tree-commission> as soon as possible, and they will forward us contact information to get in touch!

Tree Care Reminders:

Proper maintenance, including establishing a mulch "donut" around trees to prevent decay, is always good. Exercise caution when weed whacking to avoid damaging tree bases. Additionally, during extended drought or hot weather, young or less established trees may require extra watering to survive.

Please note, according to borough ordinance, street trees require permission before removal or significant pruning.



Crafton Community Farm

The Crafton Community Farm in Crafton Park is not your ordinary community garden! Established in 2015, the communal garden is planted, mulched, watered, weeded and harvested by volunteers—who then donate most of the produce to Crafton Ingram Food Pantry and others.

We use the free compost from Crafton Borough, and this year our garden is looking especially beautiful.

We received a Grow Pittsburgh Sustainability grant for all the seedlings we planted, and also for 4 Cattle panel trellises, that allow squash, beans, and tomatoes to climb vertically. We welcomed some new volunteers, and have successfully continued our mission to model natural food-growing practices and to donate fresh and healthy produce to neighbors in need. We are experimenting with growing wine-cap mushrooms in the shade provided by our raspberry thicket, and we have installed more seating.



are in Crafton Park, or come work with us on a Saturday morning, starting around 10 am, weather permitting.

Our micro-farm produces well into the Fall, so it is not too late to get involved! We would love to see you and your family at the garden. Please check it out when you

More information about the garden can be found on our Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/craftoncommunityfarm>, or by contacting CraftonCommunityFarm@gmail.com. Events and workdays will be announced on Savvy Citizen and on the electronic sign at Crafton Park.



NORTHWEST EMS ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP

Memberships will be mailed in September

Dear Resident,

We would like to thank you for your participation in our annual membership program.

Your ambulance membership permits us to write-off 50% of your out-of-pocket expenses including **deductibles and co-payments** that you would be responsible for in the event you need our services. Most insurance companies, including Medicare, require their members to pay a portion of their ambulance bills. That amount could range from \$300.00 to \$1,200.00. By participating in the membership program, it will greatly reduce your out-of-pocket expenses.

Thank you for your continued support

Membership Plans
 Single\$40.00
 Couple\$50.00
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CRAFTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

8 Stotz Avenue | Crafton, PA | (412) 875-0022

2024 has been a busy year for the volunteers of the Crafton Fire Dept. Through June 15, 2024, the department has answered 177 calls for service in our primary coverage area of Crafton, Thornburg, and Rosslyn Farms. This averages out to slightly over one response per day and includes just about every type of emergency one could think of. Crafton has also assisted surrounding communities as well when the need calls for it. Recently, Crafton had its first building fire of the year in our primary district when a back porch of a commercial apartment building caught fire, but was extinguished very quickly, with no spread to the main structure. We are always looking for new members to join the ranks. All the gear, equipment, and training materials are provided, and we currently have numerous members attending various stages of training in their journey. We also spend countless hours of in-house training and providing public service programs for the schools and community.

If you think you want to be a part of our organization, in existence since 1890, please stop by on a Tuesday evening from 7PM-9PM or reach out to us on Facebook. We thank the entire Crafton Community for helping to make the first half of 2024 a success.

2024

Trash & Recycle Collection Schedule

~ Receptacles should be placed at the curb no later than 6:00 AM on the morning of pick up.

~ Recycle must be placed loose in a container clearly marked recycle.

~ Cardboard must be broken down to 14" x 14" and placed at the curb.

AUGUST

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DECEMBER

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Chipping Service

Residents may request the removal and chipping of eligible tree limbs and branches by placing a service request at www.craftonborough.com/service-request. Single limbs must be less than 5 inches in diameter and no longer than 10 feet in length. Volume of materials should not exceed what could fit into a pick-up truck. Materials can be either chipped onsite and removed or left for the resident upon request. **PLEASE NOTE:** Chipping limbs and branches will cause dust and may accumulate on nearby vehicles.

This service is offered from April 15th through November 15th. Collection is scheduled every other week following Crafton's regular recycle pickup.

For more information, please go to www.craftonborough.com/public-works or use the QR Code:



PUBLIC WORKS

FREE Compost and Wood Chips Available

Compost and Wood Chips are available for self-service pickup in the bins located behind the Stage/Amphitheater at Crafton Park on W. Steuben Street.



BOROUGH OF CRAFTON

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Building Permits & Zoning
 (412) 921-0752 x 18

Community Pool

Crafton Pool
 (412) 458-0677

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Crafton Public Library

(412) 922-6877

Crafton Volunteer Fire Department

(412) 875-0022

Crafton Elementary

(412) 429-2500

Waste Management (Missed Pickups)

(800) 866-4460

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(800) 449-7587

Jordan Tax Service

(724) 731-2310

PUBLIC MEETING INFORMATION

All Borough Council Meetings are currently being held in Council Chambers. Meetings are also available live via Zoom. Log-in and Call-in information is available on the Borough's website:

www.craftonborough.com/borough-council

Council Chambers of the Community Center, 140 Bradford Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15205

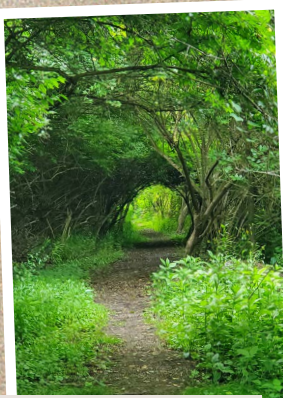
Borough Council Meetings 2nd & 4th Thursdays at 7:00 PM

Meeting announcements and schedule changes are published on the SavvyCitizenApp and the Borough's website

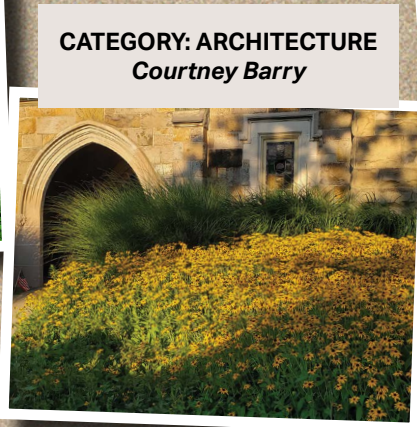


COUNCIL MEETINGS

Congratulations to our Photo Contest Winners!!



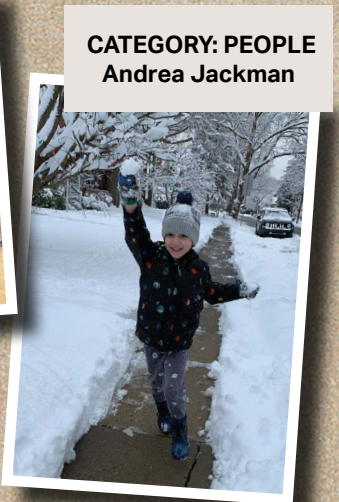
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