

# CHALFANT BOROUGH NEWSLETTER July August September 2024

It's hot! Really hot!! In case you hadn't noticed!! That being said, it's been a fairly quiet summer so far. Not much news.

The first thing I want to address is the appointment of Chalfant's newest council member, Lauren Sivak. Lauren is assuming the position vacated by Carol Fennell. This position is now known as Health & Community Engagement. Lauren is 31 years of age and was born and raised in Forest Hills. She is now a resident and homeowner in Chalfant since April 2021. Lauren is an animal activist and has been rescuing and fostering animals since childhood. Her current menagerie consists of 3 dogs, 2 ball pythons, a bearded dragon and a sun conure. She is a store manager in Latrobe and enjoys travel and discovering new restaurants

in her free time. Lauren's youth and fresh ideas will be a welcome addition to Chalfant's council. We wish her well.

The following is an updated listing of Council members, their contact information and other contacts that may be useful to Chalfant residents.

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Chalfant Borough's phone number is 412-823-6500. The fax number is 412-229-8304. The address is 144 Lynnwood Ave., E. Pittsburgh PA 15112 and our website is www.chalfantborough-pa.org

If there are any other phone numbers you need, please contact the Borough Office at 412-823-6500.

## **TAX COLLECTOR MESSAGE**

The WHSD tax rate for the 2024-2025 school year remains the same millage as the 2023-2024 school year. There is no increase this year. WHSD tax bills will be mailed out on or about July 3, 2024. If you have not received a tax bill for your School tax (those residents who have no Mortgage) by July 15, 2024; please contact me. The Discount period is August 31, 2024. There will be office hours on August 20th, 21st, 22nd, 28th, 29th, and 30th at 144 Lynnwood Avenue. The hours are 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM. You may pay in person at these dates and times, mail your payment, or drop off in the mail slot at the Borough Office located at 144 Lynnwood Avenue. If you are a new property owner and reside in the home you purchased, you can apply for the Homestead Allowance from the County. All applications must be submitted by March 1, 2025 to qualify for the 2025 tax year. My suggestion is to get that application in no later than January 2025, so the County has proper time to process for that year's taxes. If you have any questions regarding this, please contact me at 412-824-3283 or email me at

cadon4946@hotmail.com

Thank you and have a safe and pleasurable summer!!!!!

Carol Donahue/Chalfant Borough Tax Collector

# **FIREMEN'S AWARD PRESENTATION**

At the Borough meeting on Wednesday, July 10th, three of our Borough firemen were awarded plaques commemorating their many years of service to the former Chalfant Fire Company.



Ray Wroblewski 47 years of service



Ken Bischel 38 years of service.

John Minnaji was not present and has 40+ years of service.

A huge thanks to these men for their valor and dedication to the Borough of Chalfant.

Council also presented a plaque in grateful recognition to all the members of the Chalfant VFC for their dedication and service to Chalfant Borough. This plaque will be on display in the council room at the Community Building.



### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

JULY 18th-19th-20th-Greek Fest-Opens at 11:00 am at The Olympia Hall, 1672 Electric Ave. E. Pittsburgh PA

JULY Tuesdays - Pop Up Library 4 pm to 6pm Chalfant Servicemen's Park (weather providing)

JULY Fridays - Farmers' Market 4pm to 7pm parking lot At 4400 Greensburg Pike, Forest Hills PA

**AUGUST** 6th-National Night Out (see article ahead)

**AUGUST** 7th-Steve Orosz Day (see article ahead)

AUGUST 10th- Churchill Community Day 11am to 4pm at Pace School grounds, 2432 Greensburg Pike

AUGUST 16th-Forest Hills Summer Concert and Food Truck 7pm-4400 Greensburg Pike parking lot

- SEPT 8th-Wilkins 3 VFD Spaghetti Dinner 2pm to 7pm 110 Peffer Rd.
- SEPT 14th-Braddock Carnegie Library 17th annual Chili Cook Off-1pm to 4pm at the Braddock Public House 1211 Braddock Ave. Cooks can register at 412-351-5356 or braddockcarnegielibrary.org

### **MORE FYI AND EVENTS**

The VFW Post 5008 has a food truck come once a month to their parking lot at 429 Cline St. Wilkins Twp. Their kitchen is also open to the public for take out Tuesdays through Fridays. For more info check them out on Facebook-VFW Post 5008.

The Braddock Carnegie Library's Storefront is open Monday through Friday 9am to 5pm. You can use their computers, make copies or fax and avail yourself to what they have to offer.

The Braddock Carnegie Library also has a satellite facility at the Human Services Center in Turtle Creek Monday through Thursday 9am to 4pm. They have all your library needs.

Representative Salisbury's office at 501 Braddock Ave. offers Veterans' services the first Wednesday and last Tuesday of every month. A Veteran Service Officer is on duty to help with all matters pertaining to Veterans' benefits and services. Call 412-273-3400 to schedule an appointment.

Meals For Friends is offering delicious and nutritious meals to senior and disabled residents in the area. Call 412-824-2400 to register or to volunteer your services.

### STEVE OROSZ DAY

A few years ago, Mayor Jim Perry declared August 7th as "Steve Orosz Day" in honor of our former Chalfant Mayor who served for 24 years. Steve received a Lifetime Achievement Award presented to him by Mayor Perry and Senator Jay Costa. This year we will celebrate Steve's life and legacy on his birthday, August 7th, with a Memorial Bench dedication to be placed at our Community Center on North Avenue. A tree will be planted in his memory at Chalfant's Servicemen's Park this fall as well.

### **NATIONAL NIGHT OUT**

August 6th is National Night Out. This day serves to enhance the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. Furthermore, it provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances. Crime Watch asks that you turn on your outside lights in support of our Police and as a tool in fighting crime. This year we will be doing a night walk around the Borough led by Chalfant's Official Crime Watch Dog, DRACO.



Anyone interested in the walk please contact Luann Bouvier for details at 412-848-6774. Thank you and please continue to report suspicious activities. REMEMBER! See Something, Say Something!

Luann Bouvier

CHALFANT BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETS THE SECOND WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT THE CHALFANT COMMUNITY CENTER, 218 NORTH AVENUE AT 7 P.M. PLEASE ATTEND, BRING A NEIGHBOR. THANK YOU!

HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY REST OF THE SUMMER! SEE YOU IN SEPTEMBER!