



# PENBROOK BOROUGH NEWS

## SPRING 2022

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Borough Website: [www.penbrook.org](http://www.penbrook.org)



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### VOTER INFO

Last day to register to vote in the May 2022 Primary is May 2, 2022

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Last day to request an absentee or mail-in ballot for the May 2022 Primary is May 10, 2022

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The 2022 Primary Election is May 17, 2022. New voters will need a picture ID (Driver License or PennDOT issued ID, etc.) to vote.

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To vote in the 2022 Primary Election, you must be a registered member of a political party. You can register or change your political party when you register to vote at [VOTESPA.COM](http://VOTESPA.COM)

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**The 2022 Primary Election date has been changed. Please mark your calendar.**

### LIONS and LEO Club News



The President of the Penbrook LEO Club, Angel Diaz was presented with the prestigious 2022 Pennsylvania LEO of the Year award. In addition to this award, he received a Merit Award from Lions Club International. Angel Diaz is a Senior at CD School District Technical Division with a specialty in Home Building/Masonry and is a member of the high school basketball team there. Mr. Diaz has previously received various Lions Youth Service Awards in leadership for volunteering with the Manna Food Drive Fundraiser

The Penbrook Lions Club will host their Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, March 19th at the Penbrook Community Building from 7:00am to 11:00am. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for kids ages 6 to 10. Kids 5 and under and all Veterans eat FREE. The menu includes all you can eat pancakes, sausage, coffee and orange juice. Proceeds help support local community service projects. Curbside pickup is available. **PAY AT THE DOOR.**



### TRASH —RECYCLING BINS—GRASS CLIPPINGS

1. Your 33 gallon yard waste container is picked up ONLY on the last Thursday of the month from April through October. Put ONLY yard debris in this container. **DO NOT PUT GRASS CLIPPINGS IN THIS CONTAINER—PUT THEM IN THE TRASH.** You are allowed to drill holes in the bottom for drainage.
2. Please do not blow grass clippings into the street. The clippings end up in the storm drains and become pollutants in the Spring and Paxton Creeks and the Chesapeake Bay.
3. **Please move your trash /recycling bins from the street after pickup. Thank you.**
4. Trash collectors are not allowed to take any electronic items (computers, monitors, mouse, cell phones, TV's, etc.) You must recycle these items at the County Recycling Center off of Cameron Street. Call 717-982-6772 for more information.
5. Your toter with the blue top is for recycling. You can recycle empty glass bottles and jars, all types of plastic items, aluminum and steel cans. Please empty the containers and rinse them out before putting them in the toter. Newspaper can be recycled too.
6. Plate and window glass and mirrors should be put in the trash **not** the recycle toter.

## Emergency Numbers and Information Contacts

POLICE & FIRE Emergency — Call 911  
Police Non-Emergency— 717-558-6900

TV Channels for Emergency Alerts  
WHTM Channel 27  
WHP Channel 21  
WGAL Channel 8

RADIO Stations for Emergency Alerts  
WNNK 104 FM  
WRKZ 107 FM  
WIMX 1460 AM/99.3 FM

## BOROUGH MEETINGS

### Council Meetings

March 7th and 21st  
April 4th and 18th  
May 2nd and 16th  
June 6th and 20th

All Meetings are held at the Penbrook Community Center, 150 S. 28th Street, Harrisburg, PA 17103 and begin at 6:30PM . 717-232-3733

The building is handicap accessible from the Elm Street side.

Penbrook Revitalization meets the 3rd Thursday of the month at 6pm at the Borough Building.

The Penbrook Storm Water Authority meets at 6:30PM on the 3rd Wednesday of the month,

The Planning Commission meets at 6:30PM on the 4th Thursday of the month.



Happy Easter to All

## Important Penbrook Parks News

Penbrook Borough has been awarded a DCNR grant of \$70k to begin the Phase 1 Revitalization of Little Valley Park. The money will be used to construct ADA access to the park, so all park users have access to recreation. In addition, a new pavilion will provide much needed outdoor space for the Free Youth Summer Program at the park. Construction is scheduled to begin sometime in the late summer and continue through the fall season. For more information on this project, contact Councilman Ben Stokes.

The 2022 Little Valley Park Free Summer Program will be held this year from June 14<sup>th</sup> through July 14<sup>th</sup> on Tuesdays through Thursdays, 8:30 am – 12:30 pm. for children ages 6-12 residing in Penbrook. Registration packets will be available on-line and at the Borough office April 4<sup>th</sup> through May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Limited seats. Please check the Borough website for more information in April: [www.penbrook.org](http://www.penbrook.org) **Registration is required.**

The 2022 Little Valley Park Program is free but relies on donations to successfully provide a meaningful program for young children. The program is in need of the following new or gently used play items:

Tennis Racquets & Balls	Badminton Racquets and Birdies
Flag Football Sets	Playground Kickball Balls
Soccer Balls	Volleyballs, NERF Footballs
Plastic Cones, Jump Ropes	Pop-Up Soccer Goals
Corn Hole/Bean Bag Sets	Pickleball Paddles and Balls
Disc Golf Sets	Water Balloons

Donations can be dropped of in the Community Building Lobby beginning April 1st. Thank You for Your Support

## IMPORTANT DATES

March 1 - Women's History Month begins

March 13 - Daylight Savings Time Begins

March 17 - St. Patrick's Day

March 19 - Lions Club Pancake Breakfast (See the story on page 1)

April 16 - Lions Club Easter Egg Hunt (See the story on page 3)

April 17 - Easter Sunday

April 18 - Tax Filing Day

May 5 - Cinco de Mayo

May 8 - Mother's Day

May 17 - Primary Election Day

May 30 - Memorial Day—Honor all those who have served.

June 1—LGBTQ Pride Month begins

June 19 - Juneteenth

June 19 - Father's Day

July 4 - Independence Day

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## Lions Club Easter Egg Hunt



Ages 1-10 are invited to attend the annual Easter Egg hunt at Community Park on April 16th at 10 AM.

**Beeping eggs will be available for the visually impaired.**

This is a rain, snow or shine event so bring your own basket and be prepared for any weather.



## Planning Commission Town Hall Event

Saturday April 16th from Noon to 2PM the Penbrook Planning Commission will hold a Town Hall event for residents and business owners to discuss Economic Development, Infrastructure, Revitalization and Community Improvements. Please Join Us in making Penbrook better.



The 2022 Little Valley Park Free Summer Program for Penbrook kids ages 6-12 is currently in the planning stages. We expect to have, as in the past, a varied and fun program this year. We will be taking into consideration all the necessary precautions needed to meet the CDC and Borough guidelines. Please check the Borough website, [www.penbrook.org](http://www.penbrook.org), for updates, program schedule, and registration forms in the coming months. Please note that due to the pandemic, the program status is subject to change at any time so check the website often.

### STREET SWEEPING SCHEDULE

**Because of commitments in other areas, the road crew cannot provide a schedule at this time. Please check the website.**

### TRASH & RECYCLING TOTES

Please remember to return both your trash and recycling totes to your property after they are emptied, NOT IN THE STREET — THANK YOU!

EMERGENCY ALERT RADIO STATIONS:  
WHP 580 AM/WRBT 94.9 FM

EMERGENCY ALERT TV STATIONS:  
WHTM 27      WHP 21      WGAL 8

## Penbrook Church of God

MOUNTAIN BE REMOVED  
OUTREACH CENTER &  
PENBROOK CHURCH OF GOD  
PRESENTS

# MBROC Free Groceries Giveaway!

We will be serving in the PARKING LOT of  
the Penbrook Church of God until 3pm or  
until food runs out!

EVERY 2ND SATURDAY OF  
THE MONTH AT 12PM-3PM.

ADDRESS: 2733 CANBY ST,  
PENBROOK, PA 17103

## Community-Wide Yard Sale

Penbrook Revitalization Inc. is sponsoring the annual community-wide yard sale on June 4th from 8:00am to 1:00pm. As you do your cleaning, set aside those items you no longer need or want and tag them for the yard sale. Make some extra cash. Organize a block party on the day of the sale and spread the news to you neighbors. Get more foot traffic by registering your sale by adding your address on the PRI website. Just go to [www.penbrookrevitalization.org](http://www.penbrookrevitalization.org) for information.

**AMERICA  
FOUGHT FOR THE  
RIGHT  
TO VOTE.  
★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★  
DON'T THROW IT  
AWAY.**

## PENBROOK COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS—SPRING 2022

### Need Gardening Assistance? Here is Help!!!

Got a question like “What is that bug?” “What plants should I pick?” “How do I prune my tree?”

There is **real, expert help** available. The Penn State Extension Master Gardeners in Dauphin County answer questions about your home gardening concerns through their Home Gardening Hotline.

The Master Gardener Hotline at [dauphinmg@psu.edu](mailto:dauphinmg@psu.edu) can answer your question with unbiased research-based answers year-round. Sending high-quality photos and detailed descriptions will aid in their diagnosis of your problems. Send them along.

Don't guess. Get your questions answered by a real for sure expert who knows. You can contact the Master Gardeners at 717-921-7625 or use the above email address to get your questions answered by an expert or sign up today to receive their e-newsletter at: <https://extension.psu.edu/master-gardener-team-sign-up>



### Stormwater Authority News



Earth Day this year is April 22nd. Since 1990 this day has been observed in over 140 countries around the world. This year you can celebrate by doing any of the following:

- Install a Rain Barrel to catch rainfall from your roof.
- Build a rain garden.
- Plant a Tree. Trees provide oxygen to us all.
- Switch to green cleaning products in your home.
- Reduce or stop using pesticides & fertilizers.
- Pick up after your pets and properly dispose of it.
- Adopt-A-Stream or Adopt-A-Highway.

### Important Voter Info for May 2022

1. New voters in Penbrook and first time voters will need to have a photo ID or non-photo ID. A driver license or state issued ID showing you live in Penbrook is enough.
2. Everyone in Penbrook votes at the Borough building at 28th and Canby Streets. Look for the police cars out front.
3. Know which ward you live in? You can call Dauphin County at 800-328-0058 if you are not sure.
4. On the day of the Primary Election all voting is done in the auditorium of the building. You can access it using the glass doors on Elm Street. It is a handicap accessible entrance. Help is available, just ask.
5. Since the May Election is a Primary, you must be a registered member of a political party to vote. You can register at [www.VotesPA.com/register](http://www.VotesPA.com/register) and you can change your party affiliation there as well.
6. You may ask for either absentee or mail-in ballots from the County at the above number. Help is available with the ballots. If you need it, just ask the County
7. Remember that the Primary Election is now on May 17th this year, PLEASE VOTE ON MAY 17th, or VOTE BY MAIL.



**This Newsletter was personally delivered to you free of charge by members of the Penbrook Leos Club.**

To support the Leos, send a check to the  
“Leo Club” at the Borough Hall.  
150 South 28th Street  
Harrisburg, PA  
17103