



# PENBROOK BOROUGH NEWS

## FALL 2022

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### IMPORTANT EVENTS

Labor Day Sept 5th

Columbus/Indigenous Peoples' Day Oct 10th

Halloween Oct 31st

Election Day Nov 8th

Veterans' Day Nov 11th

Thanksgiving Nov. 24th

Christmas Eve Dec 24th

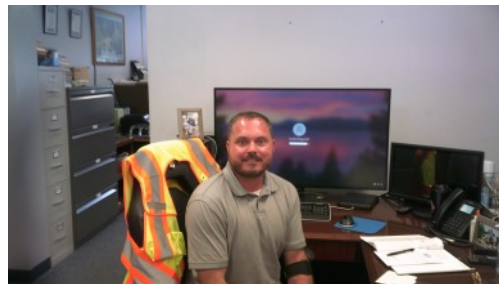
Christmas Day Dec 25th

New Years Eve Dec 31st

New Years Day  
January 1, 2022

## Community News

### Building Codes Officer



**Jacob Bragunier**

Jake is the new Codes Enforcement Officer and takes the place of Robert Myers who resigned earlier this year. He lives in Middletown with his wife Angela, twin 11 year old kids and their cat Wrigley. He will initially be handling Property Maintenance work but will soon become our Building Codes Officer.

### Property Maintenance/Highway



**Paul Goff**

Paul has two different positions. He will be working with Jake Bragunier in the Codes Department handling Property Maintenance issues and also with the Highway Department. He has years of experience in public works. He lives with his family in East Penn Township and has five daughters.

### LEAF PICK-UP SCHEDULE FOR 2022

To get rid of the leaves from your property, sweep them into the street at the curb, during the week when your section of the Borough will have them collected. Please do not call the Borough Offices to have your leaves picked up, they will be collected on the schedule below. The dividing line between the North and South sides of the Borough is Walnut Street. If you are living north of Walnut, including the north side of Walnut Street, use the North Side Schedule, if not, use the South Side Schedule. Collection will be starting each week below.

#### North of Walnut Street

October 17th  
October 31st  
November 14th  
November 28th

#### South of Walnut Street

October 24th  
November 7th  
November 21st  
December 5th

Collection ends after the first snowfall, or December 9th, whichever comes first.

## 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—6:30pm  
Monday at the Community Building on Sept 6th (Tue), Oct 3rd, Nov 7th and Dec 5th.
- Caucus Meetings—6:30pm  
Monday at the Community Building on Sep 19th, Oct 17th, Nov 21st and Dec 19th
- Penbrook Authority—6:30 pm Meetings Wednesday at the Community Building on Sep 21st, Oct 19th, Nov 16th And Dec 21st.

All Meetings are held at the Penbrook Community Center, 150 S. 28th Street, Harrisburg, PA 17103. 717-232-3733

The building is handicap accessible from the Elm Street side.

Penbrook Revitalization meets the 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:30PM at the Borough Building.



# Emergency Dial 9-1-1

If you smell smoke, witness or are a victim of a crime or are involved in a serious accident, Dial 9-1-1. When a child, senior citizen, or handicapped person is lost, confused or needs help, Dial 9-1-1.

Did you know **you can Dial 9-1-1 from a cell phone even if you do not have a service plan.** So remember **DO NOT** let children use old cell phones as toys.

If you accidentally Dial 9-1-1 by mistake, stay on the line until the call is answered and explain that you dialed by mistake. If you hang up, the dispatcher will try to call you back and if they can not reach you, they will send emergency personnel.

When you Dial 9-1-1, give the dispatcher your name, the number you are calling from, your location and the reason you are calling. Remain calm, speak clearly, and answer all the dispatcher's questions. Remember, they are there to help, but can only help if they know what you need.

## Penbrook Historical Society

The Penbrook Historical Society will hold its quarterly meetings at the Penbrook Borough Hall at 2 PM on October 16, 2022, January 22, 2023, and March 19, 2023. Come and join them and learn about the fascinating history of the borough and its many prominent residents of the past.

The society will also put on display in the auditorium, a collection of historical artifacts from Penbrook's past for your review during the Nov 8th elections.

The Historical Society will hold the most delicious bake sale ever during the voting on November 8, 2022. Cookies, Bread, and Specialty Baked Items are on sale at unbelievable prices. Come and treat yourself after you vote.



## Penbrook Free Summer Program Celebrates 58th Year



The Penbrook Summer Program for children from 6 to 12 has been a great success again. This year 32 youngsters participated in activities such as sports clinics, health and nutrition programs, environmental topics, safety awareness and a paid trip to the Lake Tobias Wildlife park. Sponsors included the Susquehanna Soccer Club, Penbrook Lions Club, UPMC, Giant Foods, Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, the Department of Agriculture Woodmobile, the Penbrook Police Department and the Patriot News Co. Thanks to the many sponsors, Borough Council and Administration,

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## Capital Area Head Start Enrollment

Capital Area Head Start is accepting enrollment for the 2022-23 program year at the 51 Banks Street location in Penbrook. Head Start is looking for 3 and 4 year old children who need a high quality preschool program. Children must be at least 3 years old by September 1st and meet certain low income guidelines to qualify, There is no cost to eligible families for Head Start! **Apply Now!**

The center-based program provides classroom experiences that prepare children for success in school and life. Children enjoy nutritious meals daily and individualized goal planning supports each child's growth and development in a safe and nurturing environment.

Reach Head Start at [KHS.org/Capital-Area-Head-Start](http://KHS.org/Capital-Area-Head-Start) or call 717-541-1795.

### GIVE YOUR CHILD THE HEAD START THEY NEED!

#### FALL STORMWATER TIPS

1. Sweep grass clippings and fertilizer from driveways, sidewalks and streets. Don't forget to sweep along the curbs too.
2. Fall is the best time to fertilize and control weeds, but use chemicals carefully so they don't get into nearby inlets and end up in streams.
3. Please pick up after your pet, especially when the weather turns colder. Pet waste contains both phosphorus and nitrogen and even harmful bacteria which can kill fish and pollute our streams.
4. During your Fall tune-up of your car or lawn equipment, be careful not to send gasoline and oil down into the street. Petroleum products such as these can kill as soon as they reach the waterway.

#### LEO Club Manna Food Drive

Members of the Penbrook Leo Club have been growing vegetables all summer and will be sharing the bounty during the Manna Food Drive to be held across from the Community Building on November 23rd from Noon to 5PM. Donations of non-perishable food and cash will be accepted by the LEO's at that time. Your gifts of food and funds are greatly appreciated.

#### SCHOOL IS IN

Drivers are reminded to drive carefully throughout the residential areas of the Borough. Children will run between cars in order to catch the school bus.

#### TRASH & RECYCLING TOTERS

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

## INFORMATION FOR NEW VOTERS

1. The fall election is on November 8th which is a **Tuesday**.
2. All registered Penbrook voters will cast their votes at the Borough Community Building, 150 S. 28th Street.
3. New voters will need a picture ID such as a driver license with a Penbrook address.
4. The last day to register to vote in Penbrook is October 24th. You can register to vote online at [www.vote.pa.gov](http://www.vote.pa.gov)
5. The last date to request an absentee or mail-in ballot is November 1st. Call the County at 717-780-6360. These must be returned by 8PM on November 8th.
6. If you don't know which ward you live in, you can find out when you vote.

#### Walk With A Doc



Thurs. Sep. 1st, 5:30PM Penbrook Community Park, 31st & Boas Sts.  
Wed. Sept 7th, 5:30PM Boyd Big Tree Preserve, Fishing Creek Valley Rd.  
Sat. Oct. 8th, 10AM Wildwood Park Nature Center  
Sat. Nov 5th, 10AM Veteran's Park Trail, Elmerton Ave.  
Thurs. Dec 8th, 5:30PM Linglestown Square Holiday Lights Walk

All walks are free. Bring your own water and snacks if desired and wear appropriate shoes.



Phone Numbers for Borough Personnel.  
Dial 717-232-3733 then select one of the following:

- #1—Assistant Treasurer/Office
- #2—Codes Department
- #3—Penbrook Authority
- #4—Borough Manager

#### If you have a Police or Fire Emergency Dial 911

For Police Non-Emergencies call Dauphin County Dispatch at 717- 558-6900 and ask to speak to a Penbrook Police Officer.

The offices will be closed Sept. 5th, Nov. 24th & 25th, Dec. 26th & Jan 2nd.

## PENBROOK COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS—FALL 2022

### PENBROOK LIONS CLUB - LITTLE LIBRARIES

Everyone is invited to enjoy our four little libraries right here in Penbrook!

The little libraries are located:

- In the lobby of our Community Building
- At the Community Park Pavilion
- At Elm Street Station Park and
- At Little Valley Park.

These little libraries range from book shelves, benches, to little cabinets filled with free books for all ages! Pick a book, sit under a tree and let the adventure begin!

Everyone is invited to walk the Greenbelt and read the story at the Paxtang Trailhead. The story changes with every season. Contact [tammymarie7@hotmail.com](mailto:tammymarie7@hotmail.com) for information.



### 2022 PENBROOK PROPERTY OF MERIT



*Penbrook Revitalization Inc.*

The 2022 Penbrook Property of Merit *People's Choice Awards* voting will be held in the Fall. Please watch our website at [www.penbrook.org](http://www.penbrook.org) for information on which properties are being considered and how to vote for your favorites.

Celebrate the winners with us on Thursday Nov. 17, 2022 at the Borough Hall at 6PM. For more info go to [penbrookrevitalization.org](http://penbrookrevitalization.org)

### News for Seniors

**LOW IMPACT FITNESS CLASSES:** Come to the Penbrook Community Center on the first Thursday of each month from 10:15 AM to 11 AM and join Tammy for fun and fitness starting Oct 6th.

**SENIOR OUTREACH:** Join Laura, a representative of Senior Life for resources, light refreshments and activities. She will be at the Community Center the first Thursday of each month from 11 AM to Noon starting on Oct. 6th.

**DO YOU NEED TAX HELP?** Starting in January 2023 Councilman Jim Armbruster will be holding sessions for seniors. We will guide you through the free IRS tax programs for help with your federal 2022 taxes. One session each week will prepare you to use these programs with confidence.. Contact him at [ward4a@penbrook.org](mailto:ward4a@penbrook.org)

### Moving???

Please don't abandon your pets when you leave. Call for Help! There are rescues that could help you with your pet.

There is a TNR Program where residents will Trap, Neuter and Release feral cats to help with over-population, A single donation per cat covers the cost. Call Paula at 717-889-6048



This Newsletter was personally delivered to you free of charge by members of the Penbrook Leos Club. Show support with a generous donation to them.

### Trick or Treat

As requested by residents, Penbrook will return to the traditional Trick or Treat on Monday Oct. 31st. The Penbrook Lions will provide hot dogs and cider at the Borough Hall from 5:30PM to 8PM that night.

**VOTE ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8th.**  
**YOUR VOTE IS**  
**YOUR VOICE IN GOVERNMENT!**