



PENBROOK BOROUGH NEWS

WINTER 2022

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Historic Penbrook Home on Parade

The home and office at 2400 Walnut Street is the first home in the Borough to be included in the 2022 Candlelight House Tour. The house is the office of James Crum, Architect and Dorothy Hamilton Interior Designer. The house was built by the Calder Family in 1906 and was bought by Dorothy and Jim in 1984 from the famous restaurateur Happy Martin.

The house is of the historic American Four-Square design and features both Italianate and Craftsman details including the original bracketed red-slate hip-roof, deep overhanging eaves, large cornices, a wrap-around

porch, stained glass windows and a central stone fireplace.

The tour will take place on Sunday December 11th from 1 PM to 6 PM.

Tickets can be purchased online at Eventbrite.com or through www.HistoricHarrisburg.com/Events



SNOW CLEARANCE NOTICE—ALTERNATE SIDES OF STREET

Snow must be cleared from sidewalks within 24 hours after the end of a storm. When clearing the sidewalk **DO NOT PUT THE SNOW IN THE STREET.** You already pay to have your street cleared, putting the snow in the street after it has been cleared means that the Borough employees that plowed your street will have to plow it again, costing twice as much. **DON'T PAY TWICE!**

After a **severe** snow storm, the borough may invoke alternate side of the street parking so employees can clear the snow completely from the pavement. When this is done, watch the TV stations listed on Page 2 for information on which side of the street will be cleared first. Alternate side of the street parking means that on the odd or even day for the street to be cleared, you must remove your car from that side of the street depending on the last digit of the address number. Addresses ending with 1, 3, 5, 7 or 9 should be free of cars on odd number days and addresses ending with 2, 4, 6, 8 or 0 on even number days.

Emergency Numbers and Information Contacts

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

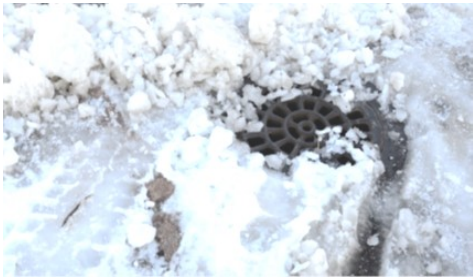
TV Channels for Emergency Alerts
WHTM Channel 27
WHP Channel 21
WGAL Channel 8

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

PENBROOK AUTHORITY NEWS



Prevent Fall Stormwater Pollution by clearing leaves from stormwater inlets. Leaves contribute to pollution by adding nitrogen to streams and they can cause localized flooding in streets. Remove leaves from storm drains to prevent this.



WINTER STORMWATER POLLUTION

Many people forget that it is easy to pollute our streams in the winter just because we need to remove the snow which is in our way. There are a couple of easy rules to remember when doing this. First, when you remove snow from your sidewalk or driveway, put it where it will do the most good, on your lawn. The snow will melt and seep into the earth ready to feed your grass and plants in the Spring.

Next, use as little salt as possible. Salt ends up in streams, Spreading salt under 15°F doesn't do anything at all except waste money. Only use it where you need it, where you will walk or drive, not all over the whole driveway. Remember that our streams are fresh water, not salt water.

ARE YOU A WET OR A DRY??

Did you know that the Borough of Penbrook has been a **DRY** community since 1934. The 21st Amendment to the Constitution was enacted in December of 1933. At that time communities in PA. needed to decide to remain dry or go wet. Remaining dry meant that no alcoholic beverages could be sold in the Borough. Council decided to remain a DRY community in 1934.

The Penbrook Planning Commission, as a part of its role to advise Council, is asking for your advice on whether to remain dry or not. If you would like to see this question on the ballot in May 2023, then email Penbrook2030Votes@outlook.com with your name and address. The Commission will contact you in February 2023 and ask you to sign the petition requesting that the question be placed on the ballot in May. All voters will be able to decide the question at the Primary Election in May 2023.

PENBROOK GETS ANOTHER MURAL

A second mural has been created in the Borough of Penbrook. This one is on the side of Dave's House of Hair at 2514 Canby Street. Sarah Fogg, the artist that created the mural at the Penbrook Community Building is also the artist that painted this one.

The building is owned by Mr. David Deardorff, the President of Borough Council and was financed by the same two residents as our first mural, Frederick Pace and James Armbruster. A musical presentation of the making of the mural will soon be available on Facebook and on www.penbrook.org

PARKS SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING DATES

Parks Subcommittee meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month at the Penbrook Community Building at 6:30 pm

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COMMUNITY NOTES

LIONS AND LEOS COMMUNITY GARDEN

The Lions and Leos harvested quite a lot of kale, spinach, radishes, turnips, jalapeno peppers, two crops of lettuce, cabbage and broccoli at the Community Garden this year. Leos have been watering and weeding the garden the entire growing season.

All crops grown this year will be given to local food banks.

CARE OF PETS IN WINTER

Penbrook Borough adopted a Trap Neuter and Release program for feral cats last winter. If you know of feral cats in your neighborhood, contact the Borough Offices.

Please remember it is against state law to leave a cat or dog outside in the winter. Pets must be sheltered with adequate food and water at all times. Failure to do so is a costly violation of Act 10 of 2017.

LIVE HOLIDAY TREE COLLECTION

Will you have a live tree for the holidays this year? If you do, then to properly dispose of the tree, put it out where you place your trash and recycling totes. The trash collectors will take your tree on Thursdays, the day **after** they collect trash during the month of January only. Please do not discard your tree by dumping it on another's property.

PAYING BOROUGH TAXES AND FEES

Keystone Collections is collecting payments for the Penbrook Authority and the Per Capita and Occupation taxes for the Borough of Penbrook

All of the above fees and taxes can be paid at online at:

Pay at: www.keystonecollects.com/Payment

Keystone Collections Group would like to remind all the residents of Penbrook who have not yet paid their 2022 Per Capita and Occupation Taxes that these taxes are due on or before December 31, 2022

Delinquent Taxes and Fees are sent to collections.

DRIVE CAREFULLY

Driving on snow and ice is dangerous but when they cover leaves, driving becomes extremely treacherous because leaves can slip even when covered with snow or ice.

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

PARKING COMMERCIAL VEHICLES

Everyone knows that on-street parking in Penbrook can be very difficult. There is never enough space for all the cars and trucks. In 2009 the Council enacted Ordinance 2009-2 which prohibits parking more than one commercial vehicle owned by the same entity in any zoning district overnight other than the Commercial District.

This means that any two or more Commercial Vehicles owned or operated by the same entity parked overnight in any residential district is in violation of the ordinance. The manager can permit specific vehicles to remain if they are servicing homes.

2023 NEWS ON TAXES AND FEES

The Penbrook Borough Council, after diligent work on the proposed 2023 budget since last August, has determined that no increase in real estate taxes or the Borough fees on the tax bills will be necessary in 2023.

In spite of expected increases in trash collection from Harrisburg City or sanitary sewer rates from Capital Region Water, there will be no increase in these fees.

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

- #1—Assistant Treasurer/Office
- #2—Codes Department
- #3—Property Maintenance
- #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

Borough Offices will be closed on Dec 26, 2022;
January 2, 2023; January 16, 2023 and
February 20, 2023

PENBROOK COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS—WINTER 2023

2023 BOROUGH MEETING CALENDAR

Council Meetings
January 3rd (Tuesday) and 17th (Tuesday)
February 6th and 21st (Tuesday)
March 6th and 20th
April 3rd and 17th
May 1st and 15th
June 5th and 20th (Tuesday)
July 3rd and 17th
August 7th and 21st
September 5th (Tuesday) and 18th
October 2nd and 16th
November 6th and 20th
December 4th and 18th

Budget Meetings
August 14th and 28th
September 11th and 25th
October 10 (Tuesday) and 23rd
November 13th and 27th

Authority Meetings are on the 3rd Wednesday of the month.

ALL MEETINGS START AT 6:30 PM

If you are handicapped and need assistance. Call the Borough Offices before the meeting.

CAPITAL AREA HEAD START NEWS

Looking for an Amazing Pre-School Experience for your child?? Capital Area Head Start has openings for 3 and 4 year old children at its Penbrook location at 51 Banks Street.

Please call 717-541-1795 to apply now.

There is NO COST to eligible families who meet income eligibility guidelines.

Looking for an Amazing Career? Capital Head Start is also hiring. Visit www.khs.org/careers/

The Leo Club is a group (ages 12 to 17) sponsored by the Penbrook Lions Club to promote civic pride and help the community. They meet at the Penbrook Community Building.

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

Support them by sending them a donation to 150 South 28th Street Harrisburg, PA 17103



**Holiday Gathering
Saturday December 3**

We will gather at 6:30 PM in the Community Building for hot cocoa, cookies, and children's activities.

All are welcome!

SPRING BASEBALL REGISTRATION

Registration will be held January 21st and 28th and February 4th from 9 AM to Noon at the Community Building. Ages 5 to 15 may sign up. Cost to sign up for 5-12 is \$80 with fundraiser participation or \$110 with the buyout. Cost for ages 13 to 15 is \$110 with fundraiser participation or \$140 for the buyout. Please follow them on facebook at "Wilhelm Paxtang Baseball Association"

If you have questions, contact Clark Bernard at cb18028@yahoo.com

Properties of Merit 25th Anniversary

Penbrook Revitalization held its 25th Properties of Merit ceremony on Thursday November 17th. The winners were The Wengers of 2324 Hoffer St., The McLaughlins of 2929 Canby St., and The Reyes of 2514 Hoffer St. CostaOil-Harrisburg was the winning business. The winners were acknowledged by legislators Sue Helm and John DiSantos as well as Dauphin County Commissioner Pries.

