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2023 BOROUGH GUIDE

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SOUTHBRIDGE EMS: *More Than Just an Ambulance Service*



SouthBridge EMS is proud to provide 24/7 emergency response to the residents and visitors of Bridgeville Borough, Cecil Township and South Fayette Township, but did you know that SouthBridge is more than just an ambulance service? In addition to its four ambulances and two (soon to be three!) response squads, SouthBridge provides a variety of special operations and equipment.

A 6X6 ATV is customized for responses involving heavily wooded areas or trails. The stretcher mounted on the rear bed allows for safe patient extrication to the awaiting ambulance for transport. Additionally, the specially trained bike team deploys for special events on mountain bikes specifically outfitted for EMS response. This ensures patients can be reached in areas inaccessible by vehicle. Our two electric bicycles were purchased

thanks to a generous donation and have become an invaluable tool for special event coverage.

SouthBridge also boasts an impressive water rescue fleet. Years ago, grant funds were obtained to acquire two jet skis specifically for swift water rescue situations, but recent grant funds have allowed the service to add a water rescue boat and new safety gear. With the addition of these watercrafts, victims can be reached quickly and with reduced danger to the responder.

Finally, the service maintains equipment to deploy on-scene fire rehabilitation that can function as a quick treatment area for first responders or an incident command post. Examples of such equipment include tents, misting fans, chairs, hydration stations, and more.

As always, please call 911 in the event of an emergency. ■



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THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT SNOW REMOVAL

Your Public Works Crew is on call 24 hours a day for snow and ice removal of over 25 miles of roadway within the Borough. The Borough uses on average 900 tons of salt per year to treat our roads and operates with five snowplow trucks. Call outs for Public Works to clear snow from the streets in the evening and night hours is made by the Bridgeville Police who are out on patrol. During severe snow situations where plowing is needed, the main Borough roads have priority, which in some cases require residential roadways and alleys to be designated as secondary. Priority roadways include the hilly areas of the Borough and the main thoroughfares. Alleys are typically cleared and treated last.

When streets are plowed, snow will be pushed in front of driveways, parked cars, and walking paths. Unfortunately, there are no other places for the snow to go. The Public Works Department apologizes for the inconvenience. We ask residents to please park in your driveway or garage if possible, rather than parking in the street. This will allow for easier access of snow removal equipment. When parking on the street, motorists must park their vehicles close to the curb. Parking your vehicle away from the curb due to snow buildup restricts traffic on the roadways and prevents the wide snowplows and emergency vehicles from traveling down streets. The



Public Works Department is not permitted to assist residents by clearing private driveways, sidewalks, or paths to mailboxes.

Clear the Walk: It is unlawful to shovel or plow snow back into the streets. Please place snow on the curb-line or next to your driveways. Offenders could be cited by the Police; fines are \$600. Sidewalks are to be cleared of ice and/or snow within 12 hours of the storm. Failure to clear sidewalks could be punishable of a fine of \$600. Complaints about sidewalks are addressed by Code Enforcement. Please keep fire hydrants clear of snow. They are for your safety.

And Clear the Car: You may be dreaming of a white Christmas, but you gotta get that stuff off your car before you take it out. As you are clearing your windshield and windows, remember to take the snow off the roof and the back of your vehicle. If a big chunk of ice-crusted snow slides off your car and causes an accident, you could be subject to fines up to \$1,000. ■

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(left to right top row) Joseph Verduci,
Bruce Ghelarducci, Justine Cimarolli,
Nicholas Ciesielski, Joseph Colosimo

(left to right seated) Nino Petrocelli Sr.,
Mayor Betty Copeland, William Henderson

OFFICIAL TITLE

NAME

Mayor	Betty L. Copeland
President of Council	William Henderson
Vice President	Nino Petrocelli, Sr.
President Pro Tem	Joseph Colosimo
Councilman	Nicholas Ciesielski
Councilman	Bruce Ghelarducci
Councilman	Joseph Verduci
Councilwoman	Justine Cimarolli
Borough Manager	Joseph Kauer

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Emergency Calls	911
Non-Emergency Calls for Police Dispatch	412-279-6911
Bridgeville Borough Offices	412-221-6012
Bridgeville Police Station Office (non-emergency)	412-221-6052
Bridgeville Fire Department Office (non-emergency)	412-221-1711
Bridgeville Parking Authority Office	412-221-4404
SouthBridge EMS Office	412-221-5115
Bridgeville Tax Office, Anne Marie Parisi Kean's Office	412-221-6055
Jordan Tax Service (Wage & Business Tax, Sewage Fee Collector)	412-835-5243
County Hauling (Trash and Recycling Service Provider)	724-929-7694
District Court – Magistrate's Office	412-221-3353
Bridgeville Public Library	412-221-3737
Historical Society	412-221-4052
PENNDOT	412-429-5000
Chartiers Valley School District	412-429-2201
Allegheny County Dept of Human Services – Senior Services	412-350-6905
Allegheny County Dept of Human Services – Behavior Health	1-888-424-2287
Allegheny County Dept of Human Services – Child Abuse Hotline	1-800-932-0313

UTILITIES

PA American Water Company	800-565-7292
West Penn Power (First Energy Co)	1-888-LIGHTSS (1-888-544-4877)
Peoples Gas Company (formerly Equitable Gas Company)	1-800-654-6335
Comcast 1-800-COMCAST	1-800-266-2278
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2023 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FEBRUARY

- 13 Borough Council Meeting, 7PM
- 20 Parking Authority Meeting, 7PM
- 20 President's Day – Borough Building Closed
- 27 Planning Commission Meeting, 7PM

MARCH

- 12 Daylight Savings Time Begins, 2AM, Change Smoke Alarm Batteries
- 13 Borough Council Meeting, 7PM
- 20 Parking Authority Meeting, 7PM
- 27 Planning Commission Meeting, 7PM

APRIL

- 1 Easter Egg Hunt, Chartiers Park
- 3 Curbside Brush Collection Starts
- 3 Weekly Street Sweeping Program Starts
- 7 Good Friday – Borough Building Closed
- 10 Borough Council Meeting, 7PM
- 10 Easter Monday – Borough Building Closed
- 17 Parking Authority Meeting, 7PM
- 24 Planning Commission Meeting, 7PM
- 28 Curbside Brush Collection Ends

MAY

- 8 Borough Council Meeting, 7PM
- 15 Parking Authority Meeting, 7PM
- 22 Planning Commission Meeting, 7PM
- 26 Weekly Street Sweeping Program Ends

- 29 Memorial Day – Borough Office Closed, Trash Delayed, picked up Saturday
- 29 Memorial Day Parade, 10AM

JUNE

- 12 Borough Council Meeting, 7PM
- 17 Community Event – Day on the Avenue
- 17 BAA Movie in the Park at Dusk – "The Bad News Bears"
- 19 Parking Authority Meeting, 7PM
- 19-23 Street Sweeping this Week
- 26 Planning Commission Meeting, 7PM

JULY

- 4 Independence Day
- 4 Borough Office Closed, Trash Delayed, picked up Saturday
- 10 Borough Council Meeting, 7PM
- 17 Parking Authority Meeting, 7PM
- 17-21 Street Sweeping this Week
- 24 Planning Commission Meeting, 7PM

AUGUST

- 14 Borough Council Meeting, 7PM
- 21 Parking Authority Meeting, 7PM
- 21-25 Street Sweeping this Week
- 28 Planning Commission Meeting, 7PM

SEPTEMBER

- 4 Labor Day – Borough Building Closed, Trash Delayed, Picked up Saturday
- 11 Borough Council Meeting, 7PM
- 18 Parking Authority Meeting, 7PM

- 18-22 Street Sweeping this Week
- 25 Planning Commission Meeting, 7PM

OCTOBER

- 9 Borough Council Meeting, 7PM
- 9 Curbside Leaf Collection Starts
- 16 Parking Authority Meeting, 7PM
- 23 Planning Commission Meeting, 7PM
- 28 Halloween Parade
- 31 Trick or Treat, 6-8PM

NOVEMBER

- 5 Daylight Savings Time Ends, Change Smoke Alarm Batteries
- 6 Curbside Brush Collection Program Starts
- 13 Borough Council Meeting, 7PM
- 20 Parking Authority Meeting, 7PM
- 23-24 Thanksgiving, Borough Building Closed, Trash Delayed, Picked up Saturday

DECEMBER

- 1 Winter Blast, Triangle Park (tentative)
- 4 Planning Commission Meeting, 7PM
- 8 Curbside Leaf and Brush Collection Ends
- 11 Borough Council Meeting, 7PM
- 17 Santa Visit BVFD
- 18 Parking Authority Meeting, 7PM
- 25-26 Christmas, Borough Building Closed

Visit www.bridgevilleboro.com for more detailed info!

2023 Election Day – May 16, 2023 & November 7, 2023

Bridgeville Voting Information:

2023 Election Days:

Polls Open 7AM to 8PM

Primary: Tuesday, May 16, 2023

General: Tuesday, November 7, 2023

Polling Places:

District 1 & 2 – Bridgeville Volunteer Fire Department – 370 Commercial Street

District 3 & 4 – Bridgeville Manor – McMillen and Gregg Street

How to Register to Vote:

Allegheny County Elections Division – main phone



412-350-4500. You may register to vote at the Allegheny County Elections Division, Room 609 of the County Office Building, located at the corner of Ross Street and Forbes Avenue, downtown Pittsburgh, PA, 15219. Regular business hours are 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. The telephone number for registration is 412-350-4510. Registration forms are also available at the Borough Building in the main lobby, or online at <https://www.pavoterservices.pa.gov/Pages/VoterRegistrationApplication.aspx>

Election Complaints:

The Notice and Statement of Complaint are available at your polling place, the County Board of Elections, or at the Pennsylvania Department of State by calling 1-877-VOTES-PA (1-877-868-3772), or visit dos.pa.gov.

Chartiers Valley Middle School Named “School to Watch”



Chartiers Valley Middle School has been named a PA Don Eichhorn Schools: “Schools to Watch.” This designation is thanks to the Academic Excellence, Developmental Responsiveness, Social Equity, and Organizational Structures and Processes at CVMS.

“We are thrilled with this recognition for Chartiers Valley Middle School. What an honor to be recognized for our outstanding team and their commitment to helping all students at the middle school level,” says Dr. Johannah Vanatta, Ed.D., Chartiers Valley District Superintendent.

Chartiers Valley Middle School joins nine other schools across Pennsylvania, earning this recognition. Each school has strong leadership, great teachers who work together to improve curriculum and instruction, and a commitment to assessment and accountability to bring about continuous improvement.

In October, the Schools To Watch team leaders visited Chartiers Valley Middle School and talked with building leaders, teachers, students, and parents. The team also observed classrooms and looked at achievement data, quality of lessons, and student work.

“The application process was very thorough, making the recognition even more exciting. The team from Schools To Watch looked at so many different aspects of CVMS and selected us among the ten best in PA—it’s truly an amazing honor,” adds Dr. Michele Welter, Principal of Chartiers Valley Middle School.

In addition to the visit, there is a written application where CVMS leaders demonstrated how they met the criteria.

CVMS will be recognized at the Pennsylvania Association for Middle-Level Educations State Conference in February and nationally with all the other recognized schools from across the country in Washington, D.C. in June. ■

Bridgeville Athletic Association

LET’S MEET IN THE PARK:

2023 Season open to everyone, ages 3 thru 19
Pre-T, T-Ball, Coach Pitch, Kid Pitch

ANNUAL MOVIE IN THE PARK:

Chartiers Park, June 17th at sunset. Bring your chairs and blankets.

Thank you Sports Haven for hosting and to those for attending the BAA First Annual Bowling Fundraiser!



Bridgeville-South Fayette Rotary Club

Joe Verduci
Club President

The Bridgeville-South Fayette Rotary Club have been making a difference in the lives of our community since 1952 while socializing, building relationships, yet having fun. Our members strive to live up to Rotary’s motto “Service above Self”. There is a second motto in Rotary that is not quoted as frequently “They profit most who serve best”.

This past year we have been helping so many community causes that make a difference in the lives of so many people. From the Bridgeville Area Food Bank to Recognizing students through our Student of the Month Program and Scholarships. We also were able to finish the Story Walk project in Chartiers Park project with the BPL that was dedicated to the memory of our fellow Rotarian Dale Miller. We have achieved so many of our goals over 2022 and are excited to see what is coming in 2023!

We will be having our 3rd Annual Trivia Night on April 1st. All of the information is available on our Facebook page or

the website www.bridgeville-sfrotary.org/ or call 412-576-0940 for tickets. And of course the 16th Annual Chili Cookoff will be held in the late September/early October, pending the release of the Steeler schedule of course.

Last but not least, welcome our new members Mike Tolmer, Dave Watson, Jessica Paracca, Annette Kirkpatrick, Wendy Kingsland and Zen Piotrowski. We are excited that our Club is growing and looking for new members to join our group! If you are looking to make positive changes in your community? Our club members are dedicated people who share a passion for community service and friendship. Becoming a Rotarian, connects you with a diverse group who share your drive to give back. If you would like to learn more about membership and let us buy you lunch at our Thursday meeting please e-mail me at bvsfrotary@gmail.com or call 412-576-0940. ■



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PERMIT INFORMATION AND RESOURCE GUIDE

BUILDING PERMITS:

In 2004, the Borough of Bridgeville elected to administer and enforce the provisions of the Pennsylvania Construction Code, Act 45 of 1999. The Uniform Construction Code is the code established in Section 301 of the Act. The purpose of the Act is to Protect Public Health, Ensure Safety of Building Occupants, and Protect Property from Failure and Destruction. A Building Permit is required to verify compliance with the Uniform Construction Code.

Building Permits are required for:

Single Family Dwellings, Manufactured/ Modular Homes, Two-Family Dwellings, Townhouses & Apartments, Additions, Alterations/Repairs, Decks, Porches/Porch Roofs, Swimming Pools (Above-ground and In-ground, greater than 24" deep), Spas and Hot tubs, Accessory Structures 1,000ft² and over, Fences over 6ft. in height, Retaining walls over 4ft. in height, Sidewalks/Driveways more than 30in. above adjacent grade, Demolition of existing structures, Commercial Buildings & Commercial Renovations.

Application for Building Permit is available at the Borough Office or at www.BridgevilleBoro.com

The Borough's 3rd Party Inspection Firm for Building Permits is Building Inspection Underwriters. Fees range from \$64.50 and up depending on the size and scope of your project. Drawings are required to be submitted with application.

When is a building permit not required?

You do not need to obtain a building permit for the following maintenance related types of residential projects: Replacing doors and windows of the same size within existing structure, replacing downspouts, gutters, soffit and fascia, replacing kitchen and bath fixtures such as cabinets, countertops, and sinks. Also, you do not need a building permit to replace roof shingles. These are just some examples to give you a general guideline. You can contact our office if you have any questions.

ZONING IN BRIDGEVILLE:

The Borough is zoned for your property's protection and is governed by Chapter 27 of the Bridgeville Code of Ordinances. The Borough is made up of multiple zoning districts include Residential 1 and 2, Conservation, Industrial, and Mixed-Use Business Districts. Each district has its own special regulations that permit the approved uses of the properties in these areas and provide regulations as for sizes of structures and setbacks.

Zoning Permits are required for:

Fences, Signs, Accessory Structures under 1,000ft², Sheds, Detached garages, Carports, Pavilions, Gazebos, Greenhouses, Agricultural Buildings

A Zoning Certificate is required to verify compliance with the Borough Ordinances regarding use, size and setback requirements. Application fee for a Zoning Permit is \$20 and applications are available at the Borough Office or www.BridgevilleBoro.com

FENCES:

There are regulations in place that govern the construction of fences in the Borough. If you are constructing a new fence or changing the height and location of an existing fence, a Fence Permit is required. Application fee for a Fence Permit is \$20.

In residential districts, fences may not exceed six feet in height from the front building face back and may not exceed four feet in height from the front property line to the building face. There are variations to approved fence height depending on what Zoning District your property is located within.

COMMERCIAL PERMITS AND SIGNS

All businesses require a Commercial Occupancy Permit prior to opening. If you desire to install business identification signage, the type of sign, size and placement of signs are regulated by the Zoning Ordinance. Permit application fee is \$25 if the value of your sign is under \$1,000; over \$1,000 the sign permit fee increases by \$5.

RENTAL REGISTRATION / INSPECTION PROGRAM

All Rental Properties in Bridgeville are required to be registered. Landlord-Tenant registration is processed by the Police Secretary.

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE / CODE ENFORCEMENT COMPLAINTS

The International Property Maintenance Code of 2009 is the code used by the borough as its criteria. This code covers the inside and the outside of all properties in the borough and sets forth the minimum standards of maintenance. The Borough takes an aggressive approach toward addressing and correcting property maintenance violations. In addition to regulating the overall appearance of properties, the code regulates quality of life issues such as maintenance of grass, weeds, trash, debris, building exteriors, fences, and vehicle storage. *[How to Make a Complaint:](#)* If you have a complaint about an unsightly property in the Borough, you may contact the Borough Manager at 412-221-6012 x111 or jkauer@bridgevilleboro.com. ■

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Trash Collection and Recycling Service in Bridgeville

WEEKLY TRASH COLLECTION SERVICES

Service is provided weekly, is unlimited (except as noted below) and collected on Fridays. Please do not put your trash out for pickup until 6PM the night before collection. However, please ensure your trash is at the curb by 6am on Friday morning.

GARBAGE PREPARATION GUIDELINES:

Freon from refrigerators, dehumidifiers, freezers, etc., needs to be removed and proof of removal taped to the front of the item and visible to the collection crews. Paint cans—must be dried out (kitty litter works well)—placed next to garbage cans with lids off. Carpeting and tree branches must be less than 3 to 4 feet in length and bundled. **All trash must be properly bagged.** Needles are not permitted to be thrown away in regular household trash. Borough Public Works will collect leaves and brush in the fall, and Christmas Trees can be placed out with the weekly trash pickup during the period from December 26, 2023 through January 15, 2024. Cans or bags should weigh up to 40 to 50 lbs. If you cannot lift it, we cannot either.

ITEMS NOT INCLUDED AND WILL NOT BE PICKED UP BY CONTRACTOR:

No tires, automobile parts or building, construction or remodeling materials (including block, brick, plaster and wood) will be picked up or collected. No paving materials, cement, sand, broken concrete, stones, dirt, ashes, metal 55-gallon drums or grease drums will be collected. Appliances containing Freon will not be collected.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE:

All garbage pickup will be delayed by one day if one of the following holidays fall on a weekday preceding to or on a Friday: New Years Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

TO REPORT A TRASH MISS:

Please call the Borough Office at 412-221-6012 x115 or email info@countyhauling.com.

RECYCLING SERVICES

Everyone in Bridgeville is mandated to recycle including commercial, industrial and residential properties.

RECYCLE PREPARATION GUIDELINES

The Borough provides a large uniform recycling bin for your use. Place all your recyclable materials in the blue bin. No need to separate it or bagged. Leave it loose, but items must be rinsed, and no food items are permitted to remain in the material. Glass of any kind is not accepted. Place bin at curb or in an accessible area for pick up.

Tin/Metal/Aluminum: Rinsed out and emptied of contents. No foil, chemical or paint cans.

Plastic- #1 and #2: (PET& HDPE) rinsed out and empty of contents. Lids must be removed.

Newspaper, Office Paper, Magazines and Cardboard: Loose or placed in paper bags only. Do not bundle with twine or tape.

ELECTRONIC AND HARD-TO-RECYCLE COLLECTION EVENT – SATURDAY, JULY 29, 2023

In partnership with Noble Environmental, a household hazardous waste and electronic collection event will be held at the Fire Station, 370 Commercial Street on **Saturday, July 29, 2023**, starting at 9AM. Electronics will be collected for a nominal fee per pound for all devices including tube CRT televisions, non-CRT devices and other electronics. What can be recycled include: paint / workshop products, automotive products, cleaning products, lawn and garden products, pesticide, car / household batteries, light bulbs, flammables and accepted Electronic / Freon Waste include: TVs, computers, printers, phones, AC units, dehumidifiers, mini fridges, microwaves, laptops and more.

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED IF YOU WISH TO RECYCLE ELECTRONICS OR HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE AT THIS EVENT. PLEASE CALL

412-567-6566 or www.nobleenviro.com to REGISTER. ■

Bridgeville Community Food Bank

The Bridgeville Community Food Bank, after 40 years of operation, continues to serve the needy families living within the Chartiers Valley and South Fayette school districts.

2022 was a year of amazing and overflowing blessings for the Bridgeville Community Food Bank. Nationwide there were news reports of food banks being in trouble. We have not experienced that locally.

The Food Bank is completely self-funded and operates entirely on donations and the efforts of its volunteers. Community support is outstanding! All churches in the Bridgeville Ministerium contribute to us in some manner.

We benefited from over 20 food drives throughout 2022. Donations were abundant. For the last few months of 2022, we were in the thank you letter business as much as the business of serving the needy families in the community!

In July, inflation hit 9.1% which is the highest level since 1981. During a recent trip to the grocery store, eggs were over \$5 a dozen and bologna was \$5 a pound. The wallet is hurting for a lot of needy families. But the Bridgeville Community Food Bank is richly blessed allowing us to fulfill our mission by assisting on average 122 local families each month.

We wish to thank everyone who has contributed time, money, and food to the Bridgeville Community Food Bank. Without you, this mission would not be possible. ■

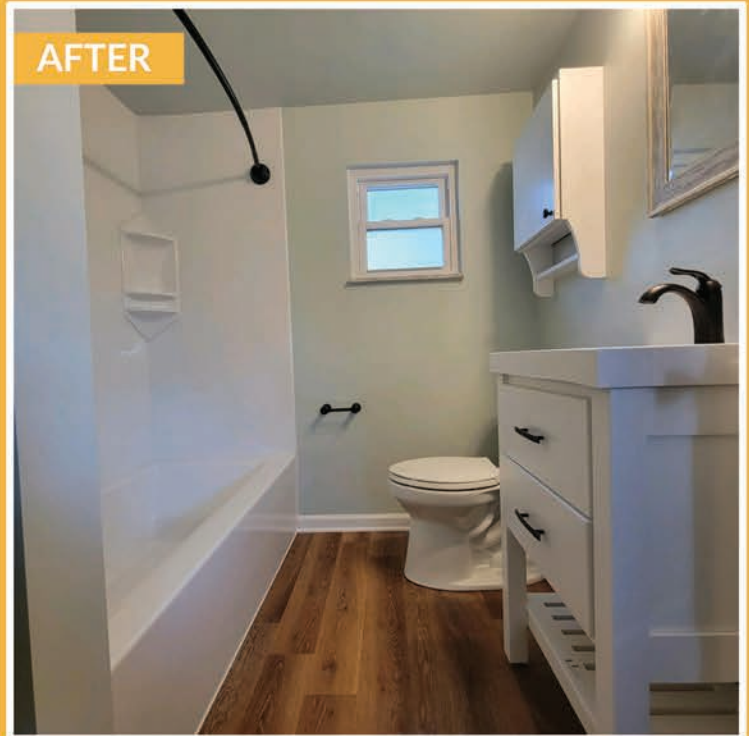




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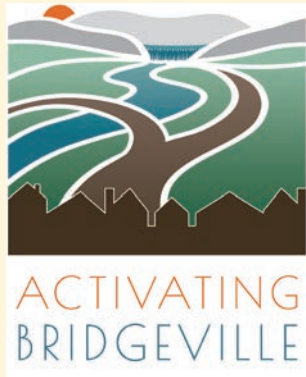


Angie's list



Planning for Bridgeville's Future

The Bridgeville Planning Commission is an advisory board to Borough Council charged with the review of proposed subdivisions, developments, changes to the Zoning Ordinance and for creating long-term plans for the Borough's future. Members of the Planning Commission include Chairwoman Justine Cimarolli, Vice Chairman Mike Tolmer, Secretary Dale Livingston, Elizabeth Bellaver and Melissa Guiliani. The Commission meets the fourth Monday of each month, 7PM in Council Chambers and meetings are also live streamed on www.Zoom.us.



Bridgeville Borough recognizes that people desire to live in communities that possess qualities of being both walkable and bike-able. Providing safe alternatives to motor vehicles for people to get to destinations can have a profound impact on communities. It encourages walking and biking to make short trips which improves the overall health of residents. People become less dependent on cars with fuel costs ever increasing. It can provide relief for parking in built up and downtown areas. Providing a safe bicycle and pedestrian network has the ability to spur investment and re-development efforts catalyzing dramatic revitalization efforts. With this in mind, Bridgeville Borough applied for and received a grant through the Active Allegheny Grant Program and created the "Activating Bridgeville" active transportation plan with the assistance from the planning firm Traffic Planning & Design, Inc. The Planning Commission adopted this plan in June of 2022 and it is now being implemented by the Borough Council. The implementation of the plan is expected to take place in phases over the next 10-15 years. The full plan is posted at: <https://bridgevilleboro.com/active-transportation-plan/>

Regarding the Comprehensive Plan Update, with funding assistance from the State, Bridgeville Borough has been working with Mackin Engineers & Consultants over the past several months to update the Borough's Comprehensive Plan, which was last developed in 2005. A Comprehensive Plan provides a vision for the future of the community along with the steps needed to turn the vision into a reality. The process has been designed to provide as many opportunities as possible for the residents, business owners and other Bridgeville stakeholders to become involved in developing the plan. To date, the project has included a public survey, stakeholder outreach, and a public input session in October 2022.

Through the public outreach there have been several areas of focus identified: business and downtown development, traffic control, quality of life preservation and flood mitigation.

Next steps will include finalizing the Vision for the Borough as well as developing the Action Plan. The Action Plan is one of the most important pieces of a Comprehensive Plan because it will identify priority recommendations to address the identified issues. In addition, there will be another public input session and several focus groups over the coming months to gather additional information for the plan.

Please contact Brandi Rosselli, Mackin's Community Planning Manager, at brosselli@mackinengineering.com (412.788.0472) or Joe Kauer, Borough Manager at jkauer@bridgevilleboro.com if you have questions or to be added to the email distribution list for the Comprehensive Plan. ■

What My Office Can Do for You

Nearly two years ago, I took the oath of office and began my first term as Pennsylvania State Senator for the 37th District. It is a great honor to serve my constituents in Allegheny County and be their voice in Harrisburg.

Last year, we stopped Gov. Wolf and his administration from placing yet another tax and financial burden on the backs of hardworking Pennsylvanians. Upon learning of Wolf's plan to toll several bridges across the commonwealth, including the I-79 bridge in Bridgeville, I was determined to do everything in my power to stop this proposal.



Sen. Devlin Robinson
(R-Allegheny)

After many months of work and unrelenting opposition, including a lawsuit filed by Bridgeville Borough and South Fayette and Collier Townships, PennDOT announced they would not appeal a Pennsylvania Commonwealth Court ruling which found PennDOT lacked the authority to toll the nine bridges.

Good things can happen when local officials and members of the General Assembly shine a light on an overreaching and unconstitutional decision. I am proud of the work we did to protect our constituents and remain focused on properly improving our roads and bridges with existing infrastructure funds.

Additionally in 2022, I sponsored several legislative initiatives focused on assisting small businesses, protecting taxpayers, bringing jobs to our region, helping veterans and EMS providers, and modernizing and streamlining local government.

I am extremely proud to have advocated for funding and bringing state resources back to the 37th District to improve infrastructure, better manage stormwater and flooding, update trails and parks, promote recreation and tourism in our area, assist in the expansion of local businesses and make our region more appealing and accessible.

Navigating state government isn't always easy. Staff in my offices in Bethel Park and Robinson Township are ready to help and offer a wide range of constituent services.

We assist with many services, including:

- PennDOT registrations.
- Offering status reports on legislation.
- Notary applications.
- Property tax and rent rebate applications.
- Birth and death certificates.
- Veterans' services.

My offices also offer Port Authority ConnectCard processing and Property Tax/Rent Rebate application assistance.

The Senior ConnectCard permits adults, 65 or older, to ride for free on Port Authority vehicles, including buses, light rail, and inclines during all hours of operation. Those who register need to bring valid proof-of-age documentation to the district office. This includes a photo driver's license, Pennsylvania identification card, passport, PACE identification card, armed forces discharge/separation papers or a birth certificate.

The Property Tax/Rent Rebate program benefits eligible Pennsylvanians who are 65 years or older, widows and widowers 50 years or older, and those 18 years or older with disabilities. Eligible participants can receive a rebate of up to \$650 based on their rent and/or property taxes paid in 2022.

For more information on any of these services, please call my office at 412-785-3070 or visit my webpage at senatordevlinrobinsonpa.com/.

My staff and I remain committed to serving you. We've accomplished many things this past year and I'm looking forward to continuing our hard work in 2023. ■

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2022 YEAR END REPORT

Over the past year, strategic investments have been made in our community's future, infrastructure, parks, and public safety. This has been and continues to be an ongoing effort by the members of Bridgeville Borough Council, Mayor, and the staff to keep improving and making our community an even more wonderful place to live, raise a family and operate a business. 2022 has brought about the following highlights and accomplishments that are worth recognizing and sharing:

PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS:

- Completed the 2022 Road Program that paved Alice Drive, Nancy Drive, Crestvue Drive, Grandview Avenue, portions of Missouri Avenue and Bluff Street; project completed by Mele, Mele & Sons. Public Works employees also resurfaced Oeschlager Way and Weise Way.
- Partnering with PENNDOT, construction was completed on the widening of Chartiers Street and the construction started on the new seven-lane south-end bridge on Washington Avenue. This project also built a new "Welcome to Bridgeville" wall along the lower section of Chartiers Street, welcoming motorists from the south to Bridgeville.
- Cleaned, televised and inspected over 40,000 linear feet of sanitary sewers.
- Started the repair of the Werner Street and Union Street landslides, both projects are to cost \$1,202,877, contract awarded to A. Merante Contracting. Projects include retaining wall construction, guardrail, storm sewer and roadway improvements and are largely funded by grants in the amount of \$1,014,004.
- Replaced and upgraded multiple catch-basins on Darby Way and Station Street.
- Completed façade improvements to the Borough Building.

FLOOD MITIGATION PROGRESS:

- Acquired six flood-prone properties and demolished the structures on Baldwin and Margaret Streets through a PEMA Flood Mitigation Program to reduce future flood damage and losses. Also, staff assisted many of the residents to relocate with grant funding aiding in those costs.
- Public Works crews removed thousands of tons of sediment from McLaughlin Run Creek and the Chartiers Creek Back Channel with hopes to reduce the impacts of flooding and severe rainstorms.
- Added sanitary sewer backflow preventors to eighteen properties on McLaughlin Run Road as part of Phase 5 of the Backflow Valve Program.
- Repaired a large section of eroded creekbank and restored multiple washed-out storm sewer outfalls that are located near the front of McLaughlin Run Park.
- Purchased a new backhoe tractor for the Public Works Department that has specialized front and rear extending grapple equipment that is being used to keep creeks clear of debris.

PARKS AND RECREATION IMPROVEMENTS:

- Partnered with Public Art Bridgeville to host the first year of the outdoor sculpture exhibition.
- After a hiatus caused by the pandemic, the annual "Day on the Avenue" was held on June 18th
- Restored the streambank of Chartiers Creek and a large section of roadway that slid within Chartiers Park, a \$192,632 project completed by G. Salandro Excavating.
- Repaved all the roads and parking lots within Chartiers Park.
- In partnership with the Bridgeville Library and Rotary Club, created the Story Walk within Chartiers Park along the fitness trail.
- Installed security cameras at all Bridgeville Parks.

- In partnership with the Pittsburgh Classic Movie Club, held a summer movie series within Cook School Park.

PLANNING AND CODE ENFORCEMENT:

- With community input, initiated planning studies and work is now underway to update the Borough's Comprehensive Plan. Project is being completed by Mackin Engineering.
- Completed and adopted the Active Transportation Plan and now working to implement many of its recommendations.
- Demolished three blighted homes on Baldwin Street, Bower Hill Road and Prestley Road.
- Code Enforcement investigated and issued 247 property maintenance and zoning violation notices and issued 101 building & zoning permits.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

- Fully funded by grants, purchased Body Worn Cameras for our Police Officers; implemented a policy and program for their use.
- Retired Patrolman Chris Manolakos, hired Patrolman Daine Lower to full-time status and promoted Matt Haley to Police Sergeant.
- Replaced a police cruiser.
- The Police Department responded to 6,979 requests for service, completed 4,082 business checks, patrolled over 41,394 total miles, made 155 criminal arrests and issued over 833 traffic citations.
- Bridgeville Volunteer Fire Department responded to 352 emergencies and had an average response time from dispatch to arrival of seven minutes.
- SouthBridge EMS responded to 920 calls for service in the Borough.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT AND ADMINISTRATION:

- Secured \$1,610,420 in grant funding for multiple projects.
- Strict financial management resulted in ending 2022 with a surplus that will be allocated for the Borough's budgetary reserve and future capital projects. The Borough continues to maintain a healthy fund balance.
- Adopted the 2023 Budget, a balanced spending plan without a tax increase.
- In partnership with officials from South Fayette and Collier Townships, successfully defeated PENNDOT's plan to toll the I-79 Bridgeville Interchange and its bridges.
- Recognized by the PA State Association of Borough's for the 2022 Budget Report and received the President's Award from the CharWest COG for maintaining sustainable operations during the pandemic.
- Upgraded the audio and visual equipment in Council Chambers to improve virtual meetings capabilities.
- Sponsored a successful Household Hazardous Waste and Electronic Recycling Event that collected 14,000 pounds of electronics and hazardous waste from 149 citizens.

Sharing a vision for a brighter future we stand poised to use the progress made in 2022 as a catalyst for an even better 2023. A summary of projects that are planned to be completed this year include the construction of new playgrounds at Chartiers, Cook School and McLaughlin Run Parks, improved lighting within Chartiers Park, renovations to Triangle Park, the completions of the two landslide repairs on Union and Werner Streets, multiple streets will be repaved, completion of the Comprehensive Plan update, multiple public safety and public works equipment upgrades, continued improvements and reinvestment to the two separate sewer systems and to the Borough's facilities. We thank everyone for their involvement this past year, as we all have played a role, working as a community, in moving Bridgeville forward. ■



1: Chartiers Park paving 2: McLaughlin Park storm repairs 3: New playground for Chartiers Park 4: New backhoe 5: Annual "Day on the Avenue" 6: Story Walk Dedication 7: Paving 8: Welcome wall



THE BRIDGEVILLE GREATER AREA LIONS MAKES HISTORY EVERYDAY



With every project completed and each person served the Lions make history. Lions' clubs have been around for over 100 years, yet the story is still in the making. It's being written by helping hands, by shovels hitting the dirt, and by lives and communities being improved in over 200 countries and geographic areas around the world.

The Bridgeville Greater Area Lions Club started seven years ago. Our fundraisers and service projects have helped many people and many organizations in the area. A few of our service projects include tree planting, park and road cleaning, food rescue, delivering food, maintaining food gardens, helping the homeless, recycling and many others. 100% of the profits from fundraisers are donated to organizations in the Bridgeville area. The Lions biggest fundraiser is the annual Pasta Dinner. This year \$7,500. was donated to Children's Hospital earmarked to Pediatric Cancer and Children's Diabetes. The incredible perspectives, cultures, and life experiences that our members bring to the organization, and each other, are the Lions greatest strength. ■

BRIDGEVILLE BOROUGH POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief of Police—Chad King

Mayor—Betty L. Copeland

I am pleased to announce some technological upgrades and additions the police department will be implementing this year. The first of which will be the Motorola/Watchguard V-300 body cameras, which will be issued to each officer once department wide training is completed. The body-cam system includes a specific computer server. The value of the entire system is \$24,328.00, which was subsidized 100% through 2 different grants. 50% was covered by the Small, Rural, & Tribal Law Enforcement Agencies Grant (SRT). The remaining 50% was covered by a grant received from Allegheny County.



The police department will also be upgrading the in-car camera systems with the newest Motorola/Watchguard M-500 camera system. The new system will synchronize with the V-300 body cams, so that when one system is activated, other cameras within the same group can be activated. The total cost of the in-car system is \$35,850.00 which was covered 100% by a grant obtained through the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD).

Both new systems will allow for wireless automated downloading of the recordings which is far more efficient than the current, labor intensive, manual downloading procedure. ■

HELP WANTED

Bridgeville Volunteer Fire Department is looking for you!

Are you looking for an exciting way to get involved within your community? Would you be willing to help a neighbor? Do you want to be part of something meaningful? If you answered yes to any of these three questions, the Bridgeville Volunteer Fire Department is for you.

Bridgeville volunteer firefighters assist in all aspects of firefighting, emergency work at vehicle accidents and medical calls, assist with traffic control and respond to a plethora of calls throughout the year in the Borough. Being a member of the Bridgeville VFD is a unique way to play an active and positive role within the community. The volunteer firefighters receive free training, equipment, an earned income tax credit/refund and insurance incentives for answering calls and attending functions.

If firefighting is not for you, there are roles within the BVFD such as assisting with fundraisers, community events or administrative work that you can be part of. To join the Bridgeville VFD, please contact Chief Ray Costain at 412-266-1043, email: bridgeville117chief@gmail.com or visit the fire station.

The Chartiers Room is a banquet venue owned and operated by the Bridgeville VFD. The venue has a seating capacity of 275 people, ample parking, has a spacious hardwood dance floor, and offers round or square tables for your event. If you are interested in renting the hall, please call 412-266-1043.

To keep up with BVFD events, news and fundraisers, please like and follow us on Facebook: @BridgevilleVFD. ■



BRIDGEVILLE PARKS & RECREATION

Bridgeville Borough is home to four parks. Residents may begin reserving park pavilions as of March 1st of each year, non-residents reservations begin March 15th. Please contact the Borough office for permit applications and current fees associated.

CHARTIERS PARK is Bridgeville's largest park and is located along the banks of Chartiers Creek at 1100 Chartiers Street. The park has two picnic pavilions, restroom buildings, a football/soccer field, picnic tables, playgrounds, walking trail with story walk, two baseball fields, and horseshoe pits. You can rent the pavilions and football / soccer field at Chartiers Park. Chartiers Park is home to the Bridgeville Athletic Association.

TRIANGLE PARK has a gazebo in the park suitable for wedding photography or a picnic. It is often the location or meeting place for community activities, such as the holiday event "Winter Blast" sponsored by the Bridgeville Community Association, Bridgeville Volunteer Fire Department and Bridgeville Borough. Located in the heart of Bridgeville on Station Street, it is picturesque and reflective of Bridgeville history—adjacent to the old railroad station which is now home to the Bridgeville Historical Society Kathleen Banks Building and the Caboose. You can rent the "Gazebo in the Park" for a special event. A permit is available at the Municipal Office.

COOK SCHOOL PARK, a neighborhood park located at 1300 Cook School Road has one large picnic pavilion, restrooms, picnic tables, playgrounds, a ballfield and a basketball court. You can rent the pavilion or the ballfield at Cook School Park for a special family or company outing, or, just come out and spend an afternoon to picnic and enjoy our community parks.



Chartiers Park

MCLAUGHLIN RUN PARK has three picnic pavilions, several picnic tables, playgrounds, horseshoe pits, skate park, volleyball court, a multipurpose court (four square, tennis, pickle ball) and a basketball court. The park is located at 1250 McLaughlin Run Road, and you can rent the pavilions by contacting the Borough Office. ■

BRIDGEVILLE AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Bridgeville Area Historical Society (BAHS) is experiencing a period of growth; with each member being very important as we move forward. The Historical Society's headquarters is a Mini-Museum, housing memorabilia and other historical artifacts. We also have many folders with family histories from the Bridgeville area. We would love to add yours!

Our purpose is to acquire and preserve historical items, maps, and business history, along with family histories, plus other items of relevant historical value which reflect the richness and diversity of Bridgeville and its surrounding communities. By preserving the past, we hope to provide a rich resource for future generations

As an example, we recently received five Scrapbooks that date back to the mid 40's. These books contain clippings that relate to the Bridgeville Area, which appeared in the Pittsburgh Press, P.G. and Bridgeville News. We are so fortunate to have people thinking of the BAHS when going through their family memorabilia.

We have nine Historical Programs though out the year, held at the Chartiers Room at the Bridgeville Fire Dept. These programs are



free, and open to the public, and are listed on our website, and in the Signal Item.

The hours we are open are: Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10am–2pm. You can contact us at 412-221-4052 or email: mail@bridgevillehistory.org. We all look forward to meeting you! ■

Bridgeville Public Library



"Once upon a time..." a simple phrase almost universally understood as the start of a story. From adventure to romance and humor, stories are never in short supply at your library, and we have so much more of our story to share.

Looking for something to read? From picture books to large print, audiobooks to ebooks, there are a variety of formats for you to enjoy. With graphic novels, magazines, movies, and TV shows available in physical and digital formats, there is almost certainly something new to discover. Looking for something a little more unique? Our library and many others now offer a library of things featuring museum passes, games, puzzles, American Girl dolls, and mobile hotspots.

Library infrastructure supports internet and technology access, including print and copy services. Tables, chairs, and cozy nooks provide plenty of options to study, play, and relax.

Of course, our story would not be complete without our community. Friends and neighbors can connect, learn, and enjoy a variety of programs for all ages. Babies, toddlers, and children can participate in weekly storytimes and monthly LEGO and American Girl clubs. Teens can join DIY club, connect on Discord for game nights and hangouts, or volunteer. Book clubs, crafting, lectures, chess, and movie matinees are all regularly offered for adults. Looking to get even more involved? Explore opportunities with the Library Board of Trustees or Friends of the Library organization.

Grab your library card or sign up today, it is always the right time to find your story.

Bridgeville Public Library is a member of the Allegheny County Library Association and generously supported by Bridgeville Borough, the Regional Asset District (RAD), the Bill and Grace McDivitt Endowment, and donors (like you)!

To learn more, follow the library on social media, subscribe to our newsletter, visit our website at bridgevillelibrary.org or call 412-221-3737. ■

South West Meals on Wheels



South West Meals on Wheels clients receive nutritious homemade food that consists of a hot meal that includes a protein, starch and vegetable; a sandwich or cup of soup, salad, fruit, dessert and a quart of milk and or juice once a week.

Our clients receive a visit from a volunteer who delivers the food and provides contact. In some cases, this may be the only person that client sees all day.

South West Meals On Wheels will provide service to any individual that cannot prepare their own meals for whatever reason. Our program has no age limit.

Please visit our website for more information on ways to volunteer, donate or receive services.

For more information, visit our website at www.southwestmealsonwheels.org or call (412) 279-5670. ■

MESSAGE FROM TAX COLLECTOR ANNE MARIE PARISI



2023 Real Estate tax time is soon upon us. Once again, taxpayers will be able to pay the School tax in quarterly installments (1/4 of the face amount) on the following dates: October 15, December 15, February 15 and April 15. If you do not pay by the discount date of August 31st, or by the face date of October 31st, it is recommended that you take advantage of the installment plan. If the School taxes are not paid by the end of December, the unpaid taxes are turned over to the lien Tax Collector, and an additional 10% penalty, plus extra costs, will be added to the tax bill.

The Borough tax remains the same as indicated on the tax statement. However, if the taxes become delinquent, you may face the possibility of a trip to the Magistrate's office when it is deemed necessary. Also, when paying your taxes, if you wish to receive your receipts in a timely manner, please include a self-addressed stamped envelope.

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Parking paystations accept coin and credit card payments. Three pay-by-phone mobile parking application options available. Visit the borough website for additional information. ■



South West Regional Chamber of Commerce

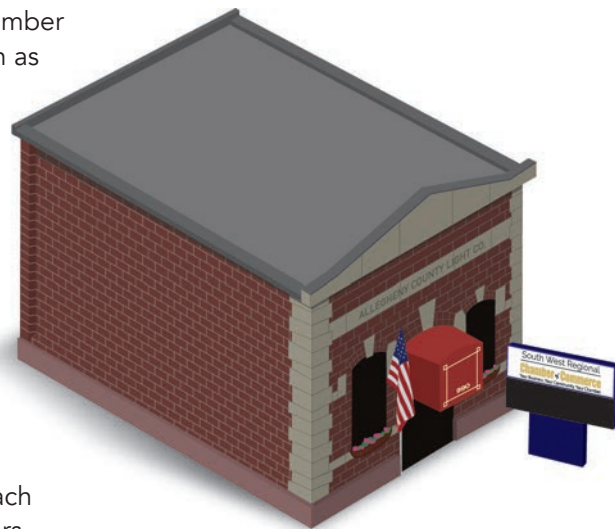
Your Business. Your Community. Your Chamber

The South West Regional Chamber of Commerce, formerly known as the South West Communities Chamber of Commerce and originally named the Bridgeville Area Chamber of Commerce has gone through many positive changes in the past year including the renaming, rebranding and restructuring of the chamber.

This change will help us to reach more potential business owners, giving local business owners more opportunities to network, find new clients and grow. Additionally, as part of the rebranding, the South West Regional chamber revamped their logo while keeping the iconic chamber building as part of their new look in a more modern representation.

The new branding reflects the ongoing strength of the current business community and how a group of volunteers made the chamber what it is today featuring a 3D rendering of the chamber's unique location.

Beginning in 1988 and completed in 1992, a cohort of chamber members, many from Bridgeville Borough, banded together utilizing resources and donations from the community, as well as their own hands-on work, to reconstruct a donated West-Penn Power Station. The small, but



mighty, chamber of commerce headquarters, which is still in use today, is symbolic of the impact that chamber members can make when they work together in the community for a dedicated cause.

The South West Regional Chamber of Commerce's new branding reflects the thousands of members who have shared connections, the dozens of businesses who rallied together to give the chamber a home and the community that continues to support us. Thank you to all of our members past and present for all you have done for the chamber and our surrounding community, we look forward to helping you grow in 2023. ■

Mandi Pryor
Executive Director
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Allegheny County Sanitary Authority (ALCOSAN) and the Clean Water Plan

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Because of now outsized infrastructure and more intense rainfall, ALCOSAN cannot move and treat the excess water, so it now flows into our waterways as a combined sewer overflow—or CSO, to the tune of 9 billion gallons a year.

To solve this problem, ALCOSAN and its regulators—U.S. Department of Justice, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, PA Department of Environmental Protection, and the Allegheny County Health Department—have negotiated and entered into a consent decree. Out of that process is ALCOSAN's Clean Water Plan—the \$2 billion, 20-year roadmap to reduce overflows by 7 billion gallons and improving the water quality of our rivers and streams.

The Clean Water Plan includes four methods for meeting our mandated goals:

- **Preventing excess water from entering the system**
Through our Green Revitalization of our Waterways (GROW) grant program, ALCOSAN is providing funding assistance to our municipal customers for projects that keep water out of the sewer. These projects include green infrastructure, lining and repairing pipes, diverting clean streams away from sewers and sewer separation projects.
- **Regional Tunnel System**
ALCOSAN will construct nearly 15 miles of new conveyance tunnels along our three rivers. These 15-18 ft. diameter tunnels and related surface infrastructure will allow ALCOSAN to capture and move more flow to the treatment plant during wet weather, thereby lessening what is overflowed into the rivers.
- **Regionalization**
ALCOSAN is working with its municipal customers to assume ownership of existing multi-municipal sewers that are 10-inches in diameter or greater. This makes the system more efficient and reduces many financial burdens for the municipality.



- **Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion**

ALCOSAN's treatment plant is currently able to treat up to 250 million gallons per day (mgd), but greater capacity is necessary. Through various new facilities at the plant, ALCOSAN will be able to treat up to 600 mgd during wet weather and 295 mgd on dry days.

ALCOSAN also provides assistance to those eligible homeowners who are having trouble paying their sewer bills. The Clean Water Assistance Fund provides a quarterly stipend for homeowners who meet the income requirements. ALCOSAN's program is administered by Dollar Energy Fund. Please call them at 1-888-282-6818 for more information and enrollment.



For much more information about ALCOSAN, please visit our website at www.alcosan.org ■



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Street Sweeping, Leaf & Brush Curbside Collection Schedule

STREET SWEEPING: Weekly street sweeping begins the first full week of **APRIL** through the last full week of **MAY**. From **JUNE** through **SEPTEMBER** streets will be swept the third week of each month.

Ordinance No. 868 prohibits the parking of motor vehicles on Borough streets at the time the streets are to be swept.

FALL LEAF COLLECTION: Begins the second week of **OCTOBER** through the first week of **DECEMBER**. Leaves are to be swept into piles at the curb. Please do not place any other yard waste such as sticks and debris in the leaf piles. As a safety reminder, be cautious about idling vehicles near leaf piles as this poses a fire hazard.

BRUSH COLLECTION: Tree trimmings and limbs are to be placed at the curb during the months of **APRIL & NOVEMBER**. For the safety of the Public Works crew, all brush must be free of roots and dirt, no larger than 12" diameter, and no longer than 4 ft. long.

SWEEPING & COLLECTION SCHEDULE

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Calvert St.	Coolidge St.	Baldwin St.	Alice Dr.	Chartiers St.
Charlet St.	Critchfield Dr.	Bank St./Ext.	Bluff St.	Cherry Way
Chess St.	Forbes St.	Bower Hill Rd.	Center St.	Chestnut St.
Church St.	Grandview Ave.	Brookfield St.	Cook School Rd.	Dewey Ave.
Coulter St.	Harding St.	Carol Ave.	Edna St.	Elizabeth St.
Crestvue Dr.	Laurel St.	Commercial St.	Ella St.	Elm St.
Eisner Ave.	Lesnett Rd.	Darby Way	Fryer St.	Gilmore St.
Ewing Ave.	Missouri Ave.	Jane Way	Garden St.	Greenwood Pl.
Gilbert St.	New York St./Cir.	Maple St.	Josephine St.	Gregg Ave.
Hall St.	Pennsylvania Ave.	Margaret St.	Liberty St.	James St.
Hickman St.	Pine St.	McLaughlin Run Rd.	Luna St.	LaFayette St.
Hill St.	Romano Dr.	Railroad St.	Main St.	McMillen St.
Irwin Way	Sarah St.	Station St.	Mill St.	Morningside Dr.
Locust St.	Spruce St.	Union St.	Nancy Dr.	Orchard Ave.
Lurry Ave.	Winfield St.	Washington Ave.	Pesavento Dr.	Werner Ave.
May Ave.			Ridge Rd.	
Moore Ave.			Short St.	
Murray Ave.			Sunset Way	
Osceola Dr.			Sylva St.	
Patterson Ave.			Terrace St.	
Perrett St.			Universal St.	
Peollot St.			Vesper St.	
Prestley Rd.				
Ramsey Ave.				
Schulte St.				
Shady Ave.				
St. Clair St.				
Taylor Way				

State Representative Anita Kulik

It is a pleasure to welcome the Borough of Bridgeville into the 45th Legislative District of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives. I consider it a privilege to represent the fine people of this Borough.

My staff and I look forward to helping residents with all state related issues, including Rent and Property Tax Rebates, LIHEAP, Unemployment Compensation, Connect Cards, Driver's License issues, DHS issues, license and certification renewals, consumer complaints, state documents, PUC issues, as well as all other state matters. In addition, we are available to assist residents in connecting with state, federal and local agencies for assistance.

Residents can stay in touch with our office through weekly email blasts and periodic newsletters and mailings. Residents can be added to my email list by visiting my webpage at www.RepKulik.com.

Our main office is located at 1350 5th Avenue in Coraopolis. We are open Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm. Our Carnegie office is in the Borough Municipal Building at One Veterans Way and is open Tuesday and Thursday from 9AM to 4PM. We can be reached at 412-264-4260.

My staff and I look forward to working in the Bridgeville area. Event announcements will be sent via email or on Facebook @RepAnitaKulik. ■



Anita Kulik

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HELP A NEIGHBOR, BE A SNOW ANGEL



During heavy snowfall many of our neighbors lack the ability to shovel their sidewalks and driveways.

Lend a helping hand to seniors, persons with disabilities, or anyone in need this winter



Bridgeville Snow Angels Offering Support for the Residents

With winter on its way, snow-covered sidewalks and driveways are right around the corner. For older residents and residents with mobility issues, winter elements can be hazardous. Fostering the bonds of community, the Snow Angel program works to pair residents in need with helpful volunteers to ensure sidewalks and driveways are clear of snow and ice. Clear walkways make our sidewalks safer for everyone, including our community workers, like postal carriers, emergency services, and trash collectors.

SNOW ANGEL PROGRAM GUIDELINES:

- Matches are made on a rolling basis and may not be made right away. Requests and volunteers are accepted throughout the season and matches will be made as they are available.
- Those requesting services are expected to provide a shovel and salt to the Angel volunteer. Those requesting services should not need to be home to receive services.
- Areas are expected to be clear as soon as possible, but within 24-hours of the end of a snow event.
- No payment is required.

VOLUNTEER TO BE A SNOW ANGEL. As a Snow Angel, you will be paired with a resident in need located within a 10-minute walk from your residence. Bridgeville Borough will confirm all the details with your match as a match is made. If you are willing to help more than one neighbor, please let us know on the registration form.

REQUEST HELP FROM A SNOW ANGEL. If you are at least 60 years old or have a physical disability and live within Bridgeville Borough, you are eligible to participate in the Snow Angel Program. Due to the demand of this program, we ask that you only apply if you have a definite need and you do not have the financial means, or friends or family in the area to assist with snow removal.

To volunteer or request help please visit: <https://bridgevilleboro.com/snow-angels/> or call Cheryl at 412-221-6012 x112. ■



About: the “public art bridgeville” Project – a Public/Private Cultural Initiative

Public art can celebrate both the history and the future of a community. It adds beauty and interest to the area’s built environment. It honors and memorializes those that have and/or continue to work to keep the community vibrant and attractive to residents and visitors. There is an existing inventory of fine art, graphic art, and graffiti art in Bridgeville – an inventory that speaks to an interest in the arts of Bridgeville’s residents, NFPs, and business/building owners as a way to beautify, memorialize, and attract people to their location and this community.

In the first year of operation, PAB was delighted to bring two visual art projects to Bridgeville. The Bridgeville Outdoor Sculpture Exhibition is comprised of large scale outdoor sculptures sited along Washington Avenue and in Triangle Park. The First Annual Exhibition will be up through February, 2023. The wonderful reception given to this exhibition from residents, businesses, visitors and the borough has enabled us to expand the number of pieces and the location footprint for the Second Annual Exhibition, which will be up from March, 2023 through February, 2024.

The second project – “pop-up galleries” and art exhibitions – had its first event with a sculpture exhibition in partnership with the Bridgeville Public Library and the Pittsburgh Society of Sculptors. The show, which ran for a month, was displayed inside and outside of the library. All of the artwork was created by SOS members and the library gave the curators free rein to mount the exhibition. PAB also hopes to find space for pop-up galleries and/or other shows or exhibitions – focusing on finding space for a student pop-up gallery.

Maps for the current outdoor sculpture exhibition are available in a number of locations downtown, including the Borough Offices and La Bella Bean. ■



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