



STAY INFORMED ON COMMUNITY NEWS, EVENTS & HAPPENINGS

Shovel Your Sidewalk!
Sidewalks are to be cleared of snow and ice within 12 hours of the end of a winter storm.

Bridgeville Park Shelter Rental Reservations open for the 2025 season to residents on March 3rd. To reserve please visit the Borough Office.

Presidents Day, Feb. 17, Borough Offices closed, **NO delay** in trash collection.

Good Friday & Easter Monday, April 18 and 21, Borough Offices closed, **NO delay** in trash collection.

Sign up for Text Message Alerts: text "Bridgeville" to 313131 or visit our website.

Garbage and Sewer Billing: did you know you can pay your bills online with a credit card? A link is at the top of the homepage, BridgevilleBoro.com Tired of sending in a check for your Garbage Bill? Consider signing up for recurring automatic electronic bank payments for your account. You can also now sign up for E-Bills and have them emailed to you.

Do you need an Extra Recycling Cart? Extra recycling carts can be purchased for \$50 at the Borough Office.

Public Art Bridgeville Showcases Local Artists

Public Art Bridgeville ended the year by shining the spotlight on thirteen artists with strong roots in our community. The exhibit, called "Bridgeville Artists: Then & Now," was on display at the library throughout November.

Featured artists were Pittsburgh Press & Post-Gazette illustrator Ben Rupnik; blacksmith Bill Robertson; woodburning artist Sara Murray, collage creator Shanin Hundt, stained glass artist Janet Ray; miniature figure creator Ken Schwartz; multi-medium artist Toby Fraley; sketch artist John Oyler, and painters Marge Orlandini, James Morris, Becky Mayhew, Kristy Cherry, and Aaron Mascaro.



Paintings by Marge Orlandini

Follow [Public Art Bridgeville](#) on Facebook for photos and info on upcoming events!

Borough Council Adopts 2025 Budget without Tax Increase

The Borough Council has approved its 2025 Budget without raising taxes. The \$8,129,344.78 budget maintains the millage rate set in 2018 and focuses on significant improvements in various areas, including parks, public safety, and public works. Key highlights of the budget include:

- The start of Phase 1A construction of the McLaughlin Run Flood Control Project.
- A \$336,000 allocation for road resurfacing, expected to repave at least three streets.
- Active Transportation improvements, including the reconstruction of the Gregg Avenue steps and installation of bump-outs on Bank Street.
- Consulting services for a downtown zoning ordinance amendment based on the Comprehensive Plan.
- The purchase of a mini excavator for the Public Works Department to assist with sewer repairs and maintenance, and the replacement of a police cruiser.
- Investments in the Sanitary Sewer System, including pipelining, stormwater infiltration repairs, and cleaning/inspection services.
- Increased contributions to the Bridgeville Library, Bridgeville Volunteer Fire Company, and SouthBridge EMS.

The full 2025 Budget Report is available online at www.bridgevilleboro.com/budgets

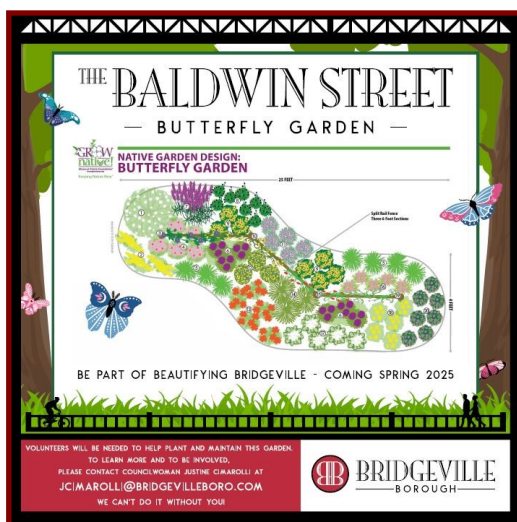
Be Part of Beautifying Bridgeville: Join the Baldwin Street Butterfly Garden Project!

Spring 2025, Bridgeville will be home to a stunning new addition – the Baldwin Street Butterfly Garden! Located on Baldwin Street, directly across from Margaret Street, this vibrant garden will serve as a haven for local wildlife and add a beautiful natural space to our community.

But we can't do it without your help! Volunteers are needed to assist with planting and ongoing garden maintenance. Whether you have a green thumb or just a love for the environment, your participation will make a difference.

Get Involved: To learn more about the project and how you can contribute, please reach out to Councilwoman Justine Cimarolli at jcimarolli@bridgevilleboro.com

Let's work together to make Bridgeville more beautiful — one garden at a time!



**SNOW ANGEL
VOLUNTEERS ARE
NEEDED!**

For older residents and citizens with mobility issues, winter elements can be hazardous. Fostering the bonds of community, the Bridgeville 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.

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 once a match is made. If you are willing to help more than one neighbor, please let us know on the registration form. To volunteer and learn more about the program, please visit: <https://bridgevilleboro.com/snow-angels/> or call Cheryl Glowark at 412-221-6012 x112.

CODE TIDBIT

Safe pedestrian-friendly neighborhoods are a priority for a walkable community such as Bridgeville.

Many ask, whose sidewalk is it anyway? Many residents and business owners are confused about who is responsible for taking care of the sidewalks in front of their homes, offices and stores. As a result, people who are required to clear snow and otherwise maintain those sidewalks are sometimes unaware of their responsibilities. Even though it's not technically on your property, property owners are responsible for maintaining sidewalks that abut their property. This includes making sure there are no tripping hazards or serious defects. If hazardous conditions are found, the abutting property owner is responsible to repair and or replace the sidewalk slab.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

In person and virtually on www.zoom.us

Borough Council: 2nd Mon, 7p
Parking Authority: 3rd Mon, 7p
Planning Comm.: 4th Mon, 7p

What's Going on Around Town

Bridgeville Area Historical Society Monthly Speaker's Programs, held at the BVFD Chartiers Room, starting at 1:30PM: January 26: "From Mining Towns to Mergers: How Chartiers Valley Amalgamates Local Identities" presented by Austin Pilz.

Congratulations to Chief of Police Chad King who retired on January 3rd after 26 years of service. We thank Chief King for his leadership and the positive impact he has made on our community.

With support from the State, the Borough received a \$102,900 grant that will be used to replace the main picnic shelter at Chartiers Park this year. This exciting project will include a new 32' x 50' pavilion, concrete floor, new picnic tables and utilities. It is anticipated to have this project completed by this summer.

Reconstruction of the Gregg Avenue public steps will be completed in the next couple of months. These steps connect Laurel Street to Gregg Avenue and Greenwood Place. This project will be completed by Avelli Construction and 70% of the costs are paid for by a State

multimodal grant. It includes new steps, a bicycle runnel, handrails and a sidewalk connection to Laurel Street. Additionally, the Borough recently completed the construction of a large retaining wall and slope repair at the end of Bluff Street Extension to address a landslide that occurred there last year.

Thank you to the many volunteers who helped plant several trees at public areas last fall. This is the third community tree planting in Bridgeville where the trees were provided to the Borough at no charge from the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy. A spring planting is planned for sites on Baldwin Street and McLaughlin Run Park; stay tuned for a planting day and call for volunteers! These efforts are all part of the Borough's plan to create and establish a Shade Tree Commission in Bridgeville.



Community Events at the Bridgeville Library

Backyard Birds with The Audubon Society of Western PA, Wednesday, January 22 at 6:00 p.m.

Cooking with Eric, February 11, 5:45p
Crafting with Colleen, March 11, 5:45p
Child ID event, Tuesday, March 11 at 11:30 a.m.- 12:15 p.m.

Author Talk: Maria Palmer, Monday, March 24 at 6:00 p.m.

Teen After Hours: Friday, January 24, February 28, March 28, April 11 at 6:30 p.m., for ages 12 to 18. Location varies, Jan: Black Light Paint Night @ South Fayette Township Library; Feb: Murder Mystery at Bridgeville Public Library; Mar: Life-Size Mario Kart at South Fayette Township Library; Apr: Silent Disco at Bridgeville Public Library

Gardening Exchange, Saturday, April 5 at 11:00 a.m., please label your plants before arriving; no invasive species

Family Fun, Wild Kratts Party- Saturday, April 5 at 2:30 p.m.

American Girl Book Club, 1st Thursday of the month at 6:00 p.m., for children entering 2nd-5th grade

More information and to sign up for events, please visit the circulation desk at the library. Email us at friendsofbpl@aol.com

Actions of the last Borough Council Meetings

October 14, 2024

The Council & Mayor:

- Authorized the Borough Manager to apply for a grant to upgrade the field lighting at Chartiers Park.
- Announced that PA-DEP and Army Corps of Engineers permits necessary for the construction of Phase 1 of the McLaughlin Run Flood Control Project has been secured.
- Awarded \$68,000 contract to Edge AI Solutions for the 2024 Sanitary Sewer O&M CCTV Program.
- Donated \$4,000 to the Bridgeville Public Library during Love Your Library Month enabling a matching donation.

November 11, 2024

The Council & Mayor:

- Approved the Chabala Corner Plan of Lots lot consolidation plan on Ewing Avenue.

- Authorized the Borough Manager to apply for a grant to upgrade water drinking fountains at Cook School and Triangle Parks.
- Awarded \$99,000 contract to Independent Enterprises for the Bluff Street Extension Slope Stabilization and Retaining Wall Improvements Project.
- Awarded \$200,010 contract to Avelli Construction for the Gregg Avenue Stairs Project.
- Entered into Sculpture Loan Agreements with Seward Johnson Atelier for the 2025-26 Public Art Bridgeville exhibition.
- Authorized the repurposing of a Borough owned lot on Baldwin Street into a Butterfly-Pollinator Garden.

December 9, 2024

The Council & Mayor:

- Approved the retirement of Chief of Police Chad King effective January 3, 2025.

- Approved the Rogers Lot Consolidation Plan for property on Osceola Dr.
- Adopted the 2025 Budget without the need for a tax increase, set the sewer rate, trash collection fee and millage rates.
- Authorized Mackin Engineers & Consultants to complete the Downtown Zoning Ordinance Update.
- Authorized the Borough Engineer to prepare plans and specifications to improve the crosswalk on Bower Hill Road at Commercial Street, and for the reconstruction of Shelter 1 at Chartiers Park.
- Reappointed both Deb Colosimo and Nicole Steck to the Bridgeville Parking Authority Board of Directors.
- Authorized the Public Safety Committee to administer the search for a new Chief of Police.