

## FOX CHAPEL

BOROUGH

#### NEWSLETTER

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#### **MAYOR'S MEMO**

We thank our dedicated Police Department for all their good work for the community. We are fortunate to be highly ranked as a safe community, and our officers are determined to keep Fox Chapel a healthy and great place to live. The Police recently had an Open House, which was well attended by families. On display were police vehicles and our new VW

"Bug," which will be out and about at future community events. Chief Mike Stevens reminds us to call 911 for police emergencies and 412-963-7220 for non-emergency police matters.

Our Fall 2022 Newsletter suggested reducing lawn areas and adding wildflower meadows to support Fox Chapel as a "nature reserve." A recent article in the Pittsburgh Quarterly looks at the positive benefit of replacing some lawn areas with native plants. Scan the QR Code here to read the article.

The Fox Chapel Parks Conservancy hosted a successful "Fire and Ice" lantern event at McCahill Park in late January! A big turnout made this a success in bringing residents together. Donations from sponsors and many families will allow the continuing projects to improve the parks. Thanks again to Marcia Haberman and a crew of volunteers for organizing the lantern event!

Major planting will resume this spring, and new signage is also planned for the parks. Annie's Field of Dreams at McCahill Park has been a huge success, thanks to the Whittingham family and friends!



PITTSBURGH QUARTERLY

Spring marks the beginning of the heavy use of parks and trails throughout the Borough. The work of our Park Commission and Trail Stewards helps keep things in good shape. These individuals are listed at the end of the newsletter. Please give them a big thank you, and don't forget to keep your parking permit up to date when parking in lots that require permits. This helps ensure that parking spaces are available for Borough residents.

Thanks to Pat Scully, who was recently seen picking up trash along Delafield Road. He joins several others who take it upon themselves to "adopt a road" in FC! This is one more reason we are a great place to live!!

-Alex Scott-

### PRIMARY ELECTION

The 2023 Primary Election is Tuesday, May 16, 2023. Polls are open 7 AM – 8 PM. If you do not know your voting location, please visit **www.pavoterservices.pa.gov** and select <u>Find Your Polling Place</u>. Type in your mailing address, and your polling location will be displayed. The last day to register to vote is May 1, 2023, and the last day to request a mail-in or absentee ballot is May 9, 2023. The Borough does not supply this paperwork.

The Borough website includes links to the Allegheny County election calendar, voterPA, and the Allegheny County Elections Office phone number. Please access the Borough website at www.fox-chapel.pa.us and click the Election Info button.

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### **RECYCLING**

All residents and institutions are required by DEP to separate the following materials from their household garbage and place them in a separate container for recycling:

- Aluminum and metal cans such as food and beverage cans, empty, clean, and dry foil containers.
- Plastics (PET, HDPE) #1, 2 & 5, such as food and beverage bottles and jugs, water jugs, liquid detergent, bleach & softener bottles, and hair care bottles.
- Paper such as office & computer papers, paper bags, newspapers, magazines, junk mail, and catalogs.
- Cardboard flattened or broken down into pieces no larger than 4 feet. Packaging materials such as styrofoam blocks, peanuts, or bubble wrap must be removed.

These are the only items that can be recycled. Wet paper, wet cardboard, glass, or recyclables mixed with trash cannot be recycled. Recycling should be loose, not bagged, and placed within the Borough-provided green container. Recycling containers are available at the Borough Building in the main lobby for residents to pick up. Please do not use your own tote for recycling.



A few reminders to residents:

- Cardboard, metal recycling, and glass recycling containers are located at the Borough Building's rubbish bins and can be accessed during regular bin hours Saturday and Sunday, 10 AM to 4 PM. The cardboard bins get quite full every weekend, so the Borough would like to remind residents that Vogel can pick up cardboard at the residence on a normal pickup day.
- Please note that mattresses, box springs, and electronics cannot be brought to the rubbish bins. To donate your old mattress, please visit <a href="https://www.tuck.com/mattress-disposal/">https://www.tuck.com/mattress-disposal/</a> for participating organizations and other disposal information. State law requires all electronics to be recycled.

Household hazardous waste and electronic waste collection are by appointment only, with the following date remaining for collection in 2023; **September 11, 2023**. Contact Vogel Disposal Service, Inc.'s Customer Service Department, 855/494-3345, to schedule at least ten business days before the collection date. Please be prepared with detailed information about the products you request be picked up during the call. You will need the following information for Hazardous Household Waste: the brand name, container size, quantity remaining in the container, and possible information from the label. You will need the brand name, screen size, style, and approximate weight for Electronic Waste. For more information on HHW and E-Waste Collection, please visit the Borough website and click Services, then Trash.

Garbage calls should be directed to Vogel Disposal Service at 855/494-3345. For more information on recycling, please visit the Borough website, **www.fox-chapel.pa.us**.

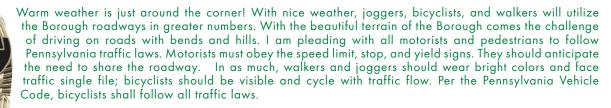
### FOX CHAPEL CLEAN-UP DAY

Everyone wants to live, work, and play in a clean and green community, and it's up to everyone to make it possible and improve the overall quality of life for all.

On Saturday, April 15, 2023, at 10 AM, please join the Fox Chapel Park Commission for Fox Chapel Clean-Up Day. Volunteers are asked to meet in the McCahill Park parking lot, where they will be dispersed to various roads and intersections in the Borough.

Work gloves, garbage bags, and safety vests will be provided.

### FROM THE DESK OF CHIEF OF POLICE



As the Chief of Police, I enjoy connecting and conversing with residents. The Police Department's non-emergency number, 412-963-7220, is available for General Purposes. If a resident wants a vacation home watch, needs advice, or wants to convey a situation that does not require immediate attention, the non-emergency number is the number to call. If officers on duty are not at the station, residents should leave a voicemail on the non-emergency number's voicemail, and when the officer returns, they will get the message.

When a resident encounters an incident where immediate police presence is needed, call 911. If the situation is not an emergency, explain that to the dispatcher. The County 911 dispatchers have direct radio contact with the on-duty Fox Chapel police officers. Please listen when I say you are not "bothering us" when calling for our services. Your tax dollars fund the Fox Chapel Police Department, and we are here to serve you. The side of our patrol cars read: TO PROTECT AND SERVE. The Fox Chapel Police Department is committed to that motto.



### NAME THE BUG CONTEST

The 1970 Volkswagon Beetle is in the shop, slowly transitioning into the Police Department's new Community Relations vehicle. Sergeant Sorg is starting a contest called "Name the Bug." Residents are asked to submit creative names for our VW Bug. All submissions can be mailed to Sgt. Craig Sorg at 401 Fox Chapel Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15238, or emailed to csorg@ fox-chapel.pa.us by Friday, July 14, 2023. The name will be revealed during a fall Police Department event, so stay tuned!

# THE FOX CHAPEL POLICE DEPARTMENT MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

#### **BICYCLE RODEO: SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2023**

The Fox Chapel Police Department is holding its second annual free Bicycle Rodeo on Saturday, April 29, 2023, from 11 AM to 1 PM at the Fox Chapel Presbyterian Church, 384 Fox Chapel Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15238. Participants are asked to bring their bicycles. We will provide bicycle helmets to any person who does not have one. There will be a series of drills for the rider to perform, light refreshments, and door prizes.



#### FOX CHAPEL DAY: SATURDAY, JUNE 17, 2023

Fox Chapel Day is June 17, 2023, from noon to 4 PM at McCahill Park, 625 Hemlock Hollow Road. This year we will have Fox Chapel Volunteer Fire Department, Foxwall EMS, Weird Eric the balloon artist, a trackless train, carnival games, food trucks, a petting zoo, face painting, DJ Joe, and more.

Fox Chapel Day is a great event where you can meet your first responders, community members, and neighbors. We hope to see you there!

### FILL DIRT AVAILABLE

The Borough's Public Works Department often has fill dirt available during road construction projects. The dirt available is described as uncontaminated solid material, including soil, rock, stone, dredged material, used asphalt, brick, block, or concrete from road construction and demolition activities. Dump sites must be able to accommodate full-size dump trucks. If interested in fill dirt, please contact Larry Kurpakus, Director of Public Works, at 412/850-5026 to add your name to the list.

## DUQUESNE LIGHT COMPANY TREE PRUNING

Duquesne Light Company (DLC) has contracted qualified line clearance professionals from Wright Tree Service to perform routine vegetation management along 20 miles of distribution circuits in and around Fox Chapel Borough. The work will take place throughout the eastern side of the Borough from Dorseyville Road and Fairview Road south to Hunt Road, extending west towards Old Mill Road and parts of Hemlock Hollow Road. Properties within the work zones can expect pruning to be performed as needed. The work planning contractors, ACRT Inc, notified residents between 2021-2022. Tree work will begin in early spring and last until mid to late November. Representatives of DLC and Wright Tree Service reviewed its line-clearing activities with the Borough.

Wright Tree Service will perform line clearance operations using industry best management practices approved by the International Society of Arboriculture. Trees identified for work are adjacent to or within the distribution rights-of-way. Wright Tree Service will also selectively control smaller, fast-growing incompatible tree species within the rights-of-way and utilize cut stump treatment applications employing EPA-approved herbicides and best management practices to prevent future maintenance and interruptions. Hazardous trees will also be identified and removed when encountered. Wood remaining on the property from tree removals will be left in manageable pieces. DLC performs these Line Clearance Operations to ensure the safety and reliability of the power lines.

If work is to be done on your property, Wright Tree will provide contact information for the general foreperson. Property owners can also contact DLC's customer service at 412-393-7100 or review vegetation practices on the DLC website, **www.duquesnelight.com**.

### WOMEN'S BOARD OF PITTSBURGH 2023 BENEFIT: SPRINGTIME IN PARIS FASHION THEIR FUTURE, SUPPORT PITTSBURGH'S CHILDREN

Be transported into "Springtime in Paris" on Thursday, April 27, 2023, at the Fox Chapel Golf Club for an evening of French-inspired fun with fashion, flowers, and food. The event is the Women's Board of Pittsburgh's annual benefit, "Fashion Their Future, Support Pittsburgh's Children."

All are invited to break out your most fashionable frocks for the "Springtime in Paris" festivities. The evening activities will begin at 6 PM and include cocktails, a seated dinner, a runway fashion show from Carabella, a make-your-own bouquet bar, and live and silent auctions.

Proceeds from the event will benefit local children's charities. For more information about the Women's Board of Pittsburgh or to purchase tickets, please visit **www.wbpgh.org**.



## INVASIVE SPECIES AND NOXIOUS WEEDS

The Borough of Fox Chapel has two new additions to its website: Controlled Plant and Noxious Weed Program Information from the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture and Invasive Species Information from the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCED). Residents can visit the website www.fox-chapel.pa.us to learn more.



### YARD MAINTENANCE

The Borough would like to remind residents of yard maintenance requirements with spring weather arriving. Please note that grass cannot exceed six (6) inches in height. Hedges and tree branches in the road right-of-way must be trimmed back six (6) feet from the paving edge to allow proper sight distance. The Borough encourages residents not to plant shrubs or trees in the road right-of-way because of public safety concerns. The Borough does not maintain trees or shrubs in the right-of-way, regardless of who originally planted them. The Borough trims along the guide rail and removes tree branches that block traffic signs. The Borough receives many calls regarding tall grass or overgrown intersections every year. Intersections not cleared by residents will be cleared by the Borough's contractor using a boom mower. The work performed by the contractor may not be to residents' liking, so for this reason, it is recommended that the property owner clear the intersection. Your cooperation is appreciated.

## COOPER-SIEGEL COMMUNITY LIBRARY SPRING/SUMMER EVENTS



#### **TEENS**

Teen After-Hours	Third Friday of the Month, 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
Teens take over the Library afte	er we close!
Anime and Cosplay Club	Second Tuesday of the Month, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Crochet n Things	Thursdays, 6:00 pm (adults welcome also!)

#### **CHILDREN**

Weekly Programs:	
Spanish & English Storytime:	Mondays, 10:30 am - 11:00 am (Ages 2 - 5 years old)
Wiggle Storytime:	Tuesdays, 10:30 am - 11:00 am (Ages 2 and under)
Make-n-Take:	Tuesdays, 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm (Grades K - 6)
Chinese & English Storytime:	2nd Saturdays, 10:30 am - 11:00 am (Ages 2 - 5 years old)
Preschool Storytime:	Fridays, 10:30 am - 11:00 am (Ages 3 -5 years old)
Read to Grey the Therapy Dog	3rd Saturday of the month, 10:30 am - 11:30 am (Ages 6 - 11)
Chess Classes (\$105)	Sundays, 1:30-2:30 pm; 6 Sessions, Begins March 26th (Grades K - 8)
Computer Animation Camp (\$60)	June 12 - 16th, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm (Ages 8 - 15)
Chess Camp (\$195)	June 26th – June 30th, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm (Grades K – 8)
Los Zorritos Spanish Camp (\$100)	July 10th – July 14th, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm (Grades K – 3)
Chinese & English Storytime:	2nd Saturdays, 10:30 am – 11:00 am (Ages 2 – 5 years old) Fridays, 10:30 am – 11:00 am (Ages 3 -5 years old) 3rd Saturday of the month, 10:30 am – 11:30 am (Ages 6 – 11) Sundays, 1:30– 2:30 pm; 6 Sessions, Begins March 26th (Grades K – 8) June 12 – 16th, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm (Ages 8 – 15) June 26th – June 30th, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm (Grades K – 8)

#### **ADULTS**

Book Clubs			
Evening Book Club	. Fourth Monda	of the month	, 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Cookbook ClubFirst Thursday of the month, 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm  Memory (Memoir + History) Book ClubThird Wednesday of the month, 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm <u>Craft Clubs for Adults</u> Purls of Wisdom Knitting CircleSecond Sunday of the month, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
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Purks of Window Knitting Circle Second Sunday of the month 1:00 pm 3:00 pm
runs of Wisdom Killing Circle
Midweek Knitters Every Wednesday, 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm
Oh, Scrap! Scrapbook ClubFirst Tuesday of the month, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
How to Grow the Best RosesSaturday, March 18th, 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm
Expressive Pages: Journaling the Everyday 6 Sessions; Begins Tuesday, March 21st, 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm
Voices from the Attic: Civil War HistoryWednesday, March 22nd, 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm
Frauds and Scams 101 Wednesday, March 29th, 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm
From Your Attic to the ArchivesTuesday, April 25th, 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Natural Cleaning with Essential OilsTuesday, May 9th, 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm
Papermaking with Katy DeMentSaturday, May 20th, 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm
How to Banish Anxiety and WorrySaturday, June 3rd, 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

#### FAMILY/ALL AGES

An Afternoon with Benjamin Franklin ......Sunday, April 29th, 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

## PARKING PERMITS

The Fox Chapel Police Department continues to patrol Fox Chapel parks to ensure individuals parking at Riding Meadow Park, Lockhart Trail (off Hemlock Hollow Road), and the parking area opposite Hardie Valley Park on Old Mill Road have updated Parking Permit stickers on their vehicles. One issue officers are running into is illegible parking permit stickers. Residents of the Borough do not need to renew their permits for the life of their vehicles. Unfortunately, some stickers have undergone many seasonal changes and have seen better days.

If your parking permit sticker is illegible, please visit the Cooper-Seigel Community Library website to access the online form. The permits are free for residents of the Borough. Once the form has been completed, residents can visit the Library to pick up their new sticker or request to have it mailed to them. For anyone with questions regarding the permit, please call 412-828-9520 ext. 5015.



## **GARLIC MUSTARD PULL EVENT**

Garlic Mustard, a noxious wintergreen invader, produces chemicals that can weaken the ability of native plants to grow, thus making room for their seeds to take root. Garlic Mustard has a short life cycle, each plant makes thousands of seeds, and the population can spread rapidly. Aggressive invaders overrun the Trillium Trail and Salamander Park.

There is hope, so we must act now to remove the Garlic Mustard before it disperses its seeds this summer. They have a two-year life cycle, so if we are vigilant this year, as last year, we could remove the garlic mustard from the park.

On Saturday, May 6, 2023, at 10 AM, please join the Fox Chapel Park Commission members as they host the Garlic Mustard Pull event. Volunteers are asked to meet in the McCahill Park parking lot. They will be dispersed to various parks based on current invasive species observations.

Trash bags will be provided. Garden gloves are recommended but not required. The plants are easily pulled by grasping them at the base, but you can bring a small hand trowel to loosen the surrounding earth and ease the removal of the plants.

Share this call for volunteers with all your friends and neighbors. Last year, many volunteers expressed a renewed discovery of family, friends, community, and the beauty of our lovely parks.



### **FOXWALL EMS**

Foxwall Emergency Medical Service (EMS) is a progressive, community-based independent non-profit ambulance service providing 24/7 high-quality, advanced life-support care to the Fox Chapel and Aspinwall communities. The utmost priority at Foxwall EMS is to continue to have the ability to support the community's needs, including historical emergency services, local community events, CPR training, and other community programs.

Recently, residents received their annual subscription drive. This subscription drive directly aids your local not-for-profit ambulance service by helping equip and staff our units. In 2022, Foxwall responded to over 2,000 calls for assistance, and the number of service requests and the cost of providing those services continues to increase. Across the country, communities face a shortage of trained EMS professionals, which is often referred to as a crisis. At Foxwall, we utilize a combination of compensated and volunteer professionals, highly trained and extremely motivated to bring you the best pre-hospital care in your time of need. Your support is essential to the continued survival and growth of Foxwall.

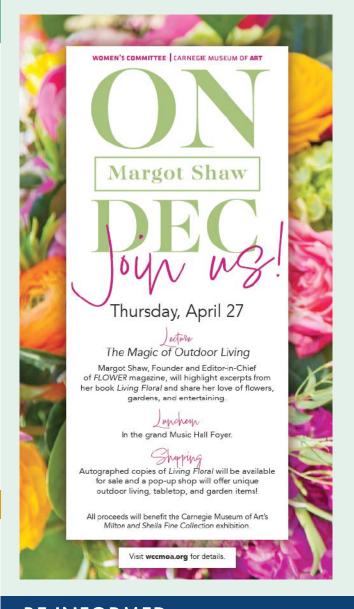
Through your support, Foxwall will continue to grow and provide the best pre-hospital care available. Our crews are committed to our mission, and many attend advanced training at their own expense. Foxwall has nine providers attending paramedic-level training to augment the service needs. We plan to add additional capabilities to our service in 2023; your support helps make that possible.

Finally, if you are interested in helping Foxwall EMS meet the community's needs, operational and administrative volunteer opportunities are available to join this life-saving team. If you are interested in helping, please stop by the station at 749 Hemlock Hollow Road.

### TRILLIUM GARDEN CLUB

The **Trillium Garden Club** is pleased to announce its annual fundraiser plant sale **Saturday, May 6, 2023, at O'Hara Township Park, from 9 am to 2 pm**. On sale will be a selection of annuals, perennials, hanging baskets, unique selections, and multi-plant patio pots. The 2nd Annual Members Raffle will showcase crafted items of Members' Talents. Proceeds from the sale benefit community projects such as O'Hara Township Park, The Community Gardens of Blawnox/ Aspinwall/ Sharpsburg, Camp Guyasuta, Beechwood farms, and more.





### BE INFORMED -SIGN UP FOR FOX CHAPEL ALERT!

The Borough of Fox Chapel has adopted Fox Chapel Alert powered by Smart 911. The Borough uses Fox Chapel Alert to communicate with residents about extreme weather, road closures, public health and safety concerns, bulletins for dangerous situations, and community event notifications.



SCAN ME

Our deployment of Fox Chapel Alert allows us to notify the community quickly and confidently and deliver the right message to the right people when it matters most. Registering for or using Fox Chapel Alert is free, and your personal information will be kept confidential. Registering for Fox Chapel Alert is quick and easy.

## 2023 ROAD CONSTRUCTION AND PAVING

The Public Works Department is installing underdrains, repairing/replacing catch basins, repairing manholes, and replacing storm and sanitary sewers in preparation for road paving. The Borough hopes to install drainage and rebuild as many of the following roads as the budget permits:



- Autumn Path Lane
- Foxwood Drive
- Riding Meadow Road
- Riding Trail Entrance
- Riding Trail Lane
- Sweet Water Court
- Sweet Water Lane
- Willow Farms Lane
- Windmere Drive

- Silent Run Road to Cul-de-sac
- Highland Road to Cul-de-sac
- Hemlock Hollow Road to Fox Chapel Road
- Hunt Road to Riding Trail Loop
- Loop at Riding Trial entrance
- Sweet Water Lane to Cul-de-sac
- Fairview Road to Cul-de-sac
- Dorseyville Road to Willow Farms Court
- Powers Run Road to Cul-de-sac

Please note this may change due to the actual bid amount received and other variables.

Please obey posted speed limits and keep alert for temporary barricades and equipment. Do not remove signs, barricades, covers, or cones that may be used in construction areas, and follow the directions of traffic control personnel when driving past workers, equipment, and flaggers. Your cooperation is appreciated.

## TAKE THE ALCOSAN PUP PLEDGE & GET A PRIZE FOR YOUR POOCH!

Pet waste left on the ground can wash into storm drains and contaminate our rivers and streams with bacteria and parasites. Protecting our waterways from harmful pet waste is as easy as snagging it and bagging it in biodegradable bags that can be thrown into any trash can. Our pups need clean water, and it's up to us to make it happen.

Take the pledge to keep our rivers and streams clean by snagging and bagging your dog's waste and placing it in the trash. When you take the PUP Pledge and sign up for program materials, you'll receive one of two prizes of your choice for your pet! Log onto ALCOSAN's website at <a href="https://www.alcosan.org/about-us/environmental-stewardship/pups-pledge">https://www.alcosan.org/about-us/environmental-stewardship/pups-pledge</a> and take the pledge!

## REGISTER NOW FOR SHADY SIDE ACADEMY SUMMER PROGRAMS!

Shady Side Academy offers a wide array of fun, affordable summer programs for kids entering grades PK-12 on its Senior, Middle, and Junior School campuses in Fox Chapel and Point Breeze. Offerings include day camps, sports camps, focus camps, STEAM camps, and summer school classes. Camps are filling up quickly! View 2023 offerings and register online at www.ShadySideAcademy.org/Summer.



### DO NOT SOLICIT REGISTRY APPLICATION

If you are a new resident of the Borough or have not added yourself to the Do Not Solicit Registry and would like to, please scan the QR Code to be directed to the Borough's website, where the registry form can be found. Once the form is complete, it can be emailed to kmersing@fox-chapel. pa.us or mailed to the Borough Building, 401 Fox Chapel Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15238. Borough staff will add all names submitted to the Do Not Solicit List.



The U.S. Supreme Court ruled that non-commercial solicitation cannot be regulated. Therefore, residents may request a No Soliciting window cling that can be displayed on their door if they want to keep all solicitors away. Please indicate that you require a No Soliciting window cling on the form before submitting. The cling should be applied to the outside of a conspicuous clean glass door or window for solicitors to see. It can be removed from the glass but become harder to remove over time. If you already have a cling but need more, please email Kelsey at the address above, and they will be mailed to you.



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FOX CHAPEL BOROUGH



#### **BOROUGH OF FOX CHAPEL ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

Anyone interested in being considered for future openings should submit their resume via email to speterson@fox-chapel.pa.us

#### **BOROUGH** COUNCIL

Andrew C. Bennett, President Harrison S. Lauer, Vice President Thomas A. Karet Frederick C. Leech Betsy Monroe Bradley D. Harrison Sarah Hanna Walter A. Scott, III, Mayor Jeanine A. Mancuso, Treasurer Gary J. Koehler, Manager

Meets each month on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month at 6:00 P.M.

#### PARK COMMISSION

Wesley W. Posvar, Chairman Jay Troutman Liz Nelson Susan Crookston Jessica Demoise Carrie Casey Leemhuis Steve Whittingham Nicholas Z. Muller Jeffrey Cohen

Meets the 2nd Monday in April, June, September and December at 9:00 A.M.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Austin Henry, Chairman Thomas J. Murphy Peggy G. Jayme Jay S. Troutman Nanette Bennett Donald H. Newman Brenda McEver

Meets as needed on the 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00 P.M.

#### **TRAIL STEWARDS**

Britton Wean Rich Wendell Chip Crawford Max Wolfanger and Scott Peterson Scott Family Jim and Mardi Royston Pat Scully Scott and Rachel (Lockhart) Stevens

#### PLANNING COMMISION

Harrison S. Lauer, Chairman Nanette Bennett Wesley W. Posvar James M. Royston Jeffrey B. Todd

Meets as needed on the 3rd Monday of the month at 5:30 P.M.

#### **ZONING HEARING BOARD**

Donald F. Smith, Jr. Kyra Tucker Jeremy Callaway Sphar

Meets as needed on the Wednesday following the 3rd Monday of the month at 7:00 P.M.

#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Harrison S. Lauer- Chairperson Carolyn C. Sanford Andrew C. Bennett Thomas A. Karet Enzo J. Santilli



# FOX CHAPEL PARKS CONSERVANCY

On Saturday, January 28th, McCahill Park was transformed for Fire & Ice in the Park, presented by UPMC St. Margaret and Eichenlaub Inc. The event brought our community together for a beautiful night of fireside gatherings, strolls along lantern-lit pathways, and a chance to admire elaborate ice sculptures of plants, animals, and other natural features of our local parks.

The free event drew over one thousand community members with individual donations and corporate sponsorships, making it the top fundraiser for the Fox Chapel Parks Conservancy.

The mission of the Fox Chapel Parks Conservancy is to protect, maintain, improve, and expand the Borough parks in partnership with the Fox Chapel Borough Government and community and to improve the quality of life for the residents by offering a sustainable park and trail system while building a community dedicated to preserving the parks for the future.

Please visit www.foxchapelparksconservancy.org to make a donation and support our public parks.





## HOLIDAY GARBAGE COLLECTION DELAYS AND BOROUGH OFFICE CLOSINGS

- Memorial Day Monday, May 29, 2023
- Independence Day Tuesday, July 4, 2023
- Garbage collection for Memorial Day week will be Tuesday through Saturday.
- Garbage collection for Independence Day week will be Monday pickup as usual, with no collection on Tuesday, then the collection will resume Wednesday through Saturday.
- The Borough office will be closed on both holidays.

### RESIDENT INVOLVEMENT

Anyone interested in being considered for future openings on Borough committees should submit their resume via email to FoxChapel@fox-chapel. pa.us. The most active committees are the Park Commission, Environmental Advisory Council, and Planning Commission.

## **VOLUNTEERS WANTED: PLANT 1,000 TREES & SHRUBS THIS ARBOR DAY WEEKEND!**

## TREES CAN:

- **REDUCE EROSION**
- MIMPROVE HABITATS
- CLEAN WATER
- ☐ PLANT THEMSELVES

JOIN US IN PLANTING TEN MILLION TREES IN PA BY 2025





In celebration of Arbor Day 2023, the Fox Chapel Borough Park Commission, with the help of some dedicated community members, has obtained 1,000 seedlings through The Keystone Ten Million Trees partnership. The Park Commission seeks volunteers of all ages to meet on Saturday, April 29th, to assist with a fun, family-friendly planting effort in our local parks and nature spaces. Volunteers or interested residents may also sign up to take blueberry

bushes, Sycamore seedlings, or other specimens for free personal use at home while quantities last. This is a community event; punctual planters can also expect donut treats!

Interested parties should visit the Borough website by scanning the QR Code for details and registration information.

ARBOR DAY 2023



## LAURI ANN WEST COMMUNITY CENTER

Summer is approaching, and many of us are looking for fun summer camps for our kids. Lauri Ann West Community Center in O'Hara offers various options, including full-day and half-day specialty camps.

Our week-long camps are open to children ages 3-12. Sign up for one week or all ten! Pre-K camps run in the mornings, and elementary-aged camps run all day. We partner with organizations such as Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre, Mad Science, and Little Medical School if you're looking for a more specialized camp. For more information and registration, visit https://lauriannwestcc.org/summercamps/.

If your teen is still looking for volunteer service hours, we are always looking for summer volunteers. Our volunteers help to support the instructors with the basics of camp. Information on volunteering can be found on our website at https://lauriannwestcc.org/volunteer/.



### SUPPORT YOUR FIRE DEPARTMENT

In an effort to raise funds necessary to provide excellent fire protection to the residents, the Borough of Fox Chapel will be sending the yearly mailing of the Contributing Membership Letter. The Borough would like to replace a twenty-five-year-old rescue truck for the Fox Chapel Volunteer Fire Department.

Our volunteers invest a significant amount of time serving the Borough. These time commitments include emergency responses (often at a moment's notice), hours of training every year to ensure their readiness to respond when needed most, vehicle and station maintenance, and various administrative duties.

Every contribution is important. All donations will be received by Fox Chapel Borough and placed in a restricted account to be used exclusively to purchase fire vehicles and equipment.

