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## Newsletter

### THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING CHIEF FAUST

We have jokingly promised Chief of Police David Faust that the Police Department would grace the cover of the Borough newsletter at some point for the past several years. What Chief Faust doesn't know is that we are excited to write our cover article this Spring about him. We're certain that he will find this article humbling and somehow, and in some way in his own words, undeserving. We absolutely disagree and we want to share his recent accomplishment with you! When we first wrote this article, it was to proudly recognize Chief Faust for a very prestigious award he recently received, and we felt that we need to share this with you as well. However, since writing the original article, we have learned that Chief Faust is retiring from the Emmaus Police Department at the end of March. We still want to tell you about the award, but we want to tell you a little more about Chief Faust as well.



Chief Faust was recently presented with the 29th Annual Colonel John K. Schafer Award on December 8, 2015. The award is given in recognition of exemplary service by law enforcement personnel. Lehigh County District Attorney James Martin presented the award to Chief Faust on behalf of the Leigh County Chiefs of Police Association at its annual luncheon. Chief Faust's family as well as Mayor Iobst, former recipients of the award, and Senior Judge of the Pennsylvania Superior Court William H. Platt were all in attendance to celebrate the distinguished honor with the Chief, much to his surprise.

Chief Faust was nominated for the award and selected by previous award recipients. The criteria for the award includes a nominee's integrity, initiative, motivation, honesty, loyalty, sincerity, and professional excellence. The award is given to an individual who displays professional excellence in law enforcement. The award was created in memory of Colonel John K. Schafer of the Pennsylvania State Police, a 23-year state police veteran what was ultimately appointed as Police Commissioner in 1987. Commissioner Schafer died of cancer at the age of 46 later that year.

District Attorney Martin was very complimentary of Chief Faust while presenting the award. Martin said, "Chief Faust is an outstanding law enforcement officer. Faust, in my opinion, is a deserving recipient of this award."

In the only way we would expect Chief Faust to respond, a very humbled Chief stated, "I am extremely humbled to receive such an honor in the name of Col. John K. Schafer. As a young law enforcement officer, I came to know Colonel Schafer as a true professional in law enforcement and equally an exceptional person in law enforcement and equally exceptional person in his personal life. Colonel Schafer was certainly a model for others in law enforcement to follow. His wisdom offered so much to the men and women of the Pennsylvania State Police. I realize there are countless law enforcement officials in the region who are deserving of such a distinction. To be able to stand among some of the very finest who are past recipients of this award is truly unimaginable. I am grateful to District Attorney Jim Martin and all of those affiliated with the Colonel Schafer Award committee who thought of

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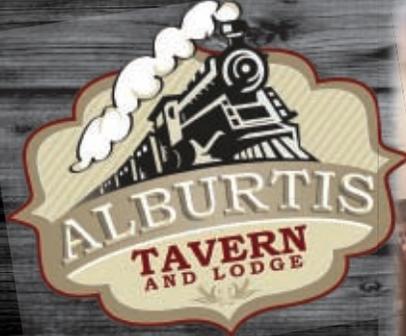
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## INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING?

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me. I believe this award is a credit to the men and women of the Emmaus Police Department. They are the ones out there on the front lines each and every day and they are responsible for the successes that we have.”

Chief Faust graduated from Emmaus High School and Moravian College. He received a master's degree from St. Joseph's University and graduated from the FBI National Academy as a member of its 215th class.

Chief Faust has always been involved in our community as well as the law enforcement field. He has served on various Lehigh County Chiefs of Police committees and participates in many other capacities throughout the Valley. Chief Faust began his career in Emmaus as a young man working in the Public Works Department before he went to college. He began his police career in Emmaus as a part-time officer and was hired as a full-time officer in 1987. He was the department's first K-9 handler and was promoted to sergeant in 1995. He also served as a juvenile investigator and DARE officer. He was promoted to Chief of Police in 2000 and has been proudly and honorably serving in that position for the past 16 years.

As our Police Chief, Chief Faust has overseen numerous improvements and milestones, including the accreditation through the Pennsylvania Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission as well as a national accreditation, an honor that less than 1% of all police departments in the entire nation receive. His knowledge and leadership are intangible assets that have helped lead the Emmaus Police Department to be one of the most professional and most recognized departments in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

On behalf of everyone that works with Chief Faust in any capacity, it is our honor to tell the Chief that his leadership, integrity, hard work, dedication, loyalty, and professionalism are unparalleled. Chief, we appreciate your humbleness, as we see it in your everyday actions. However, we want you to know that your colleagues as well as our entire community are proud to have had you as the Chief of our Police Department. You lead with integrity, honor, and a quiet professionalism that we all appreciate. On behalf of our entire community, thank you for everything you have done for our community and we are proud that you have received this much deserved honor! We are even more honored to have called you our Chief of Police for the past 16 years. We wish you the very best in your retirement from the department. We also wish you the very best as you take the next step in your life and in your career. Thank you for being the leader we all look up to, work with, and live beside. On behalf of our entire community, we simply want to say thank you.

## SENATOR BOSCOLA TO HOST “MOBILE OFFICE HOURS” AT THE EMMAUS PUBLIC LIBRARY

Senator Boscola will be hosting monthly “mobile office hours” at the Emmaus Library in 2016. Need assistance with a state-related issue? Let Senator Boscola's Office help you cut through the “red tape.” Some of the services provided will include: filing PA Property Tax/Rent Rebate (PA1000) and the East Penn School District Property Tax Rebate Program applications, PennDot Services, Birth Certificates, Utilities, Human Services Assistance Programs and much more! Mobile office hours will be held at the Emmaus Public Library from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., on the last Monday of each month (with some exceptions).



Below is a list of dates that Senator Boscola will be holding office hours at the Library:

**Monday, March 21 • Monday, April 25 • Monday, May 23**  
**Monday, June 27 • Monday, July 25 • Monday, August 29**

For more information, please visit Senator Boscola's website at: <http://www.senatorboscola.com/>

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## Earth Day 2016 – Community Cleanup

Saturday, April 16 • 8:30 AM to 12 PM

**RAIN or SHINE**

**WHO:** Community members from Emmaus and Upper Milford (and any other surrounding areas) are invited to participate in this fun, earth-conscious event!

**WHAT:** **Cleaning up litter** and debris from sites around the Borough and Township.

**ALSO:** **Electronics recycling** will be available at Community Park during the event – just stop by with items to recycle like TVs, computers, printers, air conditioners and batteries! Some fees will apply.

**NEW THIS YEAR:** **Document Shredding** will be available at Community Park during the event at no charge to the community. Any type of office paper will be accepted. No need to remove staples. **Items not accepted are newspapers, cardboard or books.** Paper shredding will take place on the site while you wait. **Limit 4 boxes per household (office file size boxes only). Household only no commercial businesses please.**

**NEW THIS YEAR:** **Household Goods recycling** will be available at Community Park during the event at no charge. Clothing, personal accessories, shoes, household items such as towels, sheets, blankets, and books. **Items not accepted are weapons, explosives, hazardous waste, construction materials, flammables, large appliances, auto parts, food, and televisions.**

**WHEN:** **Saturday, April 16.** We will begin gathering at 8:30 a.m. for coffee and to get organized, then start cleaning

up by 9 a.m.! Come back to the park afterwards for lunch & educational community fun!



**WHERE:** Meet at the **Emmaus Community Park**, Shimerville Road at South 14th Street. Instructions and directions to all the cleanup sites will be provided.

**WHY:** Earth Day is a great time to show your commitment to our community's environment. Help out by cleaning up litter and debris, and providing community education about the importance of protecting local water resources!

**Presented by the Borough of Emmaus / Upper Milford Township Joint Environmental Advisory Council (EAC).** More details will be posted online – find us on Facebook! or email the EAC at eacinfo@uppermilford.net to be placed on an email list for updates!

*This is a public event and photos may be taken at any time. Parents and group leaders are responsible for ensuring all children are properly supervised for safety and any special needs are addressed.*

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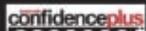
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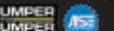
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### Enjoy Reading Outdoors

As the weather improves, visit the Library and see some of our memorial trees in bloom, or check out one of our outdoor “Reading Rugs” to sit outside and enjoy the sunshine. The free WiFi provided by the Library (password is libraryaccess01) extends outside about 100 feet for tablets and laptops.



### Movies and Audiobooks

For 2016, the Library purchased an assortment of popular new movies on DVD (\$1 for 7 days), and audiobooks on CD (free of charge). And for those who like their older machines, we have childrens and adult books on cassette, and even a few movies on VHS tape (\$.50 for 7 days).

### Get set! Summer reading club starts June 13!

This year’s theme is “On Your Mark, Get Set, Read!” and will focus on sports and sportsmanship. The Summer Reading club will run June 13 through August 13. Come in any time after June 12 to pick up reading and activity logs to keep track of how many hours children read, are read to, or complete activities. Small prizes will be given out along the way and a completion certificate in August, but the real goal is recognizing the effort, reward, and enjoyment of a child’s reading. Schedules of special programs will be available at the Library closer to summer.



### Visit [www.emmauspl.org](http://www.emmauspl.org) for the calendar and description of upcoming events.

In the past year we’ve introduced the Adult Coloring Club, special Film Discussion Series, and Creative Play Days when schools are closed. Check the website on the 1st of every month to see what’s new and dates and times for regular programs.

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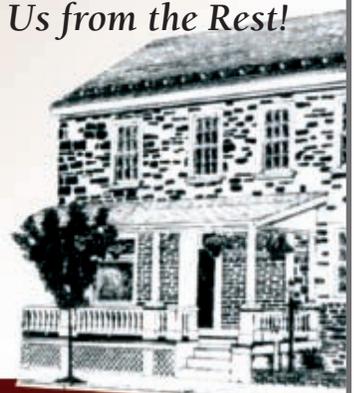
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## The Emmaus Commemorative Garden Remembers

The Emmaus Commemorative Gardens Foundation (ECGF) has a far-reaching vision for creating remembrance opportunities in the Borough of Emmaus. The ECGF has partnered with the **Emmaus Veterans Committee** (EVC), the premier veteran's organization in our region, to offer veterans bricks to the members of our local veterans posts (American Legion Post 191, Catholic War Vets Post 1067 and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7088). We were honored to install 27 bricks in the Veteran's Walkway last year during the Memorial Day weekend and it is our intention to again install bricks this year for service men and women to honor their service to our country.



Last year bricks were installed in the Veteran's Walkway to honor:

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***We're pleased to announce that orders received by Saturday, April 2 will be here in time for the Sunday, May 29, 2016 Memorial Day weekend installation ceremony. The cost per brick is still \$65.00.***

The ECGF has a new website where all brick orders can be easily completed online with a credit card... [www.emmausremembers.org](http://www.emmausremembers.org). There is also an option to print out an order form and mail it to ECGF, P.O. Box 593, Emmaus, PA 18049 with a check as an another order option.

Another special reason to order a brick is if you are considering having a wedding at the Remembrance Garden. We enjoy having wedding ceremonies at the Garden and only ask that it be scheduled with us and that a brick be purchased to commemorate the ceremony in lieu of a rental fee (see contact information below).

The Emmaus Remembrance Garden is a unique community asset. It is a place where you can place a commemorative brick in one of seven special walkways, purchase a bench to remember a retirement, birthday or anniversary or just come by and hang out. It's a perfect place to honor service to America or a local organization, recognize attainment of Eagle Scout distinction, and support achievement in academics, athletics, music and/or the arts.

The ECGF is a group of faithful volunteers who have worked hard for over ten years to create a quiet and beautiful space for everyone who wishes to place a remembrance brick, bench or tree to honor someone for their birthday, graduation, retirement, service to America, anniversary, or passing. We invite everyone to visit the Garden and/or our new website at [www.emmausremembers.org](http://www.emmausremembers.org), contact Mike Waddell at 484-274-2089, or email Mike at [remgarden1@gmail.com](mailto:remgarden1@gmail.com) for more information about ordering a remembrance brick.



By remembering the positive and celebrating our grand accomplishments we strengthen the fabric of our community. The long term vision of the Emmaus Commemorative Gardens Foundation (ECGF) is to give everyone an opportunity to honor their loved ones' uniqueness and accomplishments. The ECGF, over a decade old, is a volunteer organization (501c3 non-profit) dedicated to the creation of a quiet, beautiful, and permanent space where we can all share and honor the accomplishments of our family, friends, neighbors and co-workers.

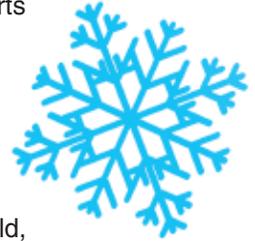
Be sure to "Like" the Emmaus Remembrance Garden on Facebook to follow the wonderful happenings at our Remembrance Garden!



## SEE. HEAR. FEEL. ART!



**We had a blast ... a SnowBlast!** Thank you to everyone who joined us for our 10th anniversary Fire & Light Celebration of SnowBlast Winter Arts Festival on Saturday, February 6th. Because of you, participating stores and businesses and our supporting sponsors and partners, our celebration of the arts was a huge success! Thank you to our supporting sponsors and partners for helping to make SnowBlast Winter Arts Festival the best yet – Lehigh Valley Honda, Lehigh Valley Martial Arts, Lafayette Ambassador Bank, Lehigh Print & Data, The East Penn Press, La Belle Cuisine, Switchback Pizza, Ai Orthodontics, Emmaus Public Library, Ice Cream World, Wesley Works Entertainment, Rajesh and Nisha Rai, Blick Art Materials, Emmaus Main Street Partners, proud partner of the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce, WLEV Radio, C.F. Martin & Co., Kline Family Ink, EPSD Art Club, Sculpted Ice Works and Crystal Cabin Fever, Herr Foods Inc., and Elissa Griffith Waldron, LLC.



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**ANNOUNCING - The EAC is planning the 6th Annual Rain Barrel Art Silent Auction!** The Call for Artists will be open in early March and the beautifully painted barrels shown at the Emmaus Farmers' Market beginning in June. Please check our web site frequently for updated information at [www.emmausarts.org](http://www.emmausarts.org).

Help us grow the arts! The EAC's mission is to increase the art experience for all members of the Emmaus Community and surrounding areas. We welcome volunteers and participants. If you would like to be involved in any of our events or become an EAC Commissioner, please contact us at [www.emmausarts.org](http://www.emmausarts.org).

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The Emmaus Main Street Partners has been working hard to better serve the businesses and the Emmaus community. This can be seen through our efforts such as Old Fashioned Christmas, Saturday December 5th. This event brought well over 2,500 people to our downtown; our Main Street was alive! We would like to thank the Borough, Public Works, Emmaus Ambulance and everyone involved in making events like these a success. Many thanks to Gross McGinley for being our Presenting Sponsor, Burkholder's HVAC for being our Beverage Tent Sponsor, and AFC First Renew Financial, The EG Notary, Campbell, Rappold & Yurasits LLP, Farmers Insurance John "JT" Tsiouvaras, Edward Jones Jeff McElhaney Financial Advisor, and National Penn Bank Emmaus Office for your support. Also, many thanks to all of the businesses that participated in the Holiday Window Painting and Display contest! With your participation it helped make our town extra jolly and welcoming for the holidays! Through events such as these, and all the collaborations, we are making Emmaus the place to be!

EMSP will continue to work with many community groups and committees; the power of partnerships is a wonderful thing! Our partnerships with the Emmaus Arts Commission, Emmaus Historical Society and many other civic groups and businesses make our community stronger. These partnerships have been great successes and we look forward to the future. Come on out and join the fun!

Lastly, EMSP would also like to welcome Greg Yestrumskas to our team. He will be the Assistant Main Street Manager, working closely with Jessica. He comes to us from Penn State Lehigh Valley, where he obtained his Bachelor of Arts degree in Corporate Communication and a minor in Business. He has jumped right in and has been a great asset to our organization and the community thus far with his fresh insight, contagious personality and enthusiasm.

Make sure to follow us on Facebook to stay up to date on all our events!



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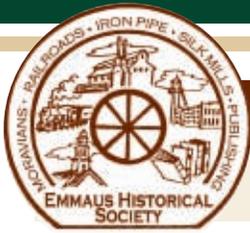
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**April 20, 2016 - "Vintage Emmaus Postcards"** - Presented by Andrew Kerstetter and Richard Chartrand. Shown on the big screen, see a collection from our Emmaus postcards from years ago.

**May 18, 2016 - Election of Board Officers and Directors prior to program. "The Emaus Plane Crash of 1935"** - On Friday, May 10, 1935, the single engine airplane piloted by prominent Emaus resident Attorney Carl Iobst, crashed into the S. Second Street home of Paul Rinker and immediately burst into flames. Hundreds went there to view the scene. We first presented this program in October, 2010, with 140 in attendance. Additional information will be presented as it relates to the history of the museum building at 218 Main Street..

**Genealogy Library** - Genealogy research records and resources, recently donated to the Emmaus Historical Society via a bequest from life member Elaine Schwar, will become available for those interested in genealogy. Elaine was a local authority on German immigrants to eastern Pennsylvania. The library is in the process of being organized and will become available later this year.

**Capital Campaign and Support** - We are very grateful to all of you who continue to contribute toward the purchase of our museum and required renovations, as well as supporting the operations of the Emmaus Historical Society as we preserve Emmaus history. Check in with staff at the museum to find out how you can help and volunteer.



### VISIT THE 1803 HOUSE IN 2016

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In approximately 1975, the Rodale family turned over the ownership of the 1803 House property to the Borough of Emmaus and a group of friends was organized to save and preserve and restore the abandoned vacant 1803 House structure. The fact that the Borough took ownership makes this your house. We hope you will continue to support the Friends of the 1803 House, Inc. in this continuing effort. We treat the House as a dynamic museum and education center about colonial Emmaus. We encourage people to visit the 1803 House yearly to view our continued progress.

Recently, we have made progress on enhancing the grounds of the 1803 House. Thanks to Jason Kleckner, and the "Buck Fence" Eagle Scout project, our grounds are safely separated from the busy railroad lines to the west and a colonial element has been added to our setting. We have enjoyed the curved brick walk that has been added to the kitchen/entry door. Development of an herb garden is in progress and the winding stream to the north has been cleared and is poised for stream bank restoration.

The most recent excitement is the progression of an archaeological dig east of the kitchen and along the stream. The dig is being managed by the volunteer efforts of Professor David Small of Lehigh University with his students and community volunteers. Field stone foundations have been uncovered and this verifies that there were additional structures at the 1803 House Homestead. What did the 1803 House environment really look like in 1803? Was it for a log cabin? Do they predate 1803? More than a privy? The dig will continue in 2016. Maybe you would like to volunteer to dig. If so, please call the 1803 House at 610-965-0152, email the 1803 House at [friends@1803House.org](mailto:friends@1803House.org), or visit the 1803 House website at [www.1803house.org](http://www.1803house.org) for more information.



Promise yourself a visit to the 1803 House site in 2016. See you at Keystone and Minor Streets.



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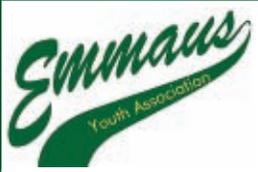
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### EYA welcomes all residents to come out to a ball field near you!

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### Join the Special Entertainment Commission for Fun and Entertainment!

The 37th Annual Summer Concert Series is quickly approaching and the Special Entertainment Commission is excited to bring you another summer filled with awesome music and events. You can look forward to another great line up with a few returning entertainers and some new acts that are sure to bring their best family friendly shows.

This season will kick-off June 5th with the Large Flowerheads and end August 28th with Scott Marshall and the Hill Billy Souls. Each Sunday evening will feature talented and award winning bands like Inch & the Echoes, Josef Krobath, Tommy Zito, Lou Franco Project, Red Hill Band, and Steel Creek. There will be all types of genres to appeal to all ages.

In addition to the Summer Concert Series the Commission continues the "Emmaus Gets Fit" program, providing Zumba Saturday mornings and Aqua Zumba during the summer.

The Emmaus Special Entertainment Commission needs your support to continue to host the Summer Concert Series and add other family fun events that our community will enjoy. Your contributions are vital to the future of Music and the Arts in Emmaus. Without financial support these events will slowly disappear. All donors will be listed in the concerts weekly program. Businesses can be listed on our website and facebook page. Please consider making a tax deductible donation made payable to Emmaus Special Entertainment Commission. Mail to: Borough of Emmaus, Attn: Emmaus Special Entertainment Comm., 28th South 4th Street, Emmaus PA 18049.

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The Emmaus Special Entertainment Commission is looking for volunteers and Commission members. As a Commission, we plan, organize, fundraise, advertise, and carry out events.

For information on upcoming events, volunteering, Commission membership, vendor information and donations please visit our website at [www.emmausent.com](http://www.emmausent.com); email us at [emmausent@gmail.com](mailto:emmausent@gmail.com) Like us on facebook at EmmausENT.

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## Meet Your Neighbor

Emmaus has long had a good friend in Ruth Grohol who next year will reach her 90th birthday. Born in Emmaus in 1926, she has seen Emmaus change and grow and she has participated in every moment. And she has no notion of slowing down!

After high school, at what was then Jefferson High School (now Emmaus High School), she started working as a payroll clerk and teletype operator at General Ribbon Mills on Minor Street. In 1950, she enrolled in Allentown Business College and after graduating worked at Equitable Life Insurance Company as their bookkeeper/secretary.

"I have always worked with figures and schedules" she said. Included in her career are scheduling and routing specialist at Lehigh Valley Transit, collateral loan clerk at First National Bank of Allentown, and as bookkeeper for her father's two businesses – Clarfert Manufacturing.

She worked at Environmental Uniform of Bethlehem until age 70. Her last job before retiring at age 76 was at Burger King in Breinigsville. She and her late husband, Andrew, loved dancing, especially Polka. They frequented Polka bands from Wilkes Barre to Bethlehem. She still gets a twinkle in her step when she hears a Polka.

Work and play are only part of her commitment. She volunteers with the Republican Committee Women, Business and Professional Women's Club, Soroptimist Club as Treasurer, and Emmaus Woman's Club. She volunteers to help seniors with rent rebate and Medicare part D, and Medicare supplement plans, through the then offices of Douglas Reichley, Ryan MacKenzie, and now Justin Simmons.

She volunteered to work on the 2009 Emmaus Centennial Committee. She is a member of The Emmaus Historical Society, a loyal member of Emmaus Moravian Church, and is a member of the International Order of Kings Daughters through Emmaus Moravian Church. She serves as Treasurer and has been a member for 82 years.

We see first-hand in this remarkable woman an acute attention to detail in everything she does. We know this because she is the Assistant Secretary in charge of membership for The Shelter House Society. Ruth keeps the Shelter House organized and up-to-date on membership and financial details. On a personal level, we know that she helps her neighbors by driving them (yes she still drives) to doctor's appointments and to the market.

Her father Clarence Hoffert was Mayor of Emmaus from 1962-65. She has two brothers who are deceased, Clark and Walter and two brothers surviving, Clarence and Carl. Ruth is the "go to" person in the historic community, for she knows nearly everyone in the town and can narrate history. And so, we at the Shelter House salute our good neighbor "Ruth Grohol."



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## The Emmaus Ambulance Corps - 2016 Subscription/Donation Notice



The Emmaus Ambulance Corps has mailed its 2016 Subscription brochures. Your yearly donation makes it possible for the Ambulance Corps to continue saving lives. The deadline of March 31, 2016 is approaching fast. If you **HAVE NOT** received a brochure, please stop in and pick one up at the Ambulance Corps office located at 100 North 6th Street, Emmaus, or call the office at 610-967-5615 as soon as possible to subscribe over the phone with your credit card. After February 29, there is an additional fee of \$5.00 to the subscription amount. **Subscribe today before it's too late. After March 31st, subscriptions will only be offered to new residents moving into our area.**

## EFFECTIVE JUNE 1ST, THE BOROUGH OF EMMAUS WILL OFFER ONLINE BILL PAYMENT AND CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS

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When you're ready to pay your bill, select a payment type. You can pay with credit card, debit card, or electronic funds transfer. Then enter the information and you're done! You will be able to pay via any of the major credit cards, electronic checks, or through a debit card. Of course, you can continue to pay the old fashioned way as well.

We offered this service at your request. You asked and we delivered! To sign up, just go to [www.borough.emmaus.pa.us](http://www.borough.emmaus.pa.us) after June 1st and follow the instructions there.

And remember, it's free to sign up. There will be a convenience fee of \$3.00 to use the single payment service, as we are charged transaction fees by the credit card companies, however, autopay programs are free. Sign up June 1st.

In addition, you will now be able to pay for various Borough bills via credit card and other forms of payment. Effective June 1st, the Borough will accept credit card payments over the phone, on the Xpress Bill Pay window, and at different points of sale, such as at Town Hall, and in the near future, at the swimming pool.



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## Community Gardens

Do you have a desire to plant your own garden, but you don't have enough room in your yard to do it? We have a perfect solution for you! Did you know that we have a community garden? You can plant your very own garden at the Emmaus Community Garden. The garden is located between the Knauss Homestead and the Compost Site. It is completely enclosed with a chain link fence, which has been successful in discouraging wildlife from destroying crops. Emmaus residents, as well as non-residents are eligible to receive a 15' x 30' plot for \$15 and \$25 per plot respectively. You can purchase up to two plots. You will be responsible for maintaining your own garden. Lot payments and requests can be made to the Cashier at Emmaus Town Hall. For more information, please contact Jessica Wessner at 610-965-9292.



## OVER THE BACKYARD FENCE FROM THE EMMAUS GARDEN CLUB

Emmaus Garden Club recently installed new officers for the years 2016 and 2017. They are: President-Rosemary Gish/Ebersole, 1st Vice President-Faye Schuler, 2nd Vice President-Rebecca Short, Recording Secretary-Mary Ware, and Treasurer-Michelle Iobst.

EGC meets on the 1st Tuesday of the month March through December at the Faith Presbyterian Church, 3002 N. 2nd Street, Emmaus, 18049, unless otherwise noted. Doors open at 12 noon with light refreshments followed by a program and business meeting. A variety of programs are offered which might include a floral design study, something horticultural or conservation. Members need not reside in Emmaus and the public is always welcome. Please call Ellen at 610-928-3713 for more information.

The Emmaus Garden Club will be featured at the Emmaus Historical Society for the month of May.

### A LITTLE GROWING HINT:

If you start your plants indoors, prepare your pots or containers as usual. Add the seeds and sprinkle some flavored gelatin (Jello with sugar) over the seeds sitting on top of seed starting mix, water, then cover seeds with more soil. The sugar feeds helpful bacteria and the nitrogen in the gelatin makes plants grow leafy and green. It doesn't matter what flavor you use!

## GRASS, WEED & TREE TRIMMING REGULATIONS

A property owner is responsible for the property from the front curblin to the rear curblin. Please help keep our community beautiful by cutting or removing the weeds at your curb.

**Ordinance 675, Chapter 10, Part 3, Section 301**, states that weeds and grass may not exceed 6" in height. After given proper notification and failure to cut the grass and/or weeds within the allotted 5 days after notification, the property owner may be subject to a fine of up to \$300 per offense per day, together with costs for removing, spraying, trimming, or cutting by the Borough or its contractor. A delinquent property owner is also responsible for associated costs, plus administrative and legal fees as permitted by law.

**Ordinance 675, Chapter 25, Section 105**, requires that any tree on private property or along the streets or alleys must have a clear height of 14 feet over the street and 10 feet over the sidewalk. Also, any trees, shrubs or hedges located in the clear sight triangle cannot exceed 2 feet above grade. After proper notification and failure to trim overgrown trees within the allotted 10 days of notification the property owner may be subject to a fine of up to \$300 per offense per day, together with costs of trimming by the Borough or its contractor. A delinquent property owner is also responsible for associated costs, plus administrative and legal fees as permitted by law.

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## NEWS FROM THE EMMAUS SHADE TREE COMMISSION

### In Defense of Trees

#### *The Emmaus Shade Tree Ordinance promotes public green spaces in the Borough.*

Trees lining the streets of Emmaus and shading our public parks are valuable to the well-being of the Community. What makes trees so special? To begin with, trees beautify our neighborhoods and commercial areas. Deciduous trees, trees that drop their leaves in the fall, create shade that reduces air-conditioning costs in summer while allowing solar energy to warm our homes in the winter. The presence of healthy trees adds to property values and our quality of life. Trees release oxygen to the air while filtering out pollutants. Recognizing the importance of trees, the Borough Council has established two Ordinances that offer an official set of guidelines for their care and protection.

The Shade Tree Ordinance, approved in 2006, declares that any tree within the right-of-way (in other words, within 12 feet of the curb) to be a public tree. The Ordinance gives certain responsibilities for protecting these public trees to their owners. For example, public trees are not to be "topped" – the damaging practice of pruning a tree's limbs back to stubs. Property owners must request a permit from the Shade Tree Commission before planting, pruning, or removing a public tree.

As it was originally written, the Ordinance states that property owners may be required to replace a public tree that is removed, unless there is no suitable location for a new tree. In 2012, Borough Council approved a Tree Fund Ordinance that adds some flexibility to this rule. Under the new Ordinance, property owners who do not wish to replace a street tree, even when a suitable planting spot is available, can instead make a \$200 payment to the Tree Fund. Money in the Tree Fund is earmarked for the purchase and planting of public trees in Emmaus. Few homeowners have taken advantage of the Tree Fund option, perhaps because it is not well known.

With the spring tree-planting season approaching, it's time to consider the many benefits of a well-chosen tree. For questions about street trees or the Emmaus Shade Tree Ordinance, please contact any Shade Tree Commission member: Reds Bailey, 610-966-4044; Linda Destan, 610-965-8270; and Doug Hall, 610-967-2304. The Shade Tree Commission is looking for more members!! There are currently two openings on the Commission. If you have a genuine appreciation for trees and are a Borough resident, please contact any of the Shade Tree Commission members for more information.



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## Spring and Summer Safety Tips from the Emmaus Police Department

### Scooter, Bike and Pedestrian Safety

Scooters, bikes, in-line skates and skateboards are associated with numerous injuries annually:

1. Wear a comfortable, properly fitted helmet bearing the label of an independent testing lab. Be sure that the helmet sits level on top of the head, not rocking in any direction, and always fasten the safety strap.
2. Be sure that safety gear (wrist, elbow and kneepads) fits properly and does not interfere with the rider's movement, vision or hearing. Wrist pads are not recommended for scooter riders as they may affect their ability to maneuver.
3. Ride scooters and bikes only on smooth, paved surfaces and only ride during daylight hours.
4. Learn the proper hand signals and use them when you turn or stop.
5. Come to a complete stop before entering driveways, paths or sidewalks, then look left, right and left again for bikes, cars or pedestrians heading your way.
6. Teach crossing safety to children by example.
7. Do NOT ride skateboards, bikes and scooters on private property, schools or on properties owned by businesses without obtaining prior consent.



### Pool Safety

Whether you have a luxury in-ground pool, or plan to blow up an inflatable kiddie pool, it is important to consider the safety implications.

There are an estimated 7.4 million swimming pools and five million hot tubs in residential or public use in the United States, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Furthermore, there are over 3,400 fatal unintentional drownings in the United States each year, with more than one out of five drowning victims being a child 14 years old or younger, according to the CDC.



Each community has its own definition of what constitutes a "pool", often based on its size and the depth of the water. If the pool you are planning to buy meets the definition, then you must comply with local safety standards and building codes. This may include installing a fence of a certain size, locks, decks and pool safety equipment.



**If you own or are considering purchasing a pool or spa, please be aware that any swimming pool over twenty-four inches in depth and/or has pumping equipment requires a Zoning Permit, Building Permit, and Electrical Permit. Permits are required when installing a pool or spa. Information on applying for any of these permits is**

available by calling the Code Enforcement Officer at 610-967-1322 for more information.

### Call your insurance agent or company representative:

Let your insurance company know that you have a pool, since it will increase your liability risk. Pools are considered an "attractive nuisance" and it may be advisable to purchase additional liability insurance.

### The following safety precautions may be considered when owning or purchasing a pool:

1. Install a four-sided barrier such as a fence with self-closing gates to completely surround the pool. If the house forms the fourth side of the barrier, install alarms on doors leading to the pool area to prevent children from wandering into the pool or spa unsupervised. In addition to the fences or other barriers required by most communities, consider creating several "layers of protection" around the pool, in other words setting up as many barriers (door alarms, locks and safety covers) as possible to the pool area when not in use.
2. Never leave small children unsupervised—even for a few seconds. Never leave toys or floats in the pool when not in use as they may prove to be a deadly temptation for toddlers trying to reach them who might then fall into the pool.
3. Keep children away from pool filters and other mechanical devices as the suction force may injure them or prevent them from surfacing. In case of an emergency, know how to shut off these devices and clearly post this information so others can do so too.
4. Ask if pool users know how to swim. Those who are learning to swim should be accompanied by an experienced swimmer. If you have children, have them take swimming lessons as early as possible. Do not allow anyone to swim alone.
5. Check the pool area regularly for glass bottles, toys or other potential accident hazards. Also, keep CD players, radios and other electrical devices away from pools or nearby wet surfaces.
6. Limit alcohol use around the pool, as drinking alcoholic beverages negatively impacts balance, coordination and judgment—and its effects are further heightened by sun exposure and heat. The CDC reports that alcohol use is involved in up to half of adolescent and adult deaths associated with water recreation.
7. Clearly post emergency numbers near a phone, or pre-program those numbers into smart phones. Keep a first aid kit and reaching poles near the pool. You may also want to consider learning basic water rescue skills, including first aid and CPR training. For additional information, contact the American Red Cross.
8. Know and follow all the rules at Emmaus Community Park including the pool. Rules are posted and are available at [www.borough.emmaus.pa.us](http://www.borough.emmaus.pa.us) under the Parks and Recreation tab.



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## Crossing Guards Needed



The Emmaus Police Department and the East Penn School District are seeking additional volunteers to serve as Crossing Guards for the 2016-2017 school year. Can you spare a small fraction of your time? Are you interested in serving among the ranks of our existing staff of dedicated crossing guards? The Emmaus Police Department will provide you with the equipment and training necessary. There are additional incentives as well!

Over the years, the Emmaus Crossing Guards have contributed to the safety of our children traveling to and from school each day. It is critical that we insure their safety in the future. Will you help us? **If you are interested, or you can help, please call the Emmaus Police Department at 610-965-0722. Ask or leave a message for Cindy Pandl.** We will do the rest.

## Summer Parks Program Eliminated in 2016

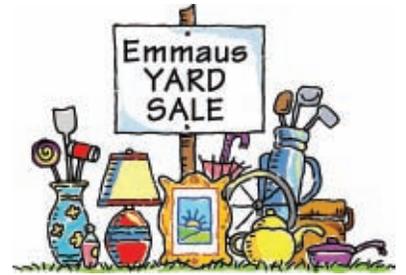
After a lot of consideration and evaluation, Emmaus Borough Council has decided to eliminate the Summer Parks Program in 2016. The decision was difficult, as the program has been in place for a number of years. However, Borough Council felt that the program costs and liabilities have begun to exceed the intended benefits of the program. There were numerous deciding factors that led to Council eliminating the program in 2016. Council will reevaluate its position for the 2017 Program.

### Help Wanted

Looking for a summer job? The Borough is accepting applications for lifeguards, cashiers, and the concession stand for the Emmaus Community Pool. Applications can be obtained Monday through Friday, between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. in the Borough Manager's Office at Town Hall. If you have any questions, please call 610-965-9292.

## Emmaus Community Yard Sale – Something for Everyone

Emmaus Community Yard Sales are held on the weekends after Memorial Day and Labor Day, when it is not necessary to obtain a permit to have a yard sale and no fee is required. This year, the Community Yard Sales are scheduled for Saturday, June 4, 2016 with a rain date of Sunday, June 5, 2016, and Saturday, September 10, 2016, with a rain date of Sunday, September 11, 2016.



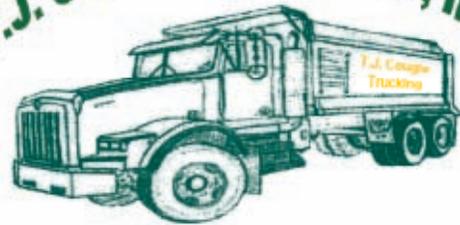
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## Welcome Chief Nelson

It is our pleasure to welcome Chief David Nelson to the Borough of Emmaus. Chief Nelson was hired as the new Director of Emergency Services for the Borough of Emmaus in October, 2015. In his role as the Director, Chief Nelson serves as the Fire Chief, managing the day-to-day business of the Fire Department. In addition, Chief Nelson supervises the Ambulance Chief and the overall function of the Ambulance Corps as well.

Chief Nelson has over 27 years of firefighting and ambulance service. For the past 11 years, he served as a Lieutenant for the Horry County, South Carolina Fire Department in Myrtle Beach, SC. The department covers 1,137 square miles and has over 300 career firefighters and 250 volunteers and answers both fire and ambulance calls. Chief Nelson was in command of one of forty stations in the county.

In addition to his impressive resume at Horry County, Chief Nelson has served as a paramedic for the City of Allentown, a volunteer firefighter for Whitehall Volunteer Fire Department, Vice President of the Fire Board of Gretna Volunteer Department, and was a Rescue Captain for the Crescent Volunteer Fire Department. Chief Nelson is also a veteran of the United States Army, having served as an Infantry Team Leader for the 101st Airborne.

Chief Nelson has already begun to make progress moving the Fire and Ambulance Departments in a progressive direction. He has begun to write new policies and procedures and is making a number of procedural improvements with his fellow co-workers in each department. Chief Nelson has also taken the initiative to improve community relations by partnering with The Learning Center to plan an Easter Egg Hunt as well as to plan a new smoke alarm initiative with the American Red Cross in hopes to make sure that every home has smoke alarms and proper education. We are excited about Chief Nelson's progressive approach and new invigoration into our departments.

Please join us in welcoming Chief David Nelson to the Borough of Emmaus.



### Emmaus Fire Department

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### COMBAT READY

Director of Emergency Services/Chief  
David S. Nelson

In 2015, the Emmaus Fire department ran 397 calls assisting the public and 2016 looks to be an even busier year! Recently, we have started assisting the Emmaus Ambulance Corps on medical responses which means that you will see the fire engine out more. This will help expedite transport times with medical calls that the normal crew would need assistance with, as well as providing immediate lifesaving capabilities when the ambulance is out.

We are proud to announce, in cooperation with the Lehigh Valley Martial Arts, the Fire Department will be co-sponsoring an Easter Egg Hunt on March 19, 2016 from 11:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Community Park. We will host fire safety events as well as handing out coloring books and prizes. The Emmaus Ambulance Corps will be there as well. Be on the look-out for "Pluggy" the talking fire safety fire hydrant.

In conjunction with the American Red Cross, the Fire Department will be hosting a smoke detector blitz. The Emmaus Fire Department will be visiting Borough neighborhoods and dropping off flyers asking residents if they need a smoke detector.

If so, simply follow the flyer instructions and the Fire Department will provide a smoke detector, install it and provide important literature to you or your family at no cost. The leading cause of death in a fire is "smoke." With an early warning device you and your family can exit your home to your designated meeting place safely. Don't forget to make sure your house numbers are visible from the road and always lit at night.

Please help us help you and your neighbors and remember to remove snow approximately 3 to 4 ft. around your hydrant. This helps the Fire Department during a fire and saves a tremendous amount of time. We thank you in advance. The Emmaus Fire department has its own Facebook page the "Borough of Emmaus Fire Department" please like us and follow us. The page is loaded with lots of information, including fire safety, fire events and training going on within the department.

The Fire Department is looking for volunteers. If you are interested, please stop by Central Station, located at 100 N. 6th St. and fill out an application.

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The Borough's waste hauler, J. P. Mascaro, does not collect yard waste. Yard waste pick-up is available through the Emmaus Public Works Department. **Residents desiring curbside yard waste collection must use the following procedures:**

From Monday, April 4, 2016 through Thursday, October 27, 2016, yard waste will be collected by Public Works personnel on **Mondays and Thursdays**, except holidays. Yard waste must be placed at the curb in **approved yard waste bags**, which can be purchased at Wentz Hardware Store, 225 Main Street and other hardware stores. Yard waste is limited to organic biodegradable materials such as grass, leaves, hedge trimmings, leafy plants and small sticks and twigs. Bags contaminated with stones or trash will not be accepted. Separate grass, twigs, and hedge trimmings into different bags.

There are three ways to contact the Borough to have your bags collected.

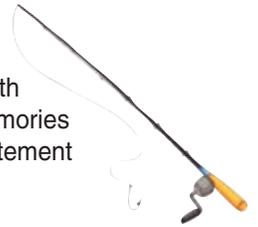
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**Email:** pweiant@borough.emmaus.pa.us.

Be sure to leave your address and the number of bags. Contact must be made by 11:00 a.m. on the day of pick-up.

## Join us for the Opening Day of Trout Season

Once again, the Cedarbrook Sportsmen will graciously invest their time and effort to stock Furnace Dam with trout for Opening Day, Saturday, April 2, 2016. Fishing is great fun for the whole family, creating precious memories for kids and parents, and introducing young and old to the joys of the outdoor recreation. Be there for the excitement of Opening Day, when the fishing will be good and the fun will be great!



## Permits are Required



**D**o you need a building or zoning permit? Applications are available online! Download applications for permits right off of our website at: [www.borough.emmaus.pa.us](http://www.borough.emmaus.pa.us). On the website home page, click on, "About Emmaus". On the drop down menu click on "Documents/Forms" and choose which application you need. Simply fill it out and bring the completed application into Borough Hall at 28 S. 4th Street, so we can begin processing your permit. If you have any questions about permits, please call the Code Enforcement Officer at 610-967-1322.

Some examples of permits that the Borough of Emmaus require are: roof repairs, building repairs or remodels (causing structural changes), footers, foundations, framing, plumbing, electrical, mechanical, signs, fences, sheds, dumpster, demolition, solicitation/peddling, driveways, pools, and zoning. Please remember that if you are planning to install a swimming pool, any swimming pool over twenty-four inches (24") inches in depth and/or has pumping equipment requires a zoning, building, and electrical permit.

## Moving Permits

A moving permit is required for any individual or family moving in, out, or within the Borough. The permit application can be obtained from the Cashier at Town Hall, 28 S. 4th Street, or by visiting the Borough website at: [www.borough.emmaus.pa.us](http://www.borough.emmaus.pa.us). The permit and the \$1.00 fee are filed with the Cashier at Town Hall.



## Call Before You Dig



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If you are planning on digging, call Pennsylvania One Call System, Inc. (POCS) three business days before you dig at 1-800-242-1776 or 8-1-1. The call center is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, every day of the year. PA Act 287 as amended requires excavators as well as private landowners to call POCS three days prior to any type of digging occurring with powered equipment. Mark your excavation area in white paint before calling with a dig notification.

By calling, you allow the facility owners the opportunity to locate and mark their underground facility in advance of the planned excavation (gas and liquid pipelines will mark underground facilities using yellow stakes, flags, or paint).

## Fire Safety Tips for Spring

The start of Spring is a great time to renew your attention to fire safety. Below are a few valuable fire prevention tips.

- Spring cleaning will rid your home of clutter that may contribute to fire spreading.
- While Spring cleaning, check electrical cords and extension cords for damage, loose connections, and fraying.
- Clean and test smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors. Replace batteries if indicated. Smoke alarms and CO detectors over ten years old should be replaced.
- Open windows that may have to be used for emergency escape to see if they open properly and stay open.
- Thunderstorms may cause a power outage. Have flashlights, battery-powered radios, and other emergency items ready for use.
- Inspect containers in the basement, under the sinks, and in the garage for leakage that may have occurred. Perform a chemical inventory and properly discard leaking or damaged containers.
- Check the dryer vent termination for debris, blockages, animal nests, or similar risks. Clean the entire vent.
- Make sure your home's address is clearly visible from the street.
- Before using a BBQ grill, make sure that there are no gas leaks and that the burner tubes are clear. See the appliance manual for approved procedures.
- Install a 100 foot garden hose for emergency use, only if you feel comfortable and capable of using it during an emergency.
- Practice EXIT drills as part of your overall safety plan. Ensure that you have a plan and an outside meeting place in case of an emergency. Contact a fire professional or visit approved websites to assist with planning.

## Mark Your Calendars for the Emmaus Kiwanis Events!

### Good Friday Prayer Breakfast March 25th

St. John's Lutheran Church  
(5th and Chestnut Streets)

7:30 a.m. • \$6.00 • Public invited



### Annual Egg Hunt – March 26th

Emmaus Community Park (1401 Shimerville Road)

1:00 pm • Free • Prizes

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### Annual Pancake Festival – June 5th

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For information or tickets for any of these events, please see our website: [www.EmmausKiwanis.org](http://www.EmmausKiwanis.org)

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Sunday Evening.....6:00 PM  
Wednesday.....7:00 PM

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## Electronics Recycling AVAILABLE!

In conjunction with J. P. Mascaro, the Borough of Emmaus will continue to offer Electronic Waste Recycling to Borough Residents Only! Due to new rules for recycling electronic devices, **trash haulers no longer collect electronic devices.**

Residents can drop off E-waste at the E-waste dumpster located beside the Public Works Department garage on Kline's Lane. The site is open on the **2nd Monday of the month from Noon – 6:00 p.m.** starting in March, 2016. The site will be closed on holidays and from December through February. Residents visiting the site shall show the attendant their identification signifying they are a Borough resident. There is No Fee for drop-off.

### Acceptable Items and Materials – Working and Non-Working

- Audio/Visual Equipment
- Bar Coding Equipment
- Blackberrys
- Cable TV Boxes
- Calculators
- Cameras
- CD ROM Drives
- Cell Phones
- Circuit Boards
- Communication Systems
- Computer Equipment
- Computer Scrap (Copper)
- Computer Scrap (Metal)
- Computer Scrap (Plastic)
- Copiers
- Fax Machines
- Floppy Drives
- Game Boys
- Hard Drives and Memory
- Laptops
- Mainframes and Servers
- Microfiche Readers
- Microscopes
- Modems
- MP3 Players
- Nintendos
- Oscilloscopes
- PDAs
- Peripherals
- Play Stations
- Plotters
- Power Supplies
- Printers
- Telephone/Systems
- Telescopes
- Televisions
- Test Equipment
- X-Boxes

**NO HAZARDOUS MATERIALS ARE ACCEPTED - For questions on disposing hazardous waste please call the Lehigh County Hazardous Waste Line at 610-782-3000.**

## Compost Site Hours of Operation

**Closed on Holidays (Memorial Day, 4th of July, and Labor Day)**

### March 9 to April 30

Wed., 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.,  
or dusk  
Sat., 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

### May 2 to September 19

Mon., 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
Wed., 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.,  
or dusk  
Sat., 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

### September 21 to October 24

Wed., 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.,  
or dusk  
Sat., 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

### October 24 to December 7

Mon., Tues., Thurs., & Fri.,  
7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
Wed., 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.  
or dusk  
Sat., 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

### Leaf Collection

**October 17 to December 1**

We only accept organic yard waste. No lumber, root balls with dirt, garbage, dirt, building materials, etc. is allowed. If you observe any violations, please obtain the offender's license plate number and report the incident to the Public Works Department at 610-965-9288. Your report will remain anonymous.

When wood chip mulch and/or compost is available, Public Works personnel will load trucks and trailers on Wednesdays after 3:00 p.m. and on Saturdays.

Unscreened compost & wood chip mulch is available for a loading fee of \$10.00 per scoop or partial scoop. Only

pick-ups or small trailers will be loaded. **SCREENED COMPOST IS FOR BOROUGH RESIDENTS ONLY AND IS AVAILABLE FOR A LOADING FEE OF \$15 PER FULL OR PARTIAL SCOOP.** Please call the Public Works Department at 610-965-9288, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., with any questions or comments.

We will stop loading 45 minutes prior to closing so that equipment can be cleaned. All Borough residents are required to have a compost sticker clearly visible when entering the site. Stickers will be issued by the compost attendant upon first visit to the site.



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## SOLICITATION AND TRANSIENT MERCHANT ORDINANCE IN EFFECT FOR YOUR PROTECTION. YOU CAN ENROLL INTO THE "DO NOT SOLICIT" LIST

Last April, Borough Council adopted a new Ordinance regulating transient businesses and door-to-door sales. Many of our residents have voiced concerns about attempted crimes and uneasiness regarding people traveling door-to-door trying to sell goods. In addition, we received complaints about "businesses" trying to peddle their products from their vehicles. Lastly, we received complaints that certain residents do not want door-to-door sales people knocking on their doors at all. The new Ordinance addresses each of these concerns.

The 9-page Ordinance regulates any and all businesses that want to participate in the above activities. It does not, however, regulate non-profits such as Girl Scouts selling cookies or religious organizations or other organizations protected under the 1st Amendment.

Below are some quick points that you should know about this Ordinance.

- **You can enroll on a DO NOT SOLICIT List.** This is a list that will be maintained at Borough Hall that allows your address to remain on for a period of up to five (5) years. You can re-enlist after the expiration period. You can remove yourself from the list at any time. The list will only identify properties and will not contain any personal information. The door-to-door salesperson will receive a copy of this list when they are approved at Borough Hall to conduct sales. You can be added to the list by calling 610-965-0701 or via email (preferred) to kyaindl@borough.emmaus.pa.us. Any salesperson that violates this part of the Ordinance may have their license removed, so please contact us if you are on the list but a salesperson (that is not protected by the 1st Amendment or a non-profit) knocks on your door.

Every door-to-door sales person and every transient merchant is required to have some type of badge and license. Don't be afraid to ask them for it. If they don't have it, immediately call Borough Hall or the Police Department, as they are violating our Ordinance.

- All persons submitting to obtain a door-to-door license or a transient merchant license must pay a fee and must submit a background check to Borough Hall prior to approval. They must fill out a full application to be considered. They may be originally denied a license based on the application, however, there is an appeals process. Licenses are not transferrable. Every person that is working for the company must obtain their own license and badge.
- Transient businesses and door-to-door sales may only operate Monday – Saturday from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. from November to March and from 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. from April to October. The goal is that they will not be operating while it is dark. If they knock on your door and it is dark outside, they are violating the Ordinance. We strongly recommend that you do not answer the door.
- This Ordinance is designed for your safety and protection. We always recommend that you do not allow strangers inside your home unless you have more than one other person in the house with you. If you are not comfortable, tell them you are not interested or just don't answer the door. You always have the right to call the Police Department or Borough Hall if you are unsure, uneasy, or need assistance.
- There are many more details to this Ordinance. You may obtain a copy at Borough Hall or view it on the Borough website in the Code of Ordinances.

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## Emergency Management News – Be Prepared

This past winter has set many records. Such records include the most snow in a 24 hour period, the wettest December, and the warmest December.

Fortunately, the 31" snow storm on January 23rd only resulted in a short time of in-home sheltering, but resulted in school cancelations for several days. The weather forecast of the storm constantly changed regarding the amount of snow the area was to receive. Those who already had an emergency plan in place spent little time getting ready for the storm, but those who did not were busy gathering items and wondering if they had obtained all the supplies they would need.

This storm is an example of how your daily activities can change at a moment's notice. In most weather related events, we receive plenty of warning to prepare, but there are other emergency events when little or no warning is given and you will be asked to either shelter in place or relocate to a safe, secure area.

Therefore, a rule of thumb for emergency preparedness is: be prepared for all types of hazards that can prevent you from doing your daily activities. Instead of planning for a specific emergency, such as a snowstorm or hurricane, FEMA (the Federal Emergency Management Agency) recommends you plan for an ALL HAZARD approach. This type of approach is more general



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and allows you to prepare for whatever emergency you may encounter. You should always prepare for a minimum of 72 hours of in-house sheltering. Also, you should prepare a go-bag (a kit which includes your basic needs) to prepare for an evacuation.

To help you in your planning, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PEMA) have several brochures available to help. Simply go online to [READY.GOV](http://READY.GOV) or [READY.PA](http://READY.PA) for all the information and lists you need for emergency preparedness. They also have an APP for your smartphone you can download.

A special thank you to the Emmaus Ambulance (Emergency Medical Service) Corps, Fire Department, Police Department, Public Works Department and all First Responders for the exceptional performance during the January 23rd snow storm and throughout the year. Their training, planning, preparedness, and dedication is what makes this community safe.

The Emmaus Borough government leaders should also receive recognition for giving all the departments the resources they need to perform their duties, which makes the job of Emergency Management Coordinator much easier.

Enjoy the coming warm weather and remember: get prepared, and be prepared, for whatever emergency situation you may encounter.



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