Welcome Lee Ann Gilbert, the 1st Female Mayor of Emmaus!

January 1, 2018 rang in a new year for all of us. For the Borough of Emmaus, it also rang in a new era. Mayor Winfield Iobst, after serving our Borough for 20 years, decided to retire and not run for mayor again. While this promised a new face in the position as mayor, a very familiar face has filled it. We are proud and excited to announce Lee Ann Gilbert as the new Mayor of Emmaus Borough.

Mayor Gilbert has served the Borough for more than 18 years. She was previously elected as the first female President of Borough Council. We are proud to announce that Mayor Gilbert has been elected as the first female Mayor in the history of the Borough of Emmaus!

Mrs. Gilbert is no stranger to the police department and public safety. Mayor Gilbert is married to a retired state police officer. She also spent part of her working career working in the District Magistrate’s office. She has been the chairwoman of Council’s Public Safety Committee for many years and has had a very close working relationship with the Police Department during her entire tenure on Borough Council.

In addition to management of the Police Department, Mrs. Gilbert’s role as Mayor also entails breaking tie votes of Borough Council, signing or vetoing ordinances, conducting weddings, protecting public safety, declaring disasters and emergencies, and representing the Borough in a variety of roles within the community, just to name a few.

Mrs. Gilbert is very excited for her new role as Mayor. She stated that she has large shoes to fill, however, we know that she will fill them well.

New Council Members Take Their Seats –


Ms. Baumgartner was elected to serve a four-year term of Council. Ms. Baumgartner will oversee the Parks and Recreation Committee of Council. She is extremely excited to be part of our local government.

Mrs. Sorg-McManamon has been a long-time community activist and volunteer, having served in numerous civic organizations throughout the community. In 2016, Mrs. Sorg-McManamon was named the Emmaus Volunteer of the Year for her constant efforts in the community. Mrs. Sorg-McManamon feels that this is her opportunity to make a positive impact in our community in a new role.

Due to her new position as Mayor, Lee Ann Gilbert resigned from Borough Council. Due to being elected as a Lehigh County Commissioner, Nathan Brown resigned as well. This resulted in the appointment of

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Curbside Yard Waste Pick-up

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 2, 2018 through Monday, October 29, 2018, 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. Separate grass, twigs, and hedge trimmings into different bags. **Bags contaminated with stones or trash will not be collected.** Material not separated properly will not be collected. **Bags exceeding 50 lbs. will not be collected.**

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

- **Phone:** 610-965-9288, after hours, please leave a message.
- **Fax:** 610-965-0705; or
- **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 pickup.

*The Borough will not pick up curbside yard waste on: Memorial Day (May 28), Labor Day (September 3) or Columbus Day (October 8)

Curbside yard waste will be picked up on the next pick-up day (Thursday).
New Council Members  Continued from cover

two Council members in January. Both Council members will serve for two years to complete the unfinished terms.

Also re-elected to another four-year term to Council are Council President Brent Labenberg and Roy Anders. Both gentlemen look forward in continuing to serve the community. Wesley Barrett was appointed to fill one of the vacant Council seats. Mr. Barrett did not re-run for Council because his family plans to move into their new home within a year. Mr. Barrett looks forward to serving the community until he moves. Mr. Barrett stated that he will continue to be part of our community in any capacity he can, as his family will continue running their business on Chestnut Street even after they move.

Pictured from left to right: Council Vice President Chris DeFrain, Councilwoman Teri Sorg-McManamon, Councilwoman Shana Baumgartner, Mayor Lee Ann Gilbert, Council President Brent Labenberg, Councilman Wesley Barrett, Councilman Jeff Shubzda, and Councilman Roy Anders.

Culvert Project and Stormwater Project Updates

We have received numerous inquiries regarding the status of the culvert project on 10th Street. As many of you know, the street has been closed for several months, as our Borough Engineer issued concerns regarding the structural integrity of the culvert.

We are relieved and happy to announce that PennDot and PA DEP have approved the final design work for the project. The project is currently out for bid, as the bids are due on February 28th. By the time you receive this newsletter, we are hoping that Borough Council has approved the bid and contracts have been executed to begin construction. The project is expected to cost approximately $300,000. The Borough received a grant for $238,777 to help fund this project. It is our goal that the project will be completed by the end of Summer.

In addition to this project, the Borough also received a grant for $260,000 to assist with sewer stormwater separation efforts. As most of you are aware, EPA issued a mandate on the Borough and all of the other municipalities whose sewer flows to the Allentown Sewer Plant to separate stormwater from the sewers. Many of you will remember the inspections the Borough conducted several years ago, making sure floor drains and downspouts were disconnected from the sewers. In addition, we have spent hundreds of thousands of dollars on pipe repairs. However, water continues to infiltrate our sewer system. The next part of the project is to repair and replace manholes, as many of our manholes are damaged and take stormwater directly into the sewer. The first phase of this project will cost approximately $300,000, with the grant covering the bulk of the costs. We are hoping this will fix or replace no less than 100, and up to 300 manholes. The range will vary, as many manholes simply need inserts replaced, while others require significant work, such as repairing the walls of the manhole and replacing the ladders inside. We expect this project to begin late Summer and will last into early Autumn.
Spring 2018 Youth Services Events

On March 1st the Library is celebrating Read Across America with a Reading Celebration! Join us for cake, stories, and decorate your own puppet craft! 6:30 p.m.

Tell A Tale From Ireland. Stories and folklore from the Emerald Isle as we celebrate Saint Patrick’s Day! Saturday, March 17th at 3 p.m.

National Poetry Month! April is National Poetry Month! Check out our poetry maker space – in the children’s area!

National Library Week. National Library Week is April 8th through the 14th!

Camp NaNoWriMo (a virtual writers retreat). All month during the month of April. The Library will have a table set up for NaNo writers – kids through adult - who want space to create, complete with electrical outlets and wifi. Drinks (covered) are welcome! All month!

May the Fourth Be With You! It’s a pizza party, as we share The Force Awakens, come dressed in costume (prizes will be awarded). All ages! Please register at the Circulation desk, so that we know how much pizza to bring!

Buckets Full of Nature. Miss Jolie from the Lehigh County Conservation District brings her buckets full of touchable nature for kids to explore. March 6th at 4:30 p.m. for school aged and March 7th at 11 a.m. for preschoolers – Going Green. Keep an eye open for other sessions to come!

It’s Science. Science stations for 4th through 6th graders! Explore and build. On March 13th, April 18th and May 2nd from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Snacks are provided.

Programming with Scratch. Johnny Yang presents a series on Scratch programming for 4th through 6th graders. Saturdays in March starting March 10th from 1 to 2 p.m. Registration is required, as space and computers are limited.

Homeschool Share Fair. First Mondays from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. Homeschooling families can meet & share their work. Tables will be provided for any displays you want to create! Topics: March 5th – History! April 2nd – Poetry! May 7th – Field Day!

Spanish Language Story Hour. Presented by the Spanish Language Immersion Center. Saturdays in the Margaret Knoll Gardner Lecture Room, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. Fun books and interesting stories, in Spanish! Please register at the circulation desk to give us a heads up for supplies. We have plenty of space, and everyone is welcome. March 3rd, April 7th and May 5th.

Spring Preschool Storytime. Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m. 3 years (by September 2017) and up. Parent free storytime. An 8-week session running March 20th through May 8th.

Spring Toddler Storytime. Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m. 18 months and up to 3 years (after September 2017) with adult. An 8-week session running March 21st through May 9th.

Lapsit Storytime. Birth to 18 months, with adult. Saturdays, March 17th, April 21st and May 19th, at 10:30 am. Songs, fingerplays, stories and playtime for little people!

Block Parties. Tuesdays, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m., March 6th, April 3rd, May 1st, and June 5th. Tuesdays, 4 to 5 p.m. March 27th, April 24th, May 29th, and June 26th. All ages! Come and Play!

Books and Barks. Fourth Thursdays, 6:45 p.m. to 8 p.m. March 22nd, April 26th and May 24th. The Lehigh Valley Therapy Dogs love to hear kids read!

Book Explorers. Kindergarten to 3rd grade. Once per month, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Share fiction and non-fiction books, enjoy a snack, and explore a craft or activity. March 1st, April 9th and May 8th.

LL JR Book Discussion Group. 4th and 5th graders. First Saturday of the month, March 3rd and April 7th, 12 Noon to 1 p.m. Registration required – first ten to sign up receive a free copy of the book. Bring a bag lunch, & the Library will provide drinks and dessert.

Please RSVP to 610-965-9284 x210 or eplcollection@cliu.org
Spring 2018 Adult Events at the Emmaus Public Library:

**SPECIAL EVENTS**

**The Art of Pysanky.** Monday, March 5th at 7 p.m. Join the owners of the Artful Egg for a demo using a wax resistant method for decorating Ukrainian Easter Eggs.


**Women’s History Book Signing & Workshop.** Saturday, March 31st at 2 p.m. Celebrate Women’s History Month and join local authors Gretchen Furst and Sharon Lee Glassman for a book signing of Made from Scratch: Tales of Women Who Take the Cake. The authors will also read selections from their book and lead a writing workshop for members to create their own story of an influential woman in their lives.

**Saving for College.** Monday, April 30th at 7 p.m. Confused about financing higher education? Veronica Schweitzer from Primerica explains the differences between Coverdell IRA, 529 Plans and UTMA/UGMA accounts.

**National Library Week.** April 8th through April 13th, Libraries Lead! Read the novel Wonder, by R. J. Palacio, participate in a multi-generational book discussion, and watch the movie!

**Bullying Prevention Workshop.** Thursday, April 12th at 7 p.m. Calling all kids, parents, and grandparents! Join us for a bullying prevention workshop with Signe Whitson, a licensed social worker, school counselor, and author. Whitson is COO of the Life Space Crisis Intervention Institute and presents workshops nationwide for parents and professionals on bullying prevention and helping kids manage anger.

**Discovering Native Plants.** Monday, May 7th at 7p.m.Join Kate Brandes, Program Director of the Lehigh Gap Nature Center, to learn more about native plants. Through a grant, the LGNC donated books and seeds to the Library. Now you can bring your questions and chat with a live expert.

**67th Annual Egg Hunt**
Saturday, March 31, 2018  
(rain or shine)  
1:00 p.m.  
Emmaus Community Park  
1401 Shimerville Road  
Free – Five Age Groups  
There are 5 groups for children ages 1 to 10, along with prizes for numbered eggs.

**45th Annual Pancake Festival**
Sunday, June 3, 2018  
8:00 a.m. to noon  
Emmaus Fire Co #1  
50 S. 6th Street  
Ticket Price: $7.00 adults/children under 10 Free  
All You Can Eat!! Guest appearances, raffles, face painting and more!!  
All proceeds benefit local Emmaus Kiwanis sponsored service projects

**Help Wanted!**

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.

Looking for a summer job? Please RSVP to 610-965-9284 x210 or eplcollection@cliu.org

**Mark Your Calendars for the Emmaus Kiwanis Events!**

Kids are curious, lovable and hilarious. They are also wild, impatient and vulnerable. Kiwanis is looking out for kids in every corner of the globe, bringing the world together – one community at a time. Today, we stand with more than 600,000 members in more than 80 countries from Kiwanis to Key Club to Circle K to Builder’s Club and beyond. Each community has different needs, and Kiwanis empowers members to pursue creative ways to serve the needs of children through local service projects and fundraising. We are creative with our ideas. We are passionate about making a difference. And we have fun along the way. The Emmaus Kiwanis Club invites new members to visit and join us with our mission to promote programs that support kids in the Emmaus community. Please contact us at www.emmauskiwanis.org or call 610-395-4818.
On Saturday, January 21, 2018, the Shelter House Society elected three new board members, Pam Hunter, Lesley Lojko, and Ellen McPeake. Welcome to Pam, Lesley, and Ellen.

Pam Hunter has been a teacher at the Emmaus High School for 22 years. She teaches American Studies, Social Studies, Advanced Placement American Studies, and Honors College Prep. She is a graduate of East Penn School District. In her spare time, Pam volunteers with the Brookline Labrador Retriever Rescue group of Warrington, PA. And her best love is travel. She feels that travel both at home and abroad enriches her knowledge of other cultures and makes her a better-informed teacher.

Lesley Lojko and her husband Jack have been members of the Shelter House Society for many years, always at the ready to support us in our activities. Lesley, a long-time Emmaus resident, is active with the Allentown Branch of AAUW. Before retiring, Lesley taught pre-school and first grade at Swain School.

Ellen McPeake joined the Board in January of this year. She comes to us with a long history of work in non-profit organizations in Washington D.C – Public Citizen, Green Peace, and Center for Public Integrity. Her main responsibilities were finance and operations. Ellen assumes the position of corresponding secretary.

Other News:

On April 15th at 3 p.m., the Shelter House Board of Directors will host the grand opening of the South Mountain Woodland Path at the Shelter House. The path is the culmination of Patrick Hunter’s Eagle Scout Project. Patrick and his crew conceived of and completed a sensory path in the woods near the Shelter House. The purpose of the path is to create a woodland setting friendly to the sighted as well as the visually impaired.

The serpentine path travels up the mountain slope passing native species of vegetation. The path is accessible to the unsighted by hand ropes that act as guides to those needing assistance. Signs provide information about the flora and fauna of the area. Much of the information is written in braille.

The opening ceremony will take place following the regular Board of Directors meeting. Following the formal opening, the Shelter House will serve refreshments in the Pavilion. All are welcome to walk the path and experience the quiet of our new sensory path.

Congratulations to Patrick Hunter and his crew of scouts for a job well done.
We are appreciative of the many musicians and artists and the 30+ stores and restaurants that hosted them and other artsy fun throughout Emmaus on Friday and Saturday night in early February.


Thanks so much to Triple Sun Spirits, the Emmaus Main Street Partners, Proud Partner of the Lehigh Valley Chamber, and Yergey Brewing for sponsoring the SnowBlast Bar on the Emmaus Triangle!

Sincere and heartfelt thanks to Emmaus Public Works Department, Emmaus Borough Council and to Pastor Nah-Tarsha Cherry and Liberty Worship Center for use of their property at 348 Main Street!

We have BIG NEWS – plan ahead and help the EAC while you feather your nest! The EAC is organizing a new fundraiser and pleased to announce the inaugural Birdhouse Silent Auction! Handmade, solid wood birdhouses will be transformed into beautiful works of art by local artists and auctioned off this summer to benefit the Emmaus Arts Commission! For more details about the Call for Artists and how you can be involved, contact EAC Commissioner, Lauren Kuhn, 610-283-0127 (call/text) or via email at laurenkuhn@hotmail.com.

Welcome new EAC Commissioners! Joe Fritz, Brittney Stephens and Tara Santoro, who join current members Ellen Wilson, Dick Farmer, Olivia Trotman, Linda Waddell, Karri Schreppel, Lauren Kuhn, Teri Sorg-McManamon, Mike Waddell and Borough Council Liaison, Jeff Shubdza. Congratulations to our EAC 2018 Slate of Officers! President–Dr. Mike Waddell, Vice President–Karri Schreppel, Secretary–Lauren Kuhn, Treasurer–Linda Waddell.

The Emmaus Arts Commission was created by Emmaus Borough Council to encourage civic participation in the arts through the promotion of the arts within our community. Look for upcoming information and dates on upcoming events - and find out what's happening with the EAC by “liking” us on Facebook and checking our web site for frequent updates – www.emmausarts.org.

Commissioners and Committee Members Needed! Are you an Emmaus resident, artist, lover of the arts, arts advocate or just someone who enjoys being involved in artsy projects?? Consider joining the Emmaus Arts Commission! If you would like to be involved, please contact us at www.emmausarts.org. Help us grow the arts in Emmaus!

CROSSING GUARDS NEEDED

The Emmaus Police Department and the East Penn School District are seeking additional volunteers to serve as Crossing Guards for the 2018 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.
Happy Spring Emmaus!

The Emmaus Main Street Partners had a fantastic 2017, and 2018 is off to a terrific start. We capped off 2017 with our biggest Old-Fashioned Christmas yet! Residents and visitors came out in RECORD numbers to enjoy downtown festivities throughout the day including live music, the Candy Cane Lane & Children’s Tree Lighting, trolley rides with the Polar Express Conductor, the Polar Express Movie, lots of shopping, the first ever Holiday Cheers Trail, photos with Santa & Mrs. Claus and of course the Tree Lighting Ceremony where we made it snow in Triangle Park! Thank you to all who came out to enjoy this tradition in Emmaus and support local business. We hope you enjoyed the first installation of the EMSP Economic Development Committee’s Seasonal Pole Banner Project! Local Emmaus residents Dick Farmer and Alan Hawman collaborated with EMSP to create the original hand-drawn artwork on the winter banners, which depicts two iconic images that represent Emmaus – a train and railroad tracks. The message is that the train and railroad tracks bring our town together. The initiative was made possible thanks to funding through the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce Foundation, Main Street Lehigh Valley Grant and matching funds contributed by Emmaus Borough. Emmaus Borough Public Works installed the banners as part of the project. How special to have original artwork by local artists decorate our town! EDC is excited to bring you the next installation in fall of 2018.

March welcomed the EMSP / East Penn Chamber’s Second Annual East Penn Restaurant Week, presented by New Tripoli Bank. From March 4th - 10th, we invited Emmaus and surrounding communities to #EatUpEastPenn! Diners feasted on “prix fixe” menus and specials offered by 20+ restaurants throughout the East Penn area; a great reason to get out and experience new tastes and places.

The EMSP and our committees have plans to introduce some new and exciting things this year in addition to our annual events. Stay up to date with member news and events. Visit our website emmausmainstreet.com, be sure to sign up for the Horn eblast and follow us on Facebook @EmmausMSP.

Save these dates for:
Show Me the Money Bingo by EMSP and the Emmaus Historical Society – Sunday, April 29, 2018 at St. John’s Lutheran Church. 2 p.m. – 5 p.m. Tickets are on sale NOW at David’s Electric, 314 Main St. or the Emmaus Jewel Shop, 338 Main St. 20 games. $20 in advance. $25 at the door. ALL CASH PRIZES plus a 50/50 and basket raffle!

EMSP’s 13th Annual Golf Classic, presented by Service Electric Cable TV & Communications and PenTelaData, set for Monday, June 18, 2018 at Green Pond Country Club, Bethlehem. Early bird registration is now open through May 1st. Contact Meghan Reed for more information, meghanr@lehighvalleychamber.org

EMSP’s Farewell to Summer Festival – Sunday, September 9, 2018. Triangle Park & Downtown Emmaus.

We want to say a big THANK YOU to our EMSP members, committees and volunteers for your hard work and dedication which help bring new projects to life and continue to grow our community events for all to enjoy. We also want to thank the Borough of Emmaus staff, public works, police, fire and ambulance departments as well Borough Council for your continuous support. And we thank YOU our Emmaus residents who shop small, shop local and come on out to take part in downtown activities. Let’s keep up the good work! Consider joining one of our committees, volunteering at an event, or intern with us! Contact Meghan Reed at 610-739-1273 to get involved.

Supporting community organizations, events and local businesses is what makes for a strong and vibrant Downtown Emmaus. We invite you to continue to join the shop local movement and learn about the many businesses right here in town! Pick up a copy of the new EMSP Map & Guide at a member location, Borough Hall, the Emmaus Farmers’ Market or view it online at emmausmainstreet.com. We hope to see you, your family and friends around town soon!
The next meeting of the Woman's Club of Emmaus will be held on March 26, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in St. John's Lutheran Church 501 Church St., Emmaus, PA 18049.

The meeting will honor the accomplishments of the Girls of the Month selected by the specific curricular departments within Emmaus High School.

The girls to be honored are the following: for Music, Julia Norellil; for Journalism, Andrea Klick; for Art, Claire Boty; for Business and Computer, Talyn Wimmer; for Drama, Grace Flood; for Science, Isabella Wegner; and for Math, Sandhya Srnan.

Card players, you are invited to the Woman's Club of Emmaus Spring Card Party to be held on April 19, 2018 at 11:30 a.m. in St. John's Lutheran Church 501 Church St., Emmaus, PA 18049. Join the party for light lunch of the Club's famous barbeque, homemade desserts and fun. Cost $12.00. This is the Club's first major fundraiser for 2018. The funds support the Club's scholarship program. For more information and reservations, contact Sandy at 610-395-6434.

The May meeting of the Woman's Club of Emmaus will be held on May 21, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in St. John's Lutheran Church 501 Church St., Emmaus, PA 18049. The program, a presentation entitled “Time-Out in Thailand with Louise Schultz” will follow a short business meeting. The Emmaus community is invited to hear this presentation.

The Emmaus Garden Club is busy planning a Spring Festivi-TEA. The Tea benefits the scholarship fund and other Club related activities.

The Spring Festivi-TEA will be held on Saturday, May 19, 2018. Bring your mom, sister, aunt, or best gal-pal to Faith Presbyterian Church, 3002 N 2nd Street, Emmaus, 18049 to enjoy tastyes, savories, sweeties, favors, door prizes and more! The Tea is scheduled from 2 - 4 p.m.

Tickets are $25.00 and seating is limited. The deadline to order tickets is May 12, 2018. Please call Ellen at 610-928-3713 to reserve your place.

Spring is clean-up and prep time in your garden, be it flowers or veggies.

If you are looking for informative programs or kindred spirits, please bring yourself and your questions to an Emmaus Garden Club meeting. Everyone is welcome as we come together at Faith Presbyterian Church on the first Tuesday of the month at noon. You don’t need to live in the Borough.

We’ve enjoyed presentations on backyard birding, butterflies, pruning, using herbs, creating holiday decor with natural materials and growing lavender, just to name a few.

For inquiries, please call Ellen at 610-928-3713.
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“Who are the Emmaus Fire Police”

Not all of us can be fire fighters handling a fire nozzle at a fire, or driving a shiny red fire truck to the scene of a fire. Someone has to make the way clear for the fire truck and keep the cars and people away from around the scene of the emergency.

We are looking for people who would like to join us in our job of relieving the regular police force of traffic duty at these fires and emergencies, so that they can protect the rest of the community.

We offer a Basic Fire Police training course and you will receive all the necessary safety equipment and pager for notification of the emergency.

We are always looking for new Fire Police Members. If we have stirred some interest in you, please feel free to contact us at 610-967-5630 or stop by the fire station and pick up an application.

A Message from Chief Price

As the Director of Emergency Services / Fire Chief, I have spent much of 2017 planning a path forward for the Emmaus Fire Department. I have learned our team of first responders is devoted to the protection of this community and dedicated to the fire service mission.

In 2017, the Emmaus Fire Department responded to 451 calls. Of the 451 calls, 59 were fire calls, 1 was overpressure, 139 were rescue/EMS, 53 were hazard, 38 were service calls, 55 were good intent, and 106 were false alarms.

Throughout 2017, an evaluation of the strengths and needs of the Borough’s Emergency Services was completed. Budgeting and planning for the department’s future was undertaken. With the replacement of some critical equipment completed and more acquisitions planned for, the financial commitment of Borough Council to fund our needs has been generous.

Emmaus Fire Department consistent with the national trend of increased service demands has expanded our mission role in response to citizen needs. EFD will continue to respond to the day to day needs of the citizens as they evolve, and I look forward to the variety of challenges 2018 will bring.

John H. Price, FO, IAAI-CFI
Director of Emergency Services – Fire Chief

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**Earth Day 2018**

**Community Cleanup**

**Saturday, April 14**

- **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. (See price list at www.uppermilford.net) The event will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will end at Noon or when the truck is full.

**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). Residential only no commercial businesses please. The event will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will end at Noon or when the truck is full.

**WHEN:** Saturday, April 14. We will begin gathering at 8:30 a.m. for coffee and to get organized, then start cleaning up by 9 a.m.!

**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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**Thirsty? Bring a water bottle to fill up so we reduce our waste at this earth-friendly event!**

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**Please be sure to thank our sponsors for Earth Day 2018:**

- Wesley Works Entertainment: for sound system • East Penn Press: for picture • PennDot: for gloves and vests
The Emmaus Commemorative Garden Remembers

The Emmaus Commemorative Gardens Foundation (ECGF) team continues to work hard to create remembrance opportunities for 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 35 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:

Vern Arndt
Curtis M. Wilson
James O. Wilson
Alan M. Wilson
Dennis M. Felegy
Malcolm Reid
Richard R Wieder
David S. Dries
William B. McNear
Joseph C. Benner
Nicholas Niedermayer
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We are pleased to announce that orders received by Sunday, April 1 will be here in time for the Sunday, May 27, 2018 Memorial Day weekend installation ceremony. The cost per brick is still $65.00.

The ECGF has a website where all brick orders can be easily completed online with a credit card... 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.

We invite everyone to visit the Garden and/or our website at www.emmausremembers.org, contact Mike Waddell at 484-274-2089, or email remgarden1@gmail.com for more information about ordering a remembrance brick.

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 - details are arranged when you schedule your date.

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!
Once again, the Cedarbrook Sportsmen will graciously invest their time and effort to stock Furnace Dam with trout for Opening Day, Saturday, March 31, 2018. Fishing is great fun for the whole family, creating precious memories for kids and parents, and introducing young and old to the joys of outdoor recreation. Be there for the excitement of Opening Day, when the fishing will be good and the fun will be great!

Grass, Weed & Tree Trimming Regulations

During the course of the year, especially as the growing season begins, the Borough receives complaints regarding lack of property maintenance and uncut grass complaints. As a reminder, a property owner is responsible for the property from the front curbline to the rear curbline. Please help keep our community beautiful by cutting or removing the weeds at your curb.

The Borough of Emmaus Ordinance 675, Chapter 10, Part 3, Section 301, states that weeds and grass may not exceed 6” in height. After given proper notification by way of a door hanger, or certified and regular mail 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.

The Borough of Emmaus 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 by way of certified and regular mail 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.

Compost Site Hours of Operation

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

We only accept organic yard waste. No lumber, root balls with dirt, garbage, dirt, building materials, etc. is allowed. 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 and wood chip mulch and screened compost is available for a loading fee of $15.00 per scoop or partial scoop. Only pick-ups or small trailers will be loaded. 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.

Borough of Emmaus - Established 1859
UPDATE ON NEW MUNICIPAL COMPLEX

We want to apologize in this article, as we have been guilty of not properly keeping the community up to date with the development of our new municipal complex at 33 E. Minor Street. There have been several rumors floating around the community that we would like to dispel with this update. Moving forward, we will periodically keep you updated with the progress.

When Borough Council purchased the property in 2015, it was our intention to phase the project in over a number of years. We have made several decisions that have ultimately slowed the process. First and foremost, to save money, we have decided to do a great deal of work through our Public Works Department. Within the department, we have skilled carpenters, masons, and electricians who are more than capable of doing high quality work that we can be confident in and proud of. It was felt that there is no sense in outsourcing work that we can accomplish by having our own employees do it, especially when we would have to pay approximately 40% more to outsource the work. For example, the demolition budget to have a contractor conduct the demolition work was estimated to be $102,300. We are approximately 80% complete with all demolition. In addition to the demolition, we have also already completed a great deal of electrical work. Our entire hard cost for all of this work in 2017 was $20,210 in materials, supplies, and disposal costs. It is our position that a great deal of the entire project can be done by Borough staff, however, the project will take longer. Borough Council feels this is a better option than spending millions of dollars up front and having to finance the work.

In addition to this, we understand that there is a great deal of concern regarding the cost to purchase the building. Council completely understands this concern; however, we feel it is extremely important that you understand that the entire mortgage for the building is paid by Seven Generations Charter School, who is renting the western portion of the building, as well as several other rental agreements. In 2018, Seven Generations will pay $192,983 in rent. In addition, the Borough receives $12,000 per year in rent for the building at 151 E. Minor Street and currently rents the parking lot across from 33 E. Minor Street for $18,000 per year. The current lease agreement with the school expires on June 30, 2022. The rent includes yearly increases. The mortgage for the property is approximately $175,000 per year. Total rental income for 2018 is expected to be $222,983, a difference of approximately $47,983.

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Did you know….The Knauss Homestead was constructed of logs in the style of German homes of that period? It did not have electricity or indoor plumbing. The Knauss property was part of tracts of land (approximately 400 acres) bought by Sebastian H. Knauss, from the Honorable Thomas and Richard Penn, Esqs., the Proprietors and Governors in Chief of the Province of Pennsylvania, by patent or grant. These records are on file in the office of the Department of Internal Affairs of Pennsylvania at the State Capitol Building in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. Later, a barn was built on the property. Sebastian, along with Jacob Ehrenhardt Sr., donated property for the establishment of the Moravian community of Emmaus. Hence, they could be justifiably considered the “Founders of Emmaus”.

For a total of 158 years, the Knauss House sheltered the descendants of Sebastian Heinrich Knauss - seven generations were born within its walls. Upon the death of Mary Ellen (Adrain) Knauss in 1931, widow of Herman Knauss, the house and surrounding thirty-five acres were purchased at auction by Atty. Dewey Marcks.

Although the Marcks family installed electricity, heating and a kitchen, the house was never used by them as a permanent residence. Upon the death of Mrs. Marcks in 1972, the house remained vacant for the next 20 years.

In 1992 the property was acquired from the Marcks estate by the Borough of Emmaus. The Knauss Homestead is listed on the National Registry of Historical Landmarks.

The purpose of the Knauss Homestead Preservation Society is to restore the Homestead to the original time period and to preserve this important historical site in Emmaus. With the help of the Borough of Emmaus, members, and donors, our goal is to bring awareness to the Knauss Homestead. This property is located behind St. Paul’s Orthodox Church and at the rear of the Cintas parking lot at 164 East Main Street. We welcome you to visit us.

2018 Schedule of Events. In 2018, the Homestead will be holding various fundraising events to help in our efforts in preserving the Homestead. We are having three bingo events this year at Fire Company #1. On Sunday April 22nd Poker Bingo, Sunday July 15th Poker Bingo and Sunday October 14th Boozy Bingo. Stay tuned for other fund-raising events.

Save the Date. Knauss Family and descendants Picnic Saturday August 11th with a rain date of Sunday August 12th.

Our list of needed repairs is long. We invite you to “Become a Member”, contribute to our restoration, and support our fund-raising events. Membership forms can be found on our website.

Stay Tuned! Keep in touch with all the ‘Homestead Happenings’ by visiting our website www.theknausshomestead.org and liking us on Facebook “the knausshomestead”.

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Who are the Victims of Identity Theft?

Identity fraud can claim many victims. Credit grantors, such as banks and retail merchants, are victims when they are not paid for the loans or goods sold. A person whose identity has been stolen is a victim, even if protected by insurance coverage or credit card reimbursement provisions. Although they may not have out-of-pocket losses, the identity theft victim suffers from injuries to their reputations, and may have to go through lengthy and often agonizing processes to re-establish their credit.

How Identity Theft May Occur?

People who commit identity theft do not fit a stereotype. The offender may or may not be known to the victim, and the method of operation varies. The following are only a few examples of how criminals can obtain personal information:

- **Dumpster Diving:** They will search through trash for old mail, documents, or old personal computers and cell phones that have been thrown out where the data has not been wiped clean.
- **Hacking:** They hack your email or other online accounts to access your personal information, or hack into a company's database to access its records.
- **Stealing:** They steal wallets, purses, mail, and records or data from their employers.
- **Phishing:** They pretend to be financial institutions, companies, or government agencies and send email or pop-up messages to get you to reveal personal information.
- **Scamming:** They can pose as someone, and trick a company or person into releasing personal information by using the phone, computers, internet or mail.
- **Skimming Devices:** They steal credit / debit card numbers by using special devices when processing your card.

Preventing Identity Theft!

Listed to the right are some things you can do to help prevent identity theft.

- Promptly remove mail from your mailbox
- Deposit outgoing mail in post office collection mailboxes or at your local post office. Do not leave it in unsecured location such as your home mailbox.
- Never give personal information over the phone, such as your social security number, date of birth, mother's maiden name, credit card number, or bank PIN code, unless YOU initiated the call. Protect this information and release only when absolutely necessary.
- Shred ALL discarded paperwork that contains personal identifying information, including pre-approved credit applications, utility bills, medical bills, and anything that contains even just your name and address.
- Stop pre-approved credit offers from being mailed to you, by calling all three credit bureaus and opting out of these programs. You should receive fewer pre-approved credit and loan applications.
- Do not respond to any emails where the sender is unknown to you. Many scams are initiated by sending an email that asks you to respond, to cancel whatever it is the email says. When you respond, they may ask for your information, or can capture your personal information and passwords from your computer.
- Memorize your passwords, bank PIN’s, and other numbers. Do not write them on cards or store them in your wallet or purse, or other areas where they may become accessible to others.
- Empty your wallet or purse and only carry the absolute minimum. Never carry your social security card with you unless you must do so for traveling. Cancel any credit cards that you don’t use. If you lose your purse or wallet, think how easy it would be for someone to assume your identity.
- Beware of mail or telephone scams that are disguised as promotions or instant prizes. These are used solely for obtaining personal information or money.
IDENTITY THEFT

- If you are doing online purchases or banking, make sure your computer software is up to date. Including but not limited to anti-virus software, firewalls, operating system patches.

***Be cautious and alert at all times. These are only some things that you can do to help protect yourself.

Detecting Identity Theft!

Be alert to signs that require immediate attention such as bills that do not arrive as expected, receiving unexpected credit card or account statements, denial of credit for no apparent reason, calls or letters about purchases you did not make, and unauthorized charges on your credit cards or other financial statements.

Monitor and inspect your credit report on a regular basis for unauthorized accounts and incorrect personal information. The law requires the credit reporting companies to provide you with a free copy of your credit report every 12 months if you ask for it.

***Visit www.annualcreditreport.com or call 1 (877)-322-8228 to request a copy of your report.

What to do if you are a victim of Identity Theft

If you have been victimized by identity theft, you should take certain steps to protect yourself and minimize the consequences. Correcting the damage to your credit rating and good name may be a tedious and time-consuming process.

You should contact your local Police Department. You will need a report filed and an incident number to give to the various agencies to show that you may have been a victim of identity theft.

Next, contact one of the three credit reporting agencies to place a “Fraud Alert” on your credit:

- Experian www.experian.com 1(888)397-3742
- Equifax www.equifax.com 1(800)525-6285
- TransUnion www.tuc.com 1(800) 680-7289

There is no longer a need to call all three bureaus. The bureaus notify each other, once a “Fraud Alert” is reported. After the “Fraud Alert” is placed on your credit, you will receive a copy of your credit report from all three bureaus in about 7-10 days.

You should look over each credit report thoroughly, because each report may have slightly different information. Check all credit accounts and your previous addresses to make sure they are or were all yours.

You should contact all banks, financial institutions, credit card companies, any etc. by phone and in writing and notify them of the problem. Ask for a change of any PINs, passwords and for them to flag your accounts and contact you if there is any unusual activity.

You should create a file to store all of your paperwork in one location. You should create a log and document the dates, times, names and positions of everyone you talk to and everything you do during this process of correcting you name and credit history.

You should also contact the following agencies, to inform them of the identity theft:

- Your local US Postal Inspection Service
- Social Security Administration 1(800)269-0271
- Federal Trade Commission 1(877)IDTHEFT or on the internet at www.ftc.gov/idtheft

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Borough Council has taken the strategy of taking our time with the transition to save costs and to try to avoid borrowing funds for the construction part of this project. Council has decided that in 2018, the bulk of funds will be expensed in the HVAC portion of the project, electrical work, and beginning Phase I of the project. At the same time, we will be selling the current Borough training and exercise facility located on Ridge Street as well as a wooded property located in Upper Milford Township on S. 2nd Street. The wooded lot is being sold to Lehigh County with hopes that it will be the future site of a trail connection on South Mountain. The revenue from these sales will be put back into the building. In 2019, it is Council’s hope that Phase I of the project will be completed, which will result in the move of Borough Hall to the new facility. The timeline can change, of course, dependent upon available funds as well as any complications that may arise during the construction process. We will continue to provide periodic updates in future newsletter editions.

Emmaus Community Yard Sale

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 2, 2018 with a rain date of Sunday, June 3, 2018, and Saturday, September 8, 2018, with a rain date of Sunday, September 9, 2018.
Trees emerging from their winter dormancy and beginning fresh growth signal the start of a new planting season. This year, celebrate Earth Day (April 22) or Arbor Day (April 27), or any day! - by planting a tree. Trees beautify our neighborhoods, reduce the effects of climate change, provide shelter for songbirds, and help clean the air we breathe.

If you own a shovel, you have everything you need to plant a tree. But before you head to the plant nursery to make your selection, give some thought to the planting site and the growing conditions the tree will encounter, including things like overhead utility wires and proximity to sidewalks or curbs that could be heaved by roots. A tree’s height and spread at maturity is an important consideration.

At the garden center, you’re likely to encounter trees of various sizes, some in pots and others growing in burlap-wrapped soil balls. Some homeowners opt for the largest specimen they can find because they want the tree to make an immediate impact in the landscape. Keep in mind that taller trees require a larger ball of soil to sustain them, making them more difficult to transport and plant, especially for a do-it-yourselfer. Larger trees may experience transplant shock and also take longer to get established, resulting in slower growth for a few years while they reestablish roots. Smaller trees, on the other hand, cost less, are easier to plant, establish more quickly, and are less likely to be affected by transplant shock. Small trees may not look like much at first, but they often catch up to their larger counterparts within a few years.

Trees sold in plastic nursery pots are easy to handle, but if they have been growing for too long in their containers, they can develop circling roots that grow around the outside of the root ball. These roots don’t harm young trees, but after a tree has been in the ground for a period of years they increase in girth and can strangle the tree, cutting it off from its own root system. At the garden center, ask permission from an employee to lift the tree and its root ball out of the pot to check for circling roots. It’s best to avoid pot bound trees with circling roots that are thick, woody, and densely packed. Circling roots that are spaghetti-sized or finer are no cause for alarm; just be sure to gently tease them out at planting time or, if they’re fairly dense, sever them by making a few shallow, vertical cuts in the root ball with a utility knife.

If you’re buying a shade tree, look for a single straight leader with no dieback at the tip. Young trees are often sold as unbranched “whips.” The older the tree you purchase, the more important that it has already begun to develop a sturdy, symmetrical shape with a single trunk and well-spaced, uncrossed branches that grow outward, not upward.

Some larger specimens may be sold balled and burlapped—its soil ball is wrapped in fabric and tied with twine—instead of in a nursery pot. For these, make sure the soil ball is intact, not cracked or crumbling, and that the trunk shows little or no movement within the ball.

Wilting, leaf or needle drop, or browning foliage are indications of improper care. These stresses can lead to stunted growth or dieback. Also look for signs of rough treatment, like scuffed bark and broken twigs—although twig damage can usually be repaired by making a clean snip with pruning shears, without compromising the tree’s natural shape. Steer clear of trees with disease problems or insect infestations.

Healthy, well-maintained trees add to property values and the quality of our lives. Before planting, pruning, or removing any tree within the public right-of-way (within 12 feet of the curb), Emmaus property owners must request a permit from the Shade Tree Commission. For questions about street trees or the Emmaus Shade Tree Ordinance, please contact any Shade Tree Commission member: Reds Bailey, 610-967-6191; Doug Hall, 610-967-2304; Beverly Springer, 610-965-6671; and Linda Destan, 610-704-6756.
2017 Emmaus Ambulance Corps Year End Report

The Emmaus Ambulance Corps responded to 2353 Emergency Calls for help in 2017, which was up from 2312 emergencies in 2016. Most of those calls were on a Monday, with 368 calls being handled, and Tuesday close behind at 354 emergencies. The busiest time of day for emergency calls was between 12 noon and 5:00 p.m. with 760 responses. The Emmaus Ambulance Corps operates a second ambulance crew daytime Monday – Friday.

The Emmaus Ambulance Corps also has crew members covering wheelchair and stretcher transports. There was a total of 452 in 2017. These transports were for doctors’ appointments and transporting patients from the hospital to home or to a long-term care facility.

Just a reminder: We will bill your insurance company for emergency transports, however, payment for those services may be sent directly to you. The Emmaus Ambulance Corps is a non-participating provider.

It is your responsibility to forward any payments received from your insurance company along with any deductibles or co-pays due to us.

Non-Emergency wheelchair and stretcher transports are usually a non-covered service by most insurance companies. You are responsible to pay for all non-covered services. With our yearly subscription, you will receive discounted rates for non-covered services we provide, plus we will waive any co-pays not paid by a secondary insurance.

It's Not Too Late…to send in your 2018 subscription form! The senior rate applies for age 65 and older. Please call 610-967-5675 ext. 201 for a subscription form or if you have any questions regarding the benefits of your 2018 Emmaus Ambulance Corps subscription.

You are getting a new Medicare card sometime between April 2018 and April 2019. Your social security number will no longer be on the card. A new Medicare number will be given that is unique to you. The new card does not change your coverage or benefits.

Important numbers: Emergency service Dial 9-1-1, to arrange non-emergency Transports 610-965-4988, Billing questions or to pay by credit card 610-965-9292, Ambulance Administration 610-967-5615.

VISIT THE 1803 HOUSE IN 2018

55 South Keystone Avenue, Emmaus PA • Mailing Address: P.O. Box 7, Emmaus PA 18049
E-mail: Friends@1803House.org • Website: www.1803House.org • Phone: 610-965-0152

The Friends of the 1803 House, Inc. have been organized since 1975. Their goal is to take care of the 1803 House with the same love and determination Jacob Ehrenhardt, Jr. had when he built the house for his family. Jacob and his family lived in the house until 1825. Jacob Ehrenhardt, Jr. died that year at the age of 65. Every member of The Friends of the 1803 House is a historian. We are able to understand the history of the 1803 House during the lifetime of Jacob Ehrenhardt, Jr. by researching available maps, diaries, histories and genealogical data. It is like working on a puzzle where you discover new pieces all the time. We are happy to share all of our discoveries with the whole community.

Thanks to the help and support of the community, the Friends of the 1803 House are able to use the income that was earned to maintain the 1803 House as a museum. We acquire period antiques to furnish the house. The Friends of the 1803 House restore and preserve the architectural elements of the property, provide to educational groups, families and civic groups, and maintain the house. The 1803 House is used as an educational center so that the community can understand and see how it has evolved since 1747.

Please visit and become an active Friend of the 1803 House. There are many volunteer opportunities, including helping with an archaeological dig, helping with education house tours and many more. The Friends of the 1803 House will again participate in the Heritage Alliance Day Festival, Community Days, Farmers’ Market, End of Summer Festival, Old Fashion Christmas, A Very Merrie Halloween and other fundraising events.

Please visit the 1803 House website www.1803House.org. for more information.
The 39th Annual Summer Concert Series is quickly approaching and the Emmaus Recreation and Entertainment Commission is excited to bring you another summer filled with great music. You can look forward to another line up with a few returning entertainers and some new acts that are sure to bring their best family friendly shows.

Each Sunday evening will feature talented and award-winning bands. There will be all types of genres to appeal to all ages. The entire concert schedule will be published in the Borough Summer newsletter. Please visit www.emmausent.com for details or changes.

Your support is needed... The Emmaus Recreation and 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. Businesses can be listed on our website and Facebook page. Please consider making a tax-deductible donation made payable to Emmaus Entertainment & Recreation Commission.

Friends of SEC Donors

___$10  ___$25  ___$50  ___$75
___$100 Supporting Donor  ___$200 Bronze Donor
___$300 Silver Donor  ___$400 Gold Donor
___$500 Platinum Donor
___$ Any Amount is Appreciated!

All donors will be listed in the concerts weekly program.

Mail to: Borough of Emmaus, Attn: Emmaus Special Entertainment Comm., 28th South 4th Street, Emmaus PA 18049.

“Emmaus Gets Fit” Program Continues – 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.

Volunteers needed... The Emmaus Recreation and Entertainment Commission needs 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; email us at emmausent@gmail.com Like us on facebook at EmmausENT

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, 2018. The site will be closed on holidays and from December through February.

Guidelines for dropping off items: Borough employees will not unload items that are being dropped off from vehicles. Residents and businesses must remove all items from their vehicles without the assistance of Borough employees.

• Items will only be accepted on designated days during designated hours.

• Residents visiting the site shall show the attendant their identification signifying that they are a Borough resident. Items from outside the Borough of Emmaus will not be accepted.

• Residents will be able to drop off three electronic devices at no charge. Exceeding three electronic devices being dropped off in a single month by a resident or business within the Borough of Emmaus will cost an additional $10.00 per item.

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

Please visit the Borough’s website at http://www.borough.emmaus.pa.us/emmaus-recycling/electronics-recycling for a complete list of acceptable items.
Recycling and Refuse Requirement Update:

As many of you are aware, we have had some issues and concerns with our current refuse and recycling hauler. We appreciate all of the feedback and have worked to address every issue we can. We have addressed many of the shortcomings with the hauler and continue to work to improve your refuse and recycling service. With that being said, there are things that our residents are required to do by Ordinance. We want to remind you that you are required to follow the Ordinance when dealing with recycling and garbage. Our Ordinance requires the following regarding recycling:

- Garbage Containers: Trash must be placed in watertight plastic or metallic cans with outside handles or in securely tied plastic bags.
- Recycling Containers: Recyclables must be placed in a watertight container.

All recycling containers shall be clearly labeled “Recycling”.

- Bulk items cannot weigh more than 70 pounds and materials such as carpeting and lumber must be cut into 5 ft lengths and bound.
- Remember, if your stuff blows away before it is picked up, it is NOT the responsibility of the hauler to pick it up all over the yard or street. It is your responsibility to make sure it’s secured enough on a windy day that the hauler can pick it up in an organized manner.
- Break down your cardboard boxes. This is not the hauler’s responsibility. We understand that many boxes won’t fit into containers, but at the very least, break them down and stack them nicely.
- Please remember, on refuse and recycling day, please try to organize your refuse and recycling, clearly separate them, and make it look as presentable as you can. We have many homes that simply throw things in large piles.

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. Plot payments and requests can be made to the Cashier at Emmaus Town Hall. For more information, please contact Jessica Wessner at 610-965-9292.
Monthly programs are held at St. John’s Lutheran Church Parish Hall, 5th & Chestnut Streets at 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 22nd - “The Emmaus School Excursions of 1954 and 1955” - On June 4, 1954, 600 children in grades one through six from Washington, Central and Keck’s schools and more than 200 mothers, fathers and teachers boarded the special at the old Perkiomen station on Minor Street between 4th & 5th Street bound for the Philadelphia Zoo. A year later, on June 3, 1955, 1,307 children from Washington, Central, Keck’s, Stevens, Alburtis and Macungie schools and 646 adults filled two trains for the trip to Hershey. Emmaus boarding was at the Reading station on Jubilee Street and train #2 also made stops at Macungie and Alburtis. The 16mm color movie films of the excursions, donated to the Society by Albert Deischer will be shown.

Wednesday, April 18th - “Route 100 Through the Goshenhoppen Region in the Early 1900s”. The path of the road now known as PA Route 100 in Berks and Lehigh Counties today differs in many places from what it was 100 years ago. In a thoroughly illustrated power point presentation by historian and author Aaron Heckler, this program follows the old road alignment as it ran northward from Boyertown to Shimerville in the early 1900s. Utilizing photographic picture postcards, mostly dating from 1905-1920, attendees will see and learn about the numerous hotels, stores, businesses, churches and other interesting enterprises and people that imparted life into the villages and towns along this important thoroughfare. In developing this collection of images, Mr. Heckler has paid special attention to choose those that include sites and scenes directly along the Old Route 100 roadway.

Wednesday, May 16th - Election for Board Officers and Directors. Program following election to be announced.

Show Me the Money Bingo! - Held at St. John’s Lutheran Church Parish Hall on Sunday, April 29th from 2-5 p.m. Doors and snack bar open at 1 p.m. Tickets available to purchase in advance $20 for 20 games, at Emmaus Jewel Shop and David’s Electric, or at the door $25. 20 extra games $10, special games $1 per card. 50/50 raffle $1/ticket. Basket raffle $1/ticket, $5/6 tickets, $10/15 tickets. This event is co-sponsored by Emmaus Main Street Partners and Emmaus Historical Society. St. John’s Lutheran Church is not a sponsor of this event.

**FUNDRAISING EVENTS**

**Apple Dumplings, Shoo-Fly Pies, Funny Cakes** - Orders are being taken until April 6th. Payment and pick up is Saturday, April 14th at the Emmaus Historical Society from noon until 4 p.m. Dumplings are $5.50 each, 9” wet bottom shoo-fly is $10.00 and 9” funny cake is $10.00. Order at the Society, our monthly programs, contact a board member, or call the Society at 610-966-6591 to leave a message with your name, phone number and quantity of each ordered.

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**EMMAUS HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS AND EVENTS**

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Open Saturdays, Noon to 4:00 p.m., Sundays 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. or by Appointment.
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Dan Schantz Monthly Madness Card - A $60.00 value for $20.00. Purchase your card from April 18th through May 17th at our April 18th or May 16th programs at St. John’s Lutheran Church or at the Society during our weekend hours. Receive your specified monthly gift, plus additional bonus coupons, at the Lehigh Street and I-78 location.

Dan Schantz Benefit Tickets - Also at the Lehigh Street and I-78 location. Pick up these tickets at the Society or our programs and each time you spend $10.00, Dan Schantz donates $2.00 to the Emmaus Historical Society. Tickets are good all year until December 25th.

Dine & Donate - Dine at Louie’s, 2071 31st St., SW, Allentown, eat-in or take-out and Louie’s will donate 20% of your meal (excludes tax, gratuity and alcohol) to Emmaus Historical Society. Event runs from May 6th through May 10th. Pick a certificate up at the Society, our monthly programs or at David’s Electric. Certificate must be presented at time of purchase.

Bus Trip - “Jesus” - Tuesday, August 14th. Meet at the Emmaus Weis Market parking lot at 7:45 a.m. for Sight & Sound Theater for an 11:00 a.m. show. Lunch will be immediately following at Hershey Farm Restaurant. $110.00, includes bus, show & lunch. For tickets call Nancy Matika, 610-967-5715.

Bus Trip - “Run for Your Wife” - Tuesday, October 9th. Meet at the Emmaus Weis Market parking lot at 9:45 a.m. for Hunderton Hills Playhouse for an 11:30 a.m. lunch prior to the show. $95.00 includes bus, lunch and show. For tickets call Nancy Matika, 610-967-5715.

Yard Sale - We will participate in the Emmaus Community Yard Sale on June 2nd, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Come join the fun and shop at our Yard Sale. This is a great fundraiser for the Society. Drop off dates are May 19th and 20th during our weekend hours. If you can’t wait until these dates to donate your treasures, please call the office at 610-966-6591 to make alternate arrangements.

VISIT THE EMMAUS HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Young or old, longtime resident or new to the Borough, member or not, the Emmaus Historical Society invites everyone to visit the Museum. Experience Emmaus’ past as history comes alive in nostalgic exhibits and displays. Learn why Emmaus has two spellings (is it one “M” or two?). Whether you rekindle your own memories or experience something new, a visit to the Museum will give you a new appreciation for our historic Borough. As you tour the Museum, you will be amazed at the generosity of our members and friends of the Society, as 99% of the collection has been donated. From a dowry chest dating back to the 1700s, a wooden dinner plate from the same era, a cuckoo clock that was in the Deischer homestead, to portraits of some of Emmaus High School’s principals; there is something of interest for everyone. If you have something to donate, bring it along or call us. If it is from Emmaus or was used in Emmaus, whether it’s a useful item or a pretty vintage decoration, we are always grateful to add to the collection.

Remember to follow us on Facebook and our Website to learn of new exhibits, displays, programs and events. Stop by when you visit the Farmers’ Market on Sundays from May through December. As noted above, we are closed on Sundays, January through April and open Saturdays, noon to 4:00 p.m. throughout the year.

We will gladly schedule private tours for you or group tours of any size. Call us to schedule. Also, when you are in the Emmaus Public Library, stop to see our showcase with periodically changing themes.