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Borough of EMMAUS



Newsletter

Holiday Season



Where has this year gone? It's been a busy year for all of us, a year crammed with a Presidential election and so many challenging things occurring in our country. But let's remember that we have so many reasons to celebrate this holiday season. In Emmaus, we know that the holiday season is upon us when we begin to start planning our parties, floats, and costumes for the region's largest Halloween Parade.



We can almost smell the aroma of turkey and pumpkin pie in the air. And soon, many of us will be standing in line for hours trying to get the best shopping deal on Black Friday and wondering if the turkey is going to be ready on time for our family gathering on Thanksgiving Day. Whether you celebrate a religious holiday or just simply enjoy the holiday season, the Borough Council, Mayor, employees and volunteers of the Borough of Emmaus want to wish you a Happy and Healthy Holiday season.

There are many great festivals, celebrations, and events in our community throughout this holiday season. Don't miss the wonderful series of holiday events the weekend of December 3rd and 4th. On Saturday, December 3rd, the Emmaus Main Street Partners and 1803 Host will host their Old Fashioned Christmas Event. Please join us for the tree lighting ceremony on the Triangle and the arrival of Santa Claus the evening of December 3rd. On December 2nd, the Emmaus Historical Society will continue the tradition of its Celebrate the Holidays event, and on December 3rd, the Society and Emmaus Moravian Church will partner to host a walking tour of Emmaus. Also, on December 2nd, the Emmaus Library will host the 10th Annual holiday book sale and reception with live entertainment. The 3rd annual Emmaus Arts Commission Photo Contest will also be on December 3rd.



On December 10th, Santa and Mrs. Claus will be at the Emmaus Historical Society. Closing out the holiday season in Emmaus, the Arts Commission will host the 11th Annual Snow Blast Festival on Friday, February 3rd, and Saturday, February 4th. We encourage you to spend this holiday season with your friends and family celebrating the true meaning of the season. It is an opportunity to take time out of our busy lives and enjoy the company of each other.

With the winter holiday season comes winter weather. Although last year was fairly calm with the exception of the late January snowfall, there were still challenges with the winter season. If the weather prognosticators are correct (which is a bit of an oxymoron), we may have a very active winter this year. We urge you to be careful this winter season. Our emergency service providers respond to countless calls from people falling on the ice, accidents, heart and breathing problems, and other emergencies related to snow and ice. Please be careful and know your limitations.

In addition, we kindly ask that you remember when our plow trucks are on the streets, it is the driver's responsibility to plow the streets from curb to curb. Unfortunately, this may mean that your driveway gets plowed in or your sidewalk gets covered. This is not an act of malice in any way, however, the drivers are faced with having to clear over 50 miles of streets in a safe, quick, and efficient manner. Some



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The Borough of Emmaus employees wish everyone a very safe and Happy Holiday Season!

We look forward to serving you in 2017.



BOROUGH HALL HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

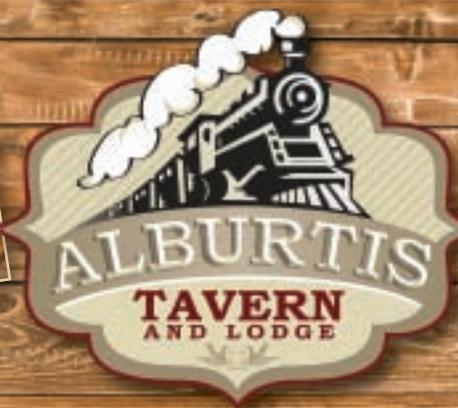
Borough Offices will be closed in observance of the following holidays:

December 26, 2016 - Christmas Day

January 2, 2017 - New Year's Day

February 20, 2017 - Presidents' Day

Please note that the Borough Council Meeting that would normally be scheduled for Monday, January 2, 2017, will be held on Tuesday, January 3, 2017 due to the New Year's Day Holiday and the meeting scheduled for Monday, February 20, 2017, will be held on Tuesday, February 21, 2017, due to the Presidents' Day Holiday.



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sidewalks are located within inches of the street. The snow has nowhere else to go. Remember that it is unlawful to throw the snow back into the street. We recommend that you wait until the snow plow has pushed the snow back to the edge of the street until you shovel or plow your driveways and sidewalks. We kindly ask that you keep this in mind, as we had had several incidents of violence and threats toward our employees, including both Public Works and clerical staff last year. We understand that snow removal can be frustrating, especially when it seems like we are doing it nonstop for three straight months. We want you to know that it is our goal to clean the Borough streets as quickly as possible to make them safer for all travelers. Our employees work around the clock to accomplish this goal.



We truly wish you a happy holiday season and a short, warm winter without too much snow and ice!



EMMAUS MAIN STREET PARTNERS
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PARTNERING WITH THE COMMUNITY

We hope everyone is enjoying the wonderful fall season we're having. Besides the usual activities, the Eagles are winning and Emmaus Hornet Football is off to its best start in the school's history. There is certainly a lot to enjoy!

The EMSP Farewell to Summer Festival was a great success; we dodged the rain and had a great turnout. The kids "Diced" cooking competition (thanks to 29 Cooks) was a huge hit, and the wing eating competition (thanks to Volpe's Sports Bar) is always a crowd favorite. Partnering with the Farmers' Market worked out very well, expect that to continue in coming years. Many thanks to Donna Marks and her committee, as well as the Emmaus Main Street Partners' team Jessica O'Donnell & Greg Yestrumskas, for a great event!

Our next signature event is coming up quickly - Old Fashioned Christmas, set for December 3rd. This is a "can't miss" event with caroling, horse-drawn buggy rides, lots of festivities, and an appearance by Santa and Mrs. Claus. Make sure this is on your calendar and come on out!

Advance notice on our next major project – the EMSP is working jointly with the East Penn Chamber of Commerce on creating a "Restaurant Week" across our footprint. This is set for March 5-11, 2017. The Committee has just been formed and we'll be reaching out to all the restaurants in our area. We are excited about all of the fantastic things happening in our area and we look forward to continuing this positive momentum.



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Online Banking Customers – Please Read!

The Borough of Emmaus rolled out credit card payments and electronic bill pay options through Xpress Bill Pay earlier this year. As we continue to work with this system, we are experiencing some issues with individuals utilizing online banking, where bills are paid directly from their bank, not through our online system, Xpress Bill Pay.



Here are ways that you can help decrease the number of problems that are occurring.

1. Use our online system at www.xpressbillpay.com
2. If you set up a payment with your bank, please ensure that you are using the correct utility account number. For example, make sure that when paying your water/sewer or refuse bill you include your corresponding account number(s) on the payment. If you don't, the payment might go towards your Refuse bill, when you wanted to pay water/sewer or vice versa. Residents have been receiving delinquent notices in some cases because of funds being misrouted as a result of this. Please, make sure you are referencing the correct account number, as water/sewer and refuse are assigned different account numbers.
3. Moreover, it is extremely important that, if paying taxes through your bank bill pay, you need to pay the Tax Collector, Dennis Gouldy, and NOT the Borough of Emmaus. Mr. Gouldy, as a Tax Collector, is a separate elected official and has no direct ties to Borough operations. When paying taxes, Mr. Gouldy is the individual responsible for collection. The Borough does not share accounting systems with Mr. Gouldy. Please make sure your tax payments go to Dennis Gouldy, and NOT the Borough of Emmaus.

Please remember, if you are using online bill pay or direct bank pay, it is your responsibility to make sure that the account number is correct every time you make a payment. Please check your utility bill for the current account number(s) or call our office and we will gladly give them to you. If the account number is incorrect, the online bill pay system applies the payment to a wrong account or does not apply it at all, it could take days for the Borough Accounting Department to find your payment. This could result in late notices and/or surcharges. Our Accounting Department does not know until after you receive late notices and call to notify us. Make sure that you review your account numbers in your bank's online bill pay system to ensure that you have the correct account(s) listed. We appreciate your assistance and cooperation. ^o

Remember the Emmaus Commemorative Garden During the Holidays

Looking for a creative Christmas, holiday or special gift? How about an Emmaus Remembrance Garden brick?

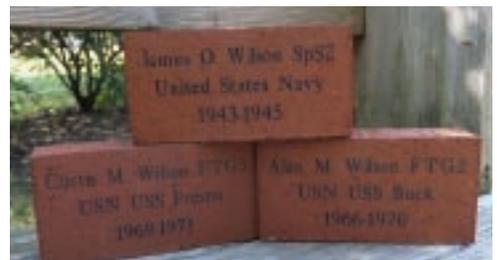
The holiday season is just around the corner. If you are looking for a creative gift for a special someone, the Emmaus Remembrance Garden is selling commemorative bricks to be placed at the lovely Remembrance Garden at the Knauss Homestead. There are many options to choose from - wedding, anniversary, birthday, retirement, Eagle Scout, veteran's service, community heroes - the possibilities are endless for brick-giving!

We invite everyone to visit the Garden to see the changes throughout the seasons. The rose bushes, perennial garden, pergola and benches, make for a quiet and beautiful setting to sit and enjoy each season. By purchasing a brick, your gift not only commemorates the one you love or an event to celebrate, your donation is put to great use and is sown back into the Garden to make it even nicer for our community.

A special Remembrance Garden Brick Gift Certificate is available for bricks purchased as gifts and the ordered bricks will be delivered as soon as we receive them from the engraver.

We invite you to visit the Garden and/or our website at www.emmausremembers.org where bricks can be designed and purchased with a credit card. For more information about the Garden or presentations that can be done for local groups, contact Mike Waddell at 484-274-2089.

There are over 500 engraved bricks in the Remembrance Garden...make sure that you remember the special people and events in your life and purchase an engraved brick today.



Ready, Set, Snow!... Snow Plowing Tips and Reminders

The Public Works Department of the Borough of Emmaus is dedicated to the safety of its residents. At times, snow removal can be a monumental task and our Department of Public Works employees work around the clock to keep the State and Borough routes open. In an effort to prepare our residents for impending snow storms, the Public Works Department wants you to know more about snow removal and answer your most frequently asked questions.

- 1. When will my street be plowed?** Depending on the severity of the snowstorm, roads that will be plowed first are: the roads with the highest traffic volume, steep hills, state roads, snow emergency routes, roads near emergency service facilities, and roads near public institutions. While the storm is occurring, one pass is made in each direction of every street. After this is complete, or it is determined that the storm is coming to an end, the pushing back phase of the excess snow will begin. This is when all streets are cleaned, curb-to-curb or to the shoulder of the road.



2. Should we move our cars from the street?

When a storm is forecasted, move vehicles to off-street parking when possible and keep vehicles off the street until plowing is completed. Parked cars can cause both a hazard and hindrance to snow removal efforts. This allows plows to clear the entire roadway the first time through, making return trips unnecessary.

- 3. What about driveways and sidewalks?** When cleaning your street, the crews have no place to push the snow except to the side of the road. This creates the unavoidable problem of already cleaned sidewalks and driveways to be covered with snow. Residents and business owners should wait until the Borough trucks and equipment have completed their work before cleaning driveways, sidewalks, and vehicles. Snow from vehicles and sidewalks should not be deposited back into that portion of the street where snow has already been removed. Do not shovel snow from your driveways into the roadway. This practice is illegal under the state motor vehicle code and Borough Ordinance 303 and is also hazardous. Fines for violations range from \$25.00 to \$100.00. **Please do not shovel snow into the street!** Residents are responsible for the actions of anyone they may hire for removal.

- 4. If the Borough pushes snow back onto my sidewalk, who is responsible?** Sidewalks are the responsibility of the property owner. Borough Ordinance 302 requires that all sidewalks must be cleared of snow or ice accumulations within twenty-four (24) hours after each

precipitation ends. Failure to do so may result in fines for violations of the Ordinance. School bus stops must also be kept clear of snow and ice on the sidewalks.

5. What if my mailbox becomes covered with snow?

Your mailbox and the access to it, for the U.S. Postal Service, is the responsibility of the resident. Again, because the crews have no place to put the snow, roadside mailboxes may become blocked. Heavy snow may damage mailboxes. This is not intentional, but may occur.



Please make sure your mailbox is sturdy and in good repair. The Borough will not be responsible for repairs to mailboxes placed within the legally defined rights-of-ways of the roads, unless they are actually struck by the snow removal equipment.

- 6. What should I do if my lawn or landscaping was damaged by the snowplow?** Any objects that are placed within the right-of-way by the property owner, including trees, shrubs or lawns are not the responsibility of the Borough in the case of plow damage.

Weather and snowstorms require patience and neighborhoods and businesses should work together. If practical, develop plans ahead of time in relation to where snow and ice will be stored. Contractors with plow equipment and residents with snow blowers should remain mindful of the direction snow and ice is removed from properties. Remember, we are all trying to achieve the same goal of keeping our roadways safe and traffic moving. During snow storms, SAFETY is the Borough's main concern.

PLEASE HAVE PATIENCE! Snow removal is tedious and a very time-consuming job. The Borough of Emmaus Public Works snow removal operators are human and work many hours under very difficult conditions to keep Borough residents safe. Please do not abuse them or threaten them or the Borough of Emmaus Police Department may be contacted. Travel should be limited during a snowfall and immediately after, unless absolutely necessary. Please do not call; unless it is urgent. When crews are removed from normal routes, it slows down the overall efforts. If a call warrants attention, the information will be dispatched and the crew will take care of the problem as soon as possible.



Please help the Borough in keeping your fire hydrants clear of snow. If you have a hydrant in your neighborhood, please adopt it this winter by keeping it clear of snow and ice so that it is readily accessible in an emergency. Your assistance is greatly appreciated!



NEWS FROM THE EMMAUS YOUTH ASSOCIATION

Supporting our Youth through competition and teamwork!

Since 1957, The Emmaus Youth Association has brought the joy of competitive play to thousands of area children through a growing number of recreational activities.

The goal of the EYA is to promote the ideals of good sportsmanship, social interaction and community involvement for our children. EYA youths learn basic athletic skills and the merits of teamwork while cultivating close bonds with others.

The EYA encourages children to take on the challenges of athletic competition so that they may tackle future responsibilities with enthusiasm and cooperation.

The board typically meets on the 1st Tuesday of the month at St. John's Lutheran Church on 5th and Chestnut St. Emmaus, PA. All meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. and the public is welcome.

Please visit the Emmaus Youth Association's website at www.eyanews.org for all the latest information on registration, donations, and sponsorship.



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Emmaus Arts Commission

The 12th Annual Student Film Festival Winners Announced

HIGH SCHOOL

First Place: Graham Burrell
School: Parkland H.S.
Film Title: Bubbles the Clown

Second Place:

Team Leader: Harley Bender
School: Northampton Area H.S.
Film Title: It started on any given day

MIDDLE SCHOOL

First Place: Tessa Fritz
School: Lower Macungie Middle School
Film Title: Forgotten
Second Place: Maeve Yanes
School: Lower Macungie Middle School
Film Title: Watch your step



Best Of:

Best Editing, film direction and acting: Jackson Bernhard
School: Northwestern Lehigh H.S.
Title: Heaven's Gate
Creativity and Originality: Kate Manning Kerry Harper
School: Henry Hudson Regional School
Title: Coexisting
Best Story Telling: Mary Dalton
School: Parkland H.S.
Title: Homecoming/What Are Friends for!

Special Awards:

Best improvisation of a product: Maya Schlesinger
School: Emmaus High School
Title: Raman Noodles/Noodle Experiment
The Rick Baker Award for best creature creation: Kenzie Cichocki
School: Lower Macungie Middle School
Title: Carnivores plants/Man eating Monster Plant

Photo Enthusiasts - Save the Date!

The Third Annual EAC Photo Contest will be held Saturday, December 3rd. This contest nurtures aspiring photographers who wish to share and influence the way people think through images. An entry fee will apply. Prizes will be awarded. The contest photo gallery will be located at the Community Center for the Arts, 2nd floor of Emmaus Borough Hall, during the Emmaus Main Street Partners annual Old Fashioned Christmas festivities. For more information, visit www.emmausarts.org.



Art Enthusiasts - Save The Date!

Friday, February 3rd from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Saturday, February 4th, noon to 5:00 p.m.

Emmaus Is The Place To Celebrate The Arts!

As temperatures dip across the Lehigh Valley and winter's freeze takes hold, many families will hunker down and stay put. But in Emmaus, that's when the Emmaus Arts Commission gets creative! Now in its 11th year, the 2017 version of the arts festival is being held indoors throughout Emmaus on **Friday night, February 3rd from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.** – planned venues include Emmaus Borough Hall and various stores and restaurants throughout town.

Saturday, February 4th, continues from noon to 5:00 p.m. at many of the same venues and also outdoor and indoor activities, craft-making and fun at Emmaus Triangle Park and Emmaus Public Library.



The EAC will host the juried **SnowBlast Winter Art Show & Sale** as well as the annual **Community Art Project**, a fun way for everyone to participate in helping to create a piece of public art. Individuals or entire families can join in. One doesn't have to be an artist to participate in the project, all skill levels and the desire to get creative is all that's needed!

SnowBlast Winter Arts Festival gives local artists exposure and recognition while encouraging the community to participate and appreciate the fantastic local arts in Emmaus. If you are planning to join us and hold an arts related event or activity (musician, painting, art demonstration or poetry reading) at your store or business during SnowBlast Winter Arts Festival, let us know so you will be included in the official map and schedule of events! Contact EAC president and SnowBlast Winter Arts Festival chair, Teri Sorg-McManamon at 610-390-7930.

As planning continues, look for the schedule of events on the EAC web site at www.emmausarts.org.

Be Part of the Emmaus Art Experience

Consider being on the board of the Emmaus Arts Commission! For the application form, go to www.borough.emmaus.pa.us - About Emmaus – Documents/Applications – Misc. Forms.

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EMMAUS HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS AND HOLIDAY EVENTS

218 Main St., Emmaus, PA 18049 | 610-966-6591 | www.emmaushistoric-pa.org | emmaushist@ptd.net
Open Saturdays Noon to 4:00 p.m., Sundays 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. or by Appointment

September 24th was an eventful day for the Emmaus Historical Society. A brick was installed at the Emmaus Commemorative Gardens honoring the Society as Volunteer of the Year for 2015. Next, our permanent sign in the front yard of the museum was unveiled! The new panels on each side of the sign are mounted in the original galvanized metal sign frame, with original post, built and installed in 1964 by Homer Wambold for the former Colonial Manor Gift Shoppe at this location. We are very grateful to McElhane Signs for designing and painting the new panels, to David Kerstetter for restoring the frame and to these Emmaus businesses who generously sponsored our sign: Buss Paint & Wallpaper, Edward Jones-Financial Advisor: Jeffrey A. McElhane, Jr. and Fred Saracino-State Farm Insurance. The day concluded with an ice cream social in the backyard of the museum, celebrating our one year Anniversary in our new building.



Genealogical Library - Progress continues to complete the library. Watch our website and Facebook page for information and a presentation being planned for next spring.

'Tis the season for fun displays and exhibits at the museum and our display case at the Emmaus Public Library! The library display features vintage Christmas cards from the 1940's and 1950's, along with unique Christmas decor. The museum will have trees decorated with antique and homemade ornaments, and our train putz and trolley, all under the watchful eyes of Santa and Mrs. Claus dressed in their suits from the 1940's and 1950's. You will be able to enjoy the Christmas displays at the museum and library until the end of January.



Friday, December 2, 2016, 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. - "Celebrate the Holidays" - Visit the museum and enjoy Emmaus Moravian Church carolers, refreshments and our Christmas displays, including our recently expanded train putz and trolley. Gifts for the Holidays include our new Christmas ornament of our museum building and a pack of twelve note cards of six different views of our museum available to purchase, along with other Emmaus souvenirs.

Saturday, December 3, 2016, 10:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. - "Old Fashioned Christmas Open House" - Make sure to visit the museum during "Old Fashioned Christmas" in Emmaus. Children are invited to make pinecone ornaments to decorate the Children's Christmas tree on the Triangle. Members from Emmaus Moravian Church will demonstrate Moravian candle making. The Emmaus Moravian Church is also partnering with Emmaus Historical Society to offer a **Walking Tour of Emmaus** from 1-3 p.m. to visit the 12 historical sites which tell the story of the earliest days of Emmaus. The

tour is free, but registration is requested. Please call the museum at 610-966-6591 by December 1st to register.

Saturday, December 10, 2016 - "Santa and Mrs. Claus at the Museum" - Remember when the children of Emmaus and Emmaus would go to Town Hall or Fire Co. No. 1 for an orange and a box of chocolates? We will replicate this tradition when Santa and Mrs. Claus are in the museum from 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. with a goody bag of fruit and candy for all visitors (young and the young at heart!). Bring your children and grandchildren to experience what once was!

December 14, 2016 - "Christmas Covered Dish Party" - Held at 6:00 p.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church Parish Hall. Please call the museum if you plan to attend.

Our Museum Display Committee is looking for memorabilia! Anything from Emmaus/Emmaus, whether it was crafted here or used here; a tool or a toy, we would love to share it with the Emmaus community. In particular, we are looking for all things Lions and Lioness Clubs: photos, awards, programs (especially Minstrel Show programs for the years 1956-1967, 1978-1985.) We are planning a special textile display for spring and looking for anything from the silk mills, textile and garment factories: photos, tools, products, etc. Additionally, we are looking for Central School memorabilia, specifically history, anecdotes, paper records and photographs. Donations are always accepted during museum hours or call the museum at 610-966-6591 for an appointment.

Holiday Closings - The museum will be closed Thanksgiving weekend November 26 & 27, Christmas weekend December 24 & 25 and New Year's weekend December 31 & January 1.

Looking Ahead - It's "Winter Wonderland" in the museum during the month of February, 2017 with winter scene displays and historic vintage photos of Emmaus blizzards. We will participate in SnowBlast Winter Arts Festival sponsored by Emmaus Arts Commission on February 4; details will be announced.

The Friends of the 1803 House Welcome You to an Old-Fashioned Christmas Celebration

55 South Keystone Avenue • Emmaus, PA 18049
 Saturday, December 3, 2016 • 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. • www.1803House.org

The Footsteps of Emmaus History

In 1803 at the age of 43, Jacob Ehrenhardt Jr, son of one of the founders of the Emmaus Moravian Village, constructed his continental plan influenced house with its "Flurkuchcenhau" or "entry-kitchen". With his wife Susanna and children, they celebrated Christmas in Emmaus in a new home. They celebrated the holiday with their four daughters - Barbara, 18; Anna Marie, 15; Anna Elenora, 9; and Susanna, 6. 213 years later we will enjoy the same holiday spirit in their magnificent Pennsylvania stone home.

The **1803 House** is hosting an **Old Fashioned Christmas celebration** on Saturday, December 3, 2016 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. There will be a fire in the hearth kitchen fireplace, warm cider beverages, holiday treats, a Christmas tree with colonial holiday decorations, window sill and mantel holiday decorations by the talented members of the Emmaus Garden Club, ornament crafting for children, beeswax ornaments, the "1803 House Church Baby" sale, other items for sale, the annual homemade wreath sale and tours of the house and the archaeological dig. Join us during your visit of the other historic sites in Emmaus and walk on the footsteps of Emmaus history.



More information about the 1803 House are available on Facebook, the 1803 House website or by contacting Dick Farmer at 610-967-4401.

News from the Shelter House Society



The Shelter House Society is launching a new membership drive starting this fall. Any current member who enrolls a new member or members will be treated to "LUNCH WITH THE PRESIDENT." We will reserve a table at "Sweet Memories," Emmaus' favorite for the new members and their sponsoring member.

The Society hosts several events throughout the year: Old Fashioned Christmas (first Saturday in December), Patriots Day Dinner (last Saturday in April), Annual membership picnic (third Wednesday in August), and open house tours in cooperation with 1803 House, Knauss House, and the Emmaus Historical Society.

As fall continues, we invite you to visit the Shelter House grounds, so beautifully maintained by our resident curator, Dean Bortz. By phoning 610-965-9258, you can book a tour of the 1734 Germanic log structure. Currently at the Shelter House, Colonial wood/stone artist, Rich Klase, has resumed work on the spring house. If he is working during your visit, he is happy to give a lesson on Colonial works.

Many love to come to the Shelter House to watch migrating raptors, take photographs or do some plein air paintings. Others have told us how they love to come and sit and enjoy the feeling of being in another time when the air was purer, the sky was bluer, and the stillness was intoxicating. Whatever the reason, the Shelter House looks forward to your visit.

For membership information, please call Ruth at 610-570-1481 or Jane at 610-965-5119.

Annual memberships are as follows: individual, \$15; Family, \$25; Patriot, \$50; Founder, \$100. We look forward to welcoming new members.



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HOLIDAY SAFETY TIPS



The holiday season is always a special time of year. Unfortunately, it is also the time when busy people become careless and vulnerable to theft and other crimes. During the holiday season, use extra precautions in an effort to keep your families safe. Please share the information below with family, friends

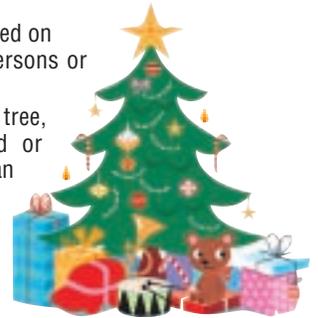
- Avoid driving alone or at night.
- Keep all car doors locked and windows closed while in or out of your car. Set your alarm or use an anti-theft device.
- If you must shop at night, park in a well-lighted area.
- Avoid parking next to vans, trucks with camper shells, or cars with tinted windows.
- Park as close as you can to your destination and take notice of where you parked.
- Never leave your car unoccupied with the motor running or with children inside.
- Do not leave packages or valuables on the seat of your car. This creates a temptation for thieves. If you must leave something in the car, lock it in the trunk or put it out of sight.
- Be sure to locate your keys prior to going to your car.
- Keep a secure hold on your purse, handbag and parcels. Do not put them down or on top of the car in order to open the door.
- When approaching or leaving your vehicle, be aware of your surroundings.
- Do not approach your car alone if there are suspicious people in the area.



- Children should never be allowed to go to the car alone and they should never be left alone in the car.
- Teach children their full name, address and telephone number to give to Police Officers or mall security. Teach children to immediately inform you if a stranger is bothering them.

At Home:

- Be extra cautious about locking doors and windows when you leave the house, even for a few minutes.
- When leaving home for an extended time, have a neighbor or family member watch your house and pick up your newspapers and mail.
- Indoor and outdoor lights should be on an automatic timer.
- Leave a radio or television on so the house looks and sounds occupied.
- When setting up a Christmas tree or other holiday display, make sure doors and passageways are clear inside your home in case of emergency.
- Be sure your Christmas tree is mounted on a sturdy base so children, elderly persons or family pets cannot pull it over.
- If you use lights on your Christmas tree, ensure the wiring is not damaged or frayed. Frayed or damaged wiring can cause a fire.
- Place your Christmas tree in water or wet sand to keep it green.
- Never place wrapping paper in your fireplace.



Automated Teller Machine (ATM):

- If you must use an ATM, choose one that is located inside a police station, mall, or well-lighted location. Withdraw only the amount of cash you need.
- Protect your PIN by shielding the ATM keypad from anyone who is standing near you.
- Do not throw your ATM receipt away at the ATM location.

Shopping:

- Shop during daylight hours whenever possible. If you must shop at night, go with a friend or family member.
- Avoid wearing expensive jewelry.
- If at all possible, do not carry a purse or wallet.
- Always carry your Pennsylvania Driver License or Photo Identification Card along with necessary cash, checks and/or a credit card you expect to use.
- Even though you are rushed and thinking about many things, stay alert to your surroundings.
- Avoid carrying large amounts of cash.
- Pay for purchases with a check or credit card when possible.
- Keep cash in your front pocket.
- Notify the credit card issuer immediately if your credit card is lost, stolen or misused.
- Keep a record of all of your credit card numbers in a safe place at home.
- Be extra careful if you do carry a wallet or purse. These are prime targets of criminals in crowded shopping areas and in public areas.
- Avoid overloading yourself with packages. It is important to have clear visibility and freedom of motion to avoid mishaps.
- Beware of strangers approaching you for any reason. At this time of year, "con-artists" may try various methods of distracting you with the intention of taking your money or belongings.

Children:

- If possible, leave small children at home with a trusted babysitter.
- Teach your child to go to a store clerk and ask for help in case your child is separated from you.
- Teach children to stay close to you at all times while shopping.
- Never allow children to make unaccompanied trips to the restroom.

Strangers at Your Door:

- Be aware that criminals sometimes pose as couriers delivering packages and gifts.
- It is not uncommon for criminals to take advantage of the generosity of people during the holiday season by soliciting donations door-to-door or by telephone for charitable causes. The Borough of Emmaus requires a permit and identification must be readily worn by door-to-door solicitors. **NEVER** agree to send money by check or by credit card while on the telephone.
- Ask for identification from solicitors and find out how and where the donated funds will be used. If you are not satisfied, **do not donate**.

Hosting a Party:

- Have non-alcoholic beverages available for party guests.
- Find alternative transportation for intoxicated guests.
- Arrange for an official designated driver for your party who will not drink at all.

Attending a Party:

- Have something to eat before consuming alcoholic beverages.
- Eat high protein foods that will stay in your stomach longer and slow the absorption of alcohol into your system.
- Remember only time will eliminate the alcohol from your body.
- Know your safe limit. The best policy is not to drink alcohol beverages at all prior to driving.



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Join us in Welcoming John Price – Director of Emergency Services



We are extremely excited to welcome John Price to the Borough of Emmaus as the new Director of Emergency Services. In his role as Director, Chief Price will serve as the Borough's Fire Chief and will also oversee the functions of the Ambulance Chief.

Chief Price joins the Emmaus team as a recent retiree from the Easton Fire Department where he retired in December 2015 after 33 years of service. Chief Price began his leadership career in the department beginning in 2002, when he became a Lieutenant. In 2006 he was promoted to Captain and then Fire Marshall. Chief Price ultimately earned the role as Deputy Chief in March 2007, and retired from the position eight years later. After retirement, Chief Price briefly served as the Fire Inspector for Salisbury Township before accepting the position as Director of Emergency Services for the Borough of Emmaus.

Chief Price has earned many certifications, accreditations, and commendations throughout his career. Among his certifications, he is a Certified Fire Investigator (CFI), Accredited Fire Officer (FO), Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), Basic Vehicle Rescue Technician, Fire Plans Reviewer I & II, and HazMat First Responder Operational Level. He has numerous Fire Command certifications, including ISO Fire Suppression Ratings, NIMS Fire Administration, and Incident Command Systems. He remains as an active volunteer firefighter for Forks Township, is a member of the Northampton County Historical &

Genealogical Society, a volunteer for the Sigal History Museum, member of the F&AM Lodge # 152 in Easton, and has participated in organizations such as coaching youth soccer and serving on a multitude of community task forces.

Please join us in welcoming Chief Price to the Borough of Emmaus team!

Winter Fire Safety Tips Emergency Services

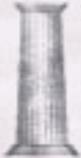
The approaching holiday season means that candles, Christmas trees, and holiday lighting will be in use in many Borough homes. As beautiful as they are, they present an increased risk of fire in your home. December is the peak month for candle fires with more than 25 candle fires a day. You can prevent holiday season fires by observing the following safety tips:

- Keep candles at least 12 inches away from burnable items.
- Blow out candles when you leave the room or go to bed.
- Use a sturdy holder for the candle.
- Do not burn candles to the very bottom.
- Consider using flameless candles.
- Water natural cut Christmas trees every day.
- Inspect lighting strands and cords for frayed wires and damage before putting them on your tree or home. The wires on holiday lights can be very delicate.
- Visit nfpa.org for additional fire safety information



Improve fire safety in your home by ensuring that smoke detectors are installed inside all bedrooms, in hallways outside of all bedrooms, and on every floor level. Smoke alarms are now available with 10-year batteries. After 10 years, simply replace the entire unit.



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New Animal Control Officer Named

Allen Lewis is shown with Emmaus Mayor Winfield Lobst after Lewis was sworn in as the new Animal Control Officer for the Borough of Emmaus. The short ceremony took place in the Mayor's Office on Friday, August 19, 2016. Lewis is currently employed by the Borough's Highway Department and will take on the Animal Control Duties in addition to his current duties with the Borough. Lewis was hired to replace Richard Hontz who retired in July after having served as the Animal Control Officer for 32 years. We wish Allen the best of luck.



Borough Council Hires 4 Police Officers



After a long and arduous process that began in February and included a written examination, physical agility testing, oral interview, background investigation to include a polygraph examination and finally a second interview in front of the Public Safety Committee, Chief Palmer, and Mayor Lobst, Borough Council hired 4 outstanding Police Officer candidates. At the October 3, 2016 Council Meeting, Mayor Lobst issued the Oath-of-Office to Carlos Marrero, Don MaGee, Melanie Sayres, and Kevin Miller.

Carlos Marrero is 34 years old and was born in Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico. He resides in Allentown with his wife and 3 children. Mr. Marrero served in the United States Army from 2008-2015 and currently serves with the US Army Reserves. He attended the Allentown Police Academy. Mr. Marrero said, "I am really excited

to start work at the Emmaus Police Department, it is a great privilege to be given the opportunity to be a part of the community. I will do my best to uphold the respect the people of Emmaus have for the Police Department and hope to be a great help to the Police Department and the community."

Don MaGee is 38 years old and was born in Gary, Indiana. He currently lives in Fountain Hill with his girlfriend and his 2 sons and has been serving with the US Army Reserves since 2007. Mr. MaGee attended the Allentown Police Academy. He said, "I am excited to be a part of the Emmaus Police Department. I plan on bringing my "A" game to work with me every day while serving the community."

Melanie Sayres is 22 years old, was born and raised in Reading and earned a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice. She attended the Reading Police Academy. Ms. Sayres stated, "I am excited and thankful to achieve my dream of working as a Police Officer, especially here in Emmaus. I look forward to serving the community professionally and also getting to know everyone personally in this wonderful place I now call home."

Kevin Miller is 26 years old, from Easton, and earned a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from East Stroudsburg University. He attended the Allentown Police Academy. Mr. Miller said, "I am looking forward to becoming a Police Officer in Emmaus and serving your beautiful community."

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Emmaus Police Department's K9 Ronny to get body armor

Emmaus Police Department's K9 Ronny will receive a bullet and stab protective vest thanks to a charitable donation from non-profit organization Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. K9 Ronny's vest is sponsored by The Landis Family Foundation and will be embroidered with the sentiment "Gifted with gratitude - The Landis Family Foundation". Delivery is expected within eight to ten weeks.

K9 Ronny is a 2 year old Belgian Malinois handled by Officer Vincent Murante. K9 Ronny and Officer Murante are certified together in both Patrol and Narcotics Detection through the National Police Canine Association.

Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. is a 501c (3) charity located in East Taunton, MA whose mission is to provide bullet and stab protective vests and other assistance to dogs of law enforcement and related agencies throughout the United States. The non-profit was established in 2009 to assist law enforcement agencies with this potentially lifesaving body armor for their four-legged K9 officers. Since its inception, Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. provided over 2,000 protective vests, in 50 states,



through private and corporate donations, at a cost of over 1.7 million dollars. All vests are custom made in the USA by Armor Express in Central Lake, MI.



The program is open to dogs actively employed in the U.S. with law enforcement or related agencies who are certified and at least 20 months of age. New K9 graduates, as well as K9s with expired vests, are eligible to participate.

The donation to provide one protective vest for a law enforcement K9 is \$1,050.00. Each vest has a value between \$1,795 – \$2,234 and a five-year warranty, and an average weight of 4-5 lbs. There is an estimated 30,000 law enforcement K9s

throughout the United States. For more information or to learn about volunteer opportunities, please call 508-824-6978. Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. provides information, lists events, and accepts tax-deductible donations of any denomination at www.vik9s.org or mailed to P.O. Box 9 East Taunton, MA 02718.

Winter Stormwater Tips

As winter approaches and rain turns to snow, it is still important to consider stormwater pollution. Pollutants such as soaps, fertilizers, automotive fluids, and pet waste can collect in the snow pack, accumulating until a thaw suddenly dumps them into the storm water system. Contaminants that end up in the storm drains are carried off, untreated, to streams and larger bodies of water that are used for drinking, swimming, or fishing.

Here are a few helpful habits to reduce the amount of harmful pollutants entering storm drains this winter season:

- **Winterizing vehicles.** Check that your car is not leaking oil or other fluids. It takes only a small amount of motor oil to pollute thousands of gallons of water. Also, dispose of drained fluids properly. Many service stations will collect used motor oil and recycle it. Please do not dump these items down the storm drains.

- **Washing vehicles.** On a warm winter day, you may be tempted to break out the hose and bucket to get some of the road grime off of your car. Take a moment to see where that runoff is going. Does it wash down the driveway and into the storm drain? If so, all that salt and dirt will enter a stream or pond. Using a car wash facility may cost a few dollars more, but the water will be treated before being released into the watershed.
- **De-icing driveways and sidewalks.** While it may be habit to stock up on salt for the winter, many people would not consider dumping a bucket of salt on their lawn in the summer. But the results are similar. Salt runs off of your sidewalk and onto the surrounding soil. Consider more environmentally-friendly deicing products like Rain-Ex, Enviro-MLT, or Easy Melt found at most auto parts and home improvement stores.

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Home Fire Campaign

The American Red Cross has kicked off a multi-year campaign to reduce the number of home fire deaths and injuries by 25%. Seven times a day someone in this country dies in a fire. The Red Cross campaign focuses on joining with Fire Departments and community groups nationwide to install smoke alarms in communities and encourages everyone to practice their fire escape plans.

On September 24th the Borough of Emmaus Fire Department partnered with the Red Cross in this life-saving campaign and it is the Fire Department's goal to try and ensure that each residence in the Borough has working smoke alarms. More than 30 volunteers from the Red Cross, Americorps/FEMA, IBEW, Boy Scout Troop 431, and Emmaus High School came out to support this event. The volunteers spent the day going from home to home to educate the residents in home fire safety and fire escape plans as well as inspect their existing smoke alarms. Smoke alarms are on average good for 5 years so the volunteers inspected and tested the smoke alarms. In many cases the alarms were quite old or simply did not work, however, some homes had no smoke alarms at all. The volunteers changed that.



The volunteers installed new Kidde smoke alarms with a 10-year lithium battery so that Borough residents would have good working smoke alarms. In all they installed 208 smoke alarms which will protect 184 individuals and families. The Fire Department continues to receive calls to come inspect homes and will work with those to make sure they have working smoke alarms. The best part of the smoke alarm campaign is that all the work and the smoke alarms were provided free of charge.

The Emmaus Fire Department would like to express its deepest gratitude to all those that volunteered and also to Weis Markets in Emmaus, Starbucks, and Chick-fil-A for donating refreshments for the volunteers.

If you are interested in scheduling the Fire Department to come and inspect your smoke alarms or to discuss a fire safety plan for your home please contact the station at 610-967-5630 or by contacting the local Red Cross. If you would like to make a donation or help out with the Red Cross's Home Fire Campaign, please visit their website at www.redcross.org to find volunteer opportunities in the area.

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Carbon Monoxide Safety

Often called the invisible killer, carbon monoxide is an odorless, colorless gas created when fuels (such as gasoline, wood, coal, natural gas, propane, oil, and methane) burn incompletely. In the home, heating and cooking equipment that burn fuel are potential sources of carbon monoxide. Vehicles or generators running in an attached garage can also produce dangerous levels of carbon monoxide. Below are tips to help keep you safe:

- CO alarms should be installed in a central location outside of each sleeping area and on every level of the home. For the best protection, interconnect all CO alarms throughout the home. When one sounds, they all sound.
- Follow the manufacturer's instructions for placement and mounting height.
- Test CO alarms at least once a month; replace them according to manufacturer's instructions.
- If the audible trouble signal sounds, check for low batteries. If the battery is low, replace it. If it still sounds, call the Fire Department.
- If the CO alarm sounds, immediately move to a fresh air location outdoors or by an open window or door. Make sure everyone inside the home is accounted for. Call 911 for help from a fresh air location and stay there until Emergency Personnel arrive.
- If you need to warm a vehicle, remove it from the garage immediately after starting it. Do not run a vehicle or other fueled engine or motor indoors, even if the garage doors are open. Make sure the exhaust pipe of a running vehicle is not covered with snow.
- During and after a snowstorm, make sure vents for the dryer, furnace, stove, and fireplace are clear of snow build-up.
- A generator should be used in a well-ventilated location outdoors away from windows, doors and vent openings.
- Have fuel-burning heating equipment and chimneys inspected by a professional every year before cold weather sets in. When using a fireplace, open the flue for adequate ventilation and never use your oven to heat your home.

FACTS

- A person can be poisoned by a small amount of CO over a longer period of time or by a large amount of CO over a shorter amount of time.
- In 2010, U.S. fire departments responded to an estimated 80,100 non-fire CO incidents in which carbon monoxide was found, or an average of nine cell calls per hour.



If you have any questions or concerns regarding carbon monoxide safety, please contact the Emmaus Fire Department at 610-967-5630.



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A Message from the Emergency Management Director James Krippe

Welcome to John Price, the newly appointed Director of Emergency Services and Fire Chief for the Borough of Emmaus. Chief Price brings many years of administrative and field experience in Firefighting and Emergency Medical Services to the Borough of Emmaus. Chief Price and I are eager to work as a team to continue to provide the residents in the Borough of Emmaus the best possible Emergency Services.

Besides the appointment of Chief Price, Borough Council and Mayor Lobst have added four Police Officers and additional Medical Personnel to the First Responder Teams in order to insure the residents of the Borough of Emmaus are getting the best possible protection and safety. The Police Department, Fire Department, Emergency Medical Services, and Emergency Management Administration spend countless hours planning, training, and preparing for many types of emergency situations and hazardous weather conditions, but it doesn't stop there. You, the residents, also need to do your part in planning and preparing. **How you may ask?** By installing and maintaining smoke detectors, as this is one of the most important items in planning and preparation.

Should an emergency arise in your residence, work, or even car, it is crucial to have plans and supplies in place. Just as you have a simple bandage available in the event of a small injury, you need to plan and prepare for more serious emergencies. In previous newsletter articles, I have mentioned several emergencies that require planning and preparation. A fire, hurricane, and snowstorm are all instances where forethought is necessary.

Plans should be put in place for everyone living in the residence, including all pets. The websites of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PEMA) are good sources of information. These websites have many downloadable

brochures and lists that will help with preparation for all types of hazards or emergencies. www.ready.gov, www.readypa.org are two more websites that are available.

Additionally, should the need arise, there are several methods of notification and communication set up to inform the public of emergency situations through all or a portion of the community. If you are notified through one of these systems, please follow the directions as given. Not doing so can place you, others, or Emergency Responders in an unsafe and dangerous situation, which will further complicate or delay the resolution of the incident. Lehigh County Reverse 911, local news media, and street-by-street notification by Emergency Personnel are several systems used to warn and instruct during an emergency. In addition, please visit the Borough website at www.borough.emmaus.pa.us scroll down to Swiftreach Network, Inc. and follow the directions to register for this notification system.

Always remember at the time of an emergency stay calm and don't panic.

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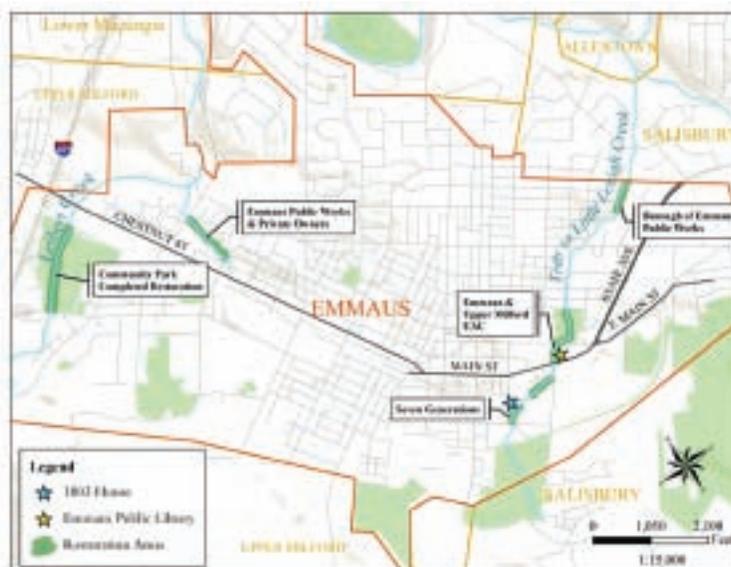


The Emmaus & Upper Milford Environmental Advisory Council (EAC) would like to thank everyone who participated in our planting event on Saturday, September 24th! About 25 volunteers came out to help plant native plants along the intermittent stream behind the Emmaus Public Library. We planted over 30 trees and shrubs, which were made up of 9

different species. The newly vegetated buffer will help to reduce erosion in this area, while also providing critical habitat in our urban community and reducing the impact of invasive plants. Partnerships were critical in making this project a success. The EAC would like to thank the Emmaus Public Works Department for assisting with the maintenance of the project site, Lehigh Gap Nature Center for supplying the funding for the native plants, Wildlands Conservancy for guiding the restoration process, and Penn State Extension's Master Watershed Stewards for volunteering their time and expertise to the maintenance of the site. Other participants included volunteers from Lower Macungie Middle School, Emmaus High School, Emmaus Main Street Partners, Rodale, Inc., and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PA DEP). Thank you again!

The Emmaus Public Library Habitat Restoration Project is part of a series of environmental restoration efforts taking place throughout Emmaus (just look at the map!). These efforts (led by the EAC, Wildlands Conservancy, and Seven Generations Charter School) include communicating with Public Works, landowners, and other stakeholders about best practices for maintaining the vegetated buffers while decreasing erosion and improving ecological diversity. Vegetated buffers in Emmaus also help to filter pollutants from stormwater runoff and maintain water quality of streams flowing into larger rivers throughout the Lehigh Valley. The great partnerships and projects taking place in Emmaus are helping to make our region a fantastic place to live!

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NEWS FROM THE EMMAUS SHADE TREE COMMISSION

What Not to Plant

Steer clear of these messy, unmannerly trees.

We count on trees to cool and shade our homes in summer; to filter pollutants from the air and add oxygen; and to beautify the streets, parks, and neighborhoods of Emmaus. While many trees remain problem-free for decades, a few types have drawbacks, ranging from a tendency to shed twigs to serious structural defects. Since the tree you plant today will be a part of your landscape for generations to come, it's wise to avoid trees that could cause problems. Here are four categories of troublesome trees.

The litterbugs. Unfortunately, some trees are always dropping something onto the lawn below. Sycamores are notorious for shedding leaves, twigs, and even patches of bark throughout the growing season. Catalpas and Siberian elms are messy, too.

The weak-limbed. Homeowners often make the mistake of selecting a tree based on its fast rate of growth. But quick-growing trees are nearly always weak-wooded. Fast growth results in brittle wood—trees that are more apt to drop limbs in a storm. Poplars, willows, and silver maple are examples.

The alien invaders. Some non-native trees spread aggressively, their seeds distributed by wind or birds. They crowd out native plants and fail to offer the same benefits to

wildlife as native species. Trees to avoid: Norway maple, tree-of-heaven (Ailanthus), Siberian elm, empress tree (Paulownia), and 'Bradford' ornamental pear. All five are on the list of environmentally destructive plants compiled by the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

The super-seedy. Certain varieties of honeylocust and sweetgum have annoying seed pods; some ginkgoes bear smelly fruits. But all three species are available in non-fruiting forms—often the male of the species. Instead of planting the seedy versions, look for seedless forms at the garden center.

The Emmaus Shade Tree Ordinance, approved by Borough Council in 2006, contains guidelines for the care and protection of trees planted within the public right-of-way (within 12 feet of the curb). The Ordinance requires property owners to request a permit from the Shade Tree Commission before pruning, planting, or removing these trees. The Ordinance also prohibits the "topping" of trees in the right-of-way. 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; Doug Hall, 610-967-2304; or Beverly Springer, 610-965-6671.

Calling all Tree Huggers!

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Do 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. On the website home page, 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.

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. The permit and the \$1.00 fee are filed with the Cashier at Town Hall. If you have any questions, please call Jessica at 610-965-0702.



CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION

The Public Works Department will collect Christmas trees on **Tuesday, January 3, 2017** and **Tuesday, January 10, 2017**. Please place your tree at the curb, **WITHOUT A BAG** and the Public Works Department will pick it up. Trees discarded after **January 10, 2017** will not be picked up. After that, residents must take their tree to the Compost Site for disposal. The Compost Site will be open daily January 9 to 13, 2017, from 7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for disposal of Christmas trees and other yard waste.

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.

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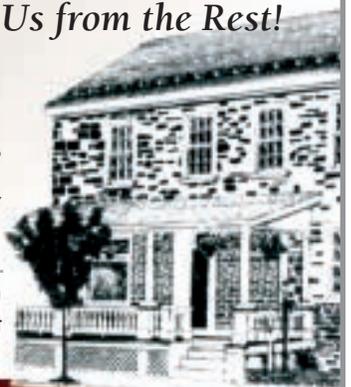
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Compost Site Hours of Operation

October 24 to December 2 – Leaf Collection & Yard Waste Drop-off

Mon., Tues., Thurs., & Fri., 7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Wednesdays, 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. or dusk

Saturdays, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Curbside Leaf Collection

The Borough of Emmaus will continue its 2016 Curbside Leaf Collection through Friday, December 2. The Borough is unable to set specific pick-up dates for leaf pick-up for individual streets throughout the town and recommends that leaves are raked out to the curb line the beginning of each week. The Public Works Department will collect twice a week however, please be advised that if the Borough encounters winter weather and the Public Works Department needs to plow the streets, any leaves in the road will be plowed. The Public Works Department will make every effort to get the roads cleaned up before the winter. For FINAL COLLECTION, the week of November 28 through December 2, please have your leaves out on Monday morning (November 28th) of the final week. Once the Public Works Department has made its final pass on your street, they will not return.

❧ Please rake all leaves to the curb into long narrow rows not more than 18" into the road. Leaves placed on the sidewalk will not be collected. The Public Works Department will not empty bags or other containers; this is the responsibility of the resident. Branches, shrubbery, grass, garbage, dog waste, and other building materials will not be picked up.

❧ Leaves will not be collected on private property. If leaves are not in place when the crews go by, they will be picked up on the following round through the Borough. No "return trips" will be made to pick them up.

❧ Residents who have areas designated as "No Parking" (yellow painted curbs) are encouraged to pile leaves at these locations for easier pick up.

❧ Do not place pieces of wood, steel, rocks, or concrete on the leaves to hold them down. These objects will cause damage to the leaf pickup units and put them

out of service at a great expense of time and money to the Borough and its residents.

❧ Do not place tarps over your leaves. The Public Works Department will bypass them and they will not be collected.

❧ To help facilitate the picking up of the leaves, please keep all vehicles away from the area where the leaves are piled. The Public Works Department will not rake piles of leaves out from between parked cars or from under them.

❧ Do not pile leaves on or around storm drains as this will cause flooding issues and create unsafe driving conditions.

Thank you for your cooperation. For additional leaf/yard waste disposal, the Compost Site is also open for drop off through December 5th.






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Imagine, Create, Participate!

11TH ANNUAL FRIENDS HOLIDAY BOOK SALE AND RECEPTION - Friday, December 2nd, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

All are welcome to join the Friends at a reception featuring cheese, crackers, wine, punch and live music. Browse the selection of pre-enjoyed books in gift-worthy condition at budget-pleasing prices.

EMMAUS OLD-FASHIONED CHRISTMAS Saturday, December 3rd, 11:00 a.m.

The Liberty Lane Singers will once again perform and the Library will have crafts and story times throughout the day.



OTHER UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

- **VIEW PEN & INK DRAWINGS OF EMMAUS** by Joe Berardi, starting after Thanksgiving.
- **DR. WHO MARATHON** Wednesday, December 28 – For families.
- **MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY** Monday, January 16 - Service project for kids.



THE LIBRARY DOES NOT FOLLOW EAST PENN SCHOOL CLOSINGS



The Library is often open when school is closed: for holidays, conference days, and even some snow days. Call 610-965-9284 after 8:00 AM to hear when the library will be closed, or click on INCLEMENT WEATHER CLOSING at www.emmauspl.org.

HOLIDAY HOURS:

Wed, Nov. 23, Thanksgiving	CLOSE AT 6:00 pm
Thurs-Fri, Nov. 24 – 25, Thanksgiving	CLOSED
Sat, Nov. 26	OPEN
Sat-Mon, Dec. 24 – 26, Christmas	CLOSED
Sat, Dec. 31, New Year's Eve	OPEN
Mon, Jan. 2, 2017, New Year's Day	CLOSED



OFFERED ON A REGULAR BASIS

For dates and times, please visit our website Coming Events pages and the Library Calendar:

- Storytimes
- Block Parties
- Books & Barks
- Literary Lunch
- Literary Lunch JR
- Book Explorers Club Teen Read
- Family Movies
- Book Discussion Group
- Jigsaw puzzles
- ADULTS:**
- Movie Matinee
- Coloring Club

ALWAYS:

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Please check out all of the Library's great programs, news, photos, and events on Facebook or on its website at www.emmauspl.org.

THANK YOU!!!

The Borough of Emmaus would like to thank the businesses that supported this newsletter through their very generous advertising sponsorship and to recognize them as supporters of our community. It is because of their contributions that this newsletter has been produced at no charge to our residents. We would like to encourage our residents to patronize these establishments first when given a choice as these businesses play a substantial role in the economic vitality of our community.

Emmaus Entertainment and Recreation Commission

The Emmaus Recreation and Entertainment had a very successful summer 2016 bringing a variety of events pleasing to all ages. We are looking forward to 2017 and continuing to improve offerings to our wonderful community.

Once again, Faith Presbyterian Church will host Free Zumba at North Second & Cherokee Streets in Emmaus Saturday mornings from 9:00 -10:00 a.m. from October through April 2016. We are grateful and would like to thank the wonderful Zumba volunteers who donate their personal time and Faith Presbyterian Church for opening their doors to provide these weekly Zumba parties for the community. Donations for instructors are appreciated. All ages are welcome, bring some water, your dancing feet and enjoy the party!

The Emmaus Recreation and Entertainment Commission would like to extend a special thank you to all our 2016 sponsors, donors and volunteers. The Commission continues to provide its services at very little cost to the public. The Commission relies heavily on volunteers and donations. If you would like become a member of the Recreation and Entertainment Commission, please feel free to fill out a Board and Commission /Volunteer Information Sheet found on the Borough website; www.borough.emmaus.pa.us or stop in at Borough Hall for more information. We are only able to continue to host these events with community support. If you enjoyed this summer's concerts and wish to see the series continue along with other events please consider making a tax deductible donation made payable to "Borough of Emmaus Summer Concert Series" and mail a check to Emmaus Recreation and Entertainment Commission, 28 South 4th Street, Emmaus, PA 18049.



Please visit our website at www.emmausent.com and like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/EmmausENT to stay informed about all the Recreation and Entertainment Commission events.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

DATE/TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
December 2	Leaf Collection Ends	Throughout the Community
December 2, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	Friends of the Library Annual Holiday Book Sale	Emmaus Public Library
December 2, 4:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.	Celebrate the Holidays	Emmaus Historical Society
December 3, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Old Fashioned Christmas – Friends of the 1803 House	1803 House, 55 S. Keystone Ave
December 3, 11:00 a.m.	Old Fashioned Christmas	Emmaus Public Library
December 3, 10:00 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.	Old Fashioned Christmas Open House	Emmaus Historical Society
December 3, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Emmaus Historical Society & Moravian Church Walking Tour of Emmaus	Throughout the Community
December 3	EMSP – Old Fashioned Christmas	Triangle Park & Throughout the Community
December 3	Emmaus Arts Commission – 3rd Annual Photo Contest	Town Hall – 2nd Floor
December 10, 2:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Santa and Mrs. Claus at the Museum	Emmaus Historical Society
December 14, 6:00 p.m.	Emmaus Historical Society – Covered Dish Party	St. John's Lutheran Church, 5th & Chestnut St
December 26	Town Hall Closed – Christmas Holiday	Town Hall
January 2	Town Hall Closed – New Year's Holiday	Town Hall
January 3 & January 10	Christmas Tree Collection	Throughout the Community
January 3, 7:00 p.m.	Council Meeting – Rescheduled from 1/2/17	Town Hall, Council Chambers
January 9 – 13, 7:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Compost Site Open	Klines Lane
February 3, 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	EAC's SnowBlast Winter Festival	Town Hall Throughout the Community
February 4, Noon – 5:00 p.m.	EAC's SnowBlast Winter Festival	Triangle Park & Emmaus Public Library
February 20	Town Hall Closed – Presidents' Day	Town Hall
February 21, 7:00 p.m.	Council Meeting – Rescheduled from 2/20/17	Town Hall, Council Chambers
February 28	2017 Ambulance Subscription Deadline	Emmaus Ambulance



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