



Borough of EMMAUS

Newsletter



REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT IN DOWNTOWN EMMAUS

In partnership with the Emmaus Main Street Partners and Village Properties, the Borough is proud to announce the completion of a redevelopment project in downtown Emmaus.

In 2008, the Emmaus Main Street Partners applied for a Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program (RACP) Grant from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the purpose of restoring the property located at 187-191 Main Street in Emmaus, which most of us know as the old Main Street Gallery. Over the years, the building was used as a funeral home as well as a furniture manufacturer. Many years ago the home located at 187 Main was torn down and a connecting addition was added to make it the building it is today.

As part of the \$500,000.00 grant, it was necessary to find an investor and developer that could not only match the grant but restore the building as a landmark location in the Borough. We were very fortunate to partner with Village Properties to accomplish this goal. The total cost to complete the project was nearly \$1.2 million.

The façade at 191 Main Street (left side in the photograph) has been restored very similarly to the original historical appearance and the 187 Main Street (right side in the photograph) has a fresh, more modern look. A restaurant is anticipated to open up on the first floor, massage therapist on the second floor, and available space on the third floor. On the left side of the building there are 20 executive offices spaces for lease.

The Emmaus Main Street Partners, a partner of the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce will be moving their offices to the newly renovated building, occupying Suite 101.

It is through programs like this where our State tax dollars come back to us. We are very fortunate to be partnering with the Commonwealth and the Emmaus Main Street Partners in the very near future to facilitate a \$50,000 New Communities Façade Program grant, where the grant will enable our local business to apply for and receive matching funds to improve the facades of their buildings. Stay tuned for more news to come on this exciting Program.

We are very grateful Village Properties Robert Nice and George McKee 111, investor/owners, and Dave Halliday, developer, for making this RACP project a success. Without their commitment to our community, this building on Main Street would continue to sit empty. Now, it will be a thriving business center in the thick of our downtown.

We would also like to express appreciation to the Emmaus Borough Council and Staff members for their support of the Emmaus Main Street Partners and this project. This improvement will bring additional property tax dollars to the Borough and 50 jobs.

For leasing opportunities call Emmaus Main Street Partners at 610-965-6279.



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 Zoning.....610-967-1322
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 Fire Department.....610-967-5630
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 Youth Organization – EYA info@eyanews.org

BOROUGH HALL HOLIDAY SCHEDULE - PLEASE NOTE THAT TOWN HALL WILL BE CLOSED ON APRIL 18, 2014 IN OBSERVANCE OF GOOD FRIDAY.

2014 Council Members

Borough Council meets the 1st & 3rd Monday of each month, except certain legal holidays when the meeting is rescheduled to the next day **. There are no meetings held on June 2, July 7, and August 4, 2014. Council Meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. in Borough Hall, Council Chambers, 28 S. Fourth Street, Emmaus, unless otherwise noted.

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****RESCHEDULED MEETINGS ~** September – the 1st Meeting will be held on 9/2/14.

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The New

DREAM TEAM



EMMAUS MAIN STREET PARTNERS
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Kelly Lee Drust has joined Emmaus Main Street Partners, a partner of the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce, as the Main Street Manager. She was officially named to the position by the Board on January 9, 2014. Born and raised in Bethlehem, she understands the importance of a close-knit community. She is currently the Emmaus Main Street Manager and the Vice President for Regional Chambers of the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce. She will be based in the Emmaus office, the Chamber's 8th office location located at 191 Main Street Suite, 101. As a Vice President with the GLVCC, she is responsible for assisting in the development of events, projects and programs and fully executing them so the volunteers can focus on their businesses. "Money coming in, goes back to the community and making a difference. That's what I love about my career." Drust said.

She considers herself, "a hometown girl" and is passionate about the Main Street mentality.

"I frequent to the Farmers' Market here. I have friends here, I shop here and consider Emmaus a second home." She said residents are very passionate about their town and very involved. "I want to assist in building and strengthening the Main Street Program here in Emmaus." She has been helping Emmaus since November 2013 and assisted with the Old-Fashioned Christmas event in Emmaus December 8, 2013. She is excited about upcoming events and growth in Emmaus.

"My vision is to bring businesses out to the Triangle and other areas of Emmaus to create more opportunities for business". She also hopes to bring foot traffic to Emmaus on a regular basis and wants to see the businesses succeed.

"I am very open to the businesses' ideas. I will be a voice for them and take their ideas to the Board. I want to do the things the town, residents and businesses want to do that will benefit Emmaus, the Emmaus Main Street Program and the businesses."

"It's a new year, a new beginning, I look forward to the future in working with area businesses. My door is always open."

Say hello to Jessica M. O'Donnell, Affiliated Chambers Assistant/Administrator and the newest member of the Emmaus Main Street Partners. Jessica currently resides in Schnecksville with her parents, Marlene and Kenneth O'Donnell, as she studies to obtain her Master's degree at Cedar Crest College. She is a 2006 high school graduate of Palmerton Area High School, where she then went on to East Stroudsburg University. She graduated in 2010 with Cum Laude honors and a Bachelor's degree of Science in Speech Language Pathology. Jessica will be the newly appointed Liaison for the Regional Chambers. She obtains sponsorships for the events and acts as a liaison between the regional chambers and the GLVCC.

Jessica is very excited to start her career with the Chambers and Emmaus Main Street Partners!



Melissa is currently studying Business Management at Lehigh Carbon Community College and is looking forward to continuing her education and building her career. She is completing her internship with Kelly Lee Drust through the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce and Emmaus Main Street Partners.

Melissa is new to the area and is enjoying her time getting acquainted with the area.

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The Emmaus Commemorative Garden Remembers



The Emmaus Commemorative Gardens Foundation (ECGF) has a far-reaching vision for creating remembrance opportunities in the Borough of Emmaus. The ECGF has partnered with the **Emmaus Veterans Committee (EVC)**, the premier veteran's organization in our region, to offer veteran's bricks to the members of our local veteran's posts (American Legion Post 191, Catholic War Vets Post 1067 and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7088). We were honored to install 18 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. Letters will be forthcoming to our local veterans with information about how to order the remembrance bricks at a cost of \$65.00 each. The ECGF is a group of faithful volunteers who have worked hard for over eight years to create a quiet and beautiful space for everyone who wishes to place a remembrance brick, bench or tree to honor someone for their birthday, graduation, retirement, service to America, anniversary, or passing.



We invite everyone to visit the Garden and/or our website at www.emmausremembers.org or contact Mike Waddell at 610-967-5709 for more information about ordering a remembrance brick.

Orders received by Friday, April 4 will be here in time for the Sunday, May 25, 2014 Memorial Day weekend installation ceremony.

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



By remembering the positive and remembering 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 our 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.

The ECGF is also pleased to announce that there is now a FaceBook page for our followers to use. Just friend us at the Emmaus Remembrance Garden and you will be able to follow the wonderful happenings at our Remembrance Garden.

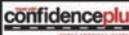
Last year bricks were installed in the Veteran's Walkway to honor:

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MEET OUR NEW BOROUGH COUNCIL MEMBER - ROY ANDERS

Please join us in welcoming Roy Anders as the newest member of the Emmaus Borough Council. Roy was elected by the citizens of the Borough in the 2013 General Election for a four-year term for Council. Also re-elected were Councilmen Wesley Barrett and Brent Labenberg as well as Mayor Winfield Iobst.

Roy is a 1989 graduate of Phillipsburg High School and graduated from the Allentown Business School of General Business. He currently works as the Unit Manager at Acosta Sales and Marketing. He is married to his wonderful wife Jennifer and has three lovely children; Alicia, Vanessa, and Jacob. Roy has lived in the Borough since 1999.

Roy currently chairs the Emmaus Council Parks and Recreation Committee. He also serves on the Health, Sanitation, and Conservation Committee as well as the Community Relations, Planning, and Development Committee. Roy also serves on the Borough of Emmaus Parks and Recreation Commission.

Roy is very involved in our community. He also serves as a Board Member of the Emmaus Youth Association, is a girls' softball coach, a boys' basketball coach, and serves as the coordinator of the EYA softball and basketball programs. He is a field assigner and also serves as the webmaster for the organization. Roy also volunteers his time on the Emmaus Halloween Parade Committee.

Roy's family often serves as a host family to international students from Japan, China, and France. He is a Philadelphia sports enthusiast, enjoys skiing, basketball, softball, and most of all, spending time with his family.

We are proud to have Roy Anders as our newest Emmaus Borough Council member.



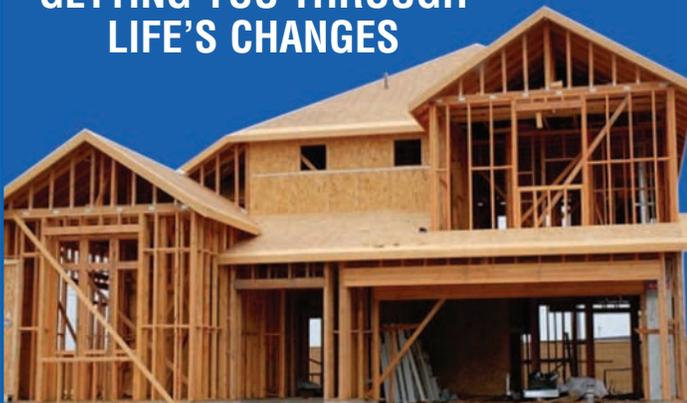
COMMUNITY GARDENS



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

responsible for maintaining your own garden. Lot payments and requests can be made to the Cashier at Emmaus Town Hall. For more information, please contact Jessica Wessner at 610-965-9292.

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EMMAUS HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS AND EVENTS

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Open Saturdays Noon to 4:00 p.m. and 2nd & 4th Wednesdays 4:00 to 9:00 p.m.

The Emmaus Historical Society holds monthly meetings and programs on the third Wednesday of the month, except in January, July and August, at 7:00 p.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church Parish Hall, 5th & Chestnut Streets, Emmaus. Programs are open to the public.

OUR MISSION – "To collect, preserve and exhibit Emmaus artifacts, documents, histories, photographs and genealogy for displays and research and to offer educational programs and events through the year."

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

March 25, 2014 – "Lehigh River Traskside With Randolph Kulp" – Speaker Doug Peters presents beautiful color photos taken by Mr. Kulp from 1950 into the 1980's covered in Doug's new book.

April 16, 2014 – "Uncle Jerry Roth, Father of The Great Allentown Fair". Local author Simonee deFuccio will present an interesting program on the life of the honorable Jeremiah Roth.

May 21, 2014 – "Native Americans of Eastern Pennsylvania and the Jasper Quarries of Vera Cruz". – Bob Benner returns with Part 2 of his series of programs with his collection of genuine artifacts. An election of officers and board members precedes the program.

OUR FUTURE – As most of you are aware, we are in need of more space to accomplish our mission and we are purchasing a historic building located at 218 Main Street. We thank those of you who have contributed to the Capital Campaign for the purchase and required renovations. Our Capital Campaign continues. Your tax deductible contribution may be made in honor of or in memory of someone or an event. All contributions will be greatly appreciated. Donation forms are available on our website on the Capital Campaign Page, or in the museum. Donors who contribute \$500.00 or more will have their names engraved on a brass plate to be displayed in the foyer of the new museum under the following categories:

Moravians: \$500.00 to \$999.00

The Triangle: \$1000.00 to \$2499.00

Golden Jubilee: \$2500.00 to 4999.00

Diamond Jubilee: \$5000.00 or More

Help us preserve our Emmaus history! We encourage you to visit the museum. Become a member – single annual membership is \$15.00, family is \$25.00, Junior (under 18) is \$3.00. Life, Business, Charitable and Gift Memberships are also available. Our museum store offers many inexpensive Emmaus souvenirs and gift ideas.

INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING?

The Borough of Emmaus is currently accepting letters of interest to serve on the Joint Environmental Advisory Council, Parks & Recreation Commission, Planning Commission, Shade Tree Commission, and the Special Entertainment Commission. Interested volunteers should complete the Board and Commission/Volunteer Information Sheet and forward it to: Borough Manager, 28 S. 4th Street, Emmaus, PA 18049.



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Emmaus Police Department

Officer of the Year DETECTIVE JASON B. APGAR



On Tuesday, November 13, 2013, Detective Jason B. Apgar was awarded Police Officer of the Year by the Lehigh County Chief's of Police Association and the Lehigh County District Attorney's Office. Detective Apgar was recommended for the award by Chief of Police, David A. Faust. Detective Apgar accepted the award at the Lehigh County Chief's of Police annual awards ceremony at DeSales University.

Detective Apgar is a seasoned Police Officer and an exceptional Investigator and Leader who is responsible for resolving a number of serious crimes during the last several years. For example, most recently, Detective Apgar concluded a lengthy Elder Abuse investigation heard by the 5th Investigating Grand Jury that led to the indictment of three (3) individuals who victimized an Emmaus resident who lost hundreds of thousands of dollars. The Emmaus victim discovered later that all of her assets including her homes were taken from her. Sadly, the victim later died. Last October, all three (3) individuals were convicted by a Jury presided over by Judge James Anthony.

Jason assisted with and was instrumental in the arrests of three (3) armed bank robbers who robbed the KNBT Bank in downtown Emmaus on December 30, 2011. During that incident, the actor(s) fired at least ten (10) shots at an Emmaus Patrol Officer and forcibly assaulted a female employee at the bank. At the jury trial, Detective Apgar's testimony resulted in him being qualified as an expert witness in the area of forensic cellular phone examination.

Detective Apgar has played a key role or has been the Lead Investigator in several Emmaus Homicide cases. One of those homicides included a 1st Degree Murder conviction by a Jury of an Emmaus man in 2004.

In addition, Detective Apgar remains active and continues to assist the Lehigh County I.T. Department and other surrounding law enforcement agencies with troubleshooting network, computer and data technology issues. Chief Faust remarked that "Detective Apgar is a team player and has offered his own expertise and knowledge to other departments in general and Lehigh County in particular. Additionally, Jason regularly offers his support with CODY

systems; (Lehigh County's Law Enforcement Records Management System), as well as other computer network connectivity issues throughout the surrounding area."

During the course of his career, Jason has held himself to the highest standards in professional law enforcement services and has maintained those standards in his private life. He consistently receives superior ratings in the Police Department's annual performance evaluations.

Since the tragic untimely line of duty death of Officer David Petzhold of the Upper Saucon Police Department in 2006, Detective Apgar has been an active participant and volunteer with the David Petzhold Foundation. Jason assists in organizing the annual David Petzhold Memorial Golf Tournament and has been and remains in close contact with the Petzhold family and the extended family of the Upper Saucon Police Department. Jason has been instrumental in assisting with the development and operation of the David Petzhold Forensic Computer Laboratory at DeSales University where he continues to serve. Detective Apgar continues to commit his time both on and off duty toward these efforts. Detective Apgar is also an active member of the Pennsylvania State Police Southeast Computer Crimes Task Force. Detective Apgar will soon complete his Master's Degree in Computer I.T. and Forensic Technology at DeSales University.

Detective Apgar was previously awarded the following AWARDS: Salisbury Police Department (2007), Commendation (Armed Robbery); Emmaus Police Department (2004), (2) Commendations: (Murder Investigation; Multiple Burglary Clearances)

Chief Faust indicated in his remarks that "Jason truly is a Team Player who is passionate about everything he does. He possesses the personal and professional skills and the character that law enforcement leaders look for in quality Police Officers and Investigators." Chief Faust indicated that Emmaus was "fortunate to have Jason. Thus, it is without hesitation and it gives me great pride to recommend Detective Jason Apgar of the Emmaus Police Department for the Police Officer of the Year award in 2013, said Faust."



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- Share with your friends and family your favorite exercise routes.
- Wear an identification tag and carry a driver's license.
- Don't wear jewelry or carry cash.
- Wear reflective material.

WHILE ON THE ROAD:

- Tell a family member or friend where you are going and your anticipated return time.
- Stay alert at all times. The more aware you are, the less vulnerable you are.
- Run or walk with a partner or a dog, especially at night.
- Don't wear headsets. You will be unable to hear an approaching vehicle or attacker. Listen to your surroundings.
- Know your location. Be aware of street signs and landmark locations. Always carry a cell phone and/or be aware of any public telephones. There is never a charge for a 9-1-1 call.
- Exercise in familiar areas. Know which merchants and stores are open.
- Avoid unpopulated areas, deserted streets, and overgrown trails. Avoid poorly lighted areas at night.
- Run clear of parked cars, trees and shrubbery.
- Use discretion in acknowledging strangers. Look directly at others and be observant, but keep your distance and keep moving.
- Run against traffic so you can observe approaching vehicles and pedestrians.
- Trust your intuition about a person or an area. Avoid areas you are unsure of or unfamiliar with.
- Be careful if anyone in a vehicle asks you for directions. If you answer, keep at least a full arm's length from the car.
- If you think you are being followed, change direction and head for open stores, theaters or a lighted house.
- Have your door key ready before you reach your home.
- Call the Police immediately by dialing 9-1-1 if something appears suspicious or you notice anyone out of the ordinary.



STAY ALERT:

- Sometimes runners and walkers get lulled into a "zone" where they are so focused on their exercise they lose track of what's going on around them. This makes runners and walkers more vulnerable to attacks. Walk and run with confidence and a sense of purpose. If you get bored running without music, practice identifying characteristics of strangers and memorizing license tags to keep you from becoming distracted.



RUNNING, WALKING & BIKING IN THE EVENING OR EARLY MORNING:

- If you missed the opportunity to exercise during the light of day, but still want to get in a quick three miles before turning in for the night or before the sun rises, head to the security of a well-lighted outdoor track or consider running on an indoor track or tread mill. If you are a walker, consider laps around an indoor shopping mall. If these options are not available, the following is encouraged:
- Make sure people can see you. Think about where you are going and how well lit it may or may not be. Going out at dusk or at night is dangerous without some type of reflective device(s) on your clothing. Many athletic shoes have reflective qualities built in, but also consider a vest complete with reflective tape.
 - Watch the road. Wet or icy spots are considerably harder to see in the dark.

AWAY FROM HOME:

- Many people have taken up running and walking so that they will be able to exercise when they are traveling. Remember, just because you are away from home doesn't mean you can let your guard down when you exercise:
- Check with hotel staff or concierge to find safe routes for exercise. If there is not an acceptable place to exercise outdoors, inquire if the hotel can arrange access to a health club or gym.
 - Become familiar with your exercise course before you start.
 - Remember the street address of the hotel. Carry a card with your hotel address along with your personal Identification(s).
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Prom Safety Tips From the Emmaus Police Department

Tips for Parents:

- **DO NOT** rent hotel rooms for your children or other teens.
- Establish a safe ride for your children and their friends ahead of time.
- Ask your teen for a detailed itinerary for prom night, including venues, times, and contact numbers.
- Establish an agreed upon time for him/her to be home.
- Make sure your teen's cell phone is fully charged and tell them to keep it on at all times.
- Set up established check-in times and when your teen will call or text you.
- Know who is driving and who the passengers will be. If using a limousine service, make sure that no alcohol is allowed inside the vehicle.
- Discuss the school's rules that are in place for prom.
- Encourage them to **WEAR THEIR SEATBELT!!!**
- Provide an "out" for your teen. For example, give them a contact number of someone he/she can call at anytime to get help if they are in a situation where they do not feel safe or comfortable.
- Stay up until your child gets home and check-in with them.

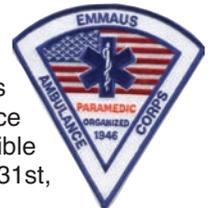


Tips for Teens:

- Plan ahead – make sure you have a safe and fun prom night including a safe ride.
- Charge your cell phone and have it with you at all times.
- Call or text your parents when you arrive, leave, and during the times you have discussed.
- **NEVER** text while driving. It is a violation of Pennsylvania Law.
- Alcohol is illegal for anyone under 21. It can get you arrested, hurt, or worse!
- **DO NOT** allow anyone in your car or limo that has alcohol, drugs, or weapons. Besides being dangerous, everyone in the car is at risk for being arrested.
- **DO NOT** accept anything to drink from someone you do not know. If you leave your drink unattended, throw it out and get a new one.
- Know where you are and where you are going. If plans change, make sure your parents are aware.
- **NEVER** allow friends to drink and drive. Never get into a car with anyone who has been drinking or persons you do not know personally.
- Have a responsible person available for a safe ride home if an emergency arises.
- Attend the after prom/ball sponsored by your school.

THE EMMAUS AMBULANCE CORPS - SUBSCRIPTION NOTICE

The Emmaus Ambulance Corps has mailed out its 2014 Subscription brochures. Your yearly donation makes it possible for the Ambulance Corps to continue saving lives. The deadline of March 31, 2014 is approaching fast. If you HAVE NOT received a brochure, please stop in and pick one up at the Ambulance Corps office located at 100 North 6th Street, Emmaus, or call the office at 610-967-5615 as soon as possible to donate over the phone with your credit card. Subscribe today before it's too late. After March 31st, subscriptions will only be offered to new residents moving into our area.



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Emmaus Police Department MEDICATIONS COLLECTION BOX INSTALLED

Emmaus residents who have expired and unused over-the-counter and prescription medications are now able to discard those medications in permanent collection boxes that have been installed throughout Lehigh County at 10 Police Departments, including Emmaus. The medication box was made available through a collective grant between the PA District Attorney's Association, District Attorney James Martin and selected law enforcement agencies throughout Lehigh County, including Emmaus. The medication box is similar to a mail box, and has been installed at the Emmaus Police Department, located at 400 Jubilee Street, Emmaus.



"This is an important initiative from a public safety and health standpoint because residents won't have accumulations of medications in their homes," stated District Attorney Martin at a press conference recently. "These medications often include prescription drugs that are abused by teens and adults." Martin said that the nature of the prescription drug abuse problem in Lehigh County has become more defined over the last several years.

Statistics compiled by Lehigh County Coroner Scott M. Grim are sobering regarding prescription drug overdoses. As of June 30, 2013, there were 18 deaths ruled "accidents" and two determined to be suicides. "Accidents" includes decedents who had overdosed on antidepressants, pain-killers, other prescription drugs and heroin, and many times, a combination of drugs. These cases include people who have gotten out of rehabilitation facilities and relapsed. Often times, when they resume drug use after their systems have been clean, they use the same amount of heroin or prescription drugs as they did in the past, and it leads to overdoses, according to Grim.

In 2012, there were 66 deaths that were ruled accidents, 11 suicides and two were undetermined. In 2011, there were 59 accidents, nine suicides, and two undetermined. The cases that were ruled suicides are ones in which there was an intentional drug overdose. This is determined by the level of drugs in their system, a history of mental illness, the discovery of a suicide note or other attempts at suicide in the past.

The Lehigh County Regional Intelligence and Investigation Center analyzed crime statistics from January 1, 2010 to September 1, 2013, to determine how many crimes were related to prescription drug use and abuse. A sampling determined that there were 162 crimes or police incidents in that category, and that number does not even include the City of Allentown, whose officer reports of such incidents are not searchable.

Martin said that "in addition to enhancing public safety and promoting the health of county residents, the boxes help to reduce environmental risks because they give residents an alternative to discarding medications in landfills or in drains where they can end up in the water supply."



The Borough of Emmaus Medication Box is located at the Emmaus Police Department, 400 Jubilee Street, Emmaus, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., excluding holidays.

In addition, the boxes have been installed at these departments where medications can be discarded at the locations listed below:

- Catasauqua Police Department, 118 Bridge St., Catasauqua. Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; hours will be expanded after a new station is built and opens in 2015;
- Allentown Police Department, 1005 W. Hamilton St. substation, Allentown. Open 24 hours, seven days a week;
- Bethlehem Police Department, 10 East Church St., Bethlehem. Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.; visitors entering the City Hall location should advise the front desk that they are there to go to the Police Department to discard unwanted medications;
- Slatington Police Department, 125 S. Walnut St., Slatington. Sunday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.;
- Whitehall Township Police Department, 3731 Lehigh St., Whitehall Township. Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. by appointment with Officer Paul Davis at 610-437-3042 extension 223. No holidays;
- Upper Saucon Township Police Department, 5500 Camp Meeting Road, Center Valley. Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.;
- South Whitehall Township Police Department, 4444 Walbert Ave., South Whitehall Township. Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. excluding holidays;
- Upper Macungie Township Police Department, 37 Grim Road, Upper Macungie Township. Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., excluding holidays;
- Salisbury Township Police Department, 3000 S. Pike Ave., Salisbury Township. Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

During the seventh National Take Back Day event held on October 26, 2013, Lehigh County residents disposed of a record amount of 2,014 pounds of drugs at 17 sites that included police departments, grocery stores, pharmacies, and malls.

In Lehigh County, the total collected during seven Take Back Days since 2010 is 6,840 pounds, or nearly 3 ½ tons. After collections, DEA personnel picked up the boxes of medications at all sites and took them to an incinerator where they were burned.

The Lehigh County District Attorney's Office included in its grant application letters of support from Police Chiefs, Lehigh County Drug and Alcohol Abuse Services, the Allentown Health

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News From The Emmaus Shade Tree Commission Caring for Street Trees



The Emmaus Borough Council has taken an active role in promoting and protecting trees along our streets by enacting a Shade Tree Ordinance, which establishes a set of rules for caring for Emmaus' green heritage. With tree-planting season quickly approaching, it's time to review the Borough's guidelines for street trees.

The Shade Tree Ordinance defines a "public tree" as any tree with a portion of the trunk located in a public right-of-way. In most places, the

right-of-way is a 12-foot-wide strip of ground, measured from the curb, on both sides of the street. Although trees in the right-of-way are considered public, the owner of the adjacent property is given the responsibility of caring for them. Maintenance includes planting and pruning, as well as the removal of dying or dead trees and trees that pose a potential safety hazard.

The Borough requires that trees overhanging streets be pruned so that the branches are at least 14 feet above the road surface, allowing trucks and other large vehicles to pass safely beneath the tree canopy. Tree branches should be

pruned to at least 10 feet above sidewalks. Trees are not allowed to obstruct streetlights or traffic signs.

The Ordinance also includes a list of tree abuses that are not permitted. Although this portion of the Ordinance pertains only to trees located in the right-of-way, these are common-sense practices for keeping trees healthy and attractive on private property too. They include:

- **Don't** "top" trees. Topping, the indiscriminate pruning of branches to stubs, leaves trees more susceptible to storm damage, diseases, and insects.
- **Don't** allow tree-pruning crews to use spikes to assist in climbing trees.
- **Don't** let electric wires come into contact with trees in a way that injures them.
- **Don't** allow toxic materials, including oil, weed killers, brine, and paint, to contaminate the root zone of trees.
- **Don't** stack building materials or mix mortar or cement within 6 feet of a tree.

Before planting, pruning, or removing a tree in the right-of-way, a permit is required. Trees that are removed must be replaced unless there is no suitable location for a new tree. To request a permit, contact any member of the Shade Tree Commission: Reds Bailey, 610-966-4044; Linda Destan, 610-965-8270; and Doug Hall, 610-967-2304. Shade Tree Commission members are also available to answer questions about trees and make planting recommendations. You can read the entire Shade Tree Ordinance on the Borough's website, www.borough.emmaus.pa.us.

MEDICATIONS COLLECTION BOX INSTALLED AT EMMAUS POLICE DEPARTMENT

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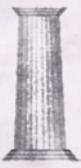
Bureau, Lehigh County Aging and Adult Services, Lehigh County TRIAD, Project Lifesaver in Lehigh County, and Treatment Trends, Inc.

Detectives with the Drug Task Force will pick up the discarded medications. The collected medications will be incinerated in cooperation with the Berks County District Attorney's Office through the Berks County Solid Waste Management contract with an incinerator in York County, which is an authorized facility designated to perform the destruction of controlled substances.

Residents can place medications in the boxes anonymously.

There will be no charge to residents for using this service and no requirement to provide personal information or identification when using the box. Signs are posted on each box informing residents of the types of items that can be placed in the boxes and those that are not accepted. Items that are accepted are prescription and over-the-counter medications, samples, vitamins, prescription ointments, prescription patches and pet medications.

Items that are not accepted are syringes, needles, sharps or other sharp objects, medications from businesses and clinics, lotions or liquids, aerosol cans, inhalers, hydrogen peroxide, and thermometers.



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JOIN US FOR THE 4TH ANNUAL COMMUNITY DAY

Saturday, June 21, 2014 • 10:00am - 5:00pm • Rain or Shine

With the excessive heat of the summer, the Emmaus Parks and Recreation Commission has decided to move Community Day to Saturday, June 21, 2014. Once again we invite community clubs, organizations, churches, and scouts to join us in this endeavor at our beautiful Emmaus Community Park. Food and craft vendors will be on hand to display their wares. Baseball and softball teams from EYA will be playing on



both fields all day long, as well as the "Old Timer's" and "Diamonds are a Girl's Best Friend" games.

The Commission is looking for stage performances, crafters, and food vendors to complete the day.

If you are interested in being a part of Community Day 2014, please contact us at EmmausParksRecs@gmail.com



Something New for Our 4th Annual Community Day!

Baseball and Softball games will be played all day long on both fields!

Mark your calendar for Saturday, June 21, 2014 for the 4th Annual Old Timers game at 5:00 p.m.

The 3rd Annual "Diamonds are a Girl's Best Friend" softball game to be played at 1:00 p.m.

We are looking for any female/male over the age of 20 who played softball/baseball for any Emmaus team to come out and play the game. **All interested players are required to register at: www.eyanews.org.**

Click on the Register box on the right side of the home page and scroll down to the bottom of the page for the Community Days Alumni Baseball/Softball game or contact Kathy Mintzer, President at 610-965-6250.



SUMMER PARKS PROGRAM

The Borough of Emmaus will be sponsoring its annual Summer Parks Program at Emmaus Community Park from June 23rd to August 1st. Residents between the ages of 5 and 12 years old are encouraged to attend from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The Program will consist of organized activities, sports, games and contests, arts and crafts, and an end-of-summer Field Day. There is a non-refundable \$35 fee to help offset operating costs of this popular program. No food or drinks will be served so children are encouraged to bring water and snacks. The Program will end promptly at noon. Parents are expected to pick their children up at or before noon. There have been some issues in past years with parents meeting this policy. The Borough reserves the right to remove a child from the program for any reason, including violations of this policy.

Due to the continual increase and demand for this program, we ask that all registrations be completed at Emmaus Town Hall, located at 28 S. 4th Street, prior to your child participating in the program. There are a limited number of spaces. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy in the Borough offices at 610-965-0701.



SAVE THE DATE!

Earth Day 2014 – Community Cleanup

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- WHO:** Community members from Emmaus, Lower Macungie and Upper Milford are invited to participate in this fun, earth-conscious event!
- WHAT:** Cleaning up litter and debris from local sites around the Borough and Townships.
- WHEN:** Saturday, April 26. We will begin gathering at 8:30 a.m. for coffee and to get organized, then start cleaning up the town by 9 a.m.! Come back to the park afterwards for snacks & educational community fun!
- WHERE:** Meet at the Emmaus Community Park Shimerville Road at South 14th Street. Instructions and directions to all the cleanup sites will be provided.
- WHY:** Earth Day is a great time to show your commitment to our community's environment. Help out by cleaning up litter and debris, and providing community education about the important of protecting local water resources!



Presented by the Borough of Emmaus & Upper Milford Township Joint Environmental Advisory Council (EAC). As details are developed, they will be posted online at emmausuppermilfordeac.blogspot.com, or email the EAC at eacinfo@uppermilford.net to be placed on an email list for updates!

Enjoy Our Trails and Enjoy Nature!

Did you know that the South Mountain Gateway Trail is nearly 9 miles long? If you have never experienced the pleasure of walking or biking the trail, we greatly encourage you to take a stroll through part of the trail this spring and summer. You can walk as little or as much as you want. You can walk through the easier parts of the trail, or you can challenge yourself by climbing through the terrain of South Mountain.

There are many great reasons to use the trail. The Wildlands Conservancy has spent the last decade working to make the South Mountain Gateway Trail one of the very best in eastern Pennsylvania. The Conservancy has partnered with the Borough and Rodale in constructing several sections of the trail in the Borough. The trail connects from within the Borough of Emmaus and extends over South Mountain. Along the way, you can enjoy nature at its finest, as visitors often see deer and other animals, and enjoy the overall beauty of the community. Additionally, the trail can also help provide with connections in town, as you can begin your walk on Klines Lane, and hop off at Alpine Street if you desire.

The Wildlands Conservancy continues to work to improve the trail system. Kevin Fister, Director of Trails and Greenways, was recently in contact with the Borough regarding the possibility of creating an urban connection to the trails, which could connect Allentown's Ithaca Street Park to the east end of Boroline Park. Although the idea is in its infant stages, we are delighted and encouraged to know that this progress continues.

There are many benefits to walking. Not only can you enjoy the beauty of the community and nature, but there are many health benefits as well. Rodale recently published an article describing eight benefits of walking, including deflection of diabetes, reducing the need for some medications, and reducing stroke risk. To view the entire article, visit www.rodalenews.com/benefits-walking. We encourage you to get out and visit our trails.



OVER THE GARDEN FENCE

The Emmaus Garden Club recently installed its officers for the years 2014 and 2015 at their Holiday Luncheon which was held in December, 2013. The new officers are: President-Mrs. Lori Hamm, 1st Vice President-Rosemary Gish-Ebersole, Recording Secretary-Mrs. Doneda Clemmer, Corresponding Secretary- Mrs. Gladys Hontz, and Treasurer-Mrs. Faye Schuler.

This year marks the 65th anniversary as a State and Nationally Federated Garden Club. There are currently 71 members who live and garden in and around Emmaus, but there is no need to reside in Emmaus to become a member.

Do you love gardening?? Whatever your interests are, we have something for all. In the past 65 years, the Garden Club has had wonderful programs that have addressed floral design, pruning trees, composting, creating vegetable bouquets, groundcovers, and much more!

The Emmaus Garden Club hosts many activities including a yearly bus trip to the Philadelphia Flower Show and often another trip later in the year. We have Flower Ladies who help residents create monthly arrangements at Emmaus Village, we help children make Mothers' Day gifts of seedballs, and we encourage students to participate in the Smokey Bear-Woody Owl Poster Contest. The Emmaus Garden Club publishes a monthly newsletter and each year awards a \$1,500 scholarship to a worthy student at the Emmaus High School. The Garden Club also maintains various public gardens in Emmaus and holds a Flower Show every other year.

The Garden Club meets on the 1st Tuesday of the month, except January and February, at Faith Presbyterian Church, North 2nd and Cherokee Streets in Emmaus. Meetings begin at 12:00 p.m. There is always a program plus Design and Horticulture tournaments. Visitors are welcome at any meeting! For more information, please call Ellen at 610-928-3713.



Join us for the Opening Day of Trout Season

Once again, the Cedarbrook Sportsmen will graciously invest their time and effort to stock Furnace Dam with trout for Opening Day, Saturday, March 29, 2014. Fishing is great fun for the whole family, creating precious memories for kids and parents, and introducing young and old to the joys of the outdoor recreation. Be there for the excitement of Opening Day, when the fishing will be good and the fun will be great!

THE EMMAUS PUBLIC LIBRARY – OPENING THE DOOR TO KNOWLEDGE

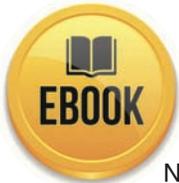


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On Wednesday June 3, 2014 an **e-Reader open house** will be held from 2:00 – 8:00 p.m. Staff will be available, with some of the electronic readers, to provide help in downloading books and audios. Also, bring your own device and learn how to download magazines.

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The **Preschool Connection** is a program that provides welcoming spaces and programs for families with young children. Our children's area has "manipulatives", that is, items for children to play with that help develop small motor skills, coordination, and early literacy abilities. Block parties are scheduled throughout the year to let young children build with the large set of hardwood blocks and help them prepare for future success in math and science.



A BRIEF INTRODUCTION TO GENEALOGY, featuring Ancestry.com and HeritageQuest is scheduled for **Wednesday April 23 at 7:00 p.m.** This program is free and open to the public. **Ancestry.com** is available to use on Library computers without charge. **HeritageQuest** is available in the Library and remotely on your home computer from the Library website.

Check the website for two new unusual databases in the Archives Unbound link - "[Pennsylvania History Sources](#)" and "[Depression Era Archives](#)". These will be of special interest to history buffs. The 1876 county atlases of Pennsylvania are included there.



Remember
to check the 2013 Librarians' Pick of
the Best Books on the website.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP FOR ADULTS:

March 11, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. – *The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry* by Rachel Joyce. When Harold Fry decides to visit an old friend, he does it the hard way—by walking across England to see her. We learn a lot about Harold on this trip as he and his stay-at-home wife learn a lot about themselves.

April 8, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. – *Where'd You Go, Bernadette* by Maria Semple. Bernadette hates to go out of the house, so how and why does she pack up and leave her family in the midst of all sorts of complications? The New York Times reviewer loved this book for how smart and funny it is, but she didn't explain why there's no question mark in the title.

May 13, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. – *Asunder* by Chloe Aridjis. At first this does not appear to be a book about a journey; the main character is a London museum guard whose days are

routine, predictable and quiet. However, some travel is interior; some changes are both small and large at the same time.



COMING IN THE SUMMER

Reading programs for children and adults. For kids, the library will sponsor the summer reading program designed to keep children reading in the summer - this year's theme is Fizz, Boom, Read. For adults, the theme is "Literary Elements". The adult program will feature "wrapped books" to discover, a series of drawings to enter and several programs with a scientific theme. Family nights will include a variety of programs on Thursday evenings. One special event will be a program at the Library from the DaVinci Center (watch for information as the date has not yet been determined.)

THE EMMAUS PUBLIC LIBRARY & EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Before an emergency happens, **make sure you have a Library card.** Check that your card is up to date and has a PIN attached to it. When an emergency happens, the Library is ready to help. (Most of these tips assume the Library is able to be open, with electricity and internet service.)

If you are without power, the Library is a place to come to be warm or cool, use the internet or wifi, and charge cell phones and other devices.

If you are without your internet connection, the Library offers computers with internet access and wifi to use with your own devices.



If you are without cable, the Library offers books, DVDs, and other materials to check out.

If you are unable to leave your house, but have power and an internet connection, the Library website has many services that you can use right from your home computer. Research tools for students to continue school assignments, e-books to download, the Tumble family of books for children, Zinio to download magazines.

If you need help contacting various agencies or companies for information and forms to get assistance with your issues after the event, the Library staff is ready to help you find those contacts.

LEHIGH COUNTY HOUSING REHAB PROGRAM

Is your home in need of repair? Lehigh County may be able to help you. Lehigh County has established a County-wide Housing Rehabilitation Program which is designed to assist in improving Lehigh County Housing. Program funds are used to provide as much as \$20,000 of rehabilitation assistance to income-eligible, owner-occupants of single family homes, townhouses, and condominiums. The assistance is governed by federal regulations and Lehigh County policies. Income guidelines vary depending on how many people live in the home. A single occupant can make a maximum of \$38,550, whereas a family of four can make a maximum of \$59,500 and a family of 8 can make a maximum of \$72,700 to be eligible for this program.

In general, financial assistance is available for the renovation or replacement of substandard heating, electrical and plumbing systems; some structural repairs and modifications; insulation and other improvements to reduce operational expenses, alteration to correct code violations and other repair work necessarily for upgrading homes to standard conditions.

If you are interested in this program, please contact the firm, Community Grants, Planning & Housing, LLC. at 1-800-619-9979. You can also stop into Emmaus Town Hall to pick up a brochure for more information. Please remember, there is a waiting list for this program, so if you are interested, be sure to sign up.



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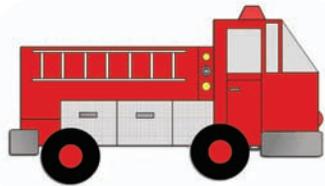
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Fire Safety



THINK SPRING – THINK FIRE SAFETY

Spring is here once again! Below are some easy fire safety tips that will help ensure a fire free entrance to this summer.

- Smoke detector batteries should be checked, and replaced if necessary.
- Smoke detectors should be cleared of dust.
- If you have any fire extinguishers they should be checked, and recharged if needed.
- Electric wiring should be checked for damage, and replaced if necessary.
- Electric outlets and extension cords should not be overloaded.
- Air conditioning units and electrical cords should be checked before using.
- Never use an open flame to strip paint, this is dangerous and is illegal.
- There is a no burning ordinance, please recycle your yard waste.
- Recheck your windows and make sure they open and close properly, in case they are needed as emergency exits.
- Fuels for lawn and garden equipment, pesticides and chemicals, swimming pool chemicals and all paints should be stored in an approved container or cabinet and kept away from children.

WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME YOU PRACTICED EDITH (EXIT DRILLS IN THE HOME)??

When the smoke detector alarm sounds, get out and stay out! 80% of deaths happen in the home. That is why you need to develop a plan to get out of the home in case of a fire.

1. Make a home escape plan, get everyone together to help.
2. Find all the doors and windows that lead to the outside and make sure they all function properly.
3. Know at least two ways out of every room, if possible. One will be the door and the second may be a window or another door.
4. Make sure nothing is blocking the pathway to escape.
5. Choose a meeting place which is a safe distance away from the home where everyone should meet once they escaped.
6. Make sure to practice and plan for those that may need special assistance to escape.
7. Make sure everyone knows how to dial 911 and their home address.

Practice your plan with everyone in your home every spring and fall. Push the smoke detector button to start the drill. Close the doors behind you as you leave and go to your meeting place outside. Practice your plan during the day and at night.

If you need help to develop a plan, please call the Emmaus Fire Department at 610-967-5630. We will be more than happy to assist.



2013 REPORT ON RESPONSES

During 2013, the Emmaus Fire Department responded to 341 emergencies, as compared to 404 during 2012. The busiest day of the week for receiving calls was Monday with a total of 59 calls, Wednesday having 56 calls, and Friday with 52 calls. In 2012, the days with the most calls were Wednesdays and Thursdays having 69 emergencies each.

Most alarms were responded to during the time period of 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. with 92 calls, 12 noon to 4:00 p.m. had 89 responses and 8:00 a.m. – 12 noon followed close behind with 60 responses. In 2012, most calls were received between the hours of 12 noon and 4:00 pm with 100 alarms.

A total of 144 calls were received on weekdays, Monday – Friday between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The weekends had 103 responses and weeknights following at 94 responses. In 2012, the Emmaus Fire Department responded to



171 weekday calls, with 123 calls during the weekend and 110 calls during the evening and overnight.

Most calls received by the Fire Department were calls for automatic alarms at 110 responses as compared to 2012 with 132 responses. EMS (ambulance) assists followed at 46 calls, smoke and odor investigations at 30 calls and motor vehicle accidents with rescue at 24 emergencies. In 2012, the Emmaus Fire Department responded to 132 calls for automatic alarms followed by 45 EMS assisted calls.

Fire Prevention week was held during the month of October. The Emmaus Fire Department conducted 20 different tours and training sessions with various day cares and elementary school children, teaching fire safety to over 400 children.

The Emmaus Fire Department would like to thank everyone for assisting us in keeping the fire hydrants free of snow this past winter. Keep up the good work!

Shelter House Society's Classic American Cookbook

SHELTER HOUSE SOCIETY CELEBRATES 60 YEARS OF SERVICE TO EMMAUS' 1735 COLONIAL LOG CABIN

Throughout 2013, The Shelter House Society celebrated 60 years of service to the oldest of Emmaus' three historic houses. While 2013 was a memorable year for those of us who love the Shelter House, our most important accomplishment was the publication of our commemorative cookbook.

The book was initially inspired by the variety of carry-in dishes that appear at our Annual Membership Picnic in August. At this high summer event, visitors sample some of the best of local cooking. This event represents a time of sharing fellowship and favorite recipes and at that time, discussions and plans for a Shelter House Cookbook commenced but then dragged into a year.

During a second year of testing recipes that members and friends had submitted, of wishing and hoping for completion of a Shelter House Society Cookbook, we finally received the Board of Director's blessing in the form of professional book designer, Susan Eugster. We were also fortunate to receive the enduring commitment of Board member, Chris Fulmer.

Casting about for a title, editing the recipes to decide how many of each category, and preparing recipes according to



instructions kept the test kitchen busy for well into the year. Thursday nights in the test kitchen, Board member Kristina Troxell and her family offered their culinary critique for specific details.

As we started to assemble the book, we learned we didn't have nearly enough recipes. As amateurs, we had no idea how many recipes it takes to make a book, so we begged favorites from family and friends from across the country. We at last had recipes from Missouri, Oklahoma, Louisiana, California and places in between.

Then came the title, **Classic American Cookbook**, a collection of over 125 family recipes - "From Sea to Shining Sea."

In the book, cooks will find low country boil from the Outer Banks, authentic gumbo from New Orleans, lamb stew from the heartland, Colonial egg dishes from New England, Pennsylvania chicken potpie and potato filling, desserts from Kansas City, and many more including old favorites, such as Sunday meatloaf, sour milk cake, and grape pie.

Classic American Cookbook was delivered at the end of 2013 and is now for sale at bargain price of \$15.00. Please call 610-965-5119 if you are interested in purchasing one. Watch for a "foodie" cookbook promotional in the spring.

HELP WANTED!



DO YOU NEED A SUMMER JOB?

The Borough is accepting applications for lifeguards, cashiers, and the concession stand for the Emmaus Community Pool and for counselors for the Summer Parks Program. 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.

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The Emmaus Special Entertainment Commission is once again proud to sponsor the 35th Annual Summer Concert Series. This summer the series will include blues, jazz, country, classic rock, oldies, rockabilly and more!

The Special Entertainment Commission needs your help to make the 2014 Summer Concert Series the best yet! The Annual Sponsor-A-Concert fund drive invites our organizations, businesses, and individuals to be a caring part of the series by sponsoring a concert. All contributions will be acknowledged in the Summer Concert Program, which has a circulation of over six thousand. What a great way to advertise!

If you are able to help in any way, please make your check payable to "Borough of Emmaus Summer Concert Series" and mail to the Special Entertainment Commission at: 28 South 4th Street, Emmaus, PA 18049. Any and all donations are welcome and will allow the Commission to continue the concert series. Please mail contributions before April 25, 2014 to ensure that you are included in the Program.

Concerts take place at Emmaus Community Park each Sunday from Memorial Day through Labor Day from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted. **Please look for a complete list of all concerts and times, as well as our complete schedule in the Borough of Emmaus' Summer Newsletter.** The Summer Concert Series offers a variety of entertainment for all ages, from the very young to the young at heart. Sit back, relax, and enjoy!

In addition to the Summer Concert Series, the Special Entertainment Commission is hard at work to bring a variety of activities to the Borough of Emmaus. Look for the Memorial Day Dash & Splash 5K, Free Saturday morning Zumba classes, and the 3rd Annual Bluegrass in the Park Festival, just to name a few. Please visit the Special Entertainment Commission's Facebook Page at www.facebook.com/emmassec or at the Emmaus Borough website at www.borough.emmaus.pa.us for updates on the events and the complete Summer Concert Series schedule. We look forward to seeing you at the park where your smiling faces in the audience are our treasured rewards!



COMMUNITY YARD SALES



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, May 31, 2014 with a rain date of Sunday, June 1, 2014, and
Saturday, September 6, 2014, with a rain date of Sunday, September 7, 2014.**

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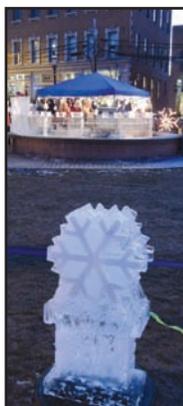


See. Hear. Feel. Art!

The Emmaus Arts Commission was created by Emmaus Borough Council to encourage civic participation in the arts through the promotion of dance, music, theater, film, and fine art within our community. The EAC is currently planning 2014 events – look for upcoming information and dates so you can mark your calendar for our annual **RAIN BARREL SILENT AUCTION, CHALK THE WALK, STRINGS CAMP AND STUDENT HORROR FILM FESTIVAL.** Find out what's happening with the EAC by "liking" us on Facebook and checking our web site for frequent updates.



We welcome committee volunteers and participants -- if you would like to be involved, please contact us at emmausarts.org. Help us grow the arts in Emmaus!



PERMITS ARE REQUIRED

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.

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Electronic Recycling Available

In conjunction with Republic Services (Raritan Valley), 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, 2014. The site will be closed on holidays and from December through February. Residents visiting the site shall show the attendant their identification signifying they are a Borough resident. They shall also pay any fee that may be associated with the drop-off of their electronics, as outlined below.

Did you know that your electronic waste, also known as e-waste, should never be thrown away in your regular trash? That is because electronics may contain metals such as mercury and lead which can be harmful to people and the environment. Electronic devices contain lead and mercury, which if released into the environment, can create health hazards. For example, the cathode ray tubes in older TVs and computers typically contain about 4 to 7 pounds of lead. To protect our environment, it is important to ensure that electronic waste is recycled properly.

Republic Services drops the E-waste off at GER Solutions Free Cycle in Allentown. Please visit their website for additional items that can be dropped off at the site as well as information regarding the program. <http://www.freecyclellc.com>.

Please note that television and computer screens must be fully in-tact and not cracked or broken to be recycled. If they are broken, the Borough will not be able to accept them, per the policy of GER Solutions Free Cycle.

Lastly, please note that there is a fee for certain items that are dropped off at the site, including televisions. The Borough will charge the exact fee that we will pay to GER Solutions Free Cycle. Please visit their website link to view the exact charges on certain items.



CURRENTLY, ACCEPTED ITEMS AND FEES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Alarm Clocks	Games - Hand Held	Projection Televisions (plastic/wood) - \$50
Answering Machines	Games - Video Console	Radios
Audio Recorders - Digital or Tape	Grills (no tanks)	Scanners
Bread Makers	Hair Dryers	Shavers / Trimmers
Calculators / Adding Machines	Headphones	Small Appliances Speakers
Cameras	iPods	Tapes - Magnetic Tapes
CD Players	Keyboards	Telephones
Cell Phones	LCD and Plasma TVs (any size) - \$20	Televisions (CRT) (up to 18") - \$20
Circuit Boards	LCD Computer Monitor (any size) - \$3	Televisions (CRT) (19"-27") - \$30
Coffee / Cappuccino Makers	Metal Scrap	Televisions (CRT) (28"+) - \$40
Compact Disks	Computer Mice	Televisions (CRT wooden consoles) - \$50
Computer - Laptops	Microphones	Toasters / Toaster Ovens
Computer - Network Servers	Microwaves	Typewriters
Computer - Towers	Modems	Vacuum Cleaners
Computer Monitors (CRT) - \$10	Modems - Air Cards	VCR's
Copiers - Floor Models, Desktop	Pagers	Video Gaming Systems
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- Check your car, boat, motorcycle, and other machinery and equipment for leaks and spills. Make repairs as soon as possible. Clean up spilled fluids with an absorbent material like kitty litter or sand, and don't rinse the spills into a nearby storm drain.
- Recycle used oil and other automotive fluids at participating service stations. Don't dump these chemicals down the storm drain or dispose of them in your trash.

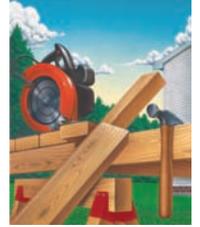
LAWN AND GARDEN

- Use pesticides and fertilizers sparingly. When use is necessary, use these chemicals in the recommended amounts. Avoid using them if the forecast calls for rain; otherwise, chemicals will be washed into your local stream.
- Select native plants and grasses that are drought and pest resistant. Native plants require less water, fertilizer, and pesticides.
- Don't overwater your lawn. Water during the cool times of the day, and don't let water runoff into the storm drain.



HOME REPAIR AND IMPROVEMENT

- Before beginning an outdoor project, locate the nearest storm drains and protect them from debris and other materials.
- Sweep up and properly dispose of construction debris such as concrete and mortar.
- Use hazardous materials in the smallest amounts possible, and follow the directions on the label. Clean up spills immediately, and dispose of the waste safely. Store substances properly to avoid leaks or spills.
- Purchase and use nontoxic, biodegradable, recycled, and recyclable products whenever possible.
- Clean paint brushes in a sink, not outdoors. Properly dispose of excess paints through a household hazardous waste collection program, or donate unused paint to local organizations.



PET CARE

- When walking your pet, remember to pick up the waste and dispose of it properly. Flushing pet waste is the best method. Leaving pet waste on the ground increases public health risks by allowing harmful bacteria and nutrients to wash into the storm drain and eventually into local water bodies.

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, Emmaus, PA, 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.

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May 5 to September 22

Mondays, 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Wednesdays, 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., or dusk; Saturdays, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

September 24 to October 11

Wednesdays, 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., or dusk; Saturdays, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

October 20 to December 6 – Leaf Collection

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.

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

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

Unscreened compost & wood chip mulch is available for a loading

fee of \$10.00 per scoop or partial scoop. Only pick-ups or small trailers will be loaded. **SCREENED COMPOST IS FOR BOROUGH RESIDENTS ONLY AND IS AVAILABLE FOR A LOADING FEE OF \$15 PER FULL OR PARTIAL SCOOP.** Please call the Public Works Department at 610-965-9288, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., with any questions or comments.

We will stop loading 45 minutes prior to closing so that equipment can be cleaned. All Borough residents must show their Compost Site Card prior to entering the site.

Curbside Yard Waste Pick-Up



The Borough's waste hauler 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 7, 2014 through Thursday, October 30, 2014, 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. Yard waste is limited to organic biodegradable materials such as grass, leaves, hedge trimmings, leafy plants and small sticks and twigs. Bags contaminated with stones or trash will not be accepted. Separate grass, twigs, and hedge trimmings into different bags.

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

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 pick-up.

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Borough Council Committees 2014 Meeting Schedule

Budget and Finance Committee:

6:45 p.m. - Preceding all Council Meetings
3:30 p.m. - Last Thursday of each month – January to
September, October – Thursday, October 23
4:00 p.m. - Budget Workshops:
October 28, November 13, 18, 20 & 25

General Administration Committee:

9:00 a.m. - January 22; February 5 & 19; March 5 & 19;
April 2 & 16; May 14 & 28; June 11 & 25;
July 9 & 23; August 6 & 20;
September 3 & 17;
October 1 & 15; November 12 & 26;
December 10 & 24

Community Relations, Planning & Development Committee:

4:00 p.m. - 2nd Tuesday of each month,
November's Meeting -
Wednesday, November 12

Health, Sanitation & Conservation Committee:

4:30 p.m. - 3rd Thursday of each month

Parks & Recreation Committee:

4:00 p.m. - 1st Tuesday of each month

Public Safety Committee:

3:00 p.m. - 1st Wednesday of each month,
January – January 2015

Public Works Committee:

3:15 p.m. - 1st Thursday of each month

Please Note: All Council Committees have the option of meeting at 6:30 pm. preceding Council Meetings.



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