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# Stewartstown Borough Newsletter



## Weed & Grass / Abandoned Vehicles / House Numbering

**Weeds and Grasses:** All weeds & grasses are not allowed to grow above 6 inches in height. In addition, the following weeds are not allowed to grow regardless of height: Marijuana, Chicory, Succory, Blue Daisy, Canadian Thistle, Multiflora Rose and Johnson Grass. Ordinance #1996-001 & #1994-003



**Abandoned Vehicles:** Abandoned vehicles are considered a nuisance in Stewartstown and violation of the nuisance ordinance is considered a criminal offense. A vehicle is considered abandoned if it does not have a valid PA license plate, current registration sticker, a current & valid PA safety inspection sticker and a certificate of insurance. In addition, a vehicle that does not have an engine or cannot move on its own power can be considered an abandoned vehicle. Ordinance #1990-003

**House Numbers:** All houses are required to have house numbers on the house, a sign or other area so that emergency personnel can easily find and identify your home. Numbers must be at least 3 inches in height and of a contrasting color so it can be easily seen. Ordinance #1996-006

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## Happy Birthday Stewartstown– 150 Years Old

Stewartstown will be celebrating its 150th Birthday, the week of July 21st through July 28th. During this special week there will be a variety of events for everyone in the community to enjoy.

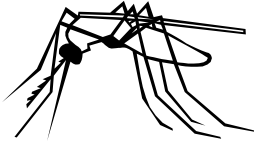
Events will include a parade, a pit beef picnic, a road rally, a senior citizen day, a family day, a special country fair day, antique appraisals, sporting events, Alumni day for Kennard Dale and Stewartstown High Schools, Civil War re-enactments and train rides.

## Missed Trash Service?

Have you ever set out your trash only to find that your trash is still on your curb when you arrive home? The borough has a new procedure for missed trash service. Call the borough office at 993-2963 x280. We may be able to have a truck return to your residence or provide service the next business day.

Please note that trash service begins at 7:00AM each Tuesday and Friday morning. In some areas of the borough it may be necessary to place your trash out the evening before to avoid having your trash missed.

## Notes from Council President - West Nile Virus Ordinance



On April 2nd the Borough Council of Stewartstown passed ordinance #2001-003 which is also known as the "Mosquito Control Ordinance".

### Ordinance Summary:

Residents are not permitted to allow the collection of water in ditches, pools, ponds, streams, excavations, holes, depressions, open cesspools, privy vaults, fountains, cisterns, tanks, shallow wells, barrels, troughs, urns, cans, boxes, bottles, tubs, buckets, roof gutters, tanks of flush closets, reservoirs, vessels, tires, refrigerators, old cars, toys, miscellaneous junk, receptacles of any kind, or other containers or devices that may hold water.

Violations of this ordinance can be enforced by the Emergency Management Coordinator or the Police Department. Corrective Actions can include removing the standing water, removing the receptacles that can hold water or treating the water with special tablets. Failure to take corrective action within a specified 3 of days can result in fines of \$25.00 per violation.

## Bingo Night in Stewartstown



### Thursday Night– 7:00PM:

Bingo comes to Stewartstown every Thursday night at the Eureka Volunteer Fire & Ambulance Company's Banquet Hall. Doors open at 5:30PM for those who like to get a lucky seat. The numbers will start being called at 7:00PM sharp so don't be late, bring your lucky charm and get ready to have a good time.

And remember that even if you don't win, the community does because all proceeds go to help pay for Eureka's expenses.

## Notes from the Mayor



**WebSite Awards:** Check out the Stewartstown Police Department's website. It recently received two awards for Police Department websites. You can visit the Borough's website and Police website at [www.stewartstown.org](http://www.stewartstown.org).



**Open Burning Week– April 21-28:** If you plan to burn you **MUST** contact Chief Gordon Wisnom. Chief Wisnom can be contacted Monday through Friday at Gordons Body Shop 993-2263 and for weekends and after hours you can leave a message at the Borough Office 993-2963 x285. Please note that you notify Chief Wisnom for each day you plan on burning. Open Burning may be canceled during drought conditions.

## Stewartstown Historical Society– Flag Sale

### Sunday 2-4PM

The Stewartstown Historical Society has created a special Sesquicentennial flag to help celebrate our town's 150th Anniversary. This special, one time only, 36"x28" royal blue flag can be purchased for \$25.00.



Flags can be purchased at the Historical Society on Sundays or at the Borough Office during the week from 9AM– 3PM.. The Historical Society is located at 6 N. Main Street (the old Subway Shop) and next to the Borough Office.

## Calendar of Events / Meetings:



### **Borough Council Meetings – 7:30PM**

Jan 2 / Feb 5 / Mar 5 / Apr 2 / May 7 / Jun 4 / Jul 2 / Aug 6 / Sep 4 / Oct 1 / Nov 5 / Dec 3

### **Personnel / Police, Pub. Safety & Emergency Mgmt Committee – 7:00PM/7:30PM**

Jan 8 / Feb 12 / Mar 12 / Apr 9 / May 14 / Jun 11 / Jul 9 / Aug 13 / Sep 10 / Oct 8 / Nov 12 / Dec 10

### **Special Action / Sewer & Water Committee - 7:00PM/7:30PM**

Jan 15 / Feb 19 / Mar 19 / Apr 16 / May 21 / Jun 18 / Jul 16 / Aug 20 / Sep 17 / Oct 15 / Nov 19 / Dec 17

### **Public Property, Trash, Street Lights / Streets, Road, Storm Water - 7:00PM/7:30PM**

Jan 22 / Feb 26 / Mar 26 / Apr 23 / May 29 / Jun 25 / Jul 16 / Aug 27 / Sep 24 / Oct 22 / Nov 26

### **Planning Commission - 7:30PM**

Jan 16 / Feb 20 / Mar 20 / Apr 17 / May 15 / Jun 19 / Jul 17 / Aug 21 / Sep 18 / Oct 16 / Nov 20 / Dec 18

### **Zoning Hearing Board - 7:00PM (as needed)**

Jan 18 / Feb 15 / Mar 15 / Apr 19 / May 17 / Jun 21 / Jul 19 / Aug 16 / Sep 20 / Oct 18 / Nov 15 / Dec 20

### **Sewer/Water Authority Meeting - 7:30PM**

Jan 24 / Feb 28 / Mar 28 / Apr 25 / May 23 / Jun 27 / Jul 25 / Aug 22 / Sep 26 / Oct 24 / Nov 28 / Dec 26

**Location:** All meetings are held in the meeting room of the Stewartstown Borough Office Building located at 6 N. Main Street. (next to AllFirst Bank)

**Note:** Please contact the borough office 2-3 days prior to a meeting if you would like to speak at a meeting. There are time limits for speakers; however, additional time may be granted if needed.

**Disability:** If you are a person with a disability and wish to attend any of the scheduled meetings and require an auxiliary aid, service, or other accommodation to participate in the proceedings, please contact the borough office at 717-993-2963 to discuss how the council may best accommodate your needs.

## Curb-Side Recycling

Were you aware that the borough offers its residents a curb side recycling program? In fact it is one of the easiest programs around.

To get started, you can pickup your FREE green recycling bin at the borough office. Then each Tuesday, place your green bin with recyclable materials by the curb along with your regular trash pickup. Penn-Waste will then pickup your recyclable materials in a specially designed truck.

### **What can be recycled?**

Aluminum cans, steel cans, aerosol cans, plastic bottles with a #1 or #2 on them, newspapers, all clear, green or brown glass bottles, brown cardboard

### **What cannot be recycled?**

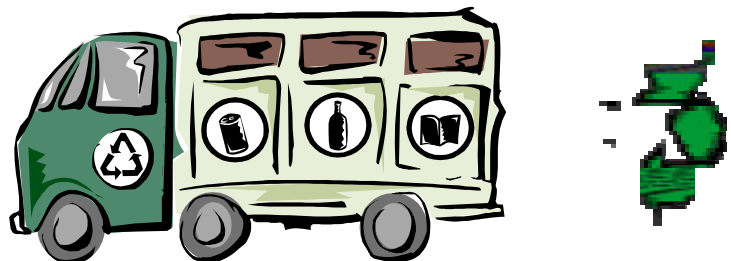
cereal boxes, salad/deli trays, TV dinner trays, pie plates or food tubes.

For more information contact the borough office at 993-2963 from 9:00AM and 3:00PM.

## Council Members & Office Staff:

Wilberetta Gibbs – President, Guy Hook – Vice-President, Jeff Bruening, Louisa Jordan, Richard Nixon, Frank Paules, Mildred Pomraning and Mayor Richard Hall

Borough Office Manager: Susan Grow  
 Billing Clerk: Kelli Waltemire  
 Office Clerk: Melissa Matthews  
 Authority Chairman: Jeff Grow  
 Zoning Officer: E. Michael Lee, Codes Enforcement  
 Director of Public Works: Robert Hunt  
 Chief of Police: Charles Reid II (993-5308)  
 Animal Control Officer: Lorrie Bosley (792-0254)



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Stewartstown, PA 17363  
Permit No. 26

**Return Service Requested**

## Office Hours:

Monday-Friday  
9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

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## Street Sweeping

**May 14th-15th– 8:00AM– 6:00PM:**

The streets of Stewartstown are being swept up. The borough would ask that all residents park their vehicles in their driveway or use other off-street parking where available during these two days.



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## Community Yard Sales & Large Trash Pickup Days



**May 19th – Community Yard Sale Day:** This is a great opportunity to clean out all of the good stuff you have in your house, make some extra money and avoid the usual yard sale permits. The typical yard sale permit fees have been waived for this special community event, so get out on Saturday and make some money. One person's junk is another person's treasure. Reminder: Typically a yard sale requires a permit. A permit for the first yard sale in a calendar year costs \$10.00 and the second yard costs \$25.00. Residents are limited to two yard sales in a calendar year.

**June 2nd - Large Trash Pickup Day:**

Take advantage of this special trash day when you can place all of your large trash items on the curb. This is a great opportunity to get rid of those large items that you could not sell at the yard sale.

Trash Notes: Please note that the following items will **NOT** be picked up by the trash collector: concrete materials, mounted tires, poles over 4 feet, paint, stains, chemicals, batteries or major car parts.

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