

Stewartstown Borough 2nd Quarter Newsletter

Apr / May / June
2010

Borough Office Tax Collection Dates

Taxes will be collected at the Borough Office located at 6 North Main Street. Please use side entrance.

Thursday	April 1st	10:00 am to 11:00 am
Tuesday	April 6th	10:00 am to 11:00 am
Thursday	April 8th	6:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Monday	April 12th	3:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Tuesday	April 13th	3:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Thursday	April 15th	6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Sandra Mitchell—Tax Collector

P.O. Box 505

Stewartstown, Pa 17363 (717) 993-6334

Mason Dixon Public

Library Hours

Monday	10am-8pm
Tuesday	12pm-8pm
Wednesday	10am-8pm
Thursday	12pm-8pm
Friday	12pm-8pm
Saturday	9am-4pm

717-993-2404

www.yorklibraries.org



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Municipal Primary Election

Tuesday, May 18th, 2010

Borough residents who are registered to vote can do so at the Borough Building, located at 6 North Main Street, Stewartstown, Pa. Polls open at 7:00 am and close at 8:00 pm.

- How do you find out if you are registered to vote ?

Call the York County Voter Registration Office at 717-771-9604 or e-mail them at

<http://www.york-county.org/voters/election.htm>

- How do you register to vote ?

You must complete, sign and return a Voter

Registration Form to:

York County Office of Elections/Voter Registration

28 East Market Street

York, Pa 17401

Voter Registration Forms and Absentee Ballots can be printed from the York County Web Site and are also available at the Borough Office, located at 6 North Main Street, Suite A, Stewartstown, PA.



Annual Community Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 3rd, 2010 at 1:00 pm

At the Stewartstown Community Fairgrounds, lower lot between field 2 & 3. All children ages 12 and under who are located in Crossroads Borough, East Hopewell Township, Hopewell Township & Stewartstown Borough are invited to participate.

Rain Date is set for April 10th, 2010 at 1:00 pm.

- Join your neighbors for BINGO every Thursday night at 6:45pm. Doors open at 5:30 pm.
- Have you practiced your FIRE ESCAPE PLAN lately ?
- Be sure to lock your vehicle and garage doors.
- Always be alert of your surroundings at all times.

MAY.....Open Burning Month

Stewartstown Borough Council authorizes "Open Burning" with the exception of cooking and entertainment fires during the month of May. Any person requesting to open burn must contact Chief Walker each time they wish to burn at (717) 324-2940. Please leave a detailed message including your name, address and date you wish to burn.



2010 York County SENIOR GAMES

The York County Senior Games will be held on June 20th through June 26th, 2010 You must be a York County resident and 50 years of age by December 31, 2010, or older to participate. There will be a variety of competitive and noncompetitive activities....something for everyone! If you participated in the 2009 Senior Games, you will automatically receive a registration booklet for the 2010 Senior Games in April. For more information, or if you would like to be added to the Senior Games Mailing List, please call Melissa at 717-852-4964 or 1-800-632-9073. Registration booklets and registration forms can be downloaded from the "Forms & Documents" page of the website at www.ycaaa.org after March 15th, 2010.

YARD SALE ORDINANCE 2004-01

An Ordinance of the Borough Council to require permits for yard sales and regulate the number of yard sales per year.

Section 1- Definitions:

- Yard Sale- shall mean any public sale of goods on residential property including but not limited to, the residential garage, home, lawn, or yard.
- Permit- shall refer to the form that must be obtained, completed, and submitted along with the respective fees.

Section 4- Frequency and Duration Limitations:

- Borough residents are permitted to have two (2) yard sales per household in a calendar year.
- The maximum duration of a yard sale is two (2) consecutive days.
- The approved yard sale must be held within fifteen (15) days of the issuance of the yard sale permit.

Section 5- Fee Schedule:

- The fee for the first permit issued to a household during the calendar year shall be ten (\$10.00) dollars.
- The fee for the second permit issued to a household during the same calendar year as the first permit is twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars.



4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION

Music & Fireworks

Saturday, July 3rd, 2010

Country / Rock Band at 6:00 pm (stage area)

FIREWORKS DISPLAY at 9:30 pm

***Rain Date 7/4/2010



Activities are held at the Stewartstown Community Fairgrounds.

COMMUNITY YARD SALES

Spring

Saturday May 15th, 2010

Fall

Saturday Sept. 18, 2010

Permits are waived for the Community Yard Sales. Please note there is no rain date for these events & please remember to remove all signs advertising the yard sale.

Thank You

WE NEED YOUR HELP

The PA DEP (Department of Environmental Protection) requires our water system to test for lead/copper in our drinking water every 3 years. This year we are required to collect a total of 20 samples within our distribution system. We currently have 10 households that have allowed us access to get these samples. We would like to get 10 more customers on our sampling list. If you have a copper or lead service line (the water line that comes through the basement wall to your water meter) and are interested in helping us, please call our Sewer & Water Supervisor at 717-324-2940 or e-mail at swdept@stewartstown.org.

STEWARTSTOWN JUNIOR COUNCIL FLAG DESIGN CONTEST

- Contest is open to all Stewartstown students in the 5th through 8th grade.
- Create your own design on an 8½ x 11 sheet of paper.
- The flag design must document at least 2 historical facts. (for example: historical building, business, farm, person, etc.)
- The flag design must contain the word Stewartstown.
- The flag design must be in color.
- On the back of your flag design paper, please give a brief description of the objects depicted on your design. Also, include your name, address and phone number.
- Mail or deliver your flag design to the Stewartstown Borough Office by June 1, 2010. (6 North Main Street, Suite A, Stewartstown, Pa 17363) Attention: Junior Council



Please contact Theresa Geroux at 717-993-6282 with questions.

The winner will be chosen by Junior Council. The winning flag will be duplicated and the artist will be offered the opportunity to ride on the Junior Council Float in the Eureka Stewartstown Parade on July 24th, 2010. In addition, the winner will be awarded a \$25.00 cash prize.

STEWARTSTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT



UNCLAIMED BIKES.....The Stewartstown Police Department has several bikes that have been recovered in the past two years. If anyone is missing a bike, please come to the police station between April 5th through April 8th during the hours of 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. to identify and claim your property. Any and all bikes not claimed by April 9th will be disposed of.

EPA CALLS ON AMERICANS TO FIX A LEAK

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is encouraging Americans to “roll up their sleeves” and save water. WaterSense’s Fix a Leak Week was observed during March 15th-21st, but we feel it is worth repeating!

Minor leaks from household plumbing fixtures and irrigation systems account for more than 1 trillion gallons of water wasted each year in U.S. homes—enough to supply Los Angeles, Chicago, and Miami with their water needs for a year! EPA created this week-long annual event to give its WaterSense utility, community, manufacturer, retail, and professional partners a call to action to encourage saving water.



WaterSense is encouraging homeowners, do-it-yourselfers, and plumbing professionals to help find and fix leaks by promoting the following tips:

- Reduce faucet leaks by checking faucet washers and gaskets for wear and, if necessary, replace the faucet with a WaterSense labeled model.
- Replace worn rubber flappers, which can cause silent leaks in toilets.
- For a leaky garden hose, replace the nylon or rubber hose washer and ensure a tight connection to the spigot using pipe tape and a wrench.
- Check landscape irrigation systems each spring before use to make sure they are not damaged by frost or freezing.
- Remember to look for the WaterSense label if you have to replace a bathroom fixture.

ATTENTION SEWER & WATER CUSTOMERS.....

By now, most of you have received a call, for one reason or another, from our new automated notification system, known as One Call Now. Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) requires us to notify residents (within a very limited amount of time) of water emergencies, such as boil water advisories, water main breaks, etc. This automated system is a great help in getting these notifications out in a timely manner, delivering over 1800 phone calls in a little over 3 hours. In addition to our water department, our billing department will also use the system for delinquent utility bill notices and warnings of upcoming water service terminations. There may be a time when the system is used for Emergency Management situations as well, when time is of the essence.

All residents on our water and sewer system should be on our call list, regardless of whether they live in Stewartstown Borough or Hopewell Township. If you received these automated notifications from our system, and you do not receive water, sewer or trash bills from Stewartstown Borough, simply give us a call @ 993-2963 to have your name removed from our call list. Please listen to all messages carefully! Simply disregard/delete any message that is not of use to you or your household.

We will be using this helpful tool for a variety of reasons in order to get information to our residents in a timely fashion. **We appreciate your patience** as we strive to get all the “bugs worked out” of it, in an attempt to serve our customers more efficiently. Thank you!

Also, in an effort to keep our Borough records current, we ask that you please **include your telephone number** on your check when paying your utility bills. Thank you!

MOTHER’S DAY



Moms have been celebrated throughout time of course, and in record events in Egyptian, Greek and Roman times. The origins of a specific Mother’s Day go back to the 16th century and the practice of visiting one’s “mother church” once a year.

On that day, dark ages’ moms would be reunited with their children at church. In the United States, a mother and social activist, Julia Ward Howe worked to create a Mother’s Day for Peace during the Civil War in an attempt to organize mothers against war.

It was not until 1914 that President Woodrow Wilson declared the first national Mother’s Day to honor mothers whose sons had died in war. In some parts of the country, it is traditional to wait until Mother’s Day to plant tomatoes.

Since then, Mother’s Day has gone on to become the most popular day of the year to dine out in a restaurant, to make long distance phone calls and is also said to be the most profitable month for florists.

Stewartstown Borough
6 N. Main Street, Suite A
Stewartstown, PA 17363

Utility Billing billing@stewartstown.org
General Questions Ext.- 101
Recreation Board 993-2255
http://www.harp-online.org 993-2255
Missed Trash Service Ext.- 101
Emergency Water/Sewer Ext.- 114

Office Hours: Mon. - Fri. 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Borough Council:
Marsha England—President
Mildred Pomraning—Vice President
Christopher Reed, Gordon Wisnom,
Frank Paules , Theresa Geroux , and
William Gemmill, Jr.
Mayor Bonner Smith

Authority Chair-Guy Hook
Zoning Hearing Board Chair-
Civil Service Commission Chair—Jack Schmidt
Planning Commission Chair—Earl Long

Borough Staff:

Melissa Matthews-Secretary/Treas
Stacy Myers-Utility Billing, Asst. Sec/Treas
Ira Walker, Jr.— Sewer & Water Supervisor
Sewer & Water Department-
Tracy Baldwin, Wayne Bush &
Tommy Shaul

Police Department:

Chief-George Cunningham
Officer— Kory Saylor
Officer—Shannon Hilliard
Officer— James Bowser
Officer—Jeffry Carey
Secretary—Mary Stanley



We're on the Web!

www.stewartstown.org
www.stewartstown.org/police

Phone: 717-993-2963
Fax: 717-993-2131
Police Department - 717-993-5308
Email: office@stewartstown.org

BULK RATE

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PERMIT NO. 26

CALENDAR OF MEETING DATES

Council Meetings-- are held the 1st Monday of each month at 7:00 pm.

April 5th May 3rd June 7th

Council Workshop Meetings-- are held the 3rd Monday of each month at 7:00 pm.

April 19th May 17th June 21st

Sewer & Water Authority Meetings-- are held the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:30 pm.

April 21st May 19th June 16th

Planning Commission Meetings-- are held the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm.

April 20th May 18th June 15th

Zoning Hearing Meetings-- are held the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm (as needed)

April 15th May 20th June 17th

**HOLIDAY
TRASH
COLLECTION
SCHEDULE**

Memorial Day

Wednesday, June 2nd
&
Saturday, June 5th

1 large item may be placed out for pick-up on Fridays with regular trash. Please call 1-800-210-9675 for items containing Freon.