

## Stewartstown Borough News July/August/September 2025

### **Eureka Volunteer Firemen's Carnival** will be held Monday, July 14th thru Saturday, July 19th, 16 College Ave., Stewartstown.

Come enjoy food, rides, bands, fireworks & more, all while supporting your local volunteer fire company!

Band lineup for the week includes:

- Monday—Borderline
- Tuesday—Wyatt Becker Band
- Wednesday—Martin Brothers
- Thursday—Stonewood
- Friday—Collinsville Discount
- Saturday—Tanner Mountain



Thursday, July 17th, fireworks will be enjoyed, beginning at dusk (around 9pm).

Saturday, July 19th—Parade through town will wrap up Carnival Week, beginning at 4:30pm.

### **Other Eureka events—**

- NO Bingo in July. Come out & support Eureka at the carnival!
- Saturday, September 20th—Pit sandwiches & fries to be sold at Eureka during the Borough's free yard sale day.
- Saturday, September 27th—Fish Fry at Eureka. For tickets, call Keith at

### **Stewartstown Railroad, 21 W. Pennsylvania Avenue, (717)746-8123 has summer fun coming your way.....**

For more information, visit their website at [www.stewartstownrailroadco.com](http://www.stewartstownrailroadco.com) or call (717)746-4998.

- **Sat, July 12th**—Red, White and Blue with Matt Dodd. You bring your picnic lunch, and we will provide the live entertainment.
- **Sun, July 13th**—New Freedom Limited. Motor Cars to New Freedom and back
- **Sat, July 26th**—HOTT Seat Experience- Experience driving a real train.
- **Sat, August 9th**—Mermaid and Pirate Limited- Summer adventure with Captain Jack and the mystical mermaid Pearl!
- **Sun, August 17th**—HOTT Seat Experience- Drive a real train
- **Sat, September 6th**—Train Days! Celebrate our 141th birthday with a discounted train ride, vendors and live entertainment.
- **Sat, September 20th**—Superhero Express-Spider Style. Hang out with our spider heroes
- **Sat, September 27th**—Western Train Robbery.

For full ride descriptions, prices and times please visit-  
<https://stewartstownrailroadco.com/train-rides/>



### **Dates to remember—**

#### **Borough Office will be closed**

- Friday, July 4th
- Monday, September 1st

#### **Revised Trash Collection this quarter—**

- July 4th holiday week—collected Tues & Sat, July 1st & 5th
- Labor Day holiday week—collected Wed & Sat, Sept 3rd & 6th

**Borough's Free Yard Sale** will be held Saturday, September 20th with a rain date of Saturday, September 27th. No permit is required for this day. Start & end times are at the discretion of the resident. Please remove all yard sale signs at the end of your event.

#### **Important reminders for this time of year.....**

##### **Nuisance Ordinance 2024-03**

—**Section 8A**, "Permitting the growth of grass, weeds or other vegetation (not edible) to grow to a height of 6" or more" is prohibited.

—**Section 8G**, "It shall be the duty of the owner of any animal traversing upon Public or Private Property (other than that owned by the animal's owner) to immediately remove any feces left by such animal."

—**Section 8H**, "Consumer Fireworks or other pyrotechnics are not allowed to be set off within 150' of any building or vehicle, and are not to be set off between the hours of 10pm and 10am."

To view this Ordinance in its entirety, visit our website at [www.stewartstown.org](http://www.stewartstown.org), and click on "Departments & Services" or call the Borough Office to have a copy mailed to you.

**Hopewell Area Recreation & Parks, 16 College Ave, Stewartstown, (717)993-2255, [info@harp-online.org](mailto:info@harp-online.org)**

HARPFEST 2025 will be held on Saturday, July 5th from 4pm until the fireworks display begins (approx. 9:30pm). This year's food vendors include Bricker's Fries, Stoney's Burgers, Premium Shaved Ice, Deez Tacos, KW's Pit Beef, & Wilson's Funnel Cakes.

The JC Fisher Band will be the musical entertainment for the evening from 6:30pm-9:30pm at our pavilion. Please be sure to get there early to get a good view for the fireworks. Don't forget to bring your chairs!

Thank you to our Fireworks sponsor for this event: Smith Wealth Advisory Group located on the Susquehanna Trail in York, PA. (Rain date for the fireworks is Sunday, July 6th)

**Stewartstown Senior Center News—\*\*now at 14 College Avenue (in Stewartstown Presbyterian Church) until the end of 2025. Phone—(717)993-2488; Hours—Mon-Thurs 9am-3pm, Friday 9am-1pm**

- Thursday, July 3rd—4th of July Picnic, starting at 10am.
- Friday, July 4th—Center is closed.
- Monday, July 7th—Farmers Market vouchers to be distributed by PA Department of Agriculture at the Center from 9am-11:30am.
- Monday, July 7th thru Monday, July 21st—R & K sub & pretzel sandwich sale. Subs are \$7; pretzel sandwiches are \$6. Pickup for subs & sandwiches is Wednesday, August 6th from 11am-3pm (at the Center).
- Wednesday, July 9th—Singer Adelynn Wood to perform at 10am.
- Wednesday, July 16th—Beginner-level Basket Weaving class at 10am.
- Friday, July 25th—Veteran Service Officer will visit the Center. Appointments can be made by calling the Center at the number above.
- Wednesday, August 13th—We'll be making succulent gardens. The sign up for this activity ends on August 1st.
- Friday, August 22nd—Veteran Service Officer will visit the Center. Appointments can be made by calling the Center (phone number above).
- Friday, September 26th—Veteran Service Officer will visit the Center. Appointments can be made by calling the Center (phone number above).

**Other notes of interest:**

- The Center will be selling smoothies at the Eureka Fireman's Carnival this year (July 14th thru 19th).
- They will also have a float in the parade, Sat, July 19th (starts @ 4:30pm).
- The Center will be selling smoothies at Rinely Days (July 25th & 26th).

**Mason Dixon Library, 250 Bailey Dr., Stewartstown, (717)993-2404**

The library has the following events coming up:

- **Wednesday, July 16th**—The Third Wednesday Series of Community Programs begins @ 6:30pm. Titled "Are You Ready for a Furry Friend?" A representative from York County's SPCA Community Outreach will answer questions you may have before welcoming a pet into your home or family, as well as sharing the rewards of pet ownership.
- **Friday, July 18th**—Designer Bag Bingo will be held at Eureka Fire Hall, 82 N. Main St., Stewartstown. Doors will open @ 5:30pm. Games begin @ 7:00pm. Tickets are \$25 in advance & \$30 at the door. Raffles, door prizes, food & 50/50 will be available! Call the library for more information and/or tickets.
- **Wednesday, July 23rd**—Science Heroes will be held at Stewartstown Elementary School @ 10:30am. Join the Science Heroes on their mission to turn science into adventure through hands-on experiments and fun!
- **SummerQuest** programming will continue through mid-August.
- **Preschool Story Time** will return every Monday @ 10:30am AFTER Labor Day.

**Stewartstown Food Pantry News.....10 Church Street (garage), Stewartstown**

Thank you to everyone who attended the Stewartstown Block Party and who supported the Stewartstown Food Pantry's Give Local Campaign. It is your generous support that enables us to continue to provide supplemental food to anyone who expresses a need.

The pantry is open every other week on Thursdays and Saturdays. Thursday distributions are walk-in only and start at 6PM. Saturday distributions are from 9:30am-1:30pm. Saturday appointments are strongly encouraged. Call 717-318-6684 or email [pantry@stewartstownumc.org](mailto:pantry@stewartstownumc.org) for more information.

**Upcoming food pantry distribution dates: July 3, 5, 17, 19, & 31. August 2, 14, 16, 28, & 30. September 11, 13, 25, & 27.**

**Happy Summer, Stewartstown!**

Summer is in full swing, and so are the celebrations we all look forward to! Independence Day is a time to honor our nation's history, reflect on the freedoms we cherish, and enjoy the company of friends and neighbors.

As we gather to celebrate, let's also take time to recognize and support the pillars of our local community — from HARPfest and fireworks on July 5th, to the Eureka Volunteer Fire Department Carnival, July 14th–19th, and especially our beloved Mason-Dixon Public Library (MDPL), which is facing significant changes that could deeply impact local access to library services.

Under a "Service Optimization Study," York County Library System (YCLS) has concluded that MDPL is not an essential location — despite being financially stable, meeting all membership requirements, and serving as a vital resource for our area.

YCLS has presented two options to the MDPL Board:

- Become a branch/satellite location: This would reduce operating hours from 47 to just 15–25 per week, cut staff, dissolve our locally governed board, and convert the library into a pickup-only site with little to no programming or browsing access.
- Become independent: This would preserve current hours and local governance, but MDPL would lose all county and state funding and access to shared services.

Currently, MDPL receives approximately \$30,000 in county funds and \$40,000 in state funds — a very small portion of the tax dollars YCLS receives and distributes across the county, yet vital to our operations. If reclassified, municipal tax contributions from our area would be redirected to other libraries, not back to MDPL.

The Mason-Dixon Library is more than just a building — it's a welcoming hub for students, families, job seekers, and lifelong learners. It is a place where our community comes together, and its future should reflect the voices of the people it serves.

This proposed change would undermine access to essential educational and cultural resources.

We encourage every resident to stay informed, get involved, and make your voice heard.

Together, we can speak up and show that **our library matters**.

— Mayor Brittany Barnette

**Stewartstown Borough**  
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**Stewartstown, PA 17363**

**Visit our website at**  
**[www.stewartstown.org](http://www.stewartstown.org)**

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**Annual Water Quality Report—2024**

The Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) can be viewed by going directly to:

<https://www.stewartstown.org/pdf/CCR-consumers.pdf>

<https://www.stewartstown.org/pdf/ccs-samples.pdf>

The report can also be found on the homepage of the Borough's website at [www.stewartstown.org](http://www.stewartstown.org)

Copies are also available for pickup at the Borough Office, or call (717)993-2963 to have one mailed to your home.

This report contains important information about the source and quality of your drinking water.

Este informe informacion importante acerca de su agua potable. Haga que alguien lo traduzca para usted, o hable con alguien que lo entienda. This report contains important information about your drinking water. If necessary, have someone translate it for you, or speak to someone who understands it.