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## Dormont Welcomes Chickens; Kicks Tobacco to Curb

Some big changes are on their way to Dormont, as Borough Council continues looking for ways to improve the quality of life in Dormont. While not everyone will necessarily agree with the changes being made, both are consistent with nationwide movements in local government management.

Dormont will be making its first foray into "urban homesteading" this summer with an ordinance that allows residents to keep several chickens or flightless ducks, contingent on several conditions, for egg production. Over the course of several committee and council meetings, several residents made it clear that they wished to keep a small number of chickens to ensure high-quality eggs for their families. Throughout the process, a key theme in the legislation became the protection of neighbors. So, to answer as many questions as I can early on, I want to highlight some key pieces of the new ordinance.

### ROOSTERS ARE PROHIBITED

To protect neighbors (and neighborhoods) from egregious noise, no residence shall be permitted to keep or harbor any rooster within the Borough.

### CHICKENS MUST BE CONTAINED

While owners will certainly want to provide their chickens and flightless ducks with opportunities to get some exercise and move about, there are regulations to protect neighbors. Chicken coops will be necessary, while chicken runs are also permitted. A chicken run is an enclosed area that provides a safe space for the birds to move about, while keeping them confined to a particular area. Many urban homesteaders choose to create chicken runs through their gardens. The birds may be allowed to roam freely in a fenced yard throughout the day (under supervision), but must be secured within the coop during non-daylight hours. Coops and runs must be located at least 25 feet from any doorway, opening, or window of a neighboring property. There are also building standards for coops and runs for the safety of the animals and to maintain a high standard throughout the Borough.

### ANIMALS MUST BE WELL CARED FOR

Chickens and flightless ducks must have access to clean food and water at all times and the food must

be stored in a manner to prevent any infestations. Owners are required to provide proper veterinary care for their animals. If a person does not maintain a high standard of maintenance, leading to offensive odor, excessive noise, or unsanitary conditions, they will be subject to public nuisance regulations.

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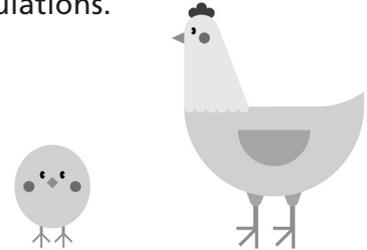
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## NO SLAUGHTERING/ BUTCHERING OR SPREADING OF MANURE

As the intent of the ordinance is to provide fresh eggs for residents, residents will not be permitted to slaughter or butcher their birds. And to maintain good neighborly relationships, chicken manure may not be spread anywhere in the Borough. It is, however, allowed to be composted with other materials and spread to gardens once the composting process is completed.

## ANNUAL CHICKEN PERMIT IS REQUIRED

Prior to obtaining any chickens or flightless ducks, potential owners need to apply with the Borough for an annual chicken permit, which will be governed by zoning regulations.



The second major piece of legislation to come through Council is much more straightforward. Dormont's parks are intended for the healthy enjoyment of all residents, including children and youth. Litter and second hand smoke, associated with smoking and tobacco use, in the Borough's parks can pose health risks to residents. Therefore, all tobacco use (including electronic cigarettes or any other lighted smoking equipment and chewing tobacco) will be strictly prohibited in Dormont's parks and recreational areas.



According to the Allegheny County Health Department, over 23% of adults in the county smoke, including more than 12% of women while pregnant. By late 2015, more than 60 communities in our county had joined the Young Lungs At Play program, as seen in the inset map. The City of Pittsburgh is updating its policy to make all Citiparks smoke-free. It's time for Dormont

to add a little more blue to the map.

We know that quitting is not easy. If you need help, call 1-800-QUIT-NOW. Under the Affordable Care Act, your health plan is required to cover prevention services and tobacco cessation services. Please take advantage of these opportunities.

I believe Dormont has a bright future. But to get there, we need to protect those most precious to us. Please help us make that possible by leaving your tobacco products at home...or better yet, in the garbage.

Thank you,

Ben Estell  
*Borough Manager*

# A Note From THE MAYOR

*Dear Neighbors,*

By the time you receive this newsletter we will have survived the hot summer months and will be looking forward to the Fall Season. I hope all have had a great summer. Obviously, going into fall, our main priority is and shall be our school aged children. They will be returning to school, that means school buses and pedestrian traffic...so please be careful and obey our traffic regulations.

If I may digress...I would like to take a moment to thank and congratulate all those who participated in putting together the July 4th event. Our recreation /parks department did an excellent job as well as all those who volunteered. **Job well done.**

I would like to congratulate Zachery Dobos for receiving the "Mayoral Award for Community Service" in May 2016. I had the honor of attending the Honors Dinner at the high school.

Unfortunately I was unable to attend the DARE graduation this year. This vital program was offered again, this year by Officer Tom Madden. I am pleased that Officer Madden continues to do an excellent job with the program.

I would also like to wish all of you a great up and coming Halloween and Thanksgiving.

*Be safe and be good to each other:*

*Mayor Phil Ross*

## LETTER FROM SENATOR WAYNE FONTANA

**Mark your calendars now** and plan to join me on Saturday, September 24 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Highmark Stadium, home of the Pittsburgh Riverhounds for the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual event! Best of all, it's FREE!

Parking will be free in the stadium's West Lot, compliments of Forest City.

The annual community event is perfect for families and children, promoting healthy and active lifestyles by providing many fun activities, crafts and games. Children will have the chance to play on several inflatables, an obstacle course, and a climbing wall, have their face painted, or visit with a talented balloon artist. All attendees also are provided with the opportunity to engage with several community organizations from around the region and receive important information on available services and programs, nutrition, health care and much more. I'm also thrilled that once again this year, students from Pittsburgh Musical Theatre will join us to perform at 11:15 a.m.!

FontanaFest is rain or shine but I'm confident we will have another great fall day for the 12<sup>th</sup> annual community event.

On Friday, September 29, I will be hosting my annual Flu/Pneumonia Shot & Senior Clinic at Church of the Resurrection in Brookline from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. American HealthCare Group will be providing free vaccinations to any senior with the Medicare Part B health insurance card. Several organizations from around the region will also be present to provide seniors with important information on available services and resources.



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## State Representative **DAN MILLER**

**Almost universally parents accept and understand the value of their children receiving required health care checks in order to attend school.** In most cases, screens for vision, hearing, scoliosis, along with physicals and immunizations are considered basic, essential care for all children.

While physical health is important, arguably brain or mental health is even more important and few parents are able to identify a child's mental health issue on their own. Mental health and disability issues cross all demographics and boundaries. As many of you know, these concerns have been a priority for me while serving our community.

We know that early diagnosis for disabilities like autism can make

a tremendous impact, and half of all lifetime cases of mental illness begin by age 14. This bill takes that same logic and proven concept and applies it to mental health conditions as well.

Accordingly, my Brain Health Bill (HB 2057) requires a mental health—or brain health—check-up which at minimum would include a depression screening, for each student in the Commonwealth no later than age 14. To respect parental rights, it allows parents to opt their child out, but my hope is that we can provide information and services early so we can decrease the likelihood of risk-taking behaviors such as dropping out of school, substance abuse, self-medication, harm to oneself—or, in very rare cases—harm to others.

**I believe that HB 2057 can help more young people reach their full potential.**

## **DORMONT, MT. LEBANON, CASTLE SHANNON ROTARY CLUB**

The Dormont, Mt. Lebanon, Castle Shannon Rotary Club invites you to join us at a weekly meeting. Rotary is a volunteer organization of business and professional leaders. The club meets weekly at The Mt. Lebanon United Methodist Church, 3319 West Liberty Avenue at noon on Monday. Enjoy lunch, get an update of club activities and listen to a speaker informing us about timely topics. Meetings last only one hour. The camaraderie and friendships shared while looking to help others in our communities is a welcome break in the hectic workday.

Visit our facebook page [facebook/dmtlcsrotary](https://facebook.com/dmtlcsrotary) and twitter/[dmtlcsrotary](https://twitter.com/dmtlcsrotary) for a calendar of club events.

Rotary was founded in 1905 as the world's first service organization. Clubs are nonpolitical and open to every race, culture and creed.

***New members are always welcome.***



# Thank You to the 2016 Dormont Day Sponsors

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**Special Thanks to DABA for sponsoring the  
Foot Races, Egg Toss and Water Balloons, and all the Volunteers!!**



# OFFICIAL ACTIONS

## APRIL 4, 2016

• Accepted Consent Agenda Items A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K (A. Motion to accept the written report of the Borough Solicitor, B. Motion to approve the written reports of Borough Officials, C. Motion to approve the Minutes of the March 7, 2016 Council Meeting, D. Motion to approve the Warrant list for March 2016, E. Motion to approve the recommendation of the Traffic and Planning Parking Commission to approve the application for a Reserved Accessible Parking Space at 1128 Mississippi Avenue, F. Motion to approve the recommendation of the Traffic and Planning Parking Commission to approve the application for a Reserved Accessible Parking Space at 3114 Pioneer Avenue, G. Motion to accept the resignation of T.J. Conroy as Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator, H. Motion to accept the recommendation of the Manager to appoint James Koleski as the Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator, I. Motion to accept the Engineer's recommendation to approve bid of \$34,000.00 by R&B Contracting and Excavating Inc., for CD Year 41 Application, J. Motion to accept recommendation of the Manager to appoint Jonathon Franks to the Traffic and Planning Parking Commission, K. Motion to accept the recommendation of the Engineer to award 2016 Street and Alley Reconstruction and Resurfacing Projects Contracts A & B Base Bids to Mele & Mele & Sons, Inc.).

- Approved the application for a Reserved Accessible Parking Space at 2956 Voelkel Avenue, which was not recommended by the Traffic and Parking Planning Commission.
- Approved the advertisement of Ordinance #1615, Amending Chapter 8 Section 39 of the Code of the Borough of Dormont, to create a method for hiring a Fire Chief through the Civil Service process.
- Approved Resolution #4, 2016 adopting the Allegheny County Hazard Mitigation Plan, as required by Title 35 of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Services Code.
- Approved Resolution #5, 2016, Establishing Procedures for Approval of Expenditure for the Dormont Stormwater Authority.
- Approved Proclamation naming April 2016 as National Autism Awareness Month in the Borough of Dormont.
- Approved the sale of the Borough of Dormont Conservatorship property located at 2708 Broadway Avenue to Upstreet Properties, LLC for the price of \$28,000.00.

## MAY 2, 2016

- Accepted Consent Agenda Items A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J (A. Motion to accept the written report of the Borough Solicitor, B. Motion to approve

the written reports of Borough Officials, C. Motion to approve the Minutes of the April 4, 2016 Council Meeting, D. Motion to approve the Warrant list for April 2016, E. Motion to accept the recommendation of the engineer to award 2016 Cured-In-Place Pipe Lining Contract to Insight Pipe Contracting, L.P., in the amount of \$99,643.13, F. Motion to accept the recommendation of the engineer to award 2016 Spot Lining and Grouting Contract to Robinson Pipe Cleaning, Co., in the amount of \$78,875.00, G. Motion to accept the resignation of Patrick Kelly, Building Code Official, effective July 29, 2016, H. Motion to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve the Dormont Athletic Booster Association's request for a Conditional Use at 1655 Dormont Avenue (Pop Murray Field), for a concrete pad and retaining wall located by the storage shed, to provide a clean and dry area to store additional infield soil, I. Motion to accept the recommendation of the Park Superintendent to hire the following individuals for seasonal employment with the Borough of Dormont Parks Department for 2016: Dominic Constantini, Luke Benson, Declan Hartnett, Benjamin Morton, Jordan Zange, J. Motion to accept the recommendation of the Public Works Superintendent to hire the following individuals for seasonal employment with the Borough of Dormont Public Works Department for 2016: Ian McFarland, Jacob Legge, K. Motion to accept the



# OFFICIAL ACTIONS

resignation of Darren Stroh from the Traffic and Parking Planning Commission). Fabus thanked Pat Kelly and Darren Stroh for their years of service to the borough.

- Adopted Ordinance #1615, Amending Chapter 8 Second 39 of the Code of the Borough of Dormont, to create a method for hiring a Fire Chief through the Civil Service process.
- Adopted Resolution #6, 2016 urging the General Assembly to increase the minimum wage within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to at least \$10.15 per hour with all deliberate speed.

## MAY 31, 2016

- Authorized Proceeding with the Potomac Avenue Renovation Option II. (See attachment with the reconfiguring of the lampposts.)
- Authorized Borough Manager to Apply and Enter into Agreement for a Pennsylvania

Infrastructure Bank Loan for Neighborhood Paving Project and Potomac Avenue Reconstruction.

## JUNE 6, 2016

- Voted to install a drug take back box in the lobby of the Police Department.
- Accepted Consent Agenda Items A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L (A. Motion to accept the written report of the Borough Solicitor, B. Motion to approve the written reports of Borough Officials, C. Motion to approve the Minutes of the May 2, 2016 Council Meeting, D. Motion to approve the Warrant list for May 2016, E. Motion to appoint Seth Davis to Borough of Dormont Vacancy Board, F. Motion to approve 2016 Open Cut Spot Repair recommendation of award to NIANDO Construction, Inc., G. Motion to accept recommendation of the Engineer to approve Contracting with City of Pittsburgh for Wenzell Avenue resurfacing at a

cost of \$14,681.00, H. Motion to Amend the Borough of Dormont Financial Policies and Procedures Section 2, Authorizing Purchases Up to \$5,000.00 without prior consent of Borough Council, I. Motion to grant relief of outstanding sewer and trash fees for 2708 Broadway Avenue, J. Motion to Approve Purchase of Administrative and Police Computer Hardware and Software, not to exceed \$13,200.00, as Budgeted, K. Motion to approve the Dormont Day Band Contract [Entertainment Unlimited, The Lava Game and the Four Townsmen Show], L. Motion to Approve Hiring Summer Staff 2016 – Pool Cashiers and Day Camp).

- Approved Jason Walsh for the Traffic and Parking Planning Commission.
- Adjusted the 2016 Fee Resolution to include a \$10.00 or \$15.00 Fee for the Community Yard Sale scheduled for August 13, 2016.

## HIGH GRASS AND WEEDS

One goal of the Code Enforcement Department is for Dormont to be a clean, attractive and well maintained community. This can only be done with property owners taking responsibility for their properties.

All property owners and tenants, if designated in the lease, are responsible for maintaining yards, sidewalk areas and keeping alleyways free of high grass and weeds. There are numerous properties where alley weeds/bushes are brushing against

passing vehicles. Also, in some instances, bushes, hedges, and weeds are encroaching the sidewalk areas causing unsafe conditions. Please be considerate of neighbors, or other passersby by clearing alleyways and sidewalks.

Failure to keep property free of excess overgrowth will result in a fine for the property owner or tenant if it is their responsibility as designated in the lease.

# DORMONT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Once again and just like every year, we at DVFD would like to sincerely thank the community for their support with this year's raffle. The following folks were the lucky winners:

## First Prize:

TJ Fahey of Bethel Park–Tix 704 I

## Second Prize:

Dillon Ondrako of Bethel Park–Tix 339 B

## Third Prize:

Joan Bryan of Collier–Tix 641 N

The money that was raised for this year's raffle will go towards training and new equipment for your Dormont firefighters. Again, we greatly appreciate your support.

We would also like to welcome our first three Junior Firefighters: Myles Massery, Kurtis King, and Cody Gallagher. We are proud to have them on-board and they have been nothing but hard-working since they joined up.

We would also like to remind you of the upcoming street fair on 10/8 and invite you to come out. Please stop by and see us. Maybe even consider signing up for our Citizen's Fire Academy to see what being a real firefighter feels like. We are always looking for folks who are interested in becoming a volunteer as well. And as always, stay safe.



## Code Enforcement/ Building Department Home Safety Reminders

Remember when you change your clocks at daylight savings time, also change the batteries in your smoke detectors. Many lives could be saved if all homes had working smoke detectors. The placement of smoke detectors is very important.

Single Family Dwellings are required to install smoke detectors in the following locations:

- One on every level of your home, including basements
- Inside every bedroom and sleeping area
- In the main corridor outside each bedroom area

## Important Tips to Consider:

1. Mount smoke detectors in the middle of the ceiling, if that is not possible place it 6 to 12 inches below the ceiling and away from corners. Keep them high because smoke rises.
2. Avoid placing smoke detectors too near the kitchen stove and bathroom shower, as cooking smoke and shower steam can cause nuisance alarms.
3. Do not place them near doorways or windows where drafts could impair the detector operation.
4. Mount basement alarms at the bottom of the basement stairwell.
5. Most models will make a chirping or beeping sound when the battery is losing its charge. When this sound is heard, install a fresh battery.
6. Clean the detectors face and grillwork often to remove dust and grease with a damp cloth then test the alarm by using the test/hush button.
7. Also, keep a Fire Extinguisher in your home; mount fire extinguishers on a wall 3-1/2 to 5 feet above the floor, the location should be beneath an exit or an escape route from the room.

If you are looking for a unique gift for somebody, consider giving him or her a smoke detector. It's an interesting gift that can save lives and show that you care.

## Congratulations to PAT KELLY on his RETIREMENT!

# DORMONT

*Historical Society*

If you take time to really look at the handsome white brick building at 1444 Hillsdale Avenue, you will see that it has two names – Hillsdale School and Dormont Municipal Center.

Designed by Frederick Oesterling, the prominent Pittsburgh architect, the building first opened in 1912 as the eight room Dormont School. Its wide marble staircase with decorative handrails rising from the basement to the third floor, its wide halls and large windows make the interior of the building very impressive.

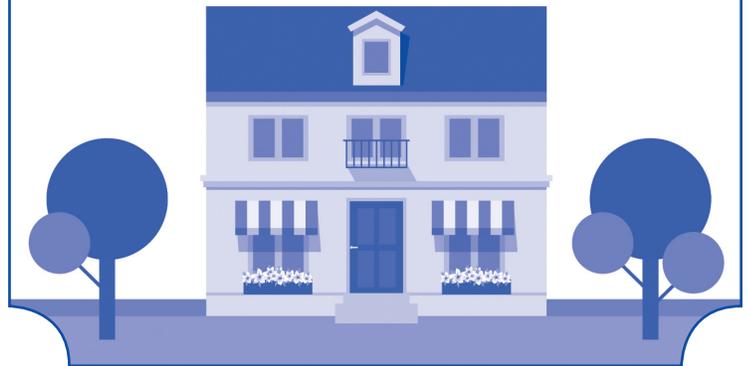
With the completion of the Liberty Bridge, Dormont's population grew rapidly, necessitating the addition of four classrooms on the Glenmore side, then four more on the Espy side. Its name was changed when Kelton School was built to accommodate pupils on the other side of West Liberty Avenue.

After the consolidation of the Keystone Oaks School District, the Hillsdale building sat vacant for a few years until Dormont Borough bought it in 1997. The borough officials renovated it before moving from their cramped quarters in the original Municipal Building on West Liberty Avenue. The Glenmore section of the first floor now houses the reception area and borough offices. The tax collector's office is located in the spacious lobby. Until recently, the opposite end of that floor, which is being remodeled, housed Lifespan. The police department occupies the Glenmore Avenue side of the lower level.

Our museum, in Suite 1, lower level, Espy Avenue side, can be reached by the stairs or by the elevator that is opposite the door to the parking lot. When you come to the Borough Building for any reason, why not visit us? We are there Thursdays, 9 – 2. Or call 412.341.3667 to arrange a visit so you can enjoy the many, many artifacts representing Dormont and its residents through the years.

## Dormont Public Library 2016 HOUSE TOURS

The Fall House & Garden Tour is coming up soon! Join us on Sunday, October 2, 2016 from 11 AM - 4 PM. There will also be a Holiday House Tour on December 4, 2016 from 3 PM - 7 PM. If you're interested in participating in the house tour, please contact Janice Wrostek at 412-341-4112. Homes featured on the tour do not need to be perfectly decorated or renovated, but rather are meant to showcase the unique historical qualities of Dormont homes. For Dormont Businesses: We have ad opportunities in our booklet or we can talk about promotions that are unique to your type of business. Business owners should contact Christina Smith at 724-331-5259 or dormonthousetour@gmail.com. All proceeds from both house tours benefit the Dormont Public Library.



We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Mt. Lebanon Evangelical Presbyterian Church for including Dormont in their Mission Possible project. Over the past several years they have helped some of our families in need with home repairs, including painting, landscaping, garage repairs, gutter repairs, among other things. On Thursday July 14 they held Summerfest at Dormont Park which included live music, food and games. Fun was had by all.

Thank You MLEPC for  
being a good neighbor!





# Dormont Public Library

2950 West Liberty Avenue | Pittsburgh PA 15216 | 412-531-8754

## Great things are happening at the Dormont Public Library!

- **The completion of the new entranceway** for our library should be done by mid August!
- **With the great assistance of** Senator, Wayne Fontana, and the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County we have received a \$250,000 grant for the majority of the funding that is needed for the structural reinforcement of our back hill.
- **We will be celebrating our 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary** sometime between September and October so look for details on our website, [dormontlibrary.org](http://dormontlibrary.org), Facebook ([www.facebook.com/dormontlibrary](http://www.facebook.com/dormontlibrary)), and Twitter (@dormontlib).
- **There will be a vendor fair** on September 16 & 17 from 9 am to 5 pm. Contact the library to reserve a table and sell your specialties. Tables are \$25 per table for one day and \$40 per table for both days. Proceeds from your sales are yours to keep.
- **We will be celebrating Welcoming Week** again this year from September 16 to 24. This week is designed to welcome immigrants and visitors to our country as well as encourage acceptance and understanding of diverse cultures from around the world. We will highlight these cultures with our International Covered Dish Dinner on September 21 at 6 pm as well as an international bake sale throughout the week, a global film series, ESL and foreign language classes, and our ongoing Pittsburgh Narrative Project. Please plan on joining us at these events. For a full schedule, contact the library at 412-531-8754 or visit our homepage at [dormontlibrary.org](http://dormontlibrary.org).
- **September 27 is National Voter Registration Day!** Come to our library to get registered and join in this American tradition! Every vote counts!
- **Kelly Stroup from Housestoryteller.com** will be discussing how to find the history of your house on September 28 at 7 pm. She will also be doing a workshop on October 19 from 6 to 8:30 pm explaining the fundamentals of researching the history of your house with techniques, problem solving, etc.
- **October 2 from 11 am to 4 pm is our Fall House Tour** and December 4 will be our Holiday House Tour. Please plan on attending both of these events to visit the beautiful homes of Dormont. All proceeds benefit the Dormont Public Library.

**Please note that all programs listed except the House Tours, require registration.**

Jay Papuga State Farm Agency will be offering a **FREE EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOP** on September 28th at 10:00 am in the Dormont Library. Lite refreshments will be served.

Seating is limited so please pre-register by September 24, 2016 at the number or email below.

### DO YOU WANT TO LEAVE A LEGACY?

It's difficult to think about your own mortality and future health, but with the right plan in place, you can help ensure you are protecting yourself and your loved ones.

**Attend our free workshop to learn more.**

Please RSVP by Sept 24, 2016 at 412.319.7111  
or  
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**WHEN** Wednesday 10:00 am  
September 28, 2016

**WHERE** Dormont Public Library  
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Pittsburgh PA 15216

**HOSTED BY**

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# DORMONT ATHLETIC BOOSTERS ASSOCIATION

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## BASEBALL

The Dormont 8U and 10U home baseball tournaments were a great success! We had many compliments from visiting parents and coaches. 93.7 The Fan came to a game and did player interviews which were on the radio. The Pittsburgh Pirates and the Pierogi's made an appearance, with the Pierogi's racing across Pop Murray Field (Cheese Chester was the winner!). Thank you to both organizations for your support.

## DORMONT'S 8U BASEBALL TEAM

finished 2nd at the Dormont Baseball Tournament and 3rd in the Beechview Tournament. Congratulations to the team and coaches!

## DORMONT'S 10U BASEBALL TEAM

finished 2nd at the Westwood Baseball Tournament. Congratulations to the team and coaches!

Beggs Snyder field was renovated this year. A new infield and pitching mound was placed to provide another area for our kids to play baseball and softball. Construction at Pop Murray field added new speakers at the field and a new area by the shed where we can store dry infield dirt.

## DABA'S FALL FEST

will be held on November 12th, 2016. See a DABA member or visit [www.dormontbooster.com](http://www.dormontbooster.com) for a ticket. Each ticket is \$20.00. The event will feature many craft beers to sample, a DJ for dancing, food and refreshments (alcoholic and non-alcoholic provided), baskets to raffle and much more! Please join us for an evening of fun with friends!



## SOFTBALL

Congratulations to our 15U (Roland's Seafood Grill) & 12U (VFW Post 694) fast-pitch teams for both being runner ups in this year's GPGSL play offs.

## OUR 10U FAST-PITCH TEAM

(Dormont Fire Dept.) had a challenging season. But they are looking forward for better things next season.

## THE 8U SLOW-PITCH TEAM

(Giovanni's Pizza and Pasta) had a great regular season going undefeated.

The 8U team also entered the Green Tree Tournament this past July and finished in 2nd place losing in the championship game to a very good Oakdale team. (team photo attached)

## THANK YOU TO ALL OUR MANAGERS & COACHES

for volunteering their time coaching the girls.

To the parents for their support of the girls and on helping out at the concession stand.

Thank you All for making the KOA softball program a success each and every year. Without you we could not do make it happen.

## THANK YOU TO OUR TEAM SPONSOR JAMISON'S,

whose name was missed from our summer article.





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Dear Friend of the Hollywood,

**We need your support!** For 90 years, the Hollywood Theater has been an anchor of the Potomac Avenue business district, a landmark in our neighborhood, and a special part of the lives of Dormont area residents. Since 1926, when the stars flickered on both the screen and the ceiling, the Hollywood has been there. We need your support

Recently, we held a 90th Birthday Party at the Hollywood, with special guest David Conrad. It was an amazing night filled with everything we love about our special theater: a terrific film, tasty popcorn, and a beautiful shared experience with great friends.

Despite some wonderful special events and great programming this year, **the theater's future and our ability to make it to our 91st birthday is in jeopardy.** In the past eight months, we've had some major setbacks including over \$17,000 in unplanned HVAC costs, soaring electric bills, and a drop in attendance due in part to the ongoing construction on Potomac Ave. In order to keep the doors open and the lights on for years to come, we are launching our **90 for 90 Campaign!** Our goal is to raise \$90,000. To do this, we need 90 of our friends to donate \$50, 90 donors at the \$100 level, 90 friends to give \$250, 90 of you to be stars at \$500 and to hit the goal of \$90,000, we need just nine friends to give \$1,000 each! Any donation is appreciated.

**Revenue from movie tickets alone won't keep our doors open.** We need you to let us know that you support and value the Hollywood Theater by joining us in this campaign. Your generous support shows your commitment to the theater and allows us to continue bringing you entertainment like our classic and independent films, events for the community, our STEM program for school kids, and the longest running *Rocky Horror Picture Show* performance in Pittsburgh.

**We need your donations by September 30th** to ensure that the stars continue to flicker on Potomac Avenue. We'll see you at the show!

**Yes, I want to support the Hollywood Theater!**

Please charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to my credit card (Visa, MC, Discover, AMEX)

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Enclosed is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ *(Please make payable to Friends of the Hollywood Theater)*

Additional Details:

- Please keep my higher-level support anonymous; do not list me in the Annual Report
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Your gift might be tax-deductible. Your contribution to the Hollywood Theater helps us to celebrate and preserve the single screen cinema experience; act as a cultural and economic anchor and engage our community with innovative and diverse programming. Consult with your tax professional for advice about tax deductions.

**Do we have your email address?**

When you provide your email address you help us conserve office products and reduce postage expenses, and you'll receive our special weekly *Coming Attractions* e-newsletter.



# 2016



# Road Resurfacing Projects

**As we enter the fall months, the Borough is looking to complete the following road projects:**

## **Reconstruction of Potomac Avenue**

Between May and August, both the Pennsylvania American Water Company (PAW) and Columbia Gas upgraded their facilities. PAW had old 8" and 20" cast iron mains running from W. Liberty Avenue to Banksville Road. Over the years, there have been several breaks in these mains, resulting in outages and damage to Borough streets. These mains were replaced with a single 24" DIP.

The gas company had two steel mains, one a low and the other a high pressure main, running from W. Liberty Avenue to Broadway Avenue. These have been replaced with a single 8" plastic high pressure main.

The Borough's project is the reconstruction of Potomac Avenue, from West Liberty Avenue to Espy Avenue. This street will be totally reconstructed the full 50-foot width of the right-of-way, from the front of the buildings on one side of the street to the front of those on the opposite side. This street will be reconstructed as a "Green Infrastructure" project. Under this project, the asphalt roadway, concrete and paver sidewalk, handicapped accessible (HC) ramps, concrete planters and existing trees and tree boxes will be completely removed. The approved design calls for the redistribution of parking spaces and sidewalk areas to allow wider sidewalks in certain areas, which will promote outdoor eating and passive use areas. To soften the glare along the street, every other street lamp in the 2-block area will be removed. Construction is anticipated to begin on October 10 and run until January 1, 2017.

The proposed reconstruction includes, for both the street and sidewalk, the installation of permeable concrete pavers over a stone base. Both permeable concrete paver sidewalks and crosswalks will be installed in a herringbone pattern. This surface will act as a filter for roadway pollutants and sediment, while the underlying stone bed will act as a stormwater storage basin as the water migrates to the underdrain system. The underdrain system is proposed along both sides of the street, along each curb line, and will be connected to the downstream

stormwater catch basins. Along this underdrain, commercial building roof drains and basement sumps, on both sides of the street, and drains from each of the new tree boxes, will be connected.

A total of 12 tree boxes and 2 large landscape beds will also be installed in the sidewalk. With special tree grates, pavers will be able to be installed to within 24" of the tree. The planting of these areas is planned for the spring of 2016 along with the installation of public bistro type tables, seating areas, garbage cans and other public amenities.

Earlier in the spring, an e-mail chain was created to advise affected businesses and residences of the ongoing construction updates. If you would like to receive these e-mail notifications, please contact the Borough at 412-561-8900 with your e-mail address to be added to the list.

## **Resurfacing of Streets and Alleys**

Earlier this summer the Borough resurfaced two streets and one alley. Oklahoma Avenue from Texas Avenue to Annex Avenue; Tennessee Avenue from Belplain Avenue to Annex Avenue and Delwood Avenue from Mississippi Avenue to Hillsdale Avenue. Prior to the construction on Delwood Avenue, Peoples Gas replaced their mains along Delwood Avenue.

In May, a supplemental road reconstruction project was put out to bid. Bids received were for the reconstruction of Texas Avenue from Tennessee Avenue to Mississippi Avenue, Arkansas Avenue from Annex Avenue to the southern terminus, Kelton Avenue from W. Liberty Avenue to Texas Avenue and the Veterans' Parking Lot.

Also in May, a supplemental alley-resurfacing project was put out to bid. Bids were received for the resurfacing of Ranger Way from Raleigh Avenue to Annapolis Avenue, and the reconstruction of Milan Alley from Dormont Avenue to Argent Alley.

We anticipate implementing these supplemental paving projects in the fall of 2016.

# 2016 Sanitary Sewer Maintenance Program

Under this year's sewer maintenance program, the Borough will be completed several sanitary sewer projects.

The first project was our manhole-to-manhole sewer-lining project. Under this contract, sewer lines where there are a number of structural defects or where there was significant groundwater inflow at the joints, was internally lined from manhole to manhole to restore the structural integrity of the pipe without the need to excavate the street.

The second project was our spot lining and grouting contract. This contract focused on sewer lines where there were isolated defects and/or significant infiltration at a single joint

or lateral, but did not warrant the cost of manhole-to-manhole lining.

The third project was for repairs where it will be necessary to excavate in the street to make the repairs. This contract included replacement of short sections of collapsed pipe and the installation of some new manholes.

Coming this fall, we will be performing our annual sewer televising and preventive maintenance work. Under this contract, we will clean and televise the Borough's sanitary sewers that have not been televised in the last 5 years. Based upon this inspection work, the sewers for the Borough's 2017 repair contracts will be identified.

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# Dormont Stormwater Authority News **FALL 2016**

## STORMWATER FEE:

The 2016 stormwater bill was due July 31, 2016. Payments were accepted up until August 1, 2016 with no penalty. If you have not paid your 2016 Stormwater bill please contact Jordan Tax Service as soon as possible at 412-835-5243 to avoid any further fees or penalties. Note that beginning in 2017, bills will be sent out in January for the entire year.



## STORMWATER FACT:

Yard fertilizer runoff from residential areas is estimated to be responsible for one third of the excess nitrogen polluting our waterways.

*The combination of heavy rains and impervious surfaces cause substantial urban flooding in many areas of Dormont, including West Liberty and Potomac Avenues (pictured above, May, 2016). Photo by: Bob Palmieri*

Borough of Dormont Stormwater Authority meetings are held the third Wednesday of the month in Council Chambers at the Borough Building at 7pm. All are welcome!

DSWA is looking for volunteers to help man our table and talk to residents about stormwater at the Borough of Dormont Street Fair and Music Festival-Saturday October 8, 2016. If interested call or email 412-561-8900 ext 240 [jtaylor@dormontstormwater.org](mailto:jtaylor@dormontstormwater.org)

Interested in receiving our quarterly e-newsletter? Email or call Jennifer Taylor. 412-561-8900 ext 240 [jtaylor@dormontstormwater.org](mailto:jtaylor@dormontstormwater.org)



# DORMONT AARP

**Dormont AARP meets the Second Thursday of every month (rain or shine) at 1:30 pm at the Wallace Memorial Presbyterian Church, 1146 Greentree Road (at intersection with Potomac Ave.) There's a large parking lot behind the Church.**

We have speakers, entertainment and an annual Picnic and Christmas Party to name just a few of our activities, as well as opportunities for travel near and far. Come, join us at a meeting.

**NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME.**

# News from the Dormont Elementary Parent-Faculty Organization

The students of Dormont Elementary will once again be collecting the following items to help raise funds for assemblies, field trips, and educational programming for the 2016-2017 school year:

- Box Tops for Education
- Campbell's Labels for Education
- Shop n' Save receipts

Also, you can upload receipts via your smartphone to the Shoparoo app!! Every grocery store receipt uploaded earns points towards cash and other store receipts earn sweepstakes entries!

We would appreciate any and all donations of these fundraising items! Community members can give them to a Dormont Elementary neighbor to bring to school or they can be deposited in the collection box in the Borough Building.

**All members of the Dormont community are welcome and encouraged to join us at the following events:**

- McTeacher Night at McDonald's on W. Liberty Ave – September 20th, 6 PM-8 PM
- Dormont Elementary Fundraiser at Cain's – November 6h, 6PM - 9PM

Mention Dormont Elementary when you order/pay, and Dormont Elementary will receive a donation for your patronage.

Good things are happening at Dormont Elementary. Many thanks to the Dormont community for supporting our neighborhood school!

Any questions? Contact [dormontelementarypfo@yahoo.com](mailto:dormontelementarypfo@yahoo.com).

## Friends of Dormont Pool

The sparkling water of Dormont Pool was cool when it was hot and sticky all summer. What's better than a refreshing splash in Dormont Pool? A drink from the new fountain at the pool donated by Friends of Dormont Pool (FODP). Cool water will be flowing from the drinking fountain next summer. After you satisfy your thirst stroll over to the new air pump to inflate your raft or inner tube before taking a dip. And FODP is spearheading the effort to build a bathroom with changing table near the shallow end of the pool. Sergio's Style donated the proceeds from their Cut-a-Thon held at the pool on August 28 to the bathroom fund. Although more funding is needed, FODP is entering the research phase of the project and is beginning to look at the viable options for the restroom. Friends of Dormont Pool is here to enhance your pool going experience!



The Dormont Police obtained a permanent Prescription Drug Take - Back box through a state-wide prescription drug take-back initiative. With Allegheny County having the second highest overdose rate in the state, having additional boxes throughout the County could help reduce the amount of unused medications which can become accessible for potential misuse and overdose situations. The box will be mounted and located in the lobby of the Dormont Police Station. Residents will be able to access the box 24 hours a day and 7 days a week.

- Medication, weather prescription or over-the-counter, from households and/or residences are accepted.
- Medication may be disposed of in the original containers or in a sealed plastic bag.
- Liquid pharmaceuticals shall remain in the original container.
- **No needles, syringes, or lancets shall be placed in the drop box**



## A Taste in **DORMONT**

10TH ANNUAL TASTING EVENT  
WINE + SPIRITS + FOOD + BREWS

*Saturday, September 10th, 2016*  
*5:00pm - 9:30pm*

**Tickets Available**  
**[\$25 per ticket]**  
Includes Event Access  
Vendor Tastings  
Live Music  
Commemorative Wine Glass  
Access to Auction

Dormont Main Street will be celebrating its 10th annual "A Taste in Dormont, Wine + Spirits + Food + Brews" tasting event on Saturday, September 10th, from 5:00pm - 9:30pm. Enjoy live music and libations from local wineries and breweries, while sampling tasty treats from local restaurants.

The yearly fundraising event supports local economic growth and business development efforts.

This year's event will be held at Dormont's newest development space - an open air, indoor

concept located at West Liberty Avenue. The space reflects the creative and community-oriented spirit found across Dormont and offers an elegant yet eclectic atmosphere - all the right ingredients for a relaxing evening.

New Location, Unique Atmosphere! 2880 West Liberty Avenue (former Triangle TV building). Enter event off of Glenmore Street. Free parking available at Northway Church + public lots located at Glenmore off of Potomac Above Northway Church off of Espy West Liberty Dormont Village Dormont VFW.

**\*Handicap + shuttle assistance are available upon request**

**<https://www.facebook.com/events/1731089367149105/>**

**<https://www.showclix.com/event/a-taste-in-dormont-wine-spirits-brews-food>**

## TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2016

### Judging of the Holiday Decoration Contest

The Contest is open to residential homes and businesses within the Borough. Judges will look for the best use of theme, the best use of lights, originality, and overall appearance. There will be a total of four categories. One for the businesses, and three for the residents which are: "Over the Top", "Best Holiday Movie/TV Theme", and "A Touch of Class".

**Contact Kristin Hulihan at [khulihan@boro.dormont.pa.us](mailto:khulihan@boro.dormont.pa.us) or 412-561-8900 x227 to register.**

**\* Street Fair - TBD \***

# FALL FESTIVAL

**Saturday, October 29th**

**12:00 - 4:00 PM**

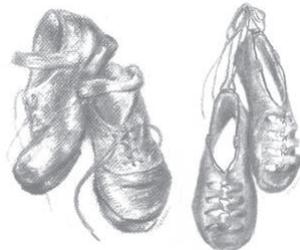
**Come on down to Dormont Park for some Halloween and Fall fun.**

There will be a Pet Costume Parade, Kids Costume Contest, pumpkin painting, apple cider, kettle corn, a Corn Hole tournament, and more!

**Bring the whole family for a fun filled afternoon before Trick-Or-Treating!**

# Recreation

**2016/17  
Fall  
Enrollment  
for**



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[Irishdance@shovlinacademy.com](mailto:Irishdance@shovlinacademy.com)**

# THE DORMONT HORSESHOE CLUB



At the end of another summer and the end of another horseshoe season we are looking back at a lot of good memories. We had 15 new members join us and join in on the fun of throwing horseshoes. A good time was had by all, the free hot dog nights, the competition and also mentioning the low price of only \$5.00 a night. We had both male and female pitchers from 20 years old to 93 years old. You may think 93 is old, but just try to come down and beat him some day! We held two tournaments with bigger than usual turn outs and are thinking of adding a 3rd tournament. For the first time ever, we did suffer two rain outs but it didn't seem to dampen anyone's spirits. All the more turned out the next week. The Dormont Library put up a really nice display in their case showing not only the history of horseshoes but the long history of the Dormont Horseshoe Club. We thank them for that and we thank all who have shown an interest in the sport of horseshoes over the past season. We're looking forward to seeing even more of you next season. THANKS to all! Any questions, please contact Lanny Kasten at [lckasten51@yahoo.com](mailto:lckasten51@yahoo.com).

**A Very Special Thank You  
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**Trick Or  
Treat**

**MONDAY  
October 31, 2016  
6:00 to 8:00 PM**

Dormont volunteer firefighters and  
police will be out and about.



**DORMONT RECREATION BOARD**

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**SATURDAY  
December 3, 2016**

3:00PM - 5:30PM

at the TBD



**LIGHT UP  
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## GARBAGE/RECYCLING NEWS AND SCHEDULE



### FALL LEAF COLLECTION PROGRAM – SIX TUESDAYS THIS FALL!

The Fall Leaf Collection Program will begin **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25** and will end on **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29**. **PICK UP WILL BE ON TUESDAYS ONLY**. All leaves must be placed in biodegradable, brown paper bags. **NO PLASTIC BAGS!** All leaf bags must be placed at the curb for pickup. **NO ALLEY PICK UP OF LEAVES!** Thirty-gallon leaf bags are available at the Borough Office at \$.50 each or a pack of 5 for \$2.50. You can also purchase biodegradable bags at most hardware/building supply stores.

The leaf vac will also be available to pick up leaves in the street. The borough will try to follow the street sweeping schedule when possible.

**CARDBOARD RECYCLING** – boxboard and small flat pieces of corrugated cardboard (all cardboard must be broken down so it is flat & no more than 3 feet in length or width & tied in a bundle.)

**TV PICKUP** – The Borough participates in the At Your Door Special Collection program for recycling of E-waste; CPU/towers, monitors, keyboards, televisions, VCRs, etc. To have these items picked up at your door free of charge, call 1-800-449-7587. They are no longer accepted with the regular trash.

**THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY WILL NOT AFFECT THE TRASH OR RECYCLING PICK UP SCHEDULE.**