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**Dear Dormont Residents, Business Owners and Visitors,** Many thanks for reading the Spring Time edition of the Dormont Newsletter. While we have had a very cold winter it has luckily been relatively dry as of this writing, which is a good thing. As Spring approaches, I want to let you know about some of the things we are looking forward to in 2015.

First we will be finishing up the rewriting of our Zoning Code. For anyone who has a business and can't put up the type of sign they would like or for a homeowner who can't put a parking pad on their property or for the resident who sees certain businesses that don't fit our character proliferating in the Borough, rewriting our Zoning Code will address these concerns. This has been a lengthy process that involved five public hearings and will culminate with a Public Hearing and Council vote on March 2, 2015. In conjunction with this, we have also reworked our entire Code of Ordinances and in February we unveiled the newer version which includes a completely searchable, user-friendly online version of the Code. We encourage you to get familiar with our Codes and the new online version makes it easy.

Second, now that our big picture planning has been accomplished, we will be moving into some more specific planning. Areas of interest will include a long-range plan for Potomac Avenue and a long-range financial plan which will include capital improvement planning. Councilperson Martino will be heading up the Potomac Avenue planning effort and Councilperson Costanzo will be heading up the long-range financial planning effort. Both of these will help us stay focused

and keep us moving forward, continuing the progress we have made over the last several years.

Finally there are our capital projects which help to keep our infrastructure sound and allow us to meet the many mandates the State and Federal governments require. These include our Road Program where we will again spend almost \$500,000 to improve roads. This year, as in 2014, a significant portion of that money will go towards improving our worst alleys, this time on the east side of West Liberty Avenue. And we will be completely repaving Potomac Avenue from West Liberty to the "T" line. The list of alleys we hope to improve can be found on page 7 of this newsletter. The final list will be posted on the Borough website following bidding later in the Spring. We also have our Sewer Repairs Program where we will again be spending \$500,000 to maintain sewer lines and catch basins and manholes in our sanitary sewer system. This work is not only to avoid costly replacement projects but is mandated by the Federal government.

There are many other activities coming during 2015. While we can't address every concern we are striving to be as responsive as possible. So please take a moment to let us know how we are doing.

You can use our Dormont Delivers app on our website at [www.boro.dormont.pa.us](http://www.boro.dormont.pa.us) or on your smart phone for that. And until next time, enjoy the Spring.

Bill McCartney, PH.D.,  
President Borough Council

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# State of the Borough Report

By Council President Bill McCartney, Ph.D.

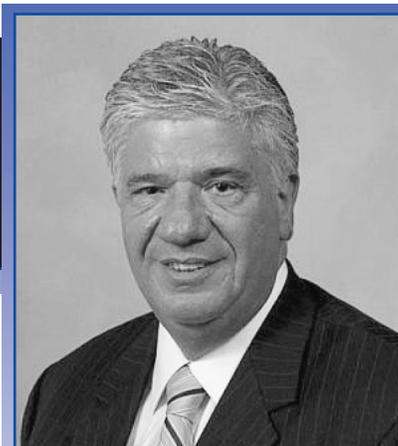
*This is a brief summary of the state of the Borough at the close of 2014.*

**First, the Borough is in excellent financial shape.** We have established a reserve fund of over \$700,000.00 to cover expenses if our revenues (e.g., real estate tax payments, earned income taxes, etc.) do not come in fast enough to cover our monthly costs early in the year. Because of that reserve fund, for the third year in a row, we will not have to take out a short-term loan and pay over \$10,000.00 in interest. For the 3rd year in a row, there will be no increase in real estate taxes. Unlike over 800 boroughs and cities in PA, our employee pension plans are well funded and very strong. Employee morale is high as evidenced by the fact that 3 of the 4 employee unions- Police, Fire and Laborers- asked for multi-year extensions of their current contracts. (to review our adopted budget for 2015 log onto <http://www.boro.dormont.pa.us/> and search for "2015 Budget" or call the borough office to receive a hard copy).

**Secondly, Dormont's image continues to grow in a positive direction.** For example, we were recognized by Sustainable Pittsburgh as a Gold Sustainable Community (details at [http://www.sustainablepacommunitycertification.org/assessments/view\\_muni/73](http://www.sustainablepacommunitycertification.org/assessments/view_muni/73) ) and the PA Chapter of the American Planning Association recognized our Comprehensive Plan as the best Comprehensive Plan produced in PA in 2014. (details at <http://planningpa.org/news/pa-chapter-of-apa-announces-2014-annual-award-winners/> ). We were also awarded grants from the Dormont Historical Society and the the PA Bureau of Historic Preservation. These grants allowed us to hire a consultant i.e., architectural historian) who is now hard at work identifying our historic properties.

**Finally, in 2014:** we continued to confront aggressively issues such as our crumbling infrastructure (e.g., borough buildings, roads and alleys, etc.) that have been ignored for years (for details, log onto the Borough website and click on Departments/Finance/Long-range financial planning); we began to implement a program to deal with dilapidated and abandoned houses. As a start, we demolished a decade long problem property at 1218 Dormont Avenue and work has begun on two other long ignored problem properties in our new conservatorship program - that program has two goals: 1) to bring substandard neighborhood nuisance properties up to code and ; 2) to return those properties to the tax rolls; we also began the process of developing equitable solutions to frequent and costly stormwater flooding in some of our neighborhoods caused by aging, and long ignored, stormwater and sanitary sewer systems; and we began to comply with the Federal Clean Water Act permit and Consent Decree mandates ( e.g., our current and pending Clean Water Act permit requires a public education campaign, the reduction by 73% of sediment and 95% of nutrients that we contribute to the Ohio River). Each of these efforts will extend into 2015 along with those new initiatives being led by Councilpersons Costanzo and Martino discussed in my article page one.

# LETTER FROM SENATOR WAYNE FONTANA



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## Staying Connected Throughout 2015

Having been sworn in on January 6th for another term and with the 2015-16 legislative session underway I want to remind constituents in Dormont of the ways you can stay connected.

You can visit [www.senatorfontana.com](http://www.senatorfontana.com) to watch Senate session live, research legislation, download applications and forms and view news releases. The website also provides a listing of toll-free numbers to a variety of departments and agencies and contains my contact information and locations of my district offices. You may also sign-up on the website to receive my weekly emailed News & Views and my monthly Jobs News & Views.

Constituents are always able to discuss legislative issues and express opinions and suggestions on matters before the General Assembly by contacting one of the offices or by emailing me directly at [Fontana@pasenate.com](mailto:Fontana@pasenate.com). I also can be followed on Twitter at [www.twitter.com/WayneDFontana](http://www.twitter.com/WayneDFontana).

If you need assistance on any state matter, please call or visit one of my district offices to receive full-service on a variety of items including: notary services; PennDOT issues; unclaimed property forms; tax forms; senior bus passes; and much more.

**Most importantly, I want all constituents to know that I and my staff are always available to assist you. Since my election in 2005 we have always ensured that any constituent who comes to us has their problem solved and if we can't solve the problem directly, we are able to at least provide direction to get a solution.**

## *A Note From* THE MAYOR

Dear Neighbor,

It won't be long till spring has arrived and winter doordrums are a thing of the past.

In January I had the pleasure of swearing in the 2015 Line Officers and Association Officers of our Volunteer Fire Department. As always, we are forever grateful to these individuals and to all the firefighters for their dedication to our community.

Just a reminder, as spring approaches, Street Sweeping will once again commence April 1<sup>st</sup> and run through November. Check this news-letter for the sweeper schedule.

On a sad note, Mayor Tom Lloyd passed away in December after a brief illness. He will be surely missed by all.

Finally, I wish all of you a great Spring and Summer.

Sincerely,  
Mayor Phil Ross

# DORMONT AARP

**Dormont AARP#3016 started 2015 with another change relative to our monthly meeting location.**

Having had only several meetings at St. Catherine's Church Hall, Broadway Ave., Beechview, we recently learned that the parish is contracting to renovate its hall. This is expected to take at least several months! Thus began a search for a temporary hall which was not easy. Good news! We are happy to announce that we had our first meeting on Jan. 8 at Church of the Advent, Pioneer Ave., Brookline. Parking is available there and also nextdoor at St. Pius lot. This hall is much smaller & compact with a small kitchen & restrooms (of course) but unable to accommodate our average attendance of 90-100 members at monthly meetings. The officers & board are happy to have found a place to meet on such short notice. For further info, please refer to your monthly "chapter" newsletter.

## Dormont Historical Society

*According to our constitution, the purpose of our Society is to collect and preserve the history and memorabilia of Dormont Borough for its residents, past, present and future, to enjoy. That is what we have been busy doing for the last fifteen years and hope to continue to do in the years ahead so that visitors to our museum will become aware of the Borough's development.*

Our suite in the lower level of the Municipal Center is filled with interesting items and information. Old local newspapers, school newspapers and yearbooks, calendars, a fine collection of matchbook covers, and other kinds of donations have given us the names, dates and locations of many former businesses for our card file. Another section of that file holds information about every imaginable aspect of Dormont's history - the school system, library, government, organizations, prominent Dormonters, activities, etc. Our walls are covered with pictures, posters, paintings and other kinds of framed items. Of course, the main interest for most visitors is the collection of old and/or unusual memorabilia that represents residents and businesses.

Our Memorial Fund is used to mark significant locations within the Borough. We hope that you have noticed the markers we have had erected at the former site of Dormont High School and Kelton School. The site of the former Hillsdale School, now the Municipal Center, will be marked this spring.

There are two ways you can help us fulfill our goals. One is to donate items or information that would help us expand our collections. The other is by becoming members. For \$10.00 a year, an individual or family receives our bi-monthly newsletters.

**Our museum is open Thursdays, 9 until 2, and at special times. To arrange a visit at another time, call Muriel, 412.341.3667. Do come!**



# OFFICIAL ACTIONS

## OCTOBER 6, 2014

- Accepted Consent Agenda Items A, B, C, D, E, F (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 September 2, 2014 Council Business Meeting, D. Motion to approve the Warrant List for September, 2014, E. Motion to authorize Payment #1 for Laurel Asphalt for \$6,950 for work on the crosswalks on Dormont Avenue, etc., F. Motion to accept the resignations of Cara Pattinato and Mary McClelland from the Recreation Board, G. Motion to approve Tom Manganas as a Dormont Volunteer Fire Department Member).
- Approved a Reserved Accessible Parking Space for Mr. Thomas Barket of 1326 Mississippi Avenue as outlined in the staff report.
- Authorized the Borough Manager to execute an agreement with Hazen and Sawyer to develop a methodology for a stormwater management fee as outlined in the staff report.
- Authorized the Borough Manager to execute an agreement with Plans Examiners, Inc. for a third party plan review and inspection services as outlined in the staff report.
- Accepted a Keystone Project Grant from the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission for a total project cost of \$31,337.00 with a Borough

match of \$6,000.00 as outlined in the staff report.

## NOVEMBER 3, 2014

- Accepted Consent Agenda Items A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M (A. Motion to accept the written report of the Borough Solicitor, B. Motion to accept the written reports of Borough Officials, C. Motion to approve the Minutes of the October 6, 2014 Council Business Meeting, D. Motion to approve the Warrant List for October, 2014, E. Motion to authorize Payment #1 and Final to the City of Pittsburgh for \$37,771.00 for the paving of McNeilly Avenue, F. Motion to authorize Payment #1 to R & R Masonry Restoration for \$4,200.00 for masonry work at the Thomas Lloyd Recreation Center, G. Motion to authorize Payment #2 and Final to R & R Masonry Restoration for \$7,800.00 for masonry work at the Thomas Lloyd Recreation Center, H. Motion to authorize Payment #1 and Final to Niando Construction, Inc. for \$9,751.20 for curb and sidewalk replacement on McNeilly Avenue, I. Motion to authorize Payment #2 to Insight Pipe Contracting, L.P. for \$4,025.22 for the 2014 Sanitary Sewer Preventative Maintenance Contract, J. Motion to authorize Payment #3 and Final to Insight Pipe Contracting, L.P. for \$2,240.22 for the 2014 Sanitary Sewer Preventative Maintenance Contract, K. Motion to authorize Payment #1 to Laurel Asphalt, L.L.C. for \$42,735.80 for the Imprinted Crosswalk Project, L. Motion to authorize Payment #1 and Final to Niando Construction, Inc. for \$16,404.74

for the 2014 Sanitary Sewer O&M Projects, M. Motion to accept the resignation of Grant Shiring from the Planning Commission).

- Approved a Reserved Accessible Parking Space for Ms. Dolores Galenec of 2943 Glenmore Avenue as outlined in the staff report.
- Approved a Reserved Accessible Parking space for Ms. Ruth Tepke of 2907 Voelkel Avenue, Apt. #2, as outlined in the staff report.
- Adopted Ordinance No. 1602 which amends the Non-Police Pension Plan to change the normal retirement age to 60 with 20 years of service as outlined in the staff report.
- Approved Resolution No. 18-2014 extending the lease negotiation period with Fore Properties for the Transit Oriented Development at the Dormont Junction T-Stop for one year as outlined in the staff report.
- Approved Resolution No. 19-2014 authorizing the Borough Manager to apply for CDBG funding from Allegheny County in the amount of \$32,477.00 as outlined in the staff report (for 18 ADA ramps).
- Authorized expenditures for the conservatorship property located at 2708 Broadway Avenue as outlined in the staff report.
- Authorized the Borough Manager to pay Ron's Garage, Inc. \$13,824.64 for repairs to the Fire Department's ladder truck as outlined in the staff report.



# OFFICIAL ACTIONS

- Awarded the lining of a stormwater line parallel to West Liberty Avenue to ease flooding on LaSalle Avenue to Insight Pipe Contracting, LP at a cost of \$20,178.00 as outlined in the staff report.
- Authorized the purchase of a prefabricated stairway to replace the existing stairway at the end of Ordinance Avenue where it meets Connecticut Avenue from Hampton Concrete for \$2,227.00 as outlined in the staff report.
- Authorized the purchase of a 52 inch rotary broom for the Parks Department to attach to their tractor to use for sidewalk snow removal and other uses from West Central Equipment for \$2,188.62 as outlined in the staff report.
- Authorized the purchase of a plasma cutting tool for the Streets Department from Jackson Welding Supply Co. for \$1,850.00 as outlined in the staff report.
- Authorized the purchase of LED light fixtures for the street lights on Potomac Avenue from The Hite Company for \$11,100.00 as outlined in the staff report.
- Authorized entering into an agreement with Skelly and Loy, Inc. to identify historic homes and businesses within the Borough using grant funds from the Commonwealth as outlined in the staff report.
- 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 November 3, 2014 Council Business Meeting, D. Motion to approve the Warrant List for November, 2014, E. Motion to authorize Payment #2 to Niando Construction, Inc. for \$135,124.33 for the 2014 Road Resurfacing Project, F. Motion to authorize Payment #2 and Final to Laurel Asphalt, L.L.C. for \$2,249.25 for the Imprinted Crosswalk Project, G. Motion to authorize Payment #1 to Buono Construction for \$14,700.00 for work on the conservatorship property at 1447 Dormont Avenue, H. Motion to authorize Payment #1 to Buono Construction for \$3,000.00 for work on the conservatorship property at 2708 Broadway Avenue, I. Motion to authorize Payment #1 to East Coast Paving & Sealcoating, Inc. for \$147,874.68 for work on the 2014 Road Construction Project - Alleys, J. Motion to authorize the appointment of Bradley Sabolcik as a Volunteer Firefighter with the Dormont Volunteer Fire Department).
- Adopted the Fiscal Year 2015 Budget as developed by Council and presented in the staff report.
- Adopted Ordinance No. 1604 which levies an Ad Valorem Tax for 2015 Millage Rate at 8.97.
- Adopted Ordinance No. 1603 which implements a biennial fire safety inspection for all commercial and 4 or more unit multi-family structures as outlined in the staff report.
- Approved Resolution No. 21-2014 adopting a Fee Schedule for Fiscal Year 2015 as outlined in the staff report. *Naftal noted on page 5 under Recreation Center rental the evening and weekend rentals states 4 hour rentals but should be 10 hour rentals.*
- Approved Resolution No. 20-2014 appointing Fire Apparatus Officer Mat Davis as Fire Marshall and Fire Apparatus Officer Jim Kolesky as Deputy Fire Marshal as outlined in the staff report.
- Authorized the Borough Manager to execute an agreement with LifeSolutions for Employee Assistance Program services for 2 years as outlined in the staff report.
- Awarded the Voelkel Avenue stormwater line addition to Niando Construction, Inc. at a cost of \$52,305.00 as outlined in the staff report.
- Awarded the emergency demolition of 1329 Tennessee Avenue to Schaaf Excavating for \$18,500.00 as outlined in the staff report.
- Approved a conditional use to allow Sprint to modify their cellular antennas on the roof of the Borough Building.
- Authorized the issuance of a Request for Purchase and Development Proposals for the property on the northwest corner of Hillsdale and West Liberty Avenues.
- Appointed Mr. John McClosky of 2800 Espy Avenue to the Planning Commission.

## DECEMBER 1, 2014



# 2015 CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

*As we begin 2015, the Borough is looking to complete the following construction projects:*

## 2015 Road Resurfacing Program

Under this year's road resurfacing project Council has approved the resurfacing of one street, several alleys and one public parking lot. We anticipate going out to bid in March with construction to begin on or about June 1, 2015. The project areas are discussed in more detail as follows:

**Roadways:** Potomac Avenue from West Liberty Avenue to Broadway Avenue will be resurfaced. Under this project all the handicapped accessible (HC) ramps will be replaced, along with the crosswalks. The proposed crosswalks will be the imprinted asphalt, thermoplastic surface, herringbone style, similar to the new crosswalks that were installed at the pool. In addition, the sidewalk and curbing will be replaced were needed.

**Alleys:** There are no sidewalks and curbing along the alleys, so we propose to resurface or reconstruct the following alleys as necessary:

1. Delwood Alley from Mississippi Avenue to Hillsdale Avenue.
2. 12th Alley from 1st Alley to Wainbell Avenue.
3. Lima Alley from Mississippi Avenue to Kelton Avenue.
4. Reed Way from Boyd Way to 1437 Kelton Avenue.
5. Ranger Way from Dell Avenue to Annapolis Avenue.

**Parking Lots:** In addition to the roads and alleys, Council has approved the resurfacing of the Veteran's Parking Lot. The parking lot will also be restriped and brought into compliance with current ADA regulations.

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## 2015 Sanitary Sewer Maintenance Program

Under this year's sewer maintenance program the Borough will be proceeding with several sanitary sewer projects. Last summer we internally inspected with robot cameras 14,600 linear feet of sanitary sewer main. This inspection identified the various sewers in need of some type of repair. Based upon this inspection we will be issuing contracts for these required repairs. On sewer lines where there are a number of defects, the sewers will be lined from manhole to manhole. For those sewers where there are isolated defects and/or significant infiltration at a joint or lateral, we will be performing spot lining and grouting. A third contract will be issued for repairs where it will be necessary to open the street in order to make the repairs.

In addition to the repair contracts, we will also be performing our annual televising and preventive maintenance work where we will clean and televise 20% of the Borough's sanitary sewers. Based upon this inspection work, the sewers for next year's repair contracts will be identified.

The work on the various sewer projects identified is anticipated to extend from March 1 through September of this year.

# Dormont Public Library



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*Please join the Dormont Public Library on Wednesday, March 18 at 7 pm as we welcome author Marian Szczepanski to discuss, sign and sell her book, "Playing St. Barbara".* It is a story set during the coal strike of 1928. Marian is the granddaughter of immigrant coal miners and grew up in Greensburg, Pennsylvania in the Jamison Coal Company house. We look forward to having you join us for this historical discussion.

*We are also offering a special program called Speak Up!* It is an invaluable resource for young girls and is filled with sample scenarios and guidance to help girls between 7 and 12 years old learn how to negotiate and build confidence in different situations. This program will be held on Tuesday, March 24 at 7 pm. Registration is required.

*On March 11 at 11 am, we will be the site of a Fairy Tale Mock Trial.* The Allegheny County Bar Association Young Lawyers Division Public Service Committee will be hosting a mock trial of Goldilocks and the Three Bears for children ages 5 to 10 years. The children will be the jury as they hear the cases of Goldilocks and the Three Bears performed by young attorneys in costume. The audience will be the judge for the outcome. Plan to come and enjoy the event with your family. Registration is required.

*April 22nd at 6:30 will be our Spring Covered Dish Dinner.* The theme will be Vegetarian and this event is free. All you have to do is provide a covered dish of any type of entrée for at least 10 to 15 people. We will provide the plastic ware and beverages. Hopefully you will join us for the company and conversation with each year having better and better gatherings.

## The 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 every 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.

Our Rotary Club has one fundraiser each year. This year's event "A Taste of the South Hills" will be held on March 21, 2015 at the Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church on Gilkeson Road beginning at 7:00 P.M. You can taste signature foods from restaurants in the South Hills area. There will also be entertainment and prizes. Visit our web site at [www.tasteofthesouthhills.com](http://www.tasteofthesouthhills.com) for additional information. Tickets can be purchased before the event for \$50.00. For ticket information email [marilyn0900@verizon.net](mailto:marilyn0900@verizon.net).

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.

# MESSAGES FROM YOUR COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS

## PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE IN THE BOROUGH

What an exciting time to be living or working in Dormont! The Boards and Commissions have been busy and that certainly is the case with the Planning Commission. The role of the Planning Commission is to advise and make recommendations to Council regarding land use and zoning issues within the Borough. The new Comprehensive Plan and subsequent revised Zoning Code have both been across our desks, and with public input and support we are excited to see them implemented. While these two documents may not sound exciting, they both have a huge impact on how Dormont will look and feel as a community in the future.

The newly passed Comprehensive Plan is made up of a series of goals and long range plans around all facets of the Borough. Parking and street improvements, upgrades to the business district on West Liberty and Potomac, and improvements and added uses to current Borough parks and facilities are just a few items that have been proposed in the Comprehensive Plan. Many of these suggestions for the Comp Plan came from residents during the public input meetings held over the past year. While some of these plans will take years to be implemented, there are a few proposals that have already taken shape, such as enhanced and more visible crosswalks for increased pedestrian safety and installation of smart parking meters and kiosks. If you'd like to catch a glimpse of what the future might hold for Dormont, we'd urge you to lookup the Dream Dormont Comprehensive Plan on the Borough website and become informed. Our Comprehensive Plan even won the award for best Comp Plan in the State for 2014 from the American Planning Association!

If the Comprehensive Plan is the goal or outcome that we want to see in our community, then the Zoning Code is one of the tools we use to make those goals a reality. The Zoning Code has been rewritten this year to help drive the changes we want to see from the Comprehensive Plan. The new Zoning Code has added a few more districts to help direct specific types of development to certain areas of the Borough. For instance, we've created a Transit Oriented Development district (TOD) around the Potomac and Dormont Junction "T" Stations. The TOD calls for higher density and mixed use development, such as first floor retail and above floors residential, to take advantage of the "T" and create a more suitable pedestrian space. The new Zoning Code also includes changes to parking requirements, signage, and landscaping. We've also updated many of the use definitions to keep up with the changing times. Nearly anything that doesn't meet the new Zoning Code will be grandfathered in and allowed. If you are a business owner in Dormont with a storefront, we'd highly suggest you review the new Zoning Code to see how the new regulations might affect you.

The overarching objective for both of these documents is to assist and guide the Boards, Commissions, and Council to create the best and most sustainable Dormont possible. We also know there are areas of the Borough that may need some attention or work and it's our hope that the Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Code will be used to guide our efforts in making those improvements. Special thanks go to the Borough staff in assisting with the drafting of these documents. But at the end of the day we all want to keep Dormont a fun, healthy, and safe place to live, work, and play today and well into the future.

# HOW TO GUARD AGAINST UTILITY IMPOSTERS

You hear about it all too often in the news: An unsuspecting homeowner victimized by thieves posing as utility company workers to gain entry and rob the house. You can prevent utility imposters from targeting you by taking precautions to protect yourself.

Individuals claiming to represent the "water company" or another utility will approach the resident and use a variety of excuses to enter the home. For example, they are supposedly investigating a "dirty water" complaint by a neighbor or checking water pressure due to a main break nearby. Once inside the home, the imposters typically divert the resident's attention by sending him/her to the basement or kitchen to run a faucet while they or an accomplice robs another area of the home.

First, it is extremely rare for water company personnel to show up at a customer's home without an appointment. However, if a utility worker comes to your door and you are not expecting them, DO NOT let them inside without proper identification. All Pennsylvania American Water service personnel wear uniforms, drive company-branded vehicles and wear photo ID badges with the company's logo. (IMPORTANT: Company employees will never ask for nor accept payment at a customer's home or business.)

Don't be afraid to ask for photo ID, and take the time to examine the ID badge whenever someone from a utility company arrives at your home. If you are still unsure and have any suspicions about the individual's identity, call 9-1-1 immediately. Also, you can contact Pennsylvania American Water's customer service center (800-565-7292) to check if the service visit is legitimate.

Please share this advice with family and friends, particularly seniors who often fall prey to these thieves.

Pennsylvania American Water is committed to safety for its customers and employees. Be vigilant, and don't get fooled by utility imposters!



## NEWS FROM Dormont Elementary PFO

Contact us at  
[dormontelementarypfo@yahoo.com](mailto:dormontelementarypfo@yahoo.com)

### "YOU'RE IN K.O. COUNTRY"

Yard signs with this wording are being sold for \$10 each. Contact Amanda at (412) 606-7425 or [aclo76@comcast.net](mailto:aclo76@comcast.net) to get yours while supplies last.

### BRUEGGER'S BAGELS, COCHRAN RD.

**On Friday, April 3rd from 6AM to 7PM,** Bruegger's is once again sponsoring a fundraiser for DE. Present the flyer when ordering and a portion of the sale will be donated to DE. Flyers are available by emailing [carrie.samarin@yahoo.com](mailto:carrie.samarin@yahoo.com). Bruegger's offers much more than scrumptious bagels, try the soups, breakfast sandwiches, salads, desserts, etc.

### COACH'S BOTTLESHOP and GRILLE, BANKSVILLE PLAZA

Coach's will host a family friendly evening on **Saturday, May 9th from 5PM to 9PM** to benefit DE. Simply mention DE when ordering from the delicious menu. Invite your friends for a fun evening while supporting a local business and school! Don't forget to stop by our raffle table to say hello.

### BOX TOPS and LABELS FOR EDUCATION

Many thanks to all who save these labels for us! Please continue to clip and share them as they equal cash for school activities. They may be given to any DE student or dropped off in the box at the Borough Building.

## LifeSpan Hillsdale Senior Resource Center

1444 Hillsdale Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15216

**412-343-6050**

**Lori Audley- Site Coordinator**

May 15th, 6-9 & 16th, 11-1 **Primary Colors Art Show** 13th Annual Spring Sale & Exhibit Appetizers, punch, Chinese auction, raffles, shuttle and art. Free and open to the public.

May 25-29 **Wildwood, NJ** 4 days/3 nights, \$319.00 (per person/double occupancy) Oceanfront, 3 breakfasts, 3 dinners, live entertainment, boardwalk, ice cream social and a visit to Victorian Cape May.

May 31-June 6 **New Orleans, LA** 7 days/6 nights \$800.00 (per person/double occupancy) 6 breakfasts, 4 dinners, including dinner at the New Orleans School of Cooking, Houmas House Plantation and Gardens, tour the French Quarter, Riverwalk, Jackson Brewery, National WWII Museum and a tour of Mardi Gras World. \$100.00 deposit to hold your seat, balance due April 10th.

July 17 **Seniorfest Picnic** Tickets - \$15 per person. Annual indoor picnic held in the Dormont Recreation Center. Ticket includes a catered meal, Chinese auction, entertainment, door prizes, jewelry boutique, and bingo.

August 23-29 **Myrtle Beach and Charleston, SC** 7 days/6 nights \$780.00 (per person double occupancy) 6 breakfasts, 4 dinners, a show at Carolina Opry, a show at the Alabama Theatre, Book-green Gardens, Creek Tour Cruise, Barefoot Landing, and a day at Charleston, SC. \$100.00 deposit to hold your seat, balance due June 26.

October 19-22 **Ashville and The Biltmore Estate, NC** \$500.00, 4 days/ 3 nights, (per person/double occupancy) 3 breakfasts, 3 dinners including a cookout in the Meadows, an evening of entertainment, tour Chimney Rock Park, Blue Ridge Mountain Opry, guided tour of Ashville, Grove Arcade, Folk Art Center, Botanical Gardens of Ashville and Biltmore Estate, Winery and Gardens Tour. \$100.00 deposit to hold your seat, balance due September 4th.

## Parks Department is hiring seasonal employees for the summer.

If you are interested, please apply as soon as possible at the Borough Office.

You can get an application online at [www.boro.dormont.pa.us](http://www.boro.dormont.pa.us) under Online Documents.



## Dormont Pool is Hiring!



Lifeguards and swim instructors are needed Memorial Day through Labor Day.

Apply online at [jellis.com](http://jellis.com) or email [bruce.wright@jellismanagement.com](mailto:bruce.wright@jellismanagement.com)

**Training will take place in May**

# Did YOU Know...

- ▶ You can recycle your household hazardous waste including: old paint; computers; printers; televisions; pesticides; etc. from the comfort of your own home? Waste Management offers the "At Your Door Special Collection" program. To participate, you must set up a collection appointment. There are three ways to schedule a collection:
  - Go to [www.WMAtYourDoor.com](http://www.WMAtYourDoor.com)
  - Call 1-800-449-7587 (Monday-Friday 8:00am-8:00pm Eastern Time)
  - Email [AtYourDoor@WM.com](mailto:AtYourDoor@WM.com)

The Call Center operators will guide you through the steps toward a safe and successful collection. You will be asked several questions, including your address and the type and amount of materials available for the pickup. You will be provided a convenient collection date and information about where to place the kit for collection. A kit will be sent to your home in plenty of time for you to gather and pack your materials.

- ▶ You can quickly report and receive updates on Borough issues dealing with the Borough's streets, trash collection, illegal parking, code enforcement, and just about anything for which the Borough is responsible? You can do this with our "Dormont Delivers" application using your computer or smart phone. Go to the Borough website homepage at [www.boro.dormont.pa.us](http://www.boro.dormont.pa.us) and in the upper right hand corner click on "Dormont Delivers" or search for us in your app store on your smart phone.
- ▶ You can receive e-mail updates from the Borough on any number of areas of interest relative to the many happenings in the Borough including:
  - Borough Council Agendas
  - Borough Breaking News
  - Borough Events
  - Borough Newsletter
  - Job Postings
  - Recreation News

Just go to the Borough's website homepage and click on "Mailing List Sign-Up" in the middle of the left side column.

- ▶ You can pay your Borough parking tickets on-line? Just go to the Borough's website homepage and click on "Pay Parking Tickets Online" in the middle of the left side column.
- ▶ You can listen to all of the Borough Council Meetings, completely unedited? Just go to the Borough website, drop down the "Your Government" tab along the top row and then click on "Council Meeting Minutes and Agendas". On the same page, you can find complete, unedited versions of Council agendas including all of the backup materials that Council receives. Agendas are posted online 10 days prior to the Council meeting.
- ▶ You can view the location of, and information about, many of the physical components of the Borough such as: homes; businesses; Allegheny County assessor information; fire hydrants; storm sewers; Borough trees; etc.? Just go to the Borough website, drop down the "Departments" tab along the top row and then click on "Geographical Information Systems" for the Borough's mapping system.

# Dormont Day 2015

**Dormont Day is coming soon and we need your help to make it a fantastic celebration on July 4th.** This year's celebration will feature activities and live entertainment all day long. This is a celebration not to be missed and we invite all residents to join in the festivities this year along with a fantastic firework display. *Look for more information on our website at [www.dday4th.org](http://www.dday4th.org).*

The success of this year's July 4th Celebration depends on the donations of the borough's residents, local businesses and friends. Since **donations are our only source of funding**, we rely on early donations to defray the costs of our mailings, and deposits needed well in advance to reserve equipment, performers, busses, and fireworks.

Before you know it the weather will be warmer, the 4th of July Celebration will be here and we can meet our community neighbors at the park and enjoy the musical performances, BINGO, games, crafts, pony rides, train rides, and spectacular fireworks by Zambelli.

**To also thank you for your support, your name will be displayed on our sponsor board on July 4th and also published in the Dormont Borough Newsletter.**

## Thanks from your 2015 Dormont Day Committee

Please make check payable to **The Borough of Dormont** and mail to:  
**Dormont Day Committee, 1444 Hillsdale Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15216**

**I would like to make a donation to the  
Dormont Day Committee in the amount of:**

\$100    \$75    \$50    \$25    \$10   \_\_\_\_\_ (other amount)

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(List your name as you would like it to appear on our sponsor board)

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Check if you would like to volunteer or call 412-689-4793

**Great Opportunity for High school students  
to earn community service hours.**

# DORMONT BOROUGH POOL INFO 2015

**OPEN – Saturday, May 23, 2015 Thru  
Sunday, September 13, 2015**

**Noon till 8:00 PM Daily Except**

**Weekdays May 26 thru June 10, 4 to 8 PM**

**Weekdays August 24 thru  
September 11, 4 to 8 PM**

**Memorial Day - Noon till 6:00 PM.**

**4th of July - Noon till 6:00 PM.**

**Sunday, September 13 Noon to 3 PM**

**Memorial Day, Monday, May 25 will be a FREE Day  
For KO Residents only with proof of Residency**

**Early Bird Discount** - \$25 OFF Dormont  
Resident Family pass April 1 thru May 22nd.

**Season Passes** Available at the Borough Office  
Beginning Wednesday, April 1, 2015  
8:30 AM to 4:30 PM - Monday thru Friday.  
**\*\*Proof of Residency is Required.**

## SWIMMING POOL RATES

**\*Family Pass:** Maximum 5 passes, 2 adult limit,  
children 18 and under. \$10 each additional child.

## PASSES – DORMONT & KO FAMILIES

Resident Child (ages 3-12)	\$60.00
Resident Adult (ages 13-64)	\$80.00
Resident Senior (65+)	\$FREE
Resident Family	\$150.00
Non-Resident Single	\$130.00
Non-Resident Family	\$275.00
Non-Resident Senior (65+)	\$75.00

## LOST PASSES

June – full price  
July – 2/3 price  
Aug. – 1/3 price

## DAILY RATES

Junior (ages 3-18) (Seniors (65+))	\$4.00
Adult (ages 19-64)	\$6.00
NR Junior (ages 3-18)	\$5.00
NR Adult (ages 19 +)	\$7.00

**AFTER 6PM:** \$2.50

Swim Lessons are provided by Jeff Ellis Management.  
Links to their schedules and rates are available on  
the Borough's website.

# DORMONT Athletic Boosters Association

**Baseball and softball registrations are complete.** Any late registration may be considered based on a need for players. Please feel free to contact **Tracy Zange** at 412-291-0993 or [tracy469@verizon.net](mailto:tracy469@verizon.net) or **Jamie Keaney** at 412-512-1256 to discuss your options. You can email [dormontsports@gmail.com](mailto:dormontsports@gmail.com) with any questions or comments.

**Field Clean Up Date is set for April 4th, 2015,** with a rain date of April 18th, 2015. This is a great opportunity to help in the community and for high school students to earn service hours. Please lend rakes, brooms, blowers, weed whackers and any other tools that can help make cleanup easier!

**The Opening Day Parade is scheduled for Saturday, April 25th.** The parade is an exciting way for the kids to show community and team pride as they march through Dormont.

**DABA's website ([www.dormontbooster.com](http://www.dormontbooster.com))** contains more information regarding DABA events, including game schedules, team and coach information, discounts and coupons available for Dormont families, directions to playing fields and more.

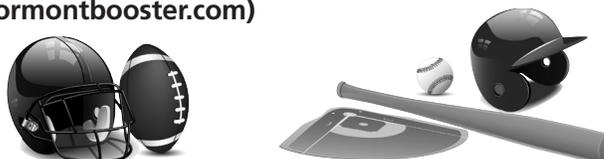
**The Eagles Twirling Corp,** sponsored by DABA, is a twirling group that performs in area parades. Girls ages 6-18 are welcome. For more information contact: Terre Paulson 412-720-5301.

**The sponsor forms** for the upcoming season have been sent to the businesses of the community. If you are interested in sponsoring a team or banner, please contact Bob Dini at 412-855-2058 or [bobdini@thepreferedrealty.com](mailto:bobdini@thepreferedrealty.com).

**DABA is always looking for new members.** We are approaching a very exciting part of the year that the children will enjoy and cherish as fun childhood memories. Please contact a member and join today.

**KOA Cheerleading Registration** – Registration for the KOA Cheerleading program for children 6–11 years old will be taking place shortly. Please look for information from the schools, e-mails or go to our DABA Website for updated information. **DABA's new website ([www.dormontbooster.com](http://www.dormontbooster.com))**

**KOA Football Registration** – Registration for the KOA Football program for children 6–11 years old will be taking place shortly. Please look for information from the schools, e-mails or go to our DABA Website for updated information. **DABA's new website ([www.dormontbooster.com](http://www.dormontbooster.com))**



# STREET SWEEPING SCHEDULE 2015

## FIRST MONDAY 8 am to 3 pm

- Beacon Hill
- Celeron
- Dormont (1100-1300)
- Hillsdale (1100-1300)
- Illinois
- Latonia
- McNeilly
- Mississippi
- Parkside
- Peermont
- Pinehurst
- Texas
- Wainbell
- Kelton (1000)

## FIRST TUESDAY 8 am to 3 pm

- Annex (all blocks except between McNeilly & Arkansas)
- Arkansas
- Belplain
- Biltmore (1000-1300)
- Delwood
- Eastmont
- Gaylord
- Kelton (1100-1300)
- Oklahoma
- Piedmont
- Pioneer
- Scott
- Tennessee
- Waltham
- Wisconsin

## FIRST WEDNESDAY 8 am to 3 pm

- Biltmore (1400 block)
- Dell
- Dormont (1400-1600)
- Grasmere
- Greenmount
- Kelton (1400 block)
- Mattern
- McFarland
- Memorial
- Montpelier
- Raleigh
- Tolma
- Windermere

## FIRST THURSDAY 8 am to 3 pm

- Annapolis
- Beverly
- Broadway (Odd side)
- Connecticut
- Crosby
- Dwight
- Earlsmere
- Espy
- Grandin
- Hillsdale (1400-1800)
- Kelton (1500-1600)
- Key
- LaSalle
- New Haven
- Voelkel (2900)

## FIRST FRIDAY 8 am to 3 pm

- Alabama
- Belrose
- Broadway (Even side)
- Edgehill
- Glenmore
- Louisiana
- Mervin
- Miles
- Ordinance
- Park
- Philadelphia
- Potomac (1600-1800)
- Voelkel (2600-2800)

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The Borough Street Sweeping Program will take effect April 1 thru December 1, 2015. Street Sweeping will be carried out on your street's designated day (listed above), **ONCE A MONTH**, between the hours of **8:00 am and 3:00 pm**. All cars must be removed from BOTH sides of the street. Residential Permit Parking will not be enforced on street sweeping days. Check the schedule for an adjacent street for parking for that day. Signs have been posted on all streets regarding their street sweeping day. *If your regularly scheduled sweeping day is a holiday, Good Friday, 4th of July or Labor Day, your street will not be swept that month:* Potomac Avenue business district, West Liberty Avenue and the Pool parking lot will be done daily throughout the week, once per month.



# Keystone Oaks *News and Notes*



## Dear Dormont Residents,

It is hard to believe that I am in my third academic year as Superintendent of Keystone Oaks School District! I am glad to have this opportunity to share with you some of the great things that are going on throughout the District. This year, we established a new partnership with Dormont Borough to provide articles, announcements and photos in the newsletters that they publish and distribute to the community. This is a great way for the District to communicate with the public and to save taxpayer dollars on printing and mailing costs.

Keystone Oaks has had a long tradition of *Building a Foundation of Excellence* and that is the motto that I have incorporated into everything we do as a District. Over the past few years, we have formed building-level instructional teams that have been working with their respective staffs to present the research on the impact that good instruction has on student achievement and how we can better create engaging learning environments in every classroom.

As you will see on the next few pages, these efforts have resulted in improved academic achievement and in increased scores on our School Performance Profile, which is the Commonwealth's new way of measuring student achievement and growth from one academic year to the next. Additionally, at the end of 2014, the District received its Federal Reporting Measures for the 2013-2014 academic year, which shows that Keystone Oaks students far exceeded state and federal requirements for scoring proficient or advanced on Math, Reading and Science assessments in all grade levels. The complete report is available online at [www.esafedreport.com](http://www.esafedreport.com).

As always, we invite and encourage all members of the public to participate in school events and activities, whether it be a sporting event, a concert at one of the elementary schools or, of course, the high school musical, with opening night set for Thursday, March 26, 2015. I look forward to seeing you there!

**Dr. William Stropkaj, Superintendent**



## Meet Dormont Elementary School's New Principal – Mr. Brian Werner

Since starting as the new principal at Dormont Elementary in October, I have enjoyed getting to know many of the students, families and members of the community that make Dormont Elementary a special place. I am lucky to have inherited a talented staff that is dedicated to working with each child to fulfill our building's theme, "Growth Through Engagement," by providing meaningful, rigorous, and fun learning experiences that are meant to help each and every child grow academically and socially.

I have been an educator for 20 years and have spent my entire career in Gateway School District. I am excited to be making this transition to Dormont Elementary and the Keystone Oaks School District and am looking forward to being a part of this community and working with all of you to provide the best possible education for our students.

If you are new to the Keystone Oaks School District and have Kindergarten-aged children, I encourage you to attend the Kindergarten Open House at Dormont Elementary School on March 25th beginning at 6:30 p.m. You'll have the opportunity to meet teachers and administrators and to learn about the curriculum and day-to-day activities that Kindergarten students participate in. You can learn more about the District's Kindergarten program online at <http://tinyurl.com/kokindergarten>.

I hope to see you there!

**Brian Werner, Principal, Dormont Elementary**

# KO Students Continue to Earn High Marks on State, National Assessments

A recently released *Report of Student Achievement*, prepared by Keystone Oaks School District, shows that students continue to perform as well as – or, in many cases, better than – their peers in Pennsylvania and across the United States on a variety of assessments, including Stanford Achievement, PSSA, Keystone and SAT exams.

Students in grades K-12 participate in a number of different assessments each year. The results of these assessments are used by District staff on an ongoing basis to guide instruction and planning to continue to support high achievement. The full report is available on the District’s website, [www.kosd.org](http://www.kosd.org). Below is a summary of some of the results:

**Stanford Achievement Test (2013-2014 academic year, assesses students in grades 1, 2, 4, 6 and 7 in reading, math, language and listening).** These scores demonstrate how Keystone Oaks’ students performed compared to the national average; the 50th percentile is considered to be average.

Stanford Achievement Test - Mean Percentile Scores				
Grade	Reading	Math	Language	Listening
1	69	79	75	67
2	70	72	77	64
4	63	68	64	66
6	63	67	62	71
7	66	71	70	65

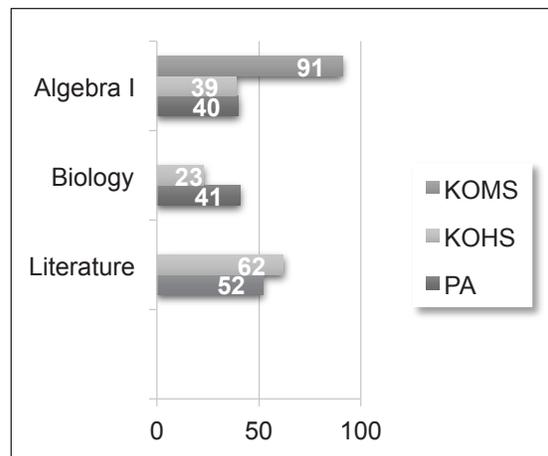
## SAT Results

(2013-14 Academic Year)

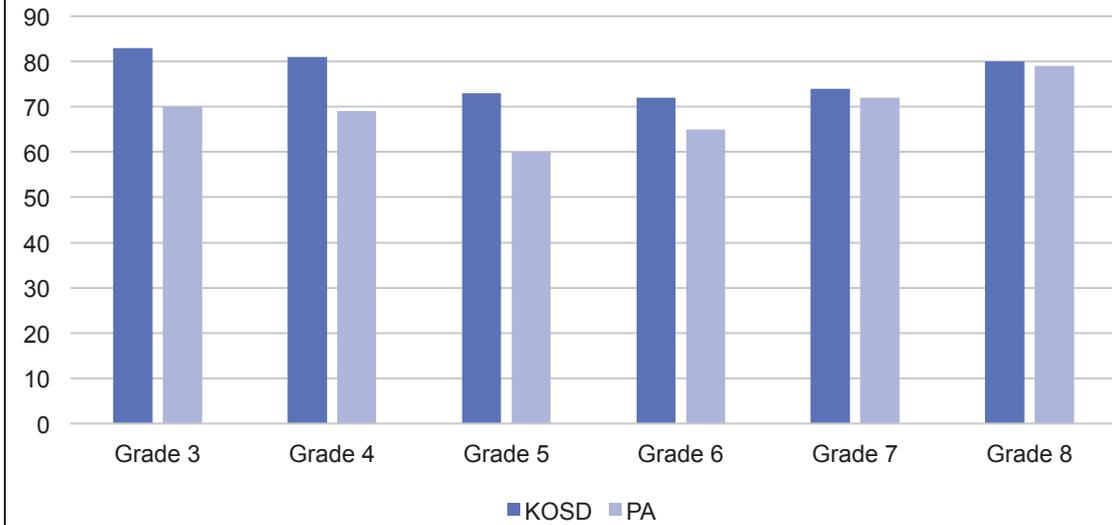
	Verbal	Math	Writing
KOSD	512	511	489
PA	497	504	480
US	497	513	487

## Keystone Exam Proficiency Percentages

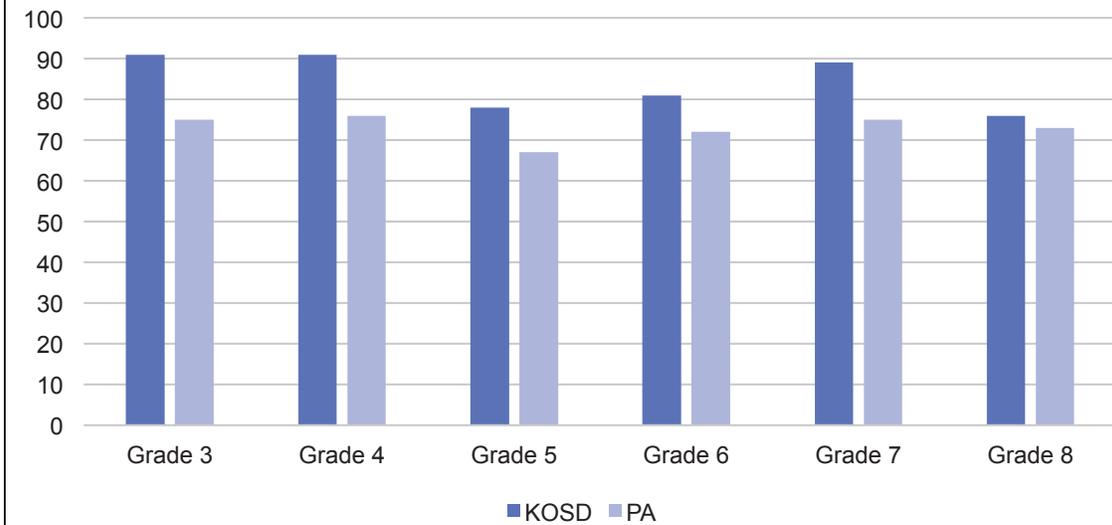
(2013-2014 academic year, end of course tests)



**PSSA Reading - Percentage Advanced & Proficient**  
(2013-14 academic year)



**PSSA Math - Percentage Advanced & Proficient**  
(2013-14 academic year)



## Keystone Oaks Sees Significant Increase in School Performance Profile Scores for 2013-2014 Academic Year

This fall, the School Performance Profile scores for Keystone Oaks School District showed increases in 4 of 5 district buildings, with increases of 10 points at Myrtle Elementary School and seven points at Keystone Oaks High School.

"I am very proud of the teachers and staff at Myrtle Elementary School. Their willingness to implement effective teaching strategies, including concern and respect for students and student learning, appropriate assessment and feedback, setting clear goals and intellectual challenges and in-depth analysis of data have proven that a hardworking and dedicated teaching staff can make a big difference in student growth and performance," said Myrtle Elementary Principal, Mr. Joe Arcuri.

First released in 2013 for the 2012-2013 academic year, the Pennsylvania School Performance Profile is a new way of measuring student growth and achievement for every public school, cyber and charter school and full-time comprehensive career and technical center in the commonwealth. The School Performance Profile replaces the No Child Left Behind designation that school districts received previously.

An on-line public portal, the School Performance Profile provides demographic data, academic data and an academic performance score for each district building. The score is based on test scores, student growth towards proficiency, attendance and graduation rates and participation in advanced placement, international baccalaureate and college-level courses. A perfect score totals 100 points.

School	2013 SPP Score	2014 SPP Score
Aiken Elementary	88.4	86.6
Dormont Elementary	76.1	76.5
Myrtle Elementary	76.3	86.3
Middle School	67.3	71.7
High School	71.4	78.2

This new data-driven tool allows the Keystone Oaks community to obtain a more accurate picture of the District's academic strengths and also allows educators to make data-informed instructional decisions to ensure the academic growth and achievement of all students.

"By working with teachers, administrators and the board of school directors under the direction and leadership of Assistant Superintendent Dr. Kathy Foster, we have made great strides in aligning curriculum to meet PA Core Standards, updating instructional materials and technology, increasing the number of professional development opportunities for staff and in addressing the needs of all KO student," said Assistant Super-

intendent Kathy Foster, Ed.D. "We share pride in the accomplishments of our students and will continue to focus on academic growth and achievement."

In January, the PA Department of Education also added financial data from the 2012-2013 academic year to the School Performance Profile. The public can now also view revenues, expenditures, fund balance details, tuition reimbursement for charter schools, the District's annual financial report and state-wide salary information for teachers and administrators.

The School Performance Profile and financial data can be found online at [www.paschoolperformance.org](http://www.paschoolperformance.org).

## High School to Present *Return to the Forbidden Planet* March 26-28

Keystone Oaks High School students will present *Return to the Forbidden Planet* as this year's spring musical.

Written by Bob Carlton, *Return to the Forbidden Planet* is based very loosely on the 1956 film *Forbidden Planet*, a sci-fi version of William Shakespeare's *The Tempest*, which has been described by some as Shakespeare's "forgotten rock and roll masterpiece."

"The music in this year's musical is fabulous," said director Shane Hallam, who is marking his fifth year as director with this year's production. "I promise that every member of the audience will be dancing in their seats."

Hallam said he chose this Off-Broadway production

because it fits the unique group of students that are involved in this year's musical.

"We have had the most success and fun doing lesser known musicals (The Drowsy Chaperone & Curtains) and giving the students the freedom to express themselves and explore a new and more modern medium," Hallam said.

The show will run from March 26-28 at 7:30 p.m. each night. Tickets will go on sale on February 27, 2015. They are \$7 each and can be purchased in advance or at the door. For ticketing information please call 412-276-2552 or email [komusical@gmail.com](mailto:komusical@gmail.com).

# Keystone Oaks **NEWS BRIEFS**

**Kindergarten Open House Scheduled for March 25th at Dormont Elementary.** Keystone Oaks will host a Kindergarten Open House for families with children entering Kindergarten on Wednesday, March 25, 2015 beginning at 6:30 p.m. at Dormont Elementary School. At the Open House, families will have the opportunity to meet administrators and teachers, learn about the curriculum and day-to-day activities as well as the special projects that occur throughout Kindergarten. For more information and to RSVP, please visit [tinyurl.com/kokindergarten](http://tinyurl.com/kokindergarten).

**Physical Education Teacher Only PA Teacher Inducted into “Fuel Up to Play 60” Hall of Fame.** KO elementary physical education teacher Jenn Watenpool was the only Pennsylvania teacher inducted into the inaugural “Fuel Up to Play 60” Hall of Fame, the nation’s largest in-school wellness program, created by the National Dairy Council and the National Football League. Additionally, under Ms. Watenpool’s leadership, Aiken Elementary received a grant worth \$3,998 to implement healthy eating and physical activity programs. Ms. Watenpool has led the “Fuel Up to Play 60” program at Aiken Elementary since 2011 and has secured more than \$15,000 in grants from the organization, which have helped to fund programs and equipment such as a salad bar, climbing wall and mountain bikes.

**Middle School Artwork Published in “Celebrating Art” Book.** Nearly two dozen middle school students’ artwork has been chosen for publication in the fall 2014 Celebrating Art book, a publication that highlights student artwork from schools throughout the east coast. Student projects were completed in Middle School art teacher Mrs. Jennifer Hallam’s classes during the fall and included metal engraving, printmaking, mask making and two-dimensional works. A photo album of the artwork that was chosen for publication is available on the District’s Facebook page – [www.facebook.com/KeystoneOaks](http://www.facebook.com/KeystoneOaks).



**KO Receives \$25,000 Safe Schools Grant for Security Cameras.** The District has received a \$25,000 grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Education’s Safe Schools Initiative Targeted Grant program to purchase and install outdoor perimeter security cameras at each of the District’s three elementary schools. The cameras will enhance security at the buildings and will give local law enforcement agencies access to real-time information about unauthorized activity around the schools.

**District Families Encouraged to Take Advantage of Comcast Internet Essentials & Microsoft Student Advantage Programs.** There are two opportunities for families in the Keystone Oaks School District to participate in programs that increase access to the Internet and commonly-used software for free or at a significantly reduced fee.

Comcast’s Internet Essentials Program provides families with access to the Internet for \$9.95 per month and the opportunity to purchase a computer for \$150. The Microsoft Student Advantage program gives KO students the opportunity to download the Microsoft Office 365 program suite on five devices. The program suite includes Microsoft programs Word, Excel, Power Point, Outlook, Publisher, OneNote, Access and Lync. Complete details, and instructions on how to get started, are available under the “News” section of the District’s website – [www.kosd.org](http://www.kosd.org).

**50th Reunion Events Scheduled for August 28 & 29.** The first graduating class of Keystone Oaks High School, Class of ‘65, will be celebrating its Fifty Year Reunion this summer. The reunion will be held at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Moon Township on August 28 & 29, 2015. Friday evening events include dinner, emcee, cash bar, photographer, photo booth and 50/50 drawing. Saturday events include dinner, cash bar, DJ, dancing and 50/50.

The committee is still looking for missing classmates. If you have not received a “save the date” card and/or wish for further details, please contact members of the committee below:

- Maureen McGrogan - [Irish320@msn.com](mailto:Irish320@msn.com)
- Mary Ann Sandora - [masandora13@gmail.com](mailto:masandora13@gmail.com)
- Barbara Hess Yeckel - [byby1313@gmail.com](mailto:byby1313@gmail.com)

*I would like to announce*

the availability of the "William and Muriel Reynolds Moreland Scholarship" to graduating 2015 Dormont residents who have demonstrated a commitment to serving others as exemplified by their achievement in school and their prior service to their school, church and/or community.

Please contact me concerning any questions.

*Thank you.*

**Chuck Morreale**

chasmorreale@verizon.net

724-941-5419



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PITTSBURGH  
FOUNDATION**

## *Events*

**JOIN US  
For an Evening of**



# **REDS, WHITES & BLUES A TASTE IN DORMONT**

**SIP** wines & beer from Pennsylvania Wineries & Breweries

**SAMPLE** foods from local Restaurants

**SWAY** to the music of The Good Guys Duo

**SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 12, 2015**

**5pm until 9:30 pm**

**THOMAS Lloyd RECREATION CENTER**

**1801 DORMONT AVENUE**

Tickets available *at the* Dormont Public Library • \$30.00/person

Join us at **TASTE OF DORMONT** on Facebook



# Events

## Dormont Community Blood Drive

Monday, March 30th, 12pm to 6pm  
At the Thomas Lloyd Recreation Center  
1801 Dormont Avenue, Dormont, Pa

Dormont Borough is sponsoring this drive to help our area patients in need of blood transfusions. **Despite the generosity of many individuals, blood donations continue to fall short of the demand.** Less than 5 percent of the eligible population give the gift of life.

Someone needs blood every 2 seconds. Please take time out of your busy schedule to donate blood and help save 3 lives!

The entire process takes about an hour, and it's perfectly safe and comfortable. The actual donation usually takes about 10 minutes.

**Appointments are strongly encouraged.** Please visit [centralbloodbank.org](http://centralbloodbank.org), select "Make an Appointment" and search using group code C5300033 or call Kristin Hullihen at 412-561-8900 ext. 227 to schedule a time to donate.

**All donors will receive 1 Carmike movie ticket!**

Donors must be at least 16 years of age (with signed parent permission form). Permission slips are available at [centralbloodbank.org](http://centralbloodbank.org) or at the school activity office. If you are 17 or 18 years old, you do not need parent permission.

*Remember to drink plenty of non-caffeinated beverages, eat a meal within 2 hours before donating and bring a photo ID.*

## 2015 Spring Redd Up - Dormont Litter Clean-Up

Saturday, April 25, 2015 • 10:00am until 1:00pm

Meet at the Espy Lot at the corner of Potomac and Espy Avenues @10:00am This is part of the Redd Up Campaign in your area.

Allegheny Cleanways supports community cleanups with free bags and gloves for the volunteers.

## Dormont Dash

Dormont Dash 2015 has been scheduled for **Saturday May 23, 2015 at 8:30am**. The website has been updated with much new information regarding this years race (including online registration) so be sure to check it out.

## Friends of Dormont Pool



Please join us for the **9<sup>th</sup> Annual Pub Tour** benefiting **Friends of Dormont Pool (FODP)** on Saturday, **April 25, 2015**, from **7pm until midnight**. Many fine Dormont establishments will participate in the festivities. Grab your friends and sample the special offerings from our sponsor, Miller Lite Beer, at each pub. Beginning in March, FODP's fabulous collector's edition T-shirt will be available at all Dormont pubs and at Showclix on-line. Mark your calendar now to join us for a great night of fun supporting the iconic Dormont Pool. Friends of Dormont Pool receives funds **ONLY** from T-shirt sales so: **Save the date! Buy the shirt!**

## South Hills MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

**Monday, May 25, 2015**  
**Parade Starts at 10AM**

on Brookline Boulevard. It proceeds to Pioneer Avenue thru Dormont, to Mt. Lebanon Cemetery.

To place an AD in the program or  
To be in the Parade

Contact: TJ Conroy (412) 999-6017  
Or email: [shmdp123@yahoo.com](mailto:shmdp123@yahoo.com)

We are also on Facebook

## EASTER Egg Hunt

**Saturday March 21, 2015**  
**10:00am to 12 Noon At the**  
**Thomas Lloyd Recreation Center**  
(Rain Date March 28, 2015)

Come join us for a craft, cookie, drink, and go on an egg hunt in Dormont Park! Remember to bring your baskets. Children up to age 11 are welcome. Pictures with the Easter Bunny are \$5.00 or FREE with donation of a nonperishable food item (one photo per family).

For more information contact **Kristin Hullihen**,  
[khullihen@boro.dormont.pa.us](mailto:khullihen@boro.dormont.pa.us), or  
**412-561-8900 x227**



## THE DORMONT HORSESHOE CLUB



starts its 2015 season on Thursday May 7th this year. Most of the past league members are already gearing up for another season of fun and competition. Some have been throwing horseshoes all winter long at the H.O.P.E. (Horseshoes of Pittsburgh Enterprises) indoor facility in Carnegie. H.O.P.E. has 9 outdoor courts and 4 indoor courts and this year has been honored with the privilege of hosting the Pennsylvania Singles Horseshoe Tournament to be held over the Labor Day weekend. At the Dormont Horseshoe Club we play all summer long up until the last Thursday before Labor Day. We will be hosting two outdoor horseshoe tournaments again this year with the turnouts being bigger every year. The league still only cost \$5.00 to join and then \$5.00 a week to throw. For those who spend the entire season with us, we have an end of the year banquet including individual prizes and door prizes for everyone. Did I mention FREE hot dog nights? Every 3rd night of the season we have position rounds with free food and drink. You don't have to be good just come down and have fun. See you then.

SPRING IS A PERFECT TIME TO COMMIT TO BE FIT

## EXERCISE TO ENERGIZE DORMONT REC CENTER

Monday & Thursday 7 PM to 8 PM

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Swim Lessons will be offered by Jeff Ellis Management again this summer for \$40 per session (8 classes).

Registration will be available in April at

<https://jefellismanagement.com/aquatic-facilities/pennsylvania/borough-of-dormont>.



## Dormont Summer Day Camp 2015



We are offering the Summer Day Camp again this year for 10 independent weeks. You may sign up for one week or any number weeks of camp, depending on availability.

Dormont Summer Day camp runs from June 15th through August 21st and is for children ages 5 - 11. Camp hours are 9am - 5pm. Early drop off and late pick up are available for an additional charge.

### Camp Fees

**Day Camp (9am-5pm):** \$100.00/week  
(KO Area Residents)

\$150.00/week (non-Resident)

**Early Drop-Off (8am-9am):** \$15.00/week

**Late Pick-Up (5pm-6pm):** \$15.00/week

**One time Registration fee:** \$10.00

The camp meets at Thomas Lloyd Recreation Center, where campers enjoy various activities including sports, arts and crafts, outdoor free play in Dormont Park and playground, as well as daily swimming in Dormont Pool. Presentations for the campers have included visitors from such local organizations as Pittsburgh Zoo and PPG Aquarium, Pittsburgh's National Aviary, and science experiments courtesy of the Bayer Corporation. Many new adventures are being planned for this year! Please join us for a fun filled summer!

Registration forms can be picked up at the Borough building as well as found online at [www.boro.dormont.pa.us](http://www.boro.dormont.pa.us). For further information, contact Kristin Hullihen at 412-561-8900 x227 or [khullihen@boro.dormont.pa.us](mailto:khullihen@boro.dormont.pa.us).

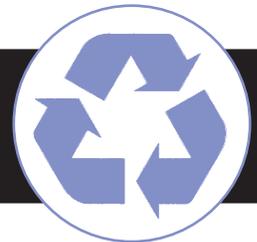
Summer Employment -For Day Camp Counselor positions please contact Kristin Hullihen, Recreation Director.



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# RECYCLING News



**LEAF COLLECTION DATES FOR SPRING:** We will have two spring leaf collection days: **TUESDAY, MAY 5** and **TUESDAY, MAY 19**. All leaves must be in brown, biodegradable, paper bags and placed at the front curb. Thirty-gallon brown paper bags can be purchased at the Borough Office for **\$.50 each**. **Do not put leaves in the street; the leaf vac machine will not be operating at this time!** The fall leaf dates will be in the summer newsletter.

**HOLIDAY TRASH/RECYCLING PICK UP SCHEDULE:** **Memorial Day**, Monday, May 25: your garbage and recycling collection will be delayed one day to Wednesday, May 27. The **4th of July** will have no affect on garbage or recycling collection.

**RECYCLEABLE MATERIALS - ALL IN ONE:** Dormont has over 86% participation from its residents and has won numerous awards from the County Health Department for its recycling programs. Recycling within the Borough takes place weekly on regular trash days.

Place all of the recyclable materials in one container... no separating or sorting needed. Recycling Stickers are available free of charge at the Borough Office, Police Department.

**THERE WILL NOT BE A SPRING CLEAN UP THIS MAY. MOST ITEMS CAN BE PUT OUT WITH YOUR REGULAR TRASH OR BY CALLING WASTE MANAGEMENT FOR A SPECIAL PICK UP.**

Our hauler is Waste Management. For general inquiries contact 800-866-4460. For the Home Collection Program for Household Generated Special Materials or HHW contact 800-449-7587. For Debris Projects and the Big Green Bag, contact 877-789-2247.

**ON A SPECIAL NOTE:** CORRUGATED BOXES NEED TO BE CUT INTO 14" X 14" DIMENSIONS. THIS IS TO KEEP THE CARDOARD LAYING FLAT.