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Let's Make the Best of this Beautiful Day

Does that line sound familiar? It should. Fred Rogers had such a profound effect on the childhoods of so many. I think that too often, we forget that much of what he taught us as children is still applicable to us as adults. Just about everyone reading this heard Mr. Rogers sing about being neighbors. In fact, I bet you're singing the song in your head right now. But are we still being good neighbors?

"We live in a world in which we need to share responsibility. It's easy to say, "It's not my child, not my community, not my world, not my problem." Then there are those who see the need and respond. I consider those people to be my heroes."

– Fred Rogers

Many people have lost sight of "community." Life feels busier than ever and I know that it is tough for people to carve out time to spend on something other than work and family, but we are all still part of a community. I have attended numerous public events since I arrived in July and I have met a number of wonderful and involved people. I have seen numerous residents dedicate time out of their busy schedules to help make our community a better place. But, we are still in need of more help. The Borough always has vacancies on boards and commissions. We always need volunteers for public events, beautification projects, and youth sports.

"Being able to resolve conflicts peacefully is one of the greatest strengths we can give our children."

– Fred Rogers

A frustrating part of working in local government is when neighbors turn to us to resolve their conflicts. There are some bad people in the world and it is best to avoid them, but many people turn to the Borough to correct things that a simple neighborly conversation could resolve. Further, many of these issues would not even require a conversation if we were all being good neighbors. If you will not be home on trash day, ask your neighbor if they could put your cans out for you. If they are not able, at least let them know why your cans are out early. It is also great to see neighbors shoveling snow for one another. Vice President Hubert Humphrey once said, "The impersonal hand of government can never replace the helping hand of a neighbor."

"When one neighbor helps another, we strengthen our communities."

– Jennifer Pahlka, Founder and Executive Director
Code for America

Code for America is non-profit organization that builds open-source applications for government agencies, which promote openness, participation, and efficiency. These coders do not take a limited view of community. They work with one another to create better communities for everyone. They are, simply

put, good neighbors. We do not need to look at lines on a map to determine community. If Grandma moves to another state, your love for her doesn't automatically stop at the border. I recently received an anonymous note chastising me for not living within Dormont's borders. I was told that I wasn't a part of the community, I just worked here. I am happy to say that I do not share the same definition of community with the author. I may live across a border, but I am an enthusiastic member of the Dormont community. I am your neighbor. Will you be mine?

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A Note From **THE MAYOR**

Hello Everyone,

I hope this finds everyone in good health and spirits. As I write we've endured a fairly moderate January and start to February; hopefully Mother Nature will cooperate the rest of the way.

In January I had the pleasure of swearing in new officers for our Fire Department as well as our newly elected Council people John Maggio, Daniele Ventresca and Kate Abel. I look forward to interacting with the newly sworn in officials and officers.

Starting the new year I would like to invite our residents to attend our monthly agenda meetings (the last Monday of the month) and our regular Council meetings (the first Monday of each month) at 7PM to get a first-hand look at how our local government operates...I'm sure you would find it eye opening as well as informative.

March brings the annual Easter Egg Hunt and baseball and softball practice. The DVFD annual car raffle and Street Sweeping start in April. Don't forget to move your car! There is a full street sweeping schedule in this newsletter. The annual Memorial Day parade is in May as is the opening of the Dormont Pool. The Dormont Dash will be on Saturday, May 28th this year. Many volunteers are needed for this and Dormont Day on July 4th. It's never too early to sign up. More information is on the borough website or in the Recreation section of this newsletter.

Finally, I wish all of you great Spring!

**Sincerely,
Mayor Phil Ross**

**Happy 100th
Birthday
April 7th**



**Dormont Resident
Ruth Mason Peloubet**

LETTER FROM SENATOR WAYNE FONTANA

Veterans Encouraged to Connect with DMVA

I want to inform all veterans the Pennsylvania Department of Military & Veterans Affairs (DMVA) is encouraging Pennsylvania veterans to connect with them via their new online Veterans Registry at www.register.dmva.pa.gov for assistance with obtaining veterans benefits and services.

The Pennsylvania Veterans Registry is an online application that allows veterans to connect with DMVA to request information related to valuable state benefits, programs and services offered by the agency. The registry features responsive design technology to make it accessible on mobile devices and computers. A registrant's information will be shared with the veteran's county director for veterans affairs and other relevant Commonwealth

agencies in order to facilitate local connections that aid in providing service to veterans.

I also want to make veterans aware that the DMVA is accepting applications for the Persian Gulf Conflict Veterans Benefit Program. The application deadline has been extended through Aug. 31, 2018. The program pays \$75 per month for qualifying, active-duty service members, up to a \$525 maximum. For personnel whose death was related to illness or injury received in the line of duty in Operations Desert Shield or Desert Storm, there is an additional \$5,000 available to the surviving family. Service members who were declared prisoners of war may also be eligible for an additional \$5,000.



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For more detailed information on eligibility and how to apply, please visit www.persiangufbonus.pa.gov.

State Representative DAN MILLER

Spring is a busy season and we wanted to provide a reminder of a few state programs and services that my office typically offers at this time of year:

-Property Tax/Rent Rebate Applications:

Seniors over the age of 65, widows/widowers over the age of 50, and individuals with disabilities can qualify for a rebate on property taxes or rent paid in the previous year. Individuals with income under \$35,000 for homeowners or under \$15,000 for renters (in both cases after excluding half of SSI) may be eligible. My office has application forms and can provide assistance in completing them.

-Tax forms: if you need paper copies of state tax forms or instruction booklets, they can be picked up at my office or call us and we can mail these to you.

-Department of Human Services benefit applications:

If changes in your financial circumstances now mean that you qualify for state benefits, or if you are currently receiving benefits and need to recertify your eligibility, my office staff can assist you in completing necessary forms. Often we can save you hours of waiting on hold on the phone and/or trips to a benefits office with our convenient location at 650 Washington Road in Mt. Lebanon.

Keep in mind throughout the year, anytime you interact with a Pennsylvania state program or office, my office is available to help facilitate



timely responses. Please contact us anytime you think we may be able to help! We can be reached by phone at 412-343-3870 or by email at Rep-Miller@pahouse.net.

U.S. Representative **MIKE DOYLE**

My Office is Here to Help You

Dormont is part of Pennsylvania's 14th Congressional District, which I have the honor of representing in the U.S. House of Representatives.

I want to help you in any way possible, whether you need help with a federal agency, want to order a flag, would like tours and tickets for a visit to Washington DC, want to find out if any federal grants are available for your project, or are considering applying to a military academy. Please don't hesitate to contact me to request help in dealing with the federal government, or express your views on issues before Congress.

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Please note that Congressional mail is screened for hazardous substances like ricin and anthrax, so mail to my office is received at least three weeks after it is sent. You may find it better to call my office or email me through my



Interested in playing **TENNIS?**

The Borough is looking into putting together a Dormont Tennis Club for the spring and summer seasons. If you are interested, please contact Kim Kunkel at kkunkel@verizon.net.



OFFICIAL ACTIONS

OCTOBER 5, 2015

- Accepted the Consent Agenda Items A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, and S(A. Motion to approve the written report of the Solicitor; B. Motion to approve the written reports of the Borough Officials; C. Motion to approve the Minutes of the September 8, 2015 Council Meeting; D. Motion to approve the Warrant List for September, 2015; E. Motion to accept recommendation of the Manager to approve Permit Parking on the 1500 block of Greenmount Avenue; F. Motion to accept recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve consolidation of parcels 141-C-180 and 141-C-178, located at 911 Parkside Avenue; G. Motion to accept the recommendation of the Traffic and Parking Planning Commission to approve Reserved Accessible Parking for Edward Krepley at 1103 Arkansas Avenue; H. Motion to accept the recommendation of the Traffic and Parking Planning Commission to approve Reserved Accessible Parking for Robert John Botting at 2946 Mattern Avenue; I. Motion to accept the recommendation of the Solicitor to waive garbage fees from 2011-12 for 3229 Gaylord Avenue, in the amount of \$422.40, due to property being sold at Sheriff's Sale with a free and clear title; J. Motion to accept the recommendation of the Chief of Police to approve Memorandum of Understanding by and between Dormont Police Department and Keystone Oaks School District; K. Motion to accept recommendation from Recreation Director to approve contract with Entertainment Unlimited, for Street Fair bands, in the amount of \$2,000.00; L. Motion to approve contract with Skelly and

Loy to provide additional services to present Historical Grant findings at public event, in the amount of \$2,000.00; M. Motion to accept recommendation from Solicitor to authorize listing of Conservatorship property, located at 2708 Broadway Avenue, with Colleen Lehman at an appraised value of \$30,000.00; N. Motion to set bond for Treasurer at state recommended level; O. Motion to accept recommendation of the Manager to approve contract extension through December 31, 2017 with Teamsters Local #249; P. Motion to accept recommendation of the Engineer authorizing Payment #3 – Final, in the amount of \$3,062.01, Niando Construction, Inc. for 2015 Sewer Repair Contract B Excavation; Q. Motion to accept recommendation of Engineer authorizing Payment #1, in the amount of \$1,147.50 to Remington & Vernick Engineers for Belrose Traffic Calming Study; R. Motion to accept recommendation of Engineer authorizing Payment #3, in the amount of \$6,221.04, to Robinson Pipe Cleaning for 2015 Sewer Repair Project Contact A Spot Line and Grouting; S. Motion to accept recommendation of Dormont Volunteer Fire Department to approve appointment of applicant Josh Schumacher).

NOVEMBER 2, 2015

- Accepted the Consent Agenda Items A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, and Q (A. Motion to approve the written report of the Solicitor; B. Motion to approve the written reports of the Borough Officials; C. Motion to approve the Minutes of the October 5, 2015 Council Meeting; D. Motion

to approve the Warrant List for October, 2015; E. Motion to accept resignation of John Essey from Recreation Board; F. Motion to accept recommendation of the Manager to accept resignation of Shannon Venditti from Recreation Board; G. Motion to accept recommendation of the Manager to approve nomination of Nate Briggs to Recreation Board; H. Motion to accept the recommendation of the Solicitor to waive penalties and interest for 2012 refuse billing for 2603 Voelkel Avenue, due to property being sold with a free and clear title to Mr. Ron Pardini; I. Motion to accept recommendation of Dormont Volunteer Fire Department to approve appointment of Rick LaGamba to the position of Assistant Chief and Max Schoppen to the position of Captain; J. Motion to accept the recommendation of Mayor Ross to approve Dana Nardozzi as the Keystone Oaks student representative to Borough Council; K. Motion to accept the recommendation of Borough Engineer to approve Change Order #1, for 2015 Operation & Maintenance Contract – Contract B Excavation, in the amount of (\$22,077.50), a reduction to the contract; L. Motion to accept the recommendation of Borough Engineer to reject all bids received by SHACOG for CD Year 41 7.2 ADA Curb Ramps; M. Motion to accept the recommendation of the Solicitor to approve engagement of Cafardi Ferguson Wyrick Weis + Stotler llc regarding employment matters, and other matters as may be assigned; N. Motion to accept the recommendation of the Manager to approve request by Dormont Main Street to install three (3) temporary special event signs advertising Small Business



OFFICIAL ACTIONS

Saturday/Christmas on Main Street; O. Motion to accept the recommendation of the Manager to approve request by Dormont Main Street to close Potomac Avenue from West Liberty Avenue to Broadway Avenue on December 5, 2015 from 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM for Small Business Saturday/Christmas on Main Street; P. Motion to accept the recommendation of the Manager to sell Business Parking Passes at half-price for the month of December; Q. Motion to authorize the Manager, Mayor, and Chief of Police to execute a free holiday parking plan).

- Approved proposed Ordinance #1610, regulating non-storm water discharges to the storm drainage system to comply with National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System.
- Approved proposed Ordinance #1611, to implement updated Stormwater management controls as required by federal and state regulations.
- Advertised the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection Consent Order and Agreement.
- Approved delinquent Central Tax billing Amnesty Program.
- Reversed the decision of the Traffic & Parking Planning Commission to deny an Application for Reserved Accessible Parking Space at 2956 Voelkel Avenue for Mildred Koury.

DECEMBER 7, 2015

- Appointed Robert Palmieri as councilmember to replace Willard "Bill" McCartney.
- Accepted the Consent Agenda Items A, B, C, D, E, F, G, (A. Motion to approve the written report of the Solicitor; B. Motion to approve the written reports of the Borough Officials; C. Motion to approve the Minutes of the November 2, 2015 Council Meeting; D. Motion to approve the Warrant List for November, 2015; E. Motion to approve the nomination of Silvia Palmieri to the Cable Television Board; F. Motion to accept the recommendation of the Engineer to approve quote from Keystone Consultants Inc., in the amount of \$3,800.00, for physical and topographic survey of Potomac Avenue, from West Liberty Avenue to Espy Avenue; G. Motion to accept the recommendation of the Manager to accept the resignation of Sergeant James P. Burke from the Borough of Dormont Police Department, effective February 1, 2019).

- Approved Total Maximum Daily Load Strategy Plan.
- Approved a Resolution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection Consent Order and Agreement.
- Approved Ordinance #1612, Levying an Ad Valorem Real Estate Tax and Fixing the Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2016.

- Approved Resolution #13 to Establish Fee Schedule for FY 2016.

- Approved advertising Ordinance #1613, Repealing Ordinance #1563 and Re-implementing Chapters 12-1 through 12-8 to the Borough of Dormont Code.

- Approved Resolution #14 to Authorize to Extend Exclusive Negotiation Period with Fore Property Company.

DECEMBER 14, 2015

- Accepted the resignation of Valerie Martino.
- Accepted the resignation of Yvonne Costanzo.
- Amended Section 2 of Ordinance 1612 to correct the Millage to read 9.47 mills.
- Levied the Ad Valorem Real Estate Tax at 9.59 mills for Fiscal Year 2016.
- Approved the Fiscal Year 2016 Budget as developed by the Borough Manager and Council.

*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 19, 2016 at the Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church on Gilleson 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 for additional information. Tickets can be purchased before the event for \$50.00. For ticket information email marilyn0900@verizon.net.

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

New members are always welcome.



DORMONT *Historical Society*

WHY is our museum important to past and present Dormont folks? Its collections reflect the history of the Borough and its residents from the time the borough was constituted to the present.

WHO runs the museum? The Dormont Historical Society is made up of interested persons headed by a Board. Volunteers donate their time to setting up the displays, filing and preserving paper items, doing the "housekeeping" and all other chores.

WHAT is in the museum? This question can only be answered by a visit to see the vast amount of items that have been donated. There is a complete set of high school yearbooks spanning 1923 to the present; articles that represent past and present residents, businesses, schools and organizations; binders filled with pictures; a veterans register; and files containing all kinds of information.

HOW is the museum funded? A membership, which costs \$10.00 for a calendar year, includes regularly mailed newsletters. Our fundraisers are sales of our annual calendar, our DORMONT book, and See's candy. Donations from members and friends are very helpful.

WHERE is the museum located? It is in the lower level of the Municipal Center on the Espy Avenue side. There is an elevator to make access easier for those who care to use it.

WHEN is the museum open? Regular hours are Thursdays, 9 to 2, but arrangements can be made for other times by calling 412.341.3667. Do come!

Dormont Parks Department

is hiring seasonal part time summer help. 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
under Online Documents.



DORMONT BOROUGH POOL INFO 2016



Open - Saturday, May 28, 2016 thru Monday, September 5, 2016.

Noon till 8:00 pm daily except - weekdays May 31 thru June 8, 4 to 8 pm
and weekdays August 29 thru September 2, 4 to 8 pm.

Memorial Day - Noon till 6:00 pm. 4th of July - Noon till 3:00 pm.

Labor Day - Noon to 3 pm.

Memorial Day, Monday, May 30 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 27.

Season passes available at the Borough office beginning Friday, April 1, 2016
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.

Lost Passes \$ 5.00

Passes - Dormont & KO Families

Resident Child (ages 3 - 12) \$ 60.00

Resident Adult (ages 13 - 64) \$ 80.00

Resident Family \$ 150.00

Resident Senior (65 +) \$ Free

Resident Seniors need to come to the office to
get their free pass.

Non-Resident Single \$ 130.00

Non-Resident Family \$ 275.00

Non-Resident Senior (65 +) \$ 75.00

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 provided by Pool Management Company. Links to their schedules
and rates are available on the Borough's website at www.boro.dormont.pa.us**

Support Dormont Day 2016

Winter or not, the Dormont Day Committee is plowing ahead with plans for this year's celebration. It's not too early to help out. The success of this year's Dormont Day Celebration depends on the donations of the borough's residents, 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 display.

Before you know it the weather will be warmer, school will be out and our community 4th of July celebration will be here giving us the opportunity to provide you with a fun filled day of activities for families, neighbors and friends to enjoy.

Again, we hope to provide familiar activities such as BINGO, games, crafts, rides, music performances, spectacular fireworks and we are making plans for some new crowd pleasers. All are easily accessible to our residents by the shuttle buses provided to transport you to and from the pool lot.

Not only is your donation a tax deduction but 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.

Please consider helping make this Dormont Day a very special day!

Thanks from your 2016 Dormont Day Committee!

Please send your check made 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 _____

The Dormont Day Committee is staffed by volunteers. You are needed! At various times there is a need to find new members for these positions. In order to facilitate the finding of new members, we are starting to maintain a file of people who would be willing to serve on this enthusiastic township committee.

Do you want to be a member of our team? Great! Please contact Kristin Hullihen at 412-561-8900 x227 or khullihen@boro.dormont.pa.us.

To volunteer your time at a booth on Dormont Day:

Check here to volunteer OR phone: 412-561-8900 x227

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



DORMONT ATHLETIC BOOSTERS ASSOCIATION

Online registration was ended February 29th. No late registrations will be accepted due to uniform orders being finalized. You can register for baseball, softball, flag football and twirling. Visit www.dormontbooster.com and click "Register" in the top right corner of the Website to get started. *Space is limited, so please register early!* For more information, email dormontsports@gmail.com

Field Clean Up Date is set for Saturday April 9th. The rain date will be April 16th. This is a great opportunity to earn service hours! Bring your shovels, trimmers, blowers and rakes to help out.

The Opening Day Parade is scheduled for Saturday, April 23rd, with a rain date of April 30th. 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) contains more information regarding the parade, upcoming clinics, information for coaches, and practice tips! You can also purchase spirit wear to support your baseball player in the upcoming season.

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.

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 submit your application at www.dormontbooster.com.



DORMONT AARP

Dormont AARP continues to meet monthly at its new location:

Wallace Memorial Presbyterian Church, 1146 Greentree Rd., (at Potomac Ave.), Pittsburgh.

The meeting day is still the 2nd Thursday of each month, but the meeting time for members had to be changed to 1:30 pm! to accommodate the local Rotary Club that has been meeting there for a long time in the morning! Members should not arrive for our chapter meeting before 1:00 pm to allow Rotary members time to exit the downstairs hall for us!

Chapter officers & board have tried to keep changes minimal, thus keeping the meeting day still on the 2nd Thursday each month. But other changes could not be avoided while trying to keep the meeting place local, with a reasonable rent fee, as well as other conditions!

What we need now is for more members to attend monthly meetings as attendance has greatly declined! Be reminded that parking is available, and the PAT bus stops right outside on Greentree Rd. if needed. One of our members has already taken the bus!

***Don't let this long-running chapter fail, as many others no longer exist!
Participate, attend, & volunteer!***

2016



Road Resurfacing Projects

As we begin 2016, the Borough is looking to complete the following road projects:

Reconstruction of Potomac Avenue

Under this year's road resurfacing project, the Borough has planned on the reconstruction of one street. Potomac Avenue, from West Liberty Avenue to Espy Avenue, will be totally reconstructed the full 50 foot width of the right-of-way, basically 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, and concrete planters will be completely removed. The existing street lamps will be maintained. The proposed reconstruction includes the installation of porous concrete pavers over a stone base for both the street and sidewalk. 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 to be connected to the downstream stormwater inlet. Along this underdrain, the roof drains of commercial buildings on both sides will be connected. The crosswalks will also be porous concrete pavers, but in a herringbone pattern. Also to be incorporated in the sidewalk will be landscape beds, public bistro type tables, seating areas, and other public amenities. Finally, the existing curbing will be replaced where needed.

We also hope to partner with utility companies, such as Columbia Gas and Pennsylvania American Water, who have pipes in the street. Reconstruction of the street is an excellent time for them to upgrade their systems due to cost sharing of the restoration work. Both companies have expressed an interest in upgrading their systems. As of the writing of this article, the logistics are being worked out.

The project is currently in the design phase. Public hearings will be held and the manager and I will be meeting with business owners to discuss the benefits and the impacts of the project, as well as to listen to concerns. I anticipate completing the design in the spring of 2016. Construction will be scheduled thereafter, dependent upon utility schedules and the time frame that will have the least impact on the businesses.

Resurfacing of Streets and Alleys

The Borough also proposes to resurface several streets and alleys under two separate contracts. Contract A is the street resurfacing contract. This project will consist of the resurfacing of Oklahoma Avenue from Texas Avenue to Annex Avenue; & Tennessee Avenue from Belpain Avenue to Annex Avenue. Alternates to this project include the reconstruction of Texas Avenue from Tennessee Avenue to Mississippi Avenue, Arkansas Avenue from Annex Avenue to the southern terminus and Keltion Avenue from W. Liberty Avenue to Texas Avenue. As Texas Avenue and Arkansas Avenue are brick streets, the option of reconstructing each as a brick street is also being considered.

Contract B is the alley resurfacing project. The project calls for the reconstruction of Delwood Avenue from Mississippi Avenue to Hillsdale Avenue. Alternates to this project include the resurfacing of Ranger Way from Raleigh Avenue to Annapolis Avenue, and the reconstruction of Milan Alley, from Dormont Avenue to Argent Alley. Design is anticipated to be finished over the winter with construction beginning in the spring on or about May 1, 2016.

2016 Sanitary Sewer Maintenance Program

Under this year's sewer maintenance program the Borough will be proceeding with several sanitary sewer projects. In 2015, we internally inspected with robot cameras 37,500 linear feet of sanitary sewer mains. This inspection identified various sewers in need of some type of repair. Based upon this inspection, we will be issuing contracts for the required repairs. On sewer lines where there are a number of defects or where there is significant inflow at the joints, the sewers will be lined from manhole to manhole. This will restore the structural integrity of the pipe without the need to excavate the street. For those sewers where there are isolated defects and/or significant infiltration at a single 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 the Borough's sanitary sewers that have not been televised in the last 5 years. Based upon this inspection work, the sewers for 2017 year's repair contracts will be identified.

The work on the various sewer projects identified is anticipated to extend from March 1 through October of 2016.



Looking for DORMONT HOMES!



10 Things You Can Do to Prevent Stormwater Runoff Pollution

- Use fertilizers sparingly and sweep up driveways, sidewalks, and gutters
- Never dump anything down storm drains or in streams
- Vegetate bare spots in your yard
- Compost your yard waste
- Use least toxic pesticides, follow labels, and learn how to prevent pest problems
- Direct downspouts away from paved surfaces; consider a rain garden to capture runoff
- Take your car to the car wash instead of washing it in the driveway
- Check your car for leaks and recycle your motor oil
- Pick up after your pet
- Have your septic tank pumped and system inspected regularly



For more information, visit
www.epa.gov/nps or
www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater

Dormont Stormwater is looking for residents who want to volunteer their yard or downspouts to be examples for raingardens. There will be a demonstration on your property. You will need to help with the construction.

There is no cost to you!

Contact Jennifer Taylor
412-561-8900 ext. 240 or
jtaylor@dormontstormwater.org



DORMONT Volunteer Fire Department

Soon we will be pushing into Spring and with that comes a few of the Department's yearly events. The most popular one will be our annual car raffle. Around April you should receive a booklet of raffle tickets delivered to your door. If you do not receive a booklet or want additional booklets, please call the station or email us through our website at www.dormontfire.com, and we will gladly bring some to you.

We would also like to inform the community of our Junior Firefighter program. This is for anyone ages 14-17 who is interested in the fire service. There are many benefits to volunteering including scholarship opportunities as well as free training and instruction by professional firefighters within and outside of the community. If interested, please visit our website and download our regular application and submit it to the station.

Lastly, we are always in need of more volunteers. If you are interested in becoming a member, please download and submit an application from our website. If you would like more information on volunteering, please call the station and a firefighter will be happy to talk to you about the opportunity of serving your community.

Be safe.

BUILDING & CODE ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT

Spring is just around the corner and as checking around Dormont on one of many routine inspection routes, I found a lot of homes without the proper address markings. Address markings are very important so emergency equipment can reach your home or business without delay. These markings need to be displayed so everyone can read the address from the street and easy to read at night. It would also be a good idea if your property has an alley in the rear to display the address so you can determine the right property from the alley.

The International Property Maintenance Code which the borough has adopted requires address identification markers and also requires the markers to be a certain size.

Section 304.3 Premises Identification. Buildings shall have *approved* address numbers placed in a position to be plainly legible and visible from the street or road fronting the property. These numbers shall contrast with their background. Address numbers shall be Arabic numerals or alphabet letters. Numbers shall be a minimum of 4 inches (102 mm) high with a minimum stroke width of 0.5 inch (12.7 mm).

Please take the time to check out the location of the address markers to make sure they can be easily seen from the street or alley.

Thanks you for your help and cooperation in making Dormont a better and safer place to live.

Message from Building Department

Building permits are required for all electrical work in residential and commercial properties. The property owners/contractors will need to come to the Building Department to apply for electrical permit application. The Borough has a third party (Middle Department Inspection Agency) to review and inspect the electrical work. If you have any questions, feel free to contact the Building Department.

Hollywood Theater

While the majority of small, independent single screen theaters around the country have sadly closed, the Hollywood Theater is going strong thanks to fans and supporters from Dormont and around the city and region. Join us on Saturday, May 14, 2016 as we celebrate the theater's 90th Birthday and five years since it reopened as a nonprofit!

Our special guest for the evening is actor David Conrad, a Pittsburgh native best known for his starring role on the television program Ghost Whisperer in which he played Jennifer Love Hewitt's husband. David has also appeared on TV's Agents of SHIELD, The Good Wife, Boston Public, Roswell and had a small role in the movie Wedding Crashers. As Guest Curator for the event, Conrad selected to screen the new digital restoration of the classic film noir The Third Man (1949) starring Orson Welles. Conrad explained: "As an actor I simply couldn't understand how people, anyone, could watch any film again and again. And then I saw The Third Man. It never gets old. It's perfect."

Tom Roberts and Friends will perform live music before and after the film. Roberts, an early jazz musician and scholar, played piano for jazz and blues legend Leon Redbone for years—who was known to open each show with the Theme from The Third Man by Anton Karas (we're betting you'll hear it).

In addition, there will be tasty food by Eliza's Oven; beer, wine, and soda; a raffle to benefit the Friends of the Hollywood Theater with great prizes such as Penguins and concert tickets and much more.

Doors open at 7 pm with live music. Introduction by David Conrad at 8, with the film to follow. Tickets are \$20 in advance, or \$25 at the door. Member tickets are \$15. Tickets on sale now at www.showclix.com/event/birthday-party-david-conrad.

For more information please e-mail info@thehollywooddormont.org or call 412-563-0368.

You can stay up-to-date on other Hollywood events, by signing up for the Hollywood's weekly e-newsletter, Go to www.thehollywooddormont.org, and scroll to the bottom of the home page to sign up.

Other upcoming events include a Doctor Who Party on April 1 and a Twin Peaks Party on April 8.



STREET SWEEPING SCHEDULE 2016

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, 2016. 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, 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.

*Save the Date:
Join us for an evening of*

REDS, WHITES & BLUES A TASTE IN DORMONT



Sip wines from PA wineries (*maybe a brewery or two*)

Sample foods from local Restaurants

Sway to the music by the Good Guys Duo

Date: Saturday, September 10, 2016

**Time: 5 - 9:30 p.m. • Thomas Lloyd Dormont Recreation Center
under the tent • 1801 Dormont Avenue**

Tickets available *at the Dormont Public Library or online*
\$30.00 donation

Join us at **Taste in Dormont** on Facebook 

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Events

Mark your calendar for the



Please join us for the tenth annual Dormont Pub Tour on Saturday, April 30, from 7 P.M. to midnight. This event benefits Friends of Dormont Pool. Organizers are planning for another successful evening of fun for Pub Tour participants.

For the past nine years, this walking tour of Dormont bars has raised thousands of dollars earmarked for maintenance and improvements at Dormont Pool. "This event is wonderful for the local businesses, and brings a lot of people to the community to see all that Dormont has to offer," said event organizer Val Prosser.

Participants can purchase the official pub tour T-shirt through ShowClix or at any of the 11 participating establishments -- Alberts, The Apple, Breakers, Cain's, Jamison's, Mexi-Casa, "R" Bar, Sam's, Slap Shots, Vasta and the VFW. The cost is \$16 before April 30, or participants can get a shirt for \$20 on the day of the event at the FODP tent, located in the Dormont Junction parking lot.

FODP benefits only from the sales of Pub Tour T-Shirts. The T-shirt is the ticket for the event, and wearers receive drink specials and free food at pub tour locations. With each shirt purchased, pub tourers will receive a map to be marked at each bar visited; maps with all locations marked can be turned in at any participating bar to be entered into a prize drawing. This year's first place prize will be a Family Pool Pass for residents, or a \$100 cash prize for non-residents.

For more information, call:

Sarann at (412) 860-6560 or

Val at (412) 915-2604.

Information also can be obtained by e-mail at friendsofdormontpool@gmail.com.

South Hills MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Monday, May 30, 2016

The Parade Starts at 10:00 AM

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: tjconroy25@gmail.com

We are also on Facebook

Dormont Community Memorial Day Blood Drive

**Thomas Lloyd Recreation Center -
2nd floor of pool building**

Friday, May 27, 2016 • Hours: 12pm-6pm

All donors will receive 2 tickets for an upcoming Pirate Game.

To make an appointment contact
Kristin Hullihen at 412-561-8900 x227
or khullihen@boro.dormont.pa.us

Dormont Dash



Dormont Dash 2016 has been scheduled for Saturday May 28, 2016 at 8:30am.

The proceeds from this race will be donated to "Music Smiles," a program of The Sonny Pugar Memorial. "Music Smiles" brings hope back to the lives of those confined to hospitals and other area health facilities. The program pays local professional musicians of all genres for live music visits to area hospitals and other caring places, and the artists create a healing environment for patients, their families, visitors, and staff. Channeling the live music that so many of us take for granted, artists are also served by performing at places where their music makes an overwhelming, therapeutic impact and makes smiles happen wherever it is heard, from lobby to bedside. Now in its seventh year, "Music Smiles" connects music to hospitals on a scale not done before in our region.

In addition to participants, we are looking for sponsors for the race and prizes or donations for the participants. If you are interested in this endeavor, please feel free to contact Kristin at 412-561-8900.

To register and for the 2016 Dormont Dash or for more information go to <http://dormontdash.webs.com/>

Take a Closer Look at Dormont **SCAVENGER HUNT**



Spring 2016

Visit
Dormont Main Street / Facebook
or
www.dormontmainstreet.org
for more information

Easter Egg Hunt

**Saturday March 19, 2016
10:00am to 12 Noon**

at the

**Thomas Lloyd
Recreation Center**

(Rain Date March 26, 2016)

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).

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For more information

contact Kristin Hullihen,
khullihen@boro.dormont.pa.us,
or 412-561-8900 x227



Dormont Summer Day Camp 2016



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 13th through August 19th 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

Late payment fee: \$25.00

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. For further information, contact Kristin Hullihen at 412-561-8900 x227 or khullihen@boro.dormont.pa.us.



Summer Employment - For Day Camp Counselor positions please contact Kristin Hullihen, Recreation Director khullihen@boro.dormont.pa.us, or 412-561-8900 x227

THE DORMONT HORSESHOE CLUB



At this time of the year, almost no one is thinking about throwing horseshoes, unless you're an avid horseshoe thrower. Even now at the Carnegie facility (H.O.P.E.) horseshoe throwers are enjoying the sport. With 4 indoor courts and 9 outside, horseshoe throwers can enjoy the sport year round. And, as usual, the Dormont Horseshoe Club will start up again on the first Thursday of May (May 5th) and run through until the last Thursday before Labor Day. We are expecting all of our regular members back and already have new members interested. Still, at \$5.00 a night and free hot dogs every third week, it's one of the best deals around for entertainment and good sportsmanship. The horseshoe courts are located next to the Tennis courts by the swimming pool and all contact information is posted. Come on down and enjoy the summer and remember, you don't have to be good, just interested in having a good time.

2016 Spring Redd Up - Dormont Litter Clean-Up

SATURDAY APRIL 16
10:00 am until 1:00 pm

Meet at the Espy Lot at the corner of Potomac and Espy Avenues at 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 Public Library

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

Dormont Public Library is 80!



We are planning a special event to celebrate the 80th anniversary of the Dormont Public Library in this wonderful community! We will be celebrating all of the great patrons we have served over the years with food, music and great stories. Please join us for this special event and help us commemorate this day. At the time of print for this newsletter we had not solidified a date. Keep your eyes and ears open for more information for the upcoming celebration!



Fairy Tale Mock Trial



Saturday, April 2 at noon for children in grades K to 5th. Watch a mock trial acted out by the Allegheny County Bar Association Young Lawyers Division of The Three Bears versus Gold E. Locks. After the trial, the children in the audience become the jury to decide the fate of this fairy tale. Space is limited so please RSVP at 412-531-8754.

Spring Covered Dish Dinner



This themed International Covered Dish Dinner will take place on Wednesday, April 20, 2016 at 6:30 pm. The goal of this dinner is to bring members of the Dormont and surrounding communities together and celebrate the unique and diverse cultures of people from all parts of the world who have made Pittsburgh their home. Please RSVP with the number in your party and the type of food that you will be bringing. Call the library for more information and to register at 412-531-8754.

Honor a Loved One with a Customized Bench



The borough has received phone calls from families wanting to buy a park bench with a memorial plaque to honor someone they have lost. National Business Furniture will customize such a bench for you. If interested, call 1-800-558-1010 to place your order. The style key, size, color and price are as follows:

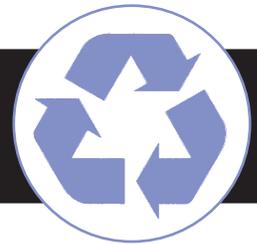
Key No. 85168 - 6ft. width in Cedar with black frame at \$501.00 (includes mounting kit and shipping)



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GARBAGE/RECYCLING NEWS AND SCHEDULE



LEAF COLLECTION DATES FOR SPRING: We will have two spring leaf collection days: **TUESDAY, MAY 3** and **TUESDAY, MAY 17**. 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 30**, your garbage and recycling collection will be delayed one day to Wednesday, June 1. **4th of July, Monday**, your garbage or recycling collection will be delayed one day to Wednesday, July 6.

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. You can still use your red bin or get recycling Stickers free of charge at the Borough Office, Police Department, and the Dormont Public Library.

HAULER: 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.

