

Borough of Strasburg

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Borough Authority Begins Sewer Lining Project

At the core of the Strasburg sanitary sewer system is a network of manholes joined by runs of sewer mains and intercepts which were installed in the early 1970s. The pipes, made of asbestos/concrete material transite, were highly regarded in their day but have reached their expected lifetime. A neighboring municipality with the same pipe, of the same age, has started to experience failures. Pipe collapse occurs suddenly and requires immediate excavation and replacement.

A less urgent but relentless problem is posed by the manholes. Constructed of concrete and brick with steel collars and covers, many manholes have deteriorated over time and allow the infiltration of ground water into the sewer system. Strasburg conveys its sewer flows to the City of Lancaster Sewage Treatment Plant via Suburban Lancaster Sewer Authority (SLSA) lines. We pay by the gallon for that service, and there is an upper limit of our flow, called our contracted capacity, beyond which penalties can be incurred. We see increased flow whenever ground water reaches the porous levels of our manholes and covers. Last year, for example, we conveyed and paid for 8 million gallons more than a well-sealed system would have delivered.

The Borough Authority determined that the condition of the system, the technologies now available to address the problems, and the financial climate to finance the project made this a good time to undertake a project of lining and sealing the most critical portions of the system.

Lining the pipes with a cured-in-place (CIP) fiberglass reinforced polymer material gives them new strength equal to the original pipe, an expected lifetime of 40 to 50 more years, and tight seals at all joints. Together these avoid the costly and time-consuming alternative of excavation and replacement. After a section of pipe between manholes is jet cleaned and televised, a custom-made sleeve of the material is drawn through, inflated to conform to the pipe interior, and cured by high-intensity ultraviolet light. A remote-controlled device then locates laterals, cuts openings, and seals each connection to the main. All this is done with minimum downtime for the sewer customer.

Manhole lining begins with a complete inspection to identify and address any active leaks or structural problems. Careful surface preparation is followed by the spray application of an epoxy polymer that completely seals and adds structural strength to the manhole. After curing, the manhole is again inspected and tested for adhesion strength of the epoxy coating. Several manholes sealed in this manner several years ago have provided very good infiltration prevention.

The scope of the current project does not include all sewer lines and manholes in Strasburg. It does encompass those portions of the system which are considered critical due to the volume of flow they carry, their age and material, their location under state highways, the difficulty of excavation, and/or their susceptibility to water infiltration. Altogether over five miles of pipe and 105 manholes will be sealed. Specifically, the gravity interceptors between the borough and the SLSA connection in Lampeter, Miller Street east of Village Road, East and West Main Streets, North and South Decatur Streets, North and South Jackson Streets, and Lancaster Avenue will be addressed.

Project specifications were established by the Borough's engineering firm, ELA Group of Lititz, and bids were received from four contractors experienced in sewer system lining. After full consideration, the project was awarded to the low bidder, Progressive Pipeline Management of Wenonah, NJ. They began work on June 8. As they proceed, affected sewer customers will be notified in advance of the need to temporarily limit sewer use. Because work is done in existing pipes and manholes without the need for excavation, surface disruption is kept to a minimum. The project is expected to be completed by the end of December 2017.



L-R: Jeff Sweater of ELA Group, Progressive Pipeline supervisor Jim Barlow, and Strasburg Borough Public Works Director Paul Miller Jr. kick off Strasburg's sewer relining project on June 8.

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The project is financed with a \$2.77M bond issue with a term of 30 years. Debt service on the bonds will remain nearly constant over the term of the issue, which allows it to be accurately anticipated and incorporated into annual budgeting. The reduction of water infiltration will lower conveyance costs and preserve existing capacity, allowing additional connections and increased revenue. However, the predominant benefit of the project will be to avoid the unpredictable high cost of emergency repairs which would otherwise surely be needed during the next 50 years. While it is clear that some modest sewer rate increases are anticipated to service the project debt, the Authority will work consistently to control costs and keep rates as low as possible.

Anyone with questions or comments on any aspect of the sewer or water system is invited to bring them to the Authority by contacting Borough Manager Lisa Boyd or by attending a meeting of the Authority at 8:00 a.m. on the third Thursday of the month at the Strasburg Borough office.

What's Happening in the Police Department?

Visit the Strasburg Borough Police Department's "Crimewatch Network" web site at www.StrasburgPD.org for the latest news about police activity, and sign up to get alerts. You can also 'like' SBPD on its Facebook page!

Beware of "IRS" Phone Scam

It can be a scary thing to get an urgent phone call from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) telling you that your taxes are overdue and you'd better pay up quickly or risk severe penalties, but here's the thing: the IRS doesn't *make* phone calls like that. Crooks, on the other hand, DO make phone calls like that, and they manage to sound so convincing that they've been able to bilk millions of dollars out of law-abiding citizens who just want to make things right with Uncle Sam. Some scammers can even "spoof" their caller ID to make it look like the call is coming from state police or local law enforcement agencies.



Strasburg Borough Police are often contacted by concerned citizens who've been the target of these phone calls, wondering if they are legitimate. NO, they are NOT legitimate calls. Disregard them, and by all means **do not send money or give the caller any financial or account information.**

The IRS will not call you to demand immediate payment, nor will they call you if you owe taxes without first sending a bill in the mail. They will not demand that you pay taxes without allowing you to question or appeal the amount you owe. They won't require that you pay your taxes in a certain way, such as with a prepaid debit card, they will not ask for your credit or debit card numbers over the phone, and they especially won't threaten to bring in the police or other agencies to arrest you for not paying. These are, however, some of the tactics that crooks use to bully you into giving them your money.

If you don't owe taxes, or have no reason to think that you do, simply hang up on these bogus callers immediately without giving them any information. If you know for sure, or even think you might possibly owe tax money, hang up on the scammer, but call the IRS directly at 1-800-829-1040, where a genuine IRS agent can help you resolve the issue. The IRS also encourages victims of such calls and "spoofing" to report the incidents to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

The crooks who make these calls can sound very convincing; they've figured out just what to say, and how to say it, to make innocent people think they've got to pay right away. Don't fall victim to their tactics—just hang up!

Strasburg Borough's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Program



The Clean Water Act is the federal legislation that governs stormwater management. Stormwater point discharges to waters of the U.S. are regulated using National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permits.

The Stormwater Phase 2 Final Rule extended coverage of the NPDES program to small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4's). Strasburg Borough is required to comply with the NPDES program as an MS4 municipality. Essentially MS4 municipalities are being required to take a more active role in inspecting and maintaining the storm sewer system. Under the NPDES stormwater program, permittees must develop a stormwater management plan that provides the details of how the community will comply with the requirements of the permit. Permits are based on a framework of six Minimum Control Measures (MCM's):

MCM 1 - Public education and outreach

MCM 2 - Public participation and involvement

MCM 3 - Illicit discharge detection and elimination

MCM 4 - Construction site runoff control

MCM 5 - Post-construction storm water management in new development and redevelopment

MCM 6 - Pollution prevention and good housekeeping for municipal operations and maintenance

The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PaDEP) and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is taking a more active role, visiting municipalities and ensuring that an adequate MS4 program is in place and is being followed.

All residents can help make a difference.

Residents can get involved by planting trees and other vegetation. Trees intercept rainfall and help slow down and reduce runoff to the MS4 infrastructure and can reduce the amount of pollutants stormwater runoff picks up from roadways and parking lots and carries into our streams. Free street trees are available through the Borough's Shade Tree Committee and property owners are also encouraged to plant trees in the "interior" of their properties. For more information on MS4s and planting trees, please see the following online resources:

- Pennsylvania DEP: <http://www.dep.pa.gov/Business/Water/CleanWater/StormwaterMgmt/Stormwater/Pages/>
- U.S. EPA: <https://www.epa.gov/npdes>
- Arbor Day Foundation: <http://www.arborday.org/trees/stormwater.cfm>
- Chesapeake Stormwater Network: <http://chesapeakeststormwater.net/2013.04/homeowner-bmp-guide/>

You can also assist the Borough with its requirements by monitoring or reporting stormwater discharges which occur during dry periods, typically 48 hours after rainfall. These non-rainfall discharges are referred to as illicit discharges. If you see or suspect an illicit discharge, please contact the Borough office. The Borough's website also features a link to report illicit discharges.

Additionally, private stormwater facilities (inlets, storm pipes, swales, stormwater basins, etc.) located outside the public right-of-way are to be inspected and maintained by the property owner or the Home Owners' Association. Regular inspection and maintenance of stormwater facilities is needed. To assist with inspection efforts the Borough has prepared a stormwater inspection checklist for property owners; the checklist identifies the frequency and items to be inspected. Borough staff will be following up with property owners to ensure inspection and maintenance is being completed and documented.

The Borough's website is a valuable resource where items such as the 2014 Strasburg Borough Stormwater Management Ordinance, property owner inspection checklist, and The Homeowner's Guide to Stormwater, along with other items, can be found.

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MS4 Program (Continued)

Water is an important resource and an important issue to the Borough. Residents are encouraged to get involved. Now is the time to get involved to help the Borough plan for this resource.



Other ways to get involved include:

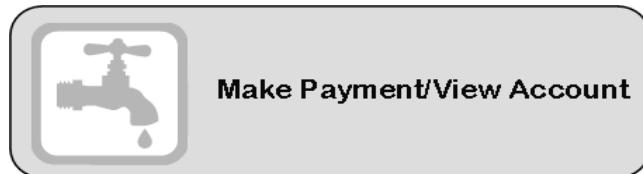
- **Keep leaves and sticks out of storm inlets before and during rain events.**
- **Don't dump grass or leaves in the street, swales or streams.**
- **Don't dump chemicals down your drain, in your yard, or in storm inlets.**
- Use pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers carefully and only when needed.
- Get involved with a local organization that helps to take care of our streams and waterways, such as the Pequea Creek Watershed Association or the Lancaster County Clean Water Consortium.
- Dispose of household hazardous waste (HHW) such as old computers, paints, batteries, fluorescent bulbs, old gas or oil at the Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority's HHW facility.
- If you wash cars at home, use a low or no phosphate biodegradable car wash soap and wash the car on the lawn.
- Contact the Strasburg Shade Tree Committee to plant a street tree and/or volunteer to help plant the trees.
- Install innovative stormwater practices on residential property, such as rain barrels or rain gardens, that capture stormwater and keep it on site instead of letting it drain away into the storm sewer system.
- Pick up after pets and dispose of their waste properly. No matter where pets make a mess, in a backyard or at the park, stormwater runoff can carry pet waste from the land to the storm sewer system to a stream.

Lots of Choices for Water Customers

A welcome feature for many of our water customers has been the variety of payment options that are available. We now accept Visa, MasterCard, and electronic check payments, either online, by phone, or in person. You can also set up your account to pay automatically from your credit card or checking account. AutoPay by check also requires a signed authorization form and voided check be on file with us. There is a small convenience fee charged to the customer for each of these options. These fees are established by our payment processor, and at present are set at \$0.50 per electronic check and, for credit cards, \$1.49 for amounts \$0-\$50; \$2.60 for amounts from \$50-\$100; \$3.90 for amounts from \$100-\$150; \$5.20 for amounts from \$150-\$200; and 2.99% of the total for amounts \$200 and above.

You can now access your account details online, and do such things as check your account balance, view billing and payment history, change the way you receive your bill (via postal or e-mail, or both), set up AutoPay, and make online payments. Simply provide us with your e-mail address; once we enter it into your account, you'll receive a confirmation e-mail with instructions for getting started as an online user. This feature will only allow access to information about the specific account(s) associated with a particular e-mail address; your account info is secure from casual viewing by others.

Even if you choose not to set up online access, or without logging in, you can still pay bills quickly and securely online. Simply click the green "Make Payment/View Account" box on the home page of the Borough website, and choose the "Online Payment" option.



We also have an after-hours dropbox for payments. It's located next to our front door and is emptied every weekday. It's a handy way to save postage or get a payment in before deadline!

If you'd like more information about any of these options, or need help in getting started or signed up, just give us a call at 687-7732 or stop in during regular office hours, Monday through Friday 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Outdated Medications



Are you helping older relatives move to new quarters? Has a family member passed away leaving years of outdated medications to be cleaned out? Do you have old unused medications cluttering up your cabinets? We can help you dispose of them properly!

The Strasburg Borough Police Department is taking part in a program sponsored by the Lancaster County District Attorney's Office to help residents get rid of expired or unwanted medications in a safe and secure manner.

Bring your unwanted items to the Strasburg Borough Office, 145 Precision Avenue, Strasburg, Monday through Friday 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. If a police officer is in station when you visit, they will take medicines from you, or you may leave them with the front office staff for proper disposal.



Ordinance Reminders

Residents are reminded of the following Borough Ordinances which are enforced by the Police Department. Questions regarding these ordinances should be directed to the Police Department by calling 717-687-7128 (complete copies of these ordinances are available on the Borough's website at strasburgboro.org by selecting "Documents" and then "Ordinances" from the menu at the top of the home page).



Curfew - Parents are reminded that persons under the age of 18 are restricted by a curfew Sunday through Thursday 10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. and Friday and Saturday from midnight to 5:00 a.m. During these hours, juveniles must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. The ordinance makes the *parent* responsible for this misconduct.



Street Storage & Dumpsters - Any street storage or dumpster placement on the street requires a permit. Examples of street storage include trailers not connected to a vehicle, and mulch piles.

Burning - Open burning is prohibited on Sundays and Mondays as well as after dark. When permitted, any burning needs to be done at least 50 feet from any structures and under the personal supervision of a responsible adult. The only materials allowed to be burned are paper, cardboard, wood, and leaves and garden refuse which are not wet, damp, or tightly compacted. (These regulations do not cover ornamental fires or those for food preparation/grilling. Contact the Police Department with regard to ornamental or "fire pit" burning.)



Grass/Weeds - Property owners or tenants are required to keep grass and weeds less than six inches in height.

Fireworks - Very few fireworks are Pennsylvania-legal. As a general rule, any firework display that leaves the ground needs to be licensed or is considered to be illegal.



Control and Maintenance of Animals (Dog Barking) - Dogs barking for more than 10 minutes continuously or 30 minutes intermittently are considered to be in violation. The complainant can not, by Ordinance, be anonymous and an officer must witness the dog barking. The Ordinance requires a written notice/warning of the violation before prosecution may commence. Violations of this Ordinance are punishable by a fine up to \$600.

Door-to-Door Solicitation

Anyone going door to door within Borough limits for the purpose of sales or marketing of goods and/or services, or solicitation of donations, must be first approved by the police department and issued a solicitation license.

Placing “door hangers” or distributing literature does not require a license, but engaging in conversation with prospective clients does. A license is not required by those who go door to door to share religious testimony, but if told to leave your premises they should do so without argument.



If someone knocks on your door but is unable to provide their Borough-issued solicitation license, or refuses to leave when asked, do not hesitate to call police dispatch at 911 or 1-800-957-2677 to report them.



Senator Scott Martin

Tougher DUI Laws Create Opportunities to Save Lives

Many Lancaster County residents are familiar with the heartbreaking story of Meredith Demko, an 18-year-old high school senior who was killed in 2014 by a drunk driver who was also high on heroin. Her tragic death left behind a trail of devastated friends and family members whose lives were forever changed by the reckless action of an irresponsible motorist who never should have been behind the wheel. Sadly, Meredith’s passing is only one in a long string of tragedies related to drunk driving. Too often, we hear stories about reckless drivers who are still creating hazards on the highway after multiple DUI convictions. Inevitably, some of these cases lead to the deaths of innocent victims whose lives were taken far too soon by the indifference of thoughtless offenders.

Pennsylvania’s DUI laws have proven to be ineffective at preventing habitual drunk drivers from getting behind the wheel while intoxicated. Without stronger laws to punish drunk drivers, we doom even more families to suffering an unimaginable – and completely preventable – loss. Even one tragedy related to drunk driving is one too many.

That’s why I recently introduced legislation that will enact tougher penalties on drivers who consistently endanger themselves and others by driving under the influence. My bill would help limit the number of DUI offenses on Pennsylvania roadways by putting habitual offenders behind bars for an extended period of time. My proposal would mandate at least two years of jail time for any offender who is convicted of more than two DUIs in a 10-year period. If a habitual drunk driver causes the death of another person, he or she could be charged with a first-degree felony, which is subject to a 20-to-40-year prison sentence. Ultimately, the bill would ensure the most dangerous offenders have far fewer opportunities to make a bad decision that results in a loss of life.

Lawmakers have already taken some steps to strengthen existing laws to prevent similar tragedies. A year ago, a new law was created to increase the number of DUI offenders who are required to use ignition interlock systems. That measure also improved the collection of evidence to prevent drunk drivers from escaping justice for their crimes. A 2014 law closed a loophole that prevented prosecutors from charging DUI suspects as repeat offenders if they are re-arrested for additional DUIs before a conviction for the original offense. In addition, we are only a few years removed from Pennsylvania lowering the BAC threshold for a DUI conviction from .10 to .08.

These are all steps in the right direction, and these public safety measures certainly played a role in PennDOT reporting a record-low number of traffic fatalities in 2016. But we can do more, and we can do better. It is my hope that we can take another step toward making our communities safer by keeping some of the most dangerous offenders off the road for a very long time.

PA State Representative Keith J. Greiner Working for You



As the member of four key House committees and a certified public accountant, I have an active role in addressing some of the Commonwealth's most pressing fiscal challenges during the 2017-18 legislative session. The only Lancaster County member to serve on the House Appropriations Committee, I was selected to serve on the Subcommittee on Government and Financial Oversight, where I am tasked with examining how state agencies spend money and finding innovative ways to cut costs and improve government operations. I have also been reappointed to the House Commerce Committee, and have been appointed to the Finance, Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness Committees. Through my background and experience as a CPA, former township supervisor, and service as a volunteer firefighter for many years, I am able to better comprehend the challenges and decisions these committees have to address.

I am also actively working on multiple pieces of legislation that will benefit our community and help protect our friends and families. The rapid increase in pension costs and the associated unfunded liability is one of the biggest challenges facing our Commonwealth. In addition to this being a state issue, it's also a serious problem for many municipalities. I am vigorously working on legislation to find a viable solution for this problem that will benefit local municipalities, while attempting to maintain existing rights and provide decent benefits to the employees. Another issue which is important to me is establishing felony grading for repeat DUI offenders. A third DUI offense committed within ten years of other DUI offenses, as well as any fourth or subsequent offense during a person's lifetime will be upgraded to a felony of the third degree. Multi-time repeat offenders need to face a progressive sanction commensurate with their level of disregard for the risk of causing an injury or death.

Our Commonwealth has also been weak in our current statutes addressing animal cruelty. This is why I have introduced two key pieces of legislation, HB853 & HB854, to improve our Commonwealth's statutes and how we target animal cruelty offenders. HB853 will increase the current minimum fine for a summary count of animal cruelty from \$50 to \$250. HB854 will give both the Courts of Common Pleas and our District Attorneys a greater voice in determining the appointment of Humane Society Police Officers to ensure they are properly equipped to handle animal cruelty cases.

I also have introduced legislation, HB1420 and HB1421, in helping nonprofit and charitable organizations. These bills would clarify reporting requirements and align our state audit requirements for financial reporting with federal law in an attempt to save these organizations money by reducing the scope of accounting services that are required. These organizations can then use these cost savings to help them achieve their goals and objectives.

I am continuously involved in dealing with our Commonwealth's challenging budget and financial issues, and once again am serving on a task force dealing with the complex property tax issue.

As always, please feel free to stop by my office, located in the West Lampeter Township Building, if I can assist you with any state-related matter. You can also call (717) 464-5285 or send me an email at kgreiner@pahousegop.com. Thank you for the privilege of serving you!



Reminders:

Flushing of the entire water system will be on Tuesday, October 17, 2017 and again on Tuesday, April 17, 2018 (during the day). Please don't do laundry during these hours, as the water may be discolored.



Street Cleaning will be on Thursday and Friday, October 12 & 13, 2017 and again on Thursday and Friday, April 12 & 13, 2018. Please keep parked cars off the street starting at 6:00 a.m. on these days.

FREE TREES FOR BOROUGH RESIDENTS!

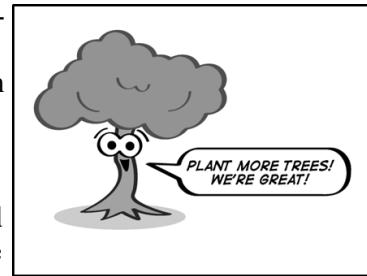
The Shade Tree Committee has a great deal for Borough residents: FREE TREES!

By the start of 2017, the Strasburg Borough Shade Tree Committee has added just over 200 trees to the Borough's streetscape since the program began in 2000. You can boost those numbers—not to mention enhance your home's curb appeal, cool the environment, and improve our air quality and stormwater runoff—by applying to receive up to two **FREE** trees of your very own.

The committee is currently taking orders from property owners who would like these **FREE** trees planted along their street frontage (within 6 feet of the inner sidewalk edge) at no cost. Don't hesitate to apply—it's first come, first served for these **FREE** trees, and quantities are limited by annual funding!

Many people are pleasantly surprised to learn that the **FREE** trees aren't just dropped off at their house; far from it! The committee schedules planting days in spring and fall to actually plant and mulch the trees. Homeowners receive—**ABSOLUTELY FREE**—sizable, healthy trees properly planted and off to a good growing start...a service that could cost \$500 or more were you to hire a landscaper or nursery.

There are many varieties of **FREE** trees available through this program; visit the Borough website at www.strasburgboro.org/boards-and-commissions/tree-committee to view the recommended street tree list, or come by the Borough Office to look through our "Street Tree Fact Sheets" booklet that contains information about and photographs of the many tree varieties offered **FOR FREE**. When you have selected your **FREE** tree species, fill out a Street Tree Request Form (downloadable from the website) or stop in and fill one out to get on the list for up to two **FREE** trees. If you need help selecting the perfect **FREE** tree(s) for your home, our knowledgeable committee members are happy to meet with you on-site and help you choose a suitable species.



In addition to planting **FREE** trees, the committee members also plant and maintain flowerbeds and hanging baskets each summer around the Borough's Center Square, helping make our town center a lovely place to stroll or visit the shops.

Call the Borough Office today at 717-687-7732 if you would like to sign up for your **FREE** trees, or to learn more in general about the Shade Tree Committee's work.

And remember, at NO CHARGE, a free tree is an unbeatable deal!



Swimming Pools

All pools, including spas and hot tubs which have a filtration system, require zoning approval, a building permit, and inspections.

This **includes** the "bladder" or storables pools which are available at local department stores where the top ring is inflated with air and the pool is then filled with water. A fence is required if the sides of any above-ground pool are not 48 inches or more from finished grade. A fence may not be required if the above-ground pool's sides are over 48 inches but lockable or removable steps are required. All cords and plug-connected pool pumps must be connected to a receptacle which is protected with a Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter. Other electrical, fence and gate stipulations may apply to your particular situation. You may pick up a free Code Compliance Swimming Pool Information Guide at the Borough Office during normal business hours. Have a safe summer!

FREE Disposal of Household Hazardous Waste



Here's how you can safely dispose of household hazardous materials.

It's: Free, Convenient, Fun, and Friendly!

Lancaster County residents may drop off the following materials for **FREE** at LCSWMA's drive-through HHW Facility, located at 1299 Harrisburg Pike in Lancaster. The HHW Facility is open Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Learn more at www.lcswma.org or by calling 717-397-9968.

What materials does the HHW facility take for FREE?

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| * Adhesives | * Fuel: kerosene, gasoline and propane |
| * Automotive fluids (max. 5 gals. per container) | * Household cleaners |
| * Batteries: vehicle and household | * Lawn treatments: herbicides and pesticides |
| * Chemistry sets | * Mercury-containing items (30 max per month):
(ballasts, fluorescent bulbs, thermostats and
thermometers) |
| * Cooking and frying oils (max. 5 gals. per container) | * Paint, rust inhibitors, stains, turpentine and thinners |
| * Electronic waste or "e-waste" (see below) | * Photographic and pool chemicals |
| * Fire extinguishers | |
| * Floor and furniture polish | |

These **e-waste** items are accepted for **FREE** at the HHW Facility (only 10 items per customer, per day):

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| * Televisions | * Computers: desktop and laptop |
| * Stereos, CD players, turntables, speakers (no wood) | * DVD and VCR players |
| * Computer peripherals: keyboard, mouse
printer and speakers | * MP3 players, iPods, PDA's, game players
* E-readers, tablets, cell phones, smart phones |

Important Reminders:

- * Only the items listed above are accepted at the HHW Facility. All other materials, including appliances, are considered trash and may be disposed of for a fee.
- * Empty paint and liquid containers are not accepted at the HHW Facility and should be disposed of as regular trash.



Snow Shoveling Reminders

You have 24 hours after snowfall cessation to remove snow and ice from your sidewalks, clearing a path at least 30 inches wide. Please also note that the Borough Ordinance **prohibits the blowing or shoveling of snow into the travel lane of any roadway.**

If you are cited, violating this ordinance incurs a fine of \$300 or up to 90 days in jail for each day the violation exists.

*** NOTICE ***

It is illegal to have your sump pump or downspouts connected into the sanitary sewer. If you have yours connected into the sewer, please disconnect immediately!



Emergency Notification System

If you haven't already signed up to receive notifications, including emergency water system notifications and snow emergencies, please sign up today on the Borough's website or by calling the Borough Office at 717-687-7732. You can choose to be notified by voice message, text message, email, or all three, at multiple numbers and addresses. Please remember to update your information if you change phone numbers or e-mail addresses!



Lancaster County Redevelopment Authority Home Repair Program



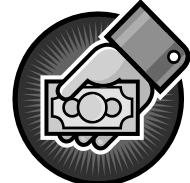
The Lancaster County Redevelopment Authority offers 0% interest loans to low to moderate income homeowners who reside in Lancaster County outside the Lancaster City limits. **Loans are for addressing hazardous situations within the home. Loans are not for cosmetic work.**

Applicants can receive up to \$24,999 in home repairs made by a qualified contractor. A lien is placed on the homeowner's property and no monthly payments are required. Loans are not due until the home is sold, the deed transferred, or if the home is no longer the owner's primary residence.

Interested homeowners may call the Redevelopment Authority of the County of Lancaster at 717-394-0793, extension 226. Applications may also be found online at www.lchra.com.

Strasburg Restoration & Preservation, Inc. (SRPI) Exterior Home Repair Program

The exterior home repair program of Strasburg Restoration & Preservation (SRPI) has been made possible by a \$50,000 grant from the Lancaster County Commissioners. To date, almost \$100,000 of loans have been made to residents. All residences in the Borough built before World War II are eligible, including rental units. Only homes within the historic district of the Borough must submit plans and receive approval from the Strasburg Historic Architectural Review Board (HARB) and the Borough Council before funding.



The loan program has an interest rate of **1.5%** simple interest, with no requirement for a borrower to match funds loaned. The application is very simple and requires **NO** personal financial information. The only requirement is a description and an estimate of work being done. The maximum loan amount is \$7,500, the maximum loan duration is 7 years, and all work must be completed within 12 months.

Informational brochures may be obtained from the Borough Office, and new applications are reviewed on a continual basis.



Strasburg Independent Order of Odd Fellows (I.O.O.F.)

The Strasburg I.O.O.F. is located at 9 East Main Street, Center Square, Strasburg and has been a local fraternal organization since the mid-1800s. The organization donates to Lampeter-Strasburg scholarships, Strasburg Fire Company, the Scout House, Strasburg Jaycee Park, and Lampeter-Strasburg Area Woman's Club, and places flags at the Strasburg Cemetery for Memorial Day.

The Veterans Honor Roll sits on the grounds in front of Massasoit Hall. For more information regarding the I.O.O.F., please contact Jim Rice at 717-687-0819. Persons interested in joining are welcome.

Upcoming Paving Projects

Funk Street is scheduled to be paved in 2017.



Satellite Dishes

If you are thinking about installing a satellite dish and you live in the Historic District, the Zoning Ordinance only allows those dishes to be placed in the rear yard.

Strasburg Fire Company #1



Strasburg Fire Company #1 is an all-volunteer fire department that has served the Borough and vicinity since 1933. Its volunteers provide fire, rescue, fire police, emergency and public services. During the past year, fire personnel responded to 198 incidents.

In order to provide this fire and emergency service the company relies on the generous support of the community through its annual fund drive and fund-raising activities throughout the year.

By the time you receive this newsletter, you will have probably received our annual **OPERATING FUND DRIVE LETTER**. If you have not already responded, kindly consider donating whatever you can afford to help us fund our annual \$153,000 operating budget. As the fire company has stated over the years: **WE NEED YOU; YOU MAY NEED US.**

Training activities are held every Monday evening at 7:00 p.m. Residents interested in serving as volunteer fire-fighters or corporate assistants should visit the fire station during these evenings to obtain further information or log onto our website at www.strasburgfire.com.

Future fund-raising events:

2017

- July 14 – Golf Tournament
- July 29 – 5th Saturday Breakfast 6-10 a.m.
- September 30 – 5th Saturday Breakfast 6-10 a.m.
- October 28 – Chicken Barbeque 11 a.m.?
- November 11 – Wally Hines Photo
- December 30 – 5th Saturday Breakfast 6-10 a.m.

2018

- February 23 – Chicken Corn Soup Sale, 11a.m. -7 p.m.
- February 23 (Friday) – Quilt & Craft Sale 5-8:30 p.m.
- February 24 – Annual Mud Sale, 8:30 a.m.
- March 31 – 5th Saturday Breakfast 6-10 a.m.

The Strasburg-Heisler Library

Get Informed, Get Involved and Get Connected!

The Strasburg-Heisler Library is not just about books; it's also about community and life-long learning. Here is what some of your neighbors have to say about the library:

"When we moved to Strasburg the first thing I did was bring my son to the library for Babygarten. I met other moms and became involved in the community."

"My donation to the library is about a dollar a day, but what I get back is worth way more. [Through some of the library's programs] I've made friendships with other veterans."

"I couldn't afford to buy a computer or pay the internet fees. I used the computers at the library to get my nursing degree."

"Giving to the library is an investment in my kids."

"I attended the workshop presented by Lancaster Homebrew at the Strasburg-Heisler Library. I was able to taste grains and learned details that I never considered before. My home brews are much better now."

**Recognizing an Allergic Reaction**

By Jerry Schramm, Lancaster EMS

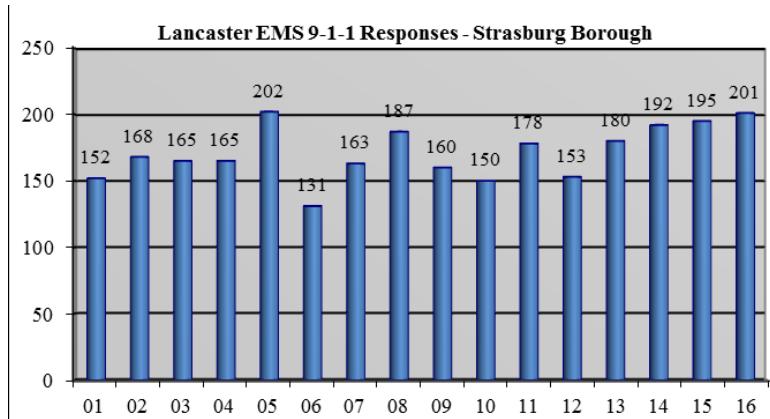
As spring transitions into summer, the draw of sunshine and warmer weather entices people to spend more time outdoors. An outdoor cookout and a game of horseshoes can quickly transition from an enjoyable family outing into a medical emergency as a result of an allergic reaction. Understanding the causes and signs of an allergic reaction can lead to early recognition and appropriate medical treatment to prevent severe illness.

An allergic reaction can occur as a result of an exposure to a number of substances. Pollen, bee stings, shellfish, and antibiotics are examples of substances that can cause an allergic reaction. These substances, called allergens, do not necessarily affect everyone in the same way. One person may be highly allergic to bee stings while another shows nothing more than a bug bite. Additionally, a person can change over time and have an allergic reaction to a substance that had not resulted in a reaction previously.

If you are exposed to a substance that you are allergic to, it is important to understand the signs of an allergic reaction. A mild reaction may produce irritation or itching in the area of the exposure. In a moderate reaction, the irritation and itching may be more pronounced, possibly accompanied by mild shortness of breath and swelling. For cases of a severe allergic reaction, a person will show signs of severe shortness of breath, swollen lips and tongue, and a decrease in consciousness. Persons showing signs of an allergic reaction should seek medical attention immediately, with even a minor reaction progressively growing worse over time.

Allergic reactions are generally mild and easily managed but can quickly become severe. Stay cognizant of your surroundings and ensure those with a known allergy carry their prescription Epi-pen. Use a credit card to scrap away stingers from bee stings and call 9-1-1 for anyone in distress. Remember to be safe this summer and stay alert for signs of allergic reactions.

Lancaster EMS offers a “New Parent Program” for expectant mothers. This two-hour (in home) program covers infant safe sleep, safe cribs, infant CPR, ‘shaken baby syndrome,’ seizures, and much more. Learn more about our new program at: www.lemsa.com or by emailing us at: communityparamedics@lemsa.com. We also offer monthly CPR training at our Millersville Location. To learn more, please go to: <http://www.lemsa.com/learn-CPR.asp> or call us at: 717-481-4841, x234.



Lancaster EMS is nationally accredited (since 2005), the only accredited ambulance service in Lancaster County, and only one of six accredited services in Pennsylvania. Please ‘like us’ on Facebook...where we share Company news and events.

Strasburg Area Sertoma Club



The Strasburg Area SERvice TO Mankind Club supports many community projects, organizations and events. To name just a few:

- * Programs that assist persons with communicative disorders (hard of hearing, deaf and/or speech disorders) and promote hearing health.
- * Scholarships to L-S High School graduating seniors who are pursuing higher education in the field of audiology or speech therapy or who have/had a hearing or speech deficit.
- * Strasburg Community Park
- * Strasburg Memorial Day Parade and Cemetery Service
- * Santa's Helpers
- * Victory House for Veterans in Lancaster City

Dinner meetings are held the third Wednesday of each month, September through June, beginning at 6:30 p.m. During the summer months, we have pot-luck picnics at the Strasburg Community Park. For more information about the club, to make a reservation to attend a meeting, or to become a member, please contact Lynda Houck at 717-687-6408 or houckl@att.net.

Strasburg Community Parks Foundation

The development and maintenance of the Strasburg Community Park, located along Precision Avenue, is made possible through the donation of time and monies from community residents, our local municipalities, and service organizations, as well as generous benefactors. The Park offers visitors opportunities to hike, to view native wild-flowers, trees, shrubs and wildlife, and to seek solitude in this natural oasis. In addition, the Foundation holds a summer series of a variety of community family musical entertainment at the newly-built stage in the Strasburg Community Park's amphitheater.

Residents are asked to join us for **The Sounds of Strasburg 2017 Concert Series** on the following select Saturday evenings beginning at 6 p.m.:

- * **June 10:** Lampeter-Strasburg Community Band & Music for Everyone Chorus - Sponsored by Nikolaus & Hohenadel, LLP and Strasburg Area Sertoma Club
 - * **July 15:** Featherburn & The Good Fat - Sponsored by anonymous benefactors & Strasburg Area Sertoma Club
 - * **August 5:** Servant Stage Company - "Sing, Sing, Swing!" - Sponsored by The Strasburg Rail Road Company and Strasburg Area Sertoma Club
 - * **August 19:** Duane Slaymaker & The Fast Lane - Sponsored by Ephrata National Bank, Wiley's Pharmacy of Strasburg and Strasburg Area Sertoma Club
 - * **September 2:** Summit Hill Bluegrass Band - Alere Family Health and Strasburg Area Sertoma Club
- All concerts are open to the public free of charge, due to the generosity of our sponsors. Great food and cold desserts will be available for purchase at each concert. Businesses, organizations and individuals wanting to financially sponsor a band/concert in **2018** are asked to contact Barbara Rathbone-Frank at 572-6830. Details, such as times, details about the bands playing at the concerts, and parking, will be posted on our website at www.strasburgpark.org and on Facebook at Strasburg Community Park.

Rental Contact: Lynda Houck at 717-687-6408 - facilities, fees and reservations.

Park Pavilion: Includes kitchen, restroom, tables (6' diameter) and chairs to accommodate up to 60 people.

Open Air Amphitheater and Stage: Perfect location for weddings, plays, concerts, or special events.

Memorials: Barbara Rathbone-Frank at 717-572-6830 for memorial donation options.

Memorial Trees and Benches: Large specimen trees or weather-resistant wooden benches with bronze plaque.

Giving Tree Memorial Leaf: Small metallic colored leaf attached to the Giving Tree at the Pavilion.

Young Trees: Young 3' to 4' tree seedlings can be adopted and planted within the Park.

Visit our Facebook page at "Strasburg Community Park" or our website at www.strasburgpark.org.

Lampeter-Strasburg Area Woman's Club

The Lampeter-Strasburg Area Woman's Club was founded in 1965 and was previously known as the Strasburg Area Woman's Club. We are a dynamic, fun group of ladies residing in the Lampeter-Strasburg area who reflect the club motto – "Forward together through friendship and service."

Throughout the year we sponsor several fundraising events that allow us to provide scholarships for high school seniors and donations for situations that arise within our community. We sponsor the **Soup Cook-Off** at the Lampeter Fair in September. At the holidays, we sponsor **"Christmas on the Square,"** a tradition in Strasburg that is enjoyed by young and old with music, hot chocolate and cookies, and a visit from Santa! February is busy with our club making and sending over 1,000 valentines to our local veterans in veterans' hospitals.



Each spring we put together the **L-S Idol Competition** which showcases the vocal talents of our schools as students vie for the title of the L-S Idol. We also sponsor the **Tea with the American Girl** which is enjoyed by girls of all ages. Each girl enjoys storytelling, raffles of handmade doll clothes, furniture and accessories, and a delicious tea.

The club meets the fourth Tuesday of each month, August through May, at Wesley United Methodist Church, Strasburg, at 7:00 p.m. At each meeting, we invite a wide variety of local services, businesses, or individuals to meet with us and inform us of their organization or cause. Please contact Elaine Benner at 717-464-9071 or find us on Facebook. Come join us for a valuable, fun and meaningful adventure into our Lampeter-Strasburg community!

For Those Who are 50 and Above... Meet the Strasburg Senior Citizens Club

The Strasburg Senior Citizens Club (for our age 50+ friends) has been meeting on the third Wednesday of each month except July and December. A June picnic and a December Christmas party are scheduled. Most meetings are held in the Strasburg Fire Hall, 203 Franklin Street, which is handicapped-friendly. The meetings usually begin at 1:00 p.m. and include a program, snacks or "covered dish," entertainment, and games. There have been singers, speakers, television personalities, travelogues, musical groups and the like. Senior Citizens provides an opportunity for men and women to get out, meet, and socialize with their community friends.

The Club has community projects to support families in need in the local area. You do not have to live in Strasburg to become a member. Any surrounding community persons are welcome anytime. For more information, contact Bill Geier at 717-687-9072.

Strasburg Sportsmen's Association

The new and annual memberships for joining the Strasburg Sportsmen's Association are due between June and August of each year. Some activities for members include a fall members' picnic in September, Sunday morning breakfasts, and use of the pistol and rifle range.



In addition to the activities for the members, the following activities are open to the public:

- * Turkey raffle - November 19, 2017
- * 12 gauge block shoot (beginning at 10 a.m.) - January 1, 2018
- * 12 gauge block shoots (beginning at 12 p.m.) - January 25, February 24 and March 31, 2018
- * Children's fishing derby - May 6, 2018 (9-11 a.m.)
- * Ham party - March 22, 2018 (5-9 p.m.)

For more information, the Association's phone number is 717-687-6921. Regular meetings are held on the last Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at 316 Weaver Road, Strasburg.

Strasburg Swimming and Recreation Association



A non-profit, membership-only pool, the Strasburg Swimming and Recreation Association, founded in 1962, has provided the community with a cool place for family, friends, and neighbors to gather during the hot summer months.

Come Dive Into Fun... literally! Plunge from our boards into the 9-foot deep end, swim to our 3-foot shallow end, and then hop out and get a treat at our snack bar. The snack bar is open every day until 30 minutes before the pool closes.

Go from the snack bar to your towel, the deck, or the picnic tables in the shade by our volleyball court. The little ones (ages 5 and below) have a baby pool, and they can even play in the sand at our "Beach." For the big kids (ages 6 to 96), we have checkerboard tables on our deck, horseshoe pits outside of our fence, a basketball net. And for all of you with mobile devices or who need computer access to work by the pool, we have Wi-Fi!

The hours for the 2017 season are from 12 p.m. to 8 p.m. (on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday), 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. (Sunday), and 12 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays, when we hold our Late Night Swims. Tuesday nights will feature live music and Fridays will feature Trivia Night, hosted by Benjamin Pontz and David P. Griffith.

Members can bring guests at a daily rate of \$7 per person; books of ten guest passes are also available to members for \$50!

The Strasburg Pool is also a great location for your outdoor party. Local businesses are encouraged to support the pool through special advertising opportunities. Details regarding memberships, hours, parties, and advertising are available at www.strasburgpool.com, or by calling the facility at 717-687-9180. You can follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. Check us out online for details about more fun events! So this summer, Take A Bite Out Of The Heat at the Strasburg Pool!

Strasburg Senior Softball Squad



Strasburg is again represented in the Lancaster County Senior Modified Softball League. Strasburg has had a team in the league for past several years. The team is sponsored by the SWS, Lion's Club of Strasburg and C.H.A. Pole-barns. All players are 60 and up and live in the Lancaster County area. Sadly, our friend and manager, Albert Herr, passed away this past winter and we'll be honoring him by wearing his number 24 on the right sleeve of our jerseys. This year Lee Reynolds and Ray Dieter will be managing our team. We play 19 regular season games, with 10 at the Strasburg Jaycee Park and 9 at various locations around the county. Every team gets into the playoffs which ultimately determines the league champion.

Annually, the league hosts an All-Star Game played at Garrett Field in Willow Street in June. Each team sends player representatives and a \$100 contribution, totaling about \$2,000, to the Challenger Little League program. The Challenger Little League provides opportunities for children with physical and mental disabilities to compete in sports activities. The league has nearly 175 children participating in its programs throughout the county. A "buddy" system is utilized so that each player can enjoy participation in hitting, batting, and base running. Buddies help the Challenger players who require assistance. The Challengers also play an Exhibition Game at the annual Senior All-Star Game.

Come out to support the Senior Team as they continue their season. The following link will give you the complete schedule and field locations for the Senior Strasburg team: <http://www.leaguelineup.com/schedules.asp?url=lcseniorsoftball&sid=223250622&divisionid=786586&teamid=5981720>.

Although the season has already started play, the team is always looking to add players for future seasons. For further information about the team, contact Jim Merrell-Thomas at jamthomas@comcast.net or Lee Reynolds at jerrilee42@comcast.net.

Historical Architectural Review Board

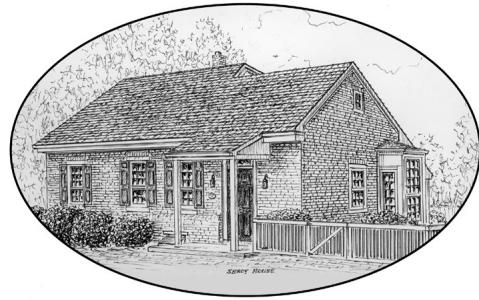
Did you know that the history of Strasburg reaches back into 1729? Homes on Miller Street, East and West Main Street and the first two blocks of South Decatur Street are located in the Historic District. These homes and structures contain rich historic architectural features which have been preserved as a result of the contributions of many individuals over the centuries. Current owners of these properties are part of the history and the future of our town. Property owners, with the assistance of HARB members, are guardians of a rich heritage until such time as it is passed on to new owners, who will then assume the guardianship of that heritage.

These historic features are preserved by having a Historic Architectural Review Board (HARB) review any improvements to these homes or structures which can be seen from the street in order to maintain the standards for the unique homes in the District. Applications for improvements must be submitted to the Borough Office 10 days in advance of the meeting, which is held the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. if items appear on the agenda.

The Strasburg Historic Architectural Review Board, established in 1970, continues to work on maintaining architectural standards for the Historic District. The District is recognized by the U.S. Department of Interior's National Register of Historic Places and the State of Pennsylvania; Strasburg became a Certified Local Government in 2008.

Strasburg Heritage Society

The Strasburg Heritage Society was chartered in 1972 and is dedicated to promoting the preservation, restoration, and appreciation of our community's cultural and historical heritage. The Society owns and is currently restoring the 1790 Shroy House at 122 South Decatur Street. They also own two adjacent properties: 124 South Decatur Street, another Shroy family home built c. 1887, and the 1804 Methodist Meeting House at 126-128 South Decatur Street, which will one day become part of the Strasburg Heritage Center museum complex.



The Society invites the public to attend its monthly program series, held on the third Monday of each month from September to May (except for December) at 7:30 p. m. at the First Presbyterian Church, 101 South Decatur Street. The programs, which are free to members and are \$3.00 for non-members, feature speakers on a variety of historical topics.

The Secret Gardens of Strasburg is now a bi-annual event starting in 2016 and is held the third weekend in June. This garden tour has become a delightful tradition for garden lovers and all who enjoy the beauty of nature. Visitors explore local gardens and the Shroy House. Free refreshments are served.

The Holiday Home Tour is held the first Saturday in December. Tour homes range from historic to new in Strasburg. Wreaths and arrangements are for sale. A craft market provides holiday shopping opportunities as well.

Workshops are held throughout the year. Participants learn traditional hand crafts, ranging from rug braiding to scherenschnitte. Annual raffles include a handmade quilt and a six-course colonial dinner prepared on an open hearth in a restored 18th century Strasburg home.

For more information about the activities and publications of the Strasburg Heritage Society, or to inquire about membership, 'like' the Heritage Society on Facebook, write to P.O. Box 81, Strasburg, PA 17579, call 717-687-3534, send email to strasburgheritagesociety@gmail.com, or visit the website at strasburgheritagesociety.org.

Garage & Yard Sales

Summer is here, and so are garage and yard sales. While garage and yard sales are permitted in any zoning district in the Borough, there are some rules:



1. No garage/yard sale shall be conducted for a period longer than two consecutive days, **and only two garage/yard sales are permitted per property each year.**
2. Garage/yard sales may offer personal possessions for sale; no import or stocking of inventory is permitted.
3. Only one (1) four (4) square foot sign is permitted to advertise the garage/yard sale. The sign must be located on the property where the sale is taking place and must be removed promptly upon completion of the sale.
4. No garage/yard sale is permitted to be conducted within the street right-of-way.

Please remember to remove any garage/yard sale signs IMMEDIATELY at the end of your sale!

Scout House Association

The Strasburg Scout House Association recently replaced the original asbestos tile floor in the older side of the Scout House. This much needed improvement was made possible by the generous support of community organizations, individuals, parents of Scouts, and in-kind donations by the contractors who safely removed the old asbestos tile and installed the new vinyl tile floor. The original floor dated back to early 1959 when the Scout House was dedicated. For more information about the Scout House, please call Bruce Ryder at 717-687-8984.

Cub Scout Pack 19



Cub Scout Pack 19 has been providing activities for elementary-age boys in the Strasburg area for many years. This year we will be introducing the new **Lion Den**. This den will be tailored to Kindergarten-age boys. Cub scouts is for boys through fifth grade. We are fortunate to be able to meet in our own Scout House, located by the Strasburg Pool on South Jackson Street. We hold weekly den meetings to teach a variety of skills including problem solving, respecting our family, friends and community. In addition, we run community and environmental service projects to teach the boys how to back our community. We provide lots of fun experiences such as camping trips, outdoor activities, hiking and fishing. To help keep costs down for all of our activities, we hold two Pack fundraisers each year: popcorn sales and a pork barbecue.

Strasburg Pack 19 is a small, friendly, and family-oriented pack. Boys are able to join any time during the year. Siblings are always welcome at all pack events and are invited to join in our activities. Parent involvement is also highly encouraged, as the program is designed to help parents and children build a bond of trust and loyalty to one another. Parents are required at all events from first through third grade. Parents are required at all overnight activities for all age groups.

For more information, google Strasburg Pack 19. If you have additional questions, please email Chad Cauler at pack19cubscouts@gmail.com, or call 717-725-2406.

We hope you'll consider joining the fun!



Boy Scout Troop 56

Boy Scout Troop 56 meets every Monday night from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Strasburg Scout House on South Jackson Street. Membership in the Boy Scouts is open to boys from ages 11 to 18. In addition to the many campouts, many service hours can also be earned. Stop in and check it out!

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Registered Trash Haulers



Beginning April 1, 2004, Strasburg Borough Council adopted a Refuse & Recycling Ordinance No. 2004-1 for Residential Trash Collection, which requires all trash haulers in Strasburg Borough to become licensed. There is no fee to the haulers for the license, just annual completion of an application. However, the haulers must offer recycling to their customers.

The current registered haulers in Strasburg Borough are:

Cauler Container, Phone: 717-806-0991

Eagle Disposal, Phone: 717-355-9560

Republic Services, Phone: 1-800-210-9675

Econ Refuse Service, Phone: 1-866-636-3266

Lebanon Farms, Phone: 1-800-533-5356

Waste Management, Phone: 1-800-822-4709

Lampeter-Strasburg YMCA Summer Fun!



Don't let this summer pass you by! At the Lampeter-Strasburg YMCA, you'll find a summer full of fun and healthy activities for the whole family. Take a tour to learn about all the Y has to offer, or visit the website at: Lancasterymca.org.

LS YMCA Summer Sport Camps:

Intro to Baseball Camp (Ages 5-8): June 19-22, 1-3 p.m.

Challenger Soccer Camp (Ages 4-16): June 19-22, 9-4 p.m.

Multi-Sport Camp (Ages 5-8): June 26-29, 9-11 a.m.

Volleyball Camp (Ages 7-12): July 17-20, 1-3 p.m.

Challenger Soccer Camp (Ages 4-16): July 17-21, 9-4 p.m.

Intro to Basketball Camp (Ages 5-8): July 24-27, 1-3 p.m.

Intermediate Basketball Camp (Ages 8-12): July 31-August 3, 1-3 p.m.

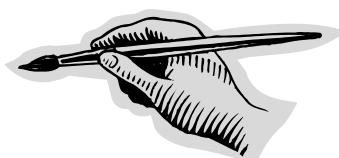
Challenger Soccer Camp (Ages 4-16): August 7-11, 9-4 p.m.

Floor Hockey Camp (Ages 5-9): August 14-17, 9-11a.m.

Intro to Basketball Camp (Ages 5-8): August 14-17, 1-3 p.m.

Lampeter-Strasburg YMCA / 800 Village Road, Lancaster PA 17602 / 717-464-4000 / www.lancasterymca.org

Lancaster County Art Association



The Lancaster County Art Association (LCAA) is located at 149 Precision Avenue in Strasburg and is the oldest visual arts organization in Lancaster County. The LCAA was founded in 1936 and has continued to provide a location for artists and the public to engage in the arts through exhibits, education and special events.

The LCAA invites the community to view its exciting schedule of exhibits, which are free to the public. Featured shows include membership exhibits, solo shows, an invitational exhibit and holiday art sale. The National Juried Exhibition in June & July features juried artists from across the United States, and is the only national juried show in Lancaster County.

Those interested in developing their artistic skills can enroll in one of many art classes and workshops. Classes in painting, drawing, sculpture, photography, pottery and other media are taught by talented instructors who are also well regarded award-winning artists in their field. The Pink Flamingos Art Club for children meets after school on Thursdays, and several art camps are scheduled throughout the summer for the younger artist. Classes for adults with physical or cognitive disabilities are held the second Tuesday of the month.

For information on exhibits, classes, or membership, please call 717-687-7061 or visit the website at www.lcaaonline.org. Regular hours are Thursday through Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Sunday from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Strasburg Jaycee Park

The mission of Strasburg Jaycee Park, in partnership with the greater Strasburg community, is to preserve and enhance the Park, providing recreational activities in a safe, clean and inviting environment for people of all ages in present and future generations. The Park has been serving the public for over 40 years and continues to be a valuable asset to its neighboring communities. Come visit the new updated playground! We have enlarged our playground again; come discover the new space to play!



We encourage the public to take advantage of this outstanding resource. The Park's recreational facilities, covering nearly 12 acres, include three baseball fields, three basketball courts, two volleyball courts, two tennis courts, and a playground. The Park also has a large meeting/activity room with capacity for 50-60 people and a pavilion complete with 21 picnic tables for group outings.

The Park, though privately owned by Strasburg Jaycee Park, Inc., is a non-profit, 501-c3 corporation and therefore depends on fundraisers and public donations to finance the maintenance and continuous improvements to its property and various recreational facilities. The Park also relies on volunteers to keep the grounds clean and maintain its beautiful landscaping. The Park's Board of Directors would like to take this opportunity to thank our friends and neighbors who have been so generous through the years in helping us to achieve our mission.

To make a reservation, email Melissa Groff at mgroff@strasburgjayceepark.com.

Strasburg Lions Club



The Strasburg Lions Club is an active service club chartered in 1932. The Club has more than 50 members and welcomes men and women from the community to join this international service club. Meetings are held the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 6:30 p.m. with dinner at the Strasburg Fire Company.

The Club provides financial support to local, national and international Lions projects, with emphasis on helping the vision-impaired and the prevention of blindness. The Club sponsors the annual Strasburg Halloween Parade and also donates to local programs, including the Scout House, Brownies, Boy Scouts, Strasburg-Heisler Library, Little League Baseball, Strasburg Playground, and scholarships to L-S students.

The 25th Annual Veterans Concert will be presented by the Lampeter-Strasburg Community Band on Sunday, August 6, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. on the front lawn of the Borough Office. The concert has been sponsored for the past few years by the Strasburg Lions Club to honor America's servicemen and women. The concert is free to the public and will include patriotic music and big band favorites.

Each year the Club holds fundraisers such as their Spring and Fall sub sandwich sales, annual breakfast buffet, and car parking at the Strasburg Rail Road events. Please contact any Lions Club member or call 717-687-0819 for more information about membership.

Budget

To view the 2017 Strasburg Borough Budget, please visit the Borough's website at www.strasburgboro.org or stop by the Borough Office.

Planning Commission

Strasburg Borough Planning Commission meets the first Monday evening of each month at 7:00 p.m. Five members comprise the committee.



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Water/Sewer Bills - When Will I Receive my Bill?

This is a frequently-asked question! The following schedule outlines when you can expect to receive your quarterly water/sewer bill, as well as the time frame it covers. Bills are due 30 days from the date of billing.

Water used in January, February & March is billed during the first week of April (1st Quarter)

Water used in April, May & June is billed during the first week of July (2nd Quarter)

Water used in July, August & September is billed during the first week of October (3rd Quarter)

Water used in October, November & December is billed during the first week of January (4th Quarter)

Exact due dates are printed on your bill and posted on the website each quarter.

We would like to thank these community members who volunteer their time to serve on the following Boards and Committees:



Planning Commission

Ken Johnson, Chair
Bob Marshall, Vice Chair
Dominick Di Bella
Mary Dresser
Shelby Nauman

Borough Authority

Harold Wiker, Chair
Ken Johnson, Vice Chair
Ray Reeder, Treasurer
Ray Garraffa
Will Mullin

Civil Service Commission

Ray Garraffa
J.R. Johnson
H. Dale Spaulding

Zoning Hearing Board

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Keith Kauffman, Vice Chair
Ryan Hair
Robert Ham
Shane Kuhns, Alternate
Maureen Wagner

Historic Architectural Review Board

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Dale Kaufman
Chris Lainhoff
David Measel
Lori Troiano
Steve VanOrmer

Tree Committee

Brad Botchlet, Chair
Gil Pratt, Vice Chair
Mary Dresser
Dale Kaufman
Curt Reynolds

Youth Aid Panel

Holly Miller, Chair
Mary DaLauro, Secretary
Alyson Dreer
Alice Eisenhooth
Carol Fish
Tom Fish



Pennsylvania One-Call System CALL BEFORE YOU DIG! 1-800-242-1776

Please remember, any time you are going to dig, you should call the Pennsylvania One-Call System to make sure there are no underground wires. If you do not call and you damage a line, the underground utilities can impose a fine.

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT

PROPOSED NUTRIENTS/SEDIMENT POLLUTANT REDUCTION PLAN (PRP) AND CHESAPEAKE BAY POLLUTANT REDUCTION PLAN (CBPRP) OF THE GENERAL PERMIT FOR STORM WATER DISCHARGES FROM THE SMALL MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM (MS4)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of Strasburg Borough (Borough) will receive public comment(s) on the proposed **Nutrient/Sediment Pollutant Reduction Plan (PRP)** and **Chesapeake Bay Pollutant Reduction Plan (CBPRP)** required for the 2018-2023 General MS4 Permit. The proposed PRP and CBPRP include:

- (1) Identification and locations of structural Best Management Practices (BMPs) for implementation during the permit period to reduce loadings of nutrients and sediment as required by Appendix D and Appendix E of the MS4 Permit, which applies to both General and Individual MS4 Permits;
- (2) Explanation of the methodology used to calculate existing nutrients/sediment loadings and corresponding reductions from applicable watersheds with regulated MS4; and
- (3) Locations of local waterways with nutrients/sediment impairments.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

The proposed PRP and CBPRP are available for review at the Borough office located at 145 Precision Avenue from 7:30 am to 4 pm Monday-Friday during the period of June 23 to July 24, 2017.

The proposed PRP and CBPRP are available to view or download at strasburgboro.org.

Interested parties may request a paper copy or electronic copy of the proposed PRP and CBPRP by contacting Lisa M. Boyd at 687-7732 or lmboyd@strasburgboro.org.

SUBMISSION OF COMMENTS

The Borough shall accept written comments for a minimum of 30 days from the date of public notice. Interested parties may submit written comments electronically, by mail, or hand delivery. All comments must be received by 12:00 noon on July 24, 2017 and addressed to:

Lisa M. Boyd
Borough Manager
Strasburg Borough
145 Precision Avenue
Strasburg, PA 17579

Comments may be submitted electronically, in PDF text format (if less than 1.0 megabytes in total size), to Lisa M. Boyd via email at lmboyd@strasburgboro.org. If the file is greater than 1.0 megabytes in total size, then the comment letter may be submitted either by hand delivery or mail. Please also indicate in the subject line, **“Comments–Strasburg Borough PRP and CBPRP.”**

The Borough Council will also provide an opportunity for interested parties to provide comments during the regularly scheduled meeting to be held on July 11 at 7:30 p.m.



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
BUREAU OF SAFE DRINKING WATER

2016 ANNUAL DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT

PWSID #: 7360118 NAME: Strasburg Borough Municipal Water Authority

Este informe contiene información importante acerca de su agua potable. Haga que alguien lo traduzca para usted, ó hable con alguien que lo entienda. (This report contains important information about your drinking water. Have someone translate it for you, or speak with someone who understands it.)

WATER SYSTEM INFORMATION:

This report shows our water quality and what it means. If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Lisa M. Boyd, Borough Manager, at 717-687-7732. We want you to be informed about your water supply. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled Authority meetings. They are held the third Thursday of each month at 8 a.m.

SOURCE(S) OF WATER:

Our water sources are: Fisher Well, King Well, Rohrer Well, Old Springs, New Springs, and Mowrer Springs, located in Strasburg, Eden and Paradise Townships.

A *Source Water Assessment* of our source(s) was completed by the PA Department of Environmental Protection (Pa. DEP). Overall, our source(s) have little risk of significant contamination. Complete reports were distributed to municipalities, water suppliers, local planning agencies and PADEP offices. Copies of the complete report are available for review at the Pa. DEP South Central Regional Office, Records Management Unit at (717) 705-4732.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the *Safe Drinking Water Hotline* (800-426-4791).

MONITORING YOUR WATER:

We routinely monitor for contaminants in your drinking water according to federal and state laws. The following tables show the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2016. The State allows us to monitor for some contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently. Some of our data is from prior years in accordance with the Safe Drinking Water Act. The date has been noted on the sampling results table.

DEFINITIONS:

Action Level (AL) - The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) - The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) - The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL) - The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) - The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

Minimum Residual Disinfectant Level (MinRDL) - The minimum level of residual disinfectant required at the entry point to the distribution system.

Mrem/year = millirems per year (a measure of radiation absorbed by the body)

ppb = parts per billion, or micrograms per liter ($\mu\text{g}/\text{L}$)

pCi/L = picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)

ppm = parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/L)

DETECTED SAMPLE RESULTS:

Chemical Contaminants								
Contaminant	MCL in CCR Units	MCLG	Level Detected	Range of Detections	Units	Sample Date	Violation Y/N	Sources of Contamination
BARIUM	2000	2000	120	100 – 120	ppb	2016	N	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits.
FLUORIDE	2000	2000	120	100 – 120	ppb	2016	N	Erosion of natural deposits.
CHLORINE (Distribution)	4.0	4.0	0.85	0.52 – 0.85	ppm	Dec. 2016	N	Water additive used to control microbes.
NITRATE	10	10	8.5	2.7 – 8.5	ppm	2016	N	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits.
HALOACETIC ACIDS (FIVE)	60	N/A	6.9	6.9	ppb	2016	N	By-product of drinking water chlorination.
TRIHALO METHANES	80	N/A	21.9	21.9	ppb	2016	N	By-product of drinking water chlorination.
RADIUM 226	5	0	1.18*	0 – 1.35	pCi/L	2011/16	N	Erosion of natural deposits.
RADIUM 228	5	0	2.01*	0 – 3.33	pCi/L	2011/16	N	Erosion of natural deposits.
GROSS ALPHA	15	0	4.53*	0 – 5.86	pCi/L	2011/16	N	Erosion of natural deposits.

* Average highest level over years tested.

Lead and Copper								
Contaminant	Action Level (AL)	MCLG	90th Percentile Value	Units	# of Sites Above AL of Total Sites	Violation Y/N	Sources of Contamination	
Lead 2013	15	0	0	ppb	0	N	Corrosion of household plumbing.	
Copper 2013	1.3	1.3	0.052	ppm	0	N	Corrosion of household plumbing.	

Entry Point Disinfectant Residual							
Contaminant	Minimum Disinfectant Residual	Lowest Level Detected	Range of Detections	Units	Sample Date	Violation Y/N	Sources of Contamination
Chlorine EP-101 (Water Plant)	0.40	0.94	0.94 – 1.26	ppm	05/30/2016	N	Water additive used to control microbes.
Chlorine EP-102 (Old Spring)	0.70	0.92	0.92 – 1.26	ppm	05/28/2016	N	Water additive used to control microbes.
Chlorine EP-103 (New Spring)	0.70	0.90	0.90 – 1.19	ppm	10/15/2016	N	Water additive used to control microbes.

Microbial						
Contaminants	MCL	MCLG	Highest # or % of Positive Samples	Violation Y/N	Sources of Contamination	
Total Coliform Bacteria	For systems that collect <40 samples/month: • More than 1 positive monthly sample	0	0	N	Naturally present in the environment.	
Fecal Coliform Bacteria or E. coli	0	0	0	N	Human and animal fecal waste.	

HEALTH EFFECTS:

About Nitrate: Nitrate in drinking water at levels above 10 ppm is a health risk for infants of less than six months of age. High nitrate levels in drinking water can cause blue baby syndrome. Nitrate levels may rise quickly for short periods of time because of rainfall or agricultural activity. If you are caring for an infant, you should ask for advice from your healthcare provider.

Information about Lead

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The Strasburg Borough Authority is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION:

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION (continued):

- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA and DEP prescribe regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA and DEP regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's *Safe Drinking Water Hotline* (800-426-4791).

Violations

All of the water testing was completed as required with safe results, but some of the testing results were not reported to DEP within the proper timeframe.

Borough of Strasburg

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Regular Office Hours:

Monday-Friday
7:30 am - 4:00 pm

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Council normally meets the second Tuesday of each month, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Planning Commission normally meets the first Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Zoning Hearing Board normally meets the third Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Historical Architectural Review Board normally meets the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Borough Authority normally meets the third Thursday of each month at 8:00 a.m.

Tree Committee normally meets the third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Residents are encouraged to attend!

Strasburg Borough on the web - www.strasburgboro.org

Don't forget to check the Borough's website for items such as agendas, approved minutes, permit applications and meeting schedules!