



FOREST HILLS TREE CITY TIMES

A newsletter for the community of Forest Hills

PennDOT Construction Project—summer 2016

The borough has not received any additional updates on when PennDOT will start construction on the Fall River Project—at the corner of Ardmore Boulevard and Braddock Road—which will affect not only traffic in that area but also entering the Forest Hills Park and even activities/events taking place at the park.

PennDOT may detour traffic up Filmore Road to Greensburg Pike and then onto Braddock Road from that direction, but this is all speculative at this time. As stated in the last issue, this construction will most probably take place sometime this summer but again, no definitive date as of yet. We will continue to update residents in the summer issue of the newsletter, on the borough's web-site (www.foresthillspa.org), and also on Twitter.

What Residents Need to Know: Sewer Issues Affecting Property Owners By Steven Morus, Borough Manager

Several issues ago, the borough updated all via the Tree City Times on the status of a number of sewer issues that would affect rate payers in the borough. A portion of that article on repair or replacement of sewer laterals has been updated and is repeated here after this introduction. The reason—all ALCOSAN communities including Forest Hills will agree to a new consent decree for repair and replacement of sewer lines to improve the flow of sewage moving to the ALCOSAN treatment plant. One of the conditions in the new consent decree may include the need to address the sewer lateral issue. The borough wants to insure that all property owners are aware of this possible requirement as sewer work moves forward since it could be a costly repair. At this time we are unaware of when a review of laterals or repair will be implemented or required.

EPA is likely to require that municipalities approve an ordinance that will require all property owners to officially inspect and potentially replace or repair their sewer laterals at their own expense.

This is an important point for property owners to understand. The lateral connects the property's sanitary sewer system to the main sewer line controlled by the borough. It is owned by the property owner and any inspection costs and replacement costs would be borne by the property owner alone. It is uncertain how such a requirement would be enforced or when it would be required though that is likely to be spelled out in an ordinance.

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What Residents Need to Know: Forest Hills Pool Repairs/Opening for the 2016 Season

For the last 20 years, the pool has had many repairs done to fix leaks, seams on the surfaces and work done on the gutters; however, last year many more leaks were found on the pool floor and walls and in the gutter (scum gutter) that surrounds the pool.

In addition to the already budgeted caulking work this year, extensive work is need on the scum gutter. Council voted to move forward with the repairs, estimating costs at \$110,000 to \$150,000. Considering the size of the project among other factors, no completion date can be provided at this time, and may be closed for most of the summer depending on the extent of problems found as repairs are made.

The process starts with design work followed by advertising for bids from contractors. Once the borough engineer receives bids, borough council will discuss and select a contractor (lowest responsible bidder) and construction will start. The borough asks residents to check the web-site (www.foresthillspa.org) in the spring for updates on construction. The pool application will not be published in this issue, and the borough may not sell pool passes this year.

The borough is working with Woodland Hills High School to use its pool for the Forest Hills Swim Team, the Forest Hills Synchronized Swim Team and swim lessons. The applications for the teams are found inside. Swim lesson schedules will be listed on the web-site; the borough will also have registration forms available on the web-site and at the borough office.

Because of the costs associated with the upcoming pool repairs, pool pass prices will increase. This will all be detailed on the pool application.

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And those who look
only to the past or present
are certain
to miss the future.”*

*John F. Kennedy
35th president
of the United States
(1917-1963)*

Sewer Issues Affecting Property Owners

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The need to survey laterals stems from issues discussed in previous Tree City Times articles. Basically what is wrong with the system as a whole is that it is antiquated, over developed in some areas, allows water other than that containing sanitary sewage into the system from groundwater sources and storm water and cannot handle major sanitary sewer flows for treatment at the ALCOSAN plant thereby putting untreated sewage into rivers and streams during heavy flow periods.

All ALCOSAN communities have implemented sewer fees of varying amounts to provide funds to meet consent decree requirements for televising, inspecting and repairing municipal owned sewer lines. The borough sewer fee you pay covers the costs for public sanitary and storm sewer lines but would NOT cover the cost of inspection, repair and/or replacement of private laterals/lines. To emphasize, the sewer fee you pay may only be used for labor, administrative costs, equipment and materials associated specifically with activities affecting public sanitary and storm sewer lines. As has been noted before, this fee is not likely to go away anytime soon as EPA will require regular, scheduled maintenance and repair for many years to come.

Laterals may contribute to the problem if the property is older or has an older lateral. Many laterals were constructed from terra cotta pipe or similar materials and may be cracked or no longer have sealed joints. A deteriorating lateral allows sewage to escape into groundwater and allows water from storms and other water that does not need special treatment into the ALCOSAN system for transport to their plant. Such extra water entering the system and mixing with sanitary sewage creates an overflow that the current plant cannot handle.

There is no indication on when lateral repair or replacement requirements would go into effect. It is difficult to predict the future and there might be other solutions offered to handle this problem. However, the bottom line is that ultimately the property owner will be held responsible and the borough will be required to enforce requirements. In addition, there is no indication as to whether property owners must undertake inspection and repairs immediately upon approval of an ordinance or whether action would only be required when the property is sold or at some other time. Repair of laterals has been described to borough officials as one key item that must occur sometime over the next six years.

It should be noted that those who purchased sewer line insurance coverage from a utility or other source may not be able to use this coverage for extensive lateral work that may be required under a potential ordinance. You should check your agreement for details.

Further Information

There is much more to know about the sanitary and storm sewer issue and the ALCOSAN consent decree. Past Tree City Times articles, some of which are still on the borough's web-site at: www.foresthillspa.org, describe the problem and progress over time. Check out both the Environmental page there and the Tree City Times page. ALCOSAN sponsors regional public information and input meetings from time to time that are advertised in local media.

In future newsletters, please see articles on this issue and on storm-water issues. The state requirements for control of storm-water will require additional spending to maintain the system and increase its effectiveness, potentially adding additional costs for property owners.

Forest Hills Budget—2016

The 2016 budget is now available on the borough website (www.foresthillspa.org) and includes the manager's budget message to council, copies of each of the borough's budgets and a section on financial data and statistics that are useful in understanding the borough's financial picture. Because the budget message is very detailed, a full description of the 2016 budget will not be provided here. If you do not have access to the internet, you may view a copy of the budget booklet at the borough office and at the borough library in the basement of the senior center.

The budget message is a detailed summary of key points in the 2016 budget. It includes information provided to council when the first draft of a balanced budget is provided to them at the October finance committee meeting. The text from memo updates to council used to create and explain a final budget appear toward the end of the message.

The borough budget process is the same each year. It begins in August with an instructive memo and budget forms provided to borough staff and council. Each submit information to the manager on things they would like to see in the budget by late September so that a first draft is completed by early October as noted above. Council uses subsequent finance committee meetings or Committee of the Whole meetings to prepare both a preliminary budget for advertising (November of each year) and a final budget (December of each year).

As noted, there is too much information associated with the budget to provide a thorough explanation here so a review of the budget message will help. Some key points for the 2016 budget include:

- Taxes remain at 8 mills for 2016 with 1 mill dedicated to a road improvement program
- In 2015, Council determined that a portion of the funds escrowed in 2013 with the property reassessment should be returned to taxpayers beginning with this budget as a credit on the tax bills. At the time of this article we anticipate that any remaining dollars will be credited in a similar manner in 2016.
- The sewer and fire fees remain the same. By law, all funds from the sewer fee must go only to sanitary and storm sewer work, equipment and labor and related administrative costs. By law, all funds from the fire fee must go only to fire related costs including but not limited to payment on the truck lease, reimbursement to the department for authorized bills they submit, insurance and administrative costs. Those budgets are shown separately on the website
- The trash fee increased to cover increased costs in the contract with the hauler.
- Salt prices increased this year; regardless of how serious a winter, the borough is required to purchase a minimum amount of salt under the contract at these higher prices
- Included with the 2016 budget is a projection for 2017 so that council and staff may take a long range view of borough needs. For capital items, the borough prepares a 5 year capital improvements plan to assist with that long range view.

The budget is discussed at public meetings beginning each October with the finance committee and Forest Hills residents and taxpayers are welcome to attend. Again, full budget information is provided on the borough website (www.foresthillspa.org) and in the borough office or library and includes the following budgets:

- General Fund
- Corrective Action (sewers)
- Fire Protection Services Fee
- Liquid Fuels (road related)
- Capital Improvements Plan (5 year capital plan)
- Road Improvement Fund (for paving and related functions)

A summary of the general fund budget is shown on page 4.

Forest Hills Pool Repairs/ Opening for the 2016 Season

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Pending the pool opening date, additional changes include:

- Borough residents will have the opportunity to sponsor non-resident families to purchase pool passes—first 25 families who send in their applications will be selected—details and costs will be included on the pool application.
- The discount for pool passes has been discontinued.
- The plus packages have decreased the number of daily admission tickets available to purchase from 10 to 5 tickets. Tickets purchased on or after July 15 will remain the same—10 tickets at \$50.
- All weekend daily admission prices have increased by \$1.

The cost of operating the pool in Forest Hills is typical of those operated by other communities that consider the pool an amenity for residents, especially considering that the pool is for the exclusive use of Forest Hills residents and their guests. The pool routinely costs more than the amount raised by selling admissions, a difference on average of about \$58,000 over the past ten years including capital costs. However, it is imperative to borough council and the Recreation Board that any costs done to repairing the pool do not come as a result of increasing property taxes; it is an important amenity for residents and improves the overall quality of life in Forest Hills.

All new rules for the pool are contingent on when/if the pool opens for the 2016 season.

For more information or if you have any questions, call Cindy Simm, Recreation Director at: 412-351-7330 x220.

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Borough of Forest Hills 2016 Budget Summary by Category

Acct. No.	Revenues	2015 Budget	2015 Actual to Date	% of Total Revenues 2016 Budget	2016 Budget	% of Total Revenues 2016 Budget
TAXES						
301	Real Property	2,812,000	2,795,063	49.36%	2,942,500	50.04%
310	Act 511	1,010,000	1,171,772	17.73%	1,008,600	17.15%
	TOTAL TAXES	3,822,000	3,966,835	67.09%	3,951,100	67.20%
320	Licenses & Permits	34,350	26,302	0.60%	33,150	0.56%
321	Cable TV Franchise	136,000	157,091	2.39%	142,000	2.42%
330	Fees & Fines	54,000	48,639	0.95%	55,200	0.94%
340	Interest, Rents & Royalties	65,500	91,662	1.15%	89,600	1.52%
	State					
354	Grants	34,000	29,782	0.60%	32,000	0.54%
355	Shared Revenue	111,200	119,282	1.95%	111,950	1.90%
	TOTAL STATE	145,200	149,064	2.55%	143,950	2.45%
357	Local Government Grants (RAD)	190,000	219,964	3.34%	191,000	3.25%
360	Charges for Services	200,185	132,862	3.51%	201,500	3.43%
Reimbursements						
362	Public Safety	49,652	49,512	0.87%	51,390	0.87%
363	Public Works	60,201	57,091	1.06%	59,978	1.02%
	TOTAL REIMBURSEMENTS	109,853	106,603	1.93%	111,368	1.89%
364	Sanitation	647,050	629,700	11.36%	661,637	11.25%
367	Recreation					
	Pool	102,800	105,364	1.80%	108,000	1.84%
	Programs	14,700	13,703	0.26%	13,800	0.23%
	Tennis & Misc.	8,540	27,146	0.15%	9,050	0.15%
	TOTAL RECREATION	126,040	146,213	2.21%	130,850	2.23%
380	Miscellaneous	166,300	112,138	2.92%	168,500	2.87%
	TOTAL REVENUES	5,696,478	5,787,074	100.00%	5,879,855	100.00%
Expenditures						
Acct. No.	Expenditures	2015 Budget	2015 Actual to Date	% of Total Expenditures 2016 Budget	2016 Budget	% of Total Expenditures 2016 Budget
BOROUGH ADMINISTRATION						
400	Legislative	21,118	20,675	0.37%	22,118	0.38%
401	Administration	700,621	698,191	12.30%	728,499	12.39%
403	Tax Collection	28,715	29,937	0.50%	28,715	0.49%
404	Legal Services	119,500	120,301	2.10%	119,500	2.03%
	TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	869,954	869,103	15.27%	898,832	15.29%
Public Safety						
410	Police	1,765,325	1,653,765	30.99%	1,680,623	28.58%
412	Ambulance	9,673	10,007	0.17%	9,798	0.17%
415	Neighborhood Crime Resistance	8,950	4,900	0.16%	8,950	0.15%
416	Auxiliary Police	5,000	1,500	0.09%	5,000	0.09%
419	School Crossing Guards	11,019	10,515	0.19%	10,769	0.18%
	TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	1,799,967	1,680,686	31.60%	1,715,139	29.17%
414	Planning & Zoning	44,717	66,691	0.78%	46,652	0.79%
Sewage/Sanitation						
427	Refuse Collection	592,188	531,067	10.40%	606,096	10.31%
426	Recycling Collection	4,200	2,682	0.07%	4,700	0.08%
	TOTAL SEWAGE/SANITATION	596,388	533,749	10.47%	610,796	10.39%
Public Works/Maintenance						
406	Magistrate's Office Building	2,375	3,210	0%	400	0.01%
409	Building Maintenance	98,210	92,696	1.72%	99,348	1.69%
430	Public Works	615,351	597,211	10.80%	664,288	11.30%
431	Street Maintenance	90,200	87,252	1.58%	91,250	1.55%
436	Sewer Maintenance	80,413	85,392	1.41%	82,649	1.41%
	TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS/MAINT.	886,549	865,760	15.56%	937,935	15.95%
Recreation						
451	Programming	6,516	6,562	0.11%	7,516	0.13%
452	Swimming Pool	165,508	194,025	2.91%	178,820	3.04%
453	Tennis	7,873	5,125	0.14%	7,822	0.13%
454	Parks	111,144	113,184	1.95%	115,918	1.97%
459	Recreation Center (Westinghouse)	66,652	65,814	1.17%	72,333	1.23%
	TOTAL RECREATION	357,694	384,709	6.28%	382,409	6.50%
455	Tree Service	102,054	59,460	1.79%	103,815	1.77%
458	Senior Citizen Center	12,975	11,310	0.23%	12,550	0.21%
471-475	Debt Service - Capital Projects	368,639	394,000	6.47%	486,195	8.27%
492	Reserve for Capital Funds	491,541	371,287	8.63%	425,405	7.23%
480/490	Miscellaneous	166,000	171,183	2.91%	260,127	4.42%
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	5,696,478	5,407,938	100.00%	5,879,855	100.00%

Forest Hills Borough CLEAN-UP DAY Saturday, April 30 (last Saturday of the month) 10 a.m. to Noon



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Forest Hills Pool
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Westinghouse / Avenue L
(Meet in Greensburg
Pike Parking Lot)

Ryan Glen
(Cascade Road)

Each park will have a group of people that will walk the entire park and remove litter and debris. Please plan to wear long pants, boots, a long sleeve shirt, and work gloves.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

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The **Late Bloomer's Garden Club** is very excited to announce it concluded 2015 with a great achievement: they received the Marty B. O'Malley Outstanding Citizenship Award from the Forest Hills Borough on December 16. The group is honored to have been considered and awarded. And as far as achievements go, they now have two council members (Nina Sowiski and Patricia DeMarco) in the club as well.

Looking past, they took a fun road trip to Sand Hill Berries Farm in August and the weather cooperated in December as they walked between the beautifully decorated houses for their excellent Holiday Progressive Dinner. Fun, friends and food—a perfect way to celebrate all year long!

Looking forward, they hope you enjoy the presence of color this spring from the bulbs they planted in the fall. They have fun placing the bulbs differently every year, only to be surprised months later by the patterns they have created. They are bringing more speakers to their meetings this year so come join

them for fun and information-filled meetings.

They are also looking forward to another spectacular Farmers Market this year beginning on Friday, June 3 at 4 p.m. They will continue the Harvest for the Hungry Program that they began last year because it was a big success...and that's all because of you, and the club thanks everyone so much for their generous contributions to this wonderful cause. If you are not familiar with the program, the third Friday of each month customers at the market who would like to participate are given a list of items which they may purchase from the vendors. The club then collects these items and delivers them to the Greater Pittsburgh Food Bank that evening. Please visit the market and the club on Facebook for additional news.

They are always looking for residents who enjoy gardening, learning, and offering up some time to give color and beauty to Ardmore Boulevard. If you have a desire to make a difference in this Tree City USA Borough, come join their next meeting held on the second Thursday of every month (7 p.m.) at a member's home. E-mail them at: latebloomersgardenclub@gmail.com, or call Rebecca at: 412-427-8662, or Patty at: 412-708-9277 for the location of the next meeting.



Members of The Late Bloomer's Garden Club receiving the Marty O'Malley Outstanding Citizenship Award. Pictured left to right: Beverly Montrose, Ariana Say, Rebecca Glaser/co-president, Jerianne Benish, Nina Sowiski, Patty DeMarco/co-president, Barbara Cavanaugh and Barb Martin. Pictured in back left to right: Council President Markus Erboldinger and Mayor Frank Porco, Jr.

Neighbors helping neighbors – REMINDER

With the winter weather upon us, heavy snowfall puts the elderly and those with health conditions physically unable to handle the daunting task of keeping the snow off sidewalks and paths, thus leaving many stranded in their homes. To ease the situation, the borough asked volunteers or others to place their name on a list so that those in need of help know who they might call. The list is posted at the borough office. It is up to those in need of help to make arrangements with a volunteer or paid snow removal service on that list. The borough only compiled the list as a service and takes no responsibility beyond that, including making arrangements for help, for the quality of work done, etc. Others who may be interested in helping will be added to the list if they contact the borough office at 412-351-7330. Those who think they may need this type of service should review the list in advance of winter weather. Let's all try to be a good neighbor and help when help is needed.

Hope Lutheran Church will continue a Lenten Series on Wednesdays March 9 and 16 with a light supper at 6 p.m. followed by a service at 7 p.m. Hope will gather on Maundy Thursday, March 24 for an Agape Meal at 6:30 p.m. The observance of holy week continues as they gather with the remembrance of the death of the Lord Jesus Christ on Good Friday, March 25 with a special Taize Prayer service at 7 p.m. followed by a Tenebrae service at 8 p.m. The Easter Sunday Celebration of the Resurrection takes place at 10:30 a.m. on March 27.

An ecumenical Taize Prayer service is offered by Hope on the first Friday of each month at 7 p.m. Taize is a meditative and spiritual worship experience which includes chant-like music, times of silence and intercessory prayer.

The people of Hope Worship every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. The Reverend Susan

C. Schwartz is pastor of Hope Church, located at 353 Ridge Avenue at the corner of Braddock Road. Contact Hope at 412-242-4476, Hopeforesthills@aol.com or www.HopeForestHills.com.

Forest Hills Presbyterian Church, Sunday school at 9 a.m., Worship begins at 10:30 a.m.

Celebrate the Lenten season: Palm Sunday service, March 20, 10:30 a.m.; Good Friday dinner at 6:30 p.m. immediately followed by communion and Tenebrae service at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary, and Easter service, March 27 at 10:30 a.m.

The Forest Hills Community Service operates a free bus service within the Borough of Forest Hills for senior citizens and persons with a handicap. The **Flivver** service was started in 1974 through contributions from individual citizens, various local charities and the borough itself. The Flivver continues to be free because of donations

made by the citizens, the riders and the volunteer drivers.

The bus is a 10-passenger vehicle—but does not have handicapped lifts—and takes eligible senior citizens (those 55 and older) and handicapped persons to doctor's offices, hairdressers, banks, drug stores, grocery stores, etc. On Sundays, the Flivver takes people to church service.

The Flivver operates Mondays through Fridays from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and on Sunday mornings. Riders can call the Flivver at 412-519-3955 to be picked up usually within 15 minutes of their call. This is a great and well-needed service for the community.

The Flivver is always looking for new drivers. You can be trained in a matter of hours. There are so many people in the borough who are grateful for the freedom the Flivver provides. Those who are interested in volunteering three hours a day, twice a month, can call Don Newcomer at 412-708-0511.

Boy Scout Troop 90 meets Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. at the Forest Hills Presbyterian Church (FHPC) and is open to all boys ages 11-18. For more information, please contact the Scoutmaster (sctmaster90@gmail.com) or visit the troop web-site (www.bsa-troop90.org). Cub Scout Pack 90 meets Thursdays at 7 p.m. at FHPC and is open to all boys ages 6-11. For more information, please contact the Cubmaster (cubmaster90@gmail.com), or visit the pack web-site (www.foresthillspack90.us).

For over 50 years, the **Forest Hills Lions Club** has served communities less fortunate. They supply glasses to the needy, and collect your used glasses for distribution to third-world countries. The collection boxes are found at the borough building office, Churchill Vision Center, Beulah Church, Cost Building-Optical Shop (second floor), TJ's Pub and Restaurant, and Lanigan Funeral Homes.

Their fund-raisers include White Cane Days, Sight Seal Mailing and Holiday Nut Sale. Over the years, the club has provided seeing-eye dogs; a Braille writer and an eye implant operation for a child. They help to support Beacon Lodge, a summer camp for the blind. They also constructed a War Memorial and assisted some needy war veterans. Men and women interested in becoming a member should call 412-829-7888.

And here's what's happening around the communities of Forest Hills:

The Churchill Area Environmental Council (CAEC) is interested in filling two openings as representatives from Forest Hills Borough. The CAEC meets three times a year on the third Monday of January, May and September from 7 to 8 p.m. in the Yagle Room at the Churchill Municipal Building, 2300 Wm. Penn Highway, at the corner of Beulah Road. Anyone interested in environmental issues should contact the Forest Hills Borough office at 412-351-7330.

The CAEC Annual Scholarship is available to any Woodland Hills graduating senior. This student must have made an active contribution to environmental conservation, education, legislation or research, particularly within the school district or community it serves.

The CAEC are happy to review any community or school projects as well as photographs described in detail on the CAEC Scholarship Application Form. The deadline for submission to CAEC is March 31. The address is on the application, and forms are available in the WHHS Guidance Department from Mr. Jeff Brandt. Every completed application will be acknowledged by CAEC.

Portions making up the \$250 scholarship are donated by the municipalities of Forest Hills, Wilkins Township, Churchill Borough and Chalfant, as well as a portion from CAEC.

The scholarship will be awarded to the winner during the special awards banquet sponsored each spring by Woodland Hills High School.

The borough is seeking information on the mural that was painted in the basement of the now closed Senior Citizen's Center. If you know when and who did the painting, please contact the borough office at: 412-351-7330.

TAX TIME

The 2016 Forest Hills Borough Real Estate Tax Bills are scheduled to be mailed to property owners on February 29, and will be collected at the discount amount until April 30. Beginning May 1, all unpaid 2016 borough real estate taxes will be collected at the face amount until June 30.

If you are expecting a borough real estate tax bill and do not receive a bill in March, or if you have re-financed or paid off your mortgage, please call the tax collector as soon as possible.

If you have any questions regarding real estate taxes, please call Tax Collector Janet Sullivan at: 412-351-7348.

Local Tax Return is Due April 18

It's that time of year again. The 2015 local earned income tax return filing deadline is approaching. The due date is extended to Monday April 18 this year because Washington DC is commemorating Emancipation Day on Friday April 15.

Did you know the quickest way to get your refund is to file on-line? If you live and work in Pennsylvania, you can e-file on our tax administrator's secure web-site, which is available 24/7 at: www.KeystoneCollects.com.

Keystone Collections Group's e-file is the easy, fast and secure way to file your 2015 tax return. It lets you file your tax return when it is most convenient for you. You will need your W-2, your Social Security Number and any other income documents that may apply (such as a PA-UE or a Schedule C). Keystone redesigned e-file to make it even faster and more user-friendly.

If you have questions regarding local tax filing, visit Keystone's Frequently Asked Questions or call Keystone's Taxpayer Helpline at: 1-888-328-0565 to speak with a local, knowledgeable Taxpayer Service Agent. You can also e-mail your questions 24/7 to Taxpayer Support. Taxpayer Service Agents try to respond to all on-line inquiries within three business days.

Taxpayers with earned income in 2015 are required to file a final tax return by Monday, April 18.

Municipal News

Neighbor-to-Neighbor Campaign by Police Chief Chuck Williams

The Forest Hills Police Department and Link-Age-to-Age have been working together to help older members of our community create notification information should an unexpected situation occur. Neighbors or public safety personnel may need to contact a relative or friend for a neighbor in distress who may not have the ability to speak. (This may be due to a medical condition or other factors.) Situations where emergency responders cannot make contact with a resident and have no information available could be resolved if someone knew the resident or had information of whom to call in an emergency.

The first part of this plan is to get to know your neighbors. A simple conversation could provide greater insight into your neighbor needs. Providing a neighbor with an information card could help responding E.M.S., fire or police if that neighbor should need assistance. All residents should keep an information card in a location in their home, possibly on their refrigerator or in an obvious location so responders could find it easily.

Residents can also send a copy of the information card to the police department; we can enter that information into our computer system so responding officers could check their car computers and access that information quickly.

Precious time could be lost if emergency assistance cannot find a friend or relative who could provide the needed access to a residence, or information about a resident who may be in need of help. Please consider filling out an information card. And as always, thank you for your continued help and support.

Link-Age-to-Age

Mission Is Service—Link-Age-to-Age continues to aid Forest Hills residents, despite the closing of Forest Hills Senior Center where it maintained contacts and postings of in-home service providers.

Once again, it will present an open afternoon forum in cooperation with the local chapter of AARP. Scheduled for Monday, April 11, the program will focus on an issue of interest to older adults. Watch for details to be posted at shops and offices in the community.

Also, Link volunteers continue to deliver Welcome Kits to new homeowners and make available Neighbor-to-Neighbor cards for sharing emergency phone numbers.



Display on your refrigerator door, share a card with your neighbor and mail or bring in the card to the borough office so the police can store this information. Sharing this information with your neighbors will enable them to help you in case of an emergency.

Your Name _____
 Address _____
 Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____
 In Case of Emergency, Contact _____
 Phone _____ Relationship _____
 Second Emergency, Contact _____
 Phone _____ Relationship _____
 Medical Conditions/Care Needs _____

THE BOROUGH BULLETIN BOARD

STORM-WATER NEWS CORNER

You, the public are an important partner in the campaign to preserve Western Pennsylvania's greatest asset—our water supply. Pure water is essential for all forms of life. Keeping our water safe from contamination is in everyone's best interest. In each newsletter, we will be providing tips on how you can help preserve this vital commodity.

When you wash your car at home, where does that water go? It likely goes onto the street where it is collected in a storm sewer which transports it to a stream or river. If you use harsh chemicals to clean your car, they will also go into the stream where they can kill fish or wildlife that may drink the water. It is better to go to a commercial car wash where the water is cleaned and reused or if possible, wash your car in a grassy area where the water will filter into the ground instead of running off into a creek.

Salt is another source of water contamination. While we all want to clear the snow and ice from our walks and driveways to be safe, please remember to use salt or other de-icers sparingly. Use only as much as needed. This will help minimize contamination and also save you money!

More information on how to protect our water resources is available at: www.epa.gov/npdcs/storm-water.

ATTENTION RESIDENTS:

Effective January 4, the new Waste Management pick-up days are now Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays—they will no longer be picking up on Mondays. If your recycling days were also on Mondays they will be moved to Wednesdays. Please put your trash out the night before collection.

TRASH COLLECTION—HOLIDAY SCHEDULE:

Memorial Day, Monday, May 30
 No other holiday and June 30
 will affect trash collection.

Trash will be delayed one day during that week
 When the holiday falls on a weekday, no trash or recycling is collected on these holidays.
 The trash collection day for those whose scheduled day falls on one of these six days occurs the day after the holiday. The scheduled collection day for all others that fall after the holiday is then delayed one day.
 Collection days prior to a holiday in a given week are unaffected.

If residents are in need of recycle bins, they are available at the borough office.

CLIP-N-SAVE

IMPORTANT DATES FOR SEWAGE, REFUSE AND FIRE

SEWAGE PAYMENT DUE BY: March 20
 June 20 • September 20 • December 20

REFUSE PAYMENT DUE BY: March 5
 June 5 • September 5 • December 5

FIRE FEES DUE BY March 4

Please make payments by check, money order or on the borough's web-site at "Official Payments" using an e-check, credit or debit card. The borough will not accept cash for any of the transactions.

Failure to receive a bill does not relieve you of the responsibility for payment. Please notify the borough office if you do not receive a bill.

Clip-n-save

REAL ESTATE TAX DATES TO REMEMBER:

Borough real estate tax bills are mailed March 1

Due at discount by April 30 or due at face by June 30

School real estate tax bills are mailed July 1

Due at discount by August 31 or due at face by October 31



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Wood Chipping Program

The seasonal wood chipping program is provided at no cost as a service to our residents. Materials will not be picked up from any apartment complex, business or institution.

To schedule the chipper, just call 412-351-7330 x207 and speak to the public works foreman. When leaving a message, please be sure to include your name, address, and phone number so that the office can get back to you. Please be sure to call before placing the items to be chipped at the curb, and we will schedule you in as quickly as possible.

Tree limbs will be collected by appointment only according to the following schedule (weather permitting and except during emergencies and holidays):

APRIL: First & Second Wednesday

MAY: First & Second Wednesday

JUNE: First & Second Wednesday

JULY: Second & Third Wednesday

There will be a limited number of pickups per week. The crew will spend a maximum of 20 minutes at each property with an appointment. The remainder of the pile will be completed the following Wednesday.

Place the items at the curb in a neat, orderly fashion with the larger end facing the street (no alleys). All limbs should be facing the same direction. The chipper can accept branches and trees up to eight inches in diameter. No root systems or tree parts that have dirt on them will be accepted. Piles of brush that are intertwined will not be chipped. No vines or thorns will be accepted. We do not accept any type of lumber, building materials, or landscaping timbers. The Public Works employees will have the final say as to whether or not an item or the quantity is acceptable for removal.

Wood chips, if available, are free to all borough residents and can be picked up by appointment only from Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. during the months of May through August. You will be informed of the exact location of pickup when making an appointment.

Yard Waste

Yard waste is defined by the borough as: leaves, cuttings, trimmings and clippings from trees, bushes and other plants, garden residues, and chipped shrubbery, but does not include grass clippings.

The borough allows residents to deposit yard waste at a location behind the public works garage. The yard-waste box is available around April 15 to October 15 (approximate). For more or questions, call Public Works at 412-351-7330, x207.

(Information included here may be changed without notice. Contact the borough office for updated information on the borough's program. Also for further information, visit our web-site at www.foresthillspa.org/fhpa-garbage.html)



Rotary News

The Rotary Club of Forest Hills recently donated \$1,000 to Shelter Box USA. This donation will provide humanitarian relief in the form of lifesaving supplies that bring shelter, warmth and dignity to families affected by disasters such as earthquakes, floods, hurricanes, cyclones, tsunamis or conflict.

Shelter Box delivers essentials people need to begin rebuilding their lives in the aftermath of a disaster. When boxes are sent, each one is tailored to a disaster, but typically contains a disaster relief tent for a family, thermal blankets and groundsheets, water storage and purification equipment, solar lamps, cooking utensils, a basic tool kit, mosquito nets and a children's activity pack.

Every item is durable, practical and brand new. Key items for the tent are either a wood burning or multi-fuel stove. The multi-fuel stove can burn anything from diesel to old paint. This provides the heart of the new home, where water is boiled, food is cooked, and families congregate. In addition, there are pans, utensils, bowls, mugs and water storage containers.

A children's pack containing drawing books, crayons and other supplies. For children who have lost most if not all their possessions, these small gifts are treasured.

Forest Hills Rotary also donated \$600 to a local family in need at Christmas time. This was done through Rotary's Perry Hipple Fund, a sum of money set aside to help families with a sudden need at Christmas.

Forest Hills Rotary meets every Wednesday morning at 7 a.m. at TJ's Pub and Restaurant. The meeting is adjourned by 8 a.m. Visitors are welcome to come see what rotary is all about and consider joining this vital group of friends.

Rotary Club of Forest Hills Ninth Annual Chili Cook-off competition will be held on Sunday, April 24, from Noon to 4 p.m. The event will take place at the Forest Hills/Westinghouse Lodge on Barclay Avenue (off of Greensburg Pike).

Contestants present their favorite chili for tasting, and then you get to vote for your favorite. There will be a People's Choice Award, and there will be an award chosen by professional chef, WQED's Chris Finnemore. There will be a variety of tastes such as mild, medium, hot, vegetarian, bean-less, gluten free, secret recipe and even some surprises.

There will be hot dogs for children, Chinese auction items, wheel barrow of cheer raffle plus entertainment for all. The Forest Hills Fire Department will be there with refreshments.

To be a contestant, e-mail nstahlberg@verizon.net for an application. Tickets are \$8 for adults and children 12 and under are free. Contact any Rotarian for tickets. Proceeds will benefit the following community endeavors:

- Scholarships for Woodland Hills School students
- Dictionaries for third grade students in the Woodland Hills area
- Forest Hills Police Department Bullet-proof Vests Fund
- Forest Hills Fire Department ADA Project
- Forest Hills Dog Park Project



Pictured in Front, Tom Nunnally, Santa, Ed Cook - Back, Guy Russo, Tom Caulfield, Dr. Bob Dove

Members of Forest Hills Rotary manned the Holiday Market in Market Square during the holiday season. This was to raise funds for the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank. People made donations to sit on Santa's lap and get their picture taken—suggested donations were \$5.

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School Happenings

Forest Hills Nursery School offers three classes: Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays; Tuesdays-Thursdays—five days a week. FHNS is a private, state-licensed, pre-kindergarten school established in 1964 by the Junior Women's Club of Forest Hills with sixteen children per class, one state licensed pre-school teacher and at least one other adult. For additional information, contact Sally Sabino at: 412-351-5054; or Betsy Wolf at 412-241-9414 or 724-744-1061.

Trinity Christian School is located in Forest Hills at 299 Ridge Avenue. Trinity has been educating youth since 1953. Trinity uses the time-tested approach of a classical education—this approach provides a well-rounded, liberal arts education that is rooted in Biblical truth. These are the hallmarks of a Trinity education:

- Kindergarten – Grade 12
- Biblical Worldview in Every Class
- Co-Educational
- College Preparatory
- WPIAL Sports in High School
- Opportunities in Theater, Band, Choir, and Fine Arts

Everyone is invited on the campus—just call the office to set up a private tour. In addition, you are welcome to attend these upcoming events:

- Spring Drama Production, April 14 – 16
- Choir Concert, May 17
- Band Concert, May 24
- Golf Tournament, June 24

In addition, keep an eye out for their students on Thursday, May 5. On this day, they celebrate the community with their Annual Work-A-Thon. Students will be going out not only into Forest Hills but all around Pittsburgh to work and give back

to the community. Students will clean area parks, visit with folks in residential centers, sort and organize clothing and food at shelters for the needy, spruce up church grounds, and much more. If you have a non-profit or community organization that could use some assistance, contact Jean Bergeson at Trinity as soon as possible to see about getting some assistance from their students.



Operation Christmas Child Students, families and staff collected over 100 shoeboxes filled with hygiene items, toys, sunglasses, flip-flops, and candy to brighten a child's Christmas by participating in Good Samaritan Purse ministry this past winter. They were notified that their



boxes had been shipped to children in the Dominican Republic. The boxes are given out through the year. They don't always make it in December depending on the location. They would be happy to share the contact information with others that are interested in participating.

School Registration is now open for the 2016-17 year at **Christ Lutheran School & Early Learning Center**. Ask about their special reduced early registration fee. Christ Lutheran School is "reaching higher" to provide star quality care and education for infants through eighth grade. To schedule a tour, call 412-271-7173 or visit their web-site at: www.christlutheranfh.org, and Facebook "Christ Lutheran Church & School PTO."

Community Family Valentine Movie Night on February 6. Christ Lutheran School is inviting you to join them for a Family Valentine Drive-In movie night. Complete with homemade cardboard cars and concession stand. Bring your favorite blanket & wear your favorite PJ's. Engineering/constructing cars start at 4 p.m. and then a dinner/movie begins at 5:30 p.m.



Easter Breakfast & Egg Hunt on March 26. Breakfast served between 8 to 10 a.m. Egg Hunt registration begins at 9:45 a.m. Hunt and activities at 10 a.m. to Noon. The community is invited to join them for a fun-filled day decorating and finding Easter eggs, as well as other fun spring activities and participating in the Easter Story Drama.

Science Fair on April 15, 5 to 7 p.m.—Come and see the amazing science projects in pre-school through eighth grade. Some truly amazing research and experiments will be on display.

Golf Tournament on April 30, 11 a.m.—Their annual spring golf tournament will be held at Victory Hills in Elizabeth, PA. This event goes to support their tuition assistance program. Prizes and awards are given out to participants. The deadline is April 25 to sign-up; \$75 per golfer. If you are not a golfer, you can still participate by sponsoring a hole for \$25. Your name or company's name will be posted at the hole of your choice. Get your sponsor information in by April 25. Call the school for more information.

Fine Arts Night on May 19, 5 to 7 p.m.—Students' art work will be on display. Student musical presentations will be heard throughout the evening.

Summer Child Care Registration will open in May. Call for your spot now - 412-271-7173. Summer water fun, arts & crafts, free breakfast and lunch, park excursions, science experiments, cooking, meet new friends and see old friends, and much more.

Vacation Bible School is coming in June. Enjoy songs, crafts, games, bible story adventure all week long for children three years old up to eighth grade. Call the church office to register or for more information beginning in May—412-271-7173.

East Catholic School's "Living Stations" Looking for a way to deepen your Lenten experience this year? If you're in the Forest Hills area, consider attending a performance of "The Living Stations of the Cross" at St. Maurice Church, located on 2001 Ardmore Boulevard in Forest Hills, on Tuesday March 15, or at Word of God Church, 7446 McClure Avenue in Swissvale on Sunday, March 20. The "Living Stations" will be presented by the sixth, seventh and eighth graders, who are members of the East Catholic School "Fine Arts Club," under the direction of Miss Mary Beth Koontz. The "Living Stations" is an experiential musical journey through Christ's Passion, as well as a spiritual wake-up call that provides a visual realization of what Christ went through on his way to the cross. The music evolves and propels the participants through the story so that each feels present at the foot of the cross, not just as an observer, but as an active

participant in salvation history. The Living Stations is an ideal way to grow in love for each other and for Christ.

These stations reflect deeply on the scriptural accounts of Jesus Christ's passion to help prepare for holy week.

The presentation is scheduled for Tuesday March 15 at St. Maurice Church at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. and at St. Anselm Church/Word of God at 3 p.m. on Sunday, March 20. They hope you can join them as they proceed on their Lenten journey - admission is free.

East Catholic School's 31st Annual Shakespeare Play The 31st Annual Shakespeare Play at East Catholic School will be "The Merchant of Venice." The play will be presented by the sixth- seventh- and eighth-grade students. This Shakespeare play is under the direction of eighth-grade teacher, Mrs. Sue Zitelli. Since Pope Francis declared 2016 the Year of Mercy, Mrs. Zitelli thought it appropriate that Shakespeare's famous words on the quality of mercy be taught, learned and shared.

The play is about a merchant in sixteenth-century Venice who must default on a large loan provided by an abused Jewish moneylender. It is believed to have been written between 1596 and 1598. Though classified as a comedy in the first folio and sharing certain aspects with Shakespeare's other romantic comedies, the play is perhaps most remembered for its dramatic scenes, and is best known for Shylock and the famous "Hath not a Jew Eyes" Speech. Also notable is Portia's speech about the "quality of mercy."

Plan to attend Friday, April 22 or Saturday, April 23. Curtain time is 7:30 p.m. in Keane Hall (East Catholic School Cafeteria), 2001 Ardmore Boulevard in Forest Hills. Tickets can be purchased at the door. The cost is \$4/adult and \$2 for students and seniors. If you have never seen this Shakespeare classic, mark your calendar so you can come and enjoy their interpretation. Shakespeare wrote for everybody, and 424 years later, people still enjoy his art.

East Catholic School Registration—Are you looking for a faith-filled, value-centered, quality education for your child in a safe and caring environment? Join

them and be a part of East Catholic School. Registration for the 2016-17 school years is now open. Please call the office at 412-351-5403 from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. to schedule a tour of the school, to request information or to discuss registration requirements. They provide "pre-k," full day kindergarten through grade eight programs. Students must be five years old by September 1 to be eligible for kindergarten.

Scholarships—Do you know of a student in need of financial aid for college or vocational school? The Woodland Hills Foundation is proud to offer 10 scholarships to students graduating from the Woodland Hills School District.

NEW! The Colleen E. Kennedy Memorial Scholarship

NEW! The Confluence Technologies Scholarship

The Nancy Lazaro Memorial Scholarship

The Eileen Lazaro Memorial Scholarship

The Darcy Lynne Herman Scholarship

The Barrie and Arleen Bartulski Scholarship for Academic Excellence

The Hospital Albert Schweitzer Scholarship

The Julia Anne McCool Memorial Scholarship

The Debbie Thames Spahr Memorial Scholarship

The Woodland Hills Foundation Senior Scholarship

Students interested in applying for any of these scholarships can go to: www.woodlandhillsfoundation.com, or visit the guidance office at the high school.

Alumni Cabaret—Entering its 11th year in 2016, the Alumni Cabaret welcomes back Woodland Hills Alumni to serenade attendees with some of their favorite songs, and songs from past musicals. For ticket information go to: www.woodlandhillsfoundation.com.

2016 TENNIS APPLICATION

Residents applying for a pass agree to abide by all rules and regulations of the tennis courts (refer to the section on policies and procedures).

If residents inappropriately pay for passes intended for non-residents, those passes will be forfeited. If any pass is misused, lent out or improperly obtained, that pass will be revoked without a refund.

I certify that the person(s) listed on this application are full-time Forest Hills residents within my household.

Applicant's Signature _____ Today's date _____
(Parent or Guardian)

Phone: Home _____ Work _____ Cell _____

Address _____ E-mail address _____

Please print the following information for the application.

Name of participant(s)	Type of program	Type of pass / How many
1. _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Team <input type="checkbox"/> Lessons <input type="checkbox"/> Clinic	<input type="checkbox"/> Family <input type="checkbox"/> Youth <input type="checkbox"/> Individual / _____
2. _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Team <input type="checkbox"/> Lessons <input type="checkbox"/> Clinic	<input type="checkbox"/> Family <input type="checkbox"/> Youth <input type="checkbox"/> Individual / _____
3. _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Team <input type="checkbox"/> Lessons <input type="checkbox"/> Clinic	<input type="checkbox"/> Family <input type="checkbox"/> Youth <input type="checkbox"/> Individual / _____
4. _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Team <input type="checkbox"/> Lessons <input type="checkbox"/> Clinic	<input type="checkbox"/> Family <input type="checkbox"/> Youth <input type="checkbox"/> Individual / _____

Make all checks (or money orders) payable to: Forest Hills Borough

Mail application and payment to:

Cindy Simm, Recreation Director, Forest Hills Borough, 2071 Ardmore Boulevard., Pittsburgh, PA 15221

DO NOT DETACH; SEND IN ENTIRE PAGE

Discount Rate: If paid before 4/1/16

- \$160 Family Pass*
- \$110 Individual Pass*
- \$65 Youth Pass (under 18)*
- \$65 Senior Pass (65+)*



If paid after 4/2/16

- \$170 Family Pass*
- \$120 Individual Pass*
- \$75 Youth Pass (under 18)*
- \$75 Senior Pass (65+)*

Individual Tennis Programs

Tennis Team: \$50 (You must purchase a tennis pass in order to join team)

Tennis Lessons \$25 per hour (group) • \$35 per hour (private) Tennis Clinic: \$50 per week • \$28 (half session)

Check out the tennis schedules and other important information on the Tennis Facebook Page
www.facebook.com/groups/417823981582317/

The tennis web-site is currently under construction; once that is complete, we will add the web-site address to the Facebook Page.

You can also get tennis updates on the borough's hot-line number: 412-351-7330 x272.

Updates will be added sometime during the month of May.

**All tennis pass buyers will now be required to submit a separate check in the amount of \$25 to be used as a security deposit for any lost cards. The security deposit check that is currently being held on file from last year will still be maintained in your file. If you have not submitted a security deposit check as of now, please make sure you do so and send in with your pass payment.*

Please fill out both applications for the tennis program—this application and the tennis team application on pages 15 and 16, and send both in with the required payments. If you have any questions about the passes or you have lost your card, please call Cindy Simm, Recreation Director at: 412-351-7330 x220.

2016 Forest Hills Tennis Team Registration Form

Family Name: _____ Mother: _____ Father: _____

Address: _____

City/State: _____ Zip code: _____

Primary Phone Number: _____ Home Work Cell (circle one) _____

Other Phone Number: _____ Home Work Cell (circle one) _____

E-mail Address: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Emergency Phone: _____

Tennis Player(s) First Name and Middle Initial	Brithday / Age	Grade Completed as of June 2016	Lesson	Clinic/Team	TPE OF PASS: Family / Youth / Individual

What school does your swimmer(s) attend and when is the school finished for the year?

School: _____ Date finished: _____

May we place your family's name and contact information (address, telephone numbers, email, swimmer's name and ages) in the 2016 Forest Hills Tennis Team Directory? YES NO

Medical problems (Ex. physical, respiratory, eyesight, hearing, etc.): _____

My child(ren) has/have no known medical condition that would prevent him/her from participating on the tennis team. I give my permission for my child(ren) to participate on the Forest Hills Tennis Team and in its activities. I release, discharge, covenant not to sue, and agree to indemnify and save and hold harmless Forest Hills Borough and Forest Hills Tennis Team, as well as their board members, employees, officials, agents, coaches and volunteers (the "Release") from all liability, claims, demands, and losses, including attorney fees, personal injury or property damage alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the Release or otherwise. I agree to abide by the coaches' decisions as set forth for the 2016 tennis season, as well as adhere to the Tennis Team policies including but not limited to the policy that no parent is permitted on the deck during any practice or meet. If I have any questions or concerns, I agree to contact a Parent Booster Board Member.

Parent Signature: _____

VACATION AND CAMP ABSENCES DURING THE SEASON

The coaches need to know the dates your swimmer will not be available. If you know this now, please indicate below:

Name of swimmer: _____ Dates not available: _____

Name of swimmer: _____ Dates not available: _____

Name of swimmer: _____ Dates not available: _____

2016 POOL AND TENNIS POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

An application for a pool and/or tennis pass will be accepted only if completed in full and submitted on the annual pass application form.

- All applicants must be full-time borough residents
- Minors under the age of 11, residing in the borough, whose parents or legal guardian(s) qualify as a borough resident, pays the applicable fee for a family pool pass and,
- Minors, age 11 and over, residing in the borough.

Residency is defined as living in the borough full-time throughout the calendar year or living in the borough during the months of June, July and August. In either case, the pool pass may be declined or revoked if satisfactory evidence of residency is not provided. Acceptable proof of residency includes: Current Pennsylvania driver's license or some other form of photo identification, and/or a current utility bill or tax receipt showing the residency address.

All persons seeking permission to enter the pool must present their pool pass attached to their garment or provide evidence needed to satisfy residency requirements. All other persons will be denied access to the pool, unless as a paying guest of a Forest Hills Resident.

Residents bringing guests to swim **must accompany those guests at all times.** Residents cannot drop off their guests and leave the facility. Residents are responsible for their guests and their guest's activities while at the pool.

There is no smoking anywhere on the pool and tennis premises—including the parking lot.

On and after July 15, Plus Package Holders will have the opportunity to purchase an additional 10 daily admission tickets for the price of \$50. For more information, contact the Pool Office at: 412-241-2525 once the pool opens.

FOREST HILLS TENNIS VOLUNTEER SIGN UP

The Forest Hills Tennis Team needs to be a volunteer-run organization. Each family **must** volunteer to help with at least one activity during the regular season, plus **every family must drive to at least one away match.** Please indicate below how you would like to help.

TASK	EVERYONE MUST VOLUNTEER
DRIVING - making calls	
Actual driving* <i>*Please indicate dates you may be available.</i>	
July 4: Lemonade Stand	
T-Shirt Orders	
Team Photo	
Stat Sheet Recorder	
Team Banquet	
Trophies	
Set Up for Matches	
Snack organizer for Matches*	
*Each family will be asked to donate snacks for matches	

FOREST HILLS TENNIS TEAM REGISTRATION FEES

The borough is also asking for an activities fee to offset some of the equipment and supplies needed during the season, and also going towards the end-of-season party. The cost is **\$25** per team member, or **\$40** for family members (more than one team member in one family) Please include with your pass payment and security deposit check. The activities fee can be combined with the pass payment check but not the security deposit—that must be a separate check. Thank you.

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2016 Forest Hills Swim Team Registration Form

Family Name: _____ Mother: _____ Father: _____

Address: _____

City/State: _____ Zip code: _____

Primary Phone Number: _____ Home Work Cell (circle one) _____

Other Phone Number: _____ Home Work Cell (circle one) _____

E-mail Address: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Emergency Phone: _____

Swimmer(s) First Name and Middle Initial	Grade Completed as of June 2016	Pool Pass No. (if known)	Swimmer: Return or New?	Swimmer's Birth Date

What school does your swimmer(s) attend and when is the school finished for the year?

School: _____ Date finished: _____

May we place your family's name and contact information (address, telephone numbers, email, swimmer's name and ages) in the 2016 Forest Hills Swim Team Directory? YES NO

Medical problems (Ex. physical, respiratory, eyesight, hearing, etc.): _____

My child(ren) has/have no known medical condition that would prevent him/her from participating on the swim team. I give my permission for my child(ren) to participate on the Forest Hills Swim Team and in its activities. I release, discharge, covenant not to sue, and agree to indemnify and save and hold harmless Forest Hills Borough and Forest Hills Swim Team, as well as their board members, employees, officials, agents, coaches and volunteers (the "Releasee") from all liability, claims, demands, and losses, including attorney fees, personal injury or property damage alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the Releasee or otherwise. I agree to abide by the coaches' decisions as set forth for the 2016 swim season, as well as adhere to the Swim Team policies including but not limited to the policy that no parent is permitted on the deck during any practice or meet. If I have any questions or concerns, I agree to contact a Parent Booster Board Member.

Parent Signature: _____

VACATION AND CAMP ABSENCES DURING THE SEASON

The coaches need to know the dates your swimmer will not be available. If you know this now, please indicate below:

Name of swimmer: _____ Dates not available: _____

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FOREST HILLS SWIM TEAM VOLUNTEER SIGN UP

The Forest Hills Swim Team is a volunteer run organization. Each family is encouraged to volunteer to help with at least one activity during the regular season. **Please indicate how you would like to help.**

TASK	VOLUNTEER
Meet Set-Up	
Referee	
Stroke Judge	
Turn Judge	
Timers	
Starter	
Announcer	
Scorers	
Ribbons	
50/50 Raffle	
Post-Meet Cookies	
Hoagie/Pop Sales	
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Pizza Party	
Senior Recognition	
July 4: Hole-in-One	
July 4: Dixie Dunker	
July 4: Biathlon	
Team Banquet	
Team Gifts	
Team Photo	
Trophies	
Historian	
Sandcastle Day	
Champs Coordinator	

FOREST HILLS SWIM TEAM REGISTRATION FEES

The Borough sets the fee for joining the swim team (**\$50 per swimmer**) which pays for the salaries of the coaches, life guards, insurance, and pool use expenses. The parent booster club activity fee (**\$40 per family**) helps pay for swim team expenses, such as lodge rental fees, food for parties, team gifts, special meet registration fees, and related equipment needs. Sign-up is due by June 8.

	Registration (\$ x No. of swimmers)	+	Activity Fee (\$40 per family)	+	Total (\$ Total)
Swim Team Registration Fee	\$50 per swimmer on/before June 10	+	\$40	=	\$

For official use only, verifying initials _____ method of payment: Check # _____ Cash

Please make checks payable to: **Forest Hills Swim Team**. If not paid at registration on Saturday, May 7, please mail check and registration form to Peggy Edinger, 428 Pacific Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA, 15221.

2016 Forest Hills Synchronized Swim Team Registration Form

Family Name: _____ Mother: _____ Father: _____

Address: _____

City/State: _____ Zip code: _____

Primary Phone Number: _____ Home Work Cell (circle one) _____

E-mail Address: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Emergency Phone: _____

SWIMMERS

Name: _____ Birthdate: _____ Age: _____ Shirt size: _____

Name: _____ Birthdate: _____ Age: _____ Shirt size: _____

Name: _____ Birthdate: _____ Age: _____ Shirt size: _____

Medical Problems (Ex. Physical, respiratory, allergies, etc.): _____

My child(ren) has/have no known medical conditions that would prevent him/her from participating on the swim team. I give my permission for my child(ren) to participate on the Forest Hills Synchronized Swim Team and in its activities. I covenant not to sue and agree to hold harmless the Forest Hills Borough and the Forest Hills Synchronized Swim Team, as well as their officials, coaches and volunteers from liability allegedly caused in whole or in part by these individuals. I agree to abide by the coaches' decisions as set forth for the 2016 "Synchro" Team, as well as the team policies.

Parent Signature: _____

VACATION AND CAMP ABSENCES DURING THE SEASON

Please indicate the dates you know your swimmer(s) will not be available to attend practice. If you do not know the dates at this time, the coaches would appreciate you let them know as soon as possible.

IMPORTANT DATES:

- Monday, August 1 through Saturday, August 6: Synchro Week (ALL MORNING AND EVENING PRACTICES ARE MANDATORY)
- Thursday, August 4: Dress Rehearsal
- Saturday, August 6: Luncheon and Run Through
- Sunday, August 7: Show – Rain Date: Monday, August 8

Name of swimmer: _____ Dates not available: _____

Name of swimmer: _____ Dates not available: _____

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2016 Synchronized Swim Team Volunteer Sign up

The Synchronized Swim Team is a volunteer-run organization that depends on the assistance of all of the families. Each family is encouraged to volunteer to help with at least one activity in preparation for the annual show. Please indicate below how you would like to help. Thank you!

TASK	VOLUNTEER
Donut Sale	
Ad Sale for Program Book / Program book	
Pool Pass Raffle	
4 th of July Cookie Table in the Park	
Hair / Makeup (8/4 & 8/7)	
Luncheon (8/6)	
Decorations Setup (8/7)	
Flower Sale at the Show (8/7)	
Bake Sale (8/7)	
50/50 Raffle (8/7)	

Team Registration Fee (\$40 per swimmer)
 Make checks payable to: **Forest Hills Borough**
 Please return registration forms to:
Cindy Simm, Recreation Director, Forest Hills Borough
 2071 Ardmore Boulevard, Pittsburgh, PA 15221

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 Method of payment: Check # _____ Cash

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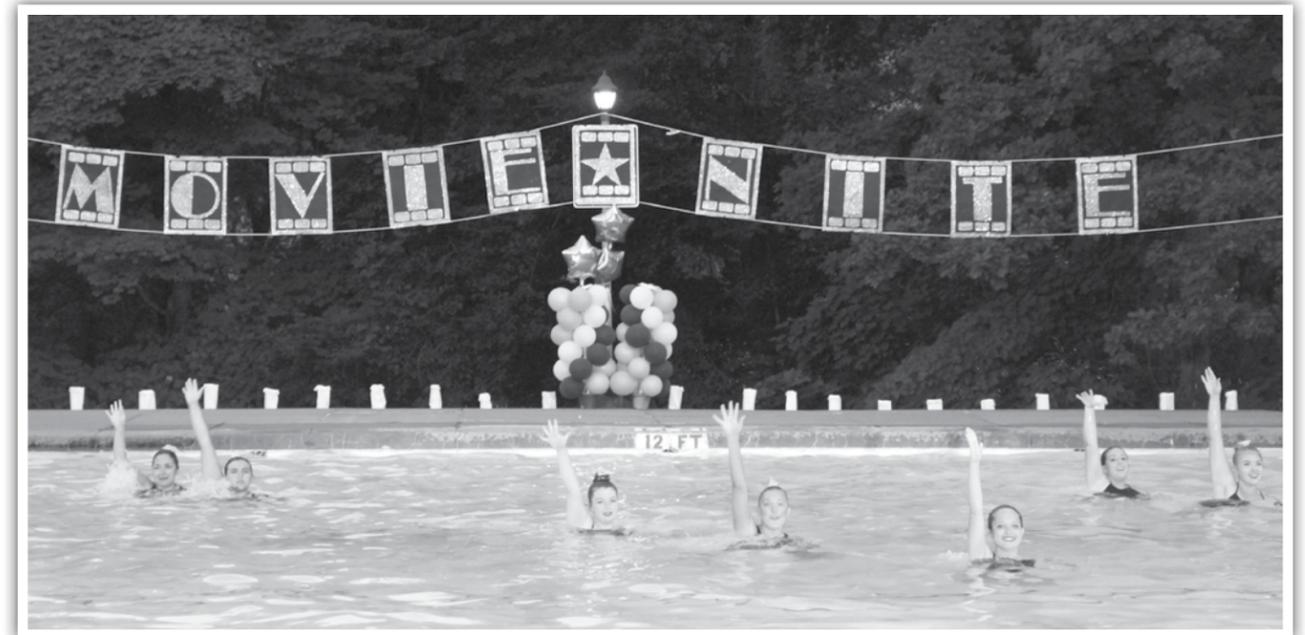
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Synchronized Swim Team Celebrates “Movie Nite”

Back on August 2, the community was treated to “Movie Nite” as the Forest Hills Synchronized Swim Team presented their annual performance for the 47th year! After practicing throughout June and July, the 47 girls ranging in ages 5 to 18, were very excited to showcase their hard work, and the enthusiastic audience was delighted to watch this fabulous show! The swimming pool shimmered with the soft glow of luminaria and the glittering “Movie Nite” sign. The balloon arch and decorations with the red carpet completed the perfect setting for a wonderful community event.

Although the show is the highlight of the season, the girls also enjoyed face painting at the park on the Fourth of July, movie night at the pool, and the annual luncheon the day before the show.

“Laina and I want to thank the community and the parents for their support. The synchronized swim team is a wonderful opportunity for the girls to develop skill and confidence while working together as a unit. We are so lucky to have this unique program in Forest Hills,” stated Synchronized Swim Team Head Coach, Annmarie Rodrigues.



Pictured: Some of the 2015 Synchronized Swim Team performing on “Movie Nite”

Basketball Coaches Needed

The borough is searching for two basketball coaches to run the 2016 Basketball Program which will start sometime in July. The program will take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays, each week from 6 to 8 p.m.

Applicants must have experience with running a basketball program for kids (both boys and girls) ages 6 to 14, and would include teaching clinics, exercises and drills. The borough will supply all equipment and shirts for the players. This will be a paid position; interested candidates must fill out an application and also a background check. There are additional forms that need to be filled out and instructions on those forms can be found on the borough's web-site: www.foresthillspa.org, under Employment. You can also pick up an application at the borough office. For more information, contact Cindy Simm, Recreation Director at: 412-351-7330 x220.

If the borough does have the basketball program this year, the registration form will appear in the summer 2016 issue of the newsletter, and will also be on the borough's web-site in June.

The Friends of the Forest Hills Proposed Dog Park—Update

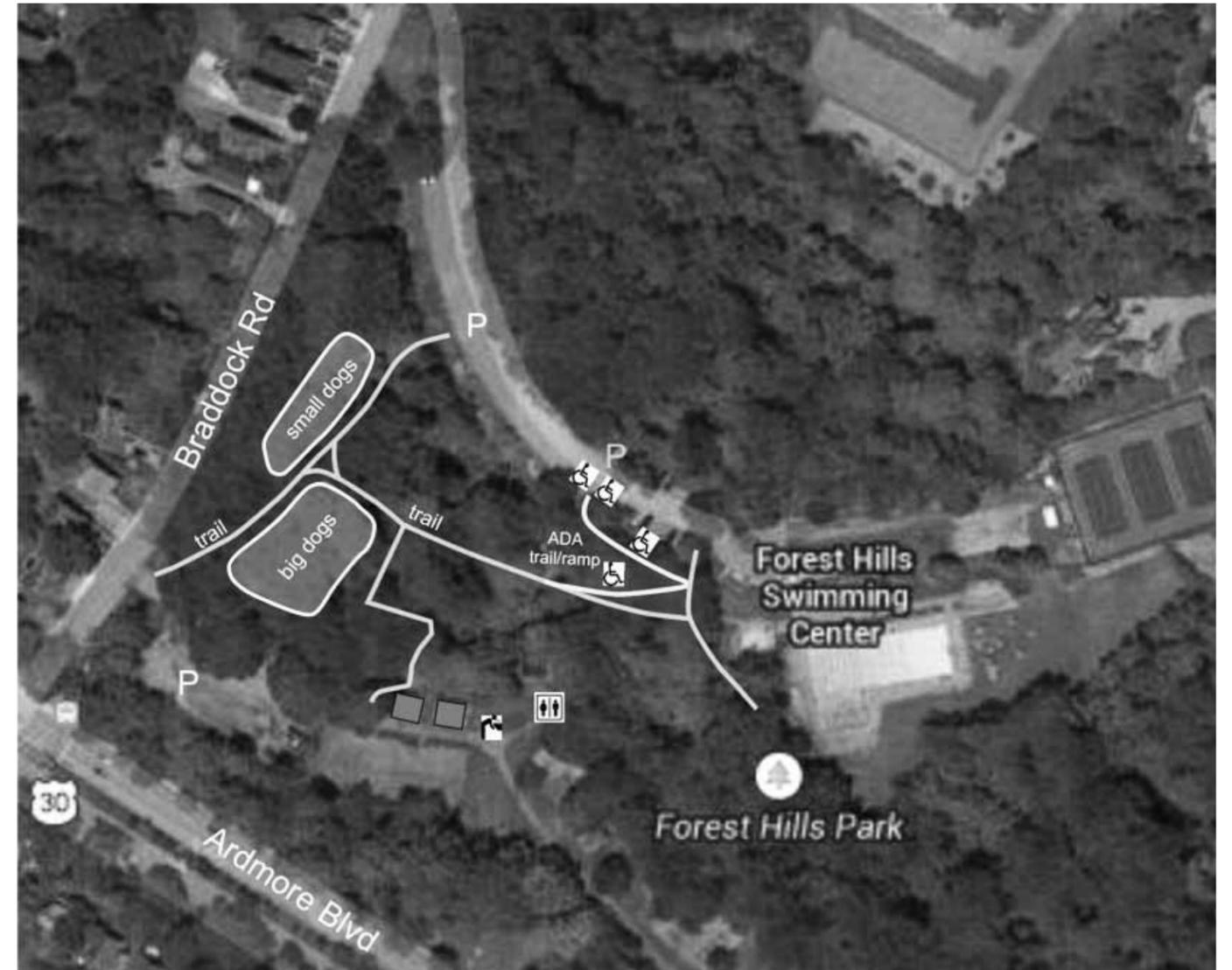
Last fall, borough council approved the plan for the construction of two fenced-in areas in the Forest Hills Park for dogs to play safely off-leash. Community support for development of this plan has been tremendous and we thank everyone who already donated, got involved or interested in the project. But the battle is not won yet!

The Friends of Forest Hills Dog Park have made arrangements with the borough to raise funds to finance the basic necessities associated with the establishment of a dog park in our community. As described in the feasibility study, approximately \$44,000 will be needed to accomplish this goal. This amount includes fencing (with double gates and service gates), site preparation, benches, signage, handicap access, and other necessities. The dog park has been on the wish list of residents for many years. Now is the time to make it happen!

Fundraising efforts are underway and they invite YOU to support the project with a financial contribution. All donations are tax-deductible to the fullest extent of the law. Donations of \$500 and up are eligible for one of five levels of recognition on a structure (e.g., a donor wall) within the park. Contact them at foresthillsdogpark@gmail.com for details on donor recognition.

To contribute to the dog park fund, send a check payable to Borough of Forest Hills. Please note "Dog Park" in the memo section of the check to insure deposit into the proper account. Mail payment to: Borough of Forest Hills Dog Park, 2071 Ardmore Boulevard, Pittsburgh, PA 15221.

Information on the project can be found on the Friends of Forest Hills Dog Park Facebook page www.facebook.com/foresthillsdogpark. And check out the new website: www.foresthillsdogpark.org. They are working with the borough to set up on-line donations from this site. Contact the group at foresthillsdogpark@gmail.com.



Pictured; aerial view of proposed dog park

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Mail this card and payment to: **Borough of Forest Hills Dog Park
2071 Ardmore Blvd, Pittsburgh, PA 15221**

Name: _____

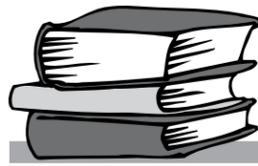
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Monday March 21, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Tuesday March 22, 9 a.m. to Noon
Bag sale

Check web-site www.ccmellorlibrary.org for
more details.

Programs at Forest Hills Branch— Adults

4th Tuesday Book Club—Join the conversation of recent fiction and non-fiction at 1:30 p.m. All are welcome. Here are the upcoming selections.

- March 22 *Beekeeper's Apprentice: Or the Segregation of the Queen* by Laurie King
- April 26 *Wright Brothers* by David McCullough
- May 24 *Me and Earl and the Dying Girl* by Jesse Andrews
- June 28 *Lights Out: Cyber Attack* by Ted Koppel

Children

Story Time—Mondays at 10:30 a.m. Geared towards children birth to 5. No sign up necessary.

Science Fridays—On the second Friday morning of each month at 10:30 a.m. participate in hands-on science ex-

periments. This program is geared toward school-age, home-schooled children. Call by the previous Wednesday to secure your spot. Upcoming dates are March 11, April 8 and May 13. They take a break in the summer months.

Homework Help—School-age children are invited to bring their homework from 4 to 6 p.m. every Wednesday to work collaboratively with others. Drop in for 15 minutes or stay the whole time.

Intergenerational

Craft Night—Crafts-people of all ages are welcome to drop by with a favorite hand-work project for crafting and company. Work could include knitting, crochet, or anything else portable that you'd like to bring. This event will be held the first Wednesday of the following months from 7 to 8 p.m.: March 2, April 6, May 4 and June 1.

Library closed Good Friday, March 25 and Memorial Day Monday, May 25.

Other Events for Children

Story Times—If you can't make Story Time on Mondays at 10:30 a.m. in Forest Hills Library: Mondays, try these:

- Fred Rogers Children's Room Edgewood Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. Children birth to 5
- Fred Rogers Children's Room Edgewood Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. Children birth to 5
- Fred Rogers Children's Room Edgewood Growing Readers Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.
- Churchill Borough Building Fridays @ 10:30 a.m. – Children birth to 5
- Baby Lap Sit Fred Rogers Children's Room Edgewood Fridays at 11:30 a.m.

Programs in the Fred Rogers Children's Room Edgewood (registration is required)

Eco-Geek—5 to 8 year olds explore the world of nature with local experts on Saturdays March 14, April 11 and May 9 at 11 a.m.

Crazy 8's—A math club for K-2 graders who build stuff, make music, run and jump and more on Saturdays March 14, April 11 and May 9 at 10 a.m.

Books and Brunch—A book club for 8 to 12 year-old girls and their special grown-up who come together to share books on Saturdays, March 19 and April 30 at 11 a.m. Pick your book up at the children's desk.

Baby Sign Workshops—For all ages. Come learn basic signs to help develop language skills in your baby. Classes will be geared to participant's interests. Older siblings are welcome as well on Saturday, March 5 at 10 a.m., Tuesday, March 15 at 3:45 p.m., Wednesday April 13 at 3:45 p.m. and Saturday April 23 at 10 a.m.

Princess Tea—A spectacular event for girls ages 3 to 7 and a favorite grown-up. Come dressed as a princess or as you are for stories, games and a snack on Saturday, April 1 at 11 a.m. in Edgewood. Registration opens March 1 with a \$10 fee.

Get Ready, Get Set, Read!—Summer Reading Club is coming. They'll kick off their summer events on Monday, June 13. Check their web-site for details or sign up for their monthly children's electronic newsletter detailing all activities when you visit: www.ccmellorlibrary.org.

Other Activities for Adults

Driver's Education for Seniors—Register by April 1 for either the Basic or the Refresher AARP driving classes which will be held in the living room of the Edgewood Community House. The refresher course will be held on Tuesday,

April 12 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the living room. To participate in the refresher course you must have already completed the basic class. The Basic Driving Class will be offered on Tuesday, April 19 and Wednesday, April 26 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. This eight-hour class (you must attend both days) for seniors is a brush-up on safe driving practices and new driving laws. Successful completion of the class can result in savings on insurance premiums. You need not be an AARP member to participate. Register by calling the library in Edgewood at 412-731-0909.

Wise Walk Join them on Tuesdays and Thursdays for an hour-long walk on the trails of Frick Park. In March they start walking at 9 a.m., April and May at 8:30 a.m. and in June at 8 a.m. They'll meet in the parking lot at the bottom of Lancaster Avenue, and walkers can go at their own pace.

Drop Dead Book Club meets on the first Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. in the Edgewood Board Room to discuss current mysteries. Upcoming titles are:

- April 6 - *Swimmer* by Joakim Sander
- May 4 and June 1 - TBA

Knitting and Crocheting Club meets on the third Wednesday of the month—March 18, April 15 and May 20 at 6:30 p.m. in the Edgewood Board Room. The group shares project ideas,

gives informal instruction and tips, and has great discussions. They are also working on items to donate to local non-profits. Bring your unfinished projects and join the group.

Mind Body Adult Exercise Join them on Monday and Wednesday mornings in Edgewood from 9 to 9:45 a.m. for exercises that include easy dance moves, Pilates based strength building and yoga inspired movement. The cost is \$5 a class or \$25 for six sessions. You'll need comfortable clothing, athletic footwear or sturdy rubber-soled shoes and a thick mat.

Mahjong Ever want to learn to play Mahjong? Here's your chance with a new program offered at CCM on Tuesdays from Noon to 3 p.m. You'll learn the official rules, how to set the game up and how to play. All cards and tiles will be provided. Classes are free. Please call the library to register.

Fundraiser for Children's Programs

Calling artists of all ages! Make art to support the library. Throughout the month of April they will hold a silent art auction of handmade items to benefit children's services. So now is the time to make an item in any media based on your favorite children's book or this year's One Book Every Young Child entitled *Kite Day* by Will Hillenbrand. For more details ask at the children's desk. Donations will be accepted up to April 1.



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Spring Session – 10 weeks

Location: Forest Hills/Westinghouse Lodge
When: Thursdays, March 10 to May 12
Times: 6 to 7 p.m.
Fee: \$40 per person
Registration is required by: March 4

Yoga

As a certified yoga instructor for over 22 years, Theresa Trojanowski will spend 90 minutes helping you relax and unify your mind, body and spirit while improving your health, and easing away stress using breathing exercises, special postures and meditation.

The winter class is currently underway until February 22.

Spring Session – 12 weeks

Dates: Mondays, February 29 to May 16
Time: 6 to 8 p.m.
Location: Pool Lodge
Fee: \$40

Summer Session – 10 weeks

Dates: Mondays, May 23 to August 22
(no classes on May 30 or July 4)
Time: 6 to 8 p.m.
Location: Pool Lodge
Fee: \$40

Dog Obedience

This class is open to dogs of all ages and tailored to cover all stages of training. Arlene Halloran, certified dog trainer and breeder, will give a basic introduction to obedience commands, teach basic disciplines such as house breaking and chewing, and show you how to develop an enjoyable relationship with your new puppy. Class size is limited to 10 dogs; if necessary, a second class will be added.

Spring Session – 12 weeks

Dates: Thursdays, March 3 to May 19
Time: 7 to 8 p.m.

Class is limited to 10 dogs; if there are more than 10 dogs registered, instructor will add another class.

Location: Pool Lodge

Fee: \$40

Summer Session – 8 weeks

Dates: Saturdays, June 18 to August 13
(No class on July 30)

Time: 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Class is limited to 10 dogs.

Location: Pool Lodge

Fee: \$40

Zumba

The Zumba classes are cancelled due to schedule conflicts with instructor. She will plan to have future classes. Anyone who has already registered for the class will receive a refund.

Send registration form with your check or money order made payable to:

Forest Hills Borough
2071 Ardmore Boulevard
Pittsburgh, PA 15221
Attention:
Recreation Department

If registering for more than one class please submit separate checks or money orders for each registration. Please also identify the class name on your payment. The borough does not accept cash transactions.

SPRING REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____ Phone _____
Address _____
E-mail _____

Name of Participant	Name of Class / Session	Fee
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____

SUMMER REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____ Phone _____
Address _____
E-mail _____

Name of Participant	Name of Class / Session	Fee
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____

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BOROUGH DIRECTORY

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Assistant Recreation Director: *Lynn Cassidy x206*

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For Your Information

The **Garden Club of Forest Hills** regular meetings will resume on Thursday, March 3, and continue on the first Thursday of each month (March to December), usually at Hope Lutheran Church, 353 Ridge Avenue. Coffee is ready at 9:30 a.m. with the meetings beginning promptly at 10 a.m., and an educational program and light lunch to follow.

The programs for March and April have been scheduled. In March, Lisa O'Toole will be speaking on getting ready to grow and raised bed gardening. Lisa is a member of the Murrysville Garden Club, a master gardener, and landscape designer. In April, Demetria Marsh will be presenting a program about "The Wonderful World of Orchids." Demetria has two orchid hybrids named for her; is the recipient of many national awards; is a longtime member of the American Orchid Society; and is a life member, past president of the Orchid Society of Western Pennsylvania.



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In May, the club will host two annual fund-raising events: a plant sale and a plant auction at the Forest Hills Presbyterian Church. Dates and details will be posted on both the Garden Club's Facebook page and the Forest Hills web-site in March.

Would you like to join the garden club? Be a guest at one of the meetings? For information, contact: Linda Phelps, Publicity/Marketing Chair at lindajafra-home@verizon.net or 412-559-9578. To learn more about the club, go to: www.foresthillspa.org, or "like" them on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/TheGardenClubofForestHills.

Members and friends of **Forest Hills AARP #2556** meet at the Forest Hills Pool Lodge on the second Monday of each month, except for July, August and December. Coffee and cookies are served at noon. A light lunch is sometimes available at a minimum cost. Meetings are called to order at 12:30 p.m. Reports are presented by the officers and the Tours Committee reports on opportunities available for interesting and entertaining trips.