

The Borough Broadcaster

Spring Newsletter

Malvern, PA

April 2016

News from Borough Council

There are several exciting projects on the horizon for Malvern Borough. With spring arriving, we are getting started on several projects that have been outlined in the 2016 budget. We will begin the traffic signal replacement and pedestrian improvements project on N. Warren Ave. The Borough has been awarded funding from both the PA Department of Community and Economic Development and the PA Department of Transportation in order to complete this project. We were hopeful that this project would be completed in 2015, but certain uncontrollable factors resulted in the project being delayed. It has taken a significant amount of time to replace the old traffic signals, but we are hopeful to have this project completed in the Spring/Summer of 2016.

In other transportation matters, Borough Council also recently completed and reviewed a traffic safety study for specific intersections in the Borough. This study was completed by McMahan Associates. Borough Council has begun implementing the recommendations of this study, starting with the new stop signs at the intersections of Warren Ave. and Roberts Ln. and Warren Ave. and Monument Ave. Other roads for studies are being discussed.

The Borough is also looking to complete a streetscape project on Woodland Ave. To facilitate this project, the Borough is submitting an application to the Chester County Community Revitalization Program for funding of this project. The project will involve streetscape improvements on Woodland Ave. from King St. to Roberts Ln., Roberts Ln. to First Ave., and First Ave. to Second Ave. Improvements along Woodland Avenue will include new curbs and sidewalks, handicap ramps, Victorian streetlights, street trees, and stamped concrete pavers.

As always, if you have any questions about anything going on in town, contact any member of Borough Council, the Mayor, or the Borough Manager. Information is updated regularly on the Borough website at www.malvern.org, on Facebook, and emergency notifications are sent through the ReadyNotify system.

Bulk Trash Pick-Up - May 21st

As we've already received numerous calls about this date, we're putting it right on the front page of the Newsletter. Bulk Trash Pick-Up has been scheduled for Saturday, May 21st throughout the Borough. Freon appliances must have a certification of removal clearly VISIBLE. Only items that can be picked up by two men will be taken. No plant waste or yard compost will be removed during bulk collection. Items should be placed at curbside after 5:00 p.m. the night before or by 6:30 a.m. the day of collection. NOT TAKEN will be hazardous items, construction debris, tires, paint, gasoline, oil or sealed containers, dirt, stone, concrete or piles of small items that could have been boxed or bagged. **Please be advised that electronics WILL NOT be accepted.**

Time to clean out the garages, basements and attics (to make room for more)!

Malvern Blooms - May 1st

The Malvern Business and Professional Association is again hosting the Malvern Blooms Festival, Sunday, May 1st from 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM. This promises to be a fun day for all along King Street, Warren Avenue, and in Burke Park.

The festival will feature three music stages. The Slicked Up 9's will be bringing their big band swing music to the main stage in the Malvern Pizza parking lot. In Gallagher's lot, Beam's School of Music will keep us entertained all day long with amazing local talent. And back in the park again this year is DJ Loudenclear.

The festival offers lots of activities for the kids. New this year, a train ride for the little ones, a dashing derby, and a tropical bounce house. There'll be lots of games and prizes, balloon artists, face painters, crafts and more. King Street will be home to local artists and crafters, and retailers, lining the street. The festival also boasts two food courts with talk of the town food truck offerings! There is simply something for everyone at the Malvern Blooms Festival. For more information, please visit the festival website: www.Malvern-Festivals.com.

Malvern's Community Spaghetti Dinner & Concert - June 4th

The Malvern Spaghetti Dinner and Concert is scheduled for June 4th, from 5:00PM – 8:00 PM in Malvern Memorial Park. This will be the third year for this fun community event, a kick-off to Malvern's Memorial Day Celebration, and every year attendance grows. The Malvern Farmers Market hosts the Spaghetti dinner from 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM, prepared by Malvern's own Anthony's Pizza & Italian Restaurant. Tickets for the dinner will be available for purchase in April at the Malvern Farmers Market, the National Bank of Malvern and Kohlerman's Pharmacy. Tickets for the dinner must be pre-purchased!

SEWER BILL ENCLOSED

Following the dinner at 7:00 PM, the Malvern Parade Committee hosts the Chester County Concert Band. The concert is free and all are welcome to attend. For additional information on the event: <http://growingrootspartners.com/malvern-spaghetti-dinner/>.

Malvern Memorial Parade - June 5th

On Sunday, June 5, the Upper Main Line Memorial Association will hold the 148th annual Memorial Parade. The parade will begin on E. King Street between Kimberton Whole Foods and the entrance to the Malvern Fire Company at 1:30 PM and will end at the Paoli Memorial Association grounds on Monument Ave. Immediately following the parade will be a Memorial Service after which will be held the traditional cake walk. For questions on the parade please call Frank Orner at 610 647-2577 or Rich Lee at 610 647-3084.

Run for Freedom - June 4th

On Saturday, June 4th, the 5th annual Run for Freedom will be held starting at 9:00 AM with registration at 8:30 AM, to be held at the Paoli Memorial Grounds off of Monument Ave. For further information on the run and to register please contact Keri Phillips at 267-566-6790. In addition, you can review the site at runforfreedompa@gmail.com. The beneficiary of the run is a local veteran.

Save the Date

On Thursday, October 13, 2016, the Paoli Memorial Association and the Paoli Battlefield Preservation Fund will hold its third annual dinner and auction at People's Light and Theater Company to benefit both organizations. More information will be included in the next Borough Broadcaster. You can also check out www.rememberpaoli.org for additional information.

FREE!! Shade Trees for Spring Planting!!

In partnership with the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society and DCNR's TreeVitalize program the Borough has made over 100 shade trees available to residents free for planting. Together we're keeping Malvern green and providing lovely streetscapes. If you are interested in a free tree for your yard, watch for our announcement in the Fall issue of the Borough Broadcaster or drop us an email at malvernstc@yahoo.com.

Caring for Your Newly Planted Tree

If you have planted trees within the last 12 to 18 months, please inspect them. With temperatures fluctuating from near freezing to 75 degrees, it can be a particularly sensitive time for new trees, especially when new foliage has emerged, but not yet matured to the summer stage. If we don't get much rain, watering will be needed.

Trees need 20-25 gallons of water weekly, or the equivalent of about 1" of rainfall (a good, slow, soaking rain...not a passing shower). Using a hose end shower type nozzle or 'watering wand,' about 5 minutes 2X per week should suffice. 'Gator bags' or irrigation bags are available as well. These get filled, and drain slowly from the bottom, then get re-filled when empty. Finally, soaker hoses can be used- but you *must* ensure water is reaching all parts of the root ball. On sloping ground this can be problematic.

So protect your new trees—water and mulch!

Paoli Battlefield Preservation Fund, Inc.

Upcoming Events

- **Monday, April 11th:** *A Revolutionary Lecture* at the General Warren Inne @ 6 pm featuring a fabulous dinner and lecture on "British Soldiers, American War" by Don Hagist
- **Monday, May 9th:** *A Revolutionary Lecture* at the General Warren Inne @ 6 pm featuring a fabulous dinner and lecture on "A Sea Change – Naval warfare in the American Revolution" by Dennis Conrad, PhD
- **Saturday, May 14th:** *Spring Paranormal Tour of the Paoli Battlefield* from 6 to 11 pm - this highly popular private tour is an investigation led by Laurie Hull and her team from Tri-County Paranormal lead groups to "active" areas!
- **Tuesday, July 19th:** *A Revolutionary Lecture* at the General Warren Inne @ 6 pm featuring 18th Century refreshments to relax in a summer outdoor setting with Revolutionary War Music and Stories by Charlie Zahm
- **Saturday, September 24th:** *Paoli Battlefield Heritage Day* –from 11 am to 4 pm at the Paoli Battlefield Historical Park and Paoli Memorial Grounds off Monument Avenue. This 4th annual event brings back the traditional celebration of the Paoli Massacre starting in 1817 when local veterans erected the nation's 2nd oldest War Memorial atop the mass grave of 52 Continental Soldiers killed and gave rise to the United States first battle cry - *Remember Paoli!*. The event features reenactor encampments from most wars and conflicts from the French & Indian War to today's PA National Guard, military drills & firing demonstrations, rescue dogs, children's

games, contests, crafts, music, face-painting, and displays from many local historical sites, organizations and authors! More information coming in next Borough Broadcaster and at RememberPaoli.org.

Malvern Public Library News

A huge thank you to the volunteers who "dialed for dollars" during our annual Phonathon and our generous donors! This is our only fundraiser and we truly appreciate the response we get from our patrons. Please send in your donation. If we missed you during the Phonathon, more donation forms are at the circulation desk.

Get ready for an exciting summer reading program! The theme this year is On Your Mark, Get Set, Read! Registration for this, GO Wilma!, story times, crafts, and other special events will begin June 13. Complete this athletics-themed summer reading program and get a medal!

Science in the Summer will be held the week of July 25, and the topic is Genetics. Online registration starts on May 3 at noon for Malvern.

The Malvern Library has an adult book club! We'll be discussing *All The Light We Cannot See* on May 10th, and *Molokai* on June 14th. Stop by the library to pick up your copy!

Don't forget that the library has eBooks and audiobooks available through Overdrive! If you have a library card, you have access to Overdrive, which can be viewed on any of your mobile devices, or on your computer.

And don't forget there is now a CCLS mobile app. Download this app on your phone or tablet and have access to your account online and the catalog. You are truly able to carry the library with you on your travels.

Malvern Fire Company News

Join the Malvern Fire Company this summer as we host the 10th Annual Golf Outing Wednesday, June 8, 2016 at the beautiful Spring Hollow Golf Club in Spring City, Pa. Beginning with lunch at 11 am and a shot gun start at noon, this event includes 18 holes of golf, lunch before golf, a buffet dinner after, door prizes and an awards ceremony. Cost is only \$85 per player – please sign up before May 13th to guarantee a spot in this event. Prizes include \$500 for hole in one on the 18th hole, \$600 in cash prizes and many more! Visit www.malvernfireco.com to download a flyer and sign up form or, for more information, contact Frank Wiley at 610-348-7923 or Jerry Vaughn at 610-633-4233.

Then in July, join us for the annual Malvern Fire Company Fair July 12th through July 16th at the Malvern Monument Grounds. The fair will be held from 6:00pm until 10:00pm each evening and fireworks will be held July 15th after dark, rain date July 16th. For any questions please visit www.malvernfireco.com – we hope to see you there!

Looking for an opportunity to serve your community? The Malvern Fire Company wants you to join us in carrying on a tradition of excellence in volunteer service. Are you ready to ignite your life? Whether behind the hose line or behind the desk, Station Four has a place for you. Our doors are always open – we would love to give you a tour of the station and our trucks. Want to join in the action? Fill out our online application or stop by Tuesday nights at 7pm for drill night to meet our active crew.

We look forward to meeting you! For more information and ways to serve, visit www.malvernfireco.com or call us at 610-647-0693.

Hedges, Bushes, Trees, Sidewalks, Walkways and Streets

As the hedges, bushes and flowers grow along the sidewalk at your property; please make sure that they don't obstruct the sidewalk. This makes it difficult, not to mention dangerous, for pedestrians using the sidewalks. In light of Malvern Borough's size, many people, residents and visitors alike, use the sidewalks to get around. All vegetation along sidewalks must be trimmed back just behind the paved area. In addition, where vegetation is planted near road intersections, keep them trimmed back so they're not a sight hazard to motorists attempting to go through those intersections.

If you have trees that hang over the sidewalk and road, they must be trimmed up so that there is at least eight feet from the sidewalk to the bottom of the branches and at least thirteen feet from the street to the lowest branches.

While clearing back the hedges and bushes from your sidewalks and walkways, be sure to have a look at the walkway and sidewalk blocks. If they've been lifted up by trees or frost heave during the winter there is a half inch or greater difference between blocks, they should be repaired or replaced to eliminate potential trip hazards between the blocks.

The 2003 International Property Maintenance Code, as well as the **Code of the Borough of Malvern**, requires that exterior property areas be kept clean and "free from hazardous conditions." All residents and businesses that have hedges, bushes and trees along sidewalks and streets must help keep them safe by ensuring that the sidewalks and streets are not obstructed and that there are no trip hazards in the sidewalks.

Historical Commission News

- **Malvern History Center (McGuigan Hall, 2nd Floor):** Want to know more about your house or family? We have a full-time volunteer who is at the History Center during regular business hours. Please stop by to check out old photos, deeds, and artifacts. If you'd like us to have items ready for you, please email MalvernHC@yahoo.com or message us at www.facebook.com/MalvernHC.

- **You asked, we listened!** Who wants a t-shirt? Please go to www.zazzle.com/MalvernHC* to purchase and peruse the Malvern designs we've created. We have a design depicting Burke Park, and a customizable street sign shirt to show off where you live or grew up! More and different items other than shirts may be coming, too.
- **Malvern History books, posters, gifts, etc.:** See you at Malvern Blooms with our usual wares on May 1st! EXCITING NEWS... While we have been on a cash/check only basis in the past, we will be accepting credit card payments (plus a small convenience fee per transaction) by the time we reach Malvern Blooms. As always, all 3 books ("A Century in Malvern," "Malvern Items," and "Malvern Treasures") are just \$75 when purchased as a set at the Malvern street festivals. We also have 5 new postcards! A set of ten postcards are only \$4!
- **It's Spring! Time to get out and walk:** The free 2015 Malvern walking tour brochure may be picked up at Malvern Blooms, or downloaded from <http://www.malvern.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/03/walking-tour-2015-WEB.pdf>. Enjoy the borough while learning about its past!
- **Facebook:** Please LIKE us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/MalvernHC for news, found photos, updates on items we're selling, and any "pop-up" hours at the History Center or around Malvern.

Parks & Recreation - Save the Date!!

The Parks & Recreation Committee has several great events this spring and summer. Please mark your calendars for the following events:

- **Saturday, May 14, 2016 – 6th Annual Spring Yard Sale in Burke Park** – Set-up will begin at 8:00 a.m. with the Sale from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. Call Patti Rossiter at 610-644-1381 to reserve a space. This event continues to grow each year. Call to reserve your space today!
- **Friday, June 3, 2016 – Malvern on Ice (Water Ice in the Park) in Burke Park** – Come to Burke Park from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. to enjoy Rita's Water Ice, D.J. entertainment, and to help kick-off "Malvern's Memorial" weekend (always the weekend following Memorial Day).
- **Friday, June 24, 2016 – Family Movie Night in Burke Park** – Bring out your blankets, and stuffed animals for a family movie night! Short films begin at 8:00p.m. and the main feature starts at 8:30 p.m. Dessert Trucks too and Free Popcorn!

2016 Household Hazard Waste Events - 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. SHARP

NO ELECTRONICS OR FREON APPLIANCES WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THESE EVENTS

The Chester County Solid Waste Authority has six (6) Household Hazardous Waste Events throughout 2016. Please see the collections dates and locations below:

- **Saturday, April 16 – CAT Pickering Campus, 1580 Charlestown Road, Phoenixville**
- **Saturday, April 30 – Octorara High School, 226 Highland Road, Atglen (Take Proof of Residency)**
- **Saturday, May 21 – Owen J. Roberts Middle School, 981 Ridge Road, Pottstown**
- **Friday, June 24 – Coatesville Learning Center, 1425 East Lincoln Highway, Coatesville**
- **Saturday, September 10 – Oxford School District Administrative Building, 125 Bell Tower Lane, Oxford (Take Proof of Residency)**
- **Saturday, October 6 – Government Services Center, 601 Westtown Road, West Chester**

Residential Event Only – No businesses or contractors

Malvern Farmers Market Update

The **Malvern Farmers Market** will be opening Saturday, May 7th, from 9AM - 1 PM, back in Burke Park. We had a wonderful winter market in the Baptist Church, but cannot wait to get back outside to the park. Stop by the market every Saturday for the best in local produce, meats, poultry and farm fresh eggs, cheese and dairy, baked goods and so much more. Shop LOCAL! Eat LOCAL!