



# Parkesburg News

## BOROUGH OF PARKESBURG

### Formation of Shade Tree Commission



The Borough wants to introduce a Resolution to form a Shade Tree Commission. The Shade Tree Commission will be formed by Borough Council and may include citizen volunteers as members. The District Forester from the Pennsylvania Urban and Community Forestry Council will act as the Board's advisor. The Commission will oversee the drafting of any improvements to any tree-related ordinances we may already have, but specifically it will be designed to protect, preserve and plan our Borough trees and to prevent hazardous tree situations.

The purpose of this effort is to:

- a. Make Parkesburg a more attractive and healthy environment in which to live, and better control storm water runoff, noise, glare, heat, and soil erosion;
- b. Provide the necessary information to facilitate development project design, plan review, and enforcement processes in order that the provisions of this Ordinance are administered in the most effective, efficient and economical manner;
- c. Establish and maintain the maximum sustainable amount of tree cover on public and private lands in the city;
- d. Maintain city trees in a healthy and non-hazardous condition; and
- e. Establish and maintain appropriate diversity in tree species and age classes to provide a stable and sustainable urban forest.



### Street Sweeping

Street sweeping is

scheduled as follows:

- ☛ **Monday, April 11th for the South Side**
- ☛ **Wednesday, April 13th for the North Side**

*\* Please sweep your sidewalks and have cars moved by 7:00 a.m. Call the Borough Office if you have any questions.*

**REMINDER:** You may pay your 2005 Borough Real Estate Taxes in installments again this year. If you wish to make use of this service, please bring your tax bill to the Borough Office during regular office hours to sign up. Be advised that your first payment must be made by May 1st. If you have any questions, please call the Borough Office.

### Arbor Day Celebration

On Saturday April 30th, there will be an Arbor Day—Earth Day celebration at Parkesburg's Minch Park for boys and girls ages 8 to 14. Help Home & Gardens, "The Tree Doctors" plant an Arbor Day tree in the park. There will also be tree climbing and rigging demonstrations, lectures, a tree raffle, plant giveaways and other events. Win a prize for your Arbor Day or Earth Day poster. Help us by using proper planting techniques to plan our park tree. We will talk about how trees make our earth a better place. Create a poster celebrating Earth Day or Arbor Day. The theme of the poster should be: "Making the Earth Better with Trees!" Entries should be on a standard 8 1/2" by 11" white paper with each participant's name on the back. The poster will be judged during the festivities. There will be a tree hunt for our volunteer students to win plants and trees to take home. Clothes suitable for being outdoors should be worn. We invite student groups to call us if you are interested in participating. Everyone will meet at the gazebo in Minch Park on Saturday, April 30th at 9:00 am to noon. For more information, please contact Mike Martorana, ISA, Certified Arborist at 610-857-1045.



## Borough Officials

**Mayor**

John P. Hagan, II

**Borough Council**

James B. Norton, III	President
Joseph Reali	Vice President
Ken Knickerbocker	Member
Michael Martorana	Member
Virginia Miller	Member
Carla Perella	Member
James Thomas	Member

**Appointed Officials**

Philip W. Cotter	Borough Manager
Wendy A. Keegan	Borough Secretary
James Marlowe, II	Solicitor
Thomas H. Lowry	Zoning Officer
Philip W. Cotter	Treasurer
Jeffrey M. Hunt	Engineer
Brian C. Sheller	Police Chief
Richard Klingler, II	Fire Chief
Alan Manning	Emergency. Mgt. Dir.
Jane P. Ely	Police Secretary
Ann Smoker	Police Secretary

**Streets Department**

Lewis Taylor	Marcus Guest
Harry Guest	Kevin McCrery
David Clements	

**Planning Commission**

Timothy Goodall	Chairman
Michael Martorana	Member
Sheri Melton	Member
Jason Smucker	Member
Richard Gorgo	Member

**Zoning Hearing Board**

Janet Crosson	Chairman
John Mitchell	Member
George Evans	Member
E. Craig Kalemjian	Solicitor

**Tax Collector**

Berkheimer Outsourcing

**Meeting Schedule & Location**

Work Session: 1<sup>st</sup> Monday, 7:00  
 Council: 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday, 7:30  
 Planning Commission: Last Thursday, 7:00

## Community Calendar

**April**

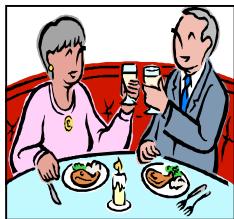
4 Work Session—7 pm  
 6 Zoning/SALDO—10:30 am  
 11 Street Sweeping—south side  
 Council Meeting—7:30 pm  
 13 Street Sweeping—north side  
 Zoning Hearing—7 pm  
 16 Fire Co. Spaghetti Dinner  
 18 Public Hearing—R-4 Zoning  
 Ordinance—7 pm  
 20 Fire Company—7 pm  
 25 Fire Company— 7 pm  
 28 Planning Commission—7 pm  
 30 Community Yard Sale 8 — 3  
 Arbor Day Celebration 9—12

**May**

2 Work Session—7 pm  
 4 Zoning/SALDO—10:30 am  
 6 Fire Company Banquet  
 9 Council Meeting—7:30 pm  
 14 Fire Company—7 pm  
 16 Fire Company Auxiliary—7 pm  
 17 Zoning/SALDO—7 pm  
 18 Fire Company—7 pm  
 26 Planning Commission—7 pm  
 30 Fire Company—7 pm

**June**

1 Zoning/SALDO—10:30 am  
 2 Work Session—7 pm  
 13 Council Meeting—7:30 pm  
 15 Lion's Club Circus —Minch Park  
 Fire Company—7 pm  
 20 Fire Company Auxiliary—7 pm  
 27 Library's Science in the Summer  
 Fire Company Fair Begins  
 30 Planning Commission—7 pm



## Parkesburg Fire Company 53rd Annual Ban- quet Friday, May 6th

The Parkesburg Fire Company will be holding its 53rd Annual Banquet on Friday, May 6, 2005. It will be held at the Old Revere Tavern in Paradise, Pennsylvania. The public is welcome. Tickets are \$20.00 for a single person and \$35.00 for a couple. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Please contact the Firehouse at 610-857-5690 for tickets and information.

Join in the  
**Community Yard Sale**  
Saturday, April 30th  
8 am to 3 pm



Advertised in the Daily Local News & Parkesburg Post  
Maps Available

*Call Wendy at the Borough Office to include your address on the map*

## PABA and Council Meet and Discuss

The Parkesburg Area Business Association invited members of the Borough Council to meet with them last week to address concerns held by businesses in Parkesburg.

In the first of what will become a series of meetings, the Association and the Council agreed to become proactive in addressing the issues that will make Parkesburg an attractive, safe, and welcoming place to do business.

Each group will look at the action points of the Parkesburg Revitalization plan during the month of April and will meet again in May to discuss those points and consider prioritizing specific actions.

Between now and May both the Borough and the Association will address cosmetic improvements that will be relatively inexpensive to accomplish.

The Parkesburg Fire Company Auxiliary would like to thank everyone who donated in 2004. We appreciate everything that you do to help us.

## Parkesburg Library News



The Parkesburg Library has a number of upcoming programs, events and workshops which include:

- Knitting classes are now being offered for beginners and intermediate skill levels. Please call to place your name on the list for the next session.
- There will be a "55 Alive" Driver's Refresher Course presented by AARP and sponsored by the Library. It will be a two day class and will take place on Thursday & Friday May 5th and 6th from 9 am to 1 pm. There is no charge for this class but there is a small fee for materials. Most insurance companies offer a discount for those who complete this course. Registration is required.
- The Library continues to offer Tutoring for English as a Second Language (ESL), GED, and beginners computer classes in using the Internet and in Microsoft Word. For further information on any of these please call or stop in the Library.
- Other children's programs are the ongoing preschool "Story Time" for 3-5 year olds which takes place on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:30 to 2 pm and the Summer Reading Program for K-6th graders. The theme this year will be "DRAGONS, DREAMS and DARING DEEDS". Registration will begin in May for this fun and exciting program.

Upcoming events sponsored by the Parkesburg Library are:

- The 2005 "Gardens of Octorara" Tour which will be held on Saturday, June 4th from 10 am to 4 pm and will benefit the Parkesburg, Atglen and Moore's Libraries.
- The Eighth annual Golf Tournament to be held at the Tanglewood Manor Golf Course in Quarryville on Monday, June 20th. For information on sponsoring this event or playing in the tournament please contact Sharon Johnson, Committee Chair, at the Blue Ball Bank 610-857-9667.

These are both major fund raisers for the Parkesburg Library. Your support and participation for these and all of our programs are greatly appreciated!

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# 2005 Borough Calendar

## **Borough Holidays**

- Memorial Day..... Monday, 5/30
- Fourth of July..... Monday, 7/4
- Labor Day..... Monday, 9/5
- Thanksgiving ..... Thursday, 11/24\*
- Christmas Eve..... Friday, 12/23\*\*
- Christmas..... Monday, 12/26
- New Year's Eve..... Friday, 12/30\*

*\*These holidays will impact trash pick-up. If a holiday falls on a Thursday—South Side pick-up will be on Wednesday. If a holiday falls on a Friday, South Side pick-up will be on Wednesday and North Side pick-up will be on Thursday.*

*\*\*The week of December 19th—South side trash will be picked up Wednesday 12/21 and North side trash will be picked up Thursday 12/22. Thank you for your cooperation.*

## **Borough Events**

- Fire Co. Spaghetti Dinner.....Saturday-4/16
- Spring Yard Sale .....Saturday-4/30
- Arbor Day Celebration .....Saturday-4/30
- Fire Company Banquet.....Friday-5/6
- Lion's Club Circus .....Monday-6/15
- Fire Company Fair .....6/27—7/2
- Fall Yard Sale.....Saturday-9/24
- Halloween Parade.....Saturday-10/29
- Trick-or-Treat .....Sunday-10/31
- Christmas In Parkesburg .....Saturday-12/3

*These dates are subject to change. Please contact the Borough Office closer to the event date to make sure no changes have been made.*