

AVONDALE

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FROM MAYOR DOTTIE HOWELL'S DESK: UPCOMING EVENTS.....

HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS

"TRICK OR TREAT"

Trick or Treat night in Avondale Borough designated by Borough Council is Thursday, October 31, 2013 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for children 12 and under. The Borough will be distributing a Halloween bag full of goodies to children at the Halloween Parade and throughout the Borough on Trick or Treat Night.



HALLOWEEN PARADE

October 31, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.

Morris Alley at Third Street

Ages 0 to adult and pets

Prizes for best costumes

Trick or Treat immediately following 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

LOOK FOR SIGNS



CHRISTMAS EVENTS

CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING "Dancing in the Street"



Dave and Sandy Hughes owners of Servpro (the old firehouse) will again be hosting the Borough's Christmas Tree Lighting on Thursday, December 5, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. Santa Clause and Mrs. Clause will visit. The Avondale Fire Police will provide the safety for the traffic control for the program.

Please come and join in on the fun!

Refreshments will be served.....

BEST DECORATED HOUSES

Pay attention to your outside decorations of your house this Christmas. Sometime before Christmas, I am sending Santa's Elves around town to pick out the Best Decorated Houses. The winner will receive a gift certificate from a local merchant to spend buying something on their wish list.



We love public participation so please put these dates on your calendar

See you there.....Mayor Dottie Howell

COLD WEATHER IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER.....

SNOW STORMS

Shovel your sidewalks

Borough Ordinance #77 requires sidewalks to be shoveled within 12 hours after a snow event. Be a good neighbor and ensure the safety of others by keeping your sidewalk clear.

Park off the street

When snow is in the forecast, park your car off the street to allow the snow plows to clear the snow off the roadways. Parking off the roadway also decrease the chances of your vehicle being damaged during a storm.

WINTER WATER TIPS

- * Make sure your water line to outside faucets is turned off and the line is drained.
- * Insulate pipes in unheated spaces. Hardware or building supply stores carry insulation designed to keep pipes from freezing.
- * If your water pipes do freeze, never try to thaw a pipe with an open flame or torch.
- * Eliminate drafts. Check around the home for areas where water supply lines are located in unheated areas and take measures to prevent the flow of cold air in these areas. Both cold and hot water pipes should be insulated. A hot water supply line can freeze just as a cold water supply line can freeze if water is not running through the pipe



LEAF PICK UP

The Borough's Street Department are picking up leaves and other compostables every Monday until December 2, 2013. After December 2nd, the Composting facility will be closed for the season.

All leaves must be in paper bags (no exceptions) and placed at the curb by 7:00 a.m. on the pickup day. Bags will not be picked up if they contain anything other than yard waste.

OPEN BURNING IS PROHIBITED IN THE BOROUGH!



CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING

Christmas Trees will be picked up by the Borough's Public Works Department on Monday, January 6th and Monday January 13th.

Penn Container will not pick up any trees!!!!!!

Council meetings and water and sewer committee meetings

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Council Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m.. If you have anything you would like to discuss at the meeting—please call the Borough Office no later than the Friday before the meeting to be placed on the agenda. If deemed necessary, Council Meetings are also held on the fourth Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.

WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The water and sewer committee meet on the second Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. Please bring any questions about water and sewer to this meeting.

WATER OR WASTEWATER EMERGENCY

In case of a water or wastewater emergency after Borough Office Hours, please call the Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant at 610-268-2498. Someone is on call 24 hours a day.



STOP ILLICIT DISCHARGES IN THE BOROUGH OF AVONDALE

WHAT IS AN ILLICIT DISCHARGE

According to the EPA, an illicit discharge is any discharge into a storm drainage system that is not composed entirely of stormwater. The Borough of Avondale prohibits non-stormwater discharges to the storm sewer system.

If you suspect an illicit discharge, contact the Borough by phone or email.

PROHIBITED DISCHARGE EXAMPLES:

- ◆ Animal Waste
- ◆ Solid Waste
- ◆ Industrial Process Water
- ◆ Commercial Carwash Wastewater
- ◆ Sanitary Sewer Overflows
- ◆ Automotive and Petroleum Products
- ◆ Commercial and Household Cleaning Products
- ◆ Herbicides, Pesticides, and Fertilizers

PERMITTED DISCHARGE EXAMPLES:

- ◆ Water Utility Line Flushing
- ◆ Runoff from Firefighting
- ◆ Landscape irrigation
- ◆ Discharges from Potable Water Sources
- ◆ Dechlorinated Pool Water
- ◆ Residential Car Washing

POSSIBLE SIGNS OF ILLICIT DISCHARGES:

- ◆ Unusual Color of Cloudiness
- ◆ Strong Pungent or Musty Odors
- ◆ Floating Debris
- ◆ Surface Scum or Foam
- ◆ Oil Sheen
- ◆ Algae
- ◆ Dead Vegetation or Inhibited Growth
- ◆ Dead Animals or Fish

If everyone does a small part to help meet the goals of the MS4 Permit the Borough can successfully work toward restoring the quality of the lakes, rivers, and streams of the Borough and the Commonwealth.

For more information on ways you can help, or to report any illicit non stormwater discharge into local waterways please contact the Borough or Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection:

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SELLING YOUR HOME OR RENTING YOUR HOME ?

If you are **selling** your home, you will need an inspection to acquire an occupancy permit. This is required before you can go to settlement.

DO YOU RENT OR LEASE ANY UNITS IN YOUR DWELLING?

If you **rent or lease** any units in your dwelling, a yearly inspection is required.

An inspection is also required each time you change tenants.

Applications are available at the Borough Office and on the Borough's website at: avondaleboro.net

**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS ON SUNDAY,
NOVEMBER 3rd - TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR.**



**Don't forget to change your batteries
in your smoke detectors!!!!**

RECYCLING IS UNLIMITED

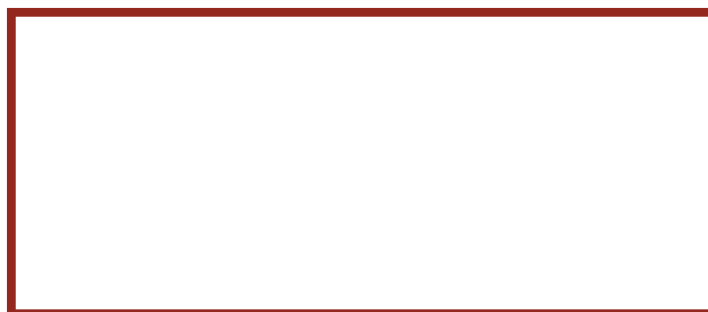


Trash and recycling must be out prior to 7:00 a.m. Tuesday

BULK TRASH

ONE large item may be included in your trash pick up on the last Tuesday of each month. Items containing Freon will not be picked up.

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