

AVONDALE BOROUGH

SUMMER 2019 NEWSLETTER



June 2019

From the desk of the Mayor



ANNOUNCEMENTS...

Change in Police Services for the Borough

On July 1, 2019, the police services for the Borough will change from Parkesburg Borough Police Department to the Southern Chester County Regional Police Department (SCCRPD) out of New Garden Township. On April 11, 2019, the Borough Council signed a contract with SCCRPD to provide police services for the Borough. If you need police services you still need to call 911 and the Regional Police will respond. The State Police will not respond to 911 calls in the Borough unless requested by Regional. **DO NOT CALL THE STATE POLICE DIRECTLY.** We say a special Thank You to the Parkesburg Police Officers for their 20 plus years of service to the Borough.

Just a reminder we expect that the "Be Here Brewing Company" will be coming soon located in the old bank on Pennsylvania Avenue.

National Night Out

On August 6, 2019 the Borough along with Regional Police Department will host a "National Night Out" from six to eight pm at the Borough building area. Sandy Lutz from Regional Police will be in town soliciting funds and working to plan the event. Events in West Grove and Toughkenamon are also being planned. These events will be nationwide on the same night.

Avondale Borough will have games for the kids, food trucks and Mr. Softie ice cream. Fire fighters, Fire police and EMS will also be on hand. If you would like to rent a table or space to display your wares please contact Sandy Lutz at 610-268-2907 ext 105.

Come out, bring the kids and meet your friends and neighbors and have a couple hours of fun. Hope to see you there.

Sincerely,

Mayor Dottie Howell

Borough of Avondale
Established 1894

Mayor - Dottie Howell

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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 a meeting. Please call the Borough Office by the Friday before the meeting to be placed on the agenda.

WORK SESSIONS

Work Sessions are held on the second Tuesday at 2:00 p.m.

All are welcome to attend these public meetings.



CLEAN WATER BEGINS WITH YOU AND ME.....

You and your family play an important role in preventing water pollution

When it rains or when water flows, do you know where the water goes?

You have probably seen storm drains or ditches along our streets. Many people think that everything that flows into a storm drain or ditch get treated, just like wastewater in a sewer system. These two systems are not connected.

Stormwater that flows from our roofs, yards, driveways, and streets into a storm drain or ditch, goes untreated directly into our creeks, rivers, lakes, and ultimately the ocean.

Stormwater can carry pesticides, fertilizers, pet waste, litter, oil and other automotive fluids, sediment, and household chemicals directly into our waterways.



WAYS TO REDUCE STORMWATER POLLUTION

GRASS CYCLE

No need to chemically fertilize your lawn when you allow grass clippings to remain on the ground and compost naturally. Bonus – No Raking Required!

CHOOSE LESS TOXIC PRODUCTS

Switching out toxic household cleaners, pesticides, etc. for more natural alternatives reduces household hazardous waste and creates a healthier environment in and outside your home.

For more information ways you can help, or to report any non stormwater discharge into local waterways please contact one of the agencies listed below.

Avondale Borough
610-268-8501

Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection
484-250-5970

www.dep.state.pa.us keyword: stormwater

PICK UP THE POO

Pet waste is not a good natural fertilizer but it is a great source of bacterial pollution when it gets washed into the storm drains & local waterways.

KEEP LITTER OFF YOUR WALK AND STREET

Trash in creeks and rivers gets there from someone throwing it on the ground. Rain carries it to the waterways.

CLEAN STREETS = CLEAN STREAMS



STORMWATER

Stormwater that enters the storm drain, ends up in the stream!
Follow these tips for cleaner streams and a healthier environment.



Fix oil or transmission leaks



Don't litter – find a trash can



Volunteer for a trash clean-up



From the desk of the Emergency Management Coordinator Bill Shore:



HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS TIPS



Before the Storm



Update Your Contact Info

Go online or call to make sure we have your correct contact information for faster service after the storm.



Review Your Emergency Plan

Review your plan with everyone in your household and make sure you all know the safest place in your home. Review where you'll go if there's an evacuation. Don't forget your pets.



Have a Hurricane Survival Kit

Have enough supplies to be self-sufficient for two weeks.

Here are some critical items to have on hand:

Non-perishable food, bottled water, prescription medicines, batteries, pet food, baby supplies, first-aid kit, battery powered flashlight and radio, can opener, fuel, emergency generator.



Keep Your Landscape Free of Debris

Remove threatening objects that can potentially become projectiles. Prune your plants and trim your trees, make sure there aren't any dead sections and check for signs of damage or disease.



After the Storm



Stay Safe

Stay away from downed power lines and avoid floodwaters. Use portable generators safely. Be sure to follow us for restoration updates on [Facebook.com/tampaelectric](https://www.facebook.com/tampaelectric) and [Twitter.com/tampaelectric](https://www.twitter.com/tampaelectric).



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TRASH AND RECYCLING

Trash and recycling are picked up on Tuesdays. All trash containers must be placed at the curb for pick-up no later than 6:00 a.m. and removed with 24 hours. **PLEASE REMEMBER IF A HOLIDAY FALLS ON A MONDAY OR TUESDAY TRASH AND RECYCLING WILL BE PICKED UP ON WEDNESDAY!!!**

BULK PICK UP

One bulk item will be picked up on the last Tuesday of each month. Following are some samples of bulk items:
one piece of furniture (sofa, chair) * mattress and box spring are considered one item * washer,*dryer *stove

RECYCLING MATERIALS ACCEPTED

- ◇ Newspapers: The entire newspaper including inserts.
- ◇ Aluminum, steel, and bimetal cans: Food and beverage cans only
- ◇ Glass: Bottles & jars. Food and beverage only
- ◇ Plastic: Food and beverage containers marked #1 thru #7
- ◇ Plastic: Detergent and soap containers marked #1 thru #7
Please rinse all containers listed above
- ◇ Paper: Magazines, junk mail, cardboard, phone books & paperboard
- ◇ Cartons: milk juice, etc.

Containers must be clean and dry when dropped into the recycling bin. Jars or bottles not cleaned out often lead to an entire batch of good recycling material being sent to the landfill.

NO ELECTRONICS WILL BE PICKED UP!

For any service alerts please visit Trash Tech's website at www.trashtech.com and go to the Borough of Avondale link or you can sign up for Text Service Alerts at www.trashtech.com

*******PLEASE VISIT THE BOROUGH'S WEBSITE TO VIEW A SHORT RECYCLING VIDEO*******

RECYCLING MATERIALS **NOT** ACCEPTED

- Scrap metal
- Small plastic bags used by retailers
- VHS tapes
- Needles or syringes
- Window panes, mirrors, ceramics and Pyrex dishware
- Stickers or address label sheets
- Batteries, cell phones, computers
- Paints, pesticides, oil and cleansers
- Motor oil or antifreeze containers
- Pizza boxes
- Organic material and food waste
- Waxed paper or waxed cardboard
- Styrofoam of any kind
- Plastic caps
- Hard-cover books
- 5-gallon bucket

THE ITEMS BELOW ARE RECYCLED ONLY AT THE SECCRA COMMUNITY LANDFILL

DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS

Monday—Friday 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m

Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

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| ◆ Auto Tires \$3.00 each | ◆ Automobile Batteries Free |
| ◆ Truck Tires (no rims) \$15.00 each | ◆ Cell phones - Free through "Cell Phones for Soldiers" |
| ◆ Refrigerant appliances (SECCRA removes refrigerant) \$12.00 | ◆ All other electronics Free |
| ◆ Other appliances \$5.00 | ◆ Motor Oil Free |
| ◆ Unchipped brush and limbs \$45.00 per ton | ◆ Antifreeze Free |

2019 CHESTER COUNTY HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE EVENTS

NO ELECTRONICS WILL BE ACCEPTED

Saturday, September 7, 2019 Oxford School District Administrative Bldg
125 Bell Tower Lane , Oxford, PA 1933 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.
Saturday, October 12, 2019 Government Services Center
601 Westtown Road, West Chester, PA 19380 9:00 a.m—3:00 p.m.

No Freon Appliances will be accepted!

ACCEPTABLE MATERIALS

PAINT PRODUCTS	OUTDOOR PRODUCTS	AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS	HOUSEHOLD PRODUCTS	HOUSEHOLD OTHER
Turpentine	Swimming Pool	Grease & Rust Solvents	Kerosene	Acids, Caustics, Solvents
Paint Thinners	Weed Killers	Fuel Additives	Rug Cleaners, Drain Openers	Flammables
Strippers & Removers	Septic Tank Degreasers	Carburetor Cleaners	Wood & Metal Cleaners	Oxidizers
Oil Based Paints	Asphalt Sealers	Transmission/Brake Fluid	Mothballs/Flakes	Reactives
Stains, Varnish, Shellac	Roof Cements	Antifreeze	Adhesives/Solvents	Lead
Spray Paint	Mini Propane Tank	Car (lead-acid), Truck Motorcycle, Marine, Batteries	Rechargeable Batteries, Lithium, Ni-Cad, Button, Lead Acid	Mercury Thermostats & Thermometers
Wallpaper Cement		Flares	Fire Extinguishers	Aerosols
Other Solvent Based Paint Products	Pesticide	Gas, Oil, Gas Oil Mixture	Spot Removers Dry Cleaning Fluid	Fluorescent Tubes Ballast, and CFLs

UNACCEPTABLE MATERIALS

Explosives & Ammunition	Electronics	Asbestos	Appliances/White Goods
Infectious or Medical Waste	Prescription Drugs	Radioactive Waste	Refrigerants, Freon Appliances
Tires	Helium Tanks	Unidentified Waste	PCB's
Latex Paint *Water Based	Gas Cylinders	Alkaline Batteries (Trash)	Smoke Dectectors

* Water Based Paint—Take off lid, dry out paint, discard can without lid; or pour paint into plastic bag with absorbent material (clay based kitty litter, saw dust, rags). Place bag and can without lid, in trash. Paint hardener can also be purchased at hardware stores.

DROP OFF GUIDELINES

- ◇ BUSINESSES AND CONTRACTORS WILL BE TURNED AWAY, commercial/industrial generated hazardous waste will not be accepted.
- ◇ Bring all substances in original containers with labels, Items must be identifiable. Do not mix materials.
- ◇ Gas Containers returned upon request.
- ◇ Tighten lids on all containers. If containers are leaking, pack in larger container with newspaper to soak up leaks.
- ◇ Maximum amount accepted is 25 gallons or 220 pounds. No 25 or 50 gallons drums.
- ◇ Event workers will unload your materials so please remain in your vehicle
- ◇ There are no permanent drop off locations in the region for household hazardous waste, only the listed collections

**STREET LIGHTS
STREET SIGNS**

Please call the Borough Office if you see a street light out or if you see a street sign missing, down, or in need of repair.



**HIGH GRASS
ORDINANCE #244**

Grass, weeds or any vegetation not edible or planted for ornamental purposes exceeding six (6) inches is prohibited in the Borough. In the case any person shall neglect, fail or refuse to comply with the ordinance, Borough Officials has the authority to cut the lawn at the cost to the owner with additional penalties.

CURFEW

Under Ordinance #115, it is unlawful for any one under the age of 18 years old to remain in or upon any public or private establishment in the Borough of Avondale between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. unless accompanied by a parent or guardian

If you would like to continue to receive the newsletter by mail; Please call the Borough Office or email the secretary at :
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RENT OR LEASE ANY UNITS IN YOUR DWELLING?

If you rent or lease any units in your dwelling, a yearly inspection is required. You need to get an inspection every year or if you change a tenant during that year. It is up to the homeowner to call the Borough Office for your yearly inspection.



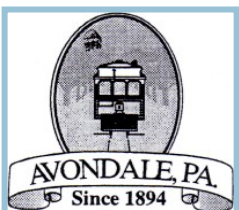
SELLING YOUR HOME ?

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.

Applications are available at the Borough Office or on the Borough's website

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