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Join us for Thrills and Chills at the Emmaus Halloween Parade on October 19, 2019

The Emmaus Halloween Parade is scheduled for Saturday, October 19, 2019, at 7:30 p.m., with a rain date of Sunday, October 20, at 6:30 p.m. All entrants must be registered for the parade. Registration forms are available on the Borough website and at Town Hall. The deadline for registration is October 10, 2019.



Parade Information: Participants will be notified the week of the parade about assigned divisions and reporting locations. **MAKE SURE EVERYONE IN YOUR GROUP KNOWS WHERE AND WHEN TO REPORT!** Division captains in orange vests will guide you to your assigned location.

PRIZES: Entrants must complete the parade route to be eligible for prizes. Group prizes are awarded to groups of 8 or more. Prize money must be picked up immediately following the parade at the Williams Street ball field located at the intersection of Williams and Ridge Streets.

The Halloween Parade Committee needs more volunteers or traditions like the Parade will end!

Volunteer positions needed:

Division Captains – Format the division and walk with the parade to keep it secure and enforce the rules. 5:30 p.m. until the parade ends.

Parade Marshal – Formats the parade, attends weekly meetings and weaves the Parade in Formation Area. 5:30 p.m. until the parade ends.

Float Formation Area – Line up all the floats according to the parade format. 5:00 p.m. until the parade starts.

If you are interested in helping, please contact Kathy Mintzer and she will send you more information on becoming a volunteer. Halloween Parade Committee Meetings are held every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. starting September 12 through October 17, 2019 in the Community Room on the second floor of Borough Hall. For **MORE INFORMATION**, please contact Kathy Mintzer at 610-965-6250 or EmmausParade@aol.com. Please visit the Borough's website at www.borough.emmaus.pa.us for the complete parade route.

Rules and Regulations:

The following rules and regulations are strictly enforced.

1. No drilling or exhibition of any type.
2. No bicycles, skateboards, roller blades, scooters, or motorcycles, unless on a float.
3. No licensed vehicles unless fully decorated in a Halloween theme or pulling a float.
4. No open fires, fireworks, or alcoholic beverages.
5. No throwing or projecting anything, including candy, silly string, or coins.
6. No business or political advertising.
7. 3 or 4 wheelers are allowed ONLY if pulling a float.
8. A concession permit is required for anyone selling anything along the parade route, including outside sales by stores at fixed locations.

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Please note that Town Hall will be closed on Monday, November 11, 2019 in observance of Veterans' Day.

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Halloween in Emmaus 5K Race

presented by First Commonwealth Federal Credit Union



We are excited to announce that **First Commonwealth Federal Credit Union** is supporting our race once again as our presenting sponsor. First Commonwealth officially joined the Emmaus business community this spring at their beautiful new location on Chestnut Street. We are excited to have them in our community and as our presenting sponsor.

Registration is now open for the 13th Annual **Halloween in Emmaus 5K Race**. Join the hundreds of others who sign up for this family friendly race each year at Emmaus5K.com. The race will be held on Saturday,

October 19, 2019 with a start time of 7:00 p.m., just prior to the start of the Halloween Parade. Cash prizes will be awarded to top runners and costume contest winners. Any racer wearing a costume will automatically be entered into the costume contest. Proceeds from this race will benefit the Emmaus Halloween Parade, Emmaus Recreation and Entertainment Commission, Emmaus Flag Day Association and the Emmaus Parks system. Last year's race donated over \$4,500 to these groups.

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Trick or Treat Safety Tips from the Emmaus Police Department

TRICK OR TREAT NIGHT

Friday, October 25, 2019 - 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. (Rain or Shine)

It's the time of year for costumes, sweets, tricks and treats. While Halloween offers plenty of make-believe fun, it also brings real safety risks as children dart across dark streets with their minds more on candy than on cars. **Children are twice as likely to be hit by a car on trick or treat than on any other night of the year.** Burns and cuts are also common during Halloween. And then there's the candy: Almost two-thirds of parents think their kids eat too much of it around Halloween.

Trick or Treat can be safely enjoyed, especially when parents put extra care into planning and supervision. Talk with your children every year about safety concerns unique to this holiday and review do's and don'ts before heading out to trick or treat.

Please follow these tips to keep your family safe this spooky season.

Get clever with costumes

From furry animals to princesses and superheroes, choosing costumes wisely is an important part of trick or treat safety.

Follow these tips:

- **The brighter the better.** Whether you buy a costume or make one yourself, choose bright colors and flame-retardant materials. If your child will be trick or treating outdoors after dark, attach reflective tape to his or her costume or treat bag.
- **Size it right.** In case it's chilly outdoors, make sure your child's costume is loose enough for warm clothing to be worn underneath — but not long enough to cause tripping. Avoid oversized shoes and high heels.
- **Skip the masks.** A mask can obstruct your child's vision, especially if it slips out of place. Use kid-friendly, nontoxic makeup instead.
- **Limit accessories.** Pointed props — such as wands, swords and knives — might pose safety hazards. Carry flashlights or wear glowing wristbands instead.

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Trick or treat with care

Before your children start trick or treating, review these basic Halloween safety rules:

- **Get in on the fun.** Accompany trick or treaters younger than age 12. Pin a piece of paper with your child's name, address and phone number inside your child's pocket in case you get separated. Encourage older kids to trick or treat with a group of friends, parents or older siblings. Make sure someone in the group has a flashlight with fresh batteries.
- **Set ground rules.** If your child will be trick or treating without you, plan and discuss a familiar route and set a curfew. Review safety rules, including staying with the group, walking only on the sidewalk, approaching only clearly lit homes, and never going inside a home or car for a treat. Have your child carry a cellphone for the evening so that he or she can contact you.
- **Inspect treats before indulging.** Don't let your child snack while he or she is trick or treating. Feed your child an early meal before heading out, and inspect the treats before allowing your child to dive in. Discard anything that is not sealed, has torn packaging or looks questionable. If you have young children, weed out gum, peanuts, hard candies and other choking hazards.

If your child has food allergies, check candy labels carefully. Even hard candies may be manufactured in facilities that process nuts, milk, soy, wheat, egg or other allergens.

- **Ration the loot.** If your child collects gobs of goodies, dole out a few pieces at a time and save the rest. You might even ask your child if he or she would like to swap some — or all — of the candy for something else, such as a special toy, book or outing.
- **Plan a party.** Consider planning a trick or treat party with a couple of neighbors instead of house-to-house

door knocking. Decorate the garages, have a costume contest, or plan games and prizes. Check local schools, malls and churches to find other safe celebration options.

Stay safe and sweet on the home front

Planning to hand out treats? To make sure you're ready for trick or treaters, follow these tips:

- **Clean up.** Put away anything trick or treaters could trip over, such as garden hoses, toys, bikes and lawn decorations. Clear wet leaves, snow or other debris from the sidewalk.
- **Turn the lights on.** Replace any burned-out bulbs to ensure good visibility at the walkway and front door.
- **Control your pets.** Take no chances that your pet might be frightened and chase or bite a child at your door.
- **Consider sugar substitutes.** Instead of handing out sugar-laden treats, try stickers, fun pencils, rubber insects or colored chalk.

If you'll be driving on trick or treat, watch for children who might pop out between parked cars. Be especially careful entering or leaving driveways and alleys. Extra caution can help ensure trick or treat safety for everyone.

Carve safely

Before you start carving pumpkins, consider these Halloween safety rules:

- **Decorate with markers, glitter glue or paint.** Let young children draw faces on pumpkins with art supplies. Leave any carving to an adult.
- **Use candles with care.** Place candlelit pumpkins on a sturdy surface away from curtains and other flammable objects. Never leave candlelit pumpkins unattended. Better yet, light pumpkins with flashlights, battery-operated flameless candles or glow sticks instead.

Credit: The Mayo Clinic

Crossing Guards Needed

The Emmaus Police Department and the East Penn School District are seeking additional volunteers to serve as Crossing Guards for the 2019-2020 school year. Can you spare a small fraction of your time? Are you interested in serving among the ranks of our existing staff of dedicated crossing guards? The Emmaus Police Department will provide you with the necessary equipment and training. There are additional incentives as well!



Over the years, the Emmaus Crossing Guards have contributed to the safety of our children traveling to and from school each day. It is critical that we ensure their safety in the future. Will you help us? **If you are interested, or you can help, please call the Emmaus Police Department at 610-965-0722. Ask, or leave a message, for Cindy Pandl. We will do the rest.**

EXTRA! EXTRA! Breaking News!



The Lehigh County Senior Centers are using a new catering company, Metz Culinary Management. A family owned business since 1994, they own a TGI Fridays franchise and 11 other restaurants located in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. Please come and enjoy restaurant quality cuisine and join the Lunch Bunch, as well as participate in activities including: BINGO, the "Koffee Klatch Klub" (chat, reminisce, enjoy coffee or tea and a donut), movies, games, etc. Please call Center Manager, Rachel Cubellis, at 610-965-2171 for more information. This program is open to the public. The senior center is located at 333 Ridge Street in the Ridge Manor high rise. We hope to see you soon!

Recreation and Entertainment Commission

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The **40th Annual Summer Concert Series** at Community Park held in the Sam Landis Performing Arts Pavilion was a huge success! On August 25th, the winner of the summer raffle walked away with a basket filled with CDs and band bling from the performers of the 40th year!



This year's program continued with a variety of music genres, from Country to Oldies, Blues, Patriotic Marches, and Classic Rock. We welcomed many Lehigh Valley award winning bands and awesome local talent. The Commission will continue to strive to bring concerts and entertainment that will appeal to all members of your family.

Tunes at Twilight on the Triangle was a huge success as Funk Brewery and Triple Sun Distillery added delicious libations. We are looking to add more concerts on the Triangle. If you are interested in becoming a sponsor, please let us know.

Saturday morning **Zumba** at the Arts Pavilion and Aqua Zumba in the Community Pool continued to stay strong this year. A special shout out to Tessy and Pedro for all the fun while keeping everyone fit! From October 2019 until April 2020, Zumba will continue indoors at Faith Presbyterian Church, North Second & Cherokee Streets in Emmaus on Saturdays from 9-10 a.m. Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers who donate their personal time to provide these two special events for the Community throughout the year.

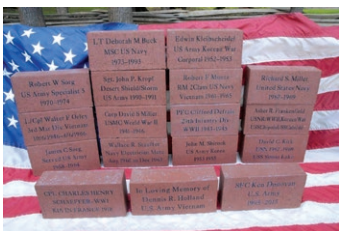
Movies under the Stars was very successful, bringing family and friends to the Emmaus Community Park to enjoy a wonderful evening together! Thank you to our sponsors, Smile Gardens, Premier Chiropractic, Vitality Natural Health Care and EPEMFA.

The Commission would like to extend a special "Thank You" to all our **sponsors, donors and volunteers**. We are only able to continue to host these events with all of your support. As we say goodbye to summer 2019, we begin our campaign for the 41st Annual Summer Concert Series and Movies under the Stars. If you enjoyed this summer's concerts and movies and wish to see them continue, please consider making a tax-deductible donation made payable to "Borough of Emmaus REC" and mail your check to Emmaus Recreation and Entertainment Commission, 28 South 4th Street, Emmaus, PA 18049.

Like us on Facebook, earmark our website, follow us on Instagram to be notified of all the fun in store for the new year!

The Emmaus Commemorative Garden Remembers

The Emmaus Commemorative Gardens Foundation has had another great year helping our community remember the important people and events of our community. We have installed 32 bricks so far this year, installing 13 for our veterans along with bricks for weddings, families, service clubs, Knauss Homestead family, Emmaus High School graduating classes, community heroes and churches. There are now a total of 737 engraved bricks in the Remembrance Garden!



Throughout the year we have several events so please mark your calendars –

Saturday, May 23, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. - Veterans bricks installation ceremony

First week in September - Community Heroes bricks installation ceremony

To end the year, we extend an invitation to our community

to purchase an Emmaus Remembrance Garden brick as a unique Christmas present for a family member or someone special. A Remembrance Garden Brick Gift Certificate is available for bricks purchased as gifts. The ordered bricks will be delivered as soon as we receive them from the engraver.

We invite you to visit the Garden and/or our website at www.emmausremembers.org, where bricks can be designed and purchased with a credit card. For more information about the Garden or presentations that can be done for local groups, contact Mike Waddell at remgarden1@gmail.com or 484-274-2089.



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The Emmaus Main Street Partners is a non-profit arm of the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce, comprised of volunteers who want to see the Emmaus business community grow, become stronger, and ultimately thrive. The group pursues this goal through events, initiatives, and community programs. The board held their annual event planning session and have an event lined up every month to engage and bring the businesses and residents together.

The **Farewell to Summer Festival** will be hosted on Saturday, September 21, 2019 from 11:00a.m. - 4:00p.m. at Triangle Park. This is an opportunity to spend quality time with family and friends while appreciating Emmaus. There will be live music, performances from St Ann's children's choir and Emotion Inmotion Dance Center, food trucks, craft vendors, children's activities, and more! This will be in tandem, same day and time, as the Emmaus Heritage Festival at the Emmaus Historical Society. We hope you can come out to explore Emmaus and enjoy both events!

The Main Street Partners will be co-hosting **Oktoberfest** with and at the Knauss Homestead on Saturday, September 28, 2019. Find more details online at www.theknaussomestead.org.

All businesses are invited to set up as vendors at the first ever **East Penn Chamber ROCKtoberfest!** On Saturday, October 12, 2019 Macungie Memorial Park will be filled with businesses from Alburtis, Emmaus, Macungie, Lower Macungie, and Upper Milford to connect with the local community. There will be rock music, food trucks, drink vendors, and more! If you're interested in setting up, please email AshleyL@LehighValleyChamber.org for an application. We would love to have you join us!

Apart from the many events we are looking forward to, we have welcomed a handful of new businesses within the last quarter to our Borough. Art BaYouMi Gallery opened on the Triangle as did Your CBD Store. Alternative Healing Solutions opened their doors to serve those in need of cleansing and healing, Altitude Marketing finished the renovations of their state-of-the-art office space, and OTTO - Antiques & Collectibles opened on S. 7th Street. Some familiar businesses relocated and celebrated their new homes: South Mountain Cycle & Coffee and Conversational Threads.

Save the Date: **Old Fashioned Christmas** will be Saturday December 7, 2019!

Finally, we're incredibly excited to announce the launch of the **'Our Town Heroes'** banner project. In partnership with the Borough and the Lehigh Valley Chamber, Emmaus Main Street Partners is organizing an initiative to offer community members the ability to reserve a banner honoring a veteran or active duty military service member who has some connection to the Borough of Emmaus. Contact the Main Street Manager at AshleyL@LehighValleyChamber.org or (610) 739-1273 for more information about this exciting endeavor.



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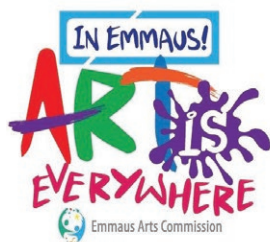
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Calling Young Filmmakers from Middle School to High School!

The Emmaus Arts Commission is proud to continue our **Student Film Festival** and we are pleased to announce this year's competition kick-off is **October 3rd** in the Emmaus High School

cafeteria, 800 Pine Street.

During the kick-off event, high school and middle school filmmakers are provided filmmaking tips and techniques and given a theme and required lines – then, the clock begins and teams have 120 hours to conceptualize, write, shoot, edit and produce a 6-minute (maximum length) film!

Open to any school in the Lehigh Valley and beyond, those who complete the process vie for prizes and ultimately compete to have their films premier on the big screen! All films are due back **October 8th** - students upload their final film to our private YouTube channel. All films are judged on set criteria by an independent panel of professionals from the film industry – effective use of required material, storytelling ability, quality of acting, editing and film direction, creativity and originality. Entry fee to participate is \$10.00 per team.

Selected films are screened at the Student Film Festival at Emmaus Theater on Sunday, **October 27th** at 2:00 p.m. followed by an awards ceremony. The public is invited to attend, tickets are \$3.00 at the door. (PG – Parental Guidance Suggested. Some material may not be suitable for young children.) Winning films are also displayed on the Emmaus Arts Commission website and on our YouTube channel.

Previous Film Festival winners include groups from Parkland High School, Northampton Area High School, Northwestern Lehigh High School, Henry Hudson Regional School, Orefield Middle School, Bethlehem Area Vo-Tech, Lower Macungie Middle School, Salisbury Middle School, Emmaus High School, and North Pocono High School.

Be part of this creative tradition that entertains and inspires. We're excited to showcase the BEST in Middle School and High School student films again in 2019!

The Emmaus Arts Commission would like to thank everyone who helped us launch our successful **2019 "Emmaus: Gnome Sweet Gnome" fundraiser** and auction. Let's Play Books graciously provided us a space as we handed gnomes out to artists, Herbein's Garden Center hosted the gnomes when they weren't at local farmers markets, and South Mountain Cycle gave us a location to wrap it all up on the last day. Thank you to the Emmaus community for coming out and bidding on these special, one-of-a-kind gnomes. All proceeds from the auction support future arts programs in the Borough, so we very much appreciate everyone's support!

The Emmaus Arts Commission and the Emmaus Fire Department will launch a second round of our **"Emmaus Paint-A-Hydrant Program"** in Fall of 2019. If you are interested in painting a hydrant, please submit an application online at emmausarts.org. In the future, the Arts Commission is hoping to take our hydrant-painting to the neighborhoods of Emmaus, not just on the Main Street. Rally your neighbors and encourage them to apply today! Once we have a series of applications for a "cluster" of hydrants located together, the Emmaus Arts Commission would be happy to bring the Paint-A-Hydrant Program to your neighborhood.

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Please join the Library for its **Autumn Social** to be held at Brookside Country Club on September 27th from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. Tickets are \$60.00 and are available for purchase at the library. Watch for more special events! For special events, please RSVP to Lauri at 610-965-9284 x210, epcollection@cliu.org, or call 610-965-9284

Fall 2019 Adult Events:

- **Organizing Your Home Office:** Monday, September 16th at 7:00 p.m. Learn valuable organizing techniques for your home office from our local personal concierge. Melissa Draving, owner of Here For You Concierge of Emmaus, will walk you through some methods to help you keep your home work space neat.
- **Hands Only CPR:** Monday, September 23rd at 6:30 p.m. Lt. Craig Deppe of the Emmaus Ambulance Corps will be joining us for a hands-only CPR training session. The training will include adult, child, and infant CPR skills.
- **Ghosts of the Poconos:** Monday, October 7th at 7:00 p.m. Journey through the spooky Pocono Mountains in this presentation by L'Aura Hladik Hoffman, founder and director of the New Jersey Ghost Hunters Society.
- **Coloring Club:** Monthly on the 4th Monday at 7:00 p.m. Explore your creative side, reduce stress, and color! All supplies are provided.
- **Daytime Book Group:** Monthly on the 1st Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. to discuss the following books: September 3rd - *Same Kind of Different as Me* by Ron Hall & Denver Moore; October 1st - *An American Marriage* by Tayari Jones, November 5th - *The Children's Blizzard* by David Laskin, and December 3rd - *The Rent Collector* by Cameron Wright.
- **Evening Book Group:** Monthly, October through May on the 2nd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. Titles to be announced.
- **Find your Ancestors:** Monthly on the 3rd Monday from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Dates include: September 16th, October 21st, November 18th, and December 16th. Get personal assistance uncovering your family tree! Please call 610-965-9284 or email epcollection@cliu.org to schedule your 30-minute appointment with Chris Appleby. Please bring any information you have already found on your ancestry.
- **Memoir Writing Group:** Monthly on the 4th Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. Dates include: September 24th, October 22nd, November 26th and December TBA. Join author Jerry Waxler and others to write about your life.
- **Movie Night:** Monthly on the last Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.
- **Movie Matinee:** Monthly on the last Thursday at 1:00 p.m.

Fall 2019 Youth Events for Kids & Teens:

- **Community Heroes Day** returns on Thursday, September 5th from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., with a rain date of Saturday, September 14th, held at the Library parking lot. Explore the vehicles and gear of the Emmaus Fire Department and the Vera Cruz Fire Company, talk to members of the Emmaus Ambulance Corps and the Emmaus Police Department. Kids of all ages are welcome!
- **Morning Block Parties:** Tuesdays: September 3rd, October 1st, November 12th (moved due to Election Day), and December 3rd from 11:00 a.m. to noon. MBP is for preschoolers and toddlers. We will bring out the toys and play for an hour!
- **Afternoon Block Parties:** Tuesdays: September 24th, October 29th, November 26th, and December 17th from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. for school aged kids.
- **Lehigh County Election Board:** Tuesday, September 3rd at 6:30 p.m., answering parent and teen questions on the new Voting Machines, and the electoral process in Lehigh County. Bring your questions!
- **CPR for Teens:** Wednesday, September 25th from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Teens, 6th grade and up, sign up at the Circulation desk, so that we how many will be attending. Lt. Craig Deppe, of the Emmaus Ambulance Corps, will be presenting.
- **Quidditch practice for Harry Potter fans:** Saturday, September 21st and October 19th from 10 to 11:30 a.m. (weather permitting) The event will be held outside and we will be scoring with the quaffle, getting people out with the bludgers, and trying to catch the Golden Snitch. Kids and teens first grade and up are welcome to come and play!
- **Preschool Storytime** starts its 8-week long Fall session on Tuesday, October 1st at 10:30 a.m. and will be held on October 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th, and November 12th, 19th, and 26th. Join us for seasonal stories and crafts!
- **Toddler Storytime** begins its 8-week long Fall session on Wednesday, October 2nd at 10:30 a.m. and runs through November 20th. Join us for seasonal stories, songs, movement, and crafts!



- **Fun Family Films** on the first Saturday of each month starting off with Muppet Treasure Island at 2:00 p.m. on September 7th to get ready for "Talk Like A Pirate Day" later in September! October 5th is Hocus Pocus, November 2nd is Free Birds, and December 7th will be Benedict Cumberbatch's rendition of The Grinch.
- **Books and Barks:** Read to the Lehigh Valley Therapy Dogs! Kids can practice their reading to these dogs, who love to listen! Thursdays, September 26th, October 24th, November 21st, and December 19th from 6:45 to 8:00 p.m.
- **LLJR (Literary Lunch JR):** A book discussion group for 4th and 5th graders held on Saturdays in October, November, and December at noon. Registration is required and the first ten to sign up will receive a free copy of the book to keep! Kids bring a bagged lunch and the Library will provide drinks and desserts. Join us to eat lunch and discuss interesting books. Books to be discussed are: *Applesauce Weather* by Helen Frost on October 5th, *The Madman of Piney Woods* by Christopher Paul Curtis on November 2nd and *Bo At Iditarod Creek* by Kirkpatrick Hill on December 7th.
- **Anime for Kids:** Saturdays, October 19th, November 16th, and December 21st at 2:00 p.m. – showing old & new anime for kids 1st through 5th grade, and discussing Asian culture.
- **Teen Anime Club:** For 6th grade and up. Meets (mostly) on Thursday nights monthly from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Join us on Saturday, September 21st and Thursdays October 10th, November 14th and December 12th.
- **Literary Lunch:** A book discussion group for 6th, 7th and 8th graders meets on Saturdays at noon to eat lunch and discuss books! Registration required and the first six to sign up receive a free copy of the book to keep! Teens bring a bagged lunch and the Library will provide drinks and desserts. Titles to be discussed are: *The Girl In The Locked Room* by Mary Downing Hahn on October 19th, *The Bullet Catch: Murder by Misadventure* by Amy Axelrod on November 16th and *Stealing The Game* by Kareem Abdul-Jabbar on December 21st.



- **Teen Writers Group:** For 6th grade and up. Meets monthly on Thursday nights from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Join us on September 12th, October 17th, November 7th, and December 5th.
- **Trick or Treat:** Visit the Library in your costume from 4:00 to 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 31st and receive a sweet treat! There will be alternatives given for those who can't have candy. And keep an eye out for the Library's group marching in the Emmaus Hallowe'en Parade!
- **Scary, Silly Hallowe'en:** We've got spooky stories and fun all around for Elementary kids, their friends and family on Hallowe'en night, October 31st from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.
- **National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo)** is throughout November. NaNoWriMo's Come Write In – During the entire month of November, the Library provides a table for people to work on their novels. Kids and teens can get involved with the Young Writers Project – setting goals and writing on their own! There will be writing space for all!
- **Old Fashioned Christmas:** December 7th - all day! Crafts, stories, and a film. Please visit the Library's website for updates and timing of events!
- **Monthly Events:** Call or check Library website or Facebook for more details.
- **Book a Librarian:** Need help getting ebooks and digital audiobooks through the Library's Overdrive service? Having some trouble figuring out how to navigate Microsoft Office software or the Google suite? Make an appointment with Lauri, Adult Services Librarian, for some tech assistance. Appointments are available year-round Tuesdays through Thursdays, 9 a.m. through 5 p.m. 610-965-9284 or eplcollection@cliu.org.



Keep an eye out for even more events!
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Monthly programs are held at St. John's Luthern Church Parish Hall, 5th & Chestnut Streets at 7:00 p.m.



There are many exciting things happening at the Society and Museum!

Please save these special dates:

- **September 18** – Program, "1909 Golden Jubilee" presented by Andrew Kerstetter.
- **September 21** – Heritage Alliance Festival (rain date **9/22**) - grounds of the Emmaus Historical Society.
- **October 16** – Program, "Carved in Stone: The Interpretation of Pennsylvania Dutch Tombstone Inscriptions and Decorations" presented by Patrick Donmoyer Director of the Pennsylvania German Cultural Heritage Center at Kutztown University.
- **October 17** – Bus Trip to Penn's Peak to see "The Glenn Miller Orchestra...A Legend Lives On."
- **November 20** – Program, "Emmaus and the Greatest Generation, in honor of Emmaus Veterans who served in WWII."
- **December 11** – Annual Christmas Party featuring a surprise guest.
- **December 19** – Bus Trip to Dutch Apple Theater to see "Irving Berlin's Holiday Inn."

Celebrating our own

Last year, the Emmaus Historical Society began recognizing its centenarian members by requesting a Proclamation in their honor from the Borough of Emmaus and delivering it to the member accompanied by Mayor Gilbert and Councilwoman Teri Sorg-McManamon. On June 12, 2019, we were able to honor Elisabeth Gehring who turned 101 with her own Proclamation. It was a memorable day!



Thank you to everyone who made this year's Yard Sale a big success! From the Board members and volunteers to the donors and shoppers, thanks to all who made this our biggest "FUN"draiser!

For more details on the programs or special events above, visit our web site at www.emmaushistoric-pa.org, call the Museum at 610-966-6591, or visit the Museum on Saturdays from 10:00 a. m. – 4:00 p.m.

The mission of the Emmaus Historical Society is to collect, preserve and exhibit Emmaus artifacts, documents, histories, photographs and genealogy for displays and research and to offer educational programs and events throughout the year. For more information, visit www.emmaushistoric-pa.org.

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Emmaus Heritage Alliance

The Emmaus Heritage Alliance is getting ready for their **3rd Annual Emmaus Heritage Festival**, scheduled to coincide with the "Farewell to Summer" event taking place on the Triangle. The Festival will be held on Saturday, September 21, 2019 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. with a rain date of Sunday, September 22, 2019 at the same time. The event will take place on the grounds of the Emmaus Historical Society, located at 218 Main Street and will include inside and outside displays focusing on local history. There will be demonstrations on blacksmithing, weaving, quilting, candle making, and PA long rifles. The Wildlands Conservancy will also be there bringing with them a variety of animals. There will also be good music and good food! Please join us!

The Emmaus Heritage Alliance and the East Penn School District partnered again in May and June, for a hands-on learning experience of local history for the district's 3rd graders. Our third year of the **Education Program** was expanded to include Alburtis Elementary School, in addition to Wescosville, Lincoln and Jefferson Schools. The children were given a brief introduction beforehand through a story created by local writer Corrine Durdock and a slide show prepared by Jeanne Harakal of the Emmaus Historical Society. The program involved the children visiting four local historic sites; Shelter House, God's Acre Cemetery, the 1803 House and the Knauss Homestead. The children learned about life in the early years of the Emmaus settlement, including details of the first houses, the food they ate, the herbs they grew, the chores they performed, and the nature of the cemetery in which they were eventually laid to rest. All of the activities were oriented toward satisfying the specific curriculum goals of the school district.

This fall be on the lookout for the Emmaus Ambulance Corps 2020 Annual Subscription forms in your mail.

Subscription enrollment is open from November 1, 2019 to February 28, 2020. For questions regarding the benefits of your 2020 Annual Subscription, please call the Ambulance billing office at 610-965-9292.

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The Friends of the 1803 House

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On September 19th, The Friends of the 1803 House, Inc. celebrate two very important historical birthdays. On this date in 1760, Jacob Ehrenardt, Jr. was born in his father's house at 150 Main Street, Emmaus. Jacob forged his future by managing a home, a farm, and a career near the Emmaus Moravian Village.

Also, on this date, we will honor another former resident of the Borough of Emmaus, Joseph R. Zeller, who passed away last year at the age of 100.

Shortly after Joe's passing, The Friends of the 1803 House, Inc. decided to celebrate "Joe Zeller Day" each year on September 19th. As a tribute to him, The Friends of the 1803 will raise its 15 star/15 stripe American Flag.



Joe was an active citizen and elected official of the Borough of Emmaus. He served on Borough Council, was elected Mayor and also served as a member of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives. Joe was always noticeable with his patriotic necktie and excitement about participating in our democracy.

Joe was a friend of the 1803 House and regularly helped with the Old-Fashioned Christmas celebration. Joe's eyes twinkled as he talked with 1803 House visitors and when he placed popcorn strings on the primitive Christmas tree in the parlor. Joe always had the same enthusiasm as the founding Pennsylvania pioneers. We honor his many achievements and salute him on "Joe Zeller Day" each year.



Special events occurring in Fall

The archaeological dig is being concluded and we are continuing to make discoveries of the true spirit of our "Village Small." The archaeological dig will be reflected in the 1803 House revised colonial site plan.

On **September 21st**, The Friends of the 1803 House will be participating in the Heritage Day Festival, which will be held on the grounds of the Emmaus Historical Society. The 1803 House will share information on the skills required to construct a Pennsylvania settler's home. Please join us for exhibits, entertainment and food.

On **September 22nd**, the Friends of the 1803 House, Inc. will present "Bites & Brews." The event is being held as a fundraiser to complete the restoration of the window openings in the main house structure as we are in the process of restoring the exterior masonry and louvered shutters at fourteen window openings. Join us for a picnic, with food by Licensed to Grill, beverages by Funk Brewery, music by Larry Killingsworth, house tours, a photo booth and lawn games. The event will be held from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m., rain or shine. Please visit the 1803 House website at www.1803house.org for more information about purchasing tickets and Like Us on Facebook at 1803 House.

Volunteers – Building Community Through Giving

The Borough of Emmaus is currently accepting letters of interest to serve on the Community Garden Commission, Emmaus Arts Commission, Emmaus Board of Health, Joint Environmental Advisory Council, and Recreation and Entertainment Commission. Interested volunteers should complete the Board and Commission/Volunteer Information Sheet found on the Borough website at www.borough.emmaus.pa.us or at Town Hall and forward it to: Borough Manager, 28 S. 4th Street, Emmaus, PA 18049.



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As Summer's end appears close on the horizon, we look forward to the cooling temperatures of Fall as well as the vibrant colors that the artist "Mother Nature" provides for us. Time goes by so quickly and in this hurried world we take much for granted and all too often miss the many splendors that life provides for our enjoyment.

The Knauss Homestead reminds us of a time when life was less hurried, time drifted by ever so slowly, and all that was had was appreciated and valued. We welcome everyone in Emmaus to visit the Homestead and learn the history that unites us as one community and one nation, to see a capsule of a time when family was more important than possessions, when we gathered to celebrate what many today would consider mundane. You will find the Knauss Homestead at the rear parking lot of Cintas, 164 East Main Street, Emmaus. If you would like a tour of the Homestead, please visit our website to request one.



Look for the Knauss Homestead Preservation Society at the **Emmaus Heritage Festival** on Saturday, September 21, 2019 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., with a rain date of Sunday, September 22, 2019. The Festival will be held at the Emmaus Historical Society, 218 Main Street.

Please join us on September 28, 2019 at the "Homestead" in celebration of our German heritage as we host **Oktoberfest**. This will be the first of our annual heritage festival celebrations held on the grounds of the Knauss Homestead. Oktoberfest beer will be available by Funk Brewing, Yergey Brewing, Triple Sun Distillery, and Colony Meadery. German food will be available by Licensed to Grill and entertainment will be provided by The Jolly Bavarians.

Save the date: October 13, 2019 for **Boozy Bingo**, to be held at Fire Company #1, 50 South Sixth Street. Doors will open at 11:30 a.m. and bingo will begin at 1:00 p.m. Food and beverages will be available. Booze baskets will be given out at the close of the bingo games. You must be 21 to play. Be sure to join us for this fun afternoon!

Be sure to visit the Homestead during **Old-Fashioned Christmas** on Friday evening, December 6th and Saturday, December 7th. Tis a great family time!

Want to know how you can help with the preservation of this historic site? For more information, please visit our website www.theknaushomestead.org or find us on Facebook at The Historical Society.



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Over the Backyard Fence Emmaus Garden Club

Please look for the recently placed signs at various Borough Gardens that are maintained by the Emmaus Garden Club. The signs are a "Thank You" to the members who spend many hours planting, weeding, and grooming the beds that help to keep Emmaus beautiful!

Planning ahead:

October 1, 2019 - Master Gardener, Linc Coffin, will teach members of the Garden Club how to extend the gardening season and how to properly clean the garden.

November 12, 2019 - Wanda Drey and Constance Sholl of Macungie's Posey Patch will show members of the Garden Club how to create an array of designs featuring traditional and contemporary "Colors of the Season". Holiday pieces for Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, and New Year's will be featured.

December will find the Emmaus Garden Club members busily creating arrangements for windowsills at the 1803 House. Designs incorporate plant materials typical of the period and will be for sale during the Old-Fashioned Christmas Open House. Any unsold items will be taken to the Emmaus Public Library where they will be on display until the end of December.

The Emmaus Garden Club meets on the first Tuesday of the month at Faith Presbyterian Church, 3002 N. 2nd Street, Emmaus, PA 18049. Guests are always welcome. Meetings start at 12 noon with hospitality and a program following. You do NOT have to be a resident of Emmaus to be a member or attend a meeting. Please call Ellen at 610-928-3713 with any questions.

Foliage & Fertilizer – Tips for Protecting Your Plants, Trees, and Streams

Stormwater is formed when rainwater makes its way into storm drains or runs off our properties directly into streams picking up harmful substances that pollute our waterways. This fall, help the Borough to control stormwater pollution while preparing your lawns for the weather ahead. Below are several tips to help you protect your plants, trees, and streams.

- Dispose of leaf litter and yard waste at the Compost Site and never in the street or stream. Shred yard waste to use as mulch or fertilizer. Utilize the yard waste collection program offered through the Borough.
- Do not use fertilizers immediately before a rainstorm and do not apply them in excess. Always follow the directions on the package for application and disposal. Excess fertilizer cannot be absorbed by the soil and will wash away with the rain.
- Protect young trees on your property by covering trunks with ventilated tree tubes or tree guards. Young trees are particularly vulnerable to grazing and deer rub. Protecting the trunks will improve their chance for survival.
- Prune your summer perennials in your garden. After the first frost cut back dry stems of perennials to soil level. This will extend the life of your plants, improve the health of your garden, and showcase winter perennials.

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Emmaus Kiwanis Club – Quarters for a Cause

Please mark your calendars for another "Emmaus Kiwanis Quarters for a Cause". The Emmaus Kiwanis Club is excited to host Quarter Paddle Bingo on Sunday, October 20th at the Macungie Fire Hall, 31 S. Walnut Street, Macungie, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. The doors will open at 1:30 p.m. and admission is \$5.00, which includes one free Paddle with a number on it. Extra paddles are \$1.00 each.

A single prize is displayed and if you are interested in the prize, throw a quarter in the can and hold up your paddle. If your number is called, you are a winner! There are many great prizes including: watches, children's toys, Vera Bradley purses, wine, chocolate, gift certificates, and more!

All money raised goes back to the children in our community. Each year, the Emmaus Kiwanis Club donates five college scholarships to Emmaus High School seniors, supports Leadership conferences, hosts a Special Needs Christmas Party, the Emmaus Community Egg Hunt, the Kiwanis pancake breakfast, and helps with the Miracle League. Please come out and support the Emmaus Kiwanis Club! Refreshments will be available for purchase.



Emmaus Police Department Swears In New Officers

Left: Justin Williams (left) and Troy Leonard are sworn in as Part-Time Police Officers at the April 15, 2019 Emmaus Borough Council meeting.

Right: Mayor Lee Ann Gilbert swears in newly appointed Animal Control Officer April Schiel. April can be reached at 484-781-2000 or aschiel@borough.emmaus.pa.us.





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Emmaus Rotary Club



The Emmaus Rotary "salutes" the flag and the Emmaus Flag Day Association for its years of serving the community. Thank you to committee co-chairs Pat Waller, Pat Stasko and President Marge Heatley for leading the program for many years.

The Emmaus Rotary Club is excited to continue the annual Flag Day observance at the Emmaus Community Park. Next year, the event will be held on June 14, 2020. We look forward to working with the Borough of Emmaus and the Emmaus Recreation and Entertainment Committee to honor the Flag. The Program features 5th and 8th grade students attending East Penn School District who write poems and essays addressing "What does the American Flag mean to me?", a guest speaker and patriotic songs sung by the Emmaus Chorale. We hope to see you there!



Emmaus Police Officer Adam Polster speaking at the Emmaus Flag Day Association's 50th Anniversary Event. Officer Polster, a Marine Veteran spoke about his deployments to Afghanistan and what the US Flag meant to him while fighting in a war zone. Polster has been awarded 2 Purple Hearts for injuries sustained during his deployments.

Congratulations to the Borough's New Fire Lieutenant - Shawn Lubenetski

Please join us in congratulating long-time Firefighter Shawn Lubenetski for his recent promotion to Lieutenant within the Emmaus Fire Department. Shawn has served the Emmaus Fire Department as a dedicated volunteer and employee since 1996. He is a very active member of the department, and puts in many hours serving our community. He has extensive leadership experience and is respected by his peers. Shawn worked very hard with the Borough in negotiating a very fair first Collective Bargaining Agreement for the labor union, for which he serves as an officer. We are very proud to have Shawn as a member of our Fire Department and we are excited to have him serve in his new role as a Lieutenant.





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Left to Right;
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Asst. Chief Reiss, Chief John Price

At its June 17, 2019 Borough Council Meeting, Chief Price, Deputy Director Miller, and Borough Council were honored to present plaques to 3 veteran members of the Emmaus Fire Department, who after many years of service to the residents of Emmaus, retired from active service.

Assistant Fire Chief John Reiss, as part of his family's tradition, devoted 25 years of dedicated leadership and selfless service to the community. First joining the Fire Department in 1994, John responded to 3220 incidents during his many hours of service to the Borough.

Fire Police Captain Jeffrey Kuhns served the Borough for 39 years with outstanding commitment and service. Joining the Fire Department in 1980, Jeff dedicated many hours protecting the public from entering dangerous areas with 6429 incident responses.

Fire Police Lieutenant Robert Martrich served the Borough for 12 years with outstanding commitment and service. Bob first joined the Fire Department in 2007 and dedicated many hours protecting the public from entering dangerous areas with 1393 incident responses.

Emmaus' Emergency Management

September is National "preparedness" month in the United States. This is a great time to evaluate your personal planning in the event of a natural or man-made disaster. The Federal Emergency Management Agency recommends that every household have basic disaster supplies on hand to help minimize the personal effects of any disaster. These items are available for viewing at www.ready.gov. The list includes items; such as a week's worth of food for each member of the family including your pets, alternative illumination devices, medications, etc. It is also a good time to print and safe keep basic information such as family phone numbers, insurance policies and emergency contacts.



September is also an excellent time to review basic disaster mitigation plans such as learning how to shut down your residential water, natural gas and electric inside your home. Take a few minutes to create or change your personal emergency plans and review them with your family and friends.

Disasters can occur at any time and place; September is your time to prepare!


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The Emmaus and Upper Milford Township Joint Environmental Advisory Council's Earth Day clean-up event and celebration was held on Saturday, April 13, 2019. The event began with rain but sunny skies

soon prevailed. The event was a huge success and a great promotion for the Joint Environmental Advisory Council and environmental awareness for the entire community.

There were an estimated 86 attendees who picked up litter and trash in areas of Emmaus and Upper Milford Township. In addition, the Earth Day Event also featured an electronics recycling opportunity for community members to safely recycle items, such as: televisions, cell phones, microwaves, computers, air conditioners, and batteries. Items were accepted at Emmaus Community Park from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. A total amount of 17,001 lbs. of recyclables were collected and processed by Responsible Recycling Services, LLC along with 277 lbs. of alkaline batteries and 2 lbs. of rechargeable batteries. RRS Document Destruction also provided a truck, paid for by Representative Justin Simmons, Senator Patrick Browne, and New Tripoli Bank, which allowed residents to shred and recycle 4,130 lbs. of paper documents and 2 cubic yards of cardboard.

Emmaus and Upper Milford both provided Public Works employees who helped to set up the event, collected and disposed the material gathered.

In addition to the above, the total volume of trash/recyclables collected was:

- 67 - (30 Gallon Bags) of Trash
- 26 - (30 Gallon Bags) of Recyclables
- 1 Tire
- ½ pickup truck of scrap metal

The event began with coffee, donuts and bagels provided by Weis Market. The following organizations provided donations, materials, and/or assistance for the event: The Borough of Emmaus, Upper Milford Township, Weis Markets, Responsible Recycling Services LLC, Whitetail Disposal, The PA Department of Transportation, The East Penn Press, Representative Justin Simmons, Senator Patrick Browne, Ott Consulting LLC and New Tripoli Bank. The EAC would like to thank everyone that donated time and/or materials to the event and helped to make this annual event a huge success!

Upcoming Events:

Please join the Emmaus and Upper Milford Township Joint Environmental Advisory Council on Monday, September 23, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at Churchview Park, located on Kohler Road in Upper Milford Township, for a meadow walk and talk. Also, on Monday, October 28, 2019 at 5:00 p.m., please join the EAC Council at the Emmaus Public Library to help clean up the Riparian Buffer area for the fall.

Please view all of the EAC's events on Facebook at [emmasuuppermilfordeac](https://www.facebook.com/emmasuuppermilfordeac)

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Alex Sojtori

We are saddened, yet excited to see three of our long-time Public Works employees retire. Alex Sojtori served as a full-time Public Works employee since 1990. Alex specialized in the street department section of our Public Works Department, and for many years served in the role of Group Leader, supervising daily tasks for street repairs, paving, and other important processes that have kept our streets safe.

in our water systems. Right up until his last day, Scott has always been known as one of the hardest workers in the entire Borough.



Clifford Foulke

Clifford Foulke began working for the Borough in 2000. Cliff has always been known as a jack of all trades, as he has worked in nearly every capacity within the Department. He has spent time with the sewer crew, water crew, streets, and other parts of the Department where he could help. Cliff will always be known as one of the kindest, yet hardest working individuals you could ever meet.

Jim Krippe has been the Borough's EMA Coordinator since 2014. When Jim began his role as our EMA Coordinator, we had no Emergency Operations Plan and nearly all areas of EMA were left unkept. Mr. Krippe spent the next five years resurrecting the EMA position and focusing on the importance of Emergency Management. He has rebuilt the program from the ground up. He is handing off the program to our Deputy Director of Emergency Services, Keith Miller, who will serve in this role. We thank Jim for everything he has done for our community and we look forward to continuing to work with him, as he is the new EMA Coordinator for Upper Milford Township.



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Jim Krippe

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Dumpster Day and Household Hazardous Waste Day

WHAT: Dumpster Day and Household Hazardous Waste Event

WHEN: Saturday, October 5th from 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM

WHERE: Emmaus Compost Site off Klines Lane

About the Event:

On Saturday, October 5th, the Borough will be hosting its inaugural Dumpster Day and Household Hazardous Waste Event at the Emmaus Compost Site. The event is designed for our residents (Borough Residents Only – ID's will be checked at the gate) to dispose of items that are difficult to dispose of. It is an opportunity to do some fall housecleaning and get rid of some of those items that you just don't know what to do with. The event will allow for disposal of any household waste that is not food waste or regular trash, including: disposal of old tires, different chemicals, paints, oil, batteries and other household hazardous waste, as well as items such as old couches, air conditioners, and other bulk items. We will also distribute some educational material at the event regarding refuse, recycling, and hazardous waste reduction.

This event is open to **BOROUGH RESIDENTS ONLY!** This event is **not** designed for businesses.

Fees:

For the most part, there is no cost to you for this event as the cost is already incorporated into your refuse assessment. However, there is a fee for disposing of some items. The fee for disposal of vehicular or tractor tires is \$2.00 per tire. The fee to dispose of car batteries and other larger batteries is \$5.00 per battery. In order to dispose of items containing freon, the freon must first be removed. The fee to remove freon from your refrigerator, dehumidifier, air conditioner, or other items that contain freon is \$25.00 per item.

What is Accepted at the Event:

1. Electronics – TVs, VCRs, DVD Players, cellphones, computers, etc.
2. Household items – General junk, couches, mattresses, appliances, and other items that you generally don't put out with your regular refuse pick up.
3. Tires
4. Items containing freon
5. Batteries
6. Household Hazardous Waste, including:

Automotive products: Antifreeze, brake fluid, motor oil, filters, fuels, etc. *Garden Chemicals:* Fertilizers, insect sprays, herbicides, pesticides, and weed killer. *Paint Products:* Chalk, glue, oil-based paint, stain, stripper, thinner, or wood preservative. *Household Chemicals:* Ammonia, heavy-duty cleansers, naval jelly, tile remover, and strippers. *Universal Materials:* Batteries, compact fluorescent lamps (CFL), thermometers, and fluorescent tubes.

What is NOT Accepted:

- Household refuse such as: food waste, recycling, or yard waste.
- Ammunition, explosives, asbestos, or any material that is not in a labeled container or is leaking.
- Latex Paint – please do **NOT** put this in with your other chemicals, as it is not considered a hazardous waste item. We will take latex paint, only because we are looking for an outlet to donate it to, however, please separate this from the other paint or chemicals you may have.

How is the Event Going to Work?

A team of Borough employees, volunteers, Whitetail Disposal and several contracted hazardous waste haulers will be at the Emmaus Compost Site ready to help you dispose of your items. There will be multiple dumpsters on site. Each person will be directed to show their identification. If there is not a Borough resident in the vehicle, the vehicle will be turned away. Payment for different items, such as tires or freon items at point of entry and a log and inventory of the general type of vehicles will be taken. Vehicles will be directed to dumpsters that are lined up, based on what is in the vehicle for disposal. We will have a dumpster for electronic waste, metal, multiple dumpsters for general waste, a dumpster for tires, and dumpsters for the hazardous waste. You will be required to assist in unloading your vehicle, however, our employees and volunteers will do their best to help you as well. After you have unloaded your vehicle, you will be directed to exit on the road. You are permitted to come back to the site as many times as necessary during the event.

Our goal is that this event will be held one time per year. We encourage you to take advantage of the event, use it for fall cleaning and to part ways with some of that paint and/or chemicals that you haven't found a home for. Please come early, as we expect there to be long lines as it will take time to get everyone through the process. We look forward to seeing you on October 5th!



Curbside Leaf Collection

Barring complications with weather, equipment or emergencies, the Borough of Emmaus will begin its 2019 Curbside Leaf Collection Program on Monday, October 21, 2019, continuing through Friday, December 6, 2019. **The Borough is unable to set specific pick-up dates for leaf pick-up for individual streets.** We recommend that you have them raked out at the beginning of each week. Once the Public Works Department has made a pass through your street, they will not return until the following week. The Public Works Department will collect 2x a week for 7 weeks during the fall season. Please be advised that if the Borough encounters winter weather and must plow, any leaves in the road will be plowed. Every attempt will be made to clean the roads prior to winter. For FINAL COLLECTION the week of December 1st through December 6th, you are advised to have your leaves out on Monday morning (December 2nd) of the final week. Once we have made our final pass on your street, we will not return.

- Please rake all leaves to the curb into long narrow rows not more than 18" into the road. Leaves placed on the sidewalk will not be collected. The Public Works Department will not empty bags or other containers; this is the responsibility of the resident. Branches, shrubbery, grass, garbage, dog waste, and other building materials will not be picked up.
- Leaves will not be collected on private property. If leaves are not in place when the crews go by, they will be picked up on the following round through the Borough. No "return trips" will be made to pick them up.
- Residents who have areas designated as "No Parking" (yellow painted curbs) are encouraged to pile leaves at these locations for easier pick up.
- Piles with anything other than leaves **will not** be picked up. These objects will cause damage to the leaf pickup units and put them out of service at a great expense of time and money to the Borough and its residents.
- Do not place tarps over your leaves. The Public Works Department will bypass them and they will not be collected.
- To help facilitate the picking up of the leaves, please keep all vehicles away from the area where the leaves are piled. The Public Works Department will not rake piles of leaves out from between parked cars or from under them.
- Do not pile leaves on or around storm drains as this will cause flooding issues and create unsafe driving conditions.
- If there are low hanging branches overhanging the roadway, the Borough's leaf truck may not be able to pick up the leaves. Please make sure that all overhanging branches are trimmed prior to winter.

Please do not place leaves out prior to the starting date! If you would like to remove your leaves prior to the beginning of leaf collection, you may drop your leaves off at the Emmaus Borough Compost Site located off of Klines Lane. A complete list of hours for the Compost Site is available on the corner of this page and on the Borough's website at www.borough.emmaus.pa.us.

Compost Site Hours of Operation

Closed on Holidays

September 25 to October 26

Wed., 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., or dusk

Sat., 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

October 29 to December 7

Tues. & Thurs., 7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Wed., 3:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. or dusk

Sat., 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



We only accept organic yard waste. No lumber, root balls with dirt, garbage, dirt, building materials, etc. is allowed. When wood chip and/or compost is available, Public Works personnel will load trucks and trailers on Wednesdays beginning at 3:00 p.m. and on Saturdays. We will stop loading 45 minutes prior to closing so that equipment can be cleaned.

Partnership Connects Community with Stream Restoration



The Wildlands Conservancy and Lehigh County Conservation District have partnered with the Emmaus Borough to involve community volunteers in planting native trees and shrubs along tributaries of the Little Lehigh Creek. These plantings, known as riparian buffers, are situated to form strips of vegetation that support fish and wildlife habitat, as well as the health of our local waterways. Riparian buffers are the simplest, most cost-effective way to provide flood and erosion control, filtration of pollutants from runoff, food and habitat for aquatic and terrestrial species, cooler temperatures and cover for native fish, and color and character for the landscape.

This effort is in response to severe flooding and streambank erosion issues which have plagued streams throughout the Borough. Increasing stormwater, and associated issues such as flooding, has been a growing issue in local streams. This has led to eroded streambanks and other safety concerns, which has prompted riparian buffer plantings in many community parks. This collaboration is helping the Borough keep critical buffers intact while also deepening community relationships through volunteer engagement. Look for these plantings at parks throughout the Borough.



Ash Trees Under Attack: An Update

With little hope for saving native ashes from a lethal insect, it's time to plant other shade trees in their place.

When it comes to destructive insects, the spotted lanternfly has flown its way into local prominence in recent years. This colorful and photogenic insect is hard to miss, especially when swarms of adult lanternflies cluster on tree trunks. Because this pest is so new to Pennsylvania, no one has any idea how much damage to fruit crops and ornamental plants it may cause. But while the spotted lanternfly captures media attention, another non-native insect is quietly destroying shade trees—hundreds of millions of ash trees throughout North America, by U.S. Forest Service estimates.

The emerald ash borer arrived in Pennsylvania in 2007. It has been killing ash trees in Emmaus for the last four or five years. The larvae of these small Asian beetle's burrow into the bark and wood of ashes, usually killing the trees within two to five years. They attack all species of ash but are especially hard on native green ashes, with a kill rate near 100 percent.

An article on the emerald ash borer appeared in the Fall 2014 Borough of Emmaus Newsletter, about the time local ash trees began to show symptoms of attack. Green ashes were not as common in Emmaus as in nearby communities (and in native woodlands); now, five years later, there are even fewer.

Ash borers are stealthy. Unlike the spotted lanternfly, they stay mostly out of sight. An early sign that the insect has attacked a tree is thinning foliage and dead branches in a tree's upper canopy. Woodpeckers may drill into the bark of an infested tree to get at the larvae just under the surface. Small patches of bark flake off upper limbs. By the second or third year of attack, the tree may sprout many green shoots from its trunk or lower limbs.

Signs of the ash borer's continuing assault can be seen in and around Emmaus. At the Perkins Restaurant on Lehigh Street, five ash trees on the west edge of the property, near the entrance to the parking lot, are in varying stages of succumbing to the insect. A row of ash trees along Lower Macungie Road at Lower Macungie Middle School, is disappearing one tree at a time, victims of the ash borer.

Some arborists recommend chemical treatments to protect healthy trees against the insect. Because these insecticides are expensive, highly toxic, and often ineffective, they should be considered only for the most valuable and historic trees. Because a vigorous tree is better able to ward off pests, it is important to keep ash trees healthy. Water trees during times of drought, keep lawnmowers and string trimmers from damaging the bark and don't top trees.

But even these strategies are unlikely to keep ash trees alive for long. If you own an ash tree, don't wait until it is dead to plant replacement trees nearby. In Emmaus, the fall tree-planting season stretches from the beginning of September through mid-October. Good replacement trees for ashes include many types of oaks, lindens, ginkgo, beech, white pine, hackberry, honeylocust, and the new disease-resistant varieties of American elm. To minimize the effects of tree diseases and pests, arborists recommend that communities plant a diverse assortment of trees with no single species representing more than 10 percent of the total.

Call Before You Cut

Healthy, well-maintained trees add to property values and the quality of our lives. Before planting, pruning, or removing any tree within the public right-of-way (within 12 feet of the curb), Emmaus property owners must request a permit from the Shade Tree Commission. For questions about street trees or the Emmaus Shade Tree Ordinance, please contact any Shade Tree Commission member:

Reds Bailey, 610-967-6191
Doug Hall, 610-967-2304
Beverly Springer, 610-965-6671
Rebecca Straus, 610-741-7193
Linda Destan, 610-704-6756.

Permits are Required

Do you need a building or zoning permit? Applications are available online! Download applications for permits right off of our website at: www.borough.emmaus.pa.us.

On the website home page, under the "About Emmaus" heading, click on "Documents/Forms" and choose which application you need. Simply fill it out and bring the completed application into Borough Hall at 28 S. 4th Street, so we can begin processing your permit. If you have any questions about permits, please call the Code Enforcement Officer at 610-967-1322.

Some examples of permits that the Borough of Emmaus require are: roof repairs, building repairs or remodels (causing structural changes), footers, foundation, framing, plumbing, electrical, signs, fences, sheds, dumpsters, demolition, driveways, pools, and zoning.

Outdoor fires within the Borough are **Prohibited**. During the summer months recreational fires such as fire pits or commercial fire places are a popular enjoyment to the season. As a reminder, you are required to file for an open burning permit. For more information, please contact the Fire Inspection Office at 610-965-9288.

Moving Permits

A moving permit is required for any individual or family moving in, out, or within the Borough. The permit application can be obtained from the Cashier at Town Hall, 28 S. 4th Street, or by visiting the Borough website at: www.borough.emmaus.pa.us. The permit and the \$1.00 fee are filed with the Cashier at Town Hall. If you have any questions, please call Jessica at 610-965-0702.

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