



Borough of Pitcairn

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Patti Kemerer, Editor

Borough Officials

- Betsy Stevick, Mayor
- Scott Farally, Chief of Police

Council

- James Rullo, President
- Thomas Dick, Jr.
- Deborah Freeman
- Lisa Petrosky
- Domenic Roberta
- Richard Tartaglione
- George Toth

Administration

- Mike Bolen, Manager
- Carri Kozier, Staff

Code Enforcement

- Nick Turner, Code Officer
- Lynette McKinney, Staff

Manager

Welcome to our new Borough Manager!
And if you think his face looks familiar, you're right! Mike Bolen, who has worked as a staff member in the borough office has been promoted to Manager!
Congratulations Mike.

Sympathy



On May 22, Pitcairn lost a great friend of our community. Jim Fox, founder of the Fox's Pizza franchise, passed away. Jim opened his first pizza shop on Broadway in 1971.

Rest in peace. We'll miss you "Buddy"

Did You Know?

Pitcairn was originally known as "Wallurba" (suburb of Wall)

Hope you are enjoying the summer sunshine! Check out pages 2 & 3 for events that are happening in town, including a free lunch program.
Congratulations 2022 Graduates. May all your dreams come true!



Patti

From the Mayor & Police Chief



Whether you are riding a bike, a skate board or using skates, please remember to dress to be seen and always wear a helmet. The State law says that any person under the age of 12, riding a bicycle or if you are a passenger, must wear a helmet. Always ride in the direction of traffic if on the road; stop at stop signs and traffic lights and obey all traffic laws. Also consider riding on a designation bike trail instead of on the streets. When bicycling use both hands while riding and braking and for your own safety, lock up your bike when not in use.

- Remember that you must schedule a pick-up for electronics and small appliances, such as televisions, toasters etc. These items should not be put out for regular garbage pick-up. You must call 1-800-449-7587 to arrange for a free pick-up. More detailed information can be found on the Borough website.
- The Mayor is collecting snap tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. Tabs can be dropped off at the borough building on Broadway or placed on her porch. She also is collecting handicap equipment such as wheelchairs, canes and walkers. Contact her at 412-372-2436 to arrange for a pick-up

Have a great and safe summer. Enjoy the time out of school.



Notes From Our School Board Member

Congratulations on surviving a remarkable and remarkably challenging school year! There is something special about every point in time and the 2021-2022 school year will be remembered for a number of things both bad and good. I choose to remember the way the students dealt with the innumerable obstacles that were placed in front of them and how they were often more composed than the adults around them. I would also suggest that everyone go on line and check out the three speeches given at graduation. They were touching, funny and moving and they may remind you of all that is good and promising about the young people in our midst. Please enjoy the summer, recharge and plan to make 2022-2023 the best it can be. Read something every day. Read something fun; read something challenging; but by all means read! If you have children who are heading toward kindergarten next year, or if you know anyone else who does, please make sure they get in touch with the school to get registered as soon as possible.

HAPPY SUMMER!



Police Blotter

- Congratulations to Officers Dick, Ross and Fagnelli.
- Officer Kris Dick was on duty in Wilmerding recently when a female suffered a cardiac arrest. Officer Dick started CPR and was able to get a pulse and assist the female until an ambulance arrived. He was recognized by council for his life saving technique.
 - Officers Ross and Fagnelli were promoted from part-time to full time patrolmen.
 - The department has a prescription drug and expired over the counter medicine drop off box that its accessible 24 hours a day. The box is located at the station, 609 Broadway. They do not accept any type of needles.



Notes from Code Enforcement

The Code Enforcement Office would like to congratulate and say thank you to the new businesses in town, The General Store and Dosa Cupcake Bakery. Pitcairn and the residents are happy that you are here. Also lets not forget all the new home owners. Houses have been flying off the market and with that being said, please don't forget that there are ordinances in town to keep our homes maintained, free from high grass and litter. The ordinances state that grass should not be taller than 6 inches and garbage must be bagged and placed into a trash receptacle of your own AND SHOULD NOT BE OUT UNTIL WEDNESDAY AT 6 p.m. for Thursday pick-up. If you have any questions on ordinances or have a complaint please don't hesitate to call!



COMMUNITY NEWS



Thanks The following was submitted by resident, Deb Marto. I and my family thank all for the outpouring of prayers, condolences/wishes and donations caused by the evil, senseless murder of our Christi Spicuzza Marto. We were honored & blessed by the Pitcairn community's outreach!! (Past residents also.) Every Pitcairn organization, club, church, foundation, business, the borough, police, fire dept and neighbors, so many to name, in one way or another blessed us in our dire time. From the depths of our hearts, we so appreciate of all acts of love towards us. Restored some faith in humanity. Thank you!



Lunch Program The Gateway School District is sponsoring a federally funded FREE meals program (SFSP) for all children 18 years of age and younger starting on June 13 through August 11. The program will be closed the week of July 4. Lunch will be served outside of the Park Building, 557 Broadway Boulevard, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Thursday. All meals MUST be eaten on site.



Business A longtime Pitcairn business, Wm O Pearce Funeral Home, has closed its doors. The funeral home opened in 1929 on Wall Avenue. In 1962, Chuck Bruna began working there and later purchased the business which has served our community well. The business is now being merged with Jobe Funeral Home & Crematory, Inc. Mr. Bruna will now be assisting the Jobe family. Best Wishes and Thank You Chuck for your dedication to Pitcairn.



Burger Blast It's Back! The fire company is holding their summer burger blasts outside of the fire station, 100 South Center Avenue on July 16, August 13 and September 17, from Noon to 3 p.m. The menu includes, burgers, hot dogs, fries, funnel cakes and drinks. You can eat on site or take it to go. Proceeds benefit the fire company.



Meals on Wheels The Pitcairn Meals-on-Wheels is looking for volunteers to help in the mornings, making sandwiches, salads etc., Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. until about 10 a.m. If you would like to volunteer or sign-up to receive meals, call 412-372-9116.



Church The Presbyterian Church of Pitcairn, 312 Highland Avenue, are the people of God who are experiencing and sharing the living hope of Christ. They invite you to their Sunday Worship Services meeting in public at 10 a.m. and on Facebook: www.facebook.com/PCoPpca/live/. Please call the church office 412-372-7707 or refer to the church web site: www.pitcairnpca.org for possible changes in worship times. You can also refer to the website calendar, www.pitcairnpca.org and www.facebook.com/PCoPpca/

- The church offers a Clothes Closet for those in need. The Closet will be open from 10 a.m. to Noon on July 9 & 23; August 13 & 27; and closed in September. Please wear a mask. If the Clothes Closet is not open and you are in an emergency situation, please call the church office at 412-372-7707.
- Wednesday Water Fun at the church! A time of slipping & sliding. Enjoy both water fun and a snack and learn about the One who gives Living Water. Children ages 5 to 12 are welcome to join in the fun that begins June 29 from 2 to 4 p.m. Register to participate by calling the office at 412-372-7707 or by emailing, office@pitcairnpca.org to receive permission.



Fire Company Congratulations to Firefighter Mason Stockunas. Mason recently completed his interior firefighter class.



Pickle Ball Are you interested in becoming part of the soon to be formed Pitcairn Pickle Ball league? Contact Jack Bova at jmabova@gmail.com for details.



Bingo Fire Co.# 1 has Bingo on Saturdays at their station, 100 South Center Avenue. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.; early bird games start at 6:45; and regular games begin at 7. Jackpot is \$300 and must go every week. The kitchen will be open to purchase food and snacks. Proceeds benefit the company.



Camp Pitcairn Camp “B”, a non-profit youth camping organization, has been providing boys, ages 7-16, the opportunity to attend a week-long summer camp in Laurel Hill State Park Camp #1 for 76 years!

This year camp will run from July 24 through July 29. Some of the camp activities include wiffle ball, arts & crafts, slip n’ slide, campfire, scavenger hunt, kickball, movie night, swimming, and many more fun-filled events. This year they will be taking a special day trip outside of the campground site. Applications are available at pitcairncampb.org, Joe’s Butcher Shop on Broadway, PitCare Library on Center Avenue and the Pitcairn Borough Building on Broadway. Registration date is July 10 at the Pitcairn Italian Club on Eighth Street. Registration fee is \$150.00

For additional information or questions contact, Camp Director, J.J. Hartin(412) 726-4176; Assistant Director, Zack Hartin(412) 576-1520 or Secretary, Garret Schmidt(724) 396-4396. Active Staff have completed the necessary Pennsylvania Criminal Record Check & Child Abuse Clearance forms.



Club The Pitcairn Italian Club, 620 8th Street, rents out their back room to the public. It’s a great space to hold graduation and birthday parties for a reasonable fee. The room can also be reserved at no cost for funerals.

- The club holds a Bingo every Tuesday night at 7 p.m. with 100% payout. Players must be club member or guests are welcome to attend with a member.
- The annual summer picnic for members will be held at Sugar Camp on September 10. There will be tons of activities for adults and kids.
- The club is sponsoring a bus trip to Niagara, New York/Buffalo, New York on October 8 and 9 for the Steelers vs. the Bills game. Game tickets, bus transportation and hotel are included in the \$500 cost.

More information on these events can be found on the Pitcairn Italian Club Facebook page or by emailing pitcairmitalianclub@gmail.com



Banquet The Pitcairn Lions Club and the Pitcairn Woman's Club held a banquet in May at the Park Building to honor students, borough employees and council members. Scholarship recipients, Jaymie Bobbin and Isabella Chaffee each received \$1000 from the Woman’s Club. The club also recognized Shanyn Mitchell, their HOBY recipient, who will attend the HOBY conference at Washington & Jefferson this summer.

Julianna Rossetti, the Lions Club scholarship recipient, was awarded \$1000. The Lions Club also honored Propel students Ariana Moore, and Sara Keady with the Propel Scholar Leadership Awards. The Lions Peace Poster Contest winner was Delaney Ruby, who was unable to attend the banquet.

Honored guests from the borough who attended were: Mayor Betsy Stevick, borough manager, Mike Bolen, Carri Kozier, administrative office staff, Code Officer, Nick Turner and council members: Jim Rullo, Lisa Petrosky and George Toth. Congratulations to all the students for a job well done and thank you to our borough employees and council members.



Grateful Pitcairn Camp G and he Woman’s Club would like to thank everyone who supported their Cash Bash in April. Because of your generosity, 100 area girls had a fun-filled week of camping in Laurel Hill State Park in early June. The Woman’s Club’s proceeds will help their organization to continue supporting the community.



Scouts Did you know that Pitcairn has a Boy Scout troop? Troop 220 meets at the Fire Hall, 100 South Center Avenue. Scouting programs give young people the opportunity and freedom to explore a world beyond the boundaries of everyday life. It presents them with chances to try new things; provides service to others; builds self-confidence and develops leadership skills. These experiences not only help Scouts while they are young, but also stay with them throughout their adult lives, growing into exceptional men and women that respect their family, community, religion, country and themselves. With parent’s and kid’s schedules growing busier every day, Scouting makes the most of what little time parents have to positively impact their kids’ lives. Scouting is for ages in grades K-12. For more information on joining Troop 220, call David DiFuccia, Scoutmaster at 412-915-9989.



Mark your calendars now for these upcoming events:

- The Lions Club’s Mystery’s Most Wanted Murder Mystery Dinner on October 15 at the Park Building, 557 Broadway Boulevard. Details on the event will be posted on the Lions Club Facebook page closer to the event. Proceeds will benefit the club.
- Community Night Market September 23, 6 to 9 p.m.
- Fall Fun Craft & Vendor Show, October 16 from 10:30 a.m. to 3: 30 p.m. at the Park Building Broadway Boulevard. There will be 25 tables of unique crafts and gifts plus a 50/50 raffle. The event is sponsored by resident, Sammi Stockley. All proceeds benefit the Pitcairn Food Pantry.
- Pitcairn Woman’s Club Fall Pancake Breakfast. Details will be announced in October. Proceeds will benefit the club’s scholarship program.



Contact Information

- **Borough**—412-372-6500 / 609 Broadway / www.pitcairnborough.us
- **Police / Non Emergency**—412-856-1111
- **Fire Station** —412-372-7040
- **Tax Collector/Sally DiRobbio**—412-372-3009 / sdirobbio@verizon.net
- **Code Enforcement**—412-372-6500 x 15 or 412-589-3194 / code@pitcairnborough.us

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NEWSLETTER

Contact the Pitcairn Community Newsletter at newsletterpit@gmail.com
The newsletter is available on the Pitcairn Borough website



Electric Bill It's easy to pay your electric bill online. Just log on to www.pitcairnborough.us. There you'll find an icon portal that will take you to the bill paying site. To register, you will need your CID and account numbers found on your bill. Respecting CDC guidelines, the billing lobby remains closed to the public. Customers can mail in or drop their payment in the secure drop box on the Borough building at 609 Broadway.



Facebook The borough's Parks and Recreation Committee and the Police Department each have a page on Facebook. Visit the pages for events and current information.



Alert The fire company would like to remind everyone, if you smell methane odors call Karen Sagel at 412-578-8115 and report it. **ALSO CALL 911 TO ALERT**



Waste TVs, E-Waste and hazardous household materials must be disposed of properly according to DEP regulations. Such items cannot be put out for regular trash pick-up or dropped off at the borough building. Pitcairn Borough participates in Waste Management's At Your Door special collections program. You must call 1-800-449-7587 to arrange for a free pick-up. More detailed information can be found on the Borough website's Home Page.

Garbage should be put out for collection no earlier than Wednesday at 6 pm. and should be in sealed trash bags, then put in leak proof trash cans that have a lid. Some holidays may cause a one day delay in pick-up so it is suggested that residents check the calendar on the Borough website .



! Business Owners Do you want to get the word out about your business? You can place a business card-size ad in the newsletter for a fee of \$50. To place an ad, contact the borough office or the newsletter at newsletterpit@gmail.com. You can also link your business to the Pitcairn's website at no charge. Just send your website link and logo to manager@pitcairnborough.us. This service is for Pitcairn businesses only.

DEADLINE for ISSUE 26 that covers October, November & December 2022 is September 15