



MILLVALE BULLETIN

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Fall 2018

November

5th - Council Workshop @ 6:00 p.m.
6th - Election Day
12th - MCDC @ 5:30 p.m.
13th - Council Workshop @ 6:00 p.m.
Council Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.
22nd & 23rd - Thanksgiving -
Office Closed
24th - Yuletide Holiday Tour
30th - Community Blood Drive @ 9 a.m.

December

2nd - Senior Luncheon @ 11:00 a.m.
4th - Council Workshop @ 6:00 p.m.
10th - MCDC @ 5:30 p.m.
11th - Council Workshop @ 6:00
p.m.
Council Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.
15th - "Polar Express" Movie
(at Shaler Area High School)
@ 12:30 p.m.
24th & 25th - Christmas -
Office Closed

January

1st - New Years Day - Office Closed
8th - Council Workshop @ 6:00 p.m.
14th - MCDC @ 5:30 p.m.
15th - Council Workshop @ 6:00 p.m.
Council Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.

*Borough offices are
closed for the following holidays:*

*11/22 & 11/23 in observance of Thanksgiving
12/25 & 12/26 in observance of Christmas
1/1/19 in observance of New Years*

This will be the last mailed print issue of the Millvale Bulletin. We will be moving to an online, E-Blast edition! Sign up online at: <https://www.millvalepa.com/home/webforms/newsletter-sign> (You can also print your own at home, via a convenient .pdf!)
Thanks for reading!

MILLVALE DAYS 2018 RECAP

We are pleased to share that another Millvale Days is in the books for 2018. The weather was great, and our music line up, the car cruise and parade were all a huge success. The participation of the businesses and the residents of the town were incredible. We were also incredibly honored to have our Council President, James Machajewski, Jr., serve as our parade Grand Marshal.

This was a very special Millvale Days on multiple accounts, due to it being the 25th Annual Millvale Days and also right in the middle of our year-long 150th Anniversary celebration. We celebrated in all of the best ways possible, which included a lovely fireworks display by Pyrotechnico on the last evening of Millvale Days.

Thanks to our public works department and office staff for the great job they did leading up to and continuing throughout the festivities. And as always, our police department did great work patrolling and handling the safety of our streets.

HOLIDAY LIGHTS BLOOD DRIVE



The Community Blood Drive will be held on **November 30, 2018** from **9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.** at the **Millvale Community Center (416 Lincoln Ave.)** All participating donors will receive one (1) Kennywood Park Holiday Lights ticket! All tickets will be mailed out to the donors following the blood drive.

Central Blood Bank is now Vitalant!

To make an appointment, please:

- Visit vitalant.org, click on the purple Donate button and search with Group code **K0170132** or
- Download the Central Blood Bank Mobile App for your smart phone, or
- Call **1-877-25-VITAL**

Appointments recommended. Walk-ins welcome.

ALL ABOARD "THE POLAR EXPRESS"!

Celebrate the season and bring your children to the Shaler Area High School Auditorium for a special showing of The Polar Express. Doors open at 12:30 p.m.

The Polar Express, (Rated G)

Saturday, December 15, 2018 at 1:00 p.m.

Shaler Area High School

381 Wible Run Road, Pittsburgh

Registration is required - Please visit <http://www.shaler.org> for registration details.
Sponsored by Shaler Township, Shaler Area School District, Etna Borough, Reserve Township, and Millvale Borough

**MILLVALE
POLICE
DEPARTMENT
UPDATES**



With the holiday season almost upon us, I would like to remind our citizens of a few things:

- Please be careful to keep your doors and windows locked.
- When you leave your home, it is not a good idea to keep your blinds open if you have lots of wrapped presents placed in view from your doors or windows.
- Keep your car doors locked up and if you have packages in the car, put them in the trunk or cover them up. A thief usually moves on to easier targets if they cannot see items in plain view.
- When you head out to the mall, carry purses over your shoulder instead of loosely in your hands.
- When walking back to your vehicle, if it seems someone is watching you head back inside and ask security to escort you to your vehicle.
- Please take the time to check on elderly neighbors or any neighbors that live alone throughout the holiday season. Depression is a very real and complex illness and those suffering with depression have greater difficulty during the holiday season.

The Millvale Police Department has a policy of each officer conducting a one hour park-n-walk for each officer on each shift. We will concentrate a great deal during the holiday season in the business district. Please take the time to say hello to the officers and engage them when you see them on the streets.

The Millvale Police Department wishes all of the residents of Millvale a very happy, healthy and safe holiday season.

Chief Komoroski
Deputy Chief Vith

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT UPDATES

With fall now here, we ask that owners of trees please clean up the leaf litter from their trees as they tend to gather around storm sewer inlets and impede access for water drainage in that area. And as we know, winter is just around the corner.

Remember, it is illegal to shovel or blow snow onto borough streets. Keep storm sewer inlets free and clear from snow blockage. Water can back up onto the street which will cause frozen conditions to occur on the street. Please remember it is the residents' responsibility to keep their sidewalk clear and passable.

You will notice salt bins placed throughout the borough; these are for emergency use only. They are placed there for when cars are stuck, not for personal use for clearing sidewalks.

When shoveling snow, please remember do not block the fire hydrants. Packed snow around a fire hydrant makes it impossible to utilize the hydrant. As an added assist to the fire crews, when every second counts, keep a three foot clearance shoveled around a fire

CODE ENFORCEMENT UPDATES

With the winter season approaching, remember that snow and ice must be removed within 48 hours. Ordinance No. 2571 requires property owners and tenants to maintain their sidewalks year round. A reminder to those residents who live on Evergreen Avenue, if you have sidewalks on North Avenue you are required to maintain those as well.

Residential trash pick-up is on Friday, and trash may only be placed out at 5:00 p.m. the night before. Trash must be in sealed bags AND placed in a container with a secured lid in place. Placing trash out any earlier or not in secured containers may result in fines. To dispose of televisions or computer monitors, please contact At Your Door at 1-800-449-7587 to schedule a pick up. Waste Management is not able to pick up these items on regular trash days.

Any questions, contact Jim Tunstall, Code Enforcement Officer, at 412-821-2777 extension 3135 or at codetunstall@millvaleboro.com.

MILLVALE FIRE DEPARTMENT UPDATES

The Millvale VFD is currently holding their annual lottery calendar fundraiser. Calendars are \$25 and are available from any fire department member. Winners are based off of the PA Daily lottery. Checks for winning numbers are mailed monthly to the winners. We thank you for supporting Millvale VFD!

Winter Tips from the National Fire Protection Association

- Connect no more than THREE strands of mini light sets.
- Two of every five home decoration fires are started by candles. Keep candles at least 12 inches away from anything that burns.
- Live Christmas tree fires are not common, but when they do occur they are dangerous. Keep your tree watered every day and away from heat sources like fireplaces, radiators, space heaters, candles or heat vents. Always use flame retardant ornaments and U.L. approved lights on your trees. Always remove your tree before it starts to dry.

A NOTE FROM MAYOR BRIAN P. SPOALES

What an amazing ride!

I sit here analyzing the past year and I have to say it has been an amazing ride starting with January 2 when I was sworn in to be your Mayor. The emotions of the evening with family, friends and citizens of the borough who came out in support of me accepting this great honor as only the 5th Mayor in Millvale's 150 years spoke volumes of the position that I was about to undertake.

With the borough celebrating its' 150th anniversary this year and myself in my first year as mayor, the pride that each one of you has shown in supporting our town continues to find me speechless at times and forever feeling a sense of pride. For some of us, the 150th has been a grand celebration that I hope you will continue with throughout the remainder of 2018, while others have had their ups and downs.

The good times include: celebrating with the entire town our birthday party on February 13, A Taste of Millvale in May, the VFW's 99th birthday, the 2nd Annual Millvale Music Festival, and last but not least, celebrating at our 25th Annual Millvale Days that concluded with a wonderful fireworks show in celebration of 150 years. But most importantly what I like to call a celebration was the camaraderie, compassion and hard work that took place during the devastating rain storm on July 5, 2018. The storm took many of us by surprise, but as we witnessed this tragedy we also witnessed what we all have known about Millvale, that we are one united family, and when someone needs help no matter who they are, what feelings were there before, our town stands up for each other and gets the job done. While I pray that our town never faces a storm of this magnitude again, it is reassuring to know that our citizens would continue to be there for each other.

Millvale, the future remains upon us! Get involved, and together we will make it happen.

Mayor Brian P Spoales



You may have noticed a new sign outside of the main entrance to the borough building on Sedgwick St. that reads MEETUP SPOT – Internet Purchase Exchange Location. The Internet has become the go to place to sell and purchase items from an unknown source and with the suggestion from the Mayor and approval from Council, Millvale now has its very own location that our citizens can take advantage of and feel safe that surveillance cameras will monitor your dealings with an unknown buyer.

Always remember when meeting with strangers to make an exchange use caution, be familiar with your surroundings, and if possible never invite them into your home. If it is an item that you can manage without bringing the individual to your home this Meetup Spot will provide you with the comfort that someone will be watching. If you do encounter an emergency requiring assistance from Millvale Borough Police Department please dial 911.

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HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS IN THE BOROUGH

*Millvale's
Yuletide & Holiday Drink Tour*

* TOUR STARTS AT 12:00 @ MILLVALE FIRE STATION
PURCHASE YOUR CUP FOR \$15.00 AND OR STOCKINGS FOR \$5.00
THEN GRAB A MAP AND VISIT THE 19 "STOPS" THROUGH TOWN
AS YOU FILL YOUR CUPS AND STOCKINGS WITH HOLIDAY CHEER.

SELF GUIDED
WALKING TOUR

SHOP SMALL WITH
1 DAY SALES

PROCEEDS BENEFIT
M.V.F.D.

KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY AT
MILLVALE COMMUNITY LIBRARY

ACTIVITIES AT
GAPP PARK (GRANT AVE)

TREE LIGHTING
FESTIVITIES START @ 5

SMALL BUSINESS
SATURDAY
**NOVEMBER 24TH
12-7PM**

Complete list of all activities for the day can be found @ <http://www.facebook.com/bam15209>

PARTICIPATING STOPS:

1. ASGARD RAW DOG FOOD 2. BAR 3 3. COUSINS LOUNGE
4. DOUBLE L BAR 5. HAPPY DAY LOUNGE 6. HOWARDS PUB
7. MCWALKER YARNS 8. MILLVALE COMMUNITY LIBRARY
9. ONE HAPPY FLOWERSHOP 10. SALON 22 11. SMOKEYS TAVERN
12. TAZZA-DORA 13. THREE RIVERS TATTOO 14. TIPPLE
15. TUPELO HONEY TEAS 16. YETTERS CANDLES 17. STEEL CITY SALT CO.
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NEW SUN RISING

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On Saturday, November 24, 2018 Millvale will be getting into the holiday spirit with the annual Yuletide and Holiday Drink Tour. The festivities begin at 12:00 p.m. at the Millvale Volunteer Fire Department, where you can purchase a drink cup for a \$15.00 donation or a stocking for a \$5.00 donation. All proceeds benefit the Millvale Volunteer Fire Department. There will be activities throughout town, including a kids holiday party at the Millvale Community Library. You must register at the library for the kids events. The tree lighting festivities will be at McCarthy Park at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 2, 2018 will be our annual Mayor & Council Senior Luncheon. It will be held at the Millvale Community Center (416 Lincoln Ave) and starts at 11:30 a.m. thru 1:30 p.m. You will need to pre-register for this event; you may do so by calling the borough office at 412-821-2777 or by signing up in person.