

NAZARETH NEWS

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE BOROUGH OF NAZARETH



Mayor's Message

Hello Nazareth Residents!

Winter is over and we can now look forward to Spring and Summer! In this newsletter, I would like to inform our residents, both new and old about where to obtain information about the Borough and mention some of the great places, events and organizations that are here in our Borough.

The Borough Web Page

A wealth of information can be found on our Borough website: www.nazarethboroughpa.com. For those who have been inquiring about the Borough having its ordinances posted online, this is now being done and you can go right to the webpage to read and review ordinances. You can also find contact information for your local Council representatives, information on refuse and recycling, our parks, etc.

Borough Parks

We have 8 parks in our Borough! We have Nazareth Borough Park on North Broad Street which includes

our pool, the skate park, tennis courts, basketball courts, two pavilions and a gazebo which have tables that can be rented and also a bandstand. We also have the Nazareth Dog Park on Black Rock Road for pet owners. In addition, we have Kiwanis Park on Franklin Street, Fairview Park on South Broad Street, Sauerzopf Park on Phoenix Street & G.W. Stoudt Boulevard, Kokolus Park on Washington Street between Madison and Lincoln Avenue and the West End Walking Trails at Sage Street and G.W. Stoudt Boulevard. There are also Bill Gold Field on South Green Street and the baseball field at Veterans Memorial Square adjacent to Council Chambers and bordering West Center Street, South Green Street and Church Street.

Arts & History

Martin Guitar, located at both 510 Sycamore Street and 265-499 Beil Avenue, has been a part of Nazareth for over 150 years. You can tour the facility and tour the museum. The original Martin Homestead is located at 201 N. Main Street and currently houses the Nazareth Bath Regional Chamber of Commerce.

We also have the Nazareth Center for the Arts at 30 Belvidere Street which hosts many musicians and artist events throughout the year. The Moravian Historical Society and the Whitfield House are located at 214 E. Center Street. Learn how Nazareth was founded by the Moravians in 1740. They also host many events throughout the year.

Civic Organizations & Events

Nazareth has both a local Rotary and Kiwanis Club. Please inquire if you are someone who wants to volunteer.

Nazareth Farmer's Market: Elizabeth "Liz" Wyant is our Downtown Manager and she is part of the NEDC (Nazareth Economic Development Commission). One of Liz's responsibilities is running the Farmer's Market held in the Nazareth Circle every Saturday from 9:00 am till 1:00 pm from May to October.

We also have the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce (GLVCC), the Nazareth Business Council (NBC) and the Nazareth Bath Regional Chamber of Commerce. These two Chambers are responsible for some of our larger annual events held within the Borough. The Nazareth Bath Regional Chamber of Commerce is the organizer of The Food Truck Festival held in June and the Martin on Main event which takes place on the first Saturday of August plus the Tree Lighting Ceremony held on the first Thursday evening of December. The Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber/Nazareth Business Council is the organizer of the Car Show at the Nazareth Borough Park in September and Christmas in Nazareth held in December. All three groups work collectively for events such as Small Business Saturday in November and for Nazareth Day held on the third Saturday of July each year and for some special events held at the Farmer's Market in the Circle throughout the year. Thank you to the NEDC and Downtown Manager Liz Wyant, Jenna Bowman of the GLVCC, Jessica O'Donnell of the GLVCC, Susan Jarvis of the NBC and Cynthia Anderson of the Nazareth Bath regional Chamber of Commerce for your commitment to our Borough.

Mayor's Request:

Lastly, I have a request of our residents. Our Refuse & Recycling is normally picked up weekly on Thursdays

unless a major holiday has preceded during the start of the week. I am asking that we all do our part to keep our Borough clean and looking good. Please do not place trash out any earlier than the night before scheduled pick-up. Please do not put garbage out daily or days and weeks in advance. Do not put garbage out if it is not in a container. This has become an issue recently in certain parts of our Borough. The Councilperson who oversees Refuse & Recycling will remind our Refuse Hauler about making sure that cans/containers are not left lying in the street. Please understand that on windy days there are times when the containers do blow around so it is not always the fault of our Refuse Hauler. Let's take pride in our Borough. Your neighbors will appreciate it!

Council Honors Glenn Recker and Rose and Joe Lichner for Their Years of Service To Nazareth Baseball

Following decades of volunteer service, Nazareth Borough Council was pleased to honor Rose and Joe Lichner and Glenn Recker at its January Business Meeting. The trio had done all of the hard work assisting the late Bill Gold with Nazareth Youth Baseball for nearly a combined fifty years and their efforts were highlighted in a Borough resolution presented to them by Mayor Lance Colondo. How many "Sign-Up" Saturdays and evenings getting fields ready or Sunday evenings picking teams or distributing uniforms did Recker and the Lichners graciously volunteer for...too many to count! More importantly, they helped our youth stay active, enjoy baseball and make important memories for players, parents and family. We owe them plenty...again, thanks to Rose and Joe Lichner and to Glenn Recker for their unselfish volunteer service!

Senior Living in the Borough of Nazareth

Is there a better place than Nazareth for seniors to call home? Apparently not, as Moravian Hall Square, Alexandria Manor, Silk Mill Apartments and the Oliver Border House are welcome homes

for seniors looking for all the ambiance that our town offers. Our seniors benefit from the convenience of being close enough to larger cities like Bethlehem, Allentown and Easton for their art, culture and restaurants but far enough away from the hustle, bustle, noise and traffic that comes with concentrations of population. Seniors can enjoy our Parks, our Walking Trails, a wonderful Library and a wonderful Colonial setting and history that adds to its attractiveness. Yes, Nazareth is affected by the expansion of the Lehigh Valley and more and more people and cars and trucks but it is still one of the very best and safest places to live...and dare I say that we all aim to see it stay that way.

Borough Receives PA DEP Environmental Grant and Four Other 2018 Grants Totaling \$320,902

Five grants were awarded to our Borough through the 2018 grant cycle totaling just over \$320,00. Last January, we received the news that our Borough had been awarded a \$42,799 Monroe County Gaming Grant for the purchase and outfitting of a new Police 2018 Ford Expedition SUV. One month later, Northampton County Open Space Commission awarded the Borough \$3,960 to redo the tennis courts in the Park and in June, the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce made the Borough a recipient of its fourth consecutive \$2,000 Main Street Foundation Grant for some landscaping improvements in the southeast corner of the Circle. Bigger news came in late October as the Borough was named recipient of a Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection Refuse & Recycling grant for \$263,252 for a chipper, a loader, security cameras and other improvements for the Borough's collection of all recyclables and improvements to its Yard Waste Center on Stoudt Boulevard. December brought another welcome announcement as we were granted \$8,000 from the Northampton County Hotel Tax Grant Program to replace the eight "Welcome Signs" which signal entry into Nazareth. Since 2009, our Borough has benefitted from \$1,251,994 in grant funding.

Borough Residents Mourn the Passing of Our Beloved Reverend David Schaeffer

The news of the passing of Reverend David Schaeffer hit hard to all who knew him and loved him...and that's just about everyone in our town. Somehow, most of us all came to know him as the Minister who gave the most eloquent sermons, sermons that encouraged a better life for all of us but avoided scolding us for what we were not doing right. To others, he was the smiling and proud husband and father, quick to laugh at a joke but mildly and effectively serious when it came time to counsel his parishioners or comfort those who listened intently to one of his amazing eulogies. Pastor Schaeffer, over his long tenure at Saint John's Lutheran, had a lasting effect on everyone who crossed his path. His ever-present smile, comforting words and pleasant way made us all respect him even more as he enriched our lives through his ministerial duties. He will deservedly remain a "Nazareth Icon" to all who knew and loved him.

Goodbye...and Hello

Following thirty plus years of employment, Jim Collins has retired from the Borough's Public Works Department where he served for many years as crew foreman and head of all electrical projects. Council honored Collins with a Resolution at its March 2019 Business Meeting where he was applauded and thanked for his many years of service. The Borough has hired Raymond Steinmetz to replace Collins.

The Baseball Field in our Park

Seated comfortably in the northwest quadrant of our Park, the Walter C. Fry Memorial Baseball Field has many stories to tell. Once the home of Nazareth's and the Detroit Tigers Single "A" affiliate in the North Atlantic League, the Nazareth Dusters, the facility had operational lighting for night games and has hosted Nazareth Legion Baseball for as long as anyone can remember. The Nazareth High School Baseball Team used the field from mid March to the end of May each year too and many championships were won on that cherished piece of ground. A cooperative

venture by both the Nazareth Area School District and the Borough revamped the field in 2002 and the Grandstands were later painted at no taxpayer cost, thanks to the generosity of former Borough engineering firm, Keller Consulting Engineers and then owner Justin Coyle.

Ordinances Have Now Been Added to Borough Website

Back in 2013, when the Borough premiered its new website, adding its hundreds of ordinances to the website would have been a costly venture and one which Council determined to be something that could be done at another time. With advances in technology and the passage of six years, things have changed and the Borough's 840 plus ordinances have now been added at no extra charge. Visitors to the website can now access the ordinances by clicking on that tab on the left column index of the Home Page and then searching for the category and ordinance of their choice.

VFW Donation Will Add Charm to Council Chamber's Porch

Colorful new planters will be installed at Borough Council Chambers thanks to a monetary donation from VFW Kenneth S. Bowers Post 4366 to Helping Hands. The VFW donation was for community improvement and Helping Hands, a group of borough residents who volunteer each year to help maintain the landscaping and planters in public spaces in the community, thought this would be an enhancement of the Veterans Memorial Square area.

New Water Features Will Add to Our Pool's Allure

Look for some new water features in the shallower portions of our Pool when it opens on Saturday, May 25, 2019 at noon. Council approved the purchase and installation of a "Fire Hydrant Spray" and a "Palm Tree with Three Dumping Coconuts" to enrich your visit to our Pool and so that your children will have something new to enjoy as they romp in the play area of our Pool's northern

quadrant. Pool passes remain as a "best buy" for a fun filled Summer of 2019. Be sure to visit our Borough website at www.nazarethboroughpa.com for more Nazareth Pool details.

Refuse & Recycling Notice To Borough Residents

Beginning April 2, 2019, a 14-yard dumpster will be placed at the West End Yard Waste site. This dumpster will be used for scrap metal only – household appliances, DVD players, air conditioners, lawn mowers and lawn tractors, grills, washers, dryers and any other things considered scrap metal.

NOTE: Televisions, propane or gas cylinders, children's toys and tires are NOT acceptable.

Nazareth Borough Residents should be aware that normal garbage and recycling pick-up is on Thursdays. All garbage must be placed in garbage cans or large plastic garbage bags. Small garbage store-type plastic bags are NOT acceptable if NOT placed in a can or a large plastic garbage bag.

NOTE: Garbage may be placed out one day in advance of garbage pick-up day. If it is placed out earlier than one day, it will be red-tagged. A second red tag will result in a fine.

Recycling must be placed in the blue recycling containers provided by the Borough. Contact should be made with the Borough Office at 610-759-0202, if one is needed.

PLEASE ALSO NOTE: Styrofoam is no longer acceptable as a recycling item.

Vigilance Hose Adds Its Spring Message

With the summer months approaching and the weather finally breaking and getting nice out, we at Vigilance Hose would like to wish you all a safe and happy summer. We would like to remind you to keep an eye out for our upcoming events this year. We have the annual Carnival coming up June 5, 6, 7, & 8 at the Borough Park...the Nazareth Day Road Rally and Fireworks on Saturday, July 20th....the Summer Picnic Drawing and Scholarship Golf Tournament on September 7th. If you have any questions about these events or are interested in participating, please contact

President Mark Morella via email at mmorella@vigilancehose.com or leave a message at 610-759-2542. We look forward to seeing you at these events and would like to thank you in advance for your support. Without your help and continued support none of these events would be possible. Please also don't forget to visit our website at www.vigilancehose.com and search for Nazareth Fire Department on Facebook for any and all updates to the events we have throughout the year.

*Respectfully,
Mark Morella
President*

Nostalgia Corner...Can You Identify these "Nicknamed" Borough Sites

Nazareth has long been famous for its use of nicknames for its residents. Years ago, in a previous Newsletter, I listed nearly 50 of the Borough's most referred to...nicknames...and the response was tremendous. But several areas and streets have longtime nicknames too. The list is not that long but here goes a few.

Have you ever taken a sleigh ride down "Beck's Hill" or you may have wandered just outside the Borough limits into "Skunk Hollow" to the east or "Dexter" to the west. Years ago there were no "Stop" signs at "Five Points" but now there are five of them and the trusty old Mail Drop Box is still there but no longer active.

If you were looking for a pleasant walk or a hike, you might try the "Moravian Woods" or "Black Rock" and you might even wander into the "Pleasure Gardens", now part of the Moravian Hall Square complex.

Sixty years ago, lots of people had their wedding receptions at "Carlo Hall" still there and adjacent to the Borough's Dog Park on Black Rock Road.

Lots of people still live in an area affectionately named "Phoenix" and not so long ago, they had a celebration of that neighborhood and its history and even installed a flagpole and monument to commemorate the area's legacy. Lots of Nazarenes proudly called "Burgenland" their neighborhood and home referring to their Austrian-German-Hungarian

ancestry and that area between Seip Avenue and West Mauch Chunk Street.

Plenty of our forefathers made their living at the "Fabs" (Nazareth Steel Fabricators), while many Moms worked at the "Waist Mill", the "Silk Mill" or in a "Dress Factory". Other Moms worked at Saint Regis which in the 50's and early 60's was referred to as the "Bates"...don't ask me why because there's nobody around that's old enough to give me that answer.

Back in the day, the area's shopping center had many names. The oldest of old timers still call it the "Fairgrounds", some refer to it as the "Food Basket" referencing its Falk's Food Basket days and still others stubbornly hang on to plain old Laneco even though the Giant Market has been there for nearly 20 years.

Many of us played baseball at the "Library Field"...now Veteran's Memorial Square. It was called the Library Field because it was adjacent to Nazareth's original Library which now serves as Council Chambers or you could also play baseball down at the "Meadows"...now Bill Gold Field.

The names have changed...but the places still remain and so do the memories and the "affectionate" nicknames. Hope I made you remember...and smile just a bit.

Important "Upcoming" Borough Events and Dates.

Check the Borough Website for times & more info

Saturday, May 25, 2019 at 12:00 noon

Pool Opens

Monday, May 27, 2019 at 10:00 am

Memorial Day Parade

June 5, 6, 7, 8, 2019

Fireman's Carnival

July 4, 2019

Kazoo Parade

Saturday, July 20, 2019

Nazareth Day & Fireworks

Monday, September 2, 2019

Pool's Closing Day

Thursday, January 2, 2020

January Workshop Meeting • 6:00 pm • Council Chambers

Monday, January 6, 2020

January Reorganization Meeting • 6:00 pm • Council Chambers

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WHAT YOU CAN & CAN'T RECYCLE

Yes! Single-Stream Recycling



Plastic bottles and containers labeled



EMPTY aluminum cans clean metal cans
EMPTY glass bottles & jars clean aluminum foil

white paper
colored paper
newspaper & inserts
shredded paper in
clear plastic bags
phone books
cardboard
(ok unflattened,
with tape)

junk mail
envelopes
(ok with windows)
magazines
catalogs

Cartons
Put your food & beverage
cartons in the bin. Milk,
soup, juice, wine & broth
cartons can be recycled.



NO Food. NO Liquids.

- NO Batteries or Electronics
- NO Utensils, Paper Plates or Cups
- NO Paper Towels or Napkins
- NO Styrofoam
- NO Plastic Wrap or Plastic Bags



Most Common Contaminants

Keep these common contaminants OUT of your recycling bin!



NO Recyclables in Plastic Bags

Empty loose recyclables in bin but leave the plastic bags out.



NO Food & Liquids

Compost instead! Otherwise, it belongs in the trash.



NO Electronics & Small Appliances

Donate if in good condition or schedule a bulky item pickup.



NO Textiles, Rugs, Carpet, & Bedding.

Large quantities may require special disposal.



NO Hoses, Holiday Lights, Hangers & Extension Cords

They wrap around equipment and can shut down entire facility!



NO Plastic bags, Film & Flexible Film Packaging

Take plastic bags back to local grocer to keep bags clean and dry.



NO Paper Napkins, Plates, Tissues & Cups

Compost if possible and remember to recycle the cardboard tube.



NO Polystyrene Foam

Foam and plastic to-go containers are not recyclable.



NO Tires, Auto Parts & Scrap Metal

Can damage equipment & are safety hazards. Contact local scrap recyclers or retail tire stores.



NO Construction & Wood Debris

Can damage equipment & are safety hazards. You may be able to schedule a bulky pickup or throw it in the trash.



NO Yard Waste & Wood

Compost or put in your yard waste cart, if available. Otherwise, it belongs in the trash.



NO Non-Recyclable Plastic

Not everything that is plastic is recyclable! Recycle only food and beverage bottles, jugs and tubs.

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