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FROM THE **MAYOR, DONALD BAUMGARTEN**



Integrity and ethics are timely topics considering all the strife and division we see in the world today. As we have aged most

of us have seen an evolution of the social norms that were taught to us by our parents. What is commonplace now was almost unthinkable just a few decades ago. One needs to look no further for an example of this than our current political world. Historically, there seemed more of a spirit of working together across the aisle, and corruption was a much smaller topic of conversation. Today, there seems to be a general lack of professional responsibility, moral reflection, and genuine care for fellow human beings.

If governance is about addressing community-wide interests and solving problems, then the act of governing should be transparent to the community being governed. The ethics of decisions

made by those who govern should be clear, as well as the potential consequences.

How are decisions made, and by whom? In our own community, Council meeting attendance by the public has historically been sparse, particularly by young people, but, ironically, restrictions on in-person gatherings due to the pandemic have only improved the transparency of governance in Castle Shannon. Borough meetings have been open to the public via Zoom, with options for the public to ask questions and interact with Council. On the second and fourth Monday of every month, governance by your elected Council members is on full display. You will see that while we may not always agree on how to do it, we all are looking at ways to move Castle Shannon forward; we are honored to serve our constituents.

I encourage you to log on, virtually meet your Council members, and see how your municipal government works for you! 🍀

FROM THE **BOROUGH COUNCIL PRESIDENT: MARK HECKMANN**

Dear Residents,



I cannot think of a time when I looked forward to Springtime more than I did this year. The many changes we have weathered together as a community, coupled with a difficult winter, have made the warming weather and blooming trees even more welcome.

Our borough is, in many ways, experiencing its own renewal and rebirth as well. With improving public health and public investment conditions, we should ask ourselves: how do we want to create a brighter future for Castle Shannon and its residents?

First, we will continue to be excellent in providing services to our residents. *All our Public Safety, Administrative, Public Works and Community Library staff are as dedicated to bettering Castle Shannon as public servants can be.*

It is quite common that residents write to us with a favorable story about an interaction with our staff or experience in our town. While always striving to be better, we are committed to being a safe and vibrant community well into the future.

Second, we will think bigger than ever before. *We are about to embark upon a series of exciting investments that will provide new ways to navigate and engage with our town.* Our downtown will be completely reinvigorated with a streetscape renovation by Fall of 2021, generating new and sustained interest from residents, businesses, and customers alike.

We are soon to receive the results of a Parks Master Plan process,

“Castle Shannon has a wonderful history to embrace, but we also have an obligation to bring about a brighter future.”

with recommendations for reinvesting in our park system with modern amenities that will draw and delight our families. The Borough is implementing new methods for branding and preserving the beauty of our town, with investments in a new signage and wayfinding system throughout the area. Additionally, we are exploring the potential of a 311-style phone app to allow residents to report maintenance and quality of life concerns easily to us.


Third, we are collaborating with our neighboring communities to deliver more value to our residents. For the first time, Castle Shannon is creating a “recreation-sharing” program whereby our residents can enjoy amenities in nearby neighborhoods that we do not have here. Our first partner in this

“RecShare” program is Dormont Pool, where we will subsidize 50% of the cost of a season pass for Castle Shannon residents. We expect to expand the RecShare program in other communities in the future.

In light of these new and emerging opportunities, our biggest mistake would be to not adapt or try anything new. *Castle Shannon has a wonderful history to embrace, but we also have an obligation to bring about a brighter future.* As you and your families take in the beautiful weather this spring, I encourage you to not simply see our blooming trees and flowers, but to take in our community in bloom. It is quite the sight to see. 🍀

Yours in service,

Mark



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\$100 BUSINESS

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MRTSA is asking for donations in order to rescue and train a therapy dog for our station!

Ways to Donate: Send a check to MRTSA - Therapy Dog Fund

Medical Rescue Team South
Emergency Medical Services
P.O. Box 10399
Pittsburgh, PA 15234-0399

Classes we offer to our community*:

CPR/First Aid Stop the Bleed
ACLS/PALS

*Pending Covid-19 Restrictions. Follow our Facebook page for updates!

[@MRTSA780](https://www.facebook.com/MRTSA780)

BALDWIN TOWNSHIP | CASTLE SHANNON | DORMONT | GREEN TREE | MT. LEBANON | WHITEHALL

From Kenneth M. Truver, *Chief of Police* - AWARENESS IS KEY TO KEEP YOU AND YOUR NEIGHBORS SAFE.

Dear Residents,



Over the past month Castle Shannon Police have been fielding calls for Fraud Reports. Residents have reported receiving unsolicited debit cards in the mail from Chase Bank, Metabank and Bank of America. These incidents are evidence of **Identity Theft** where unknown suspect(s) apply to open credit/debit accounts, in order to glean some financial reward. These incidents should be reported to police, as well as the issuing bank and the Credit Reporting Bureaus.

More information can be obtained on the CSPD website at www.csboro.com. The website also contains additional reference material and a weekly crime blotter for resident awareness. Subscriptions are available where up to date information can be sent straight to your cell phone through email or text.

As weather breaks and people are spending more time outdoors, this is also a good opportunity to remind residents to lock homes and vehicles when they are unattended. It is also a good idea to remove valuable items (and keys) from your vehicles, even if they are in your driveway. Thieves continue to search for easy ways to steal your hard owned money/property.

Finally, it is good crime prevention sense to protect your homes and family with additional lighting around your home (even better with motion sensors) and cameras. Good surveillance cameras are getting less expensive and easier to install. In addition to deterrence, they offer police intelligence, and sometimes evidence, about criminal activity. 🍀

Please call CSPD at (412) 885-9300 with questions.



Officer Christine Platt poses with "Hunter" at the CSVFD Vaccine site. CSPD has been providing security for the site since February. Hunter professes that she wants to be a police officer.

HOMETOWN PRIDE

CASTLE SHANNON VOL. FIRE DEPARTMENT APPAREL FUNDRAISER

We are pleased to announce the launching of a new apparel fundraising site dedicated for the CSVFD. Now you can support the fire department financially and display your pride for us at the same time. Our apparel store will be open several times a year to allow everyone to keep up to date with our newest fashion options. Best of all, your purchase can be made from the comfort of your home and will be shipped directly to you.

Our site will go live on May 29, 2021 and remain open until June 26, 2021.



To order, simply scan the **QR code** or visit the website directly at <https://shieldsembroidery.tuosystems.com/stores/csvfdfund>



Be sure to also follow us on Facebook to stay up to date on all department related activities including...

Department and Public Announcements, Department Training, Fire Response Information, Fundraiser Updates

<https://www.facebook.com/CSVFDUSA/>
Or view our website at www.csvfd.org

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• Accountants • Mechanics • Electricians • Retail Workers • Truck Drivers • Cooks • Retirees • Students*

No Experience Needed

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- Firefighter (*Interior or Exterior*)
- Associate
- Special Service

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- Free Life Insurance
- Hall Rental Discounts
- Use of Fitness Cent
- Free Uniforms/Apparel
- Free Parking at LRT lot

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your Volunteer Fire Department**

412-884-7913
csvfdmembership@gmail.com
www.csvfd.org/join



2020

Castle Shannon V.F.D. Incident Calls

Structure Fires	8
Cooking Fires	9
Brush or Mulch Fires	4
Dumpster/Trash Fires	2
Electrical Fires	4
Other Fires	4
Natural Gas Leaks	15
Carbon Monoxide	3
Carbon Monoxide False	13
Mutual Aid Responses	12
Vehicle Accidents	28
Medical Assist	4
Lock in / Lock Out	12
Rescue / Search	3
Smoke Scare	8
Wires Down / Utilities	24
Water Problem/Flooding	22
False Alarms	52
TOTAL 2020 CALLS	227

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!

Stop by and talk to us for more information, or give us a call.

**Applications being
accepted NOW!**

412-884-7913
www.csvfd.org

FROM THE FIRE CHIEF



A MESSAGE FROM BILL REFFNER

It has been a tough year for everyone including your fire department. We have had a tremendous loss of income, as our typical crowded fundraisers that normally bring in thousands of dollars, were not allowed, leaving holes in our budget. Your fire department relies heavily on numerous fundraisers in any given year to keep up with monthly expenses, therefore we were forced to cut back on our spending budget and forgo expenses that can wait.

We want to thank all of the residents and business owners in our serving area that

stepped up and made much needed monetary donations to our fire department this past year. Because of the generosity of our supporters, we were able to keep our fire department running without jeopardizing any emergency responses.

As we look to the future and better days, we are still in need of firefighters to join our department to continue to provide you with fire and emergency protection. If you are willing to join our team, feel free to contact us for more information.

Have a safe and happy summer! 🍀

Military Order of the World Wars (MOWW) Law and Order Award



Sutton and Colonel Reese.

At a ceremony held on November 24, 2020 Firefighter Robert Sutton of the Castle Shannon Fire Department was

the recipient of the Military Order of the World Wars (MOWW) Law and Order Award for outstanding service to his community. The award was presented by Colonel Robert L. Reese, Vice Commander of the General Ridgway - Pittsburgh Chapter. The MOWW is a National organization, made up of military officers from all branches of the service, which sponsors a number of programs aimed at advancing patriotism and recognizing individuals who make significant contributions to our way of life. The certificate on the wooden plaque presented to Fireman Sutton contained the following citation:

"For his devotion to duty in serving the community as a Firefighter for the Castle Shannon Volunteer Fire Department since 1978, having performed his duties in an outstanding manner above and beyond normal expectations and keeping abreast of fire prevention methods. He is the recipient of the Fire Department President's award for outstanding service. His dedication to his profession reflects great credit upon himself and his Fire Department and is in keeping with the highest standard of protecting public lives and property"

Sutton was recommended for this distinguished award by William Reffner, the Castle Shannon Fire Chief, because of his exceptional devotion to duty and the leadership role he plays in running the Castle Shannon Fire Department as its President. 🍀



**JUNE
20
2021**

**3-7
PM**

THE CASTLE SHANNON V.F.D. PRESENTS

FATHER'S
DAY

**Food
Truck**

FREE
ENTRY &
PARKING

**#1 SUMMER
EVENT**

FESTIVAL



**BRING
DAD!**

**15 – 17 FOOD TRUCKS WILL BE ATTENDING
PIZZA * BBQ * SWEETS * HOTDOGS * SANDWICHES * GYROS & MORE
ADULT BEVERAGES / CIGAR STATION & MORE**

CASTLE SHANNON V.F.D. PARKING LOT

3600 LIBRARY ROAD / CASTLE SHANNON PA 15234

LIKE US ON FACEBOOK: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/486264289226390>

**MORE INFORMATION AT WWW.CSVFD.ORG
OR CALL: 412-884-7913**

BE A PART OF THE LIBRARY THIS SUMMER

Castle Shannon thanks you...



FRIENDS OF THE COMMUNITY LIBRARY OF CASTLE SHANNON

Who are the Friends?

The Friends of the Community Library of Castle Shannon support and fund the library. The Friends support the library through fund-raising and volunteer activities throughout the year.

How do I become a Friend?

You can help support programming at the library and become a member by donating \$5 for a Regular Membership, \$15 for a Family Membership or \$25 for a Patron Membership. We are also looking for volunteers to help out a few hours a year at our annual fund-raising events.

Friends of the Community Library of Castle Shannon and the United Way



Please designate the Friends of the Community Library of Castle Shannon for your United Way contribution. Please use the code number **10319077** when making your contribution.

Thank you!



LIBRARY DONATIONS ACCEPTED

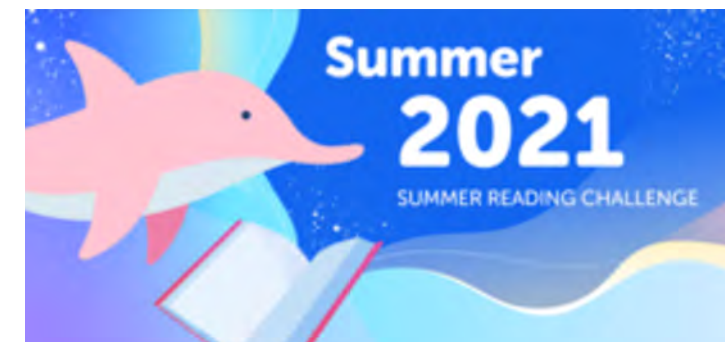
The library accepts donations of gently-used newer books, audio books, DVDs, music CDS, puzzles, board games and video games. Please place items in our RED DONATION BIN near the front door. Donations are either added to the library's collection or sold at the Friends of the Library Book Sales to support the library.

GIFTS AND MEMORIALS

The library is pleased to receive gifts of money designated for the purchase of library materials, equipment, or furnishings. You can also make a monetary contribution to the library for a book memorial to honor a friend or give a gift of a book in celebration of a birthday, anniversary, graduation or any other special occasion. Recommendations for books and other library materials are welcome. Contributions begin at \$10.00 and you may suggest a specific book or general subject. A personalized bookplate is placed in each material with the name of the honored person and the name of the donor.

On receipt of your contribution, a special card will be sent to the family or individual and an acknowledgement will be sent to you.

Memorial Forms are available at the library and on the library's website at www.castleshannonlibrary.org.



SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Believe it or not, summer reading is right around the corner. Join us online for chances to win prizes just for reading! The Tales & Tails program will start June 14th for kids and adults. Stayed tuned to our website, Facebook, and Instagram pages for more information.

make-and-take box in the gazebo or in the library lobby starting the day of the event, while supplies last.

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- ☒ GET READ-A-LONG KIDS' BOOKS
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LOVE YOUR LIBRARY BECOME A FRIEND

I wish to donate:

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- ☐ \$5 Regular Membership
- ☐ \$10 Family Membership
- ☐ \$25 Patron Membership
- ☐ \$_____ Other Amount

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Are you interested in volunteering for any of these events? (check one)

- ☐ Halloween Parade
- ☐ Flea Markets
- ☐ Book Sales
- ☐ Baking for Misc. Event Bake
- ☐ Breakfast with Santa

A THANK YOU LETTER TO
A SPECIAL LIBRARY VOLUNTEER...

Dear Marian Randa330,

As a friend who serves with you on the Board of Trustees for the Community Library of Castle Shannon, I have witnessed the generous amount of time and passion you have served our community with for many years.

To thank you adequately is impossible. You've spent long hours on various projects, sharing your professional expertise and personal availability for the greater good of our Library and patrons.

I am so thankful for your accomplished insight and guidance in my growth and dedication to serve our beloved Library. Your personable communication and leadership is consistently offered with integrity and thoughtfulness. In my eyes, the Castle Shannon community is a better place to live and enjoy life because of your genuine caring and efforts.

I do hope you know that you are truly valued and respected. Thank you!

Sincerely,
Donna Phillips



Holiday Schedule-Upcoming Closures:

The Library is closed on Sundays.

Saturday, May 29th through Monday, May 31st
Memorial Day Holiday Weekend

Saturday, July 3rd through Monday, July 5th
Fourth of July Holiday Weekend

Saturday, September 4th through
Monday, September 6th
Labor Day Holiday Weekend



Hours are:

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday: 10:30am – 7:30pm

Wednesday & Friday: 10:30am – 4:30pm

Saturday: 10:00am-5:00pm

We can deliver your requested materials to your car or place them in the lobby.

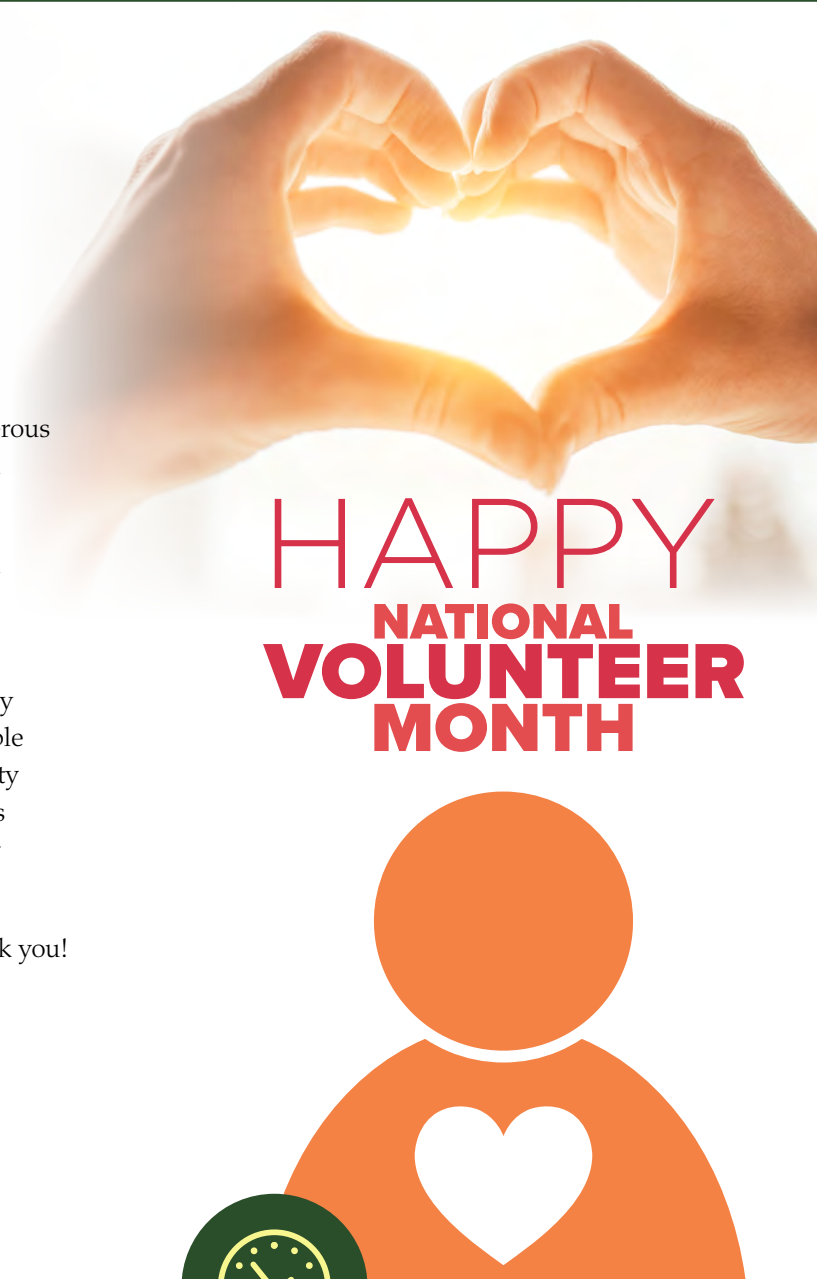
You can place holds through the online catalog and request them to be sent to the Castle Shannon Library. <https://librarycatalog.einetwork.net/>

Use this link to sign up for a free Library card or place a hold with your existing card. <https://librarycatalog.einetwork.net/MyResearch/GetCard>



Please Take Advantage of the
Library's Services:

- Curbside/Lobby Pickup of Materials
- 1 Hour Computer Appointments
- 30 Minute Browsing Appointments
- Scan, Print, Fax and Copy
- Virtual Programming



HAPPY
NATIONAL
VOLUNTEER
MONTH

Stay Up to Date on
Library Information, Programs
& Events so you always
know what is going on
with the Library!



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- Like our **Facebook** page
- Follow us on **Twitter**
- Follow us on **Instagram**
- Check out our **website**
www.castleshannonlibrary.org
- Ask to be put on our **email** list

For more information &
to schedule an appointment,
please call 412-563-4552.

YES, I WOULD LOVE TO
DONATE TO THE COMMUNITY
LIBRARY OF CASTLE SHANNON!



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Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

I wish to donate: (check one)

☐ \$5 ☐ \$10 ☐ \$25 _____ \$ Other Amount

Donations are accepted online at
[https://aclalibraries.org/library-finder/
community-library-of-castle-shannon/](https://aclalibraries.org/library-finder/community-library-of-castle-shannon/)

— OR —

You can send or drop off your donation at:

Community Library of Castle Shannon
3677 Myrtle Avenue, Castle Shannon, PA 15234



The Castle Shannon Youth Association is thrilled to PLAY BALL once again!

Scheduled games began at the end of April and will continue as usual throughout the 2021 season.

For more information about CDC guidelines, game schedules, and volunteering opportunities, please visit www.castleshannonsports.com. Please remember, masks must be worn in the dugout at all times.

Upgrades at the ballfields continue. The new score shed entryway deck and external steps were recently completed at Municipal Center Ballfield, the cost of which was shared by the Borough. Also, new infield mix was spread, and home plate was replaced. New infield mix was spread and edging was refreshed at Hamilton Park, as well.

Special shout out to our Public Works Department – Bob Ausman and his team’s yearly field preparation is awesome, and this year is no exception.

We were able to fill our fence once again with sponsorship banners from many local businesses, both from Castle Shannon and surrounding communities. The CSYA extends a big ‘thank you’ to all our sponsors!

The CSYA Kickoff Gala date is still to be determined; we are closely monitoring indoor, in-person gathering restrictions for the health and safety of our community and kids. Make sure to check the CSYA website, www.castleshannonsports.com, or our Facebook page for announcements. 🍀



FROM THE **BUILDING AND ZONING OFFICE**

Paul Vietmeier, Castle Shannon Building & Codes, says:

“I LOVE CASTLE SHANNON, BUT I DON’T LOVE RATS!”



Spring is a time of renewal and regeneration. Many of us choose to refresh our landscaping, renovate our homes or embark on a thorough Spring cleaning. Often, that results in extra trash at the curb which, if not handled properly, can invite rats and other scavengers.

Rats are opportunistic and will happily climb into your trash cans and compost heaps if not secured properly. **Make sure the lids on your trash cans are tightly secured, and do not place them at the curb before 6:00 pm the night before pickup.** The Borough will issue letters of

warning and even citations if trash cans are put out too early. Rats seek food, water and shelter and may even gnaw their way inside your home. Their favorite places to live are in woodpiles, leaf piles, shrubs and under debris. Clear out the remains of your summer or fall garden and pick up any decaying fruit or nuts that may have fallen in your yard. If you compost, you’ll want to invest in a rat-proof compost bin, rather than leaving compost out in the open.

Rats and other rodents eat pet excrement. You read that right! Be sure to pick up pet waste immediately and dispose of it properly. Certainly, do not leave pet waste in a neighbor’s yard, on the sidewalk, or in the street. If you do,

be sure to smile, as you may be caught on a nearby Ring Doorbell camera or other home security video devices. What would normally be an awkward faux pas can easily turn into an expensive morning walk, as technology makes it easier than ever to identify pooffenders and deliver a well-deserved citation.

Do not feed wildlife! If you are feeding wildlife, you are welcoming rats into the neighborhood. Rats carry bacteria and viruses in their saliva, urine, and feces that can cause lethal disease in pets and humans, as well as the very wildlife you are feeding.

So, check your yard, remove shelter, food, and water sources, and let’s all have an invigorating, joyful, rat-free Spring! 🍀

CASTLE SHANNON NEWS BRIEFS...

St. Anne School on Willow Avenue has become part of South Hills Catholic Academy! SHCA anticipates using the building for athletics and events initially and is exploring options for educational programs in the future. For more information about South Hills Catholic Academy or to enroll your child, visit <https://www.shcacademy.com/>, or call SHCA at (412) 631-3131

Castle Shannon parks are open! Please call **(412) 885-9200** to check availability and make reservations for your socially-distant, outdoor celebration, or visit <http://csboro.org> to find out how.

The Allegheny County Health Department opened a **COVID-19 vaccine clinic** at the Castle Shannon Volunteer Fire Department’s Memorial Hall in early March. The clinic is anticipated to **run until October**. As vaccine eligibility has expanded, be sure to visit **www.pa211sw.org** or call 2-1-1 to schedule your vaccination.

The RecShare program is here! Castle Shannon Borough residents can now **purchase season passes for the Dormont Pool at 50%** off the normal resident purchase price – family fun, all summer long! To register, please call **(412) 561-8900** ext. 227 or email bbachman@boro.dormont.pa.us for assistance.

Finally, if you’d like to receive the **Castle Shannon Borough Newsletter via email**, visit <http://csboro.org/resources> to sign up for **electronic delivery**.

Thank you

HOLIDAY FOOD GIVING PROGRAM

On behalf of the Holiday Food Giving committee and the recipients of the program, we would like to thank all of the businesses and individuals that donated, thereby making the program possible. Because of your generosity many families who otherwise may have gone hungry were able to have a complete holiday meal. If you are a resident of Castle Shannon and need assistance with your holiday meals, please contact us at 412-571-0373 or contact the Borough office.

Thank you again for your generous support,
The Holiday Food Giving Committee





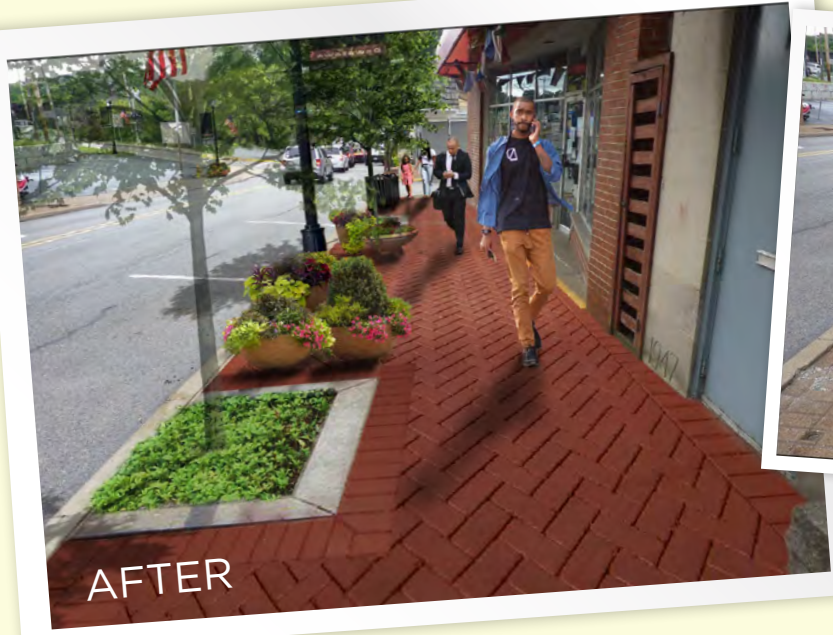
**COMING THIS SUMMER
TO CASTLE SHANNON:
THE STREETSCAPE
IMPROVEMENT
PROJECT!**

It has been a long time coming, but Castle Shannon's Streetscape Improvement Project is due to start this summer.

The seed for the current revitalization effort was planted in 2008, when then-Borough Council Vice President Nancy Kovach initiated a conversation with fellow Councilperson Michael Warhold about the deteriorated condition of the Downtown Business District. Together with local business owners, residents, members of the Planning Commission, Keystone Oaks School Board, and Borough Council, a new organization coalesced. They sought the advice of local elected representatives, various Allegheny County organizations, and PA's Department of Community and Economic Development about community revitalization.

A 501(c)3 nonprofit whose mission was to benefit the community was created and the most recent iteration of the Castle Shannon Revitalization Corporation came to be.

CSRC Board Members and Borough officials quickly sorted into several committees to handle different, but related aspects of a downtown revitalization project and got to work exploring avenues for funding, technical assistance, and potential partnerships.



The years of hard work, collaboration, and negotiation with various entities including the Port Authority of Allegheny County and PennDOT have paid off, and construction is due to begin this summer.

After a thorough bidding process, KU Resources Inc. was chosen as the engineering and design firm for the project; KU Resources anticipates the project could be completed in one construction season. Areas of construction include the Downtown sections of upper and lower Willow, Castle Shannon Boulevard from Rt. 88 to the Mt. Lebanon border

below the Shop 'N Save, and Park Avenue. Improvements include new sidewalk pavers, lighting, street furniture and street trees.

Everyone who has worked to bring this project to fruition deserves a round of applause and our deepest gratitude.

To view KU Resources Inc.'s presentation, head on over to the Borough website – <http://csboro.org>.

As always, practice caution in construction zones, and try to be patient. A little disruption now will result in years of a beautiful, welcoming Downtown Castle Shannon! 🍀



As vaccination numbers continue to rise and the Commonwealth takes measured steps to slowly reopen, I want to take this chance to remind you of some of the services our office offers.



We provide assistance with PennDOT forms, property tax/rent rebate forms, and unclaimed property. We also help folks get information from state agencies on things like unemployment or professional licenses. If you are a senior who is looking to obtain a Port Authority

ConnectCard so that you can ride PAT buses and the T for free, we can help you with that as well. In addition to the services we offer, we have a broad range of informational brochures about state services, state agencies and local non-profits, as well as free maps of Pennsylvania. Our office also sends out regular email blasts with updates about what is happening in Harrisburg and around the 42nd District, as well as about upcoming events we will be hosting.



If you do not already receive our e-blasts, you can sign up for them by visiting my website at repdanmiller.com. We pride ourselves on our service to our constituents, so I invite you to contact my office any time, whether to share your opinions or to seek assistance with any state agency or service. We are here to serve you. You can reach us by phone at 412-343-3870 or email at repmiller@pahouse.net. 🍀

Emergency – Police / Ambulance / Fire	9-1-1
Borough Administration	412-885-9200
Police Information	412-885-9300
Fire Department Information	412-884-7913
Medical Rescue Information / MRTSA	412-343-5111
Mayor Donald Baumgarten	412-885-9200
Real Estate Tax Collector	412-885-9260
Earned Income Tax Collector, Jordan Tax Service	412-835-5243
Community Library	412-563-4552
Animal Control	412-279-6911
District Justice David Barton	412-885-2111
District 6 Allegheny County Council Representative John Palmiere	412-350-6550
State Senator Wayne Fontana, 42 nd Senatorial District	412-344-2551
State Representative Dan Miller, 22 nd Legislative District	412-343-3870
U.S. Representative Conor Lamb, 17 th District	412-344-5583
U.S. Senator Bob Casey, Jr.	412-803-7370
U.S. Senator Pat Toomey	412-803-3501
Waste Management	1-800-866-4460
Castle Shannon Borough Municipal Center	412-885-9200
Administration	Extension 100
Borough Manager	Extension 103
Building & Zoning	Extension 105
Real Estate Tax Collector, Eileen O’Malley	Extension 107
Mayor Donald Baumgarten	Extension 108
Castle Shannon Police Department	412-885-9300
Administrative Assistant	Extension 111
Overnight Street Parking	Extension 120
Shift Supervisor	Extension 120
NON-EMERGENCY Allegheny County Dispatch	412-473-3056

CASTLE SHANNON NAMED 2021 BANNER COMMUNITY

Castle Shannon has been named a 2021 Banner Community. The Banner Community program, sponsored by Allegheny County and the Allegheny League of Municipalities (ALOM), recognizes communities that show a commitment to professional development, prudent fiscal management, transparency, accountability, and proactive communications to engage community stakeholders. A total of 71 municipalities and five municipal authorities were recognized this year. “Thank you to ALOM and Allegheny County for again recognizing Castle Shannon as a Banner Community,” said Mark Heckmann, Borough Council President. “Our staff and elected officials work hard every day to assist our residents and businesses

by providing the services they rely on each day. We are very proud of our municipality’s commitment and excited to receive this designation again for 2021.” “All of our communities have been stressed during this pandemic, and perhaps none more than local governments which have had their finances as well as their operations impacted. Yet throughout these challenges, these municipalities continue to serve the residents of their community in ways that set them apart,” said County Executive Rich Fitzgerald. “Congratulations to all of the recipients of the Banner Community designation. We are grateful to you for your continued efforts on behalf of your residents



and businesses and are fortunate to have you as part of our county.” Castle Shannon is a member of the Allegheny League of Municipalities, a nonprofit organization created in the early 1960s to coordinate the needs of the area’s local elected officials. In 1974, it was officially established as the Allegheny League of Municipalities to coordinate, advocate and educate the hundreds of elected officials within its member municipalities in Allegheny County and southwestern Pennsylvania. The organization educates elected officials, delivers essential resources, and advocates for sound policy and legislation. 🍀

2021 Trash and Recycling Information

Dear Castle Shannon Resident,

Your community provides a comprehensive solid waste program designed to encourage recycling and waste reduction, reduce litter in our neighborhoods and ensure that waste is disposed of in an environmentally responsible manner.

This guide includes various services that are available to residents. Waste Management pledges to provide the high-quality service residents expect and deserve.

REGULAR CURBSIDE

COLLECTION: Trash will be collected once every week. Recycling will be collected every other week, please see the calendar to identify your collection week. Your service day will remain the same in 2021. Place material at the curb after 6 p.m. on the prior day or before 6 a.m. on the scheduled collection day.

SERVICE INQUIRES: Residents should contact Waste Management to report a missed pick up. A representative can be reached at 1-800-866-4460 or through live chat or email at www.wm.com. In the event of inclement weather, visit www.wm.com/alerts for service updates, delays and cancellations.

HOLIDAY SERVICE: Please reference the calendar for observed holidays.

GUIDELINES FOR COLLECTION:

- Garbage should be properly secured in containers (40 gallons or less) or plastic bags, weighing 50 pounds or less. Place garbage at curbside, in one area, and do not exceed 15bags/ cans and 2 bulk items per week.
- Grass clippings and weeds should be in plastic bags.
- Furniture items, appliances, household goods and disassembled children's swing sets (cut to 4-foot length) will be accepted at curbside.
- Carpet should be rolled and tied in lengths not to exceed 48 inches so that one man can lift.
- Empty paint cans and dried paint are acceptable. Paint can be dried by air drying or soaking up with newspaper or kitty litter. Lids should be left off.

EXCLUDED ITEMS:

- Building material may be picked up for a fee by contacting Waste Management at 800-866-4460
- Hazardous Household Waste and Electronic Waste (including paint, thinners, cleaners, pesticides/

herbicides, etc.) - see PA Resources Council website for county events (www.prc.org)

- Automobile parts including wheel rims and tires
- Trees, branches and bushes
- Ashes from furnaces and fireplaces
- Stones and dirt

APPLIANCES CONTAINING REFRIGERANT:

The contractor will collect such items as refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, dehumidifiers, water coolers, etc.; however, the item must have a sticker certifying that the refrigerant has been removed. If it does not have the sticker, it will not be picked up. It is unlawful for the contractor to dispose of these items containing refrigerant. When purchasing a new appliance, have the store dispose of the old appliance to save the cost of having the refrigerant removed.

RECYCLING SERVICE:

Residents will receive every other week curbside recycling collection. Please reference the calendar to identify your service week. Recyclables should be placed loose in containers marked clearly as recycling. ♻️

2021 RECYCLING PROGRAM

Waste Management is asking your community to help combat recycling contamination. For programs to be successful, all participants must make an effort to practice good recycling habits.



ALWAYS RECYCLE



Plastic Bottles, Jars & Jugs
(labeled #1 and #2)



Flattened Cardboard & Paperboard



Paper
Brown paper bags, non confidential office paper, newspaper, magazines



Food & Beverage Cans
Steel, tin & aluminum soda, vegetable, fruit & tuna cans



DO NOT INCLUDE IN YOUR MIXED RECYCLING CONTAINER



NO Food or Liquids



NO Foam Cups or Containers



NO Green Waste



NO Glass Bottles & Containers



NO Clothing, Furniture & Carpet



NO Loose Plastic Bags, Bagged Recyclables or Film
Empty recyclables directly into your bin.



NO Batteries – check local programs for proper disposal



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GARBAGE & RECYCLING 2021 SCHEDULE

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 Recycle Week
 Holiday

Recycling will be collected bi-weekly. Please see below for your recycling service schedule. Recyclables must be clearly marked as recycling. Please do not bag recyclables.

Should you have any questions, please contact Waste Management:
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