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NEVILLE NEWS



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**HAPPY 100TH
ANNIVERSARY
NEVILLE ISLAND VOLUNTEER
FIRE DEPARTMENT
AND
NEVILLE ISLAND
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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The Neville Island Fire Department was founded in 1917 and in 2017 will recognize 100 years of citizens serving citizens and the protection of life and property.

On Saturday, July 22, 2017 the Department will host a community-wide celebration of their 100th Anniversary, and honor the 100th Anniversary of the Neville Island Presbyterian Church.

Please **SAVE THE DATE** and watch for future event announcements.



NEVILLE ISLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT CHALLENGE COINS and RAFFLE TICKETS

In honor of their 100th Anniversary, the Neville Island Fire Department will be issuing CHALLENGE COINS that feature Station 205. Coins can be purchased for \$20.00.

The Department will also be holding a lottery-based raffle fundraiser to help with the cost of the anniversary event. Tickets are \$2.00. SEE ANY FIREFIGHTER TO PURCHASE.



TRAFFIC ALERT: Residents traveling in the area of Grand Avenue and 2nd Street should be alert for changes to traffic control devices.

The traffic signals in this area are scheduled for permanent removal. The signals will be replaced with "Stop" signs and additional "No Parking" areas that are required to improve driver site distance when entering Grand Ave.



In honor of Earth Day 2017, Neville Green and Neville Township will partner to host the Annual Neville Township Clean-up Day on Saturday, April 22nd.

Volunteers will perform a litter sweep along Grand Avenue and Neville Road to remove the trash that has accumulated over the winter. Please volunteer! We need your help to make the Island a more attractive place to live, work and visit.

Volunteers should plan to meet at the Neville Island Fire Station at 5300 Grand Avenue by 9:00 AM. The event will end at Noon.

The Township will supply all volunteers with work gloves, safety vests and trash bags. Neville Green will provide free coffee, donuts and bottled water.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Neville Green at 412-262-3620.



HAVE YOU SEEN THE MISSING NEVILLE GREEN PLANTERS?

Over the winter, seven of the Neville Green flower planters were stolen from intersections along Grand Avenue. Volunteers work hard to add color and greenery to our sidewalks and we will miss the flowers this spring! If you have any information on the theft, or see suspicious activity near the remaining planters, please call Ohio Township Police at 412-259-8304.

WELCOME ABOARD!!!

Over the winter, the Township added new playground equipment to Memorial Park. Ready for play is a new pirate-ship themed play station featuring slides, rope, and other climbing areas. Coming soon, the ship will be joined by another play structure designed for smaller "sailors" and a new landscaped play surface will be added to both areas.

The new equipment was funded using grants obtain from the Federal Housing and Urban Development's Community Block Grant Program.

Interested in renting a park pavilion for your summer event? Stop in the Township Office or call 412-264-1977 to reserve a space.





Spring Hydrant Flushing

The Neville Township Public Works Department will be flushing hydrants and water lines on **April 20 and April 21, 2017, from 4:00 pm until Midnight.**

Customers may notice discolored water and are asked not to do laundry or use large amounts of water during this period. If you experience discolored water, please flush your lines by running cold water. If the discoloration remains after 10 - 20 minutes, please call the Township at 412-264-1977.

Street Sweeping

The Township's Street Sweeping Program will resume on **April 5th** and continue through the end of November. The Township is divided into three zones, each with **two (2) hour parking restrictions every Wednesday.**

Zone 1: First Ward (First Street to Pershing Way) - 8 AM to 10 AM.

Zone 2: Second Ward (Hubert Street to Gibson Lane) - 10 AM to 12 Noon.

Zone 3: Third Ward (Cottage Avenue to Von Stein Lane) - 1 PM to 3 PM.

The Township's Street Sweeping Program is an essential service. Not only does it keep our community looking its best, but it prevents litter and debris from reaching our storm sewers and ultimately the river. Street Sweeping keeps water quality high and prevents flooding.

Do you part and take a moment to move your vehicle. Forgot? If you received a parking citation you may pay by mail, in person or via the Township's 24-hour drop box. *Failure to pay within 30 days will result in a police traffic citation that includes a larger fine and court costs.*



Water Questions and Answers

Why Does My Drinking Water Look Cloudy Sometimes?

Once in awhile, you get a glass of water and it looks cloudy or milky. After a few seconds it clears. Why?

Cloudy water or white water is caused by air bubbles in the water. Water is pressurized to help it travel through the pipes to your home. Water under pressure holds more air than water that is not pressurized. Once the water comes out of your tap and is no longer under pressure that air comes out as bubbles. The cloudiness is tiny air bubbles in the water. Like any bubble, the air rises to the top of the glass and the water clears. Cloudy water happens more often when it is very cold outside, since cold water holds more air than warm water.

Cloudy water caused by air bubbles is completely harmless! If you are concerned, leave the water sit in an open container and the bubbles will disappear. If your water does not clear or has any usual odor or taste, please contact the Township Water Department at 412-264-1977.



NEED HELP PAYING YOUR SEWAGE TREATMENT BILL? ALCOSAN'S Clean Water Assistance Fund may be able to help. Program information is this quarter's bill.

Is your home at risk for flooding? If you live in or near a flood plain you can attend a free event to learn about flood proofing actions. See the event flyer in your Newsletter for event information and register to attend today.



Neville Island Real Estate Tax

On April 1st Township Real Estate Tax bills will be mailed to all property owners. For residents who wish to pay in person and prior to the end of the discount period, Jordan Tax Services representatives will be at the Municipal Building according to the following schedule:

Friday, May 26th * 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

TAX QUESTIONS?

Call Jordan Tax Service at 724-731-2311

Or visit www.jordantax.com



Primary Election Day

Pennsylvania will hold Primary Elections on **Tuesday, May 16, 2017**. Polls will be open from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM



*Neville Township
Board of Commissioners*

Bill Leon, Chairperson
Rick Rutter, Vice-Chairperson
Jim Brown
Gig Mundell
Al Whitaker



SEVERE WEATHER SAFETY

As we welcome the arrival of spring's warmer temperatures, the new season can also bring the threat of severe weather. Please take a moment to review steps you can take to keep your family safe if dangerous weather is predicted for Neville Island.

THUNDERSTORMS – Most common in the afternoon and evening, thunderstorms can happen at any time.

- Did you know that every thunderstorm produces lightening?
- If thunder roars, go indoors! If you can hear thunder you are close enough to be in lightening danger.
- Take shelter in a substantial building or a vehicle with the windows closed.
- Do not take a bath, wash dishes, or use indoor plumbing.

TORNADOS – Spring is peak tornado season and this danger can happen anywhere in PA.

- Know the warning signs – dark, often green clouds, a wall cloud, debris, large hail, a funnel cloud or roaring noise.
- Follow your local news and be prepared to act when a Watch or Warning is issued.

FLASH FLOODING – Occurs suddenly when water rises near a stream or low-lying area.

- Flash Floods are the #1 cause of weather-related deaths.
- Turn Around – Don't Drown! -Never drive through standing water.
- Do not approach floodwaters. Six inches of running water can knock you off your feet.

FOR MORE INFO CHECK OUT THESE WEBSITES:

- WWW.FEMA.GOV
- WWW.READY.GOV
- WWW.REDCROSS.ORG
- WWW.NWS.NOAA.GOV