

Summer 2017

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NEVILLE NEWS



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NEVILLE ISLAND VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



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Founded in 1917 by citizens of Neville Island, the Neville Island Volunteer Fire Department has been protecting our families, homes and businesses for 100 years!

On Saturday, July 22, 2017, the Department will celebrate their centennial anniversary and has invited the entire community to share in the fun on their special day!

Please join the firefighters for demonstrations, children's events, food, music and fireworks! And take a moment to thank past and present firefighters and their families for their sacrifice and dedication.

SEE ENCLOSED FLYER FOR SCHEDULE OF EVENTS



THANK YOU EARTH DAY VOLUNTEERS

On Saturday, April 22, 2017, volunteers removed over three truck loads of litter from Island roadways.

The Neville Township Board of Commissioners would like to thank the residents and local business participants who made the annual Earth Day Clean-up a huge success. Please join us in recognizing:

Neville Green

Neville Island Volunteer Fire Company

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Robert Morris University

Pennsylvania Department of Transportation

The best way to thank our volunteers is by continuing their efforts. If you see litter, pitch-in and pick it up!

*A special thank you to the
Coraopolis VFW Post 402.*

*By hosting the area's
Memorial Day Parade and
the Ceremony at the Neville
Island Memorial Park, you
help to remember the
sacrifices of our families,
friends and neighbors.*

MEMORIAL PARK PLAYGROUND IMPROVEMENT PROJECT



The Neville Township Board of Commissioners has completed phases I and II of improvements to the Memorial Park Playground. Ready for summer 2017 fun are **two new pirate ship themed play structures, new playground surface, and a park bench for parents.**

The new equipment was paid for using Community Development Block Grants. New applications have been submitted to upgrade the play equipment and court surfaces at Cottage Park.

Additional park improvements scheduled for this summer including new fencing at Cottage Park and repairs to park buildings.



PLEASE REPORT PARK VANDALISM

Sadly, just a few weeks after installation, the new playground equipment purchased for our youngest residents has been broken and also damaged by graffiti. If you witness damage, see suspicious activity, or persons in the parks after dark, please call the Ohio Township Police Department by dialing "911."



HEITZ OF HEAVEN 5K Run / Walk

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2017 - 9:00 AM

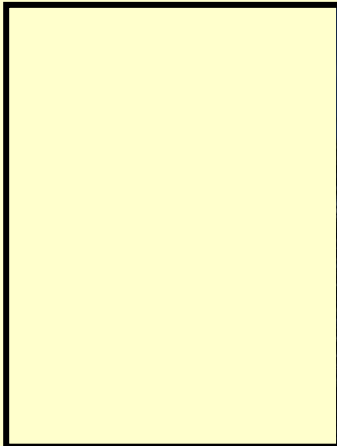


Neville Township is honored to host the annual benefit race for the Heitz 61 Memorial Foundation. Run or walk in memory of Ryan V. Heitzenrater, who passed away in 2013 at the age of 13. Proceeds support higher education, physical well-being and teamwork in young persons involved in sports by distributing scholarships and offering diverse sports programs. **More info and online registration at www.Heitz61Foundation.org.**

NEW ALLEGHENY COUNTY BICYCLE LANES COMPLETED New for summer 2017, Allegheny County has installed bicycle lanes on County owned and maintained roadways across Neville Island. **Grand Avenue has “share the road” bicycle lanes and Neville Road has dedicated bike lanes.**



Residents are likely to encounter an increasing number of cyclists on our roadways as they take advantage of an affordable way to commute to work or enjoy a healthier lifestyle. There are many misconceptions when it comes to the rights of bicyclists on the road - both by motorists and the cyclists. Please take a moment to brush-up on **BICYCLE SAFETY AND PENNSYLVANIA LAWS:**



- ▶ Pennsylvania’s Motor Vehicle Code considers “pedalcycles” as vehicles, and cyclists are granted all of the rights, and are subject to all of the rules applicable to a driver of a motor vehicle.
- ▶ Cyclists may not ride more than two abreast (side-by-side) unless on paths or parts of a roadway dedicated for the exclusive use of bikes.
- ▶ Motor vehicles and cyclists must obey all stop signs and traffic signals. If a traffic signal does not detect a bicycle when positioned directly over the saw cuts in the pavement that register vehicles, the signal may be treated as a stop sign. Proceed through the intersection with caution after yielding to all traffic and pedestrians.
- ▶ Motor vehicles must allow 4 feet of distance when overtaking a bicycle and travel at a careful and prudent speed. *The motorist is responsible to provide this distance, not the cyclist.*



- ▶ No person shall open any door on a motor vehicle unless and until it is reasonably safe to do so and can be done without interfering with motor vehicle or cycle traffic flow.
 - Cyclists can be injured or killed by a door opening in their line of travel and should keep 4 feet between parked motor vehicles and the line of travel when riding along parked cars.



- ▶ Distracted driving laws apply to bicyclists. Neither motorists or cyclists are permitted to use a phone or other wireless communications device to send, read or write a text-based communication while in motion.
- ▶ Always wear a helmet! Helmets are required for children under age 12 when operating, riding as passenger or in an attached trailer. Helmets must meet nationally recognized standards and must be properly fitted.
- ▶ If riding a bike between sunset and sunrise, it must be equipped with a front lamp and rear and side reflectors that are visible from at least 500 feet.
- ▶ Motor vehicles are not required to yield to bicycles that are being ridden across a crosswalk. **Vehicles must yield to pedestrians and cyclists who dismount and walk a bike across a crosswalk.**

▶ For more information visit www.penndot.gov and www.bikeleague.org/ridesmart.



**ALLEGHENY COUNTY
VACANT PROPERTY RECOVERY PROGRAM
2017 SIDE YARD AND BLIGHTED STRUCTURE PROGRAM**

Do you live next to a vacant lot, cut the grass, and wish you could add the property to your own? Is there a vacant house beside you that you would like to demolish and use that land?

For a limited time Allegheny County is accepting applications to acquire vacant properties at a reduced cost.

Complete program details and applications are available at the Municipal Building or www.countyallegheeny.pa.us/VPRP.



Take the ALCOSAN Pup Pledge and Get a Prize for your Pooch! - Pet waste left on the ground can wash into storm drains and contaminate our rivers and streams with parasites. Protecting our waterways is easy - just snag and bag pet waste in biodegradable bags that can be thrown in any trash can. ALCOSAN offers a prize for your dog if you take their Pup Pledge. Visit the Township for a sign-up form or visit www.pups4cleanwater.com.



WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT WHAT IS IN YOUR DRINKING WATER?

The 2016 ANNUAL DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT is available on the Neville Township Water Department website.

The direct link to review the report is; <https://goh2o.net/NTWD/ccr>.

Any resident or business that does not have computer access and would like to obtain a copy of the 2016 Report can visit the Township Administrative Offices at 5050 Grand Avenue, or call 412-264-1977 and a copy of the report will be mailed to your attention.

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

HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY SUMMER
Neville Township Board of Commissioners
Bill Leon, Chairman * Rick Rutter, Vice-Chairman
Jim Brown * Gig Mundell & Al Whitaker

