

SPRING 2020
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NEVILLE NEWS



Neville Township * 5050 Grand Avenue, Neville Island, PA 15225 Phone 412-264-1977



In honor of Earth Day 2020, Neville Green and Neville Township will partner to host the Annual Neville Township Clean-up Day on **Saturday, April 25, 2020.**

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 or email the Township at dfroehlich@nevilletownship.us.

If your business or family is unable to participate on April 25th, you are encouraged to clean your neighborhood, street or business during the week of April 19 – 25. Notify Neville Green of your project and you will receive a certificate and recognition for your efforts.



Resident volunteers are organizing a **Community-Wide Garage / Yard Sale on Saturday May 2, 2020 from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM.** To participate, please email Kari DeShong at karisearl@gmail.com and include your address, big ticket item to be sold (TV, Couch, etc.) or the type of items for sale (baby, books, DVDs, etc.). The sale will be advertised on media outlets with a map of the homes participating. *And be sure to thank these volunteers for their time and efforts in organizing a positive community event!*



Can you spot the Spotted Lanternfly? – The SLF may look beautiful, at least for a bug! But this one is a dangerous insect! Harmless to humans, but deadly to trees, grapes, stone fruits and other plants. The SLF hitchhikes on vehicles and the Department of Agriculture has issued a Quarantine Order to stop the spread of the invasive pest. Most businesses that operate vehicles must now obtain a SLF permit! Homeowners and campers should learn how to stop the spread of the SLF. To learn more visit <https://extension.psu.edu/spotted-lanternfly> or see the link at www.nevilletownship.us



SPRING 2020 CALENDAR



Spring Hydrant Flushing - April 23 and April 24 2020, from 4:00 pm - 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 - Program Resumes Wednesday April 1st

The Township's Street Sweeping Program will resume on April 1, 2020. Street sweeping occurs EVERY WEDNESDAY through the end of November. The Township is divided into three zones, each with Two-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.

Residents are expected to move their vehicle EVERY WEDNESDAY. Please do not call the Township to ask if the street sweeper is operating. Last minute cancellations may occur due to equipment failures or other emergencies. The office may not have the latest information and you will not be excused from moving your vehicle or parking citations.

If you receive 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.* Warnings citations are issued during the 1st week of April ONLY!

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.

Cottage Park Rental - Reservations being accepted for 2020 dates.



If you are planning a picnic, party, family reunion or other summer event, pavilion rental forms are now available. Stop in the Township Office or call 412-264-1977 to reserve a space.

Neville Island Real Estate Tax - Thursday, May 28, 2020 * 9:00 am - 12:00 pm



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: **Thursday, May 28, 2020 * 9:00 am - 12:00 pm.**

Primary Election Day - Tuesday, April 28, 2020



Pennsylvania polls will be open from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM

TAX QUESTIONS?
Call Jordan Tax Service at 724-731-2311
Or visit www.jordantax.com



SPRING CONSTRUCTION PROJECT CHECK LIST

If your spring or summer plans include home improvement projects, please review this list of important reminders.

PERMITS: Many common spring and summer projects, including decks, fences and swimming pools require a building, electrical permit and/or are subject to zoning regulations including height and set-back rules. *The best time to speak to the Township building inspector is during the planning phase of your project.* Call 412-264-1977 and schedule a time to ask an inspector about permit and construction requirements.

Permit applications are available at the Township. During the busy construction season and prior to holiday weekends, you should allow for up to 2 weeks for the review of your completed permit application packet. If you are hiring a contractor, make sure to discuss who will be applying for and paying for all permits. Construction without a permit can result in a stop work order and your project will be delayed and subject to citations and fines.



KNOW WHAT'S BELOW... CALL 811 BEFORE YOU DIG!

PA One Call: If your project plans include any digging or excavation, don't forget to call 811. **PA homeowners and contractors are required to contact PA One Call by dialing 811 at least three business days prior to any project that breaks ground.** *The law applies to even simple projects like planting a shrub or installing a new mailbox post!* With a single call to 811, all utilities will respond to locate underground power, gas, water, and sewer lines and communication cables. New regulations require Neville Township to report all violators. Work will be stopped until all utilities are marked and you may be fined and be responsible to make restitution for any damages to unmarked utility lines.

CONSTRUCTION RUN-OFF: State and local storm water regulations require all property owners to prevent damage to storm sewers and waterways by controlling construction run-off from the property. It is illegal to discharge dirt, mud, gravel, cement, grass clipping and organic and non-organic materials from your property into a public street, storm sewer or waterway. **Homeowners are responsible for all contractors working on their property.** To discuss a project or report a violation, please call 412-264-1977.

Pool Credit Program: If you plan to fill a new or existing swimming pool this season, please be advised that residents must have the Township Water Department read the meter PRIOR TO and AFTER filling the pool and there will be a minimum charge for the additional meter readings. The Township no longer accepts any applications for a pool credit without verified meter readings for the gallons of water used to fill the pool. Pool credit applications are available at the Township.

Disposing of Electronics and Large Bulky Items: If your plans include a garage or household cleanout, don't forget you can now take advantage of the **Waste Management Home Collection Program for Household Generated Special Materials.** This service is provided at no additional cost to residents. The Board approved this program to encourage the responsible disposal of environmentally sensitive items and to help keep our neighborhoods, yards and sidewalks looking tidy.

Residents, landlords and tenants are required to schedule a collection appointment for all electronics, hard-to-recycle and large, bulky items. **YOU MUST SCHEDULE A SPECIAL PICK-UP!** These items cannot be placed with your weekly curbside pick-up. **Please visit the www.nevilletownhip.us for instructions on how to set-up a collection appointment**

NEED HELP PAYING YOUR SEWAGE TREATMENT BILL? ALCOSAN'S Clean Water Assistance Fund may be able to help. Contact the Township for an application.



Neville Township Military Banner Program

The Neville Township Board of Commissioners with the generous support of the Keith-Holmes Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 402, Coraopolis, is pleased to offer the new Military Troop Banner Program. Banners may be purchased to honor any veteran or active service member who is a current or former resident of Neville Township. A 24' x 36" banner may be purchased through the Township for display along Neville Township roadways. For complete banner program information and applications contact the Township or visit www.nevilletownship.us.

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES: The Neville Township Public Works Department is seeking to fill **Temporary Summer Public Works Laborer** positions. High school and college students are encouraged to apply. Students will cut grass, remove weeds, paint and perform other physical labor while learning about parks, roads and public water and sewer systems. The Township also considers adult applicants, including retirees interested in a temporary, full-time position. For details on the positions and an application, contact the Township Office.

Before you plan your first spring cookout, make sure you are familiar with the Allegheny County Health Department Open Burning Regulations. Rules limit fire size and materials. Visit burnfactsallegheny.info, call 412-578-7963 or pick-up a fact sheet at the Township office.



The officials and staff of Neville Township would like to extend their deepest appreciation to the resident who recently paid a struggling customer's utility bill. Per your request, you shall remain anonymous, but please know your generosity inspired us and we will work hard to repeat your act of kindness.

TOWNSHIP OFFICES WILL CLOSE FOR THE FOLLOWING HOLIDAYS

- Friday, April 10, 2020 – Good Friday
- Tuesday, April 28, 2020 – Primary Election Day
- Monday, May 25, 2020 – Memorial Day

SPRING IS ROAD CONSTRUCTION SEASON!
Visit www.nevilletownship.us for info, updates and links to Local, County and PENNDOT road and bridge project, closures and detours.

24-HOUR UTILITY BILL PAYMENT IS ALWAYS AVAILABLE!
A SECURE DROP BOX IS LOCATED BY THE MAIN MUNICIPAL BUILDING ENTRANCE AT 5050 GRAND AVE. OR PAY BY CREDIT CARD ON-LINE at www.nevilletownship.us.

Next Newsletter –
Summer 2020

Mailed with Water Bill
on June 30, 2020



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