The Crafton Courier

Official Crafton, PA Borough Newsletter

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Meet your 2022 elected officials



President







Compitello Vice President Bollenbacher



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Marks



Perry Mayor

Ridilla President Pro Tem

Crafton's new Council and Mayor were sworn in on January 3rd. Coletta Perry vacated her council seat after six years of service to assume the role of Mayor. Erin Bollenbacher, Colton Chandler, Vince Ridilla, and John Oliverio hold 4-year terms that run from January 2022 through December 2025. Kirsten Compitello and Justin Marks were elected to 2-year terms that expire in December 2023. The newly seated Council selected their officers immediately after being sworn in.

John Oliverio was elected Council President. John was appointed to Council in March 2021 to fill a vacancy that expired at the end of 2021. He led the Communications, Recreation, and Community Events Committee and has served on the Shade Tree Commission since September 2020.

Kirsten Compitello was elected Council Vice President. She also heads the Planning Commission and has played a lead role on the Parks Master Site Plan Steering Committee.



Get involved! Commission & Board Vacancies

As we head into 2022, there are many open seats on the Borough's boards and commissions. Crafton relies on our involved residents, who participate on these various boards and commissions, to help keep things running efficiently and to assist Council in some of the challenges and opportunities that they are presented with every day. Consider joining one of them and becoming a vital participant serving our great community.

The Borough has established a uniform appointment policy for our boards and commissions.

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Vince Ridilla was elected President Pro Tem.

Phillip Levasseur was appointed to the seat vacated by Mayor Perry at the January 27th Council meeting. He served on council from 2016 to 2021 and was President of Council in 2019 from January to June and again for the entirety of 2020 and 2021.

Vacant Council seat appointment process. During the January 3rd reorganization meeting, Council announced it would be accepting applications until January 17th from those interested in filling the seat vacated by newly elected Mayor Perry. Notices were placed on the Borough website, Savvy Citizen and read out at the January Council meetings. Two applications were received - those being from former Council members Fred Amendola and Phillip Levasseur. Council members considered the submitted applications, the five minute presentations and follow up Q&A sessions during the January 27th Council meeting before making their choice. Levasseur's appointment will run through December 2023.

The openings include positions on:

- **Civil Service Commission**
- Planning Commission
- Zoning Hearing Board
- Shade Tree Commission
- Library Board

Recreation Board

Equal Opportunity Board

Find the full list, appointment policy and application form here: www.craftonborough.com/commissions

We look forward to working with you!



Elected Officials

| Coletta Perry, Mayor. | cperry@crafton | borough.com |
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Borough Council Officers

John Oliverio, *President* joliverio@craftonborough.com Kirsten Compitello, *Vice President* ... kcompitello@craftonborough.com Vince Ridilla, *President Pro Tem*..... vridilla@craftonborough.com

Borough Council Members

| Erin Bollenbacher | .ebollenbacher@craftonborough.com |
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| Phillip Levasseur | plevasseur@craftonborough.com |
| Justin Marks | jmarks@craftonborough.com |

Magisterial District Judge

| Hon. Jack Kobistek | 2)921-5559 |
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Chief of Police

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| | (412) 921-2016 |

Administration

| Police Secretary |
|---------------------------|
| Borough Administration |
| Code Enforcement |
| Building Permits & Zoning |
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Community Pool

| Crafton Pool | (412) 921-9482 |
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Community Resources

| Crafton Public Library | . (412) 922-6877 |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| Crafton Volunteer Fire Department | . (412) 875-0022 |
| Crafton Elementary | . (412) 429-2500 |
| Waste Management (Missed Pickups) | . (800) 866-4460 |
| Waste Management (E-Waste Pickup) | . (800) 449-7587 |
| Jordan Tax Service | . (724)731-2310 |

Public Meeting Information

All Borough Council Meetings are currently being held in Council Chambers. Meetings are concurrently available live via Zoom. Log-in and call-in information available on the Borough's website:

www.craftonborough.com/borough-council

Council Chambers in the Community Center 140 Bradford Avenue, Crafton, PA 15205.



Crafton Borough Council......2nd & 4th Thursdays at 7:15 pm

Meeting announcements and schedule changes are publicized on the SavvyCitizen App and the Borough website.



Sign up for SavvyCitizen to stay up to Savvy Citizen[®] date on community events, crime watch alerts and notifications.

Go to www.craftonborough.com/get-notifications



The Calendar of events can also be viewed on the Borough's website under <u>www.craftonborough.com/calendar</u>





At the corner of Bradford and Stotz Avenues in Crafton sits a little library with a big heart. Did you know that Crafton Public Library (CPL) grew out of a door-to-door book collection effort by the local Woman's Club and Girl Scout troop in the 1930s? Over the past 86 years, the mission of CPL to be a resource center for the community has grown beyond being a repository of printed materials. Today, CPL welcomes visitors to do homework, use public computers, play in the children's room, and more! The staff strive to be helpful and friendly and make an effort to welcome patrons by name. If you haven't yet visited Crafton Public Library, we invite you to check it out–whether you visit virtually on Facebook or Instagram or in person at the cozy building on Bradford Avenue with the mural and red awning!

www.craftonpubliclibrary.com for the latest information.



Hours of operation

Mon. & Fri.: 9 AM – 5 PM / Tues., Weds., & Thurs.: 10 AM – 6 PM Sat.: 10 AM – 5 PM

412-922-6877

Program Calendar: www.craftonpubliclibrary.com/programs

What are all those funny little boxes?

They are QR Codes. A QR code works in the same way as a barcode at the supermarket. It is a machine-scannable image that can instantly be read using a Smartphone camera. Every QR code consists of a number of black squares and dots which represent certain pieces of information.



Try it. You'll like it! So much easier than typing!

Keep your doors & windows locked.



Secure all lawn & gardening equipment in your locked shed or garage.



Lock the doors to your vehicle, close car windows, & take your valuables out of your car.

Be aware of home improvement scams.

Crafton Recreation Board

The recreation board has lots on tap for this summer. Here's a sneak peek!



MAY Crafting in Crafton, Vendor Fair

JUNE Movie in the Park



Fourth of July

Fireworks Food Trucks Non-profit booths Band

SEPTEMBER





Trivia, Trucks, & Talent





Crafton Volunteer Fire Department Easter Egg Hunt – Crafton Park April 1, 2022 @ 2:00 PM (starts promptly, arrive early)

Join us for Easter Bunny Mini Golf after the fire department's Easter Egg Hunt in April, weather permitting... an all ages fun event!



For only \$2 per person, you and a few of your friends or family can golf this 18 hole retro course. We have adult and kid sized putters – a great way for everyone to get outside and enjoy yourself without ever leaving Crafton! There is plenty of parking at the course parking lot or you can walk over from the park. Look for Mini Golf to be open again this summer on Friday and Saturday evenings from 7-9 pm.

Crafton-Ingram Rotary



Our members have been very busy with various community service projects including providing

dictionaries to local 3rd grade classrooms, purchasing laptops for Crafton Elementary, sponsoring anti-bullying programs, and supporting career awareness/exploration through the Junior Achievement Program.

We've also partnered with various community organizations for events, providing school supplies to Carnegie Elementary, painting rooms at Family Promise, distributing flowers to "unsuspecting shoppers" at Giant Eagle, and surprising local businesses with poinsettias for the holidays.

Pool News Summer will be here before you know it!



2022 Pool information will be available soon!

Pool Pass Applications will begin May 1st

Please go to <u>www.craftonborough.com/ crafton-pool</u> for the most up to date information, hours of operation, and pool membership.



DID YOU KNOW? Even with all the pool passes and daily admissions, the pool does not pay for itself. The borough subsidizes the pool by "making up the difference" each year. This is pretty standard for most community pools.

Here's a look at the pool revenue, expenses, and Borough subsidies over the last several years:

| | 2021 | 2019 | 2018 | 2017 |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Pool Income | | | | |
| Pool Passes & General Admissions | 85,019.75 | 84,601.00 | 81,645.77 | 76,504.00 |
| Lessons | 3,640.00 | 4,652.00 | 4,965.00 | 3,758.00 |
| Rentals | 3,811.00 | 9,100.00 | 6,998.00 | 6,371.00 |
| Concessions | 12,104.10 | 25,252.30 | 25,224.60 | 23,481.68 |
| Total Revenue | 104,574.85 | 123,605.30 | 118,833.37 | 110,114.68 |
| Pool Expenses | | | | |
| Labor Costs | 122,390.58 | 115,115.58 | 137,386.52 | 118,100.24 |
| Operating Costs | 50,587.09 | 53,825.56 | 62,648.39 | 48,321.31 |
| Total Expenses | 172,977.67 | 168,941.14 | 200,034.91 | 166,421.55 |
| Borough Subsidy | 68,402.82 | 45,335.84 | 81,201.54 | 56,306.87 |

We continue to truly appreciate the residents and business partners in our communities for their perseverance, strength, and efforts throughout the pandemic and always!!

On an international level, our club, in conjunction with the Omale Golden Rotary Club in Lagos, Nigeria, is helping to supply much-needed medical equipment for their newly-constructed NICU.

Looking forward, we are currently planning both the annual Spelling Bee for our third graders and our annual Golf Outing, both scheduled for this spring. Details to follow!

We meet each Wednesday morning at 7:20 AM in the Crafton Volunteer Fire Department Banquet Hall on the second floor of the building. Hope to see you there!



Planning Our Parks – **Master Site nearing completion**

Over the past 6 months, Borough residents and officials have been hard at work discussing improvements for the Borough's park and recreation system. The community is updating its short- and long-term planning for six Borough parks so future decisions and investments can be made for enhancing the Borough's facilities.

The first public survey, distributed in November, measured perception and interest related to the overall park system, amenities, and opportunities. The community expressed desire for several key features including trails, gathering spaces for community events/social activities, and outdoor sports courts. Top desired amenities included benches and restrooms.

Survey results and input from the Steering Committee then shaped each park's initial design concepts that were displayed during the December 2021 Public Meeting at Crafton Park. Through these outreach efforts, 1 in 5 Borough households shared their thoughts and reacted to these concepts so that each park's concept plan was able to be further refined.

Based on community input, the refined designs highlight:

1) the re-purposing spaces in Crafton Park and incorporating a walking loop

2) introducing recreation investment and a dog park at the Public Works property along Chartiers Creek

3) investing in a major "remake" of Noble and Linwood parks in transforming the idea of what a neighborhood park in Crafton can offer its residents.

As part of the six park designs, a set of "essential" improvements and a set of long-term, "aspirational" elements are being explored. "Essential" improvements, such as accessibility (ADA access) or safety (lighting), are the focus of immediate and ongoing attention. "Aspirational" design elements focus on longer-term, transformative ideas that the Borough has the opportunity to work toward over the course of the next decade. The Borough expects to phase investments over a number of years so that both the essential and aspirational improvements further enhance the recreation opportunities in our community.

As part of Winter and Spring 2022 activities, the project's Steering Committee will be finalizing park design ideas to present to Borough Council for their review and acceptance. Borough Council has established a goal to begin applying for construction grants as early as April 2022. Be on the look-out through Savvy Citizen and the Borough website for ways in which you can participate in the next public meeting that will be scheduled soon! We look forward to hearing from you and seeing you at the upcoming public meeting!



CRAFTON PARK



PUBLIC WORKS PROPERTY



CREEKSIDE PROPERTY



CLEARVIEW TRAIL



LINWOOD PARK



NOBLE PARK



Council President's Message

I must admit, I was very humbled and honored to be nominated as Council President on January 3rd. After going through the election process last year and meeting so many residents, I am proud to represent our

community and continue the great work our prior Council started. Getting to know the new Council members, Mayor, and staff has been exciting. There is so much potential we have as a community and a lot of positive energy to move us forward. All newly elected Council members are attending LGA (Local Government Academy) through March which is a local resource for training public officials in the practice of good governance. The programs have been a valuable resource for the team.

There is a lot going on in Crafton! To assist with managing the commissions and projects, we continued (and added to) our standing committees:

- 1. **Finance/Administration** (*led by Ms. Perry*) Budgeting, financials, HR, administrative services, collections, Council orientation
- 2. **Community Services & Infrastructure** (*Ms. Compitello*) Parks/Rec Steering Committee, public works, sewer separation, engineering, zoning
- 3. **Communications, Recreation & Community Events** (*Mr. Marks*) – Communication (newsletter, social media, website, AV), events

4. **Commissions Vacancy** (*Mr. Chandler*) – Board and Commission openings

5. Char West Council of Governments – COG (*Mr. Ridilla*) – Represent Crafton at monthly meetings and projects

We were just awarded a PA Dept of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) grant for \$250,000 for the Crafton Park and Pool bathhouse renovations. Thank you to PA Representative, Dan Deasy, and PA Senator, Wayne Fontana, for their help with securing the grant. In addition, the Crafton Parks Master Plan is underway and ready for Council review in March. The Crafton/Ingram Zoning Project is going to RFP with funding supported from a DCED grant.

With the harsh winter weather, I have been so impressed with our Public Works department for keeping the roads safe and clear regardless of the time of day or night. Their hard work year round is certainly appreciated.

I encourage everyone to attend our Council meetings (2nd and 4th Thursday of every month at 7:15 PM) in person or via Zoom to keep up to date on what is happening in our community. Our new AV system in Council chambers was completed in February which now allows our meetings to be broadcasted to the community in a clear and efficient manner. Check out our website for the details.

I hope everyone takes some time to relax during these cold winter months and looking forward to Spring (soon).

Respectfully, John Oliverio, Council President

Mayor's Message

I am honored and excited to be serving as Crafton's Mayor after serving six years on the Borough Council. As Mayor I am primarily responsible for public safety.

I want to thank Police Chief Mark Sumpter for making time for our weekly meetings that are helping me get up to speed and for his diligence in addressing citizen's concerns and going the extra mile to reach out to community members to answer questions and to provide information and updates.

My duty begins with oversight of the police department. It doesn't



Join Our Team !!!

Crafton Volunteer Fire Department needs you!

We are your friends, your family, and your neighbors. Among our ranks are students and retirees, teachers and engineers, mechanics and

military personnel. You only need to be 18 or older and it is not a requirement to be a Crafton resident.

We will provide you with all the training and equipment you need to protect our community safely and effectively.

CVFD - 130+ years strong and counting!

Stop at the station on Tuesdays between 7:00 and 9:00 PM to pick-up an application. end there. I will foster open communication and cooperation with our Crafton Volunteer Fire Department as well as Northwest EMS, providers of Crafton's emergency medical response services.



Public safety also extends to the condition

of our roads, the signage, and to the traffic control and safety conditions around all of our project construction sites. I will be working with Council, the manager, and engineers to continually advocate on behalf of the community and to ensure improvement in all these areas.

Our parks master site plan is developing an excellent vision for how our comminty would like to see our parks and recreation areas improve and expand. I've been serving on that steering committee and plan to continue to to advocate for and support efforts over the coming years that will see these plans come to fruition.

I also plan on spearheading renewed efforts to address residential blight and economic development-both areas that are central to our comprehensive plan. In coming months I will be looking for volunteers to help with these efforts.

I invite you to reach out to me at my Borough email address: cperry@craftonborough.com with your questions, comments, and concerns.

Coletta Perry, Mayor

Borough Projects Update

New Grants

Pool House – Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) awarded Crafton Borough \$250,000 towards the pool house renovations. Renovation work will begin after the 2022 pool season. Planned renovations have been drafted from the Comprehensive Plan and include updates to the changing facilities as well as addressing improved accessibility.

Public Stairs – Commonwealth Finance Authority awarded Crafton Borough \$200,000 towards phase 1 of our public stair replacement program. Discussions are ongoing to prioritize and finalize plans. Work should begin this summer.

Steuben Street & Duncan – Crafton was awarded funding from CDYear 47 to improve the drainage area at the intersection of Duncan Avenue and Steuben Street.

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Municipal Complex Updates

The roof replacement for the the Community Center, Library, and Magistrate's Office building will begin in early spring.

The borough building improvements which includes façade cleaning and stone replacement will get underway in early summer. These projects, expected to cost are being supported by a \$180,000 grant from Allegheny County's Gaming Economic Fund. The Borough's portion of the project will be about \$70,000.

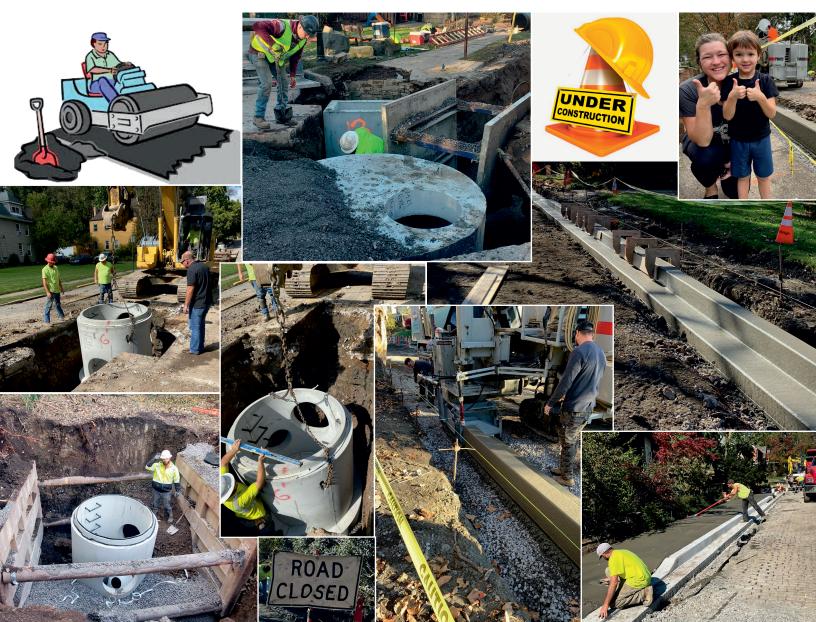
Public Works Facility

The bid has been awarded for the building components of the new Public Works Facility and the bid process is underway for the construction of the building. This work will get underway soon and should be completed this year.

Crafton Blvd. Storm Sewer Separation

The project involves the separation of 25 acres from the combined sewer system and removes 7.7 million gallons of excess stormwater and groundwater annually.

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Improvements Completed:

- 1. Underground stormwater collection system installed within School District's parcel on Crafton Boulevard (Summer 2021)
- 2. Separate stormwater collection system was installed from the underground tank across from the school up through Crafton Boulevard, Clearview Avenue, Barr Avenue, and Sterrett Street (Fall 2021)
- 3. Separate stormwater collection system was installed on Barr Avenue between Keever and Willard Avenue (Fall 2021)
- 4. Road reconstruction (concrete curb, sidewalk, and pavement) occurred on Barr Avenue between Keever and Willard Avenue (Winter 2021)
- 5. Sewerline replacement on Sterrett Street (between Clearview Avenue and Barr Avenue) (January 2022)

Improvements to be Completed in 2022:

- 1. Road reconstruction (concrete curb, sidewalk, and pavement)
 - Sterrett Street intersecting Barr Avenue
 - Sterrett Street between Clearview Avenue and City line
 - Clearview Avenue (between Sterrett and Crafton Blvd)

- 2. Crafton Boulevard Streetscape from Baldwick Road to Dinsmore Avenue
- 3. Crafton Elementary School new parking lot construction
 - Will provide 28 parking spaces
 - Installation of lighting and landscaping
- 4. Installation of new concrete curb and sidewalk along Crafton Boulevard on Crafton Borough side
- 5. Final site restoration (topsoil and seed disturbed areas)

Projected to be completed by the end of August 2022

Woodlawn and Fountain Storm Sewer Separation

The project involves the separation of 40 acres from the combined sewer system and removes 12 million gallons of excess stormwater and groundwater annually. Improvements include the following:

Improvements Completed in 2021:

- 1. Separate stormwater collection system was installed from Chartiers Avenue (at the busway) and Woodlawn Avenue (to intersection of S. Linwood Avenue) (Summer 2021)
- 2. Separate stormwater collection system was installed on Fountain and Promenade Street (Fall 2021)
- 3. Road restoration on Chartiers Avenue and Woodlawn Avenue (removal of sandstone curbing, trench restoration, install new bituminous curb, and mill/overlay of roadway (Fall 2021)

Improvements to be Completed in 2022:

- 1. Road restoration on Fountain and Promenade Street (install new bituminous curb, and mill/overlay of roadway)
- 2. Final site restoration (topsoil and seed disturbed areas)
- 3. Drainage improvements for Linwood Park

Zoning update project receives DCED grant

Crafton and Ingram Boroughs are joint recipients of the Fall 2021 Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) Municipal Assistance Program grant. This grant will make it possible for both communities to make Borough-



specific zoning ordinance revisions to be consistent with the jointly adopted <u>2017 Crafton-Ingram Thrive</u> <u>Comprehensive Plan</u>. Up to 50% of the professional service costs are eligible to be covered by DCED.

Crafton's last significant zoning ordinance update took place in 2004. Many regulations and permitted uses are outdated and do not encourage the highest and best use of the walkable downtown properties in each Borough.

A Request for Proposal was issued after the January 27, 2022 Crafton Council meeting that was attended by representatives of Ingram Council. Proposals are due March 15, 2022 at 4 pm.

Shortly after the deadline, the selection committee will review the proposals, interview the finalist organizations, and make a recommendation to Council.

The zoning update process will involve:

- 1. assessing current development regulations
- 2. taking inventory of commercial development sites and their conditions
- 3. getting input from the community on their vision for their neighborhood by holding public meetings

Once all information is analyzed, ordinances can be drafted and zoning maps updated. Once completed, each Borough can review and adopt their plan as required.

Updating the Zoning Ordinances encourage effective redevelopment strategies that will take advantage of nearby public transit and allow for updated development in mixed-use and key areas that remain underutilized, as well as promote neighborhood connectivity and walkability. It will also simplify regulations and promote policies that allow Crafton and Ingram to weather market changes, as well as make them desirable to new businesses.

Important program information from Senator Fontana's Office

Funding to Aid Homeowners Facing COVID-19 Financial Hardship

The new Pennsylvania Homeowner Assistance Fund (PAHAF) is open, and applications are available online at https://pahaf.org.

This program aids homeowners who are facing unforeseen COVID-19 pandemic-related financial hardships. Funding for this program is possible through an award of more than \$350 million in federal American Rescue Plan Act funds through the U.S. Department of Treasury's Homeowner Assistance Fund. The program is being administered by the Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency (PHFA) for the purposes of preventing and/or easing mortgage delinquencies, defaults, foreclosures, displacement and utility disconnection. The PAHAF program will prioritize individuals and families with the greatest need, as well as those who are socially disadvantaged.

To be eligible, a homeowner must meet the following criteria:

- Own and occupy the property as their primary residence.
- Experience financial hardship after January 21, 2020 (including a hardship that began before January 21, 2020 and continued after that date).
- Have a household income that is equal to or less than 150% area median income.
- Homeowner's first mortgage is a conforming loan and meets the federal limits for the year in which the loan was taken.
- And the homeowner has not already received or applied for assistance for mortgage payment, mortgage reinstatement, property charges, and/or utility payment from another federal, state, local, nonprofit, or tribal source.

In order to ensure that available funds are distributed to those with the greatest needs first, priority will be given to homeowners with annualized current income of no more than 100% of area

> The information on this page has been provided by Senator Wayne Fontana's weekly email newsletter. Go to **senatorfontana.com** to subscribe.

Annual Crafton Community Clean Up

Coming in April to Crafton Park

watch Savvy Citizen and Borough website for date and time

Items being collected include:

building materials, bulk items, household clutter, yard debris, and small appliances.

Items **NOT** being collected:

tires/rims, auto-parts, refrigerators/AC units, paint, and electronic waste.

median income for the relevant household size, and for those that meet the definition of socially disadvantaged. The PAHAF program will provide assistance for mortgage and housing-related expenses to help prevent mortgage delinquencies, default, foreclosure, and displacement.

Additionally, utility assistance may be available to resolve delinquent payments for utility services, particularly for those bills where no program currently exists in the Commonwealth, and that there is an imminent disconnection, lien, possible foreclosure, or homeowner displacement. The maximum amount of assistance for any homeowner under PAHAF is \$30,000 or up to 24 months of assistance. As a standalone option, the maximum utility assistance is capped at 24 months or \$3,000.

For additional questions, please contact Senator Wayne Fontana's office at 717-787-5300.

Preparing for Transition to 5G Cellular Service

The Pennsylvania Department of Aging is reminding seniors with older devices to learn about the potential impacts related to the shutdown of the 3G network service and prepare accordingly. The shutdown involves the nation's three major wireless carriers and could occur as soon as this month.

The shutdown could also impact other devices that rely on 3G connectivity, including medical alert devices, tablets, home security systems, and roadside assistance systems.

The carriers are directly notifying users of the devices that utilize the 3G network to inform them if the discontinuation impacts them. However, seniors with older phones that they use only to

contact 911 for emergencies may not receive a notification if they do not have active service with a carrier. Find out more at:



https://www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/planahead-phase-out-3g-cellular-networks-and-service

TREE TIPS

By ordinance, street trees cannot be removed or heavily pruned without permission of the Borough.

Establishing a tree circle around your trees is always a good idea. Do not pile up mulch against the bark, but more of a "donut" effect to prevent decay.

Please be careful when weed whacking as your tree base can be permanently damaged. Also, if there is extended drought or very hot weather, your young or less established trees may need a soaking to help them make it through.



Do you have old electronics in your home? Used motor oil? Old cans of paint? Used Batteries?



To dispose of household hazardous waste and to schedule a collection at your home, contact us in one of these three ways:

- Got to WMATYOURDOOR.COM
- CALL 1-800-449-7587 We're available 7 am to 7 pm CST M-F.
- Email ATYOURDOOR@WM.COM

Waste Management offers a convenient service for residents to properly dispose and recycle household hazardous waste – safely, easily, and responsibly. These items may include paints, household cleaners, compact fluorescent lamps (CFL), automotive products, garden chemicals, batteries, electronics, and more.



Automotive Products

Antifreeze, batteries, brake fluid, motor oil and filters, fuels, and more.



Fertilizers, insect sprays, herbicides, pesticides, and weed killers.

Paint Products Paint, caulk, glue, stain, stripper,

thinner, and wood preservative. Household Cleaners

Ammonia, heavy-duty cleaner, rust remover, tile/shower cleaner, upholstery cleaner, and more.

Electronics

Computer, monitor, keyboards, MP3 players, televisions, DVD/ CD players, tape players, VCR, cell phones, desktop printers, fax machines, and microwaves.

Mercury containing items Batteries, compact fluorescent lamps, fluorescent tubes, thermometers, and thermostats.

We do not collect ammunition, medicine/medical waste, sharps, explosives, asbestos, tires, or any materials in unlabeled or leaking containers.

For program details, contact 1-800-449-7587

Borough of Crafton 2022 Employment Opportunities

The Borough of Crafton is accepting applications for the following seasonal positions:

Assistant Pool Manager Head Lifeguard Lifeguards Cashiers Attendants Concession Stand Workers Seasonal Public Works

Part-Time Substitute Crossing Guards

Applicants must be able to pass a Pennsylvania Criminal Background Check and the Pennsylvania Child Abuse History Clearance.

> Application online at: www.craftonborough.com/employment

Applications may also be obtained in the Administrative Office

100 Stotz Avenue, 2nd Floor during normal business hours

Applications must be submitted to Borough of Crafton 100 Stotz Avenue Pittsburgh, PA 15205.

For more information contact Borough Administrative Office 412-921-0752 x 10.

FREE Leaf Compost and Wood Chips are available for daily pickup

Bins are located in the Parking Lot behind the Amphitheater at Crafton Park on W. Steuben Street







We are working hard to make sure that we are delivering the information you want to know about in the borough in the format and frequency you think is most valuable. Please help us out by taking a few minutes to tell us what you want to see in the Crafton Courier Newsletter by filling out the survey below and mailing it to **Crafton Borough**, **100 Stotz Ave.**, **Pittsburgh**, **PA 15205** or place it in the drop box outside the back entrance of the borough office.



Better yet, go to <u>www.craftonborough.com/newsletter-survey</u> and save yourself a stamp or the trip!

| Overall, how would you rate the Newsletter? 🗖 Excellent 🔲 Very Good 🔲 Good 🔲 Fair 🔲 Poor |
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| How would you rate the quantity (length) of the Newsletter? 🗖 Too Long 📮 About right 📮 Too Short |
| How would you rate the quality of the Newsletter's content? 🗖 Very high 📑 High 🗖 Average 📮 Low 📮 Very Low |
| Do you think the Newsletter is effective with keeping you updated on important Borough matters? Uvery Somewhat Not much Not at all |
| Would you be interested in being part of a focus group to discuss Borough communication content and platforms? \Box Yes \Box No |
| If yes, please provide your contact info: |
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| Are there topics would you like to see added/covered in the Newsletter? |
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| Are there topics would you like to see removed from the Newsletter? |
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| Please list any other comments or suggestions: |
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| Do you wish to continue to receive the newsletter by mail? The Yes The No |
| If NO, please provide name and address to be removed: |
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| Would you like to receive the newsletter in some other form? email social media other |
| IF by email, please provide name, address, email address: |
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Do Your Part To Help Stop This Invader

Look before you leave! Any place could carry spotted lanternfly to new locations. If you find any life stage of spotted lanternfly, destroy it immediately. For egg masses, be sure to crush all eggs evenly. Or, you can place any life stage of spotted lanternfly in a container with rubbing alcohol or hand sanitizer to destroy it.

Be sure to check every surface, inside and outside! Learn more at aphis.usda.gov (Search "Spotted Lanternfly")

Vehicles **Recreational/Camping Items Children's Playthings Outdoor Household Items Building Materials** Yard & Garden Items **YOURSELF!!!**

Help keep spotted lanternfly from spreading. Before you travel or move any items stored outdoors within or out of areas known to have the spotted lanternfly, check for and remove all stages of this harmful pest. Here's what to look for.

LIFE STAGES

OLD

ACTUAL SIZE: 1/2

EARLY STAGE NYMPH FOUND LATE APRIL-JULY

LATE STAGE NYMPH

ACTUAL SIZE: 1/8"-1/4

FOUND JULY-SEPT

ACTUAL SIZE: 1/2"

ADULT FOUND JULY-DEC

EGG MASS FOUND SEPT-JUNE

FRESH

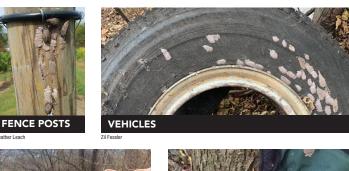
COMMON EGG MASS LOCATIONS

Spotted lanternfly egg masses can be laid on any surface and need a careful eye for inspection! Below are some examples of egg masses on outdoor objects.

















Crafton's Great American Cleanup coming in April!

Dates will be posted to Savvy Citizen and the Borough Website when available

Plan to adopt a street, alley, park, trail, or wooded area in Crafton and clean up the trash. This is a great activity for student and scout projects.

Supplies will be available, while they last, in the rear of the Borough Building in the designated bin or you may use your own. Please wear gloves and be careful and alert. When completed please deposit all trash in the designated bins or leave in a garbage bag along the curb to be picked up by the Crafton Public Works.

Students, who have a service hour form to be signed, can contact the Administrative Office at (412) 921-0752 ext. 10. **This event is sponsored by the Great American Cleanup.**

2022 Recyclables Collection Schedule – Regular weekly trash pickup is on Tuesdays *except when there is a legal holiday on Monday.*

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Recyclable items must be placed LOOSE in a container clearly marked recycle. Bagged recycle WILL NOT be picked up!



Sewage Backup or Service Request www.craftonborough.com/service-request

