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### Borough President's "State of the Borough"

## Fixing Infrastructure Continues to Be Main Focus



**TOM FICKINGER**  
Council President

With summer just around the corner, Pine Grove's Borough Crew is readying the Community Pool for an exciting season. The pool has been drained and cleaned; some minor damage to walls has been repaired; and the entire complex readied for opening Memorial Day weekend.

Borough Council's Personnel Committee has been interviewing and hiring summer staff, life guards and Snack Shack crew.

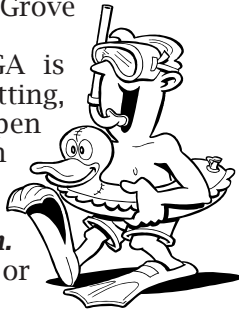


## Make A Splash!

It's soon time to enjoy lazy days lounging pool-side and swimming at the Pine Grove Area Community Swimming Pool.

The last day of school at PGA is Thursday, June 2. Weather permitting, the community pool will be open Memorial Day weekend and then daily starting Friday, June 3.

Up-to-date information can be found at [www.pinegroveborough.org](http://www.pinegroveborough.org) under the Pine Grove Pool tab or on Facebook.



### Early Bird Special through June 2

Season passes purchased after the pool opens daily on June 3 give you access to the pool for the entire season for one low price – \$165 for a family, \$85 for an individual, \$55 for senior citizens (65 years old and above), and \$100 for a senior citizen couple.

But, if you purchase your season pass now through June 2, you'll save! The discounted "Early Bird" season pool pass costs are \$146 family, \$76 individual, \$46 senior citizen, and \$86 for a senior couple.

Advanced sale season passes are available weekdays at Pine Grove Municipal Hall during regular hours through June 2. The pool office will be open for advanced season pass sales now through May 28 on Fridays (4 to 6 p.m.) and Saturdays (9 a.m. to noon). Regular price season passes take effect once the pool opens daily for the season on June 3.

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### REFRESHING CAREFREE DAYS AHEAD!

Season passes are now available. This issue of *The Evergreen* provides basic information. Refer to the Borough website – [pinegroveborough.org](http://pinegroveborough.org) (click on the Pine Grove Community Pool tab) – for further information.

### Water woes are a call for action

The water crew has been battling the effects of winter on our water system. A major failure occurred to a 16-inch diameter line coming from the area of the main water supply tank.

This leak was caused by a 16-foot long horizontal crack in the main supply line connecting the wells to town. The leak occurred at approximately 3 a.m. and caused about 2.1 million gallons of water to escape. The supply was rerouted to an auxiliary, smaller line while repairs took about 10 hours to complete.

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# 2022 BOROUGH OFFICIALS

Regular Council Meeting:  
2nd Thursday of Each Month - 6 p.m.  
Municipal Building - 1 Snyder Ave.

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# Everyone In The Pool!

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Non-Resident (living outside the Pine Grove Area School District) Early Bird season pass rates are \$181 Family; \$91 Individual; \$46 Senior Citizen; and \$86 Senior Citizen couple. Regular season pass rates purchased after June 2 are \$200 Family; \$100 Individual; \$55 Senior Citizen; and \$100 Senior Citizen couple.

Complete details and downloadable forms are on the Borough website. And, don't forget to sign up for swim lessons.

## Swimming lesson signup

Swim lessons registration is now open. For water safety, the importance of swim lessons can't be overstated. Everyone - especially children - should be able to swim!

Lessons are offered from June 13 through July 29 with only a one week break from July 4-to-8.

Not sure which ability-level class is appropriate for your child? The registration application has a box to be checked, indicating a desire to have your child pretested.

Register for swim lessons weekdays at the Pine Grove Municipal Hall, 1 Snyder Avenue, between the hours of 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. through June 4. Registration can be made at the pool on Saturdays prior to June 5 from 9 a.m. to noon.

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A grant of \$1.7 million has been requested using “United States Treasury State and Local Recovery Funds” to replace the main water line from the wells to the chemical building. This line is about 70-to-80 years old and reaching the end of its useful life. A new line will be located in the PennDOT right-of-way along state Rt. 125. The request has been submitted to U.S. Representative Meuser’s office for consideration.

## *Flood mitigation efforts*

These photos show progress on two projects to reduce the threat of future flooding events in Tremont and Pine Grove environs.

Wayne Lehman of the Schuylkill County Conservation District and Pennsylvania State Senator



David Argall are shown overlooking the “Good Spring Stream Project” that will retain stormwater that has traditionally flooded Tremont and then Pine Grove. This project is intended to hold back flood waters, reducing the stream rage that has hit both towns.

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## SPREAD THE WORD

Interested in submitting an article for next quarter’s issue of *The Evergreen*? We welcome community service and nonprofit organization information. Please contact Borough Secretary, Melissa Dyer at 570-345-3555 or [pgborough@comcast.net](mailto:pgborough@comcast.net)

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Also shown is the flood mitigation project behind Penn Dye. This has already been very successful in reducing the flood risk to North Pine Grove.



In early May, a delegation from “Wandering Pennsylvania’s Waterways Tour” stopped in Pine

Grove to review FEMA projects completed for flood mitigation. It will further give a hands-on look at our goals and wishes for flood control.

## Also, clearing storm drains

Infrastructure - from floodwaters and drinking water, Pine Grove Borough also has a keen focus on storm drain improvements. The blocked drains on South Tulpehocken Street are being addressed.

Cameras indicated major blockage in several locations, and exploratory openings will be made to find and clear those blockages. Sixty gallons of green dye took several hours to exit drains, indicating major blockages.

A grant for storm drain improvements is being requested. An additional plan is in the works to add a storm drain line along the dirt road at the edge of the town cemeteries. This will divert rain water runoff from the cemetery that has found its way to residents’ homes during intense rain events. More on this as the plan develops.

## And, how about sidewalks?

A grant entitled “Development of Active Transportation Plans and Policies to Guide the Establishment of Activity-Friendly Routes that Connect to Everyday Destinations” has been submitted in hopes of getting funds to improve the sidewalks in the Borough. This grant allows for “walking paths” in the community.

- Tom Fickinger, Council President

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## *Memorial Day parade and service*

Memorial Day weekend is the unofficial start to summer, a time to fire up the outdoor grill, and enjoy warmer weather. But, as you are burning your hamburgers on the grill, give a smile and a kind thought to all of those who have and still are sacrificing so that we may enjoy this weekend.



For those of us safe in our own homes, is it too much to sacrifice a few hours on Monday, May 30 — Memorial Day — to participate in the day's patriotic parade through the streets of Pine Grove and the memorial service to follow?

The parade will form at "the brickyard" along

Christ Street adjacent to the HH&L Fire Company beginning at 8:30 a.m. and will step off promptly at 9 a.m.

The parade will feature special guests, Gold Star Mothers, town and area dignitaries, speakers and honorees at the service to follow. Also marching will be the Pine Grove Area Community Band, Pine Grove Area High School Marching Band and JROTC color guard and marching unit. Always a popular part of the Memorial Day parade are community organizations members, children's sports groups, high school teams, Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, Brownie troops, floats, church groups and area fire and rescue companies.

The parade will proceed onto East Pottsville Street to South Tulpehocken and continue south to Saint John's Cemetery. The Memorial Day service and keynote address will take place beginning at 9:45 a.m. at and adjacent to the Pine Grove War Memorial monument

## *Strike up the band and enjoy*

The Pine Grove Community Band is back in full swing. The public is enthusiastically invited to enjoy the following scheduled performances.

On Sunday afternoon, May 29 at 2 p.m., the band will play for a memorial dedication event at the Old Cemetery on South Tulpehocken St., across from St

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Peter's Lutheran Church.

The next day on Monday, May 30 - Memorial Day - the band will step off at 9 a.m. marching in the Pine Grove parade and also perform at the Cemetery Service.

Additional summer concerts include Thursday, June 23 (6:30 p.m. start) at Providence Place off Hikes Hollow Road just west of Pine Grove; an Independence Day patriotic salute on Monday, July 4 (6 p.m. start) at Sweet Arrow Lake Park; and a performance at Swatara Village on Thursday, July 14 (6:30 p.m. start).

## Schuylkill County Fair

This year's Schuylkill County Fair, themed "Working Together to Keep the Tradition Alive," will be held Mon. to Sat., August 1 thru August 6 at the Fairgrounds off Rt. 895 just east of Summit Station.

Featured entertainment will include Another Side on Monday, Schuylkill County native and Nashville recording artist Rachel Horter on Tuesday, Jeremiah James & The Revival on Wednesday, the Amish Outlaws on Thursday, Elvis tribute performer Brandon Bennett

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## South Schuylkill Garden Club

The South Schuylkill Garden Club will hold its annual plant sale on Saturday, May 21 from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Schuylkill Haven Recreation and Senior Center, 340 Haven Street. Shown here, Pine Grove's Carole Haldeman, a Master Gardener and member of the Garden Club, is busy in her greenhouse readying an assortment of vegetable plants. The public is encouraged to view and purchase locally sourced plants and shrubs.



## Upcoming Borough holiday closures

Pine Grove Borough offices and operations will be closed in observance of these upcoming holidays: Monday, May 30 (Memorial Day); and Monday, July 4 (Independence Day).

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## PGA Graduate Award offered

The Pinegrove Historical Society has annually provided a grant to a Pine Grove Area School District graduating senior planning to continue his/her education. This year the Society will award one \$100 grant to the writer of the winning essay on a topic related to the history of Pine Grove.

All essays submitted become the property of the Pinegrove Historical Society and could be used in future publications of the Society. All essays must be submitted prior to noon on Wednesday, June 15 via email to [essay@pghs-stanhopeschool.org](mailto:essay@pghs-stanhopeschool.org).

All essays will be blind-reviewed by the Society's Board. The winning essay will be announced no later than June 30, 2022. Writers are cautioned to follow required specifications. Email to the above address (indicate a need for specifications in the subject line) to gain the particulars.

## Annual HH&L Carnival

The HH&L Carnival will be held at the Brickyard adjacent to the fire company this year beginning Tues., June 14 through Sat., June 18. Enjoy great food, rides, live nightly entertainment, games, bingo, and much more family fun for all ages.

## Sweet Arrow Lake County Park activities

**Earth and Space Days** - Join Jeri Jones of Jones Geological Services, Spring Grove, PA for Earth &

Space Day at Sweet Arrow Lake on Saturday, May 21. Two programs will be presented - a Geology Walk from 3 to 4:15 p.m. and Astronomy Night from 8:30 to 10 p.m. Meet at the Waterfall Pavilion.

Canoe and kayak rentals will be available Saturdays and Sundays during the summer season beginning May 28 plus Memorial Day, Independence Day and closing on Labor Day, Sept. 5.

**Fish for Free Days** - Some things in life ARE free and on Sunday, May 29 and Monday, July 4 the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission allows anyone, resident or non-resident, to fish without a fishing license. Fish-for-free days are held twice a year and apply to all waters of the Commonwealth. All other fishing regulations still apply.

**Memorial Day Concert** - The M&J Big Band will perform at the Large Pavilion on Monday, May 30 from 6 to 8 p.m. In the event of rain, the concert could be postponed to Friday, June 3, beginning at 7 p.m. Bring your own lawn chair.

## Dispose of unused/outdated drugs

Each year the Pine Grove Police Department coordinates the local DEA Drug Take-Back Program. This provides for the safe and secure disposal of expired and unused prescription drugs commonly found stored in households. To protect our landfills and waterways, drugs should not be thrown away with

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This drop-off service is available on a continual basis. A safe and secure Red Box depository is available in the lobby of the Pine Grove Municipal Hall for this purpose.

The drugs will be properly disposed of during the Drug Take-Back Program. Contact the Pine Grove Police Department at the non-emergency number of 570-345-8100 with any questions or concerns.

## Spring/summer work to be aware of

Hydrant flushing will be conducted during May and June. Hydrant flushing allows the Borough to flush its fresh water system. Property owners may experience times of low water pressure and discolored water. Simply let your tap water run a few minutes until it becomes clear. Flushing also allows the Borough to monitor and maintain fire hydrants throughout the system.

Line painting of crosswalks and curb painting, where needed, will also take place during May and

June. Pedestrians are asked to cross streets at the crosswalks. Motorists are reminded it is state law to stop to allow pedestrians to cross the street when they present themselves in the designated crosswalk.

Curb painting is an important reminder to motorists when parking near an intersection. The yellow painted curbs indicate a "no parking" area to allow other motorists and pedestrians a safe view when attempting to cross an intersection.

## Recycling electronics

The Covered Device Recycling Act prohibits the disposal of desktop computers, laptop computers, monitors, peripherals, televisions, and hand-held electronic devices. Do not place with your household trash as your refuse collector and landfills will not accept these items.



The state Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) urges you to do your part for the environment by recycling all unused electronic devices.

Unfortunately, the Schuylkill County Office of Solid Waste & Resource Management decided not to include these electronics in its annual Fall Cleanup. Please continue to store unwanted electronics until the next collection in the county or by the Borough.

Thanks to all residents helping to keep Pine Grove Borough a cleaner place and responsible in its waste and recycling efforts.

## Get your compost site permits

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This year's permits are now available at the Pine Grove Municipal Building, 1 Snyder Ave. Permits are strictly for Borough residents only. Proper identification and proof of residency is required. Cost is \$20.

The compost site only accepts organic materials and yard waste - leaves, grass clippings, and other yard vegetation. The site operates from March through the fall season on Tuesdays and Saturdays. An attendant will direct you where to place your vegetation waste.

## Think spring ... and summer!

The Pine Grove Bicentennial Committee is looking forward to a beautiful spring and summer season at Union Canal Veteran's Memorial Park.

Residents of Pine Grove and surrounding areas are invited to enjoy a walk around the canal, stop and eat lunch at one of the picnic tables, or simply sit and relax on one of the park benches. While at the park, be sure to stop at the Memorial Pavilion, which lists the names of those who purchased trees in honor and memory of loved ones.

While leashed pets are allowed at the park, pet owners are urged to clean up after their pet. Keep the park grounds healthy and safe for our children.

## Water bill payments

Quarterly water bill payments were due May 5. Additional payment due dates in 2022 are August 5,

and November 7. After these dates, a late fee will be assessed.

## Pay by credit/debit

The Pine Grove Borough office now accepts credit/debit card payments, using MuniPAY, for water service. Customers are able to make payment online or at the Borough Office.



Payments accepted through MuniPAY will be Visa, Mastercard, Discover, American Express, or e-check. Payments made in this way will be subject to service fees of 2.65% or \$3, whichever is greater for credit cards, and \$1.50 for e-check.

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see the drain near your house clogged with leaves or litter, please take a few minutes to open it with a broom or shovel.

## Spring and summer ash collection

Curbside ash collection has changed back from

## Newsletter Particulars

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## News Submittals

Non-profit and community organizations within the Borough are invited to submit news items for consideration. Written submittals must be received by Melissa Dyer in the Borough offices, [pgborough@comcast.net](mailto:pgborough@comcast.net) or call 570-345-3555 for info, three weeks prior to the publication date.

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## Food pantry

The Pine Grove Area Council of Churches Food Pantry serves those in need of nutritious food items on the third Saturday of every month. Located in the lower level of the Weekday Church School building, 200 School Street (directly across the street from the entrance to the Pine Grove Area Elementary School), food distribution takes place from 9 a.m. to noon.

The pantry serves families of Pine Grove Borough, Pine Grove Township and Washington Township. For additional information or for emergency food, call 570-345-3033 between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. Leave a message if no answer.



## Suggestion/complaint forms

Do you see a problem in the Borough that needs to be corrected? Or, maybe you have a suggestion to save money, provide better services, or a solution to one of those problems. The Borough has created a "Suggestion/Complaint" form and procedure to make it easier for residents to alert us and for Borough services to receive, review, and possibly implement suggestions.

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this way we hope to address these concerns and ideas in the most efficient way.

## Become a Lions Club member

"We Serve" is the motto of Lions Clubs throughout the world. The mission of the Pine Grove Lions Club is to improve the quality of life for residents of Pine Grove and surrounding communities by providing support for health related issues, youth programs, emergency relief in disaster situations, cultural growth, and other needs of the local community through giving and personal service. Sight preservation is the worldwide project of Lions International chapters.



Consider becoming a member of the Pine Grove Lions Club. The Lions Den headquarters building is located at 1 Veterans Memorial Drive. call 570-345-

7446 to see how you can be part of building your community and caring for others.

The Pine Grove Lions Club has served the Pine Grove community since 1947.

## Need a dumpster? Permit required!

Residents or businesses needing to temporarily place a dumpster or yard roll-off (in sizes of 10-to-40 cubic yards) in the Borough are required to gain a permit in advance.

This does not include residential or commercial refuse containers, commonly located on residential or commercial properties.

Permits are valid for a period of two weeks when placed on Borough streets and three months placed on private property. The permit must be issued by the Borough before having the dumpster or roll-off placed. Currently, the Borough is waiving the fee.

A permit application and Ordinance 645 can be viewed on the Borough website or at the Borough Office Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.


## Water quality report for 2021

The 2021 annual Drinking Water Quality Report will be available in June. It will no longer be mailed to your home as in past years; but, can be obtained, free of charge, at the Pine Grove Municipal Building, One Snyder Avenue, or on the Borough website by clicking on Water Department.



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# Historical Society Preserves the Past

## Stanhope School Restoration – Already Busy in 2022

The present year, with cold weather and short days, may have been quiet so far for some; however, the Stanhope Schoolhouse Project has been busy.



Shown here, February found, from left, George Stralkus, Linda Mills, and Mike Moyer featuring the schoolhouse project at the Schuylkill County History Fair held at the Fairlane Village Mall. This was the debut of the new logo. Thanks to all who stopped at our tables to learn more about the restoration progress, signed-up to volunteer, and made a financial donation.

In March, volunteers started to search for more information about the village of Stanhope and the Stanhope School. Are you or someone in your family a Pine Grove Area graduate between 1956 and 1963 who also attended the Stanhope School? If so, please contact us at [Facebook.com/StanhopeSchoolhouse](https://www.facebook.com/StanhopeSchoolhouse) or [www.PGHS-StanhopeSchool.org](http://www.PGHS-StanhopeSchool.org) so we can continue to gather information related to the former students and teachers. Pictures and school documents are appreciated and can be scanned so the originals can be returned. Spring cleaning the interior of the schoolhouse was also completed in March.

The grounds clean-up uncovered the foundation to the outhouse used at the schoolhouse. Additional volunteer hours are needed for additional work both inside and out.

The Schoolhouse Project was fortunate to be selected for the Kutztown University Communication Design Department's Designathon 2022.

This event on April 1st, was no April Fool's joke! The 70 students, 14 alumni, six faculty, and one office manager provided 840 combined hours with \$378,000 of design work being donated to the 19 non-profit organizations selected to participate in this virtual event.

The work of the three-student team assigned to our project - Sharea Freeman, Madison Stearns, and Rylee Gaylick - surpassed our expectations in quality and quantity during the 12 hours of Designathon!



Here are some of the items this team provided for use as the schoolhouse project starts to transition its focus from restoration to preparation for opening to the public. Educational programs are planned this year and we had the need for updated materials and sellable item designs.

A Grand Re-Opening is planned for Saturday, Aug. 13 from 2-to-4 p.m. Come celebrate as education returns to Stanhope School after 70 years!

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# Rave Mobile's Smart911 - Critical Info Fast!

Rave Mobile's "Smart911" is a communication service that allows the Pine Grove Borough to notify residents quickly and efficiently in the event of an emergency or need to convey critical information.

The PA Department of Environmental Protection mandated all water systems are required to notify customers quickly when a situation with the water system arises. From time to time, we have had to contact our customers when our water system was compromised and issue a Boil Water Advisory.

Pine Grove Borough has contracted with Rave Mobile's Smart911 to contact our customers and residents. Smart911 is a Public Notification System using cutting-edge technology to swiftly contact our residents via telephone or e-mail. Now when a Boil Water

Advisory is necessary, or any time the Borough needs to be in contact with its residents such as a declared snow emergency, we can do so in a matter of minutes. This would also include other states of emergency, disaster announcements, road closures, parking restrictions, and other announcements as necessary.

## We need your help!

In order to make Smart911 work, information regarding you, including your address, phone number, cell phone number, e-mail address, and your preferred method of notification is necessary. If you were registered previously with Swiftreach, your information has been transferred to the Smart911 system. If you have not sent this to date, complete the form and mail it in, deliver in person, call or e-mail your info today! Or, go to the Borough website and click on the Smart911 tab.

Mail or deliver to Pine Grove Borough; One Snyder Avenue; Pine Grove, PA 17963. You can also call 570-345-3555 with the information or e-mail us at [pgborough@comcast.net](mailto:pgborough@comcast.net).

Property owners with apartments should provide information regarding their tenants. Tenants should also complete the form to assure optimum notification.

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