



# TRAPPE TIMES

WINTER - 2016

## TRAPPE BOROUGH HALL

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TRAPPE BOROUGH – A GREAT PLACE TO LIVE, WORK AND RELAX WITH FRIENDS & FAMILY

## TRAPPE 300

*Momentum is building  
for the celebration of  
Trappe Borough's  
300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
in 2017!!!*

*Your creative ideas,  
enthusiasm and  
expertise are needed*

*If you'd like to join  
other community  
volunteers from  
Speaker's House,  
Historical Society,  
Keystone Grange,  
CEDC, Borough  
Council  
and the Mayor*

Visit:

[www.TrappeHistoricalSociety.org](http://www.TrappeHistoricalSociety.org)

Contact:

[Trappe300th@Gmail.com](mailto:Trappe300th@Gmail.com)

## TRAPPE TALK Nevin H. Scholl

Once the 2015-2016 Pennsylvania budget is resolved, we expect to hear the results of three grant applications submitted. We are seeking funding for LED street lights, street sign replacement that meets the new mandated retroreflectivity standards and additional funding for a trail between W. Main Street and Rambo Park. Our new local legislators, Senator Bob Mensch and Representative Thomas Quigley, have been supportive of our efforts.

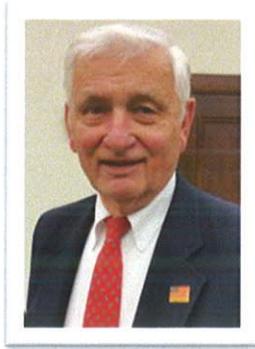
Our tentative 2016 road maintenance plan includes the resurfacing of Joan Drive, Linden Drive and Borough Line Road from W. 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue to N. Borough Line Road. We also plan to sealcoat the western portion of Cherry Avenue as well as Borough Hall and Rambo Park parking lots. Lastly, a clogged storm water discharge pipe will be replaced on W. 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue.

All of the above will be funded without increasing your 2016 municipal real estate tax.

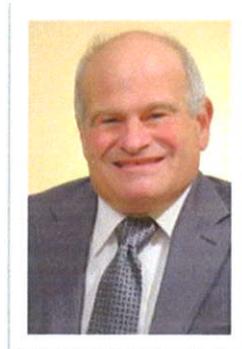
In September we alerted you to a \$1.1 million loan Collegeville Fire Company was seeking from CTMA (our local Collegeville and Trappe sewer service provider) to partially fund a replacement firehouse. At that time we expressed concern about the lack of financial information received that we believed was needed to assess the fire company's ability to repay the requested loan. As an update, we are encouraged to hear that the needed information will be provided.

***Also, the annual Trappe Ambulance (EMS) fund raising campaign is upon us.***

***Please be generous with your membership contribution. Your donation is critical to making sure the service is there when you need it. From a personal experience with my daughter, I know it is an excellent investment and it will be for you also.***



**Our Thanks to FRED SCHUETZ who served on Trappe Council from 2008 through 2015. Fred's commitment to public service resulted in a number of grants and improvements to Trappe's parks & recreation program. Fred will continue on the Regional Planning Commission and Trappe 300<sup>th</sup> Committee.**



**District Justice Kathleen Kelly Rebar presided at the January reorganization meeting and swearing-in ceremony of Borough Council members STU STRAUSS and incumbents PHIL RONCA and SCOTT MARTIN for 4 year terms beginning 2016.**

## COUNCIL MEMBER 2016 COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Administrative Services  
Cathy Johnson – Chair

Communications  
Pat Webster – Chair

Finance & Streets  
Nevin Scholl – Chair

Parks & Open Space  
Stewart Strauss – Chair

Planning, Zoning & Ordinance  
Tammy Liberi – Chair

Public Works & CTMA  
Cathy Johnson – Chair

Traffic & Safety  
Scott Martin – Chair

Walkable Community  
Phil Ronca - Chair

## TRAPPE BOROUGH 2015 ACHIEVEMENTS

- Maintained the fourth lowest municipal tax rate in Montgomery County
- Repaired or replaced the main Clahor storm sewer pipe as needed
- Repaved East 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue as part of the Borough's Road Maintenance Program
- Repaved over 900 feet of Cherry Avenue
- Completed video inspection and needed repairs of our sanitary sewer lines
- Completed an engineering study and updated water and sewer tapping fees
- Purchased a backup generator to maintain a continued water supply in case of an extended power outage
- Completed the replacement of heating and air conditioning system at Borough Hall
- Obtained developer agreements to fund the repair and expansion of sidewalks on First Avenue to Water Works Park and Chestnut Street, as well as a trail from the Trappe School property to Main Street
- Participated in, hosted and coordinated numerous community events including: Memorial Day Parade, Trappe Community Day, Identity Theft Seminar, etc.



## AROUND TOWN...

*Be sure to check with the organization for more details or for last minute changes*

**Perkiomen Valley Chamber 2016 Awards Gala**  
February 11<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm  
Rivercrest Golf Club  
[www.PerkiomenValleyChamber.org](http://www.PerkiomenValleyChamber.org)

**Keystone Grange No 2 7:00pm**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the Month  
At The Grange on Main Street  
[www.KeystoneGrange2.org](http://www.KeystoneGrange2.org)

**Lions Club 6:30pm**  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the Month  
Mooreheads Catering – 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue  
[www.CollegevilleLions.org](http://www.CollegevilleLions.org)

**Rotary International Club 6:15pm**  
Every Wednesday  
Mooreheads Catering – 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue  
[www.CollegevilleRoyary.org](http://www.CollegevilleRoyary.org)

**The Speaker's House**  
[www.SpeakersHouse.org](http://www.SpeakersHouse.org)  
Feb 5-7 Historic Home Show  
Valley Forge Casino Hotel

Feb 25 Restoration of the Speakers House –  
Lecture by Lisa Minardi, Ex Dir  
Historical Society of MontCo

May 1 Raise the Roof Fundraiser Gala  
Sunday 5 pm – 9 pm  
Dinner, Dancing, Silent Auction  
The Barn on Bridge

**Trappe Fire Company No 1 6:30pm**  
Every Monday – Training (stop by)  
[www.TrappeFire.org](http://www.TrappeFire.org)

**Trappe Historical Society**  
[www.TrappeHistoricalSociety.org](http://www.TrappeHistoricalSociety.org)

**Perkiomen Valley Library / Schwenksville**  
Jan 20 RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE 2-7pm  
[www.PVLibrary.net](http://www.PVLibrary.net)

## Winter Weather Warnings:

As the snow plow prepares to make winter driving as safe as possible, here are some policies, concerns and tips to help...

- \* If approached by a snowplow, slow down and allow plenty of room to pass safely. Never tailgate a snow plow; you never know when they may have to stop or back up.
- \* DO NOT plow, shovel or blow the snow from your driveway onto the streets. This is illegal and may cause ice conditions for the travelling public.
- \* Residents can help prevent their driveway from being plowed shut by clearing some snow along the road in front of their driveway and approximately 10 feet before their driveway. The cleared area will allow the plow to unload most of the snow before it crosses the front of the driveway.

\*Please don't set your trash cans and recycling containers on the roadway during snow



removal operations. It is the homeowner's responsibility to clear a separate area for that purpose.

\*During snow emergencies, vehicles parked on emergency routes may be towed. Your courtesy and cooperation with our snow plow drivers and snow removal efforts will make it better for everyone to cope with snowy winter conditions.



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Pat Webster

**EMERGENCY - 911**

Non-Emergency  
State Police  
610-584-1250

TRAPPE MAYOR

Connie Peck

MANAGER

Bob Umstead

TRAPPE FIRE & AMBULANCE

610-489-2700

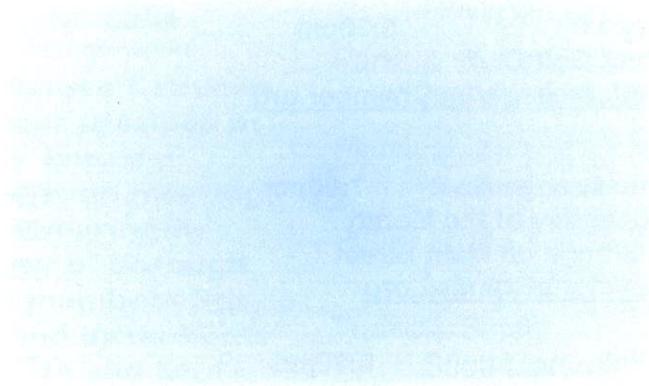
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TRAPPE TAX COLLECTOR

Gretchen Lawson

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## Recycling E-waste

### Under Current State Disposal Ban

Pennsylvania state law requires televisions and computers to be recycled and prohibits their disposal as trash. Therefore, trash haulers will not pick up your TVs or computers curbside.

Listed below are some private sector outlets for recycling residential electronics. These Businesses are neither endorsed nor recommended but are provided as a public service. Check their websites or call them for more information.

**BEST BUY** electronics stores run an ongoing recycling program accepting computers, TVs and various electronics. Pick up may also be available for a fee.

**STAPLES** Office Supply stores run a recycling program for computers and accessories. No TVs are accepted.

**SALVATION ARMY** Thrift Store in Montgomeryville accepts working TVs of any size as well as working computers and electronics. 215-631-1570.



### FOR MORE INFORMATION

on recycling in Montgomery County  
or the 2016 Recycling Schedule, visit  
[www.MontgomeryCountyRecycles.org](http://www.MontgomeryCountyRecycles.org)

or call

610-278-3744