

STOCKERTOWN NEWS

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**Early Primary
Presidential
Election
April 26th**

VOTE!

**Earth Day
April 22nd**

**"Earth provides
enough to satisfy every
man's need, but not
every man's greed."
MOHANDAS K. GANDHI**

**Take nothing but pic-
tures, leave nothing
but footprints, kill
nothing but time.**

Memorial Day

**A day to honor and re-
member those military
heroes who gave up all
their tomorrows so we
could have all of ours.
Thank You!**

Tax Day 4/15

**A fool and his money
are soon parted. The
rest of us wait for tax
day.**

**Borough Wide
Yard Sale Dates
April 30th-May 1st
8:00am-3:00pm**

WILL YOU PLEASE STOP ???

I try to make this newsletter about issues that affect expenditures, improvements and the quality of life in the Borough. One theme that runs thru every newsletter, is still the one thing that doesn't change. People are still flushing "disposable" baby wipes, feminine products, diapers, grease, and a myriad of other items into the sewer system. Our plant is biological not chemical. **Disposable does not mean biodegradable.** Baby wipes do not break apart like toilet tissue. Tampons, panty liners, and diapers clog the grinder pumps, causing them to overheat and burn out. It takes two pumps to process the incoming waste. If one burns out and the other can't keep up with the flow there can be an overflow of raw sewage; the worst offense in the eyes of the DEP! That vio-

lation = thousands of dollars. The cost of a grinder, \$6,700. Allstate Septic now comes twice as often and spends at least three hours in the tank clearing the grinder pumps of fabric based items and cleaning the foot of grease off the walls. Below is a picture of the baffle drain. There should be **nothing** floating around the drain! Not baby wipes, tampons, and panty liners as seen in the picture. Despite repeated pleas, the problem still persists, contributing to increased maintenance, expense, and potential damage. Repeated abuse will undoubtedly lead to an increase of sewer usage fees. We have full service trash removal for diapers, wipes and all household trash. Please stop using the sewer for a garbage disposal. How hard can this be? Amy Richard, Council President & Editor



The Pavilion at Newhart Park

The Pavilion at Newhart Park is in need of a face lift and some new curtains and secure closure. Council has approached the Stockertown Youth Association, (SYA), in a letter requesting they assist with the improvements to the pavilion. The late Mayor Metzger was one of the organizers of the SYA which originated years back

when Stockertown had its own baseball teams. It was the Mayor's stated desire to use the accumulated funds for needed improvements to the pavilion and park facilities. Some suggestions include vinyl curtains with a clear vision strip, roll-up door panels, and accordion type door closures. We await SYA's review of the proposals.

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at 7:30 PM
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FOOTNOTES

>Spring brings "everyone" outside. Children become prime targets for abduction from streets and parks when left unattended. Be vigilant!.

>Our parks are open and available to all residents for parties and picnics May through October. Call the Boro office for reservations

>The Boro is providing a **one day spring pick-up of branches and limbs**. The pick-up date will be **Monday April 25th** with a rain date of April 26th. Place branches on the curb by 6:00 am. Do not tie branches. No rocks, soil, vegetation or other debris will be removed.

>The **Boro wide yard sale dates** are scheduled for **April 30th and May 1st**. They will be posted on the Boro Marque.

>Public Works will be cleaning cinders from Boro streets in early May, dates to be announced. Please sweep cinders from sidewalks to the street for clean-up. The clean up will require equipment rental and will be a **one day event only**.

>Only recreational fires are permitted within the Boro and only if the fire pit or receptacle is covered by a spark arrester. Refer to the Fire Burn Ordinance at the Boro Office or on the web site.

>**The recycling center is for Stockertown residents only** to deposit co-mingled recyclables. Please flatten cardboard, tie paper bundles when depositing in the containers provided.

>**TV'S AND COMPUTER MONITORS ARE NOT RECYCLABLE AND WILL NOT BE PICKED UP BY OUR TRASH COLLECTOR. See attached flyer for disposal solutions.**

>WWW.HUMANESOCIETY.ORG

Animal cruelty is a crime in every state in the US. If you witness or know about animal abuse, animal neglect or animal fighting, report it to your state or local police department.

>Nat'l Child Abuse Hotline 1 (800) 4 A CHILD
1 (800) 422-4453 or WWW.CHILDHELP.COM

All calls are anonymous and confidential.

Vulnerable children and defenseless animals depend on all of us to protect them

May is SKIN CANCER AWARENES
Month Free screenings available! Call
Warren Hospital 1-908 859-6796
Easton Hospital 610 250-4404
St Luke's Hospital 1-866 610-6161

**EMERGENCY SERVICES****STOCKERTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT**

NON-EMERGENCY
610 330-2200
610 759-3232, Office
John Soloe, Chief
Eric Schwab, OIC
Adam Shimer
Randy Pompei
Keith Snyder
Alex Soloe

911**FORKS VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY**

NON-EMERGENCY
610 330-2200
William Carver
Fire Chief
Timothy Weis,
Fire Marshall

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
Alex Soloe

D.E.P. 610 861-2070
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POST OFFICE
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610 759-6278

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610 759-9255

What we do for ourselves dies with us. What you do for others remains and is immortal.