



Little Red Schoolhouse Video and Virtual Tour

Recently, the Richmond “Little Red” Schoolhouse Museum received a donation from the children of Leona Hogan Corbett, a former student of this historic schoolhouse. This generous contribution serves as a tribute to Ms. Corbett who was born 100 years ago in the year 1923.

The significance of this donation lies in its purpose: to celebrate the rich history of the Richmond School and its importance within the local community. To achieve this, the donation is being utilized to create an engaging and informative video that delves into the history of one room schoolhouses in our community, showcases some of the uniqueness of the one room schoolhouse eco-

system and showcases the effort by the people that were able to preserve and restore this community treasure.

The project is in its final stages of completion. In the near future, this captivating video will be made accessible to the public on the Township’s official website. We encourage everyone to keep an eye out for further updates and announcements regarding this exciting project. The Richmond “Little Red” Schoolhouse Museum’s history will soon be just a click away, bringing its legacy to a wider audience and ensuring that its story continues to inspire and educate for generations to come.

Behind the scenes: Former student at Richmond School House and past Brighton Township Chief of Police, Jack Erath interviewed by resident and Pacer Studios owner Jason Bumblis.



Police Department Secures Grant Funding

The Brighton Township Police Department is the recipient of a \$184,565 grant from the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency’s Local Law Enforcement Support Grant Program. The grant is predominately for equipment and technology upgrades for the digital collection and storage of evidence and records. The purchases to be made will include updated body worn cameras, in-car video systems, mobile data terminals, and digital evidence storage systems.

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Brighton Township Police Department



Biondi, Butler Full Time Township Officers

Sebastian L. Biondi and Robert C. Butler, II have been hired as a full-time police officers with the Brighton Township Police Department, beginning September 1, 2023. Both previously worked part-time with the Department. We are pleased to have them join the Department and look forward to their service to the community for many years to follow.

Safe Medication Disposal Drop Box

For the safe disposal of prescription drugs and medications, a drop box is available in the lobby of the Police Department located at 1400 Brighton Road. Flushing medications down the toilet or throwing them in the trash can have the potential of creating safety or health hazards. Plus, unused medications are often subject to abuse or accidental poisonings and overdoses.

When disposing of medications in the drop box, they should remain in their original containers. Personal information on the labels should be crossed out, but information about the medication should be legible. Place prescriptions, prescription patches, over-the-counter medications, vitamins, samples and medications for pets into the drop box. Open containers of liquids should be completely sealed.

No syringes/needles, inhalers or aerosol cans.



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REMINDER TO ADD/UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION WITH SMART911.COM

To comply with PA DEP Public Notification Rules the Municipal Authority has implemented the services of Smart911 as its emergency notification provider through PA Rural Water Association.

The Smart911 system is provided by Rave Mobile Safety and is designed to make phone calls on a Township-wide basis, or to specific people or areas, in the event of an emergency, and can make hundreds of calls a minute to convey recorded messages. It can also be used to share important information. The system is also available for use by emergency services or other Township Departments who can give notice of road closures, missing persons or other information.

It is important for residents and business owners to verify the accuracy of the information provided, and to provide additional contact information such as unlisted, unpublished or cell phone numbers and even email addresses. Accurate information in the database helps to ensure emergency notifications will be passed on to everyone in a timely manner.

ADD / UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION

Please use the following form below to add, remove or update your information. Be assured that this information will not be provided to any outside agencies or companies.

Visit SMART911.COM to complete the signup form.



A Reminder from the Brighton Township Real Estate Tax Office



The second installment payment for the 2023 School Real Estate tax is due by October 31, 2023. When making payments, please include a telephone number on the check. The elected tax collector, James W. Onuska, holds hours as follows:

Office Hours: Tuesday: 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
 Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Personal appointments may be made by contacting the tax office.

The tax collection office is located in the lower level of the Municipal Building, 1300 Brighton Road. A drop box has been installed for your convenience. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact James W. Onuska, Brighton Township Real Estate Tax Collector at 724-774-2622.



Brighton Township Volunteer Fire Department

Fire Department Receives Grant Funding: The Brighton Township Volunteer Fire Department recently received a Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER)

grant through the Department of Homeland Security. Federal funding was approved in the amount of \$277,954. The purpose of the SAFER Grant Program is to provide funding directly to fire departments and volunteer firefighter interest organizations to assist in increasing the number of firefighters to help communities meet industry minimum standards and attain 24-hour staffing to provide adequate protection from fire and fire-related hazards, and to fulfill traditional missions of fire departments. Grant funds will be used for recruitment and retention efforts. The grant program provides funding for 16 hours per week for a program coordinator position, physicals for new members, and \$50,000 per year for the voluntary shift program. The performance period will be from 6/20/2023 to 6/19/2027.

Installation of a source capture exhaust system was recently installed through similar funding from the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program with a total cost of \$121,505.

Want to Volunteer? The Fire Department is still in need of volunteers willing to join and help protect and serve our community. Do you want to join them? All training and equipment are provided by the Department. Volunteering provides an opportunity to serve and give back to the community. If you are interested or just want to investigate membership further, please visit Fire Station #3 located on Grange Road behind the Social Hall. Or, email us at station63@comcast.net if you want more information or are interested in volunteering.

Want to Make a Donation? If you wish to financially support the Brighton Township Volunteer Fire Department with a donation, it can be made online through the BTVFD website www.brightontwpvfd.org or by check to BTVFD and mailed to 84 Grange Road, Beaver, PA 15009.

SMOKE AND CO DETECTORS

Install smoke alarms inside each bedroom, outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home, including the basement. On levels without bedrooms, install alarms in the living room (or den or family room) or near the stairway to the upper level, or in both locations. Smoke and CO detectors should be tested and inspected at least once per month. Batteries should be replaced bi-annually. A good rule of thumb is to change your batteries when you change the clocks back and forward. Always test and inspect your detectors in accordance with the manufactures suggested procedures. If you are in need of smoke or CO detectors, please contact the Brighton Township Volunteer Fire Department. Detectors are available to Township residents in need. For more information about the program or how to obtain free smoke detectors please contact the station at station63@comcast.net or 724-495-3803.

FIRE HYDRANTS

Township Code makes it unlawful for any person, other than those authorized by the Township, Fire Department or Municipal Authority, to open, tamper with or interfere in any manner with any fire hydrant. Violators are subject to a \$1,000 fine.

No obstructions are to be planted, constructed or placed within six (6) feet of any hydrant to permit unrestricted access to the hydrant in the case of an emergency.

BURNING

Burning of household papers or other permitted refuse must be done within a salamander wire basket or masonry enclosure with a top to prevent fly ash from escaping. Such burning is prohibited on Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays or legal holidays.

Cooking safety starts with YOU.

Pay attention to fire prevention.™

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK™

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Cooking Safety

Cooking brings family and friends together, provides an outlet for creativity and can be relaxing. But did you know that cooking fires are the number one cause of home fires and home injuries? By following a few safety tips you can prevent these fires.

"COOK WITH CAUTION"

- Be on alert! If you are sleepy or have consumed alcohol don't use the stove or stovetop.
- Stay in the kitchen while you are frying, boiling, grilling, or broiling food. If you leave the kitchen for even a short period of time, turn off the stove.
- If you are simmering, baking, or roasting food, check it regularly, remain in the home while food is cooking, and use a timer to remind you that you are cooking.
- Keep anything that can catch fire — oven mitts, wooden utensils, food packaging, towels or curtains — away from your stovetop.

If you have a small (grease) cooking fire and decide to fight the fire...

- On the stovetop, smother the flames by sliding a lid over the pan and turning off the burner. Leave the pan covered until it is completely cooled.
- For an oven fire, turn off the heat and keep the door closed.

If you have any doubt about fighting a small fire...

- Just get out! When you leave, close the door behind you to help contain the fire.
- Call 9-1-1 or the local emergency number from outside the home.



Cooking and Kids

Have a "kid-free zone" of at least 3 feet (1 metre) around the stove and areas where hot food or drink is prepared or carried.

FACTS

- ! The leading cause of fires in the kitchen is unattended cooking.
- ! Most cooking fires in the home involve the kitchen stove.



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Vol. Fire Dept





Two Mile Run Park Reservations

Brighton Township residents may begin reserving the Two Mile Run Park facilities for 2024 dates on Saturday, October 14, 2023. Reservations will be taken **in person only** at the Municipal Building on Saturday, October 14th from 8:00 a.m. until noon. **Proof of residency/photo ID will be required when making your reservation.** Payment is due at the time of reservation and must be cash or check. Telephone reservations for residents of Brighton Township will not be accepted until Monday, October 16th starting at 8:00 a.m. Payment for telephone reservations will be due within one week. Please call 724-774-4800 to make reservations.

If you are reserving Shultz Lodge for June, July or August, only one reservation per household will be taken for those summer months on **Saturday, October 14th.**

Residents from Beaver, Bridgewater or Vanport may make reservations on or after December 11, 2023. Payment for telephone reservations will be due within one week.

Please be reminded that the person signing the rental agreement must be present when the facility is opened and closed.

Rental rates for 2024 are as follows:

Brighton Township Resident:

Shultz Lodge	\$150
Shelters	\$50

Beaver, Bridgewater or Vanport (After December 11, 2023)

Shultz Lodge	\$175
Shelters	\$60

Forms needed for reservations can be found on the Applications and Forms Page of the Township website at www.brightontwp.org.

Social Hall Project Being Re-evaluated

In May the Board of Supervisors opened bids for the renovation of the Social Hall building and site located at 5400 Dutch Ridge Road. Unfortunately, the total of the bids exceeded \$2.1 million. As a result, the Township opted to reject the bids and reevaluate the scope of the project. During each of the past 3-years construction costs have increased in excess of 10% per year. The Township will have to determine if the renovation is financially feasible or if construction of a smaller facility on the site is a better option. This evaluation will take place through the remainder of 2023 so a decision on a 2024 project can be made.





Leaf Waste Collection Program Returns This Fall

Drop Off Site Will Remain Operational

This fall the Township will provide a fee-based curbside collection program for leaf waste to comply with, and implement State regulations that mandate curbside recycling, including yard waste. The yard waste drop-off site will continue to operate on the same basis as it currently is and, therefore, participation in the curbside collection program is optional. Homeowners are

encouraged to continue to use the drop-off site, or compost leaves in their own yards.

The collection of leaves and yard waste is a fee-based program whereby residents purchase biodegradable paper collection bags at a cost of \$2.00 each within which the leaves, garden residues, shrubbery clippings or tree trimmings

must be placed. Bags must be placed at the curb on collection days to be designated. Bags will be pre-sold at the Municipal Building. Bags utilized must be purchased from the Township, and not be from another source, such as a home improvement store. Watch for an announcement of the collection dates and when the leaf bags will be available for purchase.

Household Chemical Collection

Beaver County's Department of Sustainability & Waste Management will host a Household Chemical Collection event at the Beaver County Recycling Center located in Brady's Run Park on Saturday, October 14th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The event is registration based.

Advanced Registration Required — Register through the Events calendar at www.Prc.org/HHWregistration

The 2023 fee structure is as follows:

- \$20 fee for up to 10 gallons/50 lbs. per vehicle.
- All items must be placed in the car trunk or truck bed.
- Oversized loads will be subject to additional charges at the discretion of on-site staff.
- Additional Fees: \$12 per fire extinguisher; \$15 per pound of liquid mercury.
- PRC accepts all forms of payment.

Acceptable items include aerosol cans, automotive fluids, batteries, chemistry sets, compact fluorescent bulbs (CFLs), gasoline and kerosene,

household cleaners, mercury thermometers, paint products (including sealers, thinners and strippers), pesticides/herbicides, photo and pool chemicals. Leaking containers will not be accepted.

The following is a partial list of what is not accepted: ammunition, appliances, bulk waste, electronics, TVs, drugs, explosives, fluorescent tubes, tires, explosives, medical waste (including needles) and other non-listed items.

Looking for more information?

Contact the Beaver County Department of Sustainability and Waste Management 724-770-2066 or visit their website.

Healthy creeks, rivers and ground-water depend upon the proper disposal of household chemicals.

What Not to Do!

- Never place these items into the sanitary sewers (sinks & toilets).
- Never pour or throw these items into gutters, streets or storm drains where rain or other water can wash the materials into our waterways.
- Never place them into the trash where they end up in a landfill and can pollute the groundwater.

Two Mile Run Park Phase I Hiking Trails

The Two Mile Run Park hiking trails are open for use. There are 10,000 LF of trails, as identified on the Two Mile Run Trail System Map. Two (2) trailheads are included, one (1) at Shelter #3, 2195 Gypsy Glen Road and one (1) at the Shultz Lodge location, 1925 Gypsy Glen Road. Both locations are identified on the map. The most challenging portion of the trail, identified as Loop A on the map, is accessed from a point near Shelter #2, and ascends the hill through the woods. These are the first hiking trails of this type constructed by the Township. Hardy Field and Two Mile Run Park North at the disc golf course have paved walking areas that are less challenging and have better accessibility. If you utilize the trails, please report to the Township office locations where trail maintenance may be needed due to fallen trees or trail washouts. Reports of litter or vandalism should also be reported.

Hikers should stay on the trail path to prevent damage to other vegetation within the forested areas. Maintaining the health of off trail vegetation is important for soil stabilization and to prevent unnecessary erosion. The trail areas are of varying difficulty consistent with the landscape characteristics of Two Mile Run Park. The trails are of a natural surface graded to shed water to avoid ponding or point stormwater discharge. Swales and cross vanes are used where needed to convey stormwater within its natural course.

The Township is currently pursuing additional grant funding to construct Phase II of the project, which will include two (2) additional loop hiking trails (trail loops B & C) as shown on the map. The additional trail loops will add approximately 4,825 LF of hiking trail, creating a multi-loop system.

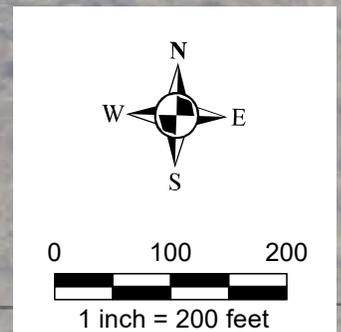


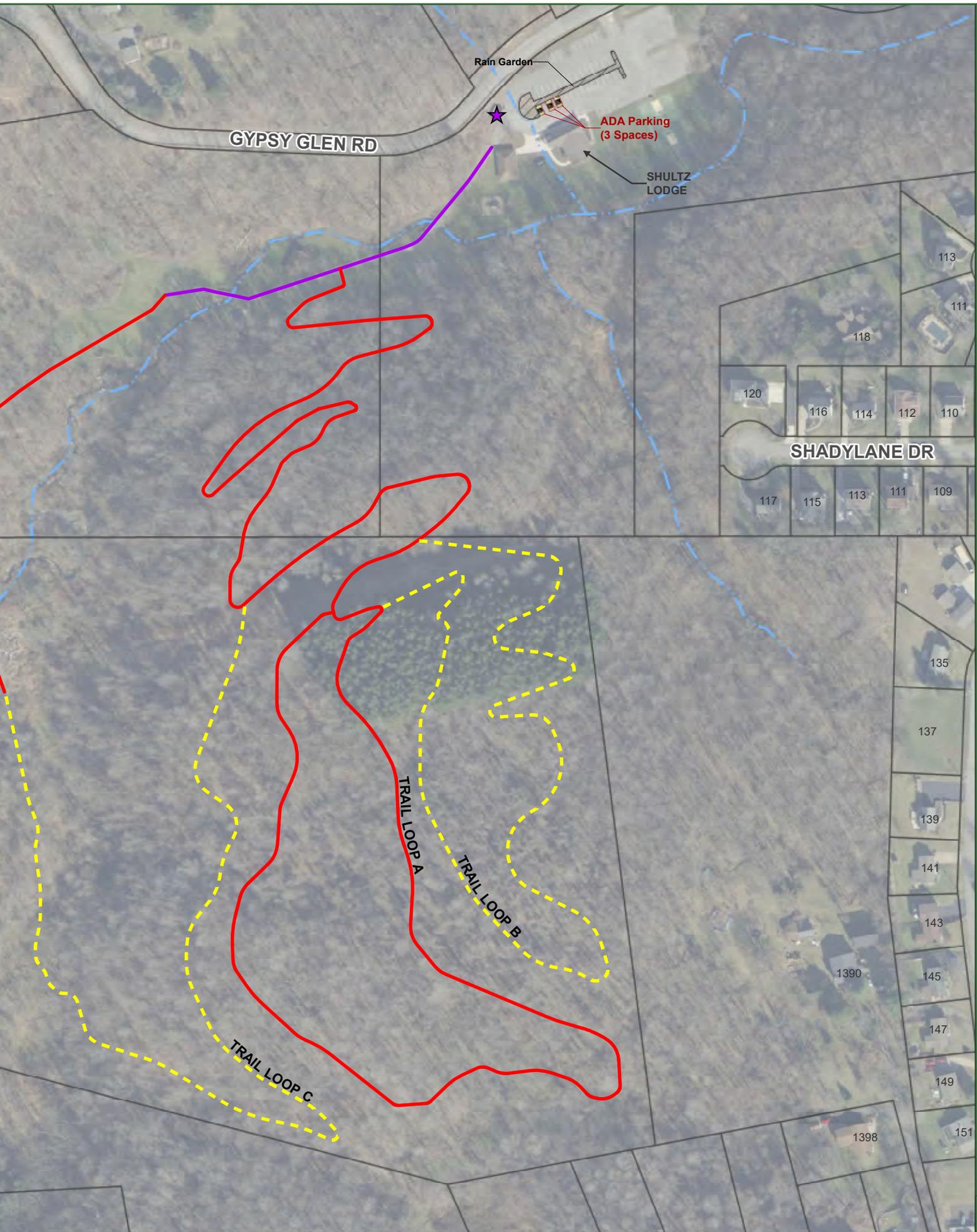
Legend

-  Kiosk
-  Existing Asphalt Trail
-  ADA Accessible Asphalt Trail Phase I
-  Phase I Natural Surface Trail
-  Proposed Natural Surface Trail

Statistics

- Existing Asphalt Trail (650 LF)
- Phase I Trails
 - Natural Surface Trail (8,700 LF)
 - ADA Accessible Asphalt Trail (1,100 LF)
- Phase II Trails - Proposed
 - Trail B - Natural Surface Trail (2,600 LF)
 - Trail C - Natural Surface Trail (2,225 LF)





Rain Garden

GYPSY GLEN RD

ADA Parking
(3 Spaces)

SHULTZ
LODGE

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SHADYLANE DR

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TRAIL LOOP A

TRAIL LOOP B

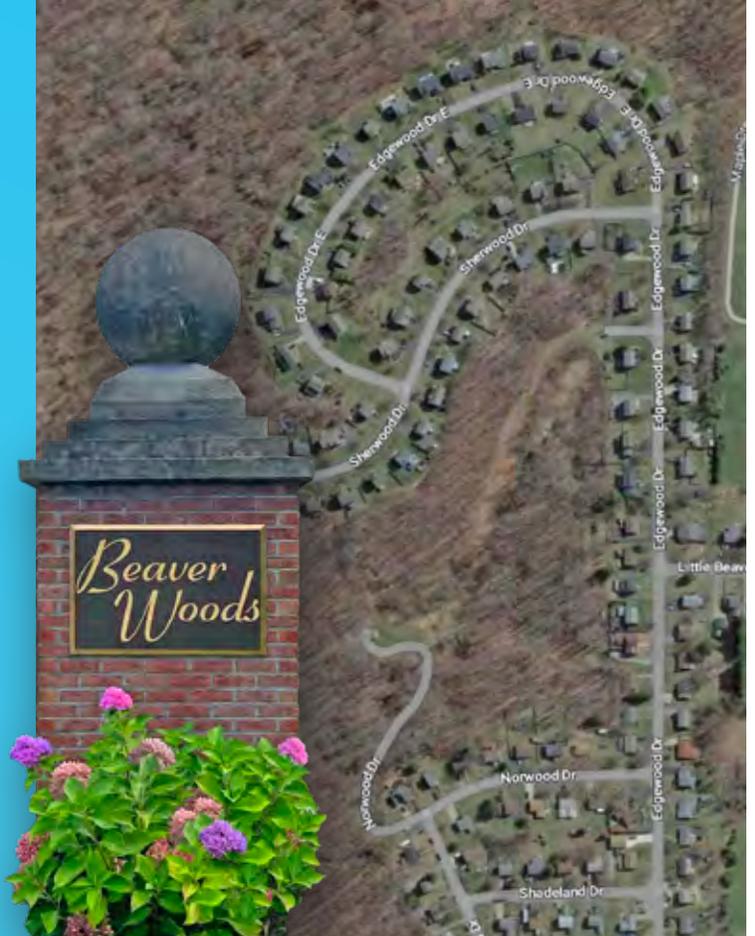
TRAIL LOOP C

Water Service During Vacation or Home Vacancy

Going away for an extended period of time? The Brighton Township Municipal Authority offers a service to have your water service shut off at the curb stop for homes that may be vacant for an extended period of time. A service fee of \$10.00 is charged for both the shut-off and turn-on; a total of \$20.00. No charges accrue to your account while your water is shut off.

- **You will need to call the Authority Office at 724-774-4800 to schedule an appointment for these services.**
- **Please provide a 24-hour notice of your water shut off and/or water turn on request to allow for appropriate staffing.**
- **A person must be present at the home when the service is turned back on during normal work hours Monday through Friday.**

If the home is vacant for an extended period, you can also turn off your main shut off valve located near your water meter. This will help prevent significant flooding within the home should there be a plumbing failure. However, unless service is terminated at the curb, monthly charges will continue to accrue during the vacancy.



Beaver Woods Stormwater Detention Facility

Reconstruction of the Beaver Woods Stormwater Detention Facility, located in the rear of the Beaver Woods neighborhood, is underway and should be completed by Fall, 2023. Work includes excavation and removal of accumulated sediment; installation of a new underdrain system; construction of a new outlet structure to improve discharge control from the facility; restoration of the disturbed areas; and construction of two (2) access roadways to the site. This project will help control the down-stream discharge from this facility as well continue to remove sediment that is deposited within the stormwater management basin by rainfall runoff.

The Township will be responsible to maintain this facility. This project is being completed to satisfy the Township PRP requirements, which includes removal of approximately 10% of the sediment loading to the streams within this drainage area. As such, the Beaver Woods Stormwater Management Basin will remove approximately 17,000 pounds of sediment from the stream each year.



2023 MS4 Outfall Screening

As part of compliance with the requirements of its NPDES MS4 Permit and to maintain water quality in our surface waters, the Township implements an Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDD&E) Program to monitor discharges from its storm sewer system. Part of the IDD&E Program includes annual routine screening of outfalls, or discharge points, throughout the Township. Approximately 20% of the Township's known outfalls are screened each year, such that all outfalls are visited at least once in each five-year permit cycle. Screening completed in 2018 initiated a new five-year cycle; screening completed in 2022 completed the current five-year cycle. The Township's Permit was administratively extended for two years until March, 2025 by PADEP. The Township has continued to complete outfall screening to ensure there are no pollutants being discharged from the Township storm sewer system into the streams.

The purpose of the screening program is to identify and eliminate illicit discharges that may contribute pollutants to the Township's streams and lakes. Screening is conducted during dry weather periods to identify non-stormwater discharges throughout the Township. In 2023, thirty-two (32) outfalls were screened for potential pollutant contamination. All of the Township's eighty-nine (89) regulated outfalls have been screened since renewal of the Township's current NPDES MS4 Permit in 2018.

Of the thirty-two (32) outfalls screened in 2023, no new outfalls were found to have dry weather flow. As part of the thirty-two (32) outfalls that were screened, ten (10) outfalls from 2022 were rescreened in accordance with the Permit requirement to annually screen outfalls known to have continual dry weather flow. Detectable concentrations of chlorine, ammonia-nitrogen, and detergents were observed among the samples collected. In accordance with permit requirements, the Township will continue annual screenings of outfalls with dry weather flow. The Township will continue to monitor these outfalls if any changes in the dry weather flow is observed.

Several outfalls were found to contain detergents, which may indicate the presence of wash water within the MS4, resulting either from an illicit connection of internal plumbing from a washing machine or wash tub, or the impact of vehicle washing. When washing vehicles, residents should consider the destination of wash water runoff. Wash water contains a variety of harmful contaminants, including soaps and cleaning agents, along with the dirt, debris, oils and greases removed from the vehicle. Washing should be done such that wash water does not reach the storm sewers or streams. Using commercial car washes is the best solution, as wash water is treated and/or recycled. If washing vehicles at home, residents should wash vehicles on a gravel or grass area where wash water can permeate or infiltrate into the ground, rather than be directed to the street, storm sewers or stream.

Aside from the routine annual screening conducted, residents play large role in implementation of the Township's IDD&E Program. Remember that the storm sewer system is intended to convey stormwater runoff only. If you observe any instance of dumping any substance into a Township storm inlet, or notice discolored or evidently contaminated discharge from any storm sewer, please notify the Township Office, Township Police or utilize the Illicit Discharge complaint form found on the Township Website.

Township MS4 Update

The Township is currently in the process of completing the Annual Progress Report that is submitted to PADEP each year in September. The Annual Progress Report is a self-check to ensure that the Township is completing all requirements in accordance with the MS4 Permit. The Annual Progress Report notes all Stormwater Educational Material that the Township distributes as well as all resident Public Participation. The Annual Progress Report also includes all training events that the Board of Supervisors and Township Staff complete each year, and provides a summary of the Township Pollutant Reduction Plan (PRP) progress. The PRP was approved as part of the 2018 Permit Issuance; the Township must implement best management practices (BMPs). The first project (Brighton Fields) has been completed. The second project (Beaver Woods) is currently under construction; construction will be completed by the Fall, 2023. The Township is also determining the next PRP Projects within the Two Mile Run Watershed. PRP Progress will continue to be reported in future newsletters.



2023 Roadway Improvement Program

The Township's 2023 Roadway Improvement Program has been completed with Shields Asphalt Paving, Inc. being the successful bidder for the project. The project included the milling and overlay of select roadways and the full depth reconstruction on a segment of Ridgeview Drive. The Township also applied a leveling coat to some roads, which are then sealed with oil and chip.



Road Department Park Work

Prior to the rental season, the Brighton Township Road Department, with assistance of the Sewage Authority crew, installed new concrete at a shelter in Two Mile Run Park. In addition to the shelter improvements, drainage and trail improvements were also completed during the year within the park.

Road Department Stormwater Work

During the summer, the Brighton Township Road Department installed stormwater improvements within the Dawson Ridge Plan. Shown is the installation of new HDPE stormwater piping and stormwater inlets.



Township Prepares for Winter Road Maintenance

The winter season is quickly approaching! To be prepared, the Township has arranged for the purchase of the needed maintenance materials. A bid contract through the Beaver County Regional Council of Governments has been executed for the purchase of 600 tons of road salt at a cost of \$91.50 per ton. A second contract through the PA Department of General Services has been entered into for the purchase of 1,750 tons of road salt at a cost of \$81.26 per ton. The amounts purchased can be extended to 140% of the contract estimates. Arrangements for the purchase of anti-skid materials are also in place. The Township provides winter maintenance on over 53 miles of local and contracted roadways.

The following reminders are provided so you may assist us this winter. Most importantly, please remove vehicles from the street during any snow event that requires plowing or the application of salt or anti-skid. There is reduced visibility for the drivers during snow storms or at night. Maneuvering a plow truck through parked traffic makes the job of the plow truck driver much more difficult.

- Township Ordinance regarding snow removal does prohibit parking, or allowing to be parked, any motor vehicle or other vehicle on any public street within the Township following the deposit or accumulation of ice or snow of three (3) inches or greater in depth, until the snow has been completely plowed from the full width of the roadway. Violators are subject to a \$15 fine when ticketed by the Police Department, or towing when necessary.
- Do not shovel snow into the road or have your driveway plowed into the road. This creates a safety hazard. If possible, wait until the road has been plowed before cleaning out the end of your driveway. There is no practical way to plow the road without depositing snow into your driveway. Township snow removal crews do not clear private driveways or driveway entrances of accumulated snow.
- Cul-de-sacs are difficult to clear to everyone's satisfaction. Snowplows do not have the ability to lift and carry snow from one area to another. The plow pushes the snow. The driver pushes the snow to an area most suitable to expedite the plowing and to open the road for the majority of residents. The Road Department will return to cul-de-sac areas for more thorough clearing after all roads have been properly plowed and treated.
- Mailboxes and posts are often broken from the weight of the plowed snow or simply pushed over by snow. Please



checks posts for deterioration to reduce the possibility of breakage. Also, install mailboxes as far from the edge of the roadway as permitted by your postal delivery personnel. Installations in the right of way are placed there at the owner's risk.

- Do not drive unnecessarily in a storm, especially during severe snowstorms and freezing rains. If you do drive, be sure to properly clean your windshield and to have winter wiper blades. Verify that your tires are properly inflated and have sufficient tread.



STATE ROAD MAINTENANCE

PA D.O.T. provides winter maintenance on the following:

- Interstate 376
- Wildwood Road
- Tuscarawas Road
- Grange Road
- Barclay Hill Road
- Park Road
- Lisbon Road
- Bradys Run Road
- Pine Grove Road (from Doyle Drive to Industry)
- Anchartown Road
- Doyle Drive

Concerns regarding any of these roads should be directed to PA D.O.T. at 724-774-6610 (answers 24 hours).

Events at Beaver Library

The Beaver Area Memorial Library has a full schedule of events and activities for all ages! Below is a listing of some of their options. The library is located at 100 College Avenue. For more information, please call the library at 724-775-1132.

Children's and Teen Events

PAWS for Reading: Readers in grades Pre-K to 5th are invited to practice reading aloud to a certified therapy dog at the library. Please call the library to register with one of our 4 legged friends.

Fall Storytime: September 18th-October 26th
Baby & Me, Mondays @ 10:30 a.m. for children 0-23 months and their caregivers. Toddler Time, Wednesdays @ 10:30 a.m. for children 2-3 years and their caregivers. Preschool Stories and Stations, Thursdays @ 10:30 a.m. for children ages 3-5 and their caregivers.

Play K: Geared for children entering Kindergarten in Fall of 2024. Each session features circle time and opportunity to "play kindergarten" and learn vital readiness skills aligned with the PA Pre-K standard for literacy. September 12th, October 3rd and November 14th at 1:30 p.m. **MUST REGISTER, SPACE IS LIMITED!**

Palettes and Pajamas: October 10th at 6:30-7:30 p.m. for ages 4+. Join us for a cozy night of crafting and a story time. Call the library for required registration.

Writing with Wende: Ghosts, Goblins and things that go bump in the night: October 28th 1-3 p.m. Join award winning local author, Wende Dikec for an afternoon of creative writing. Crafting stories to scare the socks off the reader! Geared for grades 5 and up. Snacks provided and registration a **MUST**.

Monster Party Storytime: October 30th 6:00-7:00 p.m. For children of all ages. Join us **IN COSTUME** for snacks, crafts and Storytime. Featuring a costume parade around the library. Registration Required.

Adult Events

Fall Fundraiser: This year's Friends of the Library Fall Fundraiser at Beaver Library is on Saturday, November 4th from 6:30-8:30 p.m. The theme is **FALL FOR THE LIBRARY**, focusing on ways you show your love for the library. The event will feature raffle baskets, as well as The Unique Boutique and The Knit Shoppe that will open that evening and remain open beyond the event. We hope you will consider donating a covered raffle basket or some new or gently used jewelry, accessories and small, decorative household items for our Boutique.

Snacks and refreshments will be served. Raffle baskets will be displayed as they are received starting on Saturday, October 7th, and winners will be drawn on November 4th.

Event tickets will cost \$15 in advance and \$20 that evening. They can be purchased at Beaver Library as can raffle tickets.

Games for Grown-ups: Enjoy Game Night at the Beaver Library. We will offer a variety of games for you to enjoy. Come alone, or bring your friends! Dates: Mondays - September 18th, October 16th and November 20th from 6:00-7:30 p.m.





Heritage Museum's Provocative Exhibit, Documentary Win National Award

THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR STATE AND LOCAL HISTORY has bestowed a 2023 Award of Excellence to the Beaver Area Heritage Museum for its provocative 2022-2023 museum exhibit and video documentary, "Saint or Sinner? The Complicated Legacy of Senator Matthew Stanley Quay."

It is the second major award the museum has received this year for its visually rich examination of the life and practices of Quay, the 19th and early 20th century State Treasurer, U.S. Senator and Republican National Committee Chairman from Beaver. In April, the Pennsylvania Federation of Museums and Historical Organizations bestowed a 2023 Special Achievement Award.

Due to popular demand, the museum is keeping open the free Saint/Sinner display on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. through the end of November.

"The Award of Excellence is the most prestigious recognition for achievement in the preservation of state and local history," said Bethany Hawkins, AASLH chief of operations. "This year, AASLH is proud to confer 51 national awards honoring people, projects, and exhibits which represent the best in the field and provide leadership for the future of state and local history."

Added Rusty Baker, executive director of the Pennsylvania Federation, "The annual awards are meant to inspire the museum field and impress visitors to museums.

The Beaver Museum is one of Pennsylvania's star performers, and we are proud to recognize its great work along with other museums and historical organizations throughout the Commonwealth."

More than 1,500 guests viewed the Saint/Sinner display in 2022 and overwhelmingly cast their votes that Quay was more of a sinner than saint in his life's work. The

documentary, produced in association with Pacer Studios, captures the highlights of Quay's personality and practices through the perspective of his biographer, 100-year-old Dr. James A. Kehl, who unfortunately died midway through the project. The 35-minute, highly entertaining video is posted on the Heritage Foundation's new YouTube page. <https://youtu.be/SjenXmcjdcY>

All-new in the museum this year is an interactive video touch-screen presentation featuring 17 expanded clips

of Kehl's best sound bites, including some not shown in the documentary.

"We are grateful that our small community museum has been recognized not only throughout Pennsylvania but also the nation," said Edwards McLaughlin, chair of the museum's board of trustees. "It's exciting to be recognized for our team's work and thrilling to be counted among all of the great organizations that will receive awards this year."





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Meeting Schedule

All meetings are held at the Municipal Building. Meetings are subject to change. Call to confirm meeting date and time, 724-774-4800.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Second Monday of each month
7:00 p.m.

PLANNING COMMISSION

First Monday of each month
7:30 p.m.

SEWAGE AUTHORITY

Third Monday of each month
7:00 p.m.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

Third Monday of each month
7:45 p.m.

ZONING HEARING BOARD

As requested.

PARK AND RECREATION BOARD

Fourth Wednesday every
other month, starting in January
7:00 p.m.

HAPPY HALLOWEEN

TRICK OR TREAT

Will be observed in Brighton Township on
Tuesday, Oct. 31
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

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