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The Shamrock

Conversion to 911 System

East Pittsburgh Police and Fire calls for service have

been dispatched by
Turtle Creek for a number of years. Effective
November 7 of this
year, we will now be
dispatched by county
911. The county is
equipped with state-ofthe-art equipment and



resources that will be available to our public servants and community.

Citizens will now dial 911 for all emergency calls – police, fire, ambulance.

Please remember to dial 911 for any call for police service. Do not second guess whether or not it is an "emergency" call. If you would like the police to respond, please call. There will be a non-emergency number (412-824-0447) which will ring in the station for ordinance complaints and questions. Please expect to leave a message since our Officers are out patrolling the borough and are often not in the station. Your call will be answered as soon as possible.

Make sure to attend the crime watch meeting on November 1 where you can ask questions about the system and see a demonstration of the county dispatch procedures!

Crime Watch Meeting

The next Crime Watch Meeting will be held on Thursday, November 1 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting is at the East Pittsburgh Community Center (gym) on Bessemer Avenue. The Chief of Police, Mayor, and Council Members will be present and will report on events and incidents in the borough. The 911 Van will attend to explain to us exactly how our new dispatch system works. Please come and hear about very important issues in our community. You will have the opportunity to voice your thoughts or concerns.

East Pittsburgh Police Abused and Neglected Animal Fund

The East Pittsburgh Police Department Fund for Abused and Neglected Animals was established in 2000. Over the years, the amount of abused and neglected animals found on the streets of East Pittsburgh and surrounding communities has sadly increased. Our Police Officers often dedicate their own time and money into treating and safely removing these animals from life threatening situations.

The East Pittsburgh Police Department Abused and Neglected Animal Fund is a non-profit fund that exists and operates on proceeds raised through fund raising, recycling, and private donations. All contributions go towards food, shelter, and medical care of animals rescued by the Police Department. Donations are sometimes made to other non-profit agencies assisting in the rescue and treatment of animals in our community and region.

Contributions may be made to:

East Pittsburgh Police Department Animal Care Fund 811 Linden Avenue East Pittsburgh, PA 15112 We also have a paper recycling bin located in the parking lot of the Reitz Building on Electric Avenue. The recycled paper results in additional monies for the Animal Care Fund. Please recycle!

The Animal Care Fund was founded by Retired Chief Jack Cassidy and Chief Lori Payne.

If you would like to volunteer to help in any way, please call 412-824-0447 or email eppdlpayn@tuppergroup.com.

Layla and Noodle are two of our success stories.



Layla was abandoned on her front porch when her owners moved out of state. She's a pure bred Boxer and has a very sweet temperament. Layla found her forever home with two boy boxers.

LAYLA

Noodle was found

wandering the streets. He's a playful Pit Bull puppy. He was housed in the Police Station for about a week and is now in his forever home.



NOODLE

The Animal Fund accepts donations that will enable us to help more animals like Layla and Noodle.

We are always looking for special people who can foster the cats and dogs we find. If you are interested in fostering an animal, please call 412-824-0447. Some expenses for fostering will be paid by the Animal Fund.

Fund Raiser

The East Pittsburgh Police Fund for Abused and Neglected Animals is hosting a fundraiser on Saturday, December 1, 2012, at the Pub in the Park in Swissvale from 5:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

There will be 16 guest bartenders, free food, jello shots, 50/50 raffle, Chinese auction, and a drawing for two Steelers' Tickets! Only 100 tickets will be sold for the Steelers' Tickets.

Holiday Candy Sale

The Fund is sponsoring a holiday candy sale of Sarris candies.

An order form can be picked up in the Borough Office or downloaded from our website:

www.eastpittsburghborough.com

All proceeds from the candy sale will benefit abused and neglected animals in the Borough of East Pittsburgh.

Orders and payments are due November 23.

Delivery on or before December 15.

Spring Flea Market

We will hold our annual Animal Fund Flea Market in the Spring. We collect donations all year so if you have items you'd like to contribute, you can either drop them off in the Borough Office or call 412-823-7124 to arrange pick up.

Ordinance Reminder

Curfew—All children under the age of 18 must be at their home property between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. unless accompanied by a PARENT.

Basketball playing— No one is to erect a basketball hoop on public or private property that interferes with the public right-of-way. No playing basketball on the sidewalk or roadway.

Skateboarding—Is prohibited in the Borough.

Animals—All animals off their property are required to be on a leash and under the owner's control. All animal waste must be cleaned up and properly disposed of.

Grass - Grass may not grow exceeding a height of ten inches.

Garbage - Must be stored in containers with lids and may not be placed out for collection until the evening before the scheduled pick up day.

Occupancy Permits - An Occupancy Permit and inspection must be obtained prior to moving into a residence. A new Occupancy Permit must be obtained each time a unit is purchased or rented.

Building Permits - Building permits must be obtained for various home improvements. Please pick up an application at the Borough office before starting a project..

Halloween, October 31



Halloween Trick or Treating will be held on Wednesday, October 31 from 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

There will be regular door-to-door trick or treating along with Trunk or Treating at the Bessemer Avenue

Community Center.

ALL TRICK OR TREATERS MUST BE IN COSTUME TO PARTICIPATE!

Trunk or Treat is a Halloween event that is often church- or community-sponsored. People



gather and park their cars in a large parking lot.
They open their trunks, or the backs of their vehicles, and decorate them. Then they pass out candy from their trunks. The event provides a safe family environment for trick or treaters.

Part-Time Position Available

The Borough of East Pittsburgh is currently seeking candidates for a part-time Public Works position. The successful candidate should have experience driving a dump/salt dispensing truck and snow plow.

Interested persons can obtain an application by:

Calling the Borough Office 412-823-7124
Visiting the Borough Office at 813 Linden Avenue
Emailing eppdkkeat@tuppergroup.com

Vandalism Update

As some of you may know, in mid-July individual(s) did a lot of damage by spray painting garages, buildings, signs, and vehicles.

Our police department did find the person(s)

responsible for the damage and charges have been filed. If you are a victim and gave your information to the police, please expect a court subpoena to arrive in the mail sometime in the future. If you have questions or want to submit a damage report, please call the station at 412-824-0447 and leave a message with your information.

Expired Coupons Help Military Families

We want to share with you an awesome way to give back to those serving our Country abroad!

You can donate your expired coupons to be used by military families. They are allowed to use expired coupons up to 1 year after the expiration date on base and at the commissaries abroad. The one thing that we hate to do is to throw away an expired coupon and now we NEVER have to! For more information you can visit www.ocpnet.org, www.CouponstoTroops.com or www.facebook.com/
ExpiredCouponsforOverseasMilitary.

We will have a box for your expired coupons in the Borough Office at 813 Linden Avenue. The office is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. until Noon.

Mark Your Calendars

November 1—911 Demonstration and Crime Watch Meeting at the Bessemer Avenue Community Center.

November 3 - Each year, the Chief of Police organizes a team to participate in the **Heart Walk**. If interested in joining or sponsoring, please call 412-823-9140.

November 7—Dial 911 for emergencies

November 11—Cat Clinic in the Bessemer Avenue Community Center

November 20 - Council Meeting

December 1—East Pittsburgh Police Animal Fund Fund Raiser at Pub in the Park in Swissvale.

December 3—EPEDC Christmas Party and Light Up Night at the Bessemer Avenue Community Center.

Cat Clinic

Cat Clinic on Sunday, November 11 in the Bessemer Avenue Community
Center. Drop off your cat(s) in morning and pick up later in the day. Cost is \$40.00 for spaying/neutering and shots. Financial Assistance is available if needed.

Call East Pittsburgh Police Chief Payne at 412-824-0447 to make an appointment.

Ferals and house cats welcome.

Let us know if there are feral cats in your neighborhood.

Local Business Spotlight

In 1914, the **Lanigan Funeral Home** was founded by John H. Lanigan and located at 658 Linden Avenue, next to the Union Railroad Building. In January 1929

John H. died, and in 1930 his widow, Bridget O'Hara Lanigan, became one of the first women in Penn-

sylvania to become a Licensed Funeral Director.



She contracted to build the funeral home at its present location in 1937 and in 1938, the Lanigan Funeral Home was opened at 700 Linden Avenue.

The Lanigan Funeral Home has been providing comfort and grief support to local families since 1905.

Borough Council Meetings

All Borough Council Meetings are held at the Senior Citizens Center located at 700 Grandview Avenue and begin at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend and express their views and concerns.

Remaining Meeting Dates

Tuesday, October 16 Tuesday, November 20 Tuesday, December 18

From the Desk of the Mayor

Over this summer, Bob Demmler, our Public Works
Supervisor, has been having some medical
problems. He has been off work for the past month
taking care of his health. We miss him and wish
him a speedy recovery!

I'd like to thank all of the organizations and many volunteers who helped with the cleanup and maintenance of the Borough in Bob's absence.

There are so many projects and improvements – big and small – that still to be tackled in the Borough.

Some of these improvements could be accomplished if we did not have to continually pick up litter! PLEASE take PRIDE in your community by not littering. We have twelve trash cans around the Borough conveniently located for litter. These trash cans are for street litter only and are NOT FOR HOUSEHOLD GARBAGE!

As always, I am interested in hearing from you with your comments, complaints, and suggestions on how we can improve the Borough.

You can reach me at 412-823-7124 or at 412-824-4471 (home).

Lou Payne

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Mayor

Remember When . . .

Streetcars ran in both directions on Bessemer Avenue? Cars had to park on the sidewalk to make room for the streetcars to pass.

