



Spring 2010

# Duncannon Borough Newsletter



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## Sewer Line Replacement Project To Begin This Spring

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Contract bids have been received for the much needed repair of a jointly used (with Penn Twp.) sewer line on Market Street. Grant monies will cover the entire cost of the project and were made possible through the efforts of Duncannon and Penn Twp. residents who completed a local income study that was required to apply for the grant.

The bid has been awarded to Shea Industries, Inc. and work is expected to begin late March—early April, pending weather conditions. The project, extending from Clark St. to Margretta St., should be completed within a week and is expected to cause few traffic hassles. The Borough will be working closely with Susquenita Transportation/Roher Bus, local emergency services and State Police to ensure adequate access to alternate routes. Notices will be posted throughout the Borough and advertised through local media outlets.

The owners of properties directly adjacent to the lateral lines during excavation will be properly notified regarding any temporary loss of service.

Should you have any questions or concerns please feel free to call or stop by the Borough office.



### Memorial Day Parade

Saturday, May 29th

Parade forms at 10am at The Sled Works, travels south on Market St. and disbands at Memorial Field across from the Veterans building.



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

### Boy Scouts of America Celebrates 100th Anniversary

On February 8, 2010 the Boy Scouts of America celebrated 100 years as an organization. BSA serve nearly 2.8 million young people between the ages of 7 and 20 years of age with more than 300 Councils throughout the United States and it's territories.

The 100th Anniversary Boy Scout Jamboree will be held July 26—August 4 , 2010 at Fort AP Hill, Virginia.

Duncannon Borough will present a resolution to recognize the 100th Anniversary of BSA to Duncannon Boy Scout Troop 64 at our National Night Out event on August 3, 2010. Our local troop is in their 83rd year of scouting.

### Water Conservation Tips

- Check connecting hoses, pipes and faucets for leaks or pinholes. \*A pinhole leak can waste up to 170 gallons of water **per day!**
- Insulate hot water heater and hot water pipes
- Install water saving devices and low consumption toilet
- Turn water off while soaping up, shaving and brushing teeth

### Energy Conservation Tips

- Caulk and weather-strip around doors and windows
- When laundering, use full loads using cold water to wash; do not over dry or open the dryer door until done
- Cut energy used by the dishwasher in HALF by skipping the dry cycle—simply open the door after the rinse cycle to dry on their own

### Borough Utility Payments

Duncannon Borough utility customers will now experience faster processing on any payment made by check. Due to new software and technology, checks will be processed the same day (most cases) and the funds will be moved that day, as well. Also, the Borough will no longer accept any post dated checks.

## Duncannon Plans *National Night Out 2010*



The *27th Annual National Night Out* (NNO) has been scheduled for Tuesday, August 3, 2010. Citizens, civic groups, businesses, neighborhood organizations, law enforcement agencies and local officials are invited to join the community and be part of *our* Night Out 2010 team.

National Night Out, sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) and co-sponsored locally by the Duncannon Parks & Recreation Board, successfully involved 14,625 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases worldwide. In all, 36.7 million people participated in NNO 2009. This year's *27th Annual NNO* will be the largest ever!

NNO is a unique, annual event designed to strengthen our community by encouraging neighborhoods to engage in stronger relationships with each other and local law enforcement agencies. The goal is to heighten crime prevention awareness, build support and participation in local anti-crime programs and most importantly, send a message that our neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. Starting at 6 pm on August 3rd, residents in our Community and across the nation are encouraged to lock their doors, turn on their outside lights and spend an evening outside with neighbors and community safety officials. Across Duncannon there will be a variety of special events such as cookouts, games, contests and other great opportunities to meet your neighbors. At Cumberland & High Sts. Booths will be set up with information from a variety of vital health and human service organizations and community leaders. Please take the time to stroll about, pick up information, enter contests and participate in demonstrations.

NNO has proven to be an effective, inexpensive, and enjoyable program in our fight for a safer nation. The benefits our community derives from NNO certainly extend well beyond this night.

For more information or to register your organization or block party please call the Borough office at: 834-4311

## **Spring Reminders From Your Codes Enforcement Official**

Mr. Thomas de Champlain is the Duncannon Borough Codes Enforcement Official. You may have seen Mr. de Champlain traveling throughout the Borough encouraging compliance. Spring is finally here!

It's time to tune up and sharpen the lawn mower, re-string the weed whacker and dig out the gardening tools! Get ready to plant flowers and perennials to help make your property more pleasing to the eye. This will make the Borough of Duncannon a nicer place to live and visit.

Remember—with the warmer weather, pesky weeds and grass come back to life. Please keep them cut back to 6" to comply with Borough Code. Also, trim back shrubs and trees where they hang over any walkways or roadways.

### **Battery Changing Time**

Did you remember to replace the batteries in your smoke detectors? Smoke detectors save lives... when they work. The best way to remember to change the batteries is during the change of seasons. Always use new batteries in your alarms and keep your devices free from dust build-up so they'll work properly. After replacing the batteries, test the alarm—if it doesn't sound, replace the alarm altogether. It's a small price to pay compared to the possible loss of life. If you have Carbon Monoxide detectors, check them too.

### **Help Emergency Responders Find You**

In the last newsletter I requested that you check your residence or place of business to make sure your address marker numbers where at least 4" in height. I haven't seen much action so, I am making this request again. The larger numbers assist emergency personnel and the Borough workforce when responding to an emergency call or service request. Not having the proper markings is a Building Code violation and may prompt a visit from your friendly neighborhood Codes Official!

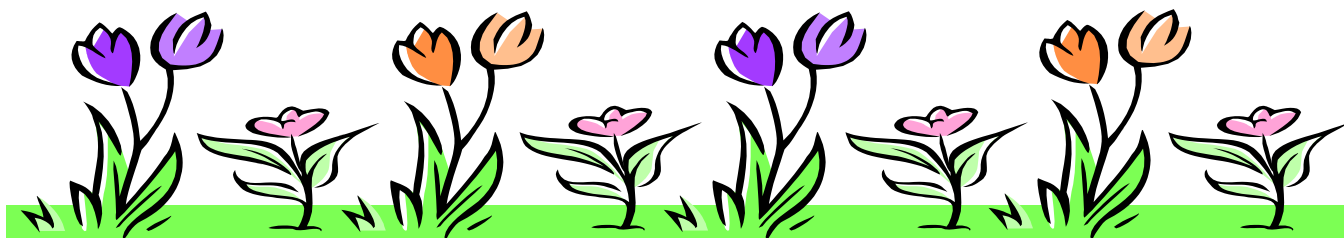
**Animal Feces** Ordinance 209 states it shall be unlawful for any keeper of a domestic dog or cat to fail to remove immediately from any public or private property, including sidewalks, streets or other public places any droppings, litter, waste or fecal excrement.

**Sidewalks** Ordinance 156 states it shall be the responsibility of every owner of property within the Borough, at his own expense, to keep the sidewalk adjoining their property free of cracks and other safety hazards, and to keep the sidewalk clear of obstacles.

**Occupancy Changes** Ordinance 215 requires changes in occupancy of real estate, whether rented or owned, are to be reported to the Duncannon Borough immediately.

Should you have any questions or concerns or if you would like to report a Zoning or Ordinance violation, please feel free to stop by the Borough office to file a Citizen Action complaint form or contact me through the Borough Office at 834-4311.

*~ Tom deChamplain, Borough Codes Enforcement Official*



## Community Events Calendar

### Asbury United Methodist



- April 10 9 AM—Monthly Community Give-Away
- April 17 9 AM— 11 AM Food Bank Distribution
- May 11 11 AM—Election Day Soup & Sandwich Sale
- May 23 10:30 AM—Heritage Service; Marking 170 years

### Duncannon Council Of Churches



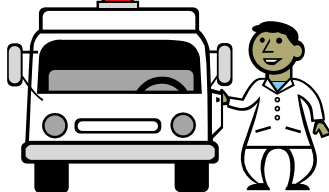
- April 2 Good Friday Services at Roseglan UMC 12-3pm
- May 4 National day of Prayer
- May 1 9AM Blood Drive—Dunc. Presbyterian

### Shermanata Grange



- April 3 10AM—Junior Easter Egg Hunt
- April 10 10AM-2PM Community Day—family events, fire companies, demonstrations, candy making, blood mobile, Scouts, face painting & foods.
- April 10 7PM Square Dance
- April 17 4pm-7pm Pot Pie Dinner
- April 24 7PM Square Dance
- May 1 4PM—Cinco de Mayo Mexican Dinner
- May 15 7Am-2PM Soup, Sandwich, Craft & Yard Sale

### Duncannon EMS



- April 5 5:30PM—Bingo EVERY MONDAY
- April 25 11AM-1:30PM Sunday Dinner EVERY SUNDAY
- May 15 Cow Patty Bingo & Yard Sale

### Duncannon Fire Co.



- April 10 11Am Picture Fundraiser
- April 24 10AM Chicken BBQ
- May 22 10AM Chicken BBQ

**Southern Perry Co. Region**



- ★ June 18th—19th Noon—Noon
- ★ Susquenita High School
- ★ Opening Ceremony: 6:pm
- ★ Survivors Dinner: 7:pm
- ★ Luminaria Ceremony: 9:pm

*Support the fight against cancer—join the team!*

**Contact Becky Miller**

**957-3666**

★ Also, June 5th Relay for Life Fundraiser at Old Sled Works

★ Also, April 9th—16th “Paint the Town Purple” team members will be coming around town throughout the week to encourage folks to put purple outside their homes in support of Relay for Life. Feel free to ask them questions about the relay or even joining the team!

**Sherman’s Creek Conservation Association (SCCA)**

Sherman’s Creek Clean-Up beginning at Dromgold’s Corner is scheduled for June 5th 8:30AM-1PM. Call Linda Seiber 582-3376 or e-mail [lsieber@comcast.net](mailto:lsieber@comcast.net) to register. Wear sturdy shoes and bring your work gloves. Lunch will be provided!

Rain Date: June 12th



**SUSQUEHANNA GREENWAY KIOSK**

A large orientation kiosk, promoting Duncannon as “...an historic, authentic river town...” has been produced and will be installed within the next few months. The specific location has not yet been chosen. The panel measures 3’ x 4’ and highlights eleven different points of interest in our community. It was produced as part of the Susquehanna Greenway Partnership’s sign program and funded through a grant from the Chesapeake Bay Commission in association with the Apple Tree Alley Walk master plan.



**Perry County Crime Stoppers**

PCCS is now online! Submit a tip anonymously online or over the phone. You may be eligible for a reward of up to \$2000.00!

**Tip Hotline 1-866-210-8477**

**Or**

**<http://www.perrycountycrimestoppers.org/>**



**Fall Home Decoration Winners**

The Duncannon Recreation Board is pleased to announce the winners of the Fall Home Decoration Contest:

322 Ann St.

102 Highland Ave.

826 Lincoln St.

Thank you for your participation and dedication to making our community a better place to live!

**Susquehanna Appalachian Trail Club, Inc. (SATC)**

Membership applications are available at the Duncannon Borough office. Maps for the Susquehanna River Trail and the Juniata River Trail are available as well. Pack up the kids, the dog, a picnic... and head outdoors for a day of fun and exploring!



**Borough Officials**

*Council Members:*

- Duane Hammaker, President*
- Michael Bomberger, Vice President*
- Fred Lauster, President Pro Temp*
- Gerald Bell*
- John Conrad*
- William Corsnitz*
- Frank Eppley*

*Mayor Kraig Nace*

*Acting Borough Manager: Tanuya Matter*  
*Local Emergency Management*  
*Coordinator: Paul Liddick*

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Check out our NEW website!  
[www.duncannonboro.org](http://www.duncannonboro.org)

**Borough Meetings:**

- Borough Council—3rd Tuesday, 7:30PM
  - Council Committees—Varies\*
  - Sewer Authority – 4<sup>th</sup> Monday, 6PM
  - Parks & Recreation Board – 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month, 7PM
  - Planning Commission – 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month by request, 7:30PM
  - Shade Tree Commission – meetings as needed\*
  - Civil Service Commission – meetings as needed\*
  - Zoning Hearing Board – meetings as needed\*
- \* Contact the Borough office for more information

**Duncannon Borough Spring Clean-Up**

Saturday, May 1st

9AM - 2PM

The Borough will again sponsor it's Annual FREE Spring Clean-Up for Borough residents. It will take place at the Municipal Parking Lot between Blue Ridge Cable and Wheeler Field. Borough residents must bring valid ID or a 2010 utility bill stub to confirm residency. All loose items must be bagged or bundled at a maximum of 50 lbs. per bag/bundle.

Accepted / Encouraged Items:

- Tires (Limit 2 per household)
- Household items, toys, clothes, etc...
- Old washers and other appliances without freon
- Scrap metal
- General yard, attic & basement clutter



Sorry, at this time we cannot accept garbage, propane tanks, tires mounted on wheels or commercial truck tires, heavy car parts, industrial or hazardous waste, items containing cFc's, construction debris such as cement/concrete, shingles, drywall or wood over 4ft. long. Clean-up will be first come, first served so, come early!



**ANNUAL PERRY  
 COUNTY CHILI  
 COOK-OFF**

Saturday, August 7<sup>th</sup>  
 Live Entertainment

Sponsored by:

**Tubby's Night Club**  
 S. Main Street  
 Duncannon

**INFO CALL: 834-4700**

*Duncannon Fire Co. will also be taking  
 Chicken BBQ halves orders*

**NOTICE!**

No person shall paste, brand, stamp or affix in any manner to any tree, pole or post within the Borough, any advertisement, bill, notice, sign or poster.



**Town-Wide Yard Sale Days**

Two advertised Town-Wide Yard Sales are scheduled for June 5th & August 7th both beginning at 8AM