



ADAMSTOWN BOROUGH NEWSLETTER

4TH QUARTER 2023

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Upcoming Council Meetings:

Nov 7, Dec 5 & Jan 8. All meetings will be held at the Wastewater Treatment Plant located at 235 E. Swartzville Road, Denver at 7:00PM unless otherwise advertised.

Rental Property Owners – Please see that your tenants receive a copy of the newsletter. Extra newsletters are available in the Borough brochure rack in the Library foyer or could also be viewed on the borough website.



**Trick or Treat Night will be held on
Tuesday, October 31
From 6:00PM to 8:00PM
(Rain date: November 1)**

Trick or Treat Safety Tips

- Keep your house well lit, both inside and out.
- Parents, please clear your yard and sidewalk of any obstacles or decorations that may be hard to see in the dark.
- Remind your children not to enter strange houses or cars.
- Report any suspicious or criminal activity to your police department immediately.
- Please encourage your children not to eat treats until they are at home and treats have been checked carefully and deemed safe to consume.



Fire Company Events

- Please stay tuned to our Facebook page for future raffles and upcoming events.

Protect our Watershed

Did You Know:

When leaves get into streets and storm drains, their nutrients are funneled from a broad area into one nearby stream. This spikes the waterway with an unnaturally high amount of nutrients. The phosphorus in leaves feeds algae and can cause an algal bloom that sucks oxygen out of the water. Without oxygen, fish and other aquatic organisms can't survive. Always remove leaves from storm drains and use a mulching mower to shred leaves which will restore nutrients to the soil.



Adamstown Area Library Happenings

The Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) helps qualifying families and households receive a discount on internet service with participating providers. The library is offering a free in-person workshops on **Friday, Oct 13 @ 10am** on how to apply for the ACP this fall. In this workshop, participants will learn about the information they need to apply for the program, how to apply, and how to use the benefit. Not sure if you qualify? This session can help you answer that question as well.

Food and prize giveaways will be included! Please register on our calendar at:

<https://calendar.lancasterlibraries.org/event/acp-basics-workshop> or by calling the library at 717-484-4200



Saturday October 21st.

Hours: 10:00am till 4:30 pm.

Come and enjoy a fun filled family day with pumpkin decorating, build a scare crow, costume parade, apple peeling contest, homemade apple dumplings, hayrides (1-4pm), carnival games, craft stands and plenty of great food. Most activities are either free or have a minimal charge. The Grove is always filled with various craft vendors selling their wares. The highlight of the festival always seems to be the large amount of fresh baked apple dumplings that can be enjoyed at the festival or taken home to be enjoyed later. (Rain date is Sunday October 22nd).

Don't forget to vote! Tuesday November 7th

Polling Location:
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
80 E. Main St
P.O. Box 385
Adamstown, PA 19501



Tree Lighting Ceremony in the Grove

The annual tree-lighting ceremony will be held on November 26th and will begin at 5:30PM with the actual tree-lighting at 6:00PM. Come join Santa in this annual holiday tradition! Members from the Boy Scouts Pack 61 will be assisting.



Winter Maintenance

The Public Works Department crew works tirelessly to keep our roadways open and clear through the winter months. Residents and property owners are required to remove snow and ice from sidewalks within 24 hours after precipitation stops. A shovel-width path is all that is required to be cleared so that pedestrians could walk easily. Snow or ice that cannot be removed without injury to sidewalk should be treated with sand or other abrasive material. Please do your part by piling shoveled snow at the curb line where it will not impede clearing operations or traffic movement – don't shovel it back into the street. Residents could also help avoid street flooding and freezing by clearing snow from on top of catch basins and away from gutters. A great tip...shovel driveway aprons last to avoid having to re-shovel after the snowplow passes by.

Low Hanging Tree Branches

In order to provide a clear pathway for the plows this winter, all property owners are asked to trim back any low hanging tree branches along the roadway so there is a minimum 15' clearance from the ground to the lowest branches.

Snowfall

During a plowable snowfall of approximately 2" or more, all vehicles must be moved from the snow emergency routes. Violators will be fined. Sidewalks must be shoveled within 24 hours after the snowfall ends. Also, please clear storm drains of leaves and debris to prevent flooding when the snow melts.