Ordinance Insight

Basketball Hoops – Update



The Ordinance Committee discussed where portable basketball hoops may be placed near homes. Because this is a zoning matter, the committee's recommendations have been forwarded to the Zoning Board for its final recommendation to Council. Stay tuned for updates.

🤫**Shhh... Summer Quiet Hours Are in Effect**

We love outdoor summer gatherings, but please be mindful of your neighbors! Per the Borough Noise Control Ordinance, our summer quiet hours are extended by 1 hour and run from Memorial Day through Labor Day. **Quiet Hours: 10:00 PM to 7:00 AM daily.**

EVENTS • MTGS

- **June 3,10,17:** Books on Blankets | 10:30 AM | Eaton Park | Simple Registration Required
  - *In conjunction w/ Middletown Free Library, Infants to Kindergarten*
- **June 6:** Butterfly Sanctuary Volunteer Day | 8 AM – 12 PM | General Maintenance Help
- **June 9:** Zoning Hearing Board Meeting | 7:00 PM | Municipal Center | All Are Welcome!
  - *Subject: Variance application on the property line and signage for 7 Brew Coffee*
- **June 10:** Historical Committee Meeting | 6:00 PM | Change of date for June
- **June 11:** Play on Music | 10:30 AM | Eaton Park | All ages! | Simple registration required
  - *In conjunction w/ Middletown Free Library, Mr. Andrew will be rockin' out with families as he plays a variety of songs to get everybody up & dancin'!*
- **June 13:** Summer Concert: Basic Cable | 7:00 PM | Eaton Park
- **June 14:** Artful Aging - Senior Flag Wreath Craft | 1:00 – 3:00PM
- **June 16:** Planning Commission Public Meeting | 7:00 PM | Municipal Center | Join Us!
  - *Subject: Proposed 8-unit townhouse subdivision at 23 E. Brookhaven Road (Kyj's)*
- **June 18:** Rhythm & Rhyme Time in the Park | 10:30 AM | Eaton Park | Ages 2-5
  - *In conjunction w/ Middletown Free Library, simple registration required*
- **June 19:** Borough Offices Closed | Observance of the Juneteenth federal holiday 🇺🇸
- **June 25:** Family Day Planning Meeting | 6:00 PM | Council Room | All Are Welcome!
- **July 6, 8, 10, 14, 16:** Branch & Limb Chipping | Call 610-874-2557 x110 to schedule.
- **July 8:** Parade Committee | 7:30 PM | Municipal Center | We need Volunteers!



Come join us – Butterfly Sanctuary Service Day, **Saturday, June 6, 8:00am - noon**.

Volunteers are needed for weed removal, planting, and basic maintenance. Gardening experience is welcome but not required—we are happy to teach beginners. We hope to see you there, and any amount of time you can contribute is appreciated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Fire Marshal Charles Leslie** continues to promote safety, not just fire-related safety: signs of heat exhaustion and heat stroke and what to do if they occur, vacation safety tips, parking violations and safety and emergency personnel. Click HERE and take a moment to review these important safety tips.
- **Progress on Clock Tower Message Board**: Getting close…STILL! The Borough Secretary, John Wilwert is able to add some shortened messages but the full screen is not yet available. Hopefully, it will be fully operational within the next few weeks.
- At the June 1st Council Meeting, **Council approved**, with conditions, the conditional use application for **7 Brew Coffee** to occupy the Rebel Smoke Shop. Next step - the Zoning Hearing Board will meet on Tuesday, June 9th at 7:00pm at the Municipal Center to consider an application variance regarding the property line and signage. Click HERE for proposed drawings of the sight.
- A land development application request will be heard at the June 16th Planning Commission meeting for the proposed use to subdivide and **build 8 townhouses** at 23 E. Brookhaven Road where the old KYJ's bakery was located. **Come to the meeting to get your questions answered!** (Note: this was originally scheduled for the May 20th Planning Commission meeting.)
- **Historical Committee Update: 80 Years of History Now Online!** The Historical Committee has completed a monumental project, making Borough Council meeting minutes from 1946 to 2010 fully accessible to the public on eCode! (Minutes from 2011 to the present were already posted.)

  This massive effort involved manually scanning and organizing **780 documents**—spanning 65 years of Brookhaven history. A huge thank you to our incredible volunteers who made this possible: **John Coleman** for his leadership and advocacy; **Mary and Sam Greenhalgh** for spending hours at Borough Hall manually scanning each document and creating the naming system; and **Mimi McGovern** for uploading the decades of files.

  Click HERE if you are Interested in local history or want to join the committee?



Jean was born on April 24, 1926, in Chester, PA and made Brookhaven her home in 1960, becoming a valued and cherished member of the community.



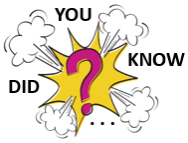
At the June 1, 2026, Borough Council Meeting, a resolution was made to recognize Jean on the milestone of her 100th Birthday. The resolution read, in part:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Brookhaven Borough Council, on behalf of the residents of Brookhaven, does hereby extend its heartfelt congratulations and deepest appreciation to Jean Marie Flara on the joyous celebration of her 100th birthday, and expresses gratitude for her decades of service, volunteerism, and dedication to the community.

REMINDERS

- There are currently two companies with active door-to-door soliciting permits:
  1. **Mr. Softee Ice Cream** – 4/1/2026 – 9/30/2026 and weekends through Oct 2026
  2. **Power Home Remodeling -** May 18, 2026, through July 16, 2026

  If any other company is soliciting, call 911 to report them.
- The Borough Offices will be closed on Thursday, July 3rd to celebrate Independence Day!
- Due to the July 4th Holiday, recycling will NOT be picked up on Wednesday, July 1st. Please hold your recycling for the following week. Thank you.



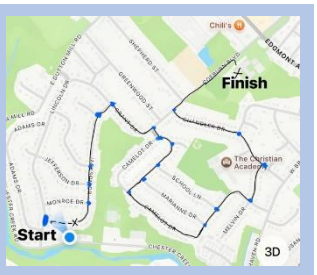
…that the American Red Cross wants you to join the celebration and GIVE BLOOD. Consider giving blood on Thursday, July 2nd, 1:00-6:00pm at Faith Community Church. Click HERE for details, including how to sign up for this event.

…that the first statewide Father's Day was celebrated in Washington state on June 19, 1910, driven by Sonora Smart Dodd. However, it wasn't made an official US federal holiday until 1972, when President Richard Nixon signed it into law. For the trivia buffs, click HERE for more info on the story of Father's Day in the United States.



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…that for the last few Fridays, many Coebourn kids rolled into school via the **Brookhaven Bike Bus**, a fun way to get kids outside, moving, smiling, and riding together as a community. But for the LAST DAY OF SCHOOL on June 12th… let's make it EXTRA special. The Bike Bus kicks off at Lincoln and Jackson at 8am. Meet us there or anywhere along the route if you are not directly connected to the route and join in on the fun. We would LOVE for the community to come out along the route and cheer these kids on as they ride into summer break! Click HERE for more info.



This is what community is all about -- neighbors cheering on neighbors, kids making memories, and bringing that small-town spirit to life.

What's in a Name -- Brookhaven

In 1946 the Chester Times ran a series of articles tracing the origin, history or story behind the names of places in Delaware County. In the headline of one they stated, "**Brookhaven Name Mystery**."

Originally, this area was part of Chester Township and was called Sneath's Corner and later referred to as Beatty's Corner. One longtime resident believed the Beatty family chose the name *Brookhaven* in memory of a local man named Brooks Nelling. There was a belief they combined his first name with "haven" to make it an appropriate village name. Others interviewed had no idea where the name originated.

In a follow up article published several days later, an unnamed local historian offered another explanation. At a time when it was necessary for folks to create their own amusement and good times, there was a Lyceum at Sneath's Corner. Because too many "city slickers" strolling out Middletown Rd. mockingly called it "Sneaks Corner", the Lyceum sponsored a contest for the most euphonious (pleasing or sweet to the ear) name for the crossroads. **Brookhaven** was the winner!

Sneath's Corner / Beatty's Corner – intersection of Edgmont Ave. & Brookhaven Rd. Sneath's General Store was located where Houser's Automotive sits today.

Lyceum – has multiple meanings, including: 1) a public facility used for lectures and debates, 2) educational facility that hosts educational events, 3) an academic high school that prepares students for higher education. In this article, it is assumed that the Lyceum stood on the SW corner of Edgmont and Brookhaven which once stood the George Washington School (now Walgreen's).