




Pitcairn News Patter


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The hot days of summer are gone. The air has a chill and we know that winter is just around the corner. Unfortunately, summer brought the country some crazy weather with three horrific hurricanes. Many thanks to Cammeo Farally for organizing a relief drive for those affected by Hurricane Irma; to those who donated items; and to the team that drove the supplies south. We are making some changes in the News Patter. Starting with the next issue in February, the newsletter will be published every two months. Also we will be accepting business ads. Ads will be \$50 and will be the size of a standard business card. Please call the borough for ad information. Deadline for the next newsletter that will cover February and March is January 15. Have a wonderful Thanksgiving; a Happy Holiday and best wishes for the New Year. *Patti*


Borough Officials  
Betsy Stevick, Mayor  
Scott Farally, Chief of Police  
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**Mayor's Message**  
 \*The Borough is in need of substitute crossing guards. Act 33 & Act 34 clearances are required. If interested, please call Mayor Betsy Stevick at 412-372-2436.  
\*As winter approaches, remember to clear the snow from your sidewalks


**Channel** Residents who have Verizon cable are reminded that there is a Community Channel, Verizon Fios 28. Borough information and events are listed on the channel.


**Wishes** Birthdays are always special, but celebrating your 100th is something to shout about! Congratulations to Harvey West who will be 100 years old on December 10.  
  
Harvey was born in Youngwood, PA and came to Pitcairn on August 4, 1924 when he was 6 years old. At that time his family lived at 629 9th Street and his father was employed as a brakeman on the railroad. Harvey and his wife, Dot, eventually settled into a home on Highland Avenue where they raised two daughters. Best wishes Harvey for a wonderful birthday!

**Retirement** Congratulations to Ann Price on her recent retirement. Ann was a borough school guard for thirty years, working at the corner of Brinton Avenue and 10th Street. She not only looked out for the safety of the children, but became their friend. Needless to say, for thirty years, Ann has watched out for many children and even their children, as they made their way to and from school. Congratulations Ann for a job well done. Enjoy every minute of your retirement! You deserve it!  


**From the Chief** The Police Department and Mayor Stevick will be assuming the responsibility of the executive position in charge of the Community Crime Watch. The Chief and a delegate from the Police Department will be in attendance for the scheduled meetings to better serve the needs of the community. Everyone is encouraged to attend the meetings and address issues that the police can assist with. Numerous models of crime watch training, open forum discussions, strategic planning, educational and informative meetings will be provided as needed. Residents will be asked to play a vital role in these meetings, such as becoming board members or liaisons. The first Crime Watch meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 28, 2017 from 6 to 7 p.m. at the Park Building, 557 Broadway Boulevard. They are also planning to place crime watch signs at numerous locations in the borough. Residents are asked to please address all concerns and questions to the Pitcairn Police Facebook page in order to have them addressed correctly and without any third-party miscommunication. Also check the Facebook page frequently for updated community information. The police are very excited to start the Crime Watch meetings that will address the community needs and bring new programs on safety and prevention to the residents.  


Did You Know?  
The First Old Fashion Christmas celebration was held at the Park Building in 1984 by the Pitcairn Progressive Association

Daylight Savings Time starts November 5 

**Property** Interested in purchasing a vacant lot next to your property? Pitcairn participates in Allegheny County's Vacant Property Recovery Program. Most fees and liens are waived. The application is available on the home page of [www.pitcairnborough.us](http://www.pitcairnborough.us) (See page 4: [Side Yard Program](#)) or call 412.350.1090 to obtain an estimate.  


 Election Day is November 7



## COMMUNITY NEWS

**Mural** Kudos to Lisa Petrosky for her creative insight to paint a mural on the wall at Summers Field. Lisa and the others that helped her, painted a wonderful community scene on the wall and should be commended for their hard work



**Clothes** The Presbyterian Church Clothes Closet, 312 Highland Avenue, will be open on November 11 and 18. They will be closed November 25 for Thanksgiving and will open again on December 9 and 16. They will be closed again on December 23 and 30 for the holiday and wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and Blessed New Year. Anyone needing clothing is welcome to use the Closet.



**Christmas Celebration** sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Committee will be on Sunday, November 26 at the Park Building starting at 2 p.m. when Santa arrives. There will be children's activities, a Chalk Talk presentation, refreshments and fun for all ages. The event is free.



**Luncheons** The Pitcairn High School Alumni Assn. meets at

Noon for lunch on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at St. Michael's Church, 750 Wall Ave. Guests are asked to bring a covered dish to share. The themes are: November: Guests' Choice; December: Hors d'oeuvres & Christmas Cookies; and January: Soup and Sandwiches.



**Flea Market:** Hose CO. #1 will hold a Flea/Craft Market on November 12 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 100 South Center Avenue. Tables are \$10 each. To reserve a space contact Kimberly Dick on Facebook or visit Pitcairn Hose Co #1's Facebook page. **Trees:** Starting November 24, the Fire Company will hold their annual Christmas Tree Sale at the station, 100 South Center Avenue. Sizes range from 6 ft. to 9 ft. and prices range from \$35 to \$50. The sale continues through Christmas Eve or until they are sold out.



**Movies** Free Movie Night sponsored by the Parks and Rec Committee ended in October. Movies will begin again in the spring.

**Yarn** The ladies at Broadview Manor Highrise need yarn. The ladies use the yarn to make blankets for Project Linus. Project Linus distributes blankets to local ambulance services who use them when transporting children. If you have yarn to donate, call Betsy at 412-372-2436.



**Thank you** Fire Co. #2 would like to thank everyone for their support during this past year. They will continue to sale hoagies on the 2nd Saturday of each month in the parking lot located at the corner of Center Avenue and Broadway Boulevard.



**Lions** The Lions Club is holding their annual Koeze Nut Sale. Orders must be received by December 1 for Christmas delivery. Cashews, mixed nuts and chocolate puddles are available and prices vary depending on what product you choose. To order or for more information call Mike at 412-856-4195. The organization also collects old eye glasses. They can be dropped off at Phil's Pharmacy and Dr. Ross's office on Broadway Boulevard or at the borough office on 6th Street.



**Concert** The Assembly of God Church, 520 Wall Avenue is hosting a Southern Gospel Concert featuring the Glory Way Quartet, on November 12 at 11 a.m. Dinner will follow the concert. There is no charge, but a love offering donation will be accepted. If you have any questions please contact the church at 412-372-2373. For more information on upcoming events visit their website, [www.pitcairnag.com](http://www.pitcairnag.com).



**Meals-on-Wheels** is looking for volunteers. The program runs Monday through Friday at the old St. Paul's Lutheran Church located on Agatha Street next to Propel School. Volunteers are needed to help prepare and pack meals, from 7:30 a.m. to approximately 10:30 a.m. and can work as many days as their schedule allows. Also needed are drivers to deliver the meals. Drivers start working around 10 a.m. and work until they have completed their route. For information call 412-298-3770 or 412-372-9116





**Genesis:** TriUnity, located at the corner of 6th St. and Highland Avenue, is excited to announce the next phase of renovations that will be completed by the end of the year. They will start taking reservations for weddings, receptions, banquets and events to be held in the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall beginning in January 2018. The Sanctuary has been restored to its original glory and

Fellowship Hall has been uniquely designed to accommodate functions from on-going community organization meetings to one-time events such as social gatherings, showers, movie/TV watch parties and entrepreneurial opportunities. A large screen TV, antique dining room sets, couches and chairs of the era and special accents gives the Hall a "home" atmosphere. Both The Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall are easily transformed for any occasion. Banquets Unlimited, one of the top catering services in our area, has partnered with Genesis Corp. to coordinate all catered events. This enables Genesis Corp to meet the goal of developing opportunities for community empowerment and revitalization.

**Upcoming events:** Be a part of history by bringing in the new year at *Resolution*, the inaugural New Years Eve Celebration on December 31 from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Details, including ticket sales, will be announced in the near future. Tickets are limited and based on first-come, first-served. An **Open House** will be held on January 20 from 4 to 7 p.m. All Pitcairn and surrounding community residents are invited to attend and tour the building, make new friends, and meet TriUnity Partners. Light refreshment and entertainment will be provided. TriUnity Partners will be in attendance to answer any questions and book reservations. Bart "Colonel" Whitehead would like to thank all those who have given their time, talent, financial support and encouragement to make this dream a reality. Many have given him kudos but Bart wants to give kudos to the residents of Pitcairn; it took a community to make this project a success - helping hands, helping the community is the Genesis motto. For more information visit [www.genesis-corp.org](http://www.genesis-corp.org). Any questions, or suggestions, please call Bart at 954-818-0979.



**Church** The Presbyterian Church of Pitcairn, 312 Highland Avenue invites you to Sunday Worship Service at 11:00 a.m. They also offer Sunday School classes for all ages at 9:45 a.m. prior to the worship service. To serve the community, they have a Clothes Closet for residents and their families as well as an after-school tutoring program for elementary students during the school year. Various "Hope Group" gatherings for women, men, Sr. High Youth, and everyone in between that enable the church to connect and grow together are also offered. To find out more about these

and other ministries check out [www.pitcairnpca.org](http://www.pitcairnpca.org) and on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/PCoPpca/](http://www.facebook.com/PCoPpca/). You can contact the office as well at 412-372-7707 to learn more. Join them for a **Candlelight Christmas Eve Service** at 7 p.m. as they rejoice at the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ, the one who brings living Hope. The Church also invites all women to a **Ladies Christmas Tea** for an afternoon of fun, food and fellowship on Saturday, December 2 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Church's Fellowship Hall. interested please RSVP to 412-372-7707. There is no cost for the tea, but you must RSVP.



**PitCare Food Pantry:** The Pantry has moved to 520 Broadway Boulevard and will begin serving clients on November 2.

The entrance however is at the rear of the building off of Merchant Alley. The door facing Broadway is the office entrance and will be locked. The new hours will be 10 a.m. until Noon. They will close precisely at Noon, so clients are asked to give themselves plenty of time to get their groceries. The sign-up sheet will be posted at 9 a.m. Those who drive to the Pantry will need to park in the drive through area of the old bank. Someone will be helping with parking for the first couple of months. They know that moving to a new location will create challenges and ask that everyone be patient while they work out the bugs in the new system. **Girls' Clubs:**

PitCare currently has over 40 girls participating in their clubs for girls in grades 1 through 12. Grades 1-6 meet on Tuesdays at 6 p.m. at 545 4th Street for dinner, a Bible lesson, games and crafts. Grades 7-12 meet on Tuesdays also from 6 to 7 p.m. at the ministry House, 540 2nd Street. The meeting includes dinner and group discussions. For more information on the clubs, call RkEctg at 706-260-9345. **Children's Library:**

The library located in the old Lutheran Church on Agatha Street is in transition. PitCare recently purchased the entire library of the closed St. Bartholomew's School in Penn Hills. They plan to relocate the library to the Sanctuary once the floors are refinished. They are hoping to open after the first of the year, Plans are to be open in the evenings and offer computer stations and homework help. They would also like to provide books for adults. Watch for information on the reopening.



**Club** The Garden Club of Monroeville welcomes Pitcairn residents to join them at their monthly meeting. The club meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month, February through November at the Monroeville Public Library, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. On November 28, the club's theme, Creation Reigns, will conclude with Heal through

Earthing, aka Grounding. The presentation is nature related. In December, in lieu of a meeting, the organization will hold their holiday luncheon. Club information, including scholarships for high school and college students studying horticulture-related topics and youth contests, can be found on their Facebook page or web site, [www.gardenclubofmonroeville.org](http://www.gardenclubofmonroeville.org)



**Business** There's a new business in town.. Grant's Barber Shop at 123 Center Avenue . They are open Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.



**Garbage** If a holiday falls on a Monday, garbage pick-up will be delayed one day. If in doubt check the borough web site or for Verizon cable customers check Community Channel 28



The News Patter Newsletter can also be found on the borough's web site: [www.pitcairnborough.us](http://www.pitcairnborough.us)



**Contact Information**

**Borough**—412-372-6500  
[www.pitcairnborough.us](http://www.pitcairnborough.us)

**Police / Non Emergency**—412-372-6500

**Fire Station #1**—412-372-7040

**Fire Station #2**—412-856-5630

**Tax Collector/Sally DiRobbio**—412-372-3009  
[sdirobbio@verizon.net](mailto:sdirobbio@verizon.net)

**EMERGENCIES DIAL 911**

**Contact the PITCAIRN NEWS PATTERN at**  
[newsletterpit@gmail.com](mailto:newsletterpit@gmail.com)

**Waste** TVs, E-Waste and hazardous household materials must be disposed of properly. They cannot be put out for regular trash pick-up or dropped off at the borough building. You must call 1-800-449-7587 to arrange for a pick-up. More detailed information can be found on the borough web site.



**Electric Bill** Its easy to pay your electric bill online. Just log on to [www.pitcairnborough.us](http://www.pitcairnborough.us). There you'll find an icon portal that will take you to the bill paying site.



**DEADLINE for ISSUE 5 is JANUARY 15**

