

Highspire Herald

A BI-MONTHLY PUBLICATION FOR THE RESIDENTS OF HIGHSPIRE BOROUGH

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April/May 2023

ARBOR DAY & COMMUNITY CLEAN UP DAY 2023

Come and join your neighbors for the Annual Arbor Day Celebration and Community Clean Up Day on Saturday, April 29th, 2023. Clean up will start at Memorial Park at 8:00 a.m. and the Arbor Day Celebration will begin at 11:30 a.m. at the Wilson House, 273 Second Street. A tree will be planted in memory of Debbie Whittle. Please call the Borough Office at 717-939-3303 for more information.

Arbor Day is a holiday in which individuals and groups are encouraged to plant trees and also to promote the caring of trees. The Borough of Highspire has been certified as a Tree City USA applicant for the past 26 years. We encourage all residents to take an interest in Arbor Day and come out and help us celebrate.



Trash containers and bags will be provided for the clean up. Even if you can only spend an hour, please come help clean up our community. Every piece of trash counts!! Bring your family!



Sunday, April 9th

MUNICIPAL PRIMARY ELECTION

Residents are reminded that the Municipal Primary Election will be on **Tuesday, May 16, 2023**. The polls will be located in the Citizen's Fire House, at 272 Second Street. For those who actively participate, you can vote between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. Should you have any questions, you can call



the Borough office at (717)939-3303, or you can visit www.votespa.com, for additional information and to register to vote.

MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

This year's Memorial Day Ceremony will take place on Monday, May 29, 2023. In memory of our Veterans who died to preserve our freedoms, the Borough of Highspire will be conducting a drive-by food drive. The food drive will take place at Memorial Park beside the Veterans' Memorial on Lumber Street in Highspire from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. All donations will go to Veterans and Veteran families. The ceremony will be starting at 12:00 p.m. and all residents and non-residents are invited to remember our past soldiers who have fought for our country, and to honor those currently serving here and abroad.



STREET SWEEPING

The Public Works Department anticipates having the street sweeper in June. Please see the June newsletter for dates. In preparation, please sweep your sidewalks prior to that time to remove the cinders from the winter months. Streets will be marked with **NO PARKING** signs prior to the sweeping, and individuals found parking in the **NO PARKING** areas will be ticketed by the Police Department. We request that you do not move your vehicle back onto the street until the signs have been removed. Please contact the Borough Office for more information. Thank you for your assistance in keeping our community clean!

New to gardening or looking to learn something new?

Connect with the Penn State Extension Master Gardeners in Dauphin County for practical horticultural information you can trust.

We offer for Dauphin County residents:

- Master Gardener Garden Hotline at dauphinmg@psu.edu or 717-921-8803 to ask your garden questions and get unbiased, research-based answers year-round
- Our annual Spring Symposium, Veggie Series and Home Gardening Series in collaboration with Wildwood Park's Olewine Nature Center
- Master Gardener annual basic training to become a Master Gardener volunteer in Dauphin County
- Horticultural educational outreach at festivals, parks and schools in your community
- Six Dauphin County demonstration gardens you can visit for ideas and inspiration

Search "Master Gardeners in Dauphin County" or click here to keep your eye on us! https://extension.psu.edu/programs/master-gardener/counties/dauphin



LANDSCAPING MAINTENANCE

Landscape maintenance activities include vegetation removal, herbicide and insecticide applications, fertilizer application, irrigation, and other lawn care practices. Each of these activities has the potential to add pollution into the storm drain system, eventually reaching our local waterbodies.



Keep in Mind

- Landscape waste in the storm drain system, as shown on the left, is considered littering.
- Landscape waste can be composted at home, if done properly. To learn more about proper composting techniques and the benefits of composting, search "Composting PA DEP".
- Landscape waste can be taken to the Highspire Woody Waste for drop off (see Woody Waste information below).

Source: Factsheet by LandStudies, Inc.www.landstudies.com

WOODY WASTE COMPOST FACILITY

The compost facility, located on Aviation Way beside the Wastewater Treatment Plant, is open to all Residents of Highspire only, every Wednesday from 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m., except for holidays, non-residents and commercial entities will not have access to this facility. A permit is required and can be purchased at the Borough Office during regular business hours. The fees are as follows: \$20.00 per year and \$25.00 per load for

curbside pickup for permit holders only. All fees are required to be paid in advance. Residents must show their permit, photo ID and proof of address during drop off.



CODES/ZONING

Building and Zoning Permits are required for numerous things including new roofs, electrical service upgrades, decks, additions, fences, storage sheds, garages, swimming pools, and a multitude of other things. New floor coverings, painting, and minor repairs do not require permits. Please call the Borough Office at 717-939-3303 if you need any additional information.

As Spring time approaches here are some Borough facts that all residents should be aware of . . . The Borough's Code states that grass and weeds are not to exceed eight inches in height. Don't forget to mow the grass areas between the sidewalks and curbs. Also, sweep sidewalks and cut weeds. Do not blow grass onto streets. Rubbish is not permitted to accumulate on or around properties. Rubbish includes, but is not limited to paper, rags, cartons, wood, metals, plastics and other items.



Saturday May 20, 2023

TRASH PICK UP COMPLAINTS

Please contact the Borough Office at 717-939-3303, Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. with any complaints regarding your trash or recycling pick up. This includes large bulk items. If bulk items are not picked up on the scheduled trash pick up day, please contact the Borough as soon as possible. For any trash related questions, please contact Republic Services at 1-800-210-9675.

PAVILION RENTALS

The pavilions at Highspire's

Memorial and Reservoir Parks are available for residents and non-residents to reserve



throughout the year. A \$50.00 charge for residents and non-residents will be collected. Please call the Borough office at 717-939-3303 to make a reservation.

Upcoming Dates & Events

March 31, 2023 Sewer Bills Mailed

April 7, 2023 Good Friday—OFFICE CLOSED

April 9, 2023 HAPPY EASTER

April 11, 2023 Council Workshop Mtg., 7:00 pm

April 12, 2023

School Board Legislative Mtg., 6:00 pm

April 18, 2023 Council Mtg , 7:00 pm

April 20, 2023

Highspire Borough Authority Mtg, 7:00 pm

May 1, 2023

Sewer Payments are due

May 9, 2023

Council Workshop Mtg., 7:00 pm

May 10, 2023

School Board Legislative Mtg, 6:00 pm

May 16, 2023 Council Mtg., 7:00 pm

May 18, 2023

Highspire Borough Authority Mtg, 7:00 pm

May 29, 2023

MEMORIAL DAY - OFFICE CLOSED

Important Telephone Numbers

Other Important Telephone Numbers Citizens Fire Company........717-939-5111 Citizens Fire Co. Rental Hall......717-939-6582

Comcast Cable......1-800-266-2278

District Justice Kenneth Lenker.....717-939-6996

Highspire Post Office.......717-939-4902

Republic Services - Trash......1-800-210-9675

PPL Electric......1-800-342-5775 Steelton-Highspire School District .717-704-3800

Veolia Water......717-564-3662

Verizon......1-800-837-4966