

# PENBROOK COMMUNITY NEWS

OCTOBER-NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2010

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## NEWS AND MESSAGES FROM OUR BOROUGH

### THE MAYOR'S MESSAGE



Greetings to all my fellow Penbrook residents!

Fall is here again and that hot summer is behind us.

Halloween is coming up soon, so watch for details on our **Penbrook Lions' Halloween Parade**. Also watch for information concerning the **Community Family Halloween Party** – a safe alternative to “trick or treating.”

Next, I would like to recognize the **Penbrook Landlords Association**. This recently-formed group is in close contact with the Borough government when situations with tenant complaints or problems arise. Its officers reach out to the effected landlord in an effort to correct the situations. I think this peer contact has helped correct some situations since my last message.

Lastly, crime is always a concern and our police officers work diligently to prevent and investigate incidents. Our newest full-time officer is currently completing the academy and will graduate around Thanksgiving. We are working on developing programs for youth for next year. Juvenile crimes seem to be increasing and we want to attempt to slow that trend with these programs. Best wishes to all for the upcoming holiday season and, as always, be safe!

*Kenneth J. Cramer*

### PENBROOK POLICE DEPARTMENT RECOGNIZED FOR PROFESSIONALISM



*(l-r) Mayor Kenneth Cramer, Dana Leanord (PA Chiefs of Police Assn.) and Chief David Hiester.*

**Mayor Kenneth Cramer** is pleased to announce that the Borough of Penbrook Police Department has been reaccredited under the provisions of the **Pennsylvania Law Enforcement Accreditation Program (PLEAC)** of the **Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police Association**. The Department was first accredited in 2004 and is one of 70 law enforcement agencies in Pennsylvania to complete this arduous process with another 230 enrolled in the Program.

Accreditation is a process whereby Chief of Police David Hiester and the Department voluntarily comply with the professional standards established by the Commission and demonstrate their compliance through a review by an independent authority. Accreditation certifies that the Department's opera-

tions are in line with more than 100 law enforcement standards for professionalism.

This most recent award was received at the annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police in Lancaster on July 14, 2010 and presented to Council on September 1, 2010. We are very proud of this distinction bestowed upon the Borough of Penbrook and it's a credit to the community we serve.

### OFFICER DAN BALDWIN ELECTED PRESIDENT OF STATE DARE ASSOCIATION



In August of this year **Officer Daniel Baldwin** of the Penbrook Police Department was elected President of the Pennsylvania DARE Association.

This one-year term will end in the Summer of 2011. Officer Baldwin is an 11-year member of the DARE Association and previously served as Secretary/Treasurer and Vice-President. Officer Baldwin has been with the Penbrook Police Department since 1995.

### OUR NEW BOROUGH WEBSITE IS A SUCCESS!

[www.penbrook.org](http://www.penbrook.org) – the newest community website in town is a success! At the time this newsletter went to press, we were averaging 475 visitors per week! We've had residents signing up for the electronic news and newsletter

Visit us online at:  
[www.penbrook.org](http://www.penbrook.org)



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## FALL LEAF PICK-UP SCHEDULE



With the change of the seasons and the fall of the leaves, the Borough leaf pick-up has been scheduled.

Please bring your leaves to the street during the your scheduled pick-up week.

Call the Borough Office at 232-3733 if you have any questions.

### WEEK OF:

Oct. 25.....north side of Walnut St.  
Nov. 1.....south side of Walnut St.  
Nov. 8 .....north side of Walnut St.  
Nov. 15.....south side of Walnut St.  
Nov. 22 .....north side of Walnut St.  
Nov. 29.....south side of Walnut St.

For the safety of our employees and residents, do not place anything other than leaves in your piles.

and we've had some positive comments. Mark our website as one of your "favorites" and come back often. You will get the latest information on resources, Borough services, community events and much more. We continue to watch for your feedback and those interested in electronic messages.

## BUSINESSES MUST RECYCLE TOO!

Both local ordinances and state law require that **every business** in the Borough collect recyclables and provide them to the trash collector every Wednesday. For example, if you run a laundromat and your customers toss out plastic soap containers, you are required to recycle them. The easiest way to get customers to do that is to provide appropriate containers for plastics, glass and cans in your establishment. If you are a landlord, you must provide your tenants with recycle containers, even if you're using a dumpster for trash collection. REMEMBER: All recyclables, once they are placed in a recycle container, belong to the Borough, and must be collected only by the designated trash collector.

Happy Holidays!

## YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE!

The streams we use to control our snow and stormwater run-off are being fouled by residents who use them to dump waste or allow fertilizers to wash into street inlets. Using the street drains to dump unwanted liquids such as motor oils and antifreeze is a **violation of the Federal Clean Streams Act** and offenders have been sent to jail and fined thousands of dollars. Over-used fertilizers containing nitrates and phosphorus wash from lawns and gardens into the streams and from there into rivers that end up in the Chesapeake Bay which is slowly dying from all the pollution. The EPA is suing the Borough because of these types of violations. Do your part and stop using our streams like sewers. Notify the police immediately if you see anyone dumping anything into the street drains.

## DO YOU ENJOY THE GREENBELT?

Community Park in Penbrook sits right next to the Capital Area Greenbelt. Here you can safely ride a bike with your children or walk your dog on a leash without worrying about cars and trucks flying past. You can access the Greenbelt from its opening just off of Market Street Road and Hoffer Street.

The large orange gates which keep cars and trucks away, marks the entrance. Ducks and other wildlife live in this truly natural setting along Spring Creek. Take along some bottled water or soda for your walk along the tree lined, paved walkway and when you return, place the empties in the handy recycle bins at the entrance. For more information go to [www.caga.org](http://www.caga.org) for information on events or interactive directions.

## PENBROOK OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

*Bob Rhoads, Emergency Manager*

The Fall season is upon us and Winter is not far behind.

Some reminders to help get you through the cold and snow.

In very cold weather, people look for ways to supplement their heat. **DO NOT USE YOUR STOVE, CANDLES OR GRILLS!**

- Use grills **ONLY** outside as they can produce carbon monoxide, a **KILLER!**
- Candles do not produce much heat and are a major cause of house fires.
- Use only UL approved electric space heaters and keep away from **ALL** combustible materials. Do not run the cord under rugs.
- Kerosene heaters should always be used with caution, in a ventilated area.

In the event of a power outage, whether in the winter or the summer, the Penbrook Community Building will be used on a short-term basis. Long-term will be in shelters, opened and run by the Red Cross. Information about this, or any emergency, will be announced on the emergency broadcast network.

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Check your home emergency supplies. Keep flashlights, a battery-operated radio and extra batteries handy.

In the event of an emergency, the police and fire vehicles will also use their PA systems to go around and make announcements.

Always keep your building address numbers visible. If they are obstructed, EMERGENCY RESPONDERS will have trouble finding where you live.

Questions can be answered by fire-fighters, police or emergency management personnel.

WORKING TOGETHER, we can get through any emergency.

**Life threatening emergencies,  
call 911**

**All other situations, call 558-6900**

Have a SAFE winter.

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## FIRE SAFETY TIPS

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*Deputy Chief Dwayne Herb  
Penbrook Fire Company*

### Tips to make your Thanksgiving safe.

- Find someone to watch the stove for you. Do not leave cooking unattended, even for a second.
- Keep pot holders, dishtowels, food packaging and clothing away from burners.
- Grease and oil ignite easily. Watch hot skillet; clean stove hoods and other equipment regularly.
- Ban children from a three-foot "safe zone" around the stove.
- Keep matching lids handy when you put pans on the stove. Smother stovetop fires with a pot lid. Never use water; it will cause a grease fire to expand.

### Preventing Christmas Tree Fires

- *Selecting a Tree for the Holiday* – Needles on fresh trees should be

green and hard to pull back from the branches, and the needle should not break if the tree has been freshly cut. The trunk should be sticky to the touch. Old trees can be identified by bouncing the tree trunk on the ground. If many needles fall off, the tree has been cut too long, has probably dried out, and is a fire hazard.

- *Caring for Your Tree* – Do not place your tree close to a heat source, including a fireplace or heat vent. The heat will dry out the tree, causing it to be more easily ignited by heat, flame or sparks. Be careful not to drop or flick cigarette ashes near a tree. Do not put your live tree up too early or leave it up for longer than two weeks. Keep the tree stand filled with water at all times.
- *Disposing of Your Tree* – Never put tree branches or needles in a fireplace or woodburning stove. When the tree becomes dry, discard it promptly. The best way to dispose of your tree is by taking it to a recycling center or having it hauled away by a community pick-up service.

### Holiday Lights

- *Maintain Your Holiday Lights* – Inspect holiday lights each year for frayed wires, bare spots, gaps in the insulation, broken or cracked sockets, and excessive kinking or wear before putting them up. Use only lighting listed by an approved testing laboratory.

- *Do Not Overload Electrical Outlets* – Do not link more than three light strands, unless the directions indicate it is safe. Connect strings of lights to an extension cord before plugging the cord into the outlet. Make sure to periodically check the wires – they should not be warm to the touch.

- *Do Not Leave Holiday Lights on Unattended*

### Holiday Decorations

- *Use Only Nonflammable Decorations* – All decorations should be nonflammable or flame-retardant and placed away from heat vents.
- *Never Put Wrapping Paper in a Fireplace* – It can result in a very large fire, throwing off dangerous sparks and embers and may result in a chimney fire.
- *Artificial Christmas Trees* – If you are using a metallic or artificial tree, make sure it is flame retardant.

### Candle Care

- *Avoid Using Lit Candles* – If you do use them, make sure they are in stable holders and place them where they cannot be easily knocked down. Never leave the house with candles burning.
- *Never Put Lit Candles on a Tree* – Do not go near a Christmas tree with an open flame – candles, lighters or matches.

## Need a Place to Hold a Wedding Reception?

## Planning a Big Birthday Party?

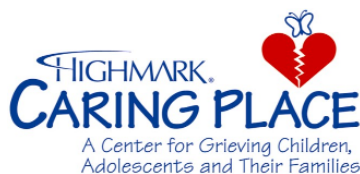
## Looking for a Place for Business Meetings?

The auditorium at the Penbrook Community Building is available for rent at reasonable rates for parties up to 100 people.

Kitchen facilities are available.

Contact the Borough Office at 232-3733  
for more information and rates.

## SERVICES AVAILABLE TO OUR RESIDENTS



One out of 20 children will have a parent die before they graduate high school.

These children need help and support. The **Highmark**

**Caring Place** is a safe place where grieving children and their families can come together and be with others who understand what they're going through.

The **Highmark Caring Place** provides peer support groups, referral services, adult telephone support, and educational programs and resources for grieving children and families. Consultation services, educational presentations and resources are available for schools and other professionals in the community who work with children. All services are offered at no charge.

The **Highmark Caring Place** operates four facilities, throughout Pennsylvania. Since the opening of the Caring Place in 1997, the program has served more than 60,000 family and community members.

For more information about the **Highmark Caring Place**, Contact 1-866-613-HOPE (4673) or visit the Web site at [www.highmarkcaringplace.com](http://www.highmarkcaringplace.com)



**ARE YOU A MEDIATOR?** – Are you the kind of person who radiates positive energy? Are you upbeat, enthusiastic, witty, and quick on your feet? Are you someone who values attentiveness? Has a high ethical standards? Possesses emotional intelligence? Do you want

to “give back to the community” in a way that makes a difference in people’s lives? If so, then you should consider becoming a mediator! **Neighborhood Dispute Settlement** is always in need of citizens willing to play an active role in fulfilling its mission. The training you undergo to become a mediator can be used in many areas of your personal and work life. Consider becoming a peacemaker in your community by becoming an NDS mediator.

NDS is a non-profit community based mediation center that provides conflict resolutions solutions through training, education and mediation services without regard to one’s ability to pay.

If you are interested in more information about how mediation can help you resolve a dispute or disagreement, or in becoming a mediator, contact NDS at 717-233-TALK (8255) or visit our website at [www.disputesettlement.us](http://www.disputesettlement.us).

## NEWS AND EVENTS FROM OUR CHURCHES

### METHODIST CHURCHES – TRINITY AND GRACE –

Our worship of God starts at 9:30 AM at Grace Church and at 10:45 AM at Trinity Church. Our services reflect Christian values and center on God. Every person has a place of importance in our small and hospitable fellowship.

A neighborhood Bible Study on the Christian understanding of Genesis, led by Pastor W. Richard Feeser, will be held every Wednesday through May 2011 – 10 AM at Grace Church or 6:30 PM at Trinity Church.

In order to further grow your Christian faith, the Grace and Trinity Churches offer a yearly book reading discussion group. The book chosen for this 2010-11 year is entitled “Love One Another”

by Gerald Sittser. The study group will meet in different homes once a month on an agreed upon Monday night from 6:30-8 PM. A donation of \$10 is asked for the purchase of Mr. Sittser’s book. If interested, call the Grace Church office from Monday-Thursday, 9 AM-Noon at 236-3721 (please leave a message if no one is available).

**Men’s Fellowship Prayer Breakfast Meeting – starting October 16, 9-10 AM** – The group’s purpose is to provide fellowship for men and gather monthly to pray for concerns. The fellowship will meet the 3rd Saturday morning of each month except July and August. Please feel free to invite a friend! No sign up is necessary.

The Grace and Trinity Churches each year offer on December 24 a Christmas Eve Candlelighting Service for its

members, friends, and neighbors. The Trinity service starts at 7 PM and the Grace Service at 8:30 PM. Carols are sung as the Christmas story unfolds. Candle lighting will follow communion. Both Grace and Trinity practice the Methodist tradition of open communion – one does not have to be a member to receive Holy Communion.

On New Year’s Eve, Grace Church will be open to the public from 6:30-8 PM in a service of silent communion. What better way for a Christian to prepare oneself spiritually for the new year.

The **Penbrook United Methodist Churches** and **Peniel International Christian Fellowship** wish to express their thanks to everyone who participated in this year’s neighborhood VBS. “Galactic Blast,” was held at Grace Church UM, August 9-13. We

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look forward to offering VBS in 2011 from August 8-12 where the theme will be "Shake It Up Café – Where Kids Carry Out God's Recipe."

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## PENBROOK CHURCH OF GOD

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### Weekly Worship Schedule

Wednesday Nights – Small Groups Ministry 6-9 PM

Sunday Worship 8:30 & 10:45 AM

Sunday School for all ages 9:45 AM

**Wednesday Night Small Groups** – Wednesday nights offer a variety of ministries for all ages, Children, Youth, Young Adult and Adult Ministries, Bible Studies, Choirs and Special Programs; visit the church website at: [www.penbrookchurchofgod.com](http://www.penbrookchurchofgod.com) or contact the church office at **233-0160** for information.

**Angel Food Ministries** – Every Month; How far will \$30 go in the grocery store? Would you believe through Angel Food, your \$30 can purchase \$60+ worth of food? With a network in place and a large buying power is available through the Angel Food Network; no membership fees or strings attached; if you are interested in stretching your food dollars or for the latest available menu, call the church at **232-0160, Ext 28** or visit the website, [www.penbrookchurchofgod.com](http://www.penbrookchurchofgod.com).

**Boy Scout Troop – Mondays; 7 PM;** for information contact **Jeff Shaffer at 979-7774** or **Jim Devor at 541-1628**.

**Quarter Craze Auctions – October 2 & 30; Doors open at 9:45 AM, Auction begins at 11 AM** – Due to the success of our past Quarter Craze Auctions we are planning more oppor-

tunities to participate in this fun event; proceeds will be used to support the Women's Ministry Outreach and Missions.

**Homemade Chicken Pot Pie Dinner – October 9; 4-7 PM** – Chicken Pot Pie, Cole Slaw, Dessert, Beverage; \$7.00 for age 11 and older, \$5.00 age 10 and under. For tickets, contact the church at 233-0160.

**9th Annual Fall Family Weekend – Camp YoliJwa – November 5-7** – Bring your family and friends to a weekend of faith, fellowship and fun; registration is required; contact the church office for registration forms; Full Weekend Prices: Adult-\$78; Youth (5-17)-\$39; Child (0-4)-Free.



**"Sounds of the Season" – Featuring the Ball Brothers – December 3; 7 PM** – You are invited to join us for an evening of inspirational family entertainment; additional performances by The Baptones and PCOG's Bell Choir; contact the church for tickets, **232-0160 Ext. 29**; Prices: \$22 (Gold Circle); \$20, Adult reserved seats; \$10 for ages 12 & under reserved seats. Location: First Church of God Community Center, Mechanicsburg.

**Craft Show – December 11; 9 AM-3 PM** – Every nook and cranny of the church, upstairs and down, is filled

with 78 vendors, with wonderful handmade items for every Christmas gift-giving need; there will be a giant assortment of Christmas cookies and baked goods as well as delicious soup and sandwiches; proceeds go to missions and the community!

**Breakfast with Santa – Date to be announced** – Breakfast will be served and everyone gets a chance to tell Santa their Christmas wish list; open to the entire community; no cost; contact the church office in November for more information.

**Family Christmas Eve Service – 5 PM** – This service is intended for families with young children; geared to children's involvement and participation; service is concluded with candle-lighting.

**Communion and Candlelight – 7:30 PM** – Traditional service; filled with music and singing loved carols; includes altar communion and candle-lighting.

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## PENBROOK UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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**Christmas Eve Service – 7 PM** – Children's Service

**Christmas Eve Service – 9 PM** – Candlelight Service

To publish articles about your church or organization or to list your events, please contact the editor at: [penbrooknews@comcast.net](mailto:penbrooknews@comcast.net)

Don't sit on the Sidelines - Be a participant  
**SIGN-UP NOW for the PENBROOK LIONS HALLOWEEN PARADE**  
For more information see page 6 - To sign-up see page 11

# NEWS AND EVENTS FROM OUR ORGANIZATIONS

## VOLUNTEERS IN PENBROOK

The VIP continues to meet the 1st Monday of each month at **6:30 PM** in the Caucus Room. If you or your group would like to join us, please contact **Councilman Rick Harvey at 480-0072**. We are always looking for new ideas and suggestions for activities to pull our community closer together.

**4th Annual Halloween Family Night – October 31, 6-8 PM** – All Borough residents and their families are invited to the Borough's FREE festivities – held in and around the Penbrook Community Building and the Fire House. Churches, businesses, organizations and individuals are asked to join in the festivities by providing games, entertainment, refreshments and of course, CANDY.



**Trunk or Treat** is becoming more and more popular around the country as a safe alternative to traditional, door-to-door trick-or-treating. Individuals, businesses or organizations are welcome to set up and participate – bring your car, your van or your truck – decorate the back – and hand out treats to the children. There will be a prize for the most originally decorated vehicle!

**For Halloween Party Games and vehicle decorating, search “Trunk or Treat.”**

Although the refreshments are FREE, residents are asked to pre-registered to receive refreshments. Please complete the form on page 11 and return it to the Borough Office located at 150 South 28th Street by Friday, October 29.

**3rd Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony – December 4, 6:30 PM** – The public is invited to the 3rd Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony at the Fire Company's Triangle (across from the Community

Building). There will be caroling and refreshments following the lighting in the Community Building.

## PENBROOK LEO CLUB

LEADERSHIP, EXPERIENCE, OPPORTUNITY



The **Penbrook Leo Club** welcomes any teen interested in serving our community. Meetings are held at the Penbrook Community Building on the **1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 6 PM**. If you would like to attend a meeting or if you have any questions, please contact **Lion Carolyn at 671-7201**.

**Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) Walk to Cure Diabetes – October 17** – The Penbrook Leos, along with the JDRF Jr. Ambassador, **Leo Mariah Davis** (see page 9), will be helping to raise funds for JDRF. The Leos would like to invite members of the community to join them in this important project by raising funds and walking with them or by sponsoring any of our Leos. For more information, contact Team Captain, **Lion Kathy Fouse at 695-0943**.

## PENBROOK LIONS CLUB



The **Penbrook Lions Club** is part of the world's largest non-government service organization. Meetings are held the **2nd Thursday** of each month at 6:30 PM and feature guest speakers on various topics. Learn how you can become a member at [www.e-club-house.org/sites/penbrookpa/](http://www.e-club-house.org/sites/penbrookpa/)



**Halloween Parade – October 21** – This year's Parade will be under new direction. We're looking for individuals and groups – walkers and floats – to participate in the Parade. Why not put members of your staff or organization into the

Parade! Please complete the form on page 11 and take it to the Borough Office starting October 1. Last minute registrations will be taken in front of the Penbrook Learning Center between 6:00-6:30 on the Parade night.

We want to remind our residents this Parade would not be possible without the generous donations made by many of our Borough businesses. This is truly a **“COMMUNITY PARADE.”**

The Parade will form at the Penbrook Learning Center on Elm Street and will begin at 7 PM SHARP. The Parade route will be: west on Elm St., north on 24th St., east on Walnut St. – passing the judges' stand in front of The ARC – south on 29th St. and west on Elm St. to the Penbrook Community Building.

If you live along the Parade route, please turn on your porch light.

If you have any questions, please contact **Lion Kathy at 695-0943** OR [penbrookparade@comcast.net](mailto:penbrookparade@comcast.net).

**Community Health Fair – November 6, 10 AM-2 PM** – Your Lions and Leo Clubs are proud to offer this service to our community as part of **Diabetes Awareness Month**. **Diabetes** is an epidemic among adults and children, is the leading cause of blindness and is now the **6th leading cause of death** – in the U.S., a new case of diabetes is diagnosed every 30 seconds; more than 1.5 million people are diagnosed each year! Stop by the Penbrook Community Building and you will have the opportunity to get answers regarding health issues. • A diabetic nurse educator will be available to answer your questions. • Because the blood supply is very low, please stop by the **Central PA Bloodmobile** and made a donation – it only takes a few minutes to save a life. • Learn about **reflexology**. • **Flu and pneumonia shots** will be available (\$33, payable at time of service, if not covered by your insurance) • Children with vision and hearing prob-

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lems can result in poor grades – all children, ages 3-6 should be screened. Lions will be doing FREE vision and hearing screenings (a child must be accompanied by a parent). • There will be many more things to see and learn about – from medical matters to services available. • We also invite you to meet **Leo Mariah Davis**, a Penbrook Leo and the **2010 JDRF Jr. Ambassador**, as she shares her story as a teen with Type 1 Diabetes. • For more information, please contact our Event Chair, **Lion Sarah Clark at 234-0275**. Remember – *“Knowledge is the key to good health.”*



**New Year's Day Dinner – January 1, Noon-2 PM** – The Penbrook Lions Club will hold its 7th Annual

**FREE Pork and Sauerkraut Dinner** – Borough residents and their guests **MUST REGISTER** by calling the Borough office at 232-3733 after December 13 during normal business hours or by calling **Lion Kathy at 695-0943**. No take-out orders.

The **Penbrook Lions Reading Den** continues to offer books for ALL ages. The Den is located at Grace Church and is open on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Saturdays of each month from 10 AM-Noon. Would you like to volunteer as a guest reader, please contact **Lion Carolyn at 671-7201**. – *“Today's Readers – Tomorrow's Leaders!”*

## PENBROOK LANDLORD ASSN.

The regular monthly meeting of the **Penbrook Landlord Association** is held the third Thursday of each month at the Penbrook Church of God, Elm and Canby Streets at 7 PM. All landlords are invited to attend and bring your ideas on how we can better the organization. **(No meeting on October 21.)**

**Fundraiser – October 5** – Texas Roadhouse. Benefits the Penbrook Landlord Association. Invitations are available at the Borough Office.

## PENBROOK ATHLETIC ASSN.

Penbrook Athletic Association will hold **election of officers** for the upcoming year on **October 18**. The PAA meets the 3rd Monday of the month at **7 PM** (except December) at the Penbrook Community Building. Upcoming Meeting dates: **October 18** and **November 15**. Visit our website at: [www.eteamz.com/penbrookpirates](http://www.eteamz.com/penbrookpirates)

## PENBROOK FIRE COMPANY

**Fire Prevention Week – October 3-9** – During the week the fire house will be open from **6-8 PM**. We will be covering **“Smoke Alarms: A Sound You Can Live With,”** handing out information about smoke detectors and having light refreshments. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact

Deputy Chief Dwayne Herb at [dwayneherb@comcast.net](mailto:dwayneherb@comcast.net) or call **238-0125, 234-0664**.

**Santa Visits on the Fire Truck – December 18** – Watch for Santa on the fire truck starting at 8 AM.

The Fire Department would like to thank everyone for their support!

## PENBROOK REVITALIZATION, INC.

Fall meeting dates are: **October (TBA), November 18 and December 16; 6:30 PM**, Community Caucus Room – Just stop in – We welcome your attendance and input.

## ANNUAL HOLIDAY BAZAAR



**When:** Sat., Dec. 4

**Where:** 150 S. 28th St., Penbrook Comm. Bldg.

**Time:** 9 AM to 1 PM

**What Will You Find?**

There will be handcrafted items by local artisans, home sale specialty products, PRI raffle baskets and more! This is the perfect place to complete your holiday shopping list!

**VENDORS WANTED.** Please call 232-7551 or check out the Penbrook Revitalization, Inc. link on the Penbrook Borough website at [www.penbrook.org](http://www.penbrook.org) for vendor details and application form.

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Penbrook Church of God



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## 2010 PENBROOK PROPERTIES OF MERIT – TIME TO VOTE!!!

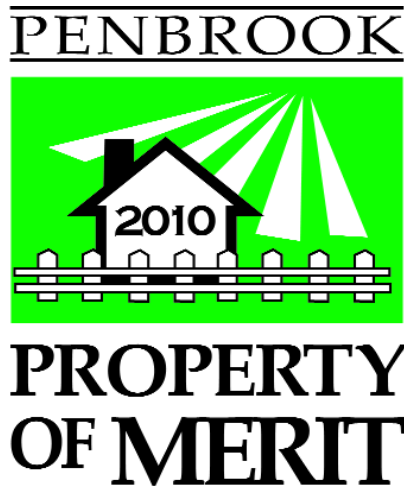
Voting for the “People’s Choice” Property of Merit Awards runs October 4-18. Check out the Resident Info-Borough Organization-PPOM website link at [www.penbrook.org](http://www.penbrook.org) for ballot forms. They are also available at the Ballot Box at the Community Building, 150 South 28th Street and other retail locations in Penbrook.

Mark your calendar now for the **Third Annual PENBROOK PROPERTY OF MERIT Awards Reception** on Tuesday, **November 9, 2010, 7-9 PM**. The coffee and dessert reception will be held at the Borough Community Building to honor the finalists from the **2010 Penbrook Property of Merit** nomination process completed this summer.

**Properties of Merit of PA, Inc.** (POM) started years ago as a statewide non-profit program endorsed by Governor Rendell. State funding for the program however expired in 2009. **Penbrook Revitalization, Inc.**, felt the program’s basic concepts were successful and PRI has decided to continue to support this vital Community Project. Local sponsors help defer the cost of the reception and will be prominently recognized in the reception brochure. Sponsorship forms are available on the PPOM website or by calling 717-232-7551.

The **2010 PENBROOK PROPERTY OF MERIT** award’s program seeks to positively impact property maintenance by rewarding and recognizing those property owners who maintain their properties in an outstanding fashion, thereby directly impacting the quality of life in that block, neighborhood, community and inspiring others to do the same. The highlight of the RECEPTION will be the “Awards” – **The People’s Choice Awards, the Founder’s Award, and the Grand Prize Award.**

Attractive, clean and well-managed neighborhoods encourage positive behavior and a healthy community ... join us as we honor the best-maintained properties in Penbrook!



## PENBROOK HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The **Penbrook Historical Society** continues to look for new members who are interested in preserving the history of our Borough. For more information, call **652-4284**.

FROM YOUR EDITOR: The next issue of the Penbrook Community News will be the January-February-March 2011 issue. Your material for the “Calendar of Event,” articles and photos are due by November 30. Material received after that date will only be considered for publication IF space and publication schedule allow.

Please send all material, digital photos, comments or suggestions to:  
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# A SALUTE TO OUR YOUTH ...

## MCGRUFF A FAVORITE WITH CHILDREN AT NATIONAL NIGHT OUT



Bobby M. talks to McGruff at National Night Out.

## TROOP 36 & YOUTH MINISTRY

### St. Margaret Mary Youth Center



Penbrook residents are aware that the St. Margaret Mary Alacoque Church moved out of Penbrook this past Spring, but they should also know that the church's school and Youth Center remain active parts of the Penbrook community. Both facilities have benefited from **Boy Scout Troop 36 Eagle Scout Leadership Projects**. Troop 36 is sponsored by St. Margaret Mary and regularly meets in the Youth Center on **Monday nights at 7 PM**. Boys and

Adults interested in being part of Boy Scouts do not have to be members of the church. Anyone interested in joining should contact Dan Leppo at 649-8516.

In May and June, **Eric Cross** led a landscaping project in the two planting beds located between the original building and the school's annex. Old shrubbery and trees were removed and new plantings were carefully arranged. The project had the assistance of troop members and family and friends of Eric.

During July, **Elijah Leppo** led a project to repaint the concrete blocks and wood trim on the exterior of the Youth Center. Replacing the old mustard yellow with a taupe color more complementary to the façade's brick, the project took two full days and one night of painting to be completed. Like the other project, Elijah was assisted by troop members, family and friends.

Eric and Elijah had their Eagle Scout Boards of Review in September and are set to receive their awards shortly. They are proud to have achieved Scouting's highest honor during the Boy Scout's Centennial Year.

The **St. Margaret Mary Youth Ministry**, with the direction of **Father Dan Powell**, has had plans for some time to make the Youth Center into something more. A kitchen makeover by **Josh Crouse**, yet another Eagle Scout project in 2009, helped get thoughts flowing. (Josh is not from Troop 36.) Elijah's project kicked off the Youth Ministry effort. In the last few months neighbors have witnessed the new exterior and the removal of much material and old equipment from the interior of the building. The lower floor

is once again one large room, suitable for pool, ping pong and video games, while the upstairs is a nicely decorated meeting space. St. Margaret Mary Youth Ministry welcomes non-members to events, seeking to create friendship and fellowship between all youth in the community.

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Meet **Mariah Davis**. She is a 14 year old resident of Penbrook, who enjoys running drawing, dancing and writing. A student at East High, Mariah is a member of the Track and Field team and the school choir. In our community, Mariah is a member of the Penbrook Leo Club, attends the Penbrook Church of God where she belongs to the Youth Group and sings with the Youth Praise Team. In addition to being a volunteer with the Penbrook Leos, she regularly volunteers with Angel Food Ministries at her church. Learn more about Mariah and her experiences with Type 1 diabetes at [www.jdrf.org/centralpa](http://www.jdrf.org/centralpa) and click on Walk, scroll down and click on Meet our Type 1 Ambassador

*(Your editor would like to keep this as a featured column in each issue, please submit your news about our local youth to: [penbrooknews@comcast.net](mailto:penbrooknews@comcast.net))*

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# PENBROOK COMMUNITY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## OCTOBER 2010

- 2 PCOG Quarter Craze, 9:45 AM
- 2 Lions Reading Den, 10-N
- 3-9 Fire Prevention Week
- 4 Volunteers In Penbrook, 6:30 PM
- 4 Borough Council Mtg., 7:30 PM
- 5 Penbrook Leos Mtg., 6 PM
- 9 PCOG Homemade Chicken Pot Pie, 4-7 PM
- 11 Borough Caucus Mtg., 6:30 PM
- 14 Penbrook Lions Mtg., 6:30 PM
- 16 Grace Church UM, Men's Breakfast, 9-10 AM
- 16 Lions Reading Den, 10-N
- 18 Penbrook Athletic Assn. Mtg., 7 PM
- 19 Penbrook Leos Mtg., 6 PM
- 21 Penbrook Halloween Parade, 7 PM
- 26 Penbrook Lions Bd. Mtg., 6:30 PM
- 28 Borough Caucus Mtg., 6:30 PM
- 30 PCOG Quarter Craze, 9:45 AM
- 30 Lions Reading Den, 10-N
- 31 Community Halloween Party, 6-8 PM

## NOVEMBER 2010

- 1 Volunteers In Penbrook, 6:30 PM
- 1 Borough Council Mtg., 7:30 PM
- 2 ELECTION DAY, 7 AM-8 PM
- 2 Penbrook Leos Mtg., 6 PM
- 5-7 PCOG Fall Family Weekend, Camp YoliJwa
- 6 Lions Reading Den, 10-N
- 6 Penbrook Lions Club Health Fair, 10 AM-2 PM
- 8 Borough Caucus Mtg., 6:30 PM
- 9 Property of Merit Award Reception, 7-9 PM
- 11 Penbrook Lions Mtg., 6:30 PM
- 15 Penbrook Athletic Assn. Mtg., 7:00 PM
- 16 Penbrook Leos Mtg., 6 PM
- 18 Penbrook Revitalization Mtg., 6:30 PM

- 18 Penbrook Landlord Committee Mtg., 7 PM
- 20 Grace Church UM, Men's Breakfast, 9-10 AM
- 20 NO LIONS READING DEN
- 23 Penbrook Lions Bd. Mtg., 6:30 PM
- 24 Borough Caucus Mtg., 6:30 PM
- 30 PENBROOK NEWS ARTICLES DUE (for Jan-Feb-Mar Issue)

## DECEMBER 2010

- 3 PCOG, Ball Brothers, 7 PM
- 4 PRI Holiday Bazaar, 9 AM-1 PM
- 4 Lions Reading Den, 10-N
- 4 Tree Lighting and Carolling, 6 PM
- 6 Volunteers In Penbrook, 6:30 PM
- 6 Borough Council Mtg., 7:30 PM
- 7 Penbrook Leos Mtg., 6:30 PM
- 9 Penbrook Lions Mtg., 6:30 PM
- 11 PCOG, Craft Show, 9 AM-3 PM
- 13 Borough Caucus Mtg., 6:30 PM
- 16 Penbrook Revitalization Mtg., 6:30 PM
- 16 Penbrook Landlord Committee Mtg., 7 PM
- 18 Grace Church UM, Men's Breakfast, 9-10 AM
- 18 Lions Reading Den, 10-N
- 18 Santa travels on Fire Truck, 10 AM
- 21 Penbrook Leos Mtg., 6 PM
- 24 PCOG, Christmas Eve Services, 5 PM & 7:30 PM
- 24 Trinity UM, Christmas Eve Service, 7 PM
- 24 PUCC, Christmas Eve Services, 7 PM & 9:00 PM
- 24 Grace Church UM, Christmas Eve Service, 8:30 PM
- 28 Penbrook Lions Bd. Mtg., 6:30 PM
- 30 Borough Caucus Mtg., 6:30 PM
- 31 Grace Church UM, Service of Silent Communion, 6:30-8 PM

## JANUARY 2011

- 1 Penbrook Lions New Years Day Dinner, N-2 PM

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Individual Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Group Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name (if Minor) \_\_\_\_\_ Group Leader \_\_\_\_\_

**CONTACT INFORMATION:**

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

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**FOR INDIVIDUALS: RETURN THIS FORM BY WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20**

**FOR GROUPS: RETURN THIS FORM BY FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15, TO:** Penbrook Community Building, 150 South 28th Street

*(late registration for INDIVIDUALS ONLY will be held the night of Parade from 6:00-6:30 at the Learning Center)*

**REGISTRATION FORM**

**PENBROOK'S HALLOWEEN FAMILY NIGHT – SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2010**

Family Name \_\_\_\_\_ # Attending: 12 & over \_\_\_\_\_ 11 & under \_\_\_\_\_

I/We plan to distribute Candy (Name) \_\_\_\_\_

I/We would like to reserve a space for "Trunk or Treat" (Name) \_\_\_\_\_

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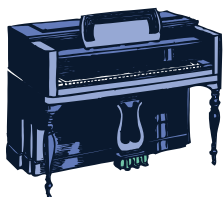
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