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# TALK & TOM

### A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT...

Dearest Neighbors,

Kelly Chiodi Photography

Well, Thornburg, it's finally here! Porch season! I love this time of year when our front porch becomes an extended living space. I will spend most of my time over the next few months out there; drinking coffee on the front step while watching the bees and chipmunks, doing yoga, or reading in the hammock. Sashi and I love Thornburg for what we jokingly call the "porch not deck" mentality of the community. Most newly build homes have no front porch, but a large back deck. A back deck is secluded and cut off from your neighbors. Older homes like those in Thornburg almost all have a front porch, which I really think helps contribute to neighborly connections. I love waving hello or stopping to chat with neighbors who are sitting out on their porch as I walk by. "Porch not deck" is a state of mind, not a hard & fast rule, so don't take offense if you have a back deck! I think most people who move into Thornburg do so because they want the kind of community fostered by that "porch not deck" attitude, which extends way beyond a physical front porch. It is the desire to create true community and residents of Thornburg do that in so many ways; from participating in book club or wine club, to volunteering their time in the Community Club or maintaining com-

munity gardens, to helping neighbors through a hard time with meals or rides, to making the effort to attend community events throughout the year. We are so fortunate to live in a community that values those connections. Enjoy the season and I hope to spend some time with you on your porch with this summer!

> Lindsey Segu - President, Thornburg Community Club (TCC)



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Borough Council Meetings 1st Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m.

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12 Sept



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### Dear Neighbors:

As evidenced by all of the Borough's projects, it has been a busy few months!

The May Borough Council Meeting focused on the planned work going on in and around the Borough. The much-needed Eton Road paving project and the planned demolition and installation of the new playground took center stage, as did discussions regarding the construction work to the Community Building.

Borough Council was also advised on the details of the Thornburg Bridge closures and discussed ways PennDOT and the Borough would handle the additional traffic detoured through the neighborhood. Additional new business included resident Jeff Schneider's request to use the auditorium for his original one-act plays, an endeavor that Council was happy to encourage and on which we wished him great success!

At the June meeting, Borough Council President Sigo Falk was pleased to announce that Thornburg was awarded a \$100,000 Keystone



Historic Preservation Grant for the installation of 38 new windows in the historic Borough building from the Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission (PHMC). Keystone Historic Preservation Grants are awarded specifically to projects "that identify, preserve, promote and protect historic and archaeological resources in Pennsylvania for both the benefit of the public and the revitalization of communities." The PHMC strives to support municipal planning initiatives -- like the Borough Master Plan -- that focus on historic resources. More about the PHMC and the Grant can be found here: https://www.media.pa.gov/Pages/PHMC-Details.aspx?newsid=411

Receipt of the Grant funding will go a long way to the planned building improvements, and the state's express recognition of the Borough's commitment to improvement of its historical property will hopefully pave the way for additional successful applications. Congratulations to Borough Secretary Dorothy Falk, former Council member Mark Perrott, and the rest of the grant writing team for their amazing efforts!

The window project will likely begin in the Spring of 2023. In the immediate future, the electrical repair bids package for the Community Building was introduced and Council authorized advertisement of the project. Council is hopeful that work should begin later this year.

June's Council meeting was held in the park pavilion, where Council and attendees had a great view of the on-going playground construction project. Happily, the old swing set was able to be salvaged and will be moved to a new location for continued enjoyment by our young residents.

Council's next meeting is July 12 7PM. All are welcome.

Lauren Catanzarite,

On behalf of Borough Council

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Greetings, Congrats, & Sympathies

### WELCOME

### MARGO ROSE MCSHANE

Please join me in congratulating Mark and Rosemary McShane on the birth of their grand daughter Margo Rose McShane in April.

### LOGAN HALLER

Welcome to the neighborhood Logan Haller born March 25, daughter of Dave and Jackie Haller of Kenyon Road.

### **ROCCO RIZZO ROSIS**

Neighbors Chris and Rosie Rosis welcomed a son Rocco Rosis to the world on June 23rd. Congratulations to all of you.

### THE ALBERT'S

Welcome to the neighborhood, Chris and Stephanie Albert who have moved into the Gordon's house on 1080 Stanford Road. Hope you find our neighborhood to be as wonderful as we all do.

### THE WORK'S

Warmest greetings to the Work family, Zoe and Alex who have moved into the Patti's house on 1177 Harvard. We are all looking forward to meeting all of our wonderful new neighbors.

# Weekly

# Pickle-ball

When: 6:00 p.m. Where: Thornburg Park **Tennis Courts** 

Bring your tennis shoes (and a paddle if you have one). All are invited to come and learn and join in. Any questions, contact Linda Froehlich Lfroehlich720@comcast.net

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Interested in receiving email blasts from the TCC about upcoming events and happenings?

Send us an email at <a href="mailto:ThornburgNews@gmail.com">ThornburgNews@gmail.com</a>. Let us know you wish to be added to the group.



# People's Potluck

Are you interested in having lively discussions about current topics with your neighbors? Join the People's Potluck, hosted by Paco Mahone and Anne Dimond. Every other month, we will discuss a relevant topic through book and film. The only rule is that you come to partake in civil discourse. Contact Paco for more information: pacomahone@mac.com.

# Here's to Thornburg Book Sale

If you don't already have the privilege of owning this wonderful piece of local history. Well, we are in luck!

This book written by Alice Crist Christner is full of street photos, charming memories, and local history. The TCC is selling this gem for only \$25.

Contact Steve Salvador (sssalvador@comcast.net) to purchase your copy.

ONLY \$25

# Spring Whap Up in Thornburg

Here are some of the highlights from this Springs goings on in Thornburg. Easter Egg Hunt -









# Ready for Summer Planting with Phelps Nursery

Summer is apon us. Brighter and hot days are ahead of us.

The Thornburg Community Club has a great idea to get you started on the perfect backyard or garden space. **These gift cards make great gifts for friends and family.** You can purchase gift cards in \$25, \$50 or \$100 denominations to use for your purchases at Phelps Nursery, just 5 minutes from Thornburg on Route 60. For every \$100 purchased, The Community Club makes \$20!

Phelps offers a wide variety of perennials, trees and shrubs. Along with pots, planters, fountains, garden gnomes, bird baths and statuary.

To purchase your gift cards, please contact Kris Szmul 412.922.5417 or krisandtony0504@gmail.com



# What's New at Chafton Public Library

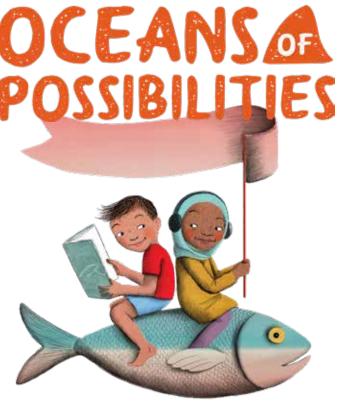
Crafton Public Library's Oceans of Possibilities Summer Reading o-fish-ially kicked off on May 31st this year, and we have an exciting summer full of activities planned! This year, there are a few ways you can participate—by tracking your reading AND attending library programs!



All reading will be tracked digitally this year so be sure to make an account on Beanstack to participate. Beanstack can be accessed on a computer and is also available as an iOS and Android app for quick logging on the go.

You log books. graphic magazines, novels, audiobooks, e-books. You read it, you can log it! For every five titles logged, you will receive 5 raffle tickets that you can use to be entered into virtual drawings. Prizes for Summer Reading this year include four \$25 gift cards and three gift baskets.

Kids may also earn extra raffle tickets by completing activity badges. There are 3 badges for each week of summer reading. You can complete



just one badge or all of them—it's totally up to you!

Check out our website, craftonlibrary.org, for details on participation and a schedule this summer's events!

Please feel free to reach out to us by phone at (412) 922-6877 or by email at craftonlibrary@craftonlibrary.org if you need help or have any questions. Happy Summer Reading!

# Watch Your Speed Neighbors

Just a friendly reminder to all neighbors to obey all traffic signs and speed limits. Now is the time of year when many of our younger Thornburgers are out and about to play with friends. Let's help keep everyone safe this summer.





The Thornburg Memorial Library is located in the Municipal Building, 600 Hamilton Road. The library is open daily between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., corresponding with the hours of the Crafton Children's Corner, or you can make an appointment. To check out books, please fill out the library card inside the book and place in the box on the desk in the library. This is an "honor system" check out and return procedure, so please be sure to only keep the book for a reasonable period of time of three weeks. library is only accepting donations of hardcover children's books. Please do not drop off anything that would not be acceptable in a children's library or books that are softbound and/or damaged. If you are donating books, leave them in a marked bag or box under the desk in the Thornburg Library and please include name or donor. If you would like to have them picked up at your home, please contact me at judythecat@verizon.net. Any questions, please call Janice Coppola 735-5973.

# Tiny Terrific Thornburg Heads Up!!!

The Crafton Food Back is in desperate need of clean, recycled grocery bags or green newspaper cover bags.

If you have any lying around, just toss them in the box on the porch of 220 Tech Road.

### TALK of the TOWN is published by the Thornburg Community Club to inform Thornburg residents and Community Club members of Borough news and Community activities and events.

Do you have any ideas, suggestions, or articles? Please send them to ThornburgTOT@gmail.com or ThornburgNews@gmail.com.

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2022 due dates for article and news submissions are.

- September 22<sup>nd</sup>
- November 16th
- January 11th

## Congratulations to the 2022 Graduates



### Etrin Jameson -

and Michael Jameson (1137 Cornell Diane, graduated Magna Cum Rd.) graduated with High Honors Laude from the Morrissey College from Bishop Canevin High School. of Arts and Sciences at Boston Col-While at Canevin, Erin was a mem-lege with a B.A. in history. She reber of National Honors Society, Ju-ceived the Janet James Award, a nior Achievement, International paid award to honor her commit-Club and Secretary of Student Gov- ment to women's and gender studernment. She was a Captain of the ies, as well as the Thomas H. O'Reiltwo-time WPIAL winning Basketball ly Award for her distinguished Team, as well as Softball Captain, historical scholarship in her senior and goalie for the Soccer team. thesis. Erin will be attending Uni-Erin will attend Penn State Univer- versity College Dublin in the fall to sity Park in the fall, with a Business pursue her master's in library and Major and an International Business information science on the Maeve



Etin Sheedy -

Erin Jameson, daughter of Colleen Erin Sheedy, daughter of Tim and O'Reilly-Finlay fellowship from the

# Good luck next year. BC Irish studies department.



### CPAA-CONCERT SCHEDULE All concerts start at 1:30pm in Chafton Park!

July 7 ..... Pittsburgh Philharmonic Orchestra July 14 ..... Street level (Chicago. Tribute) July 21 ..... Dr. Zoot July 28..... RML jazz

August 4 ...... Uptown Rhythm and Brass August 11 ..... Community Band South

Support our local music scene with a great community.



sunday \$29th

Memorial Day in Thornburg is the greatest celebration and this year was no exception. The day was filled with reverence, sunshine, and wonderful neighbors. Thank you to all who helped make Memorial Day one to remember.



















# Every 1st and 3st Thursday of the month Starting APRIL

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