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Open Letter to the Jonestown Community

The Committee for the Jonestown Memorial Day Celebration would like to take this opportunity to openly thank all the individuals who participated in this year's Memorial Day Event.

Due to some restrictions, we as a committee had to put our heads together because we were determined to keep the tradition of Memorial Day alive in our community.

First off, permission was granted from Borough Council to use the Community Tree to display names and or photos of our fallen soldiers who gave their all in the conflicts to keep our country free. We thank Council for their approval.

Secondly, as for the church service, the Jonestown United Methodist Church approved the use of their sanctuary or parking area to conduct the service normally held at Zion's Lutheran Cemetery.

None of this happened overnight. There was quite a bit of work involved. 1. War Casualty research had to be done. 2. Tree tags had to be cut. 3. Rank, Name, Branch of service and War had to be written on each tag. Thank you Tracey Charest, Michelle Carpenter and Oriana Spittle. 4. Each tag had to be laminated and strung with yarn to hang on the tree. For all of this we would like to thank Tracey and David Charest. The hanging of the tags was done by Tom and Joan Keefer, Nate and Michelle Carpenter and their two daughters.

Since the Service on Memorial Day was live streamed, a BIG THANK YOU goes out to Paul Dieter and Tom Robinson. Good Job!

Thank You, Ron Royer. Ron is our Faithful Master of Ceremonies every year and doesn't miss a beat!!

Our trumpet players were Seth Long and Mike Dunn. Thank you for a job well done!

Thank you Sgt Major Greg Harris for being this year's speaker.

Thank you, Howard Lee and Tom Robinson for the music/songs, and Pastor Sliker and Rev Kurtz for the prayers and benediction.

Thank you to all those who tuned into Facebook and for those who brought their lawn chairs and listened to the service live on the parking lot.

We will be back again next year working toward a BIGGER and BETTER parade for ALL to enjoy!!

Also, we are looking for folks to contribute to our 2021 parade in any way shape or form. If interested, please reach out to the committee by emailing Nate Carpenter at natecarpenter902@gmail.com

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Board Council Mtg:
July 7, August 4, September 1;
7:00 pm at Borough Office

Upcoming Borough Meeting Dates:
Planning Workshop – June 22, July 27, August 24; 6:30 p.m. at Borough Office
Parks and Recreation – June 24, July 22, August 26; 7:00 p.m. at Borough Office
All are welcome to attend!

Hersheypark Volunteers Summer 2020

Writing an article with so many unknowns is difficult. With Hersheypark closed at this time and there is no timetable for opening the park, we are in limbo. If the park does open this summer, volunteers will be needed especially if the schools open on time. I will keep all volunteers on the list updated on progress to open the park.

Many of you have tickets for the park. I am waiting for information on the status of the tickets for 2020. Again, I will send an email to all volunteers on the list as soon as I receive that information from Hersheypark.

For all potential volunteers, you can become a part of the team by emailing me jiyengst@comcast.com or calling 717-865-4892 for information. At this time, I have only that information from the previous year.

Submitted by Janet Yiengst

Realty Tax Payments Due Dates Extended!

Due to recent economic hardships placed on many families, Jonestown Borough Council unanimously adopted a resolution extending the discount, base, and penalty periods for 2020 real estate tax payments. The resolution extends the real estate tax payments as follows:

- Discount period deadline moved from **April 30 to June 30**
- Flat-rate period deadline moved from **June 30 to Oct. 31**
- Penalty period start date moved from **July 1 to Nov. 1**

2020 Jonestown Borough Residents Greenwaste Permits Now Available

Jonestown Borough is in the process of installing a fence and gate system to our green waste yard, located at 295 South Mill Street. Once the system is up and running, the green waste yard can be accessed to Jonestown Borough residents and Borough businesses by a membership card. Cost for the yearly membership is \$35 plus an initial (one time) \$5 fee for the access card. Access cards can be purchased at the Jonestown Borough office at 295 South Mill Street. Additional rules and membership information can be found on the Borough's website, www.jonestownnpa.org, or stop by the Borough office. Office hours are Monday – Thursday, 8 am – 3 pm and Friday, 8am – 1 pm.

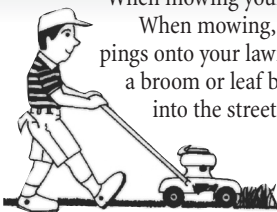
Rotary Club of Northern Lebanon



Our motto: *Service Above Self.*

We invite you to meet us for breakfast at Esther's on Tuesdays at 7:00 am. Visit our Facebook page – Northern Lebanon Rotary Club.

Grass Clippings and Stormwater



When mowing your yard, make certain that you do not blow grass clippings into the street.

When mowing, make the first few passes with the lawnmower blowing the grass clippings onto your lawn; not the street. If there are grass clippings on the street or sidewalk, use a broom or leaf blower to blow them back onto the lawn. Do not use a hose to wash them into the street or storm drains. Keeping your leaves and lawn clippings out of the streets and gutters will have significant benefits for your local lake or stream. You can reduce the amount of phosphorus entering a lake or stream.

When lawn clippings, fertilizers, soil, leaves, or animal wastes are picked up by storm water runoff, they are carried directly to our local streams and lakes. All of these materials including grass clippings contain phosphorus. According to the U.S. EPA, phosphorus is one of the most troublesome pollutants in storm water runoff and it is considered the primary cause of water quality problems in our lakes, ponds and streams.

Zion's Lutheran Church

Zion's Lutheran Church is praying for our community during this pandemic, and eager to serve if you have a need. We are following CDC and our state's regulations for events, which means our building is currently closed for all events, including worship, but we are offering Sunday morning worship, Wednesday night Rejoicing Spirits worship, and Tuesday and Thursday night Evening Prayer online. Please visit www.ZionsJonestown.com for more information and links to our Facebook or YouTube channels. When it is safe for us to gather, we will begin offering in-person worship, and share those plans on the Market St. sign.

Lebanon Free Church JROCK 2020 Celebration

The Lebanon Area Evangelical Free Church in Jonestown is excited to announce the coordination of our annual J-Rock Outreach planned for August 7-9 this summer, 2020. From its initial origins, the event is a volunteer-led community service project in which members of our church family reach out to individuals and businesses in the Jonestown Boro to complete loving acts of service. From weeding and mulching to painting, minor repairs and construction, we have been blessed to have assembled a team of both skilled and non-skilled laborers willing to share the heart of our faith by loving our neighbors in tangible ways. In recent years, due to the steady growth and commitment from volunteers, we have been fortunate to expand our mission to surrounding areas to meet needs in our larger county area. It is our desire to begin compiling a list of projects for individuals in need as well as businesses, churches or organizations who could use extra help.

In addition, shut-ins or individuals with special needs or circumstances can be nominated confidentially for our committee to begin the process of coordination of projects in advance of our work dates. Should you have a need or know of someone who could benefit from our service project, please email Wes & Kristy Hollinger at serve@lebefree.org or call (717) 673.7347. More information can be found at our church website: www.lebefree.org.

Jonestown Outreach Pantry

The JOY Pantry is continuing to serve residents of the Northern Lebanon community during the Covid-19 quarantine. We have changed our procedures to provide a safe distribution for our clients and volunteers. Working in pairs, volunteers pack boxes of nutritious food and personal items, such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, and toilet paper for the clients. The clients are able to pick up boxes from 12:30-2:30 every 2nd and 4th Friday of the month. In addition, we had 2 extra "kid distributions" to ease the burden on families whose children are home from school.

As the need for assistance has increased in the last 2 months, we extend a huge "thank you!" to all local individuals, churches, and organizations for your very generous outpouring of donations to JOY. The local response to our neighbors in need has been overwhelming. How fortunate we are to live in this caring community!

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