

St. Clair Borough News Bulletin

October 2022

The official site of the Borough of St. Clair is www.stclair-gov.org for information concerning the Borough. Such information includes a list of public officials, local ordinances, forms, a copy of the monthly newsletter, council meeting minutes, and links for CodeRED and to pay your electric bill. The agenda for the council meeting will be posted on the web page 24 hours prior to the meeting.

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**The Borough office will be closed on Tuesday, November 8 and Wednesday, November 9 due to Election Day. Normal sanitation collection will occur.**

**In observance of Veteran's Day, Friday, November 11, the Borough office will be closed and there will be no recycling collection. Recycling collection for Friday will occur on Wednesday, November 9.**

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When **paying your bill on-line**, make sure your on-line electric bill payment reaches the Borough in a timely manner. **ONLY** use the St. Clair Borough website. Go to www.stclair-gov.org. Click on the RED button that says "Pay Electric Bill," and follow instructions. Reminder: The borough office will no longer be taking credit card payments over the phone.

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**The large item collection date is Wednesday, October 19, 2022.**

Each large item is \$5. Place an envelope containing a check (no cash), name, address and phone number where the large item is to be collected. Place the envelope in the drop off box in front of the Municipal Building.

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The Municipal Building is currently undergoing construction. **The Borough office is still open for business.** Payments can be placed in the drop box out front. If you need to speak to someone, ring the doorbell at the window at the bottom of the ramp or call 570-429-0640.

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**The Annual Saint Clair Halloween Parade** sponsored by the St. Clair Women's Club is scheduled for Wednesday, October 19 starting at 7 p.m. (Rain date October 20 at 7 p.m.) **Registration** for individuals, floats, and other parade participants will be held October 12 and 13 at the Borough Hall from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

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Trick or Treat Night will be Monday, October 31 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Happy Halloween!

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The St. Clair Women's Club and Rescue Hook & Ladder Fire Department are planning **the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting and Christmas Festival** on December 3 from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. in and around Admiral Boone Park. There will be vendors - food trucks, arts & crafts for the children and a free trolley ride with Santa Claus. We would like to invite any groups, clubs or vendors to set up a stand or participate with entertainment in the festival. Please contact Michele Price at (570) 527-9191, after 5 p.m. or Dave Linchorst at (570) 573-8614.

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Thank you to South Nicholas Plaza LLC for their generous donation to the Admiral Boone Park in
****Memory of Sean Mettam.****

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The **Hometown Hero banners** along Second Street that were taken down can be picked up at the Municipal Building. Remaining banners around town can be taken down by calling the Municipal Building. If you are coming to pick one up or would like a banner taken down, please call 570-429-0640, so it will be ready.

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What's new with the Kelsey Theatre at 229 North Mill Street? See agosc.org for details!
Spooky Stage Night – October 13 at 7 p.m. – open to all ages - \$5 at door
Family Friendly Halloween Costume Dance Party – October 22 from 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. – fee charged
Halloween Dance - 18 years & older - October 22 from 7 p.m. – 10 p.m. – tickets purchased online

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**Walk Saint Clair!'s upcoming walks are:**

*Saturday, October 15 – **Walk Around Town** - begins at 11:00 a.m. at the Admiral Boone Park*

*Thursday, October 20 – **Woodland Terrace Hike** - begins at 5:15 p.m. at the Historical Society*

*Tuesday, October 25 – **Morning Wake Up Walk** - begins at 7:45 a.m. at the Historical Society*

*Saturday, October 29 – **Southside Scramble** - begins at 11 a.m. at the Admiral Boone Park*

*Thursday, November 3 – **Morning Wake Up Walk** - begins at 7:30 a.m. at the Historical Society*

Saturday, November 12 – **Mid-November Mystery Trek** - begins at 11 a.m. at the Historical Society. For more information visit [www.walksaintclair.com](http://www.walksaintclair.com), follow us on Facebook, or call 570-429-1161.

The **St. Clair Area Food Pantry**, serving St. Clair, New Castle Township, Arnots Addition, Mill Creek and Dieners Hill will be open Thursday, November 3 from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at St. Clair-Wade United Methodist Church, 23 N. Front St., St. Clair. The next food pantry will be held Thursday, December 1.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**October 12 & 13**—Registration for the **Halloween parade** at the Borough Hall from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

**October 15** - The Saint Clair Community and Historical Society will be holding a **Soup and Bake Sale** from 10 a.m. until sellout. Chicken Noodle, Split Pea, Chili, Potato Soup, Multi Noodle Soup and more.

**October 19** – **Bosco's Friends Helping Friends**- Look for the Historical Society stand for discount coupons!

**October 19** – The annual **St. Clair Halloween parade** will begin at 7 p.m. (Rain date October 20)

**October 31** – **Trick or Treat night** from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

**December 3**—**Annual Christmas Tree Lighting and Festival** at the Admiral Boone Park from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

### **Mayor's Report**

1. Motorists are urged to be extra careful on the streets of our borough on the evening of October 31<sup>st</sup> as that is when Halloweeners will be trick or treating.
2. Residents are advised that the "new" Covid 19 vaccine booster is available.
3. Residents are reminded to consider getting their yearly flu shot as many health authorities are predicting an active flu season.

### **Historical Note – October 2022**

The Eagle Colliery or later the Herbine was started in 1826 by Frederick Hass who operated it until 1832. Thomas and William Johns operated it from 1844 until 1867. They were succeeded by George W. Johns & Brother from 1867 until 1882. The operation was then taken over by the Pennsylvania and Reading Coal and Iron Corporation from 1882 until 1889. From 1889 until 1954 it was leased to the St. Clair Coal Company which was owned and operated by various individuals during that time span. From 1826 until 1934 this operation produced approximately 12,000,000 tons of coal and employed up to 800 individuals at one time. This site is now the Coal Creek Commercial Center. The port of St. Clair known as John's Patch takes its name from the Johns family who owned the colliery from 1844 until 1882.

### **PROCLAMATION**

by Mayor Richard E. Tomko

**WHEREAS**, In November 2022, the St. Michael Orthodox Church of St. Clair will celebrate the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its founding; and

**WHEREAS**, The parishioners of St. Michael Orthodox Church have contributed to the religious, social, economic, and political development of the Borough of St. Clair for 125 years; and

**WHEREAS**, The sons and daughters of St. Michael Orthodox Church have served the United States of America with honor and bravery on battlefields throughout the world in our national struggles against evil and tyranny for 125 years; and

**WHEREAS**, The parishioners of St. Michael Church have perpetuated and shared with our community the noble history and heritage of their Eastern European ancestors thereby enriching our community for 125 years;

**WHEREAS**, The Borough Council, Borough officials, and the people of the Borough of St. Clair wish to congratulate St. Michael Church on the occasion of its 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary and pay tribute to the thousands of parishioners who have contributed to the life of the Borough of St. Clair for 125 years;

**NOW**, Therefore, I do hereby proclaim, on this day the 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2022, that the month of November, 2022 be "St. Michael Orthodox Church Month" in the Borough of St. Clair.

The **November monthly council meeting** is scheduled for Tuesday, November 1, 2022, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers, St. Clair Municipal Building. For additional methods to provide public comment for the above meeting, comments can be 1.) emailed to [rprice@ptd.net](mailto:rprice@ptd.net), 2.) mailed to the Borough Secretary at 16 S. Third Street, Saint Clair, PA 17970 or 3.) placed in the drop box in front of the Municipal Building. **In order for an item to be discussed at the council meeting, it must arrive to the Borough Secretary at least 48 hours before the meeting commences in order for it to be part of the agenda.**