

St. Clair Borough News Bulletin

November 2024

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

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In observance of Thanksgiving Day, the Borough office will be closed on Thursday, November 28.

There will be no recycling collection on Thursday, November 28.

Recycling collection for Thursday will occur on Wednesday, November 27.

The Borough office will be closed on Friday, November 29. There WILL BE recycling collection on Friday.

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The large item collection dates are: November 20, December 18 and January 15.

Each large item is \$5. Place a check, the name, address and phone number where the large item is to be collected and the item to be collected, in an envelope. Place the envelope in the drop off box in front of the Municipal Building. Please no cash. Large item collection is always the third Wednesday of the month. We will no longer be collecting refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, or any item containing freon.

BRADS: The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) will host a public meeting on Tuesday, November 19, 2024 to answer questions from the public with concerns regarding the BRADS landfill. The meeting will take place from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Saint Clair Elementary/Middle School located at 227 South Mill Street. For more information, visit our web page, select the St. Clair Borough tab, then select the BRADS tab.



The 3rd Annual Christmas Festival and Tree Lighting Ceremony



Saturday, December 7 from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. sponsored by the St. Clair Women's Club

- There will be food trucks and stands, trolley rides and vendors in and around the gazebo on Third Street.
- Dalinda Dancers will perform in the Gazebo at 5 p.m.
- Santa Claus will arrive at 5:30 p.m.
- The Trolley will stop at the St. Clare of Assisi Church to view the Living Nativity.



Mr. & Mrs. Santa Claus Half Mile Fun Run/Walk

No charge for participation, however participants must dress as Mr. or Mrs. Santa Claus
Route start - 4 p.m. at St. Clair Fish & Game (E. Lawton St.) Route End – Boone Park (Third St.)
For more information call Dave @ 570-573-8614 or Michele @ 570-527-9191

Toys for Tots is accepting donations. Drop off a toy at the Municipal Building. Deadline is December 8th.

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**Attention Residents:** Due to the dry conditions, DCNR and Schuylkill County Office of Emergency Management are **advising residents to avoid burning debris or having camp fires.** Please consider these restrictions in the interest of your neighbors, the safety of our community and to reduce strain on limited resources during this dry spell.

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Attention Residents: Authorities are urging all residents and businesses to take immediate steps to **reduce water usage.** Practice water conservation to help safeguard the region's dwindling water resources until further notice.

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Please be respectful of our neighbors' yards and on public thoroughfares; and clean up your dog's feces, as stated in Ordinance #362.

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The following two parcels under the Borough's conservatorship program located at 102-104 Cherry Street are for sale. Interested parties can contact Borough Secretary Roland Price at 570-429-0640.

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**The following two parcels, under the Borough's conservatorship program, located at 26 S. Front Street and 146 N. Nichols Street are for sale.** Proposals are being accepted at Holden Realty. Final sale is subject to court approval. Interested parties contact Holden Realty at 570-429-2116.

\*\*\*\*\*Residents smelling odors from the BRADS Landfill are encouraged to call the PA DEP Hotline number:\*\*\*\*\*  
**1-800-541-2050**

Be prepared to provide: 1. Description of the smell. 2. Your name and address. 3. The BRADS Landfill address – 1061 Burma Road, New Philadelphia, 17959 (Blythe Township)

Residents interested in participating in the “St. Clair PSR Air Monitoring Project” should complete the form at: <https://tinyurl.com/3kcswrr6>. Physicians for Social Responsibility is a nonprofit organization that fulfills its mission through programs focused on health and the environment and working with youth. Many residents are currently participating in this project. The monitors are FREE and help monitor the air quality at your home.

The **St. Clair Area Food Pantry** offers a drive thru pick up on N. Mill Street on the third Wednesday of the even months from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., at the First Primitive Methodist Church, 115 N. Mill Street, Saint Clair. The pantry serves St. Clair, New Castle Township, Arnot's Addition, Mill Creek and Dieners Hill. The food pantry will be held December 18.

To further serve our community, a **food cupboard** has been erected at Holy Apostles Episcopal Church at 307 E. Hancock Street for people in need. “Take what you need, and leave what you can.” If dropping off, please only leave non-perishable, non-expired food. Thank you.

### Walk Saint Clair's upcoming walks:

( All walks begin at the Historical Society.)

- Saturday, November 16 @ 11:00 a.m.** – *Mid-November Mystery Trek* - Pick a card and determine our destination. (No hills)
- Friday, November 22 @ 12:00 p.m.** – *Friday Afternoon Stroll & Lunch* – Grab your sneakers and wallet. We'll take a jaunt around town to burn off the calories we will soon consume at a local restaurant.
- Saturday, Dec. 14 @ 6:00 p.m.** – *Annual Christmas Walk* – We'll walk around town to enjoy the beautiful sights of the season. Stay tuned for potential additional walks and 2025 Winter Walks.

\*\*For more info & updates: [walksaintclair.com](http://walksaintclair.com), FB @walksaintclair, email:walksaintclair@gmail.com, or 570-429-1161.\*\*

### Mayor's Report

- As the holidays approach, residents are reminded to use designated drivers if celebrating with alcoholic beverages.
- Residents are urged to be aware of “porch thieves” as holiday deliveries increase.

### PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, the St. Clair Lions Club has named William H. Umbenhaur as the St. Clair Lions Club Citizen of the Year for 2024; and,

**WHEREAS**, William H. Umbenhaur is a long-time member of Holy Apostles Episcopal Church; and,

**WHEREAS**, William H. Umbenhaur has been associated with the St. Clair Fire Department as a member and President of the Rescue Hook and Ladder Fire Company for many many years; and,

**WHEREAS**, William H. Umbenhaur has been an active coach and supporter of youth athletic programs in the Borough of St. Clair; and,

**WHEREAS**, William H. Umbenhaur is a member of various fraternal organizations including Pulaski Lodge #216 F. & A.M. and Mineral Lodge #285, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and has practiced their noble ethical precepts in all of his life's work; and,

**WHEREAS**, William H. Umbenhaur has served the Borough of St. Clair as Councilman, Borough Superintendent, and Tax Collector for the past 38 years; and,

**WHEREAS**, William H. Umbenhaur has played an integral role in the political, economic, religious, and social development of the Borough of St. Clair;

**Now, Therefore**, on this the 27<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2024, I, Mayor Richard E. Tomko do Proclaim that the month of November 2024 be “**William H. Umbenhaur Month**” in the Borough of St. Clair.

### Historical Note

St. Clair Dairy was organized on October 1, 1922 under the proprietorship of Edward Honicker and Walter Stephens.

By 1933 the dairy had grown to have 19 employees and eight delivery trucks.

The St. Clair Dairy ceased to operate in the late 1960's or early 1970's.

The **December issues, review and finance work session** will be held on Tuesday, November 26, 2024, beginning at 6:30 p.m. The **monthly council meeting** will be held Tuesday, *December 3, 2024*, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Meetings will be held in Council Chambers, St. Clair Municipal Building. For additional methods to provide public comment for the council meeting, comments can be 1.) emailed to [rprice@stclairpa.gov](mailto:rprice@stclairpa.gov), 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.**

