

St. Clair Borough News Bulletin

January 2025

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, the monthly newsletter, council meeting minutes, and a community bulletin board. The agenda for the council meeting will be posted on the web page 24 hours prior to the meeting.

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### The large item collection dates are: January 15, February 19 and March 19.

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.

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Attention Residents: When a snow emergency is declared, there will be NO PARKING ALLOWED on SECOND STREET and HANCOCK STREET. Watch for posting of streets.

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**The Borough of St. Clair received a grant in the amount of \$400,000 for the expansion of the existing Alert Fire House to hold additional fire apparatus.**

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Dear Friends,

The St. Clair Women's Club would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to you for your support throughout this past year. Your generosity, time and dedication have played a pivotal role to make the Halloween Parade and Christmas Festival so successful.

The Halloween Parade was a fun filled celebration bringing our community and surrounding communities together in a way that truly showcased the spirit of creativity and fun! Likewise, the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Festival was a beautiful reflection of the holiday season. Santa and his helpers, beautiful lights, the Santa Run, Dalinda Dancers, food vendors, Trolley rides and of course the beautiful live Nativity hosted by St. Clare of Assisi Church were enjoyed by all. These events would not have been possible without your commitment to making them memorable and special for all involved.

To our generous sponsors - your financial contributions allowed us to bring these celebrations to life and we are deeply thankful for your belief in the importance of fostering community spirit. Your support truly strengthens the bonds that unite our community. We look forward to continuing our work together.

The St. Clair Women's Club works very hard throughout the year to bring these events to the community. New members are always welcome, if you would like to join our group, please contact Michele Price at 570-527-9191.

We look forward to continuing our work in the coming years. Thank you and May God Bless you and yours this Christmas Season and bring good health and happiness in the New Year.

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**ATTENTION LANDLORDS:** Rental Ordinance #398 requires a Rental Registration Form completed at the *beginning of each year.* Please complete your Rental Registration form along with fees and return to St. Clair Borough. The form is on the St. Clair Borough website under "Documents and Forms." All renters are required to be registered. **IT IS A REQUIREMENT.**

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We are in need of **school crossing guards.** Applications are available at the St. Clair Municipal Building between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Call the Municipal Building if you have any questions. 570-429-0640

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When reporting a **street light problem** to the Borough Office, please note the pole number listed on the pole.

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*******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.

Check out our **website** for updates about “**Benefits of Public Power**” under the electric tab.

ATTENTION RESIDENTS: Please be mindful of our **Snow Removal Ordinance** which states that a path on the sidewalk, free of snow and ice, of at least 24 inches, must be maintained before 12 noon of the next day after snow has fallen. Also, when removing snow and ice from the sidewalk, it is unlawful to place snow or ice into the street or any public thoroughfare of the Borough.

The **CPA Audit of the Borough of Saint Clair** for the fiscal year 2023 is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Municipal Building.

PennDOT announced **Wade Road and Hancock Street will be milled and paved**, and handicap ramps will be installed at certain intersections in the Spring of 2025.

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 next food pantry will be held February 19.

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! will be kicking off its 16th year with random winter walks from January through March. For updates on these walks like us on Facebook (@walksaintclair) for updates, check out our website www.walksaintclair.com, request email updates at walksaintclair@gmail.com, or call 570-429-1161.

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 22 – Alert and Columbia Fire Companies are having a **Bean Soup Sale** from noon to sell out at the Columbia Fire Company at Front & Lawton Streets. *Free delivery to residents in town only*. Please call 570-429-2350 the day of the sale to place your delivery order.

Mayor’s Report

1. Residents are urged to contact the St. Clair Police Department at 570-429-3050 or 570-429-2240 if they see any suspicious activity around vacant properties.
2. Abuse of Senior Citizens may take various forms. Senior abuse can be physical, emotional, or financial. Senior abuse can be reported to the St. Clair Police Department or the Schuylkill County Office of Senior Services at 570-622-3103.

Historical Note

The origin of our borough was based upon the discovery of Anthracite coal. There have been various veins of coal discovered in the area around our borough. The seven veins discovered were the Orchard, Primrose, Mammoth, Skidmore, Seven Foot, Holmes and Buck Mountain.

The February issues, review and finance work session will be held on Thursday, January 30, 2025, beginning at 6:30 p.m. The **monthly council meeting** will be held Tuesday, February 4, 2025, 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, 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.**

