

St. Clair Borough News Bulletin

February 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, 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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### The large item collection dates are: February 19, March 19 and April 16.

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 or Organizations: Any resident or organization from the Borough of St. Clair who would be interested in forming a committee for the purpose of organizing events to mark the **175th Anniversary of the Incorporation of our Borough** should attend a public forum to be held Tuesday, March 18, 2025 at 7 p.m. or in case of snow Tuesday, March 25, 2025 at 7 p.m. at the St. Clair Borough Hall in Council Chambers.

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The St. Clair Borough has received a grant to construct a **youth basketball court** to be located adjacent to the Third Street Playground.

You will soon be seeing a **brand-new garbage truck** in your neighborhood courtesy of a Pennsylvania grant.

There are several **grant opportunities** for the Borough that are currently being reviewed.

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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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**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.

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ATTENTION LANDLORDS: Rental Ordinance #398 requires a **Rental Registration Form** to be 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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*****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)

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**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.

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

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 pantries will be held February 19 and April 16.

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 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.

March 18 – A public forum to be held at Council Chambers in the Borough Hall for the purpose of forming a committee for the 175th Anniversary of the Incorporation of the Borough at 7 p.m. (*Snow date: Tuesday, March 25 at 7 p.m.*)

Mayor's Report

1. A heartfelt "Thank You" is extended to all of the Borough departments involved in the execution of the recent Snow Emergency on January 19, 2025. Thank you is also extended to the residents and businesses of Second and Hancock Streets for their cooperation during the Snow Emergency.
2. Residents are reminded to support the fund-raising efforts of our local churches as they are the spiritual heart of our community.

Historical Note

One of the earliest musical groups organized in St. Clair was the Union Cornet Band in 1862. It was comprised of 19 instruments. It was reorganized in 1871 and was chartered in 1873. The next two bands organized were the Citizen's Band and the Schlottman Band. In 1884, Peter Schuster, Elmer Boyer, and James Tucker organized the Perseverance Band which was directed by William H. Badge. It consisted of 27 members.

The March issues, review and finance work session will be held on Thursday, February 27, 2025, beginning at 6:30 p.m. The **monthly council meeting** will be held Tuesday, March 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.**

