



St. Clair Borough News Bulletin

April 2025



Proclamation by Mayor Richard E. Tomko

WHEREAS, the Borough of St. Clair was incorporated by the General Assembly of Pennsylvania on April 6, 1850; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of St. Clair in 2025 will celebrate the 175th anniversary of its founding; and,

WHEREAS, over the past 175 years, people or their ancestors immigrating from at least four continents have come to St. Clair to live or work, in great part because of the coal mining industry and related activities, and have contributed to the beautiful mosaic of peoples that we have always considered to be the essence of St. Clair; and,

WHEREAS, the deeply held religious beliefs held by our residents over the past 175 years have been reflected in the erection of 17 churches within the Borough and three others within one mile of the Borough representing various ethnic groups and religious denominations; and,

WHEREAS, during the past 175 years, the men and women of St. Clair have always answered the call of our national government for volunteers for our military, when our nation or our nation's obligations to the welfare of civilization have been in peril; and have made the supreme sacrifice on battlefields around the world in a heroic effort to sustain our American way of life and the great principles under which we are governed; and,

WHEREAS, many students from the public and parochial schools of the Borough of St. Clair have gone on to have successful careers and some have achieved national and even international recognition and acclaim reflecting well upon their education and upbringing in the Borough of St. Clair; and,

WHEREAS, near the end of the 19th century, the governmental leaders in our Borough were farsighted in seeing the great possibilities of electric energy and therefore began to manufacture electricity for use by our residents and this led to the Borough of St. Clair gaining the official franchise to supply electricity to the residents of St. Clair thereby allowing the governmental bodies in St. Clair for the past 129+ years to use profits from the franchise to provide municipal services to the people of our borough that would otherwise be unaffordable; and,

WHEREAS, for the past 175 years St. Clair has been the home of various fraternal, civic, religious, social, athletic and veterans' groups who have contributed to the advancement of the quality of life for our residents,

NOW, THEREFORE, on this the 1st day of April, 2025, I, Mayor Richard E. Tomko, do proclaim that the year 2025 be "Dodransbicentennial Year" in the Borough of St. Clair.

Historical Note: The first Chief Burgess (Mayor) of our borough was Charles Lawton.

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The official site of the Borough of St. Clair is **[www.stclairpa.gov](http://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 Borough Office will be closed on Friday, April 18 in observance of Good Friday.
NO RECYCLING on Friday, April 18. Friday's recycling will be collected on Wednesday, April 16.

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**The large item collection dates are: April 16, May 21 and June 18.**  
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.

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Due to current drought conditions, we ask all residents to reduce their water usage and to abstain from burning.

175th Anniversary Celebration Announcements

Fundraiser – A TNT Deli hoagie and unbaked pizza preorder ticket sale will be held at the Police Station at 24 North Second Street on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from April 7th to April 25th, between the hours of 4:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Orders can also be placed at the Borough Hall any day from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. All orders must be prepaid. Choice of a small unbaked pizza pie or an Italian, ham or turkey hoagie for \$10.00. Ordered tickets will then be picked up on Monday, May 5 at the Police Station.

***Any donations benefitting the 175th Anniversary activities can be dropped off at the Borough Hall. ***

They will be greatly appreciated!

June 8 – MEAT B-I-N-G-O benefitting the 175th Anniversary hosted by and held at St. Clair Lions Club. Details - May Newsletter

July 11- 4:30 p.m. - An Ecumenical Service at the gazebo in Admiral Boone Park.

5–10 p.m. - A **Block Party** at the Third Street Complex- music by Dale & the Legends, refreshments & food

July 12 – Annual Car Cruise and Fireworks display

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**Benefit of Public Power:** Public power is owned by the community, which allows it to make long-term investments in the community, such as paving of the streets and upgrading playgrounds.  
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RESIDENTS: Please be respectful of your neighbors and keep in mind, Animal Ordinance # 362 - Section 6 - Disturbing the Peace - It shall be unlawful for any dog/pet to disturb the peace for more than one (1) hour continuously or reoccurring consistently. Such behavior shall be deemed, **Disturbing the Peace**. *PLEASE BE RESPECTFUL OF YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD.* Your pet is your responsibility.

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The 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by the St. Clair Fish & Game Association will be held on Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.  
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2025 Saints All Classes Reunion – Open to all St. Clair High School attendees, graduates, staff & faculty – Saturday, August 9 – Rain or Shine – St. Clair Fish & Game Club – Noon until 6 p.m. – Non-Refundable \$50.00 per person – Late registration will not be accepted – Includes food, beer, soda, water & entertainment – Adult event only – Registration forms can be found at the St. Clair Borough Hall – Questions can be emailed to StClairAlumni@gmail.com.

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The Schuylkill Conservation District will be conducting **mosquito surveillance and West Nile Virus monitoring** within the Borough a few times per month through October. All trapping equipment is tagged with the Schuylkill Conservation District name. Dead birds will also be tested. Dead birds may be reported by emailing [kschutt@SchuylkillCountyPA.gov](mailto:kschutt@SchuylkillCountyPA.gov), calling 570-391-3316 or submitted by using the link found on the PA Department of Environmental Protection's West Nile Virus webpage at <https://www.pa.gov/agencies/dep/programs-and-services/integration/vector-management/mosquitoes.html>.

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***** **BRADS Smell? PA DEP Hotline number: 1-800-541-2050** *****
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The **St. Clair Area Food Pantry** offers a drive thru pick up on N. Mill Street from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., at the First Primitive Methodist Church, 115 N. Mill Street. The pantry serves St. Clair, New Castle Township, Arnot's Addition, Mill Creek and Dieners Hill. The next food pantries will be held April 10 and May 8.

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The Actors Guild of Schuylkill County and Kelsey Theater presents...Jesus Christ Superstar

April 10-12 at 7 p.m. / April 13 at 2 p.m. / All tickets \$20 / For ticket and additional information visit agosc.org

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**April 19** – St. Clair Fish & Game will be sponsoring its 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Easter Egg Hunt at 1:00 p.m.

**May 10** – **Outdoor Market** – 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. – Saint Clair Veterans Stadium

**May 31** – **Car Show** hosted by St. Clair Community & Historical Society at the Veteran's Football Field.

**June 7** – **St. Clair Community Pool opens.**

**June 7 & June 21** – A **Car Wash** sponsored by Rescue Hook & Ladder Fire Company from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. located at 136 North Second Street.

**June 14** – **Townwide yard sale**

**July 8** – The **Pottsville Third Brigade Band** will be performing a medley of music at 7 p.m. in Admiral Boone Park.

**July 11** - **175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration** at Admiral Boone Park beginning at 4:30 p.m.

**July 12** – **St. Clair Fireworks** and the **St. Clair Car Cruise**

The **May issues, review and finance work session** will be held on Thursday, May 1, 2025, beginning at 6:30 p.m. The **monthly council meeting** will be held Tuesday, May 6, 2025, beginning at 6:30 p.m.