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Hamanassett Bed and Breakfast

Over the summer, the members of the historic committee, Mayor Stacey Smith and Councilwoman Ginamarie Ellis, were invited by the proprietors of Hamanassett Bed and Breakfast to learn its history and tour home and grounds. The current owners, Glenn and Ashley Mon, are only the third owners of this home that was built in 1856.

Dr. Charles Meigs, a noted obstetrician in Philadelphia, head of the department at Jefferson Medical College and Vice President of the Philadelphia College of Medicine bought 36 acres in the country off of Darlington Road as his retirement home. The original structure was built in 1856 for $16,000 - which would be about $600,000 in today’s currency. Dr. Meigs enjoyed living at Hamanassett until his passing in 1869. Hamanassett was named after the area in Connecticut where his forebears had settled.

Dr. Meigs left the property to his oldest son, General Montgomery Cunningham Meigs. General Meigs was noted in his profession as well; he was the Quartermaster General of the Union Army in the Civil War, appointed by President Lincoln in June 1861. He was one of a few of Lincoln’s trusted confidants. In a famous painting of Lincoln on his deathbed, General Meigs is one of the gentlemen surrounding the President.

Post Civil War, General Meigs is credited with the establishment of Arlington National Cemetery near Washington DC. His remains are interred in Section 1, Grave 1.

Not surprisingly, the Meigs family were staunch abolitionists and very much against slavery. On the property is a shed- very typical for a property of this type. What’s NOT typical is this large shed has a dug foundation stone basement. Those who study Civil War history believe this basement was, indeed, a stop on the anti-slavery Underground Railroad.

General Meigs’ oldest son was John Rodgers Meigs. He attended West Point to study engineering, but the Civil War broke out and he was assigned to protecting the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad to help stop the retreat of Confederate forces. He was Killed in Action in the Shenandoah Valley in 1864. In the library at Hamanassett, the book A Civil War Soldier of Christ and Country; the Selected Correspondence of John Rodgers Meigs by Mary A. Giunta holds a place of honor on the bookshelf. Marked for visitors are letters from his grandfather, Charles, written from Hamanassett to his grandson while he was at West Point.

The Meigs family settled in Northern Virginia and in 1870, Montgomery sold Hamanassett to the Dohan Family as a summer home. In 1894, the Dohan’s decided to make it their permanent home- but it was not large enough for their entire family and their servants. At this point, the third floor and expanded back of the house were added. Amazingly, those architectural drawings are preserved and framed for all visitors to see in the foyer of the B&B.

The Dohan’s created grounds that, in its heyday, was a mini Winterthur. They had

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a grass tennis court, an English Formal Garden, a reflecting pool, a Japanese Garden (the entrance of which still sits on a lot on Indian Spring Drive), a lake and it was an equestrian estate. If that isn’t enough to give you an idea of the grandeur of the estate belonging to the Dohan’s, even their outhouse was above average— it was built of stone and was two sided; one for the family and the other for the servants!

Joseph Dohan was the Master of Fox Hounds for the Lima Hunt, whose events were held on the estate. Mr. Leander Riddle was one of the prominent members of the Hunt Club. To honor that heritage, two foxes sit on a bench at the front door, greeting all guests as they arrive.

The estate remained in the Dohan Family until 2001 when Glenn and Ashley purchased the house and it’s surrounding seven acres, including a carriage house and cottage, a horse pasture and barn. At their purchase, the home was empty and in need of upgrades. They lovingly painted, redesigned some of the rooms and furnished it to create the Hamanassett Bed And Breakfast of today.

The B&B boasts 7 guest rooms each with a private bath in the main house; a 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath carriage house with a fenced backyard for your welcomed dogs and a 2 bedroom 1.5 bath cottage. The B&B is on the Select Registry of Distinguished Inns of North America. Articles written in local magazines are framed in the upstairs hallway—our favorite is from Philly Mag titled “The In-Laws Are Coming!” with the suggestion to put them up at Hamanassett rather than have them stay in your house!

Events at Hamanassett include weekend cooking school getaways with Glenn and Ashley, both accomplished chefs; showers, meetings, small wedding receptions and parties. Full groups have rented out every room for major local golfing events and traveling political campaigns. While Mayor Smith and Councilwoman Ellis were at breakfast listening to Glenn sharing the history of the estate, a couple from Princeton was visiting. They apologized for “eavesdropping” but were fascinated with what they were hearing. They were visiting Longwood Gardens and do so once or twice a year, always staying at Hamanassett.

The estate is for sale, as Glenn and Ashley are ready for their next adventure. There’s an option to purchase it fully furnished as a turn-key B&B for the next proprietor or unfurnished to be used as a family home. In the meantime, it’s available for those in-law visits, a stay-cation in our own Borough or to entertain large parties that won’t fit in your home. For additional information; www.hamanassett.com or call them at 610-459-3000. You can also drop them an email at stay@hamanassett.com.

The Chester Heights Historical Society

A few years ago, an interested and committed group of Chester Heights residents organized the Chester Heights Historical Society. They hosted small monthly meetings with a presentation or program. The CHHS hosted a fair in the Borough Park with vendors, many old photo albums and entertainment. One year they had planned a ghost hunt through the Borough and that day and night were torrential downpours, so bad the organizers thought they should cancel because “no one was going to show up.” Seventy people arrived at the Borough building, some in period dress! The tour started at the Old Crier in The Country and then headed on a walk down the Old Baltimore Pike behind Logtown Farm. As the tour was walking down the path- in the dark and in the pouring rain, a Revolutionary War Reenactor dressed as Sandy Flash* jumped out from behind a tree and scared everyone. The tour ended with an old fashioned tent revival at the Chester Heights Camp Meeting.

The CHHS was organized as a 503C entity with bylaws and is ready to be revived. Is there a new interested and committed group of residents willing to do so? Please contact Sue Timmins at the Borough Office if you are.

*Sandy Flash was a Revolutionary War deserter turned highwayman who had a penchant for robbing tax collectors, stripping them, tying them to trees and then flogging them. According to local legend, Sandy Flash buried a significant treasure in Edgmont Township, near the Crum Creek—a treasure yet to be discovered.

History Corner

Each issue, we bring you history, trivia and other fun tidbits of information regarding Chester Heights.

At right is an ad from the Chester Times in 1946 about the Grand Opening of the Chester Heights Market.

DISCOVER LOCAL HISTORY!
SAVE THE DATE

THE CHESTER HEIGHTS FIRE COMPANY AND BOROUGH COUNCIL
FIRE PREVENTION/EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMUNITY DAY EVENT

Sunday, October 14, 2018 (Rain or shine) • Time 12PM – 3 PM • Location: Chester Heights Fire House

We cordially invite all residents and their children to come out and learn information to be prepared should an emergency occur. You’re never too young or old to learn something new, which in the time of an emergency may not only save your life but that of a family member or neighbor. Below is a preview of some of the planned activities.

• Learn how to do Down and Dirty CPR (Ages 7 and up)
• Learn various fire safety tips and drills (Suited for ages 3 and up)
• Learn what information you should gather in a safe place should an emergency occur
• Demonstration of rescue tools used on a car accident 1:30 pm (15 Minutes)
• Try on fire gear and spray a fire hose

• Live Fire burn demonstration 2:15 PM (15 minutes)
• Face painting
• Refreshments
• A clown
• Cotton candy
• DelCo DA’s Drug Collection Unit

Come out and meet your local Fire Company Volunteers and Borough Council members along with other various groups who will have information to share and answer questions you may have. The Chester Heights Fire Company and Borough Council are working to bringing you a Community of Unity and we hope to see you at this first of what we hope will be an annual event!

FIRST ANNUAL

CHESTER HEIGHTS BOROUGH COMMUNITY DAY WITH CHESTER HEIGHTS FIRE COMPANY

SUNDAY, OCT. 14
RAIN OR SHINE
12:00 - 3PM

FIRE PREVENTION AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS DAY

For More Information: Borough of Chester Heights
Suicidal thoughts, much like mental health conditions, can affect anyone regardless of age, gender or background. In fact, suicide is often the result of an untreated mental health condition. Suicidal thoughts, although common, should not be considered normal and often indicate more serious issues. These thoughts do not mean someone is weak or flawed.

According to the Centers for Disease Control, (CDC) suicide rates have increased by 30% since 1999. Nearly 45,000 lives were lost to suicide in 2016 alone.

According to the National Alliance on Mental Illness, (NAMI) Each year, more than 41,000 lives are ended by suicide and they leave behind their friends and family members to navigate the tragedy of loss. In many cases, friends and families affected by a suicide loss (often called “suicide loss survivors”) are left in the dark. Too often the feelings of shame and stigma prevent them from talking openly.

September was National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month—a time to share resources and personal stories in an effort to shed light on this highly taboo and stigmatized topic. We use this month to reach out to those affected by suicide, raise awareness and connect individuals with suicidal ideation to treatment services. It is also important to ensure that individuals, friends and families have access to the resources they need to discuss suicide prevention.

In Delaware County there were 92 suicides in 2014. There were 77 Suicides in 2015. There were 78 suicides in 2016. Most likely to take their own lives were white middle-aged males.

According to the Department of Veterans Affairs, Veterans are at a 41% higher rate of risk for suicide than the general population. Twenty-two veterans per day take their own lives. 66% of veterans die by self inflicted gunshot wounds. Those who are at a high risk are veteran white men 50 years of age or older. Also at risk are service men and women during their first three years of non-service upon discharge.

Know the Warning Signs
- Threats or comments about killing themselves, also known as suicidal ideation, can begin with seemingly harmless thoughts like “I wish I wasn’t here” but can become more overt and dangerous.
- Increased alcohol and drug use
- Aggressive behavior
- Social withdrawal from friends, family and the community
- Dramatic mood swings
- Talking, writing or thinking about death
- Impulsive or reckless behavior

Crisis Resources
- If you or someone you know is in an emergency, call 911 immediately.
- If you are in crisis or are experiencing difficult or suicidal thoughts, call the National Suicide Hotline at 1-800-273 TALK (8255)
- If you’re uncomfortable talking on the phone, you can also text NAMI to 741-741 to be connected to a free, trained crisis counselor on the Crisis Text Line.

Awareness Resources
You can help promote awareness by sharing your story on your social media accounts. Use #SuicidePrevention or #StigmaFree.

While suicide prevention is important to address year-round, Suicide Prevention Awareness Month provides a dedicated time to come together with collective passion and strength around a difficult topic. The truth is, we can all benefit from honest conversations about mental health conditions and suicide, because just one conversation can change a life.

Help ensure that no one is alone on their mental health journey.
Chester Heights has a New Logo!

While we were designing a new website and a new look to the Borough’s online presence, it was suggested to us that a refresh of the Borough’s logo should be explored. We did a lot of research on what municipality logos contained and what we might want to highlight.

**We asked:**

**Q.** “What puts Chester Heights on the map?”

**A.** Wawa Corporate, Chester Heights Camp Meeting, St. Thomas

**Q.** “Why was Chester Heights a destination in the 1800’s for vacationers?”

**A.** The West Branch of the Chester Creek, local Fox Hunts

**Q.** “When we are giving directions, what landmarks do we reference?”

**A.** Wawa Corporate, St. Thomas the Apostle, the big curve Valleybrook Rd. takes after the bridge over the Chester Creek

**Q.** “What makes Chester Heights famous?”

**A.** Wawa Corporate, St. Thomas

We were provided with many options for a new logo, with images including Old St. Thomas Chapel, Hamanassett Estate B&B, the west Branch of the Chester Creek, Wawa Canadian Geese and combinations of some or all or none of those symbols. The Communications Committee presented two options to Council and the final vote was for the image here, a sun, a symbol of the West Branch of the Chester Creek and three Canadian Geese.

Why are the Wawa Canadian Geese in our logo? Fun fact first: Wawa is taken from an Ojibwe Native American word for the Canadian goose. Having Wawa’s geese in our logo goes far beyond the fact that Wawa is a Delaware County institution and was recently highlighted in Inc. Magazine’s article “The Inside Story of Wawa, the Beloved $10 Billion Convenience Store Chain Taking Over the East Coast.”

Wawa was founded by Grahame Wood, the grandson of George Wood. George first came to Chester Heights in 1901 to establish his dairy farm. Since our incorporation in 1948, at least one member of the Wood family has served the Borough in one capacity or another almost continuously- including former Borough Councilman and current member of the finance committee, Fred Wood, and Planning Commission member, Thayer Schroeder. The Wood Family has dedicated acres and acres of their own land to open space to the Borough, guaranteeing no development on that land. Wawa is our Borough’s largest employer and we have one of the lowest tax rates in Delco largely due to them. Wawa is a consistent supporter of the Borough for our events. Many people don’t know where Chester Heights is- even within Garnet Valley, but when we tell them it’s where Wawa is located, then they know where we are! We could think of no better way to honor the service of the Wood family than to incorporate their family company’s symbol into our logo.

Believe it or not, in the late 1800’s and early 1900’s, Chester Heights was a popular destination for city dwellers looking to get fresh air and enjoy a swim in the West Branch of the Chester Creek. This creek meanders along Valleybrook Rd, goes under the bridge on Mattson and is currently a popular fishing spot. The Octorora Line of the train had a stop behind the current Chester Heights Market, which was also a general store for locals and visitors. If not for the fact that we were a destination, we may not have developed and had settlers make our town their permanent home in the way they did.

The new logo contains symbols that are a nod to our past and pays homage to a significant local family who happen to have a business that makes us proud to be from Chester Heights.

**The Runner Up Logo!**

While researching information about our Borough’s history and what makes us special, it was impossible to ignore the significance of St. Thomas- the oldest Roman Catholic Parish in Pennsylvania, who’s two churches are architectural landmarks on Valleybrook Rd. Members of the historical committee met with the leadership of Friends of Old St. Thomas to learn more about the rich history. In doing our research, we came to find out that Chester Heights and neighboring Concord Township were an inspiration for a portion of the First Amendment to the Bill of Rights of the United States. How?

This general area was founded in 1683 by Quakers who settled here. The majority of them met for religious services at The Concord Friends Meeting. (Friends Meeting minutes are extensive and act as historical record) Years later, some of those congregants decided to return to the Anglican Church and established St. John’s Episcopal less than a mile away on Concord Rd. Meanwhile, Thomas Wilcox was hosting visiting Catholic priests at his home in Ivy Mills. In 1729, the first Catholic parish in all of Pennsylvania was established by Thomas Wilcox. It is still here and it’s the oldest parish in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia and in the state of Pennsylvania.

The leaders of these three churches- Concord Friends Quaker Meeting, St. John’s Episcopal and St. Thomas Roman Catholic- got together and agreed to support one another’s organizations and fundraising and to live in peace and respect- to truly represent William Penn’s policy of religious tolerance.

In this time frame, other colonies had “official” churches where all residents had to worship. In Philadelphia, with people living in close quarters, there was fighting and strife over religious practices. During the early days of the colonies, a Baptist Church organization wrote to Thomas Jefferson’s worries and concerns that they would not be able to continue to worship their way under our new country. His response back is the first time the phrase “separation of church and state” was used as a paraphrase of what would become an important portion of the First Amendment.

Religious freedom was not guaranteed in the colonies- but here in Concord Township and the future Chester Heights, religious tolerance was alive and well. The area of the three local churches became known as the Toleration Triangle.

But how does this all connect?

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TRAFFIC SIGNAL UP-GRADES

There are four signalized intersections in Chester Heights Borough: 1) Baltimore Pike/Valleybrook Road/Walnut Hill Boulevard; 2) Baltimore Pike/Stoney Bank Road/Lydia Hollow Drive; 3) Valleybrook Road/Smithbridge Road; and 4) Baltimore Pike/Red Roof Drive (WaWa Corporate Campus). Baltimore Pike, Valleybrook Road, Smithbridge Road and Stoney Bank Road are State Highways; however, the local municipality is responsible for the operation and maintenance of the traffic signals. Chester Heights Borough splits the cost of maintenance of the Baltimore Pike/Red Roof Drive Traffic Signal with Concord Township since the municipal boundary line between Chester Heights Borough and Concord Township cuts through the intersection. Also, Chester Heights Borough is reimbursed for the maintenance costs at the Baltimore Pike/Red Roof Drive Signal according to an agreement with WaWa since the traffic signal at this location primarily provides safe ingress and egress for the WaWa employees.

The operation of a traffic signal is more complicated than just cycling through the green-yellow-red phases. Most traffic signals are designed with stop bar and advanced vehicle detection devices. The stop bar detection devices detect if a vehicle is stopped at the side street of an intersection. For instance, if there are no vehicles stopped at Valleybrook Road or Walnut Hill Boulevard, there will be an extended green light cycle for Baltimore Pike. The advanced vehicle detection devices will track vehicles approaching an intersection and attempt to limit the number of vehicles caught in the ‘dilemma zone’ whereby a signal turns yellow at that point where an approaching motorist may be unsure whether to continue through the intersection or to apply brakes to stop at the intersection. Advanced detection performs other functions to improve the efficiency of the traffic signals.

Historically, stop bar detection and advanced vehicle detection was accomplished by installing inductive loops. Inductive loops are coiled wires installed within or under the road paving either near the intersection (stop bar detection) or several hundred feet in advance of an intersection (advanced vehicle detection). Inductive loops work like a metal detector as they measure the change in the magnetic field when objects pass over them. Once a vehicle drives over a loop sensor the loop field changes which allows the detection device to detect the presence of an object (mainly a vehicle). The inductive loops are connected to the electronic control box for the traffic signals. Automatic adjustments to the signal timing are performed to enhance the efficiency of the traffic signal. When an inductive loop fails, the traffic signal reverts to a static predetermined signal cycle.

The Borough has experienced frequent malfunctions with the inductive loops at the Baltimore Pike/Red Roof Drive Bank Road Intersection. The malfunctions are the result of the amount of truck traffic along Baltimore Pike and Stoney Bank Road. A significant number of tri-axle dump trucks approach the intersection on Stoney Bank Road from the Glen Mills Quarry. The truck traffic deforms the flexible pavement thus damages the inductive loops. The Borough is planning to replace the inductive loops with video camera stop bar and advance vehicle detection. The cameras are mounted atop the horizontal mast arms of the traffic signal poles. The cameras perform the same function as the inductive loops, but have a much lower frequency of malfunction.

Similarly, the Borough has experienced issues with the inductive loop detection at the intersection of Baltimore Pike/Valleybrook Road/Walnut Hill Boulevard intersection. The Borough is planning to purchase infrared detection cameras at this intersection. Infrared cameras, as opposed to video cameras, are required because of the excessive sun glare that occurs at certain times of the year with this intersection.

By replacing the inductive loops which are mounted on the traffic pole mast arms, the frequency of malfunctions will be greatly reduced. Thereby, providing a long-term cost savings to the Borough while also providing a more efficient traffic signal operation. The Borough has advertised bids for the equipment purchase. Once the bid is awarded, the equipment will be installed by the Borough’s Traffic Signal Maintenance Consultant. The upgraded vehicle detection equipment should be operational in the fall of 2018.

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Thomas Wilcox had a paper mill at his Ivy Mills home. He made the paper that his good friend, Benjamin Franklin, used to print Poor Richard’s Almanac, with his invention, the printing press. Every few months, Benjamin would come visit Thomas from Philadelphia and buy more paper. The two men would chat and Thomas came to tell Benjamin about the Toleration Triangle. Our area, and the religious freedoms people enjoyed because of the separation of Church and State was the example and inspiration for the Establishment Clause and Free Exercise Clause of the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States which reads: “Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof…” We have a small borough, but it is rich in history.

For more information on this topic, tours of the old chapel and of the Wilcox homestead and paper mill, please contact the Friends of Old St. Thomas at www.friendsofoldstthomas.org
Chester Heights Development Update

BROOKEFIELD TOWNHOMES – Located at the intersection of Valleybrook and Smithbridge Roads, this 77 townhouse development, being built by S. B. Conrad Inc., has been moving right along. Sales have been steady with more than 30 homes sold. Additional homes are under construction and available for sale. Visit brookefieldtownhomes.com for more information.

LENAPE VALLEY – Located at 460 Lenni Road, this 15 lot sub-division of single family homes is under development by Raymond Iacobucci Communities. Sales have been brisk with 8 homes sold and 6 houses under construction. For more information, you may visit garnetvalleynewhomes.com.

THE RESERVES AT STONEY BANK – Also known as the Beard property, 29 Stoney Bank road was originally zoned as a mobile home park, and was re-zoned to allow 33 townhomes to be built. This project is finalizing its access to public utilities so construction can begin. The project is being developed by Mantis Construction Company, Inc. Please visit reserveatstoneybank.com for more information.

OLD CHESTER HEIGHTS MARKET – Plans have been in place since 2007 to revive the Market location as a restaurant. This project, which has received final approval from Council, should be moving forward soon! The developer is S. B. Conrad Inc.

156 LOGTOWN ROAD – Construction by Megill Homes is well underway for 1 new home to be built on the cul-de-sac of historic Logtown Road.

ARBOUR SQUARE – Located on the former Crier in the Country property, Arbour Square is planned to be a 178 unit senior care facility for both independent and assisted living. Major earthwork has been completed and the developer has begun construction of foundations and foundation walls. Please visit www.westrum.com/independentassisted-living for more information.

ROSE HILL TOWNHOMES – Plans for 33 townhomes at the corner of Lenni and Llewellyn Roads were approved in 2015. The development is currently on hold.

The Borough would like to thank the businesses that appear in this newsletter and recognizes each of them as contributors to our community. Thanks to their advertising support, this newsletter has been produced at no charge to our residents.
What is Fire Prevention Day and Why is it Celebrated in OCTOBER?

According to legend, on October 8, 1871, Mrs. O’Leary was in her barn, milking her cow. The cow kicked over a lamp, which started the Great Chicago Fire of 1871. The fire burned for over 27 hours. When it was over, more than 300 people were killed, 100,000 people were left homeless, and over 17,000 structures were destroyed.

The Great Chicago fire sparked major efforts in fire prevention. Forty years later, the Fire Marshall’s Association of North America (FMANA) held the first Fire Prevention Day. In 1920, President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed Fire Prevention Week. The Saturday during Fire Prevention Week is Fire Service Recognition Day.

We will celebrate on Sunday October 14 - 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm. We wish to offer our sincere thanks and admiration to Chester Heights Fire Company Officers and Members. Join us in congratulating them for their service.

Please visit Chester Heights.org and click on our Fire Department page for more information.

Did You Know? Dalmatians became fire dogs because they were often kept around the horses at fire houses to guard them?

Date When Celebrated: Always on October 9th. Fire prevention week is during the week in which October 9th falls.

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU AT
our very first

CHESTER HEIGHTS FIRE COMPANY
AND BOROUGH COUNCIL

COMMUNITY DAY
for Fire Prevention and Emergency

OCTOBER 14, 2018
AT 12:00 PM
There is something about the winter months and curling up with a good book by the fireplace. But did you know that heating equipment is one of the leading causes of home fire deaths? With a few simple safety tips and precautions you can prevent most heating fires from happening.

**BE WARM AND SAFE THIS WINTER!**

- Keep anything that can burn at least three-feet (one metre) away from heating equipment, like the furnace, fireplace, wood stove, or portable space heater.
- Have a three-foot (one metre) “kid-free zone” around open fires and space heaters.
- Never use your oven to heat your home.
- Have a qualified professional install stationary space heating equipment, water heaters or central heating equipment according to the local codes and manufacturer’s instructions.
- Have heating equipment and chimneys cleaned and inspected every year by a qualified professional.
- Remember to turn portable heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed.
- Always use the right kind of fuel, specified by the manufacturer, for fuel burning space heaters.
- Make sure the fireplace has a sturdy screen to stop sparks from flying into the room. Ashes should be cool before putting them in a metal container. Keep the container a safe distance away from your home.
- Test smoke alarms at least once a month.

**Heating Equipment Smarts**

**Install** wood burning stoves following manufacturer’s instructions or have a professional do the installation. All fuel-burning equipment should be vented to the outside to avoid carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning.

**Install** and maintain CO alarms to avoid the risk of CO poisoning. If you **smell** gas in your gas heater, do not light the appliance. Leave the home immediately and call your local fire department or gas company.

**FACT**

Half of home heating fires are reported during the months of December, January, and February.
If you travel Lenni Rd or live off of Lenni Road, there is no doubt you are tired of the road closures, the construction, the uneven asphalt and the havoc it is wreaking on your cars. Don’t fret - the end is near!

In April, Aqua began a six month project to replace a major water main that runs the full length of Lenni Road and encompasses Chester Heights Borough, Aston Township and Middletown Township. The improvements are necessary but definitely inconvenient. “When will Lenni Rd be paved?” PennDOT assures us that road will be paved by the end of the year, hopefully closer to November. Don’t get excited just yet, the new SEPTA restoration project for the Wawa line includes a closure of Lenni near the walking trail. Please see the Septa graphic in this newsletter for more information or check it out online at http://septa.org/rebuilding/pdf/lenni-detour-handout-8.13.18.pdf

Lenni Rd will be smooth, paved, have less of a big curve and a smaller dip at the train tracks by the end of the year. All of us who use that road and our cars will be happy!
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