

# AKRON BOROUGH NEWSLETTER

## ANNUAL WATER CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT

The Borough is pleased to provide the 2018 Annual Water Consumer Confidence Report. This report provides informative data and results of required testing of our system drinking water to assure water quality and provide pure safe drinking water. Again this year, to save costs, Congress and EPA approved posting of our report on the Borough's web site at this designated direct link: <http://www.akron-pa.com/documents/ccrwaterreport2018.pdf> Should you not have access to the internet you may obtain a copy at the Borough Administration Office. After review, should you have questions please call Tom Murray Jr. (the Borough's Water Operator) or Susan Davidson, Borough Manager.

## POLICE NEWS

First day of school is Monday, August 26<sup>th</sup>.

The driver of a vehicle meeting or overtaking any school bus stopped on a highway or trafficway shall stop at least ten feet before reaching the school bus when the red signal lights and the side stop signal arms are activated/flashing.

The driver shall not proceed until the flashing red signal lights are no longer actuated. In no event shall a driver resume motion of the vehicle until the school children have reached a place of safety.

The driver of a vehicle approaching an intersection at which a school bus is stopped shall stop his vehicle at that intersection until the flashing red signal lights are no longer actuated.

Section 3102 of the Pa Vehicle Code states that no person shall willfully fail or refuse to comply with any lawful order or direction of any appropriately attired person who is authorized to direct, control or regulate traffic, which includes our School Crossing Guards.

## WHAT CAN BE RECYCLED?

Please note these recent changes in recycling procedures. Only the following four materials should be placed in your recycle bin, everything else should be put in your trash.

1. **CORROGATED CARDBOARD**  
Including fluted corrugated sheets, shipping boxes, packing boxes, CLEAN pizza boxes (grease- and food-free). Flatten all boxes and remove things like Styrofoam, peanuts, bubble wrap. Do NOT recycle cereal and shoe boxes, newsprint or junk mail.

**Throw away the lids and rinse out any residue** before placing the following items in your recycle bin:

2. **PLASTIC BOTTLES, JARS AND JUGS WITH NECKS**  
All other plastic material is considered trash, ignore the numbers. NO plastic bags, toys, buckets, packaging, Styrofoam.
3. **METAL FOOD AND BEVERAGE CANS**  
Made of aluminum or steel. Metal hangers, cooking pots and pans, or other scrap metal like foil and pie plates are NOT recyclable.
4. **GLASS**  
Clear, green and brown glass bottles and jars. Do NOT put light bulbs, dishes, glassware, window or automotive glass, vases or any other glass material in the bin,

***"When in doubt, throw it out!"***  
For more information visit [www.lcswma.org/lcswma\\_recycling.cfm](http://www.lcswma.org/lcswma_recycling.cfm)

## WATER CONSERVATION

### **What is storm water runoff?**

Storm water originates from rain or snow/ice that runs off surfaces such as rooftops, streets, construction sites, lawns and fields. Storm water runoff can pick up debris, chemicals, dirt, and other pollutants as it makes its way to storm drains and natural waterways.

### **What can you do to help?**

- Plant native trees & plants
- Clean up after your pets
- Use fertilizers properly and efficiently to prevent excess runoff
- Store gasoline, oil, or other chemical materials indoors
- Monitor storm water inlets near your property
- NEVER dump anything down the storm drain, in a stream, or other body of water.

Pick up your copy of "Akron Homeowner Resource Ideas for Stormwater Management" at the Borough office.

## MOSQUITOS

Just a reminder to all our citizens to help cut down on the mosquito population in Akron by dumping out any standing water on your property. Make sure you don't have anything like buckets, upside down trash can lids, or even bottle caps that can catch rain water and allow mosquitoes to breed.

## COLONIAL PARK DAY

Akron will be holding a Colonial Park Day on Saturday, September 14, 2019. See enclosed flyer for more information.

## TRICK OR TREAT

Trick or Treat will be held this year on October 31 from 6pm – 8pm.

### **BROAD ST PARK MOVIE**

We will be showing 101 Dalmations with Glenn Close at the Broad Street Park Saturday, September 21, 2019 at dusk. Bring your chairs or blankets and enjoy the free show.

### **SHOE IN 2020**

It is only August, but it is time to begin thinking about the Shoe In for 2020. If you are interested in helping with the planning or have an idea for an activity at the event, please call Jim Kearsley at 717-330-2023. Meetings will be starting soon.

### **TALL GRASS AND WEEDS**

No person, owning or occupying any property within the Borough shall permit any grass or weeds or any vegetation whatsoever, not edible or planted, to grow or remain upon such premises so as to exceed a height of 8 inches, or to throw off any unpleasant or noxious odor. Ninety percent of home owners and renters take pride in their homes and keep their properties in compliance with the Borough's tall grass and weed ordinance. The other ten percent are encouraged to take the extra step and maintain their lawn to standard and everyone should be more conscious of their curb line. Tall grass and weeds allowed to grow in the curb line is unsightly and gives the appearance of an unkempt property that ultimately affects neighboring property values. *Vegetation growing between the road surface and the sidewalk curbing is the responsibility of the owner/occupier for removal.*

### **PROPERTIES WILL BE CITED FOR THIS VIOLATION.**

### **WEBSITES OF INTEREST**

[www.Akron-pa.com](http://www.Akron-pa.com)

[www.akronfire.org](http://www.akronfire.org)

[www.co.lancaster.pa.us/](http://www.co.lancaster.pa.us/)

[www.lcswma.org](http://www.lcswma.org)

[ephratapubliclibrary.org](http://ephratapubliclibrary.org)

### **BOROUGH ADDRESS**

117 South Seventh Street  
PO Box 130  
Akron Pa 17501

### **BOROUGH OFFICE**

#### **HOURS:**

Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Office phone number is 859-1600. Lobby is open 24 hours a day with a night drop for bills, parking tickets, etc. Also a phone which dials directly to County Radio for police.

#### **Council meets-** Second

Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Borough Municipal Building, 117 S. 7th Street.

### **HOLIDAYS**

Akron Borough office will be closed Monday, September 2, 2019 in observance of Labor Day.

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT PHONE NUMBERS**

If you have a Police Emergency, dial **911**. If you have a Police Non-Emergency, dial **859-6600**. Lancaster County Wide Communications Dispatchers answer this number 24 hours a day/ 7 days a week. If you see something suspicious please call immediately and don't wait until you see an officer.

### **VOTING DISTRICTS**

#### **East District**

Akron Volunteer Fire Company  
1229 Main Street  
Akron PA 17501

#### **West District**

Akron Church of the Brethren  
613 Main Street  
Akron Pa 17501

Please contact the Voter Registration Office with any questions. Lancaster County Courthouse  
50 N Duke Street  
Lancaster Pa 17603  
299-8293

### **BOROUGH DIRECTORY**

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Earl Shirk

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Kay McEllhenney

Paul Swangren - Alternate

Jeff Shirk - Alternate

### **BOROUGH AUTHORITY**

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Susan Davidson

### **CIVIL SERVICE**

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