

NEWSLETTER

A Gift of Time: The Bundy Sundial

Beaver Borough is proud to share a special addition to our community, thanks to the generosity of longtime residents Mel and Joan Bundy. This past summer, the Bundys donated a beautifully crafted brass sundial that now stands proudly at the entrance of the Beaver Borough Municipal Building.

The story of this sundial goes back nearly 20 years. While browsing the Sea and Sound store on Third Street, Mel Bundy noticed the sundial and purchased it from the store owner, Jackie Anthony. Jackie shared that the sundial had been made by her brother-in-law, Michael, who lived in Rochester.

Engraved on the underside of the sundial are the words:

MJAC
Michael J. Anthony
December 24, 1988
Number 12 of 100

This inscription reveals that the sundial is one of a limited series, artifact 12 of 100. Another piece from the same series is on display at the Beaver Area Heritage Museum. The location of the remaining 98 sundials remains unknown, and we invite anyone who may own one or know where others are located, to share their story.

Bringing this project to life was truly a team effort. Mayor Tom Hamilton, Chief Dan Madgar, Dick Buckus, Midge Sefton, and the Beaver Borough Road Department all played an important role in restoring, transporting, documenting, building, and installing the sundial so that it could be shared with the community.

We extend our sincere thanks to Mel and Joan Bundy for sharing this unique treasure with our residents and visitors. Their gift not only enriches the character of Beaver Borough but also connects us to a fascinating piece of local craftsmanship and history.

Next time you visit the Borough Building take a moment to admire the sundial, an enduring symbol of time, community, and generosity.



Thank you to Mel and Joan Bundy for generously donating the sundial now on display at the Beaver Borough Municipal Building. This project was made possible through the teamwork of Mayor Tom Hamilton, Chief Dan Madgar, Dick Buckus, Midge Sefton, and the Beaver Borough Road Department.



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Fall Work and Home Improvement

Planning a Fall Project? Don't Forget Your Permit

As the weather cools down, many residents take on home improvement projects before winter sets in. If you're planning a project this fall, remember that you may need a permit from the Beaver Borough Office.

Permits help ensure that projects meet Borough Zoning Code and follow construction codes for safety and compliance. Most importantly, permits protect you, your neighbors, and your investment. A permit must be obtained before any work begins.

An important reminder:

If your project or seasonal clean-out requires a dumpster, you must obtain a dumpster permit even if the dumpster will be kept in your driveway or on your property.

Not sure if your project needs a permit? Check with the Borough Office before starting work. The office will guide you through the process and answer any questions you may have.

Fall Leaf Pickup

Each fall, the Beaver Borough Road Department provides curbside leaf pickup to help keep our streets clean and safe. Residents may place neat piles of leaves from their yards along the edge of the road for collection.

Important reminder: Please do not place rocks, sticks, or grass clippings in or near the leaf piles. These items can damage the leaf collection equipment and delay service.

Beaver is fortunate to have so many beautiful trees throughout town, and with that comes a large volume of leaves. The Road Department works diligently and as quickly as possible to collect them, but we ask for residents' patience during this busy season.

If you prefer, leaves may also be dropped off at the Yard Waste Recycling Area with a valid yard waste permit.

Thank you for helping us keep our streets safe and clear this fall!

Yard Waste and Recycling Area

The Beaver Borough Yard Waste and Recycling area will remain open to residents until the end of the year, weather permitting. Access to this facility is available to residents only by purchasing an annual Yard Waste Permit.

The site accepts:

- **Grass, weeds and leaves**
- **Branches, clippings, and shrub trimmings**
- **Please note: Garbage, plastic bags, and building materials are not accepted.**

In addition to the yard waste site, residents can use the paper and cardboard recycling bins located near the facility year-round. No permit is required to utilize these bins.

2026 Yard Waste Permit Renewals

If you already have a yard waste key card, please keep it. Once your 2026 permit is renewed, your card will be reactivated for site access.

- Renewals will be available March 1, 2026
- Residents can renew in person at the Borough Office or online at beaverpa.us/pay-yard-waste-permit with no additional fee
- Lost or damaged cards can be replaced at the Borough Office for a replacement fee

If you find a card that isn't yours, please return it to the Borough Office or drop it in the slot box by the front door so it can be returned to its rightful owner.

The Yard Waste Area is monitored for compliance, and illegal dumping will be prosecuted. Thank you for helping us keep this service running smoothly for all residents.



Election Information

Upcoming Municipal Election – Key Dates and Information

The 2025 Municipal Election will be held on Tues., Nov. 4, 2025. Whether you plan to vote in person or by mail, here are some key dates and important information to note before Election Day:

- **Election Day: Tues., Nov. 4, 2025**
Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- **Last Day to Register: Mon., Oct. 20, 2025**
You must be registered to vote by this date in order to vote in the November election.
- **Last Day to Apply for a Mail-In Ballot: Tues., Oct. 28, 2025** Applications must be received by the Beaver County Election Office by 5 p.m.
- **Deadline to Return Mail-In Ballot: Tues., Nov. 4, 2025** Completed mail-in ballots must be received by the Beaver County Election Office no later than 8 p.m. on Election Day.

To check your registration status, apply for a mail-in ballot, or find your polling place, visit the official Pennsylvania website at www.pa.gov.

For questions or additional assistance, please contact the Beaver County Bureau of Elections located at the Beaver County Courthouse at **724-770-4440**.

Rental Registration

Rental Registration Program: 7 Years Strong

This year marks the seventh year of Beaver Borough's Rental Registration Program and we are proud to share the positive impact it has made in our community.

Much like our road paving and park upgrades, this program is another way the Borough invests in our town's infrastructure. Infrastructure isn't only streets and equipment; it's also homes and neighborhoods that make Beaver such a special place to live. By ensuring that rental properties meet safety standards, the program helps create safer housing, well-kept neighborhoods, and stronger property values for everyone.

For tenants, the program offers confidence that their homes are safe and up to code. For landlords, it provides clear guidelines to keep properties in good condition. Over time, this has built stronger communication between property owners, renters and the Borough which makes it easier to identify and resolve issues before they grow into larger problems.

We are grateful to the many property owners and tenants who have worked together to make this program a success and to help maintain Beaver's reputation as a safe, vibrant, and welcoming community.

Reminder for landlords

If you are a landlord and haven't yet registered your rental property or if your renewal is coming up, please visit beaverpa.us/rental-registration or call the Borough Office at 724-773-6700 to stay up to date.

Recycling Bins

Free Residential Recycling Bins Available

As a reminder, Beaver Borough residents are encouraged to pick up a large 32-gallon recycling bin free of charge at the Borough Office during regular business hours. Beaver Borough remains committed to sustainability and encourages all residents to take part in our recycling program.

Please remember that recycling containers are the responsibility of the homeowner, and participation in the recycling program is expected of all residents.

These bins were made available through an awarded grant from the Pennsylvania DEP 902 Municipal Recycling Program, which helps communities like ours enhance recycling efforts and reduce waste.



2025 Road Paving Project

Beaver Borough is pleased to announce progress on the 2025 Road Paving Project. In August, Council awarded Youngblood Paving, Inc. the contract as the lowest responsible bidder in the amount of \$269,682.63.

This year's paving work is a combination of projects. Some are in response to recent utility work by Columbia Gas, and others addressing streets in need of repair and resurfacing. Additional funding support for this project comes from Columbia Gas, the Beaver Borough Municipal Authority, and State Liquid Fuels funds.

In addition to paving, the project will include new ADA-accessible ramps at Corporation Street and College Avenue, as well as safety improvements at the railroad crossing leading the Yard Waste Area along the road to the facility itself.

The following roads will be paved this year:

- College Avenue (Second Street to Third Street)
- Corporation Street (portion to College Avenue)
- Chestnut Street (First Alley to River Road)
- Second Street (Elm Street to Walnut Street)
- Wayne Street (Canal Street to Fourth Street)
- Canal Street (Wayne Street to College Avenue; Commerce Street to Dravo Avenue)
- Dravo Avenue (Canal Street to Fifth Street)
- Market Street (Corporation Street to Third Street)
- Seventh Street (Market Street to Galey Boulevard)
- Old Fort Trail (access to the Yard Waste and Recycling area)

Beaver Borough is excited to continue making infrastructure improvements that benefit residents, businesses, and visitors. These projects are part of our ongoing commitment to maintain safe, reliable, and well-kept roadways throughout town.

Christmas Tree Pickup in January

As you prepare for the upcoming holiday season, please keep in mind that Beaver Borough will offer curbside pickup of real Christmas trees throughout the month of January.

Please remove all ornaments, lights and decorations before placing your tree at the curb in front of your home. This service is a convenient way to dispose of your tree responsibly as we enter the new year.



Playground Upgrades Coming to Linn Park

Beaver Borough is thrilled to announce that new playground equipment will be installed at Linn Park, located at the corner of River Road and Buffalo Street. This project is part of Beaver Borough's ongoing initiative to upgrade and preserve community infrastructure while creating safe and welcoming spaces for families.

The current playground equipment at Linn Park is estimated to be more than 20 years old. To meet the needs of today's families, the Borough is investing in modern, inclusive, and safe play structures. The new playground will feature:

- A larger main structure designed to accommodate children ages 2-12 with multiple climbing elements and slides.
- A Unity Rocker, an interactive accessory that children of all ages and abilities can enjoy together.
- A Cozy Cocoon, a spinning play element designed for children of all ages who want a cozy retreat or sensory break.
- Additional swings to expand options for play.

These improvements reflect our commitment to providing safe and inclusive areas where children can play, interact, and build lasting memories. Families throughout town will soon have another updated, family-friendly destination to enjoy.

This will be the second playground upgrade in recent years, following the successful renovation of Bouquet Park playground at 5th Street and Beaver Street in 2024, which was completed at a cost of \$80,021.00. Linn Park playground upgrade is budgeted at \$83,421 and is scheduled for installation in Spring 2026.

Beaver Borough is proud to continue prioritizing investments in our infrastructure and parks to ensure our residents have vibrant, safe, and engaging spaces to enjoy. We can't wait to see new memories being made at Linn Park!

Old Pool House Civic Center

A Thriving Community Space

The renovated Pool House Civic Center has quickly become a vibrant gathering place for our community, bringing new life to a building that holds many fond memories for generations of residents. Since hosting its first event in June 2024, the facility has welcomed a wide variety of occasions, showcasing just how versatile and valuable this space has become.

In just over a year, the Civic Center has hosted graduation parties, three concerts, free children's events hosted by the Beaver Area Memorial Library, events for the Beaver Area School District, organizational meetings, trainings, family reunions, birthday parties, celebrations of life, funeral luncheons, fundraisers, weddings and rehearsals, baby showers, church services, holiday gatherings, veteran luncheons, picnics, and so much more.

The feedback we've received from both event hosts and guests has been overwhelmingly positive and has helped us make thoughtful improvements, including carpeting, a catering sink, a tray warmer, and other updates to better serve our community. We've approached this first year as a learning experience to listen, adjust, and enhance the space so it remains a welcoming, flexible, and top-quality asset for our residents and community.



The Civic Center has been in high demand, with nearly every weekend in June, July, and August of 2025 fully booked. We are already receiving reservations for 2026, and interest continues to grow, especially from those who attend an event and decide to book the space for their own.

We encourage anyone interested in using the space to reach out for a tour if you haven't been inside yet. It is a space that adapts to many different types of events and has quickly become a valued asset for Beaver Borough. We look forward to another year filled with celebrations, gatherings, and new memories created here.

For more information, please visit beaverpa.us or email PoolHouseEvents@beaverpa.us.

Support Beaver Area Students This Fall and Winter



Fall and winter are exciting seasons for the Beaver Area School District, with student athletes competing in a wide variety of sports and activities. From the field to the court, our Beaver Bobcats work hard, show great school spirit, and make our community proud.

Residents are encouraged to come out and support the students this season! You can find full schedules for all sports and activities at basdbobcats.com. The website also makes it easy to:

- View upcoming schedules for every team and event
- Purchase game day tickets online
- Buy Beaver Bobcat apparel to show your school spirit
- Livestream games and events at Pat Tarquinio Field and the high school gymnasium (free for viewers!)

Beaver Area students are also preparing for their Winter Band and Chorus Concerts. These performances are a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the talents of our students in music:

- Middle School Band and Chorus Concerts: Thurs., Dec. 4th and Thurs., Dec. 11th at 7 p.m.
- High School Band and Chorus Concert: Tues., Dec. 9th at 7 p.m.
- Grades 5 and 6 Band, Orchestra, and Chorus Winter Concert: Tues., Dec. 16th at 7 p.m.

All concerts are held in the Beaver Area High School Auditorium and admission is free. Please come out and support our talented musicians and singers this winter.

Whether on the field, court, or stage, your support means so much to our students and helps celebrate their hard work, dedication, and school spirit.

Upcoming Events

NOW THROUGH DECEMBER

Beaver County Farmers Market behind the Beaver County Courthouse every Saturday from 10 a.m.–1 p.m.

OCTOBER 20

Last Day to register for the November election

OCTOBER 24

Beaver Borough Police Department Scam Jam Workshop, 10 a.m.–12 p.m., Pool House Civic Center, 700 Buffalo Street, Beaver, PA 15009

OCTOBER 25

- Liberty Tree Planting Ceremony at Fort McIntosh Site on River Road at 11 a.m.
- Beaver Area Chamber of Commerce Halloween Fest, 12 p.m.–4 p.m.

OCTOBER 28

Last day to apply for a mail-in ballot for the November election

OCTOBER 30

Trick or Treat in Beaver Borough, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.

NOVEMBER 1

Beaver Area Memorial Library Annual Fall Fundraiser, 6:30 p.m., 100 College Ave, Beaver, PA 15009

NOVEMBER 4

Election Day, polls will be open 7 a.m.–8 p.m. and the deadline to turn in Mail-In ballots.

NOVEMBER 8

Beaver Area Chamber of Commerce Holiday Open House

NOVEMBER 11

- Veterans Day
- Beaver County Veterans Day Parade at 10:30 a.m. on Third Street of Beaver Borough
- Borough Office is closed

NOVEMBER 22

Tusca Ridge Annual Nature's Bounty & Greens Sale, 9 a.m.–12 p.m. at the Frye Transportation Bus Garage, 902 Western Avenue, Beaver, PA 15009

NOVEMBER 27

Thanksgiving, Borough Office is Closed

NOVEMBER 28

- Borough Office is closed
- Beaver Area Chamber of Commerce Light Up Night Parade and Festival, 5 p.m.–9 p.m., Third Street in Beaver Borough

NOVEMBER 29

Beaver Area Chamber of Commerce Small Business Saturday, 10 a.m.–5 p.m., Third Street in Beaver Borough

DECEMBER 4

Beaver Area School District Middle School Band and Chorus Concert at 7 p.m.

DECEMBER 6

- Saints Peter & Paul Catholic School Holiday Home Tour 4 p.m.–7 p.m.
- Beaver Area Chamber of Commerce Cookie Tour

DECEMBER 9

Beaver Area School District High School Band and Chorus Concert at 7 p.m.

DECEMBER 11

Beaver Area School District Middle School Band and Chorus Concert at 7 p.m.

DECEMBER 15

Beaver Borough Police Department suspends Night-Time Parking enforcement on all streets except Third Street.

DECEMBER 16

Beaver Area School District Grades 5 and 6 Band, Orchestra, and Chorus Winter Concert at 7 p.m.

DECEMBER 25

Merry Christmas! Borough Office is closed

DECEMBER 26

Borough Office is Closed

JANUARY 1, 2026

Happy New Year! Borough Office is closed

MONTH OF JANUARY

Beaver Borough Residential Christmas Tree Pickup



Beaver Borough to Host Liberty Tree Planting Ceremony

Beaver Borough is proud to announce a special ceremony to recognize the planting of a Liberty Tree sapling at the Fort McIntosh Site on River Road. The event will take place on Sat., Oct. 25, 2025, at 11 a.m., and residents are invited to join and witness this historic occasion.

This planting carries deep historical significance. The original Liberty Tree in Boston, Massachusetts served as a gathering place for the Sons of Liberty during the American Revolution. The tree became a symbol of hope and American freedom. After the British cut down Boston's Liberty Tree in 1775, other colonies designated their own Liberty Trees in response.

The Liberty Tree being planted in Beaver Borough is a sapling descended from the last surviving Liberty Tree, a Tulip Poplar that once stood on the campus of Saint John's University in Annapolis, Maryland, until it was destroyed by Hurricane Floyd in 1999. Thanks to the efforts of local landscaper Mark Mehnert, parts of the original tree were rescued and revived, allowing its direct descendants to thrive across the nation.

This planting also honors the connections between Freemasonry and the founding of our nation, as many of the Sons of Liberty and founding fathers, such as George Washington, Paul Revere, and Benjamin Franklin were Freemasons. In 2023, the Pennsylvania Grand Lodge began a project for lodges in each Masonic district to plant Liberty Tree saplings in prominent locations to continue the traditions of patriotism and Freemasonry. Beaver Borough is proud to serve as the location for Beaver County's Liberty Tree, thanks to the efforts of Greg Dewhirst and Glasgow Lodge #485, who organized the event and extended the invitation to the Borough.

This planting is also part of the America250PA Liberty Tree Project, which will see a certified Liberty Tree be planted in each of Pennsylvania's 67 counties between Fall 2024 and through 2026. More details about Beaver Borough's America250 celebration events in 2026 will be shared soon, stay tuned!

Residents are encouraged to attend this historic ceremony and celebrate a living symbol of freedom, history, and community pride in Beaver Borough.

Beaver Area Chamber of Commerce Upcoming Events

Halloween Fest - Oct 25, 12-4 p.m.

On Oct. 25th, Third Street will be lined with candy stations where little ghouls and goblins can trick-or-treat in their costumes. After filling their bags with sweet treats, head back to the park where even more festive fun awaits!

Holiday Open House - Nov 8

Stroll through charming Downtown Beaver and join us in celebrating the start of the holiday season! Shop and dine local, discover festive surprises, and enjoy special promotions from your favorite local businesses. The holidays start here—don't miss the excitement!

Light Up Festival - Nov 28, 5-9 p.m.

Mark your calendars for our biggest night of the year - Light Up Festival on Third Street! Join us for a parade, festive music, hot cocoa, photos with Santa, food, vendors, and of course, fireworks! It's sure to be a magical evening for the whole family.

Small Business Saturday - Nov 29, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Support local and shop small on Small Business Saturday in Downtown Beaver! Take advantage of special promotions while checking off your holiday list or even treating yourself! Don't forget to save all of your SBS receipts for the chamber raffle held at the end of the day.

Cookie Tour and Historical House Tour - Dec 6

Cookie tour - Sweeten your holiday season! Ticket holders will stroll through the charming businesses of Third Street, sampling delicious homemade cookies at each stop. As you sip, shop, and snack your way through town, you'll collect recipe cards for each treat so you can add it to your 2025 Cookie Tour Recipe Box.

Holiday house tour - Step into the charm of Christmas past and enjoy a festive tour through beautifully decorated historic homes, each showcasing unique architecture, holiday décor, and timeless charm. Proceeds benefit Saints Peter & Paul Catholic School, helping to support local education with every ticket sold. If interested in showcasing your home, please contact kcatalfamo@gmail.com.

Be sure to follow us on socials and visit our website for more event details:

- Instagram: [@shopdowntownbeaver](https://www.instagram.com/shopdowntownbeaver)
- Facebook: Beaver Area Chamber of Commerce
- Website: beaverareachamber.com





Beaver Borough to Host the 2025 Beaver County Veterans Day Parade

Beaver Borough is honored to host this year's Beaver County Veterans Day Parade on Tues., Nov. 11, 2025. The parade will step off at 10:30 a.m. along Third Street in Beaver.

The parade is organized by the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 862 and will feature veterans, community organizations, and more as we come together to pay tribute to the men and women who have served our nation.

All organizations interested in participating, or those seeking more information, are encouraged to contact Tom O'Neil at tgoqv68@aol.com.

We invite all residents and visitors to line the streets and show their respect and gratitude to our veterans on this important day. Please join us in honoring their service and sacrifice.

Tusca Ridge Garden Club

Annual Nature's Bounty & Greens Sale

The Tusca Ridge Garden Club is once again preparing for its Annual Nature's Bounty & Greens Sale, the club's primary fundraiser of the year. This much anticipated event features fresh greens, festive arrangements, and natural crafts created by club members.

This year's sale will be held on Sat., Nov. 22, 2025, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Frye Transportation Bus Garage, 902 Western Avenue, Beaver, PA 15009. Customers are encouraged to take advantage of the presale in early November to reserve items in advance, with pickup available on the day of the sale. Preorders can be placed conveniently online at www.tuscaridgegardenclub.com

Proceeds from the Nature's Bounty & Greens Sale directly benefits numerous local organizations, including the Beaver County Educational Trust, Audubon Society of Western PA, Western PA Conservancy, Phipps Conservatory, Pittsburgh Botanic Gardens, Beaver Area Education Foundation, and College Avenue United Methodist Church.

The Tusca Ridge Garden Club, founded in 1958, is a group of dedicated and energetic women who enjoy camaraderie, sharing ideas, and expanding their knowledge of gardening. Members meet monthly, working together to educate, support, and give back to the community through projects and fundraisers like this annual sale.

For questions about the presale, please contact Judy at 412-499-2942. Credit cards are now accepted.

BEAVER COUNTY FARMER'S MARKET

Fall is here, but there's still time to enjoy the Beaver County Farmer's Market, which continues through December in Beaver!

The Beaver location is held every Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the parking lot behind the Beaver County Courthouse. It's a great opportunity to shop local and pick up fresh produce, baked goods, and handmade items from local farmers and vendors. In addition to Beaver, the Farmer's Market also operates in other communities across Beaver County:

Beaver Falls: Mondays, 3 p.m. – 6 p.m. (through November), 12th Street & 9th Avenue

Chippewa: Tuesdays, 3 p.m. – 6 p.m. (through November), 2545 Darlington Road

New Brighton: Tuesdays, 3 p.m. – 6 p.m. (through November), 5th Avenue & 4th Street

Ambridge: Thursdays, 4 p.m. – 7 p.m. (through December), Park Road & 6th Street

Support your local vendors and enjoy the best of what the Farmer's Market has to offer this fall.

Still Going Strong!



Beaver County Conservation District



Stay Healthy This Fall: Know the Facts About Ticks

Autumn in Beaver Borough is a beautiful time to enjoy crisp air, colorful leaves, and time outside with family, friends, and pets. But fall also brings an important reminder: ticks are still active.

Many people think of ticks as a summer problem but they can be found year-round, even in the winter if temperatures are above freezing and the ground is still warm. Ticks aren't only in the woods. Some species prefer leaf litter, making piles of fallen leaves a perfect hiding place.

In Pennsylvania, the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and locally, the Beaver County Conservation District Vector Program, monitors ticks and test them for diseases such as Lyme disease, anaplasmosis, and babesiosis.

Preventing Tick Bites This Fall

- Wear long sleeves and long pants when outdoors, especially while doing yard work.
- Tuck pants into socks and wear light-colored clothing to help spot ticks more easily.
- Use EPA registered insect repellent.
- Shower soon after being outdoors and check your body for ticks.

If You Find a Tick

- Remove the tick as soon as possible using fine-tipped tweezers. Grasp it close to the skin and pull straight out without twisting.
- Clean the bite area and your hands with rubbing alcohol or soap and water.
- Save the tick in a sealed container if possible, in case testing is needed later.
- Watch for symptoms (bull's eye rash, fever, fatigue, aches, stiffness) and contact your healthcare provider with concerns.

Protecting Pets from Ticks

- Talk to your vet about tick prevention treatments such as collars, topical medications, or oral preventatives.
- Check pets daily for ticks, especially around the ears, neck, between toes, and under collars.
- Keep grass mowed and yard debris clear to reduce tick habitat.

By taking simple steps, you and your pets can enjoy the fall season safely.

Beaver County Transit Authority

BCTA Transitioning to Photo ID Cards for Senior and Reduced Fare Riders

The Beaver County Transit Authority (BCTA) has announced that it is transitioning to photo identification cards for its Senior and Reduced Fare programs. This change began in July 2025, and current paper transit cards will no longer be accepted after May 1, 2026.

To receive a new photo ID card, riders must bring a valid photo ID to a designated BCTA location. The new card will be issued free of charge; however, replacement cards will carry a \$5 fee. The new cards will function the same as the paper versions, riders simply present them to the driver to receive the discounted fare.

To make the transition easier, BCTA will be visiting local community centers to issue same-day cards. A free bus ride is available to any rider traveling to upgrade their card. Just show your current fare card and inform the driver. Shared Ride users should mention their card upgrade when scheduling their ride.

Cards can be issued in person at the Rochester Transportation Center:

- Monday – Friday: 5 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
- Saturday: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

For those unable to travel, additional assistance is available by calling BCTA Customer Service at 724-728-8600.

About the programs:

The Senior Card allows those 65+ to ride fixed route buses for free and pay just \$1.00 for Shared Ride trips.

The Reduced Fare Card offers half-price single ride tickets to riders with disabilities. To qualify, riders must present a Red White and Blue Medicare card or have their doctor complete a verification form.

More details, including locations and forms, can be found at www.bcta.com or by calling 724-728-8600.





Schedule of Meetings

All meetings are held in the Community Room of the Beaver Borough Municipal Building located at 469 Third Street, Beaver, PA 15009.

COUNCIL meets on the second Tuesday of the month (voting meeting) and the fourth Tuesday of the month (working session) at 7 p.m.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 4 p.m. and the third Wednesday of the month at 5 p.m.

PLANNING COMMISSION meets on the third Monday of each month at 7 p.m.

SHADE TREE COMMISSION meets the first Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m.

HISTORICAL ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD (HARB) meets the first and third Thursday of each month at 7 p.m.

Municipal Authority

Take Control of Your Water Usage with “My360”

The Beaver Borough Municipal Authority (BBMA) is encouraging all residents to sign up for My360, their new Consumer Water Portal. This online tool gives you 24/7 access to your water usage data, helping you better understand your water habits, conserve water, and avoid bill surprises.

With your water information at your fingertips, you can get answers to many common account questions without needing to call or visit the office. Whether you're at home or away, you'll gain useful insights and peace of mind knowing you're in control of your water usage.

Benefits of the BBMA Consumer Water Portal

- View and manage usage 24/7 with an easy-to-read dashboard featuring charts and graphs.
- Monitor multiple properties from one account.
- Set out-of-town alerts to track consumption and detect potential leaks.
- Access on any device including desktop, laptop, tablet, or mobile.
- Manage multiple meters for a complete picture of usage.
- Create threshold alerts to set a budget, save water, and avoid bill surprises.

How to Sign Up

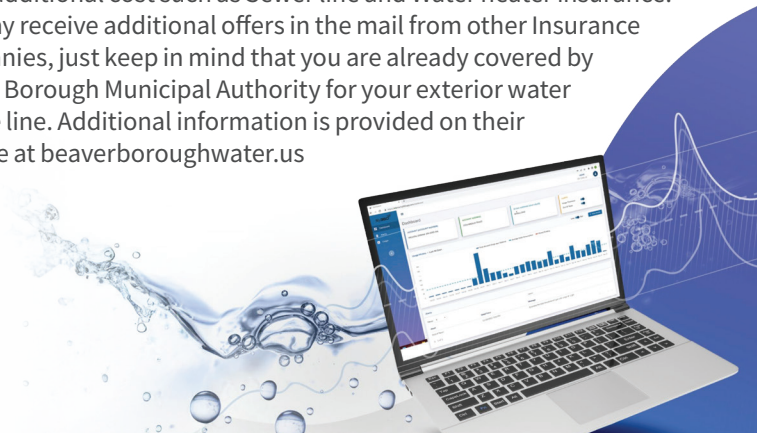
Activate your portal today at beaverboroughwater.my360-app.com

Have your water bill handy. You will need your account number and either your full name or street address.

For more information, visit beaverboroughwater.us or call the Borough Office with questions.

Water Service Line Protection Available

Beaver Borough Municipal Authority provides exterior water service line protection for all residential homeowners through SLWA/HomeServe. SLWA/HomeServe also offers additional plans that are available to you for an additional cost such as Sewer line and Water heater insurance. You may receive additional offers in the mail from other Insurance Companies, just keep in mind that you are already covered by Beaver Borough Municipal Authority for your exterior water service line. Additional information is provided on their website at beaverboroughwater.us





Have You Seen “Pattress Plates” Around Town?

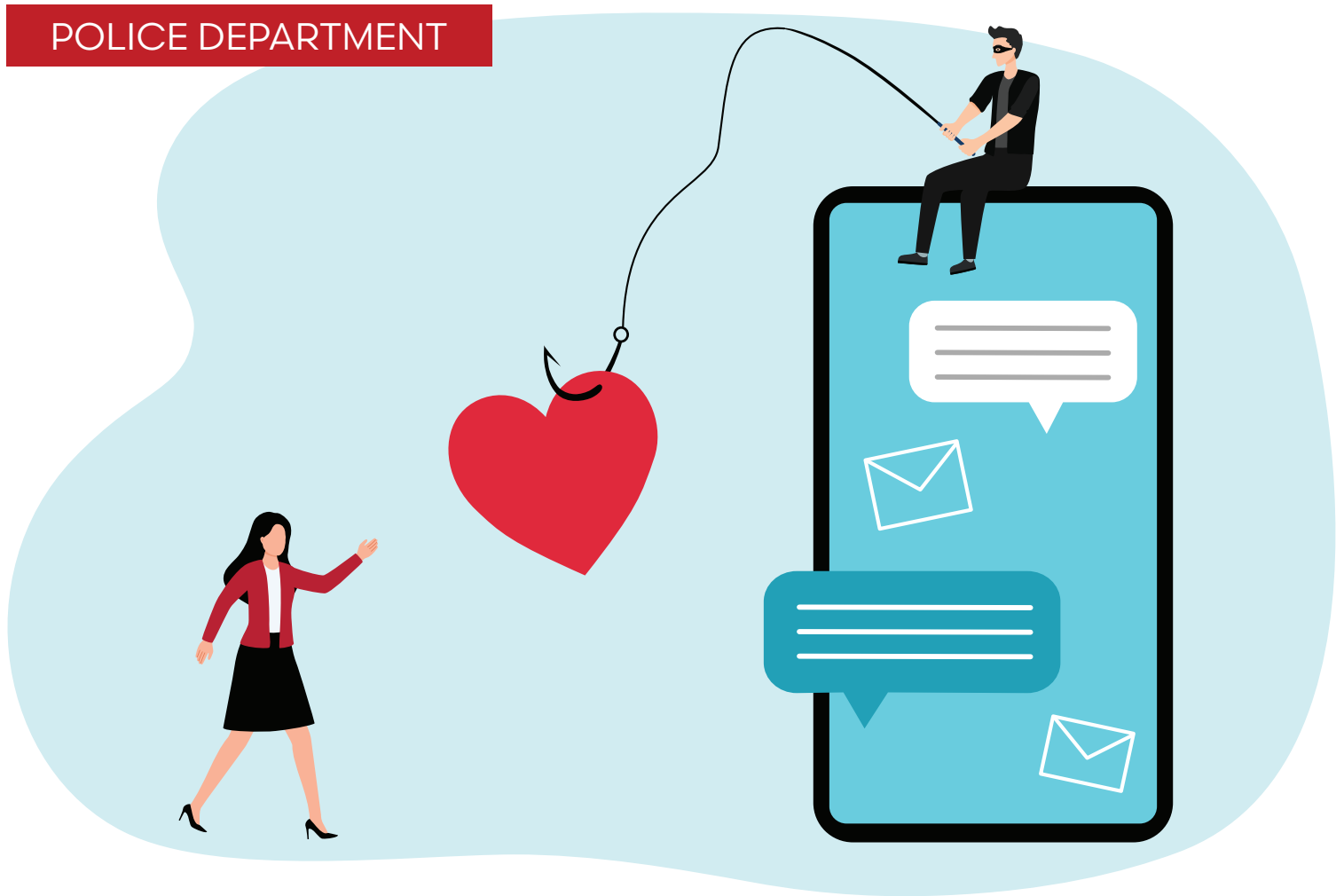
Tie rods simply keep old walls from falling. They “tie” the wall back to the internal structure of the building to keep the masonry exterior from falling outward. The rod was heated to expand the steel during installation so that when it cooled it would pull the wall in. It provides rigidity and adds to the structural integrity of a building.

In the 1800s, the builders who framed Beavertown would have favored the tie-back system for good reason. The historic earthquakes of 1811-1812 in the central Mississippi Valley ravaged colonial structures. The quakes centered in the New Madrid Seismic Zone are believed to have had magnitudes of approximately 8.0 or greater, and they were felt throughout the eastern United States as well as Canada.

Made obsolete at the introduction of steel frame structures, the tie rod still performs its function in some of Beaver’s old Victorian structures, where the walls are both the supporting structure and the exterior. As you walk or bike through town, look for the exterior anchor plate, a “pattress plate” in older English architecture. These plates often have a decorative emblem such as a star, fleur-de-lis, or a simple “X.”

Very few tie rods still exist in the borough. One surviving example is the John Shively House built circa 1836. Investigate its whereabouts and take a stroll to see these “pattress plates” in person. While you are out in the historic district hunt for other tie backs still in use. HARB would love your feedback and photos at HARB@beaverpa.us





Protect Yourself from Romance Scams

Romance scams are on the rise, and the Beaver Borough Police Department wants to help residents protect themselves and their loved ones from falling victim.

These scams often begin through online dating sites or social media platforms. Scammers use stolen photos and identities to create fake profiles and start conversations with potential victims. Over time, they work to build trust and form what feels like a genuine online relationship.

Once trust is gained, the scammer typically invents an emergency that requires financial help. Some common stories include:

- Needing money for a plane ticket to visit in person
- Facing a sudden medical emergency
- Dealing with legal troubles or financial hardship

Scammers are skilled at emotional manipulation. They may:

- Avoid video chats or in-person meetings
- Ask to move conversations off the original platform the relationship began on
- Express strong feelings quickly and say things like “I love you” to build a sense of connection
- Tell victims to keep the relationship a secret from family and friends

How to protect yourself:

- Be cautious of anyone you meet online who asks for money
- Never send money or personal financial information to someone you haven’t met in person
- Use reverse image searches to check if their photos appear elsewhere
- Keep communication on the original platform the relationship started
- Talk to someone you trust if you’re unsure about a relationship

If you think you or someone you care about may be the victim of a romance scam, please contact the Beaver Borough Police Department. Victims are often hesitant to come forward, but please know our officers are here to support you, not only through the investigation but also with various support avenues.

**Don’t hesitate to reach out.
We’re here to help at 724-775-0880.**

Beaver Borough Police Department to Host Scam Jam Workshop

The Beaver Borough Police Department, in partnership with Pennsylvania State Representative Josh Kail, invites the community to attend an upcoming Scam Jam Workshop on Fri., Oct. 24, 2025, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Beaver Borough Pool House Civic Center, 700 Buffalo Street, Beaver, PA 15009.

This free workshop is designed to educate residents about trending fraud-related topics and provide tools to protect against common threats, scams, identify theft, and elder fraud. Attendees will have the opportunity to hear from Pennsylvania elected officials and listen to presentations from local, state, and federal agencies on how to spot and avoid scams.

Importantly, this workshop also gives attendees the chance to ask questions directly to the professionals and take home tools and resources to help protect themselves and their loved ones.

Save the date!

\$CAM JAM!

Representative Kail and Beaver Borough invite you to a fun, educational event to help you spot and avoid frauds and scams.

Friday, October 24, 2025, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Beaver Pool House
700 Buffalo St. Beaver, PA 15009

For more information call
412.974.5907

In addition to the presentation, the event will feature "Scam Bingo," led by the Pennsylvania Department of Banking and Securities, with fun prizes for participants. Light refreshments will also be served, compliments of Café Kolache.

There is no fee required to attend but registration is recommended by emailing plearn@beaverpa.us or by calling or texting 412-974-5907. Anyone can be a target of scams, regardless of age or background. This workshop is open to all community members; you do not have to be a Beaver Borough resident to attend. Bring your neighbors, friends, and family to take part in this important, engaging event.

Knowledge is power, and the Beaver Borough Police Department is proud to offer this opportunity to help our community stay safe and informed.

Halloween Safety Tips

Trick or Treat will be held in Beaver Borough on Thurs., Oct. 30, 2025 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Trick-or-Treat is a fun tradition in Beaver Borough, and we want to make sure everyone stays safe while enjoying the evening! With lots of children walking around, it's important that everyone does their part to keep the night safe and enjoyable.

For Trick-or-Treaters and Parents:

- Stay visible by carrying a flashlight or use glow sticks and consider adding reflective tape to costumes and bags.
- Use sidewalks whenever possible and cross streets at crosswalks or corners, never between parked cars.
- Younger children should always be accompanied by an adult and older kids should stay in groups and stick to a pre-planned route.
- Parents should inspect all candy before it's eaten. Discard anything unwrapped or that looks suspicious.

For Residents Handing Out Candy:

- Keep your sidewalk and walkways clear, including any steps to your porch, to prevent tripping.
- Leave a porch light on if you are giving out treats.

For Pet Owners:

- If you're out walking your pet, use a short and secure leash and updated collar.
- Watch for dropped candy that may be harmful or toxic to pets.
- For pets staying home, consider keeping them in a quiet room away from the front door during trick-or-treat hours.

Drivers, please slow down and be extra cautious if you are out driving on trick-or-treat.

Let's work together to make this Halloween safe, fun, and memorable for our community.

Promotions Within the Beaver Borough Police Department

The Beaver Borough Police Department is proud to announce the promotion of Officer Shawn Reese and Officer Robert Applegarth to the rank of Corporal. Their promotions were approved by Beaver Borough Council on July 8, 2025, and became effective on July 16, 2025.

Both Corporal Reese and Corporal Applegarth bring many years of valuable experience to the Department. They are highly respected not only among their fellow officers but also throughout the community. Their dedication, professionalism, and commitment to serving with pride have made a lasting impact, and we congratulate them on this well-deserved achievement.

These promotions came following the Civil Service Commission's

promotional testing process, which established an eligibility list for the position of Corporal. Corporal Reese and Corporal Applegarth earned the highest scores through the testing process, demonstrating their knowledge, leadership, and readiness to take on this important role.

The Borough thanks both officers for their continued service and dedication to keeping our community safe.



From left to right: Chief Dan Madgar, Corporal Bob Applegarth, Corporal Shawn Reese, Sergeant Ken McCoy, Council President Sean Snowden, and Mayor Tom Hamilton.

Night-Time Parking Enforcement Suspended Dec. 15th

For the safety and convenience of our residents during the winter months, the Beaver Borough Police Department will suspend night-time parking enforcement beginning Dec. 15, 2025 through March 1, 2026.

This temporary suspension applies to all Borough streets except Third Street. During this period, no tickets will be issued for vehicles parked overnight on the same side of the street. Residents will not need to move their vehicles for weekly street maintenance as typically required by posted signage.

However, please note that Third Street is excluded from this suspension and regular parking regulations will remain in effect there.

This seasonal adjustment helps accommodate residents during colder months when weather conditions make moving vehicles more difficult. We appreciate everyone's cooperation and understanding.



Beaver Volunteer Fire Department

Junior Firefighter Program

Beaver residents between the ages of 14-17 who want to learn new skills, give back to the community, or be part of a team are invited to join the Beaver Volunteer Fire Department's Junior Firefighter Program.

The program is designed to educate and train young people in the operations of fire and emergency services. Junior members have the chance to participate in department activities, attend trainings, and assist in incident responses.

Junior members can gain valuable skills that may help with future careers in emergency services, healthcare, civil service, military, or business. This is a great way to get involved, explore possible career paths, and make a difference right here in your hometown.

Contact the Beaver Volunteer Fire Department for more information.

165 Market Street
bvfd@beaverpa.us
724-773-6713 (call 911 in an emergency)



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Fall and Winter Fire Safety Tips

As the weather turns colder, the Beaver Volunteer Fire Department reminds residents to take a few simple precautions to keep your home and family safe this fall and winter. Many fires and emergencies during the colder months can be prevented with a little planning.

Heating Safety

- Have your furnace, chimney, and fireplace inspected before use.
- Keep space heaters at least three feet away from anything flammable and plug them directly into a wall outlet.
- Turn heaters off before leaving the room or going to bed.

Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Alarms

- Test alarms monthly and replace batteries at least once a year.

Holiday Decoration and Candles

- Inspect lights for frayed wires and never overload outlets or extension cords.
- Use flameless candles when possible; if using real candles, never leave them unattended.

Be Prepared

- Ensure your house number is clearly visible from the street.
- Review your family fire escape plan and keep a fire extinguisher in an accessible place.

Beaver Area Memorial Library Events

PLAY-K (Beaver Library's Kindergarten Readiness Program):

Geared for children entering Kindergarten in Fall of 2026. Each session features circle time, opportunities to "play kindergarten", and learn vital readiness skills aligned with the PA Pre-K Standards for literacy. Sept. 9, Oct. 21, Nov. 18, and Dec. 9 at 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Caregivers are asked to remain in the library during the program and return to the room for a closing activity. Space is limited to 12 participating children per session. Registration required, please call or visit the library to register.

STORYTIME: Sept. 16- Oct. 23. No registration required.

BABY AND ME Tuesdays @ 10:30 a.m. Build your baby's reading readiness skills through music, stories and movement. For children 0-24 months old and their caregivers.

TODDLER TIME Wednesdays @ 10:30 a.m. Stories, songs, crafts and more help to build early literacy skills. For children 2-3 years old and their caregivers

PRESCHOOL STORIES Thursdays @ 10:30 a.m. Join us for reading, singing, and crafting together. For children 3-5 years old and their caregivers

AFTER SCHOOL HANG with Girl Scout Troop #28823: Sept. 17, Oct. 1 & 15, Nov. 19, Dec. 3 & 17 @ 4 - 5 p.m. Join us for Legos, board games and crafts. Geared towards grades K-6th. Caregivers must be present.

BANNED BOOKS BINGO: Oct. 11 at 2 p.m. Bingo, books, and a little bit of rebellion. Play regular bingo, win rebellious prizes. For all ages. No registration needed.

MELODY THE MONKEY Musical Storytime with Debbie: Sept. 26, Oct. 17, Nov. 21 and Dec. 19 @ 10:30 a.m. AND Sept. 10, Oct. 8, Nov. 12 and Dec. 10 @ 6 p.m. Enjoy a 45-minute musical story time and craft for all ages! Sponsored by the Fort McIntosh chapter of the DAR.

PAWS FOR READING: Reserve your 15-minute slot to read with a registered therapy dog in a relaxed and non-judgmental environment. Call or visit the library to register.

THE BEAVER AREA MEMORIAL LIBRARY'S ANNUAL FALL FUNDRAISER "TURNING LEAVES, TURNING PAGES":

Join us for our annual fall fundraiser, Sat., Nov. 1 at 6:30 p.m., as we celebrate the beauty of autumn and the power of stories. Together, we'll turn over a new leaf for our library and community, one page at a time. Advance tickets are \$20 and \$25 at the door. There will be raffle baskets, our boutique, the knit shoppe and refreshments. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

LIBRARY-CON 2025: Oct. 18 from 12 - 3 p.m. at the CCBC Dome and Library Food Trucks & Vendors, live entertainment and costume contests, interactive activities for ALL AGES, local organizations and partners

HALLOWEEN STORYTIME: Oct. 21 at 6 p.m. Join us at the Library for a spooky story time with stories, crafts and some treats! Registration required, call or visit the library to register.

GINGERBREAD HOUSE CONTEST: Dec. 1 thru Dec. 13. Creations can be dropped off at the library anytime during hours of operation between the 1st and the 13th. Winners will be announced on Dec. 15. Houses will be on display until the 23 of December.

STORYTIME WITH SANTA: Dec. 16 at 6 p.m. Join us at the Library for festive stories, crafts and some treats! Registration required, call or visit the library to register.

GAME NIGHT FOR GROWN UPS: Come enjoy board games with your friends, or join a group and make new ones! Games are provided, or you can bring your own. Join us every Monday of the month from 6 - 7 p.m.

CHESS CLUB: No experience necessary, all level players welcome! Meets every 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month from 6 - 8 p.m.

THE BROWN BAG BOOK CLUB: Meets the 3rd Friday of the month at noon. Call the library for more information and book titles.



The Beaver Area Memorial Library's annual

Fall Fundraiser

"TURNING LEAVES, TURNING PAGES"

NOVEMBER 1ST
6:30 P.M.

Advance Tickets: \$20 | At the Door: \$25

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Sponsored by the Friends of the Library

The Bobcat Players Community Theater

On a seasonably mild Saturday evening in mid-September of 2020, Quay Park in downtown Beaver swelled with a massive audience of more than three hundred people. Crowded onto the park's lawn, they sat in camp chairs and on blankets, sharing food and drink. The attraction? After months of Covid 19 lockdown that shuttered entertainment venues throughout the nation, The Bobcat Players Community Theater was performing a show. The stage was makeshift, the lights were weak, and the microphones were weaker still, but the performances were enthusiastic, and the audience matched that enthusiasm with laughter and applause. The night's show, *Quarantine Comedy*, was a series of nine comical vignettes featuring two dozen Bobcat stalwarts, and a living testimony to the fact that you can't keep a good company down even in the face of a pandemic.

Resilience is just one trait of The Bobcat Players, a group centered in Beaver that performs four full-length plays per year. Originating in 2002, this was the brainchild of Franklin Myers, at that time a theater and English teacher at Beaver Area High School. With decades of experience teaching and directing students in the classroom, on the stage, and in varied competitions. Myers decided to branch out and tap adult resources in the community. Already he had a venue, the Ed Schaughency Theater, a renovated lecture hall that seated 150 people. Already he was armed with a band of teachers who had performed several faculty shows for eager and receptive audiences. So extending an invitation to the Beaver Valley community to join the fun was not a reach.

The first show Myers directed and performed in was *The Good Doctor*, a series of vignettes conceived by the classic Russian playwright Anton Chekhov and reimagined by the famed Neil Simon. He followed that success with another Simon hit, *Rumors*, and the theater was well on its way.

For the next two decades the stage of the Ed Schaughency Theater was home to more than one hundred actors and thirty different directors. Audiences witnessed the works of playwrights from William Shakespeare to Tennessee Williams, from Noel Coward to George Kaufman and Moss Hart. The farces of Ken Ludwig and Norm Foster were tempered by the darker works of Arthur Miller and William Inge. In 2011, the customary three-show season increased to four when the company decided that one play per year would be edgier, more experimental, and beyond the norm of typical community theater fare. That decision exposed audiences to *Decision Heights*, a tribute to women aviators in World War II; *Tuesdays With Morrie*, a memoir recounting the relationship between a student and teacher during the latter's dying days; *The Drawer Boy*, a touching exploration of two friends whose lives are disrupted by the appearance of an intrusive young stranger. Guided through the years by four different artistic directors, the



Bobcat Players perform in the park, 2020



Unexpected Gifts, 2017



A Streetcar Named Desire, 2019



The President, 2023

group always sought a balance of reputable, solid, high-quality plays. An occasional small musical also made the schedule.

The Bobcat Players were not limited to the confines of the Ed Schaughency Theater. Their pledge to take theater to the community in addition to inviting the community to the theater resulted in road shows at various organizations, retirement venues, and restaurants. Through the years the group donated profits to the Women's Center, the Wounded Warriors Fund, Cystic Fibrosis, and other notable charities.

Covid 19 forced the theater arts at all levels to darken their stages, but gradually its grip relaxed. By 2022 The Bobcat Players were up and running again, albeit with somewhat different, more somber audiences as it rebuilt. Some familiar faces were gone forever, but the company persisted, once again bringing applause and laughter to a community long denied entertainment.

Now the Bobcats look ahead to a twenty-five year celebration and continuing seasons of diverse plays. The current season already boasted triumphs with *Around the World in Eighty Days*, a reinvention of the Jules Verne classic, and *Barefoot in the Park*, one of Neil Simon's earliest box office successes. Yet to come are the season special, *Vanya and Sonia and Masha*

and *Spike*, Christopher Durang's offbeat comedy about a zany family's foibles and *Parfumerie*, a rarely staged romantic gem by Miklos Lazlo, translated by E. P. Dowdall.

The Bobcat Players can be followed on their website, www.bobcatplayers.com, as well as on Facebook and Instagram. For anyone who has yet to see a show, we invite you to venture to the Ed Schaughency for an evening of community theater at its finest.





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Heritage Museum Launches Capital Campaign with “From Silver to Gold” Gala



The Beaver Area Heritage Museum’s recent “From Silver to Gold Gala” at Beaver Station launched a capital campaign for an exciting CSX Railroad caboose restoration and rail history center initiative and other important enhancements.

The caboose will be installed alongside the museum’s back loading dock. It will anchor a new rail, streetcar and trolley history exhibit to educate and inspire students and visitors of all ages. It also will serve as a destination for history and rail enthusiasts and tourists throughout the tri-state region.

Three community giants were honored at the Gala for their “Enduring Legacy” of support – Norman Mitry of Heritage Valley Health Center, Rob Pratte of KDKA News Radio and Sam Spanos of the Spanos Group of Raymond James.

In their Gala remarks, Beaver resident Nicholas Raught spoke of his experience as an elementary school student who attended the museum and log house

field trips. Museum Chairman Mark Miner outlined the trustees’ vision for a higher arc of relevance in coming years. The trustees’ plans include transforming the Fort McIntosh site on River Road. When packaged with an all-new Fort Room at the museum, the fort can become a national tourist experience for scholars and buffs of the Revolutionary War, frontier forts and Native American Indians. The trustees will petition the Pentagon to formally recognize the fort as the first home of the standing U.S. Army.

The Fort Room would include an expanded display of fort artifacts from the archaeological digs of the 1970s. Michael Baker International experts are advising in this work.

The trustees aspire to use technology to aid future history-telling. This ranges from a digital scale model of the fort – and mobile apps for guided tours of the museum and fort – to an interface between the museum’s collections management software and online search engines.

