



Sayre Borough Newsletter

September 2020

Borough Summer Events Schedule Concludes



This year has been far from normal but that didn't stop the Borough from hosting several events during June, July, and August. The William S. Pierce – Sayre Summer Concert Series celebrated its 35th year of free concerts on the historic bandstand in Howard Elmer Park. There were a total of eleven performances in this year's series including four new bands and several that have been part of the series for more than a decade. The Borough also hosted a July 4th fireworks display for the first time since 2013, and there is a possibility that the event will continue in 2021. The Borough's End of Summer Celebration was scaled down to only featuring a fireworks display, but that didn't dampen the spirits of the community. The success of each of these events would not be possible without the generosity of nearly three dozen businesses, organizations, and individuals from throughout the Greater Valley Community who supported these events in 2020.

Annual Residential Fall Clean-Up Scheduled for October



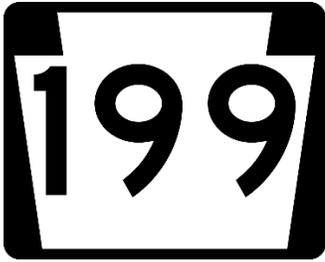
Fall is just around the corner which means it is time to register for this year's Fall Clean-Up program if you are looking for an opportunity to clean out your attics, basements, and garages to get rid of the clutter of household junk items. This year's schedule will be Zone #1 – October 6th, Zone #2 - October 13th, and Zone #3 – October 20th. Only single and double family residential properties who are current Borough trash collection customers are eligible to participate in the program. Items that are not taken during the clean-up include tires, construction debris such as shingles/roofing materials, drywall, wood boards, ceiling tiles, flooring materials, electronics and propane/gas cylinders. REGISTRATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE BOROUGH HALL & WWW.SAYREBOROUGH.ORG.

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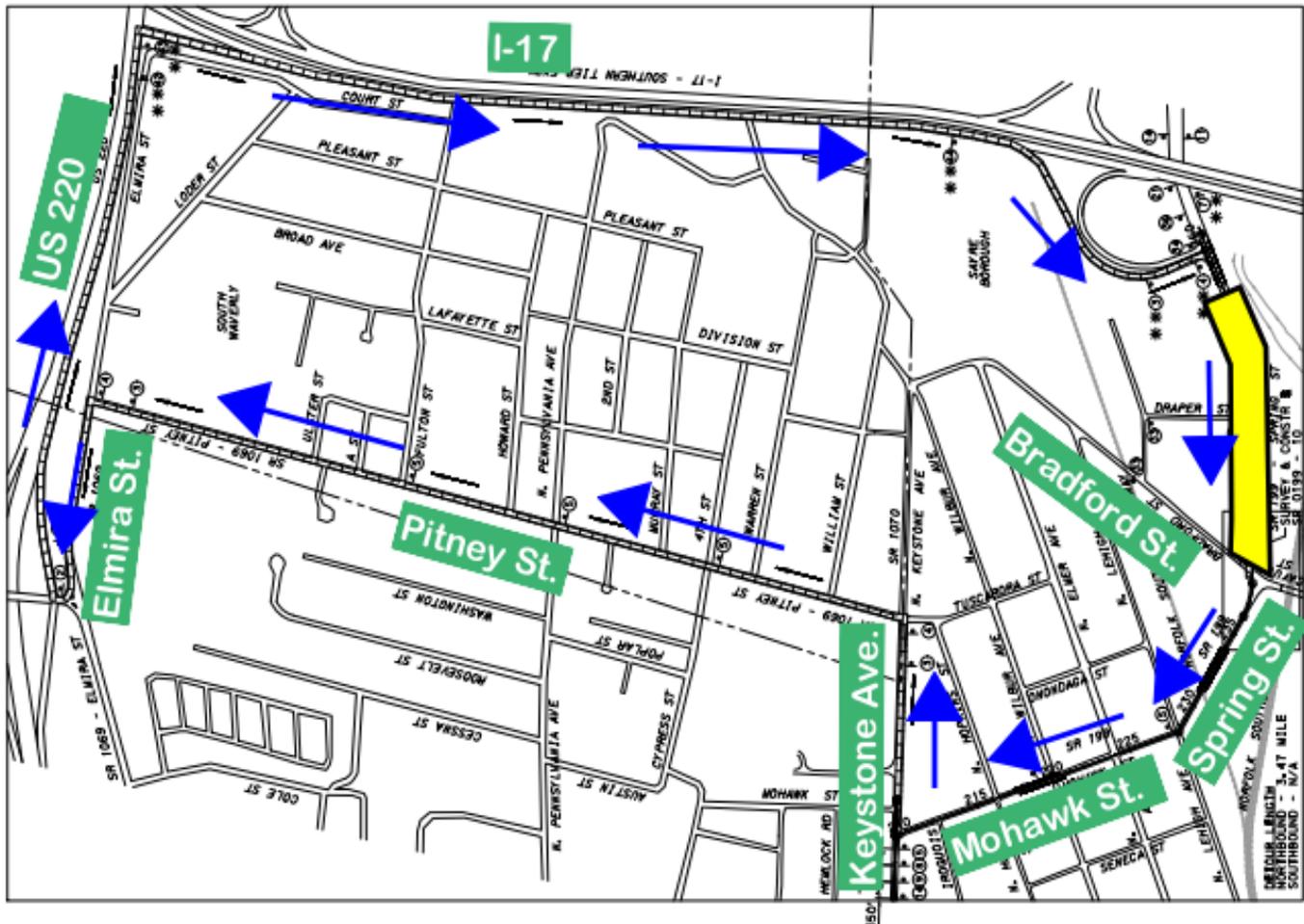
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The long awaited PA 199 project will begin on September 8th on Spring Street near the New York border. The project will be completed in multiple phases and include the reconstruction of the roadway, new curbing, drainage improvements, and ADA crosswalk improvements. Local utility companies and Sayre Borough will also be completing improvements along portions of PA 199 in conjunction with the project.

The project will begin at the state border and continuing on Spring Street, Mohawk Street, and Keystone Avenue in the Borough and take approximately four years to complete. PennDOT has established detour routes around the project area for Northbound traffic and additional information about the project including the project's proposed schedule can be found on the Borough's website (www.sayreborough.org). Motorists are urged to allow for extra time and utilize alternative routes around the project area. PennDOT will also be hosting periodic progress meetings to keep the public informed on the project. Questions concerning the project should be directed to PennDOT.



Northbound Traffic Detour Route
 Mohawk Street to Keystone Avenue
 Keystone Avenue to Pitney Street
 Pitney Street to Elmira Street
 Elmira Street to US 220
 US 220 to NY 17 / I-86
 NY 17 / I-86 to SR 199

3.5 Mile Detour
SR 199
Northbound
ONLY



Yard Waste Collection

The DPW staff collects yard waste in Zone #1 and Zone #2 on the second Friday of each month and in Zone #3 on the third Friday of each month through October. Residents are reminded not to place grass clippings or any other yard waste material in the roadway and items should not be placed at the curb until the night before your scheduled collection day. Residents are also reminded to dispose of diseased plants or other vegetation in their trash and not with their yard waste. Yard waste collection is scheduled on the following dates;

<u>Zone #1 & Zone #2</u>	September 11 & October 9
<u>Zone #3</u>	September 18 & October 16



2020 Street Paving Project

The Borough's annual street paving project is scheduled to begin September 8 and continue for at least three weeks weather permitting. The \$268,750.00 project was awarded to Bishop Brothers Construction and includes milling and re-paving of portions of the the following streets; Bradford Street; Elk Street; Peck Street;

Pennsylvania Avenue, Summit Street; Linden Street; Mill Street; Plummer Street; Hayden Street; North Wilbur Avenue, and South Thomas Avenue. The unusual number of road construction projects going on simultaneously is unfortunate but will become the new normal for the next three years. Motorists are urged to be extra cautious as they travel throughout the Borough during the next few months and to allow extra time to get to their destination.



Residents are reminded that corrugated cardboard must be recycled and not placed out for trash collection. Corrugated cardboard can be identified by looking for the ridges inside the layers of the corrugated cardboard box. Break down boxes and keep dry. Do not mix with paperboard boxes such as cereal boxes, pasta boxes, tissue boxes, etc.

Corrugated cardboard that is placed out for trash collection will not be collected beginning October 1st.



Borough Awarded \$150,000.00 Grant

State Senator Gene Yaw and State Representative Tina Pickett announced recently that the Borough was awarded a \$150,000.00 grant for the Hayden Street Pump Station Project from the Pennsylvania Department of Economic Development Small Water & Sewer Grant program. The pump station was completely overhauled and enlarged in 1999 and primarily serves the buildings on the Guthrie medical campus and a portion of the Borough west of South Keystone Avenue. The project scope of work includes cleaning & epoxy lining the existing wet wells; replacement of three (3) existing submersible 7.5hp pumps; replacement of existing slide rails in wet wells; replacement of existing generator with new 65kw natural gas fired generator with automatic transfer switch; Installation of by-pass connection and drop-pipes in existing wet wells; installation of new electrical conduit and junction boxes at existing wet wells; repair concrete and grout sealing in valve vault to inhibit groundwater intrusion and install new vault steps; install larger valve vault with check valve and flow meter; installation of new comminutor assembly and control in primary wet well. The project is expected to begin in 2021 and has an estimated cost of \$300,000.00.



Downtown Outdoor Dining Event September 14 – October 19

The Sayre Business Association in cooperation with the Sayre Revitalization Initiative will be hosting an outdoor dining event in downtown Sayre beginning September 14 and continuing through October 19. The purpose of the event is to spotlight the variety of dining options available in the downtown, but more importantly provide the restaurant owners with an

opportunity to serve more customers but remain compliant with state COVID restrictions on indoor capacity limits. The restaurants participating in the inaugural event include Yanuzzi's Restaurant on Desmond Street (September 14-20), 1882 on Desmond (September 21-27), Angry Burrito on North Lehigh Avenue (September 28-October 4), The Blackburn on West Lockhart Street (October 5 – 11), and Celebrations on West Packer Avenue (October 12 – 19) and each restaurant will offer outdoor dining space for customers. The restaurants will also feature menu specials during their designated week and be featured in newspaper articles. The Brie Marie Inn Restaurant on South Elmer currently offers outdoor dining for their customers.