



The FLEETWOOD FORUM

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FLEETWOOD CARNIVAL
July 19-July 23

- Food, rides, entertainment, games, and BINGO nightly (Food starts at 5pm)
- Ride all night wristband: Tues/Wed/Thurs (Price TBD)
- Fireworks on Friday (rain date: Saturday)
- Email for more information: flwdoommccarnivalptd.net

Entertainment

- Tuesday: Josh Squared Duo
- Wednesday: Jeff Krick, Jr.
- Thursday: The Uptown Band
- Friday: Brass Pocket
- Saturday: The New Individuals



FLEETWOOD
150th
Celebration
COMING 2023

Tentative List of Events:

- Memorial Day Celebration (May 29, 2023): Parade followed by ceremony in park and town picnic
- Summer Concerts in the Park - 6 Sunday night concerts
- Rotary Car Show - June 12
- Fleetwood Community Theater Show - June 22-24
- Fleetwood Community Carnival: July 18-22, 2023
- Night at the Museum - August 2023 (Date TBD)
- 150th Anniversary Parade: September 30, 2023 (Tentative start time: 1pm)
- 150th Celebration Festival - September 30, 2023 (Following the Parade)

fleetwood150celebration@gmail.com

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John Rothenberger Mark Watkins

Council meetings – 2nd Monday of each month *
Borough Authority – 3rd Tuesday bi-monthly *
Planning Commission – 4th Thursday each month *
**or as indicated on website*

EMERGENCY- 911

Non-Emergency, 24/7: 610-655-4911
Police Office – 610-944-7011

FLEETWOOD LIONS CLUB

The Fleetwood Lions Club is a Non-Profit Community Organization committed to supporting community events in the Fleetwood area. Also, we support a variety of local and global humanitarian needs such as Vision, Diabetes, Hunger and the Environment. If you are interested in joining with us to help the community, please visit our website:



<https://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/fleetwood/index.php>

The following is a list of some of our 2022 community service activities:

- Three \$500 scholarships for Fleetwood High School Seniors
- Senior Citizen Banquet
- FCCO – Member – runs the soda tent at the carnival
- Sponsor Team – Fleetwood Area Baseball Association

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FLEETWOOD PARK UPDATE

The Fleetwood Park has seen quite a bit of challenges recently, with the main pedestrian bridge across the creek being washed out in torrential rains in 2020 (shown here).

The bandshell had structural issues beyond repair, leading to its demise as well. Replacing the two structures would cost over \$500,000. During the same storm, the creek was substantially altered and is in need of repairs, which will be an additional \$250,000.

As a temporary solution, the Borough purchased a tent to be used as a bandshell, which enables the summer events to continue uninterrupted. The Borough then applied for permits to start creek repairs, as well as applying for two grants from DCNR and DCED for bandshell and bridge replacement.

The great news? With the assistance of PA Senator Judy Schwank, the Borough has successfully obtained two grants that total ~ \$380,000 to replace both the bridge and bandshell. These grants, along with Borough funds, will enable replacing the pedestrian bridge and constructing a new band shell in the coming year.



Council and planted in March of this year to replace trees that were removed years ago. Enhancing the park, especially with a splash of color in the fall, and helping to provide some shade to the seating area, the trees should not interfere with any potential future roof / shade solution for the seating area that is also being considered after the new band shell is installed.

As far as the creek restoration, it will be broken into three phases:

Phase one: (completed) The stream bank repairs around the band shell where the large boulders are placed.

Phase two: The area between the washed-out bridge and the next bridge downstream. The Borough has received a grant to start phase two which will commence this year.

Phase three: This will be upstream from phase one (band shell to Main St) and downstream from the 2nd bridge. To aid in this phase of creek restoration, the Borough has applied for grants, which will be awarded in late 2022. If the borough is successful in obtaining the grants, work would commence in 2023.

We are currently getting proposals and appropriate permits to start this process. Due to the long lead-time of raw materials and the DEP permit process, there is no guarantee of when these projects will be completed but our hope is to have both projects completed by spring of 2023. The bridge conceptual view is shown at left, and the band shell design is shown below (exact colors TBD).

We also have some exciting new additions to our beautiful park. You may, or may not have, noticed the five larger trees planted in the park alongside the band shell seating area. The trees were approved by



FLEETWOOD REC BOARD

The Fleetwood Rec Board, appointed by Borough Council, provides recreation and entertainment to Fleetwood residents and beyond. As we look into summer, we look forward to providing some of the best entertainment around while keeping that “small town” family-oriented environment that is important in these crazy, busy times.

Sunday Concerts in the Park Music starting Sunday, June 5th from 6pm-8pm (with the exception of June 26 where there will be two bands to entertain us starting from 3pm-5pm and then 6pm-8pm!). The concession stand will open at 5 PM and is operated by area non-profit organizations and serve a variety of homemade foods. Spend some time this summer with friends and family at these free concerts! We



want to thank Patty Keeney for doing a great job of organizing these bands. Concerts will be held June 5th through July 10th. See the Borough website for a complete listing of bands as they are booked.

The Fleetwood Community Carnival It's looking better!! The Rec Board's famous homemade waffles and Ice cream plan to be back! We hope to see you at the Community Carnival in July. All proceeds go directly to the Rec Board

Homecoming Festival and Bonfire in the park is scheduled for the Friday night after the homecoming parade. This free admission event is designed to rally the community for homecoming in support of the FASD sports teams and offers dancing led by our local DJ, amusement rides, games, free hayrides, and a huge bonfire with our local cheerleaders getting everyone in the spirit.

Paint Nights: The Rec Board is looking at potentially doing another BYOB Paint with a Cocktail night at the Community Center. It's a bring your favorite cocktail or soft drink, and we supply the paint supplies, canvas, and instruction by local artists. Check Facebook for any updates.

Military banners: The Military banners displayed all along Main St and in the Fleetwood Park are a Rec Board initiative, with some assistance from The Fleetwood Legion and Historical Society. The banners are a way to honor our heroes. If you are interested in sponsoring a banner, please check the website for more information!

Clock Tower: If you haven't heard the good news, the small triangle park at Fleetwood Avenue and Beech Streets will be slowly transitioned into a military and first responder tribute park. Our very first dedicated first responder tribute area in the park was designed and assembled by a Fleetwood Eagle Scout. To add to that park, the Rec Board is purchasing a clock tower to enhance the entrance/exit to our beautiful small town. In the future, we hope to add a series of flag poles representing each of our military branches. Our hopes are that people come to the park to sit awhile, maybe to pay tribute/honor our military/first responders, maybe just to find peace. Whatever the reason may be, we hope all who come, find comfort in the beauty around you.

Check out The Fleetwood Rec Board's Facebook page and www.FleetwoodBoro.com for more information on these activities and more.

Members of the Fleetwood Rec Board: Karin Crossley (C), Janice DeLay, Chris Young, Suzanne Touch, and Megan Young-Kraft.

2022 POOL INFORMATION

We are open daily from 11:00am – 7:30pm

- “Members-Only” time 11:00am-1:00pm (daily admission guests are permitted during these times ONLY when entering with a member)
- At 1:00pm, daily admission passes will be sold (we do reserve the right to suspend daily admission ticket sales if the pool is near or at capacity)
- The “lap area/diving well” will be closed from 11:00am-12:00pm Monday through Friday and from 6:00-7:30pm on Tuesday and Thursday during swim team season (June-July)



SCHEDULE

Opening weekend: May 28-30

Closed: May 31 – June 3

Open daily beginning June 4

DAILY ADMISSION RATES

\$10.00 per person – for a resident of the Fleetwood Area School District

\$15.00 per person – for a resident outside of the Fleetwood Area School District

***We reserve the right to ask for proof of residency.

QUESTIONS???

If you have any questions, please send an e-mail to fleetwoodpool@yahoo.com or call the pool at 610-944-7814 and leave a message on the answering machine.



FLEETWOOD VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY

We welcome 2022 with a lot of great news from your volunteer fire department. First, we purchased a brand new 2021 E-One Rescue truck replacing one from 1999. We also purchased from the Borough, their 2014 Dodge Ram police pick-up truck. Our retired Rescue and 2007 Suburban were both sold once the new vehicles were ready for service.

Recently, eight members passed their firefighter 1 test and joined the ranks of others with a professional national qualification. The FVFC currently has 17 trained to this standard and another 11 trained to the PA standard. Our meeting and training nights are on Tuesday evenings from 630 to 830.

We ended 2021 responding to 503 calls for service. As a full-service fire department, we respond to fire, rescue, and EMS calls as a state licensed Quick Response Service or QRS. We also have a traffic unit and fire police crew who are sworn officers to handle traffic during emergencies.

While we are funded partially by a fire tax, we also conduct our own fundraisers. Please follow us on Facebook for recent happenings at calls and dates of future fundraising including hoagie sales, ticket drawings and our popular calendar sales. Our members also help a lot at the annual carnival.

At a recent fire in the borough, one person was rescued from a second-floor window along with one other person and many dogs from the first floor of a residence. There were no early warning systems in the home such as smoke or CO detectors. NFPA strongly suggests a smoke detector on each floor and in each bedroom as well as a CO detector on each sleeping level. Early warning means early escape!!!



FROM THE SEWER DEPARTMENT:

Non-flushable Items Cause Problems in Sewer Systems (04/29/2020)

Harrisburg, PA – The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is encouraging all Pennsylvanians to only flush toilet paper and human waste, not disinfecting wipes or other non-flushable items that should be disposed of in the trash. Sewage treatment facilities have been dealing with an increase in non-flushable materials clogging filters and equipment since the beginning of the stay-at-home orders in March.



“Flushing things that aren’t meant to be flushed can damage your own sewer pipes as well as the sewer treatment facilities that we all depend on,” said DEP Secretary Patrick McDonnell. “Even so-called ‘flushable’ wipes shouldn’t be put in the toilet.”

Tissues, paper towels, and single-use wipes, including cleansing and diaper wipes, cannot be safely flushed, even if they are labeled as “flushable” or “biodegradable.” Other non-flushable items include things like diapers, feminine hygiene products, disposable toilet brushes, disposable gloves, cotton swabs, dental floss, and kitty litter.

Flushing or dumping the wrong things down the drain can cause blockages in your own home or business as well as problems in the local sewer system. These products do not break down like toilet paper and can clog systems very quickly. Many sewer blockages occur between your house or business and the sewer main, where the property owner is responsible for correcting and paying for the repair.

Blockages can also lead to sewage overflows that can have adverse effects on the environment, especially if the overflow enters local rivers, lakes, and streams.

Flushing only toilet paper and human waste helps ensure that the toilets, plumbing, sewer systems, and septic systems will

continue working properly to safely manage wastewater in Pennsylvania.

DEP also encourages residents and businesses to refrain from disposing of food scraps, grease, fat, or oil down the drain. These should also be disposed of in the trash to help keep wastewater pipes clear.

Grease, fat, and oil can solidify and adhere to the insides of the pipes that carry wastewater from homes and businesses to the wastewater treatment plant. Over time, these buildups can restrict the flow of wastewater.

Garbage disposals do not prevent grease from washing down the drain. Detergents that claim to dissolve grease may pass it down the line and cause problems in other parts of the wastewater system.

Food scraps, grease, fat, and oil should be removed from cookware, plates, utensils, and cooking surfaces, placed in a sealed container, and disposed of in the trash. Baskets/strainers can also be installed in sink drains to catch food scraps.

Preventable toilet and sewer backups can pose a threat to human health and present an extra challenge to wastewater utilities and staff. Flushing anything other than toilet paper can damage internal plumbing, local sewer systems, and septic systems. Fixing these backups is costly and takes time and resources away from ensuring that wastewater management systems are otherwise working properly.

Having fully operational wastewater services is critical to containing COVID-19 and protecting Pennsylvanians from other public health risks. DEP thanks wastewater staff and utilities for their dedication, courage, and continuing efforts at a time when resources may be stretched thin. Pennsylvania’s wastewater employees are local heroes on the frontline of protecting human health and the environment every single day.



FROM THE POLICE CHIEF'S OFFICE:

Hello everyone and happy Spring!

Along with the season change, the Fleetwood Police Department has also seen some change!

On January 3, 2022, Fleetwood Borough named a new Chief of Police. Following a competitive interview process, I am happy to say that I was promoted from Fleetwood Police Sergeant to Chief of Police and am looking forward to serving the community in my new role. To tell you a little about myself, I was hired by the Fleetwood Borough as a part-time police officer in March of 1999 and in 2001, the Fleetwood Borough Council voted to hire me as a full-time officer. In 2018, I was then promoted from a full-time officer to Patrol Sergeant, maintaining this rank until being promoted to Chief of Police in January of 2022. In addition to my position in the Borough, I also serve as Deputy Commander on the Berks County Emergency Response Team. Previously serving in a higher capacity for BCERT, I made the decision to step down to better fulfill my role as Chief of Police. Throughout the years, I have always maintained an open-door policy with the community, and I welcome suggestions and/or concerns from our citizens/residents. As I stated before, I am looking forward to serving the Fleetwood Borough in this new capacity.

Additionally, we have added part-time officers to the staff. All 3 officers come with experience and excel in their duties. Feel free to say hi if you see them on patrol!

In other important department news, Officer Angela Arndt was awarded the Meritorious Service Award by the Fleetwood Police Department due to her heroic actions at a house fire on E. Locust Street on April 16th, 2020. Officer Arndt was also awarded "Officer of the Year" by the Fraternal Order of Police for the same incident! The Officer of the Year award is a very prestigious award and is only given to one officer per year for the entire county! Please congratulate Officer Arndt if you see her!

In other department news, Officer Michael Quinn has been named as interim Sergeant until the promotion process is completed. Officer Quinn started his career with the Fleetwood Police Department in January of 2000 and brings a wide variety of knowledge and experience to the department.



In an ongoing effort to keep the community informed, the Fleetwood Police Department is currently building its CRIMEWATCH online page. CRIMEWATCH will provide the community with information pertaining to arrests, awareness posts, criminal investigation posts, community event posts and other posts of interest for the community to stay informed. Keep an eye on the page for updates!

Lastly, I would like to take this opportunity to remind residents to lock their vehicle doors and remove any valuables from their vehicles or keep valuables out of view. Traditionally the department sees an increase in thefts from vehicles during the warmer months. Please call the police if you observe any suspicious activity.

It is my pledge to continue to provide professional and community-oriented police services to the citizens my department serves.

Chief Dale Ulshafer



BREAKFAST BROTHERS

Breakfast Brothers will be serving breakfast starting in September and continue thru May. Breakfast is served the 3rd Sunday of each month starting at 7:00 am to 11:00 am. Groups that want to help or individuals interested in joining should contact Mike Mayer at 610-517-0815.





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SUMMER SATURDAY HOURS:

10am-2pm (June 4-August 6)



Tiger Camps



For Tigers entering 3rd - 6th grade



WHO: For students entering 3rd grade through 6th grade.

WHEN: Tuesdays at 6:30pm
(June 14, 21, 28 and July 5, 12, 19, 26)

WHERE: Room III in
Fleetwood Community Center

WHAT: 7 week camp exploring S.T.E.M. topics each week with Ms. Emily, featuring hands on activities, experiments, and more!

Class size is limited, registration is required by filling out our Google form. Scan QR code below or visit our website at www.berkslibraries.org/tigersinpark

We ask that you commit to attending a minimum of five sessions of the camp.



WHO: For students entering 3rd grade through 6th grade.

WHEN: Thursdays at 6:30pm
(June 16, 23, 30 and July 7, 14, 21, 28)

WHERE: Room III in
Fleetwood Community Center

WHAT: 7 week camp exploring Art concepts each week with Ms. Mackenzie.

Class size is limited, registration is required by filling out our Google form. Scan QR code below or visit our website at www.berkslibraries.org/tigersinpark

We ask that you commit to attending a minimum of five sessions of the camp.

Mondays 10am

Locust St. Playground
(600 E. Locust St.)

A traditional storyline with books and activities until 11am. Stay and play with friends on the playground!

Parking on Locust St. Restroom available at both parks!

June 13 - Beach Week
June 20 - Ship Ahoy
June 27 - Pirate Week
July 4 - NO PROGRAM
July 11 - Sea Creatures
July 18 - Mermaid Week
July 25 - Our Blue Planet

Wednesdays 10am

Fleetwood Park
(834 W. Main Street)
note location change on July 20!

New presenters each week followed by interactive stations to explore around the Fleetwood Park until 12noon.

June 15- Fleetwood Police and Bike Safety
June 22 - Miss Maggie Sings! "Oceans of Possibilities"
June 29 - Talewise Science Show: "Pirates Lost at Sea"
July 6 - Yocum Institute Under the Sea Dance Party
July 13 - Yocum Institute Play: "Rainbow Fish"
July 20 - Meet us at Willow Run Farm (270 Hoch Road)
July 27 - STEAMSparks "Animals & the Changing Ocean"

Fridays 10am

Location changes each week! See below for where to find us every Friday morning.

Explore a story and something cool in our community! Go to our website for maps and information on each location.

June 17
June 24
July 1
July 8
July 15
July 22- No 10am program. Find us at the Fleetwood Carnival from 6pm-9pm
July 29

Our Friday Field Trips have not been confirmed at time of printing. Please visit our website for current info:

www.berkslibraries.org/tigersinpark

All programs require adult supervision for ages 10 and under. This is **not** a drop off program.

Thank you to the Borough of Fleetwood for sponsoring our Tigers in the P.A.R.K. program!

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For more information on all Summer programs including how to earn prizes for reading (teens and adults too!) visit:
www.berkslibraries.org/fleetwoodsummer

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FOR EITHER OR BOTH CAMPS:



FROM THE WATER DEPARTMENT:

How much water can a leaky toilet use?

One of the most common problems with high usage is leaking toilets. Have you ever wondered how much water and money you're throwing down the drain?

The EPA estimates that your toilet alone can use 27 percent of your home's average water consumption per day, and that's when it's working correctly!

So how do leaks start? The cause of most leaks lies in the factory parts of the toilet. As a toilet gets older, the cheap rubber parts inside will wear down, limiting their functionality. Toilet cleaners can expedite this, though wear and tear is just a normal part of toilet use.

The most common problem parts are damaged seals, gaps from the flush valve, flush valves with small cuts, and fill valves that remain open. All of these parts are affordable when replaced on a single toilet and can be done immediately to reverse leaks altogether.

How much water can a constantly running toilet leak? A leaking toilet can lead to THOUSANDS of lost gallons every month, making identification vital.

In a worst case scenario, your toilet running full-force, that is, the flapper valve is open and the tank is constantly draining.

If you have a standard 1.5 gallon toilet, it takes approximately 30 seconds for the tank to refill from a standard flush. So that's 1.5 gallons per flush or per 30 seconds, or 3 gallons per minute. For all 1,440 minutes per day, that is up to 4,320 GALLONS of wasted water. If you left your leaky toilet running this way for an entire week, you'd waste 30,240 GALLONS of water.

According to the United States Geological Survey (USGS), the average residential customer in the U.S. uses between 80 and 100 gallons a day. That's roughly 700 a week, rather than our calculation of over 30,000! Just imagine a water bill that is 43 times bigger than the one you're used to, and you'll surely run to check each of your toilets immediately.

Check your toilets regularly for any leaks or continuous flowing!

Important Dates:

Hydrant Flushing will be
done 2 times in 2022

May 9, 10, 11 from 6-10 pm

October 3, 4, 5 from 6-10 pm

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"Rotary Opens Opportunities"

– Rotary International President-Elect 2021-22

Service Above Self Is The Basis For What We Do

In the midst of the pandemic, Fleetwood Rotary Club didn't miss out on opportunities to continue in their mission of "Service Above Self" and fundraising efforts to help the children of our community and around the world.

The club members continued to meet weekly both virtually and in person when possible. There were evening and morning meetings in order to accommodate the busy schedules of club members.

The evening business mixers will continue along with breakfast meetings which always fosters interesting speakers, fellowship and delicious food.

Rotary is a leading partner in the global polio eradication project. The initiative has made the world 99.9% polio free.



Operation Weekend Tiger – Packaging meals for underserved students in our community.



Serving meals at Hope Rescue Mission

Rotary provides disaster relief shelter boxes to provide emergency shelter and vital life sustaining supplies to support communities affected by natural disasters and humanitarian crisis.

Rotary connects people and partners with local business in :

- Transforming communities
- Funding sustainable projects
- Sharing responsibility to take action to improve our communities
- Support Education

Please join us so that we can continue to make a difference and an even larger impact — Together !

Contact Fleetwood Rotary Club membership chair Diane Hawkins at 484-529-8283 or any Rotarian member for more information about becoming a member.



4 way speech test contestants 2022

Mission Opportunities

Rotary is a service organization with 37,000 clubs and 1.4 million members worldwide.

Rotary International is currently helping Ukrainian refugees in places like Poland with relief supplies and providing first responder kits to those on the front lines in Ukraine itself.

This is what Rotarians do, help those in need. Rotary clubs around the world have raised over \$1 million in assistance grants for Rotary Clubs in Eastern Europe to help with the numerous refugees.

Source: Evanston Now / Jeff Hirsh

For more information on Rotary's Ukrainian relief efforts go to rotary.org

We Live By a 4-Way Test

The Rotary International 4 Way Test of the things we think, say and do:

1. Is it the TRUTH
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned
3. Will it build GOODWILL AND BETTER FRIENDSHIPS
4. Is it BENEFICIAL to all concerned

Fleetwood Rotary has a # 5. Is it FUN!



Our annual Gourmet Gala fundraiser at Moselem Springs Golf Club was a resounding success.



Annual Show of Wheels

We set another record last year with over 400 cars, trucks and motorcycles. More than 1,000 articles of clothing were collected for families. In addition, Rotary made donations from the proceeds to the Fleetwood Community Library, Scholarships and various projects benefitting the Fleetwood Community. So come on out Saturday, June 11th for fellowship, music & good food. Buy a duck for the race in the

creek, lots of nice chance auction baskets and, most important, beautiful cars, trucks and motorcycles from years gone by to recent years.



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