



**CLARKS SUMMIT BOROUGH'S NEW QUALITY OF LIFE ORDINANCE:** The purpose of this Ordinance is to ensure the health, safety and welfare of residents and visitors to the Borough by pursuing lack of maintenance of properties, improper storage of trash and rubbish, storage of inoperable/non-registered vehicles, and accumulation of snow and ice. Upon finding a quality of life violation, any Public Officer authorized by the Borough of Clarks Summit, may issue quality of life violation tickets to the owner and/or occupant of the property at issue. Violators will face the following fines:

Description	Fine 1	Fine 2	Fine 3+
Accumulation of rubbish or garbage	\$25.00	\$50.00	\$100.00
Animal maintenance and waste/feces clean-up	\$25.00	\$50.00	\$100.00
High weeds, grass, or plant growth	\$25.00	\$50.00	\$100.00
Motor vehicles	\$25.00	\$50.00	\$100.00
Outside placement of indoor appliances/furniture	\$25.00	\$50.00	\$100.00
Snow and ice removal from sidewalks	\$25.00	\$50.00	\$100.00
No containers for waste or trash	\$25.00	\$50.00	\$100.00

**BRUSH PICKUP:** From April through September monthly pickup of brush will be done by the Borough department of Public Works. Brush must be left on the yard (not in the street or storm swales) at the edge of the property and cut to manageable size. Only brush cut by the property owner will be removed. If you hire a service to trim your trees or brush, they must remove the brush themselves. We apologize but we cannot schedule or guarantee a time for pickup. It will occur monthly as the crew has time between projects.

**Recycling Reminder:** Please remember to recycle! The following is a list of acceptable products for recycling:

#1-7 Plastic Bottles, #1-7 Plastic Tubs & Screw Top Jars, Cans, Clean, Balled Aluminum Foil (2" or Larger) and Pie Pans, Corrugated Cardboard & Paper Bags, Empty Aerosol Cans (No Caps), Empty Pizza Boxes, File Folders, Glass Bottles & Jars, Loose Metal Jar Lids & Steel Bottle Caps, Magazines, Brochures & Catalogs, Newspapers & Inserts (No Plastic Bags), Opened Mail, Junk Mail, and Greeting Cards, Paper-back Books, Paperboard Boxes, Paper Egg Cartons, Paper Milk/Juice Cartons (No Foil Pouches), Phone Books, Rigid Plastics, Shredded Paper (must be in clear plastic bags), White or Pastel Office Paper

## SHREDFEST

**APRIL 29, 2018**

**9AM TO 12PM**

**CLARKS SUMMIT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Celebrate Earth Day and recycle your personal papers. Limit 4 boxes/bags per visitor, all non-paper items must be removed. Donations will be accepted. COME SHRED WITH US!

## Hometown Heroes Banner Program:

The Clarks Summit Borough is proud to announce the Hometown Heroes Banner Program. The program serves as a tribute to recognize past and fallen men and women from the Clark Summit Borough who have served our country in the armed forces. Heroes must have been a resident of 25 years of Clarks Summit Borough to participate in the program.

**Tree Planting - What can you do to help?** Clarks Summit Borough has committed to a goal to increase our tree canopy to 45% by the year 2025. By meeting this goal, Clarks Summit will fulfill its commitment to the Chesapeake Bay Initiative, an everyone-is-downstream effort to clean up the bay and our own waterways by planting trees throughout the watershed. We want to encourage borough residents to help us meet this goal by planting more trees in their yards. The trees that you plant locally to help clean the Chesapeake Bay watershed regionally will also cool your homes and purify the air in summer, provide natural habitat for wildlife, reduce storm water run-off, and beautify your neighborhood and the borough of Clarks Summit. If you plant a tree anywhere in your yard, we can count it towards our goal. Please let us know. You can contact the borough office at 570-586-9316.

**Voluntary Camera Registry Program:** The Clarks Summit Police Department wants your help in fighting crime by taking part in the Camera Registry Program (CRP). The CRP allows residents and business owners to register the locations of their video surveillance systems with the Clarks Summit Borough Police Department. When a crime occurs, police will be able to identify the locations of nearby video cameras and enlist the assistance of the community to help officers collect video evidence and follow up on leads.

Through the program, Clarks Summit Police Department will be able to directly contact CRP registrants who are using video in an area in which a crime occurred. Police would ask CRP registrants to check their video surveillance system for a specific date and time for video that may show activity involved with a crime, such as a getaway car or the direction that a person of interest was headed. If any video evidence is found, the resident or business owner can contact the Clarks Summit Police Department by calling (570) 587-3026 to make arrangements for video retrieval.

Registration is voluntary and there is no cost associated with registration. Registering your information does not provide the Clarks Summit Police Department with direct access to your camera. You may delete your registration at any time. An individual's personal information will be kept confidential by the Clarks Summit Police Department unless subject to disclosure by court order. Your information will be accessed by law enforcement personnel who are investigating a crime in the vicinity of where your camera is located. You will only be contacted by the Clarks Summit Police Department in the future if there is a criminal incident in the vicinity of your security camera. Police personnel, if necessary, may request a copy of any video captured by your camera, which may assist in the investigation of a crime.

## **Proper Disposal of Grease**

The Abington Regional Wastewater Authority needs your help! There are few items in the world of food more difficult to dispose of than grease. And you should never take a shortcut by pouring it down the drain! Incidents have occurred in neighborhoods where the sewer pipes were clogged with fat, and people's basements flooded with sewage as a result.

So what should you do? For fats that solidify, let them do so, then pitch them in your regular garbage. Chill grease in the fridge if you need to get it to harden up. For ones that don't solidify, pour them into a bottle, and throw the whole container away with your regular garbage.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT:** Some reminders regarding Ordinances in the Borough

- Before planning a yard sale, visit the Borough website for information on signage and the number of sales that are allowed in one year.
- There are certain regulations to consider when installing a temporary inflatable or metal pool. If the water is over 18", a fence is required. There are also certain setback requirements.
- For any questions on these reminders, please call the Zoning Office at 570-585-4811.