

ALBURTIS BOROUGH

Newsletter



ALBURTIS HOLIDAY FESTIVAL

Sunday, December 6th, 2015

At the Alburttis Area Community Center...

- 8-11 am Breakfast with Santa & Kids Craft Corner Adults \$6, Children \$4
- 8-1 pm Gift Shopping
- 8-1 pm Basket Raffle, proceeds benefit the Alburttis Fire Co. (drawing at 5 pm at the Fire Co.)
- 11:30 am AC/DC Dance Connection

At Businesses throughout Town...

- 11-12 pm East Penn Children's Fitness Academy: Free Open Tumble (ages 1-9)
- 11-12 pm Cold Nose Lodge: Pet Photos with Santa
- Noon-8 pm Alburttis Tavern on Main: 10% of your Food Check on 12/6 will be donated to the Alburttis Revitalization Program (Bring in this cover)
- 1-2 pm Alburttis Animal Hospital: Hot chocolate and Donuts and "Guess how many dog food cans" contest
- 2-4 pm Cookie Baking Contest: Judging by Terry Bender @ 3 pm at the Alburttis Tavern (pre-register by Dec.3rd, Registration forms at Borough Hall and Alburttis Tavern)

At the Alburttis/Lockridge Historical Society...

- 10:30-4:30 pm Historical Society Open House
- 7 pm Lockridge Theatre Group Presents: An Old Fashioned Christmas

At the Alburttis Fire Company...

- 2-5 pm Hot Food Available
- 2-4 pm Visits and Photos with Santa: Bring your own camera, Kids get a free treat!
- 4 pm Basket Raffle (proceeds benefit the Alburttis Fire Co.)
- 5-5:30 pm Emmaus High School's A Capella Singers
- 5 pm Enjoy Hot Chocolate & Popcorn (courtesy of D&D Heating & Cooling)
- 5:30 pm Tree Lighting Ceremony & Contest Announcements

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And Our Community Organizations

- AACO Dance Connection
- Alburttis Area Community Center
- Alburttis Boy Scout Troop #86
- Alburttis BBRP Program
- Alburttis Campfire WoHeLo
- Alburttis Fire Department
- Alburttis Historical Society
- Alburttis Police Department
- Emmaus High School Chorus

HORSE DRAWN SURREY RIDES

11:30-4:30 ~ Leaves from the Alburttis Tavern

For tickets call 610-965-1432

\$5 Adults / \$2 Child (12 & under)



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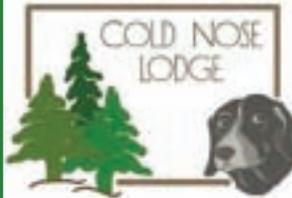
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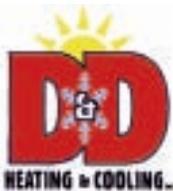
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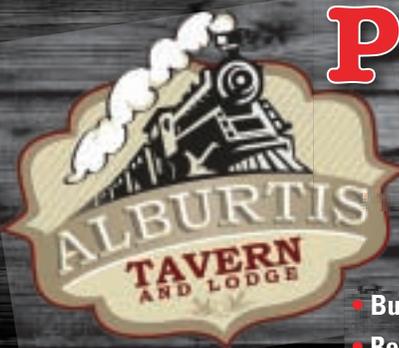
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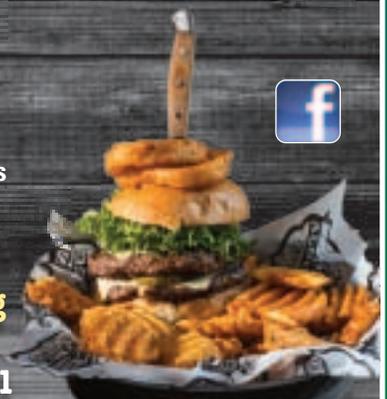
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Sun. December 6, 2015 ~ 11:30 to 4, Rides leave every 1/2 hour



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Leaves from the Alburts Tavern

108 S. Main Street

For Tickets, call Peg McCormack ~ 610-965-1432

\$5.00 Adult / \$2.00 Child (12 and under)

Sponsored by: The Alburts Tavern



Holiday House Decorating Contest

Judging on Sat., December 5th

No Reservations Required
All Decorated Houses in the Borough are Considered

Judges will take into consideration:

- ❁ Originality
- ❁ Creativity
- ❁ Arrangement
- ❁ Lighting



Judging by:

The Alburts Fire Department

**Winners will be notified to pickup their prizes at the
December 6, 2015 Tree Lighting**



The Alburts Campfire WoHeLo Presents:

An Old Fashioned Christmas Pageant and Song!

December 6, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

At the Lockridge Historical Memorial Church (Franklin & Church St)

All Donations go toward Christmas Food Baskets put together by Alburts Campfire

Cookie Contest

**Sunday, December 6, 2015
2:00 to 4:00 ~ Judging at 3 pm**

Registration Forms available at Borough Hall and
at The Alburts Tavern

Hosted by the
Alburts Lockridge Historical Society



- Best Decorated Cookie
- Best Chocolate Cookie
- Easiest Homemade Cookie
- Most Creative Cookie



THE ALBURTIS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Thank You

All the members of the Alburtis Fire Department would like to thank everyone who showed their support during our Centennial Celebration. As we all know the weather did not cooperate. But, that did not stop the residences of Alburtis showing support. Again, Thank you for making our day a success.

What's going on at the Alburtis Fire Department?

Your volunteers have been busy as usual. Back in October the Alburtis Fire Department was recognized by Pennsylvania Office of the State Fire Commissioner for having 100% of our volunteers trained to a state level. There are only 40 departments in the state of Pennsylvania that achieved this level, and we are 1 of 4 departments in Lehigh County (Lower Macungie Fire Department, Lehigh Valley International Airport Fire Department, and Upper Macungie Fire Department Station 56) This was distinguished award was obtained by dedicating 100's of hours in training and Certifications.

In September, we were inspected by the Pennsylvania Department of Health as we upgrade our State Rescue Certification from "Operational" to "Advanced" the highest level awarded by the Department of Health.

Through the month of September the volunteers ran 127 emergencies calls. Several multi-alarm fires, accidents with entrapment, and medical calls.

Break Down

Month	Calls	Month	Calls
January	11	February	15
March	17	April	16
May	16	June	23
July	6	August	13
September	10		

Winter is the worst season for residential fires in the country, according to the U.S. Fire Administration (USFA). An average of 905 people die in winter home fires each year, with heating being the second leading cause of home fires following cooking.

As we gear up for the winter season, here are a few safety precautions courtesy of the USFA to help minimize the risk of house fires when heating your home.

Space Heater

- Keep anything that can burn, such as bedding, clothing and curtains, at least 3 feet away from the heater.
- Make sure the heater has an automatic shut-off, so if it tips over, it shuts off.
- Turn heaters off when you go to bed or leave the room.
- Plug portable heaters directly into outlets and never into an extension cord or power strip.
- Only use portable heaters from a recognized testing laboratory



Fireplace

- Keep a glass or metal screen in front of the fireplace to prevent embers or sparks jumping out.
- Do not burn paper in your fireplace.
- Put the fire out before you go to sleep or leave your home.
- Put ashes in a metal container with a lid, outside, at least 3 feet from your home.



Wood Stove

- Make sure your wood stove is 3 feet from anything that can burn.
- Do not burn paper in your wood stove. Put the fire out before you go to sleep or leave your home.
- Have your chimney inspected and cleaned each year by a professional.



Furnace

- Have your furnace inspected each year.
- Keep anything that can burn away from the furnace.



Kerosene Heater

- Only use kerosene heaters from a recognized testing laboratory.
- Make sure the heater has an automatic shut-off, so if it tips over, it shuts off.
- Refuel your cooled heater for more outside.



During colder weather, people tend to use fuel-burning appliances more often. Carbon monoxide is called the "invisible killer," as it is an odorless and colorless gas produced by the incomplete combustion of any fossil fuel; wood, oil, gas or coal.

The USFA recommends following these tips:

- Install and maintain CO alarms inside your home to provide early warning of CO.
- Install CO alarms in a central location outside each separate sleeping area and on every level of your home.
- Use portable generators outdoors in well-ventilated areas away from all doors, windows and vents.
- Make sure vents for the dryer, furnace, stove and fireplace are clear of snow and other debris.
- Remove vehicles from the garage immediately after starting.

As always the Alburtis Fire Department is looking for new members. We pay for all the training you need. Stop by any Tuesday night after 6:30pm or email us at Alburtisfiredept@gmail.com.

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In an effort to provide more reliable communications with residents and also to fulfill a requirement of the DEP (Department of Environmental Protection), the Borough of Albutis has implemented Swiftreach Networks, Inc. as our Emergency Notification service provider. SWIFT911 is a high speed notification program with the capability of delivering recorded warnings to the entire community, via telephone, email, text or pager. If you prefer to be notified in a way other than your listed home phone number, please visit our web page at www.albutis.org and click on the Swift911 icon. This system will enable the Borough to contact you when there is a water issue, snow emergency or other important issues. All of the calls will have the caller ID of the Borough of Albutis.



LOWER MACUNGIE LIBRARY

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There have been a lot of changes here at Lower Macungie Library in the past few weeks! Thanks to a generous gift from the Friends of Lower Macungie Library, we are proud to offer built in outlets and USB ports at our tables in the Reference area. Instead of scrambling to find an outlet for your laptop, you can now plug right in at your table!

Thanks to a generous grant from the Emmaus Rotary Club, the Children's Area has two brand new children's computers! Both computers are loaded with over \$700 worth of exciting programs. Eight different School Zone programs allow preschool and elementary students practice with language arts, math, and social studies skills through a variety of games. Kids, we have some fun stuff for you too! Both computers are loaded with Lego: Lord of the Rings, Rollercoaster Tycoon 3, AND MinecraftEDU.

In the Children's room you will also see a huge change, thanks again to the Friends Group. New children's sized tables and chairs have taken the place of the boring adult furniture, and have brightened the room with fun colors! Now children have a fun environment to read and create in.

Youth Services

For our daily scheduled events, check out our calendar of ongoing children's programs on our website at www.lowermaclub.org. Special programs are below:

- Drop by **Santa Story time** – Saturday, December 5 at 10 am
- **Book Swap Bingo** – Grades K-5 – Monday, December 28 @ 1:30 pm – kids bring a book they no longer want and place it on the prize table. We will play bingo and winners can choose a new book. Snacks will be provided.
- **Happy Noon Year** – Family Event – 11:00 am December 31 – Families with young children can ring in the New Year 12 hours early! Our Teen Advisory Board will be hosting this special “Noon” Years Eve party for our young patrons.
- **Winter Drop-by Storytimes** – Wednesdays at 10:30 or 12:30 – December 2, 9, 16, 23.

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- Regular storytimes resume in January. Make note of the new schedule!
 - ◆ Preschoolers (ages 3-6) – Tuesdays or Wednesdays at either 10:30 or 12:30
 - ◆ Two-year-olds – Thursdays 10:30 or 12:30
 - ◆ One-year-olds – 1st & 3rd Fridays 10:30 am
 - ◆ Infant Lapsit – 1st & 3rd Fridays 9:30 am
- Our regular scheduled events are: Messy Mondays (1st Monday of the month – 6:30) as a drop-by family program, Rookie Readers (Grades K-2 – 2nd Monday @ 6:30 pm), and Library League (Grades 3-5 – 3rd Mondays @ 6:30 pm). Creation Station is available on the 2nd Saturday of each month while supplies last.

And don't forget that Summer Reading signups are in May! Hope to see you all there and at our many weekly activities!

Local History: Christmas at Hess's Department Store December 16th 6:00 PM

Pip the Mouse, giant toy soldiers, larger than life Christmas Carol books, and Christmas trees galore - the magic of Hess's Department Store at Christmas remains unrivaled in memory. Come and reminisce with local Historian and Educator Joshua Fink from the Lehigh County Historical Society as he talks about Christmas time at Hess's Department Store! Please register in advance.



The Gift of Life – December 8th

With all the holidays and the gift giving going on in December, it's important to remember the things that are really important. Come and hear Dan Bonner's extraordinary story about the kidney transplant that saved his life. He will be joined by a Nurse and Transplant Coordinator who will not only share stories she has seen, but give an interesting “behind the scenes” talk about how the transplant process works. Stay tuned for more details.

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2016 EVENTS



Bingo

Bingo is held every Friday, October through April. Doors open at 5:30 and games begin at 7:00. Must be 18 years of age or accompanied by an adult. All prizes are cash prizes. Kitchen is open with lots of delicious food.

Spring baseball/softball/tball Registration

Spring baseball / softball / tball registration will be held on January 9 & 16, 9 am to 11 am. Check the web site for fee schedule and age requirements.



The Easter Egg Hunt

Easter Egg hunt is scheduled for Sunday, March 20.



Kickball Sign-ups

Kickball sign-ups will be held in May. Check the AACC website for details.



The Alburdis Area Community Center is a volunteer run, non-profit organization. The AACC receives no tax dollars and survives only from income from our activities and fundraisers. We are 501(c) 3 which means we are able to receive tax deductible donations. Thank you for supporting the AACC.

The AACC is working on estimates for a new heating system for the hall, which we would like to include air conditioning. This will be a very costly project. We are working on some fundraising ideas, so keep a look out for upcoming events. If you would like to make a contribution to the AACC for the building improvements please send your tax deductible donation to the AACC at P.O. Box 381, Alburdis, PA 18011.

If you have any ideas and time to lend a hand, please attend a monthly meeting held the third Tuesday of every month, 7:30 pm, in the kitchen area of the AACC. Board members are elected in January. All meetings are open to the public. We are always looking for new ideas.

The AACC is available to rent by anyone, for wedding receptions, birthday parties, bridal or baby showers, etc. For more information refer call 610-704-1200.

Alburdis Holiday Festival is being held on Sunday, December 6 and will include **Breakfast with Santa** at the AACC. Breakfast is served 8-11. Cost is \$6.00 for Adults, \$4.00 Children (under 3 free). The AACC Dance Connection will be performing at noon. **Holiday Gift Shopping** with lots of great crafters/vendors will also be held at the AACC 8-1. If you are interested in setting up a craft/vendor table please call Sherry at 610-704-1200.



Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers that help with all of the AACC activities. We couldn't do it without you. THANK YOU

SNOW EMERGENCY REMINDER

The AACC parking lot is no longer used for parking in the event of a snow emergency. Parking will be permitted in the pool parking area. When the snow emergency is lifted, vehicles must be removed immediately, vehicles that are not removed after 24 hours will be towed at the owners expense.

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Stormwater

What is Stormwater runoff?

Water from rain and melting snow either seeps into the ground or “runs off” to lower areas, making its way into streams, lakes and other water bodies. On its way, runoff water can pick up and carry many substances that pollute water.

Some - like pesticides, fertilizers, oil and soap – are harmful in any quantity. Others – like sediment from construction, bare soil, or agricultural land, or pet waste, grass clippings and leaves – can harm creeks, rivers and lakes in sufficient quantities.

In addition to rain and snowmelt, various human activities like watering, car washing, and malfunctioning septic tank can also put water onto the land surface. Here, it can also create runoff that carries pollutants to creeks, rivers and lakes.

Polluted runoff generally happens anywhere people use or alter the land. For example, in developed areas, none of the water that falls on hard surfaces like roofs, driveways, parking lots or roads can seep into the ground. These impervious surfaces create large amounts of runoff that picks up pollutants. The runoff flows from gutters and storm drains to streams. Runoff not only pollutes but erodes streambanks. The mix of pollution and eroded dirt muddies the water and causes problems downstream.

What can I do to reduce the amount of stormwater pollution I contribute?

If you own a car, maintain it so it does not leak oil or other fluids. Be sure



to wash it on the grass or at a car wash so the dirt and soap do not flow down the driveway and into the nearest storm drain.

If you own a yard, do not over fertilize your grass. Never apply fertilizers or pesticides before a heavy rain. If fertilizer falls onto driveways or sidewalks, sweep it up instead of hosing it away. Mulch leaves and grass clippings and place leaves in the yard at the curb, not in the street. Doing this keeps leaves out of the gutter, where they can wash into the nearest storm drain. Turn your gutter downspouts away from hard surfaces, seed bare spots in your yard to avoid erosion and consider building a rain garden in low-lying areas of your lawn.

If you have a septic system, maintain it properly by having it pumped every three to five years. If it is an older system, be sure it can still handle the volume placed on it today. Never put chemicals down septic systems, they can harm the system and seep into the groundwater.

Pet owners should pick up after their pets and dispose of pet waste in the garbage.

Keep lawn and household chemicals tightly sealed and in a place where rain cannot reach them. Dispose of old or unwanted chemicals at household hazardous waste collections sites or events.

Never put anything in a storm drain.

Don't litter.

WHAT EXACTLY IS A RAIN BARREL?

A **rain barrel** is a system that collects and stores rain water from your roof that would otherwise be lost to runoff and diverted to storm drains, streams, and eventually the Delaware River watershed.

A **rain barrel** is constructed using a reused 55 gallon food grade barrel, a bottom drain, a spigot, an overflow a screen to keep debris and insects out, and a downspout diverter to carry the water into the rain barrel.

A **rain barrel** is a relatively simple and inexpensive way to capture and store rain water for use at later times. It conveniently sits under residential gutter downspouts from your home, garage, and/or shed.

BENEFITS OF USING A RAIN BARREL

Lawn and garden watering can take up a large percentage or total percentage of total household water use during the summer months. A rain barrel collects water and stores it for when you need it most, during periods of drought! A rain barrel provides an ample supply of FREE water for flowers, gardens, lawns, and even car washing!

A rain barrel can conserve water and save YOU money during peak summer months. Conserving water helps protect the environment, saves energy (decreased demand for treated tap water and well water) and decreased the impact of runoff to streams and the Delaware River. Therefore by installing a rain barrel YOU can help protect the water quality, aquatic species, drinking water quality, and recreation in the Delaware River watershed.

RAIN BARRELS A Storymaker Solution to Non-Point Source Pollution



A rain barrel is a rainwater collection system that stores rooftop runoff that can be used for irrigating flowers, gardens, and lawns, while conserving water, and saving YOU money!

Stormwater

Typically, rain water runoff is collected in storm sewer systems and released directly into streams. This direct runoff can contribute to flooding in developed areas that can contain a lot of impervious surfaces including roofs, sidewalks, and parking lots.

This runoff carries with it pollutants that contribute to poor water quality that can affect the health of local waterways and even your drinking water. These issues are of particular importance in highly developed areas as more impervious surfaces cause more runoff during a rain or snow event.

When you collect rain water that would otherwise enter the storm sewer system, you are helping to minimize the amount of storm water that will directly run off into streams!



A rain barrel is a good start to get homeowners thinking about water conservation. Rain barrels conserve water runoff and control runoff, and can give you a good idea about the large amounts of stormwater that is shed from impervious surfaces.

Because plants thrive on natural rain water (no chlorine, ammonia, fluoride, or other chemicals), the rainwater collected and stored in rain barrels is ideal for watering lawns and gardens.

A formula to remember: 1 inch of rain on a 1,000 sq. ft. roof yields 623 gallons of water. Calculate the yield of your roof by multiplying the square footage of your roof by 623 and divide by 1,000.



ALBURTIS POLICE DEPARTMENT

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The Alburtis Police Department would like to alert residents to the latest phone scams that are being reported by Borough residents. The first scam is the "Windows/Microsoft" scam. A resident receives a phone call from an individual who purports to be from "Windows Technical Support". They state that they are receiving messages from your computer indicating that it contains many viruses. They want you to log on to a website where they can access your computer. **THIS IS A SCAM!!!** They then will ask for money to fix your computer plus they will have access to all of your computers information. The easiest thing to do when receiving such a call is to hang-up or tell the individual you have an "Apple" computer. Borough Hall has actually received these phone calls several times recently.

Another common phone scam is the IRS scam. Someone calls you telling you that they are investigators with the IRS and that you owe the IRS tax money. They say you are subject to arrest. They then ask for money to satisfy your debt. **THIS IS A SCAM!!!** No one from the IRS will ever call your residence.



It cannot be stressed enough, especially to Borough seniors, **DO NOT WIRE, THROUGH WESTERN UNION, ANYONE ANY MONEY AS A RESULT OF A PHONE CALL. PLEASE CALL THE ALBURTIS POLICE DEPARTMENT IF YOU ARE ASKED TO WIRE SOMEONE MONEY.**

CHILD PASSENGER RESTRAINT LOAN PROGRAM

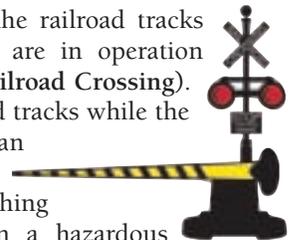


The Alburtis Police Department is proud to be a qualified loaner in the **Child Passenger Restraint Loan Program (CPRLP)**. The CPRLP is made possible by the Child Passenger Restraint Fund, which was established in the PA Vehicle Code. The Fund consists of fines collected from child passenger safety law violations, federal grant funds, and donations, and is used solely for the purpose of purchasing Federally-approved child restraint seats and booster seats and making them available to qualified loaner programs.

On April 29, 2015, Alburtis PD received its first shipment of car seats from Evenflo Company, Inc. through PennDOT. If you are in need of a car seat-infant, convertible, combination, high back belt positioning booster, or backless belt positioning booster-please contact Officer Chris Lubenetski at CLUBENETSKI@ALBURTISPD.ORG or at (610) 966-4778. To obtain a car seat, the receiver must watch a safety video on installation, install the car seat with assistance from Officer Lubenetski, complete the car seat registration card, and complete any other paperwork required by the program. The car seats will be available for free to those needing them-parents and grandparents-with the stipulation that they are returned to the police department when they are no longer needed.

RAILROAD CROSSING SAFETY

The Alburtis Police Department would like to remind all drivers that it is illegal to cross the railroad tracks while the railroad crossing gates are in operation going up or down (**Main Street Railroad Crossing**). It is also illegal to cross the railroad tracks while the warning lights are activated, an approaching train is within 1,500 feet of the crossing, an approaching train is plainly visible and is in a hazardous proximity to the crossing. Fines for these offenses can range from \$25 to \$500 and include up to 4 points on your operator's license. For more information please visit our website at www.AlburtisPD.org.



CLEANING UP AFTER YOUR DOG



Please remember to clean up after your dog should they go on property not owned by you. Also, remember your dog must be on a leash while on public property and dogs must be licensed. These violations can result in fines ranging from \$25 to \$500. If anybody observes these violations, please contact our department at 610-966-4778 immediately.

Thank You to the Businesses!

Alburtis Borough would like to thank the businesses that appear in this newsletter and to recognize them each as supporters and cornerstones of our community. For it is with their contributions that this newsletter has been produced at no charge to our residents.

Alburtis Lockridge Memorial Church



If you are looking for somewhere to have your wedding, host a meeting or other event, The Alburtis Lockridge Memorial Church is now available for rentals. For more information, email office@alburtis.org or call 610-966-4777 for more information.

2015 WINTER NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

Domestic Animals

All dogs must have a current license issued by the county and a rabies tag.

If your dog is lost, be sure to contact the police department so we can assist in locating the dog or if the dog has been located we can provide you with the information to retrieve him/her.

It is also strongly recommended that domestic cats have tags as well, so that if found they can be returned to the owner.

Alburtis Fire Department's Website

The Alburtis Fire Department's website, www.AlburtisFireDept.com, includes upcoming and past events, a photo gallery, and a history of the department.

National Night Out

On August 2, 2016, the Alburtis Police Department will be hosting the 9th Annual Alburtis Night Out Program. We had great attendance and expect a bigger and better event for 2016. Congratulations to the winners of the basket raffles, held to support the Alburtis Police Department's Crime Prevention Program. If you would like to sponsor a basket for 2016, please contact Officer Lubenetski.

During the National Night Out Program and the Hawaiian Luau, we collected 94 pounds of canned goods for the Allentown Food Bank. Thank you for your support.

Snow Emergency Notification

Please be aware of the Borough's snow emergency routes when parking during inclement weather. The borough will make every effort to notify individuals of a Snow Emergency by placing signs coming into town on Main Street near the railroad tracks, Ridgeview Drive, Franklin Street near the entrance to Lock Ridge Park, and on Church Street near Maple Court. The borough will also post the snow emergency status on the borough website (www.Alburtis.org), the borough's Facebook page, the Alburtis Police Department's Facebook page, and it will be sent out utilizing Nixle (www.nixle.com) and Swift911. The Snow Emergency will also appear on WFMZ and will be announced on several radio stations.

The penalty for being parked on the snow emergency route after being declared is a \$10 if paid within 72 hours or \$15 after 72 hours, and the vehicle may be towed by the Police Department.

Facebook & Nixle

You can now receive community information, traffic alerts, and police activity via Facebook and/or Nixle. Nixle is a free alerting system utilized by the police department to send out information to the public via text message and/or e-mail alerts. To register with Nixle (IT'S FREE & EASY!!), please go to www.nixle.com. Nixle alerts will also appear on our Facebook page (Borough of Alburtis Police Department).

Parking Laws

Please remember the following state laws regarding parking:

1. No parking on sidewalks
2. No parking within a crosswalk
3. No parking within 20' of a crosswalk at an intersection (whether marked or not)
4. No parking within 15' of a fire hydrant
5. No parking within 30' of a stop sign
6. No parking against oncoming traffic
7. No parking greater than 12" from the curb

Alburtis Town Watch

If you would like to get involved in the Alburtis Town Watch, please contact Officer Chris Lubenetski at CLubenetski@AlburtisPD.org or at 610-966-4777 for information. Information on the Alburtis Town Watch may be found at www.AlburtisPD.org.

Services of the Alburtis Police Department

The Alburtis Police Department conducts Child Passenger Safety Seat inspections, conducts a car seat loaner program, offers Child Identification Kits, conducts presentations on crime prevention for groups, bicycle inspections and registrations, and oversees the Alburtis Town Watch Program. For information on any of these services please contact Community Service Police Officer Chris Lubenetski at CLubenetski@AlburtisPD.org or at 610-966-4777 or the police department at Police@Alburtis.org.



TAX COLLECTOR

2015/16 Tax Collector – Samantha Trexler

- The tax collector is responsible for the Borough of Alburtis and East Penn School District real estate taxes.
- Borough real estate tax bills mail on or before April 1st. The net period is April 1 – May 31st.
- The East Penn School tax bills mail on or before July 1st. The net period is July 1 – August 31st.
- For County real estate bills, contact Lehigh County Fiscal Office at 610-782-3112.
- Taxes are due and payable, whether or not a tax bill is received.
- All bills are sent to the homeowner. If your taxes are paid by your mortgage company, it is your responsibility to forward the bill to them.
- To qualify for the discount or payment at face (gross) period, payments must be postmarked OR received at the tax collector's office by the last day of the period.
- NO Personal Checks will be accepted after Dec. 15th. Cash, Money Orders and Cashier Checks ONLY.
- Credit Card checks will NOT be accepted after October 31st.
- Final acceptance date is December 31st. After that date all unpaid taxes are turned over to Tax Claim.
- Drop Box Available anytime at 463 Thomas St, Alburtis.

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- Leaves must be picked up and placed into the yard waste dumpster located on W. Penn Avenue. Leaves may not be blown into the street.
- Garbage should not be placed at the curb until Thursdays at 5:00 p.m. Please secure your garbage so it does not blow onto other peoples properties.
- Snow must be cleared of all walkways within 24 hours of a snowfall.
- Selling your property? Prior to any sale or transfer of any Improved Property connected to the Sewer System, the selling or transferring Owner of the Improved Property shall retain the services of a licensed master plumber acceptable to the Borough's Plumbing Inspector for the purposes of conducting

an inspection of the Improved Property, the sewage drainage system of any structure on the Improved Property, the Building Sewer, and the Lateral, to insure compliance with the requirements of §65-601(a) (relating to Prohibited Discharge Standards – Stormwater, etc.) The inspection of the Building Sewer and the Lateral shall include a video inspection at an appropriate time to determine whether such pipes or their connections admit stormwater, groundwater, or other drainage prohibited by §65-601(a).

- Have you property clearly marked with the house number. This will enable emergency vehicles to locate your residence.
- A moving Permit is required when moving in, out or within the Borough.

2016 Alburtis Borough Trash and Recycling Calendar

January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December

Trash Collection

Once a week, collection day is on Friday. Place trash cans out Thursday evening after 5:00 P.M.

No tires, hazardous waste, liquid paint, or motor oil. Ten 30 gallon bags or containers limit.

Recycling

Should be out the night before. Recyclables will be collected every other Friday shown on the calendar in Green.

Questions About Service

Call 1-800-333-4624 or on the web at www.jpmscaro.com

Holiday Collection

If your collection day falls on a holiday it will resume the very next day. Holidays: New Year's Day (Jan 1), Memorial Day, Independence Day (July 4), Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day & Christmas Day.

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Borough Council meets the 2nd and last Wednesday of each month.

All meetings, unless otherwise advertised, are held at 7:00 pm in the Borough Hall, 260 Franklin St., Alburdis, PA. The public is invited to attend. The Alburdis Borough Hall is accessible to the physically handicapped. If you need any reasonable accommodations for a disability, please call 610-966-4777 to make arrangements.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Borough Hall: 610-966-4777
In Case of Emergency: 911
Police Dept. (non-emergency): 610-437-5252
Alburdis Volunteer Fire Dept. (non emergency): 610-966-3535
East Penn School District: 610-966-8300
Lower Macungie Library: 610-966-6864
Lockridge Park Rentals: 610-871-0281
Lockridge Church Rentals: 610-966-4777
Lehigh County Courthouse: 610-782-3000
District Justice Michael Faulkner: 610-398-1167
Service Electric Customer Service: 800-232-9100
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