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BOROUGH CALENDAR

MARCH 2024

Mar 13	Borough Council Meeting
Mar 14	Food Truck & Restaurant Rally
Mar 16	St. Patrick's Day Party
Mar 19	Library Board Meeting
Mar 20	Planning Commission Meeting
Mar 29	Borough Office Closed
Mar 30	Youth Trout Day Event

APRIL 2024

Apr 10	Borough Council Meeting
Apr 11	Food Truck & Restaurant Rally
Apr 11	Hazardous Waste & Recycling
Apr 14	Earth & Arts Festival
Apr 16	Library Board Meeting
Apr 17	Planning Commission Meeting
Apr 20	Yard Waste Collection
Apr 23	Primary Election Day
Apr 27	Annual Plant Sale

MAY 2024

May 4	Vickie's Angel Motorcycle Ride
May 8	Borough Council Meeting
May 9	Food Truck & Restaurant Rally
May 15	Planning Commission Meeting
May 21	Library Board Meeting
May 27	Borough Office Closed
May 27	Memorial Day Ceremony
May 27	Memorial Day Parade

For more details and events, visit **newcumberlandborough.com**

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CRIMEWATCH Alerts

Receive alerts about crime and arrests in New Cumberland Borough. Sign up at newcumberlandborough.com, select "Sign up for CRIMEWATCH Alerts" under the Departments/Police menu.

FROM THE MAYOR ...

I am excited to share my first message with you as Mayor. I was sworn in on January 2, 2024, and have begun assembling ideas from community members on priorities, challenges, and suggestions on a range of topics. To that end, I would like to hear from more community members and hope to be as accessible as I can. I am still doing some part-time work, but I am anxious to hear from you and plan to have a Mayor's Facebook page, email account, and will be at Brew Crumberland on the second Monday of each month from 8:30-9:00 a.m. (prior to the Council meetings) for any face-to-face conversations you may want to have. I also plan to have porch conversations in the evenings as the weather warms up. I am truly honored to be the Mayor of New Cumberland Borough.

Peace
Mayor Joan Erney

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GENERAL INFORMATION & DIRECTORY

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Phone: (717) 774-0404

Website: newcumberlandborough.com

BOROUGH DIRECTORY

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Donald W. Kibler, President (2025)
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Thaddeus Eisenhower (2025)
Drew Lawrence (2027)
Fred Miles (2025)
Gibby Parthemore (2027)
Gennifer Richie (2025)

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Fire Department (non-emergency)(717) 774-0193					
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Pensions, Life & Disability Insurance, R. J. Hall, Inc.

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Adam Trone (2025)

Steve Hoffman, Consultant – Cumberland County Planning Commission

BOROUGH ANNOUNCEMENTS

2024 BOROUGH BUDGET

One of Borough Council's most important duties is to develop a budget every year. It includes everything from police cars to office supplies and must be balanced. It is a constant give and take process, balancing what we need and want with what we can afford. This short article is to give a brief overview of what goes into the Borough's budget so you can better understand the process. This article is not intended to be a comprehensive explanation of this complex document; rather, it is a simplified overview to give you the basics for further research and discussion. You can view the 2024 approved budget at newcumberlandborough.com/government/budget/.

As with any budget, there are 2 main columns: money we bring in (revenue) and money we pay out (expenditures).

The Borough's budget is also comprised of two primary sections: the Operating budget and Capital Improvements budget. Each of these sections has its own revenue and expenditures columns. We'll start with the Operating budget.

The Operating budget is what it takes to run the Borough and comprises about 68 percent of the total budget. It is divided into ten categories. In total there are 85-line items in the Operating Budget.

- General Government includes office staff salaries, legal fees, office supplies, utilities, etc.
- **Public Safety (Police)** police, fire police and crossing guard salaries; gas and maintenance for the patrol cars, radios, traffic lights, etc.
- Public Safety (Fire) Chief and Deputy Chief stipends, communications, fire vehicle maintenance, gas and repairs, etc.
- Code Enforcement and Zoning the salary of the Codes Enforcement Officer and engineering fees, etc.
- Trash/Recycling This service is contracted to a trash hauler. The Borough passes this fee along to the residents.
- **Public Works** salaries of the work crews, maintenance and repair of buildings, snow and leaf removal, street lights, gas and maintenance of vehicles, street repairs, etc.
- **Library** New Cumberland is one of the few PA municipalities that actually owns the library. Although the library is part of the Cumberland County Library System, the building and grounds are owned and maintained by the Borough. The library receives funding and support primarily from the County, Borough, and State.
- Parks and Recreation maintenance and repair of parks, summer worker salaries, park utilities, etc. New Cumberland joins five other local municipalities to support the West Shore Recreation Commission. We pay a per capita fee to West Shore Rec to provide recreation opportunities for our residents.
- Senior Center maintenance and repairs to the West Shore Senior Center.
- **Benefits, Withholding and Insurance** Unemployment and Workers compensation, retirement, Social Security payments and insurance, etc.

The Capital Improvement Budget includes replacing police cars on a regular basis; Borough Office renovations; emergency radio upgrades; replacing dump trucks, fire trucks and backhoes when needed; sidewalk ramps for wheelchairs; improvements to the downtown area and the Borough's parks; and consultant and engineering fees for master development plans. There are 48-line items in the Capital Improvement budget.

The revenue for the Operating budget comes from two main sources: the Real Estate tax (40%) and the Earned Income tax (20%). We share the Earned Income Tax revenue with the school district. Other revenue comes from fees, fines, rentals, grants, and investments. The revenue for the Capital Improvement budget comes from grants (which we often must match), interest from investments, cell tower rental income and transferring funds from the Borough's Capital Reserve. Most of the current Capital reserve is from the sale of the sewage treatment plant in 2016.

In general, the Operating Budget is rather rigid. Over the years the staff has grown or shrunk to accommodate workload or budget constraints. Sometimes a position will go from part-time to full-time, or vice-versa. Building or equipment upgrades can be delayed, if necessary, but this is what it takes to run the Borough. The Capital Improvement Budget can be more discretionary, perhaps, but one can only put off replacing a police car or fire truck, or repairing a park pavilion or garage roof, for so long. Many of the projects in the Capital Improvement Budget are funded by county, state, and federal grants, although the Borough often has to match the grant. The good news is that for every dollar we spend in a matching grant, we generate two and sometimes three dollars' worth of purchasing power. Keep an eye out for upcoming articles pertaining to budget, strategies for implementing some of the recommendations of the comprehensive plans that we developed, and other related topics.

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MEET YOUR BOROUGH COUNCIL

The voters of New Cumberland Borough give legislative and executive authority to the Borough Council. The Council is comprised of seven (7) members, of which each serves four-year terms that are staggered. Council is responsible for levying taxes, enacting ordinances and resolutions, establishing policies, providing services, and promoting the health, safety, and welfare of the borough residents. Additionally, Council appoints officials to run the daily affairs of the Borough, along with members of various municipal boards and commissions. Borough Council meets on the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m. at the Borough Building located at 1120 Market Street, New Cumberland, PA 17070. All meetings are open to the public. Time is allocated at the beginning of every meeting for public comment.



Don Kibler, President of Borough Council

Term Serving: 2024-2025 Previous Terms: 2016-2019 & 2020-2023 (Vice President 2022-2023) What I love about New Cumberland: What I like most are the things that to me define "small town America". Things that I'm not sure exist in other towns, like our Halloween Parade; Santa driven around at Christmas on a fire truck; Christmas lights on telephone poles on Bridge Street; the Apple Festival; a music festival, and so forth. To me, this says that this community has spirit, takes pride, and indeed is a "community".



David Stone, Vice-President of Borough Council **Term Serving:** 2024-2027 Previous Terms: 2020-2023

What I love about New Cumberland: I grew up in this town fishing at the boat docks, riding bikes in the alleys and playing ball in Memorial field. Matinees at the West Shore Theatre followed by milkshakes next door filled my Saturdays. Sound familiar? It's still happening here! What a great place to live and raise a family.



Thaddeus Eisenhower

1st Term Serving: 2024-2025 Mayor: 2022-2023

What I love about New Cumberland: New Cumberland holds a special place in my heart because of the amazing people who reside here. The community exudes warmth, kindness, and a strong sense of togetherness that makes me feel at home. Additionally, the opportunity to serve and make a difference in this town is incredibly fulfilling, allowing me to contribute to the betterment of the community that I love.



Drew Lawrence

1st Term Serving: 2024-2027

What I love about New Cumberland: There's a lot to love! In no particular order, I love: walking and biking around town, the Friends of the Library plant sale, all the dogs, the West Shore Theatre, the Neato mural, our parks, the little farmers market in the summer, the library, and the people that make it all happen.



Fred Miles

1st Term Serving: 2022-2025

What I love about New Cumberland: I love New Cumberland's walkability—no part of the borough is far from downtown or our other "community hubs." I'm curious to know what it would take for the residents of the various neighborhoods, such as Rosemont, Manor, Elkwood and Drexel Hills, to be willing to walk or ride their e-bikes to the library or downtown for dinner and a show.



Gibby Parthemore

1st Term Serving: 2024-2027

What I love about New Cumberland: Whether you want to catch a movie, eat dinner, go fishing, worship God, take out some library books, grab a drink, play pickleball, or buy some toys or tools, our town has something for everyone. We are fortunate to have such a vibrant and inclusive community, and I look forward to where New Cumberland goes from here.



Gennifer Richie

Term Serving: 2022-2025 Previous Terms: 2019-2021

What I love about New Cumberland: New Cumberland Borough is dear to my heart with its unbeatable walkability, charming theatre and shops, lively ball fields and parks, cozy library, and the people I love. It's more than just a town to me—it's my home, where everything I cherish is within reach.

BOROUGH ANNOUNCEMENTS continued from page 6

MEET YOUR NEW BOROUGH MAYOR •

The Mayor is also an elected position with a four-year term. Although not a member of the Borough Council, the Mayor may attend all Council meetings and take part in the discussions. The Mayor may cast the deciding vote when a tie occurs and may approve or veto every ordinance or tax resolution passed by Council. If the Mayor vetoes an ordinance or tax resolution, Council may override it with a two-thirds vote. The Mayor has the responsibility for the administration of the police department.



Joan Erney 1st Term Serving: 2024-2025

What I love about New Cumberland: I grew up in New Cumberland, I loved the parks, outdoor spaces and walking to school; I had great neighbors, made lifelong friends and had a community of support. When I moved back to raise my son over 30 years ago, I experienced the same supportive community, wonderful neighbors, lots of fun sports and activities for my son to participate in, a great library, good schools, and caring committed residents.

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY =

We are now accepting applications for individuals interested in a paid summer position working outside on the grounds of New Cumberland Borough's parks and facilities. We are looking for individuals who work hard and well with others Experience in commercial landscaping or basic construction projects in the community is a plus.

- · This a paid seasonal position with a rate of \$15-\$20 per hour. Skills and experience are considered.
- · 30-35 hours per week during the hours of 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday-Friday and some weekends.

Applications for Employment can be downloaded on <u>newcumberlandborough.com</u>, under the "Permits & Documents" menu under "Permits and Forms" and emailed to <u>info@newcumberlandborough.com</u>, or mailed or dropped off at the Borough Office at 1120 Market St., New Cumberland 17070. If you have questions, please call (717) 774-0404..

PENN WASTE RATE INCREASE •

New Cumberland Borough is in its second year of a three-year solid waste and recycling contract with Penn Waste. Like many other nearby municipalities our rates for collection costs increased substantially in 2023. Penn Waste noted the primary reasons for the rate increases were increased fuel and labor costs.

In 2024, trash and recycling services will remain the same, but the cost will be increasing from \$90/quarter to \$94/quarter per dwelling unit starting with the 2024 1st quarter bill, which is mailed February 1, 2024 and due March 1, 2024.





POLICE, FIRE & EMS

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES =

Have you thought about volunteering somewhere but wanted to really make a difference? Volunteering at the New Cumberland Fire Department isn't just for Firefighters and Emergency Medical Technicians. We are also always looking for help with fundraising events, administrative tasks, and traffic control. Being a volunteer with your local fire department, in any capacity, is both one of the most meaningful ways to serve your family, friends, neighbors and your community and a way to make lifelong friendships. We invite you to learn more about volunteering at the New Cumberland Fire Dept. Reach out to us on Facebook, through our website **NCFD10.com**, or stop by our weekly trainings on Wednesday evenings (starts at 7p.m.) to chat and pick up a membership application.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

TAKE THE PARK PLAN SURVEY

Your opinion matters, and we want to hear it loud and clear! Join us in crafting our Comprehensive Recreation, Parks and Trail Network Plan that truly reflects the heart and soul of our community.

What's in it for you?

- Ensure your favorite parks get the love they deserve!
- · Shape the future of recreation activities for all ages.
- · Pave the way for more green spaces and safe pathways to walk and bicycle.
- · Build a community legacy that lasts for generations.



Scan me to take the Park Plan Survey.

How can you get involved?

Scan the QR code or visit <u>newcumberlandborough.com/comprehensive-recreation-park-and-trail-network-plan/</u> to complete the online survey. Share your thoughts, ideas, and dreams for our community's outdoor havens. Your feedback will be the guiding light for our planners as they work to enhance and preserve the beauty of our surroundings. Spread the word, rally your neighbors, and let's embark on this exciting journey to transform our outdoor spaces. Cheers to a greener and more active future!





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SPRING CLEANING

DOES YOUR HOME IMPROVEMENT PROJECT REQUIRE A PERMIT? -

As a property owner, it is your responsibility to check on permit requirements. Please don't rely on your contractor to obtain permits. The Borough's zoning and building code ordinances contain permitting requirements for many home improvement projects. Some projects may require both a building and zoning permit, while others may only require a zoning or building permit, or no permit at all.

Below are a few illustrative projects that would require permits (this list is not exhaustive, and many other types of projects may require permits). If you are unsure if a permit is required, contact the Borough Office and ask to speak with Brian Searle, Zoning and Codes Enforcement Officer.

Reminder: Zoning permits are good for 1 year from issue date. If a project is not completed after 1 year, they can be extended for 1 more year, with an updated permit.

Building Permit & Zoning Permit

- Any garage, carport, shed, pool house, or greenhouse that is not attached to a single-family detached dwelling and is 1,000 square feet or larger
- · Addition to any principal structure
- · Enclosing a porch or patio
- · Installing or building a sunroom or three-seasons room
- Installing a deck that is more than 30" above ground level at any point around the perimeter of a deck
- Installing a deck less than 30" above ground level if it has a roof or covering above it
- · Installing an indoor or outdoor hot tub or spa
- Installing any swimming pool (in-ground, above-ground, inflatable) that has a water depth of 24" or more, including temporary and floating collar type pools
- · Installing a fence higher than 6 feet or a retaining wall higher than 4 feet

REPORT A CODE VIOLATION

You can now submit a property maintenance complaint that you believe violates Borough Codes online at newcumberlandborough.con

Zoning Permit Only

- · A garage, carport, shed greenhouse, gazebo, pool house or other structure less than 1,000 square feet
- · All fences, regardless of height, except for underground (invisible) dog fences
- · Installing an uncovered deck that is less than 30" above ground at all points around the perimeter of the deck
- · Installing a pergola
- · Installing an uncovered patio
- · Installing or expanding a driveway or parking pad

RECYCLE YOUR TVS & ELECTRONICS

Recycle your old TVs and electronics at Cumberland County's Electronic Recycling Center, located at 1001 Claremont Road, Carlisle, PA. This facility is open to anyone regardless of where they reside since it is a fee-based facility.

Why should I recycle my electronics at the Cumberland County facility when other recycling options (i.e. Best Buy, Staples) exist?

Due to limitations created by Pennsylvania's 2010 electronics recycling law, there is a lack of recycling opportunities for televisions. The County's facility helps fill that recycling gap. Televisions are the most difficult and most expensive of electronics to recycle, which is why it's so hard to find a place to recycle them. They will also accept other electronics on their acceptable items list.

What is accepted for recycling?

A list of acceptable electronics can be viewed online at the link below. Please note the list of unacceptable items as well, which includes household hazardous waste (HHW). The County holds 4 HHW events a year at the Cumberland County Recycling Center. See the Events Section for upcoming dates.

What does it cost to recycle electronics?

- \cdot \$0.50/pound Average weight = 88lbs | Average cost = \$44.00
- · Cash and debit/credit cards only (no checks)
- · 2.3% card use convenience fee (\$1.00 min)

For more information, visit newcumberlandborough.com/recycle-your-tvs-electronics/



SPRING CLEANING

GARAGE/YARD SALE LICENSE =

In accordance with Borough Ordinance No. 472, a license is required to have a garage or yard sale. Only two sales are permitted each year. The first license is free, the second costs \$10. No sign may be larger than 2 feet x 2 feet, and no sign may be placed on trees or poles within the public right-of-way. You can download a Garage/Yard Sale License at newcumberlandborough.com or pick one up at the Borough Office at 1120 Market St, New Cumberland PA 17070.

STREET SWEEPING —

Regular street sweeping improves the appearance and safety of public roadways and reduces the number of pollutants that are conveyed to the Borough's storm sewer system, which ultimately discharges to area waterways.

- · Bi-weekly sweeping begins during the first week of April.
- · During the months of July and August, the sweeper is operated one week in each month, usually the third week.
- Bi-weekly sweeping resumes during the first week of September and continues to the beginning of leaf collection season. Leaf collection usually starts the third week of October.
- The sweeper runs in conjunction with the leaf collection equipment, usually through the first week of December.
- Street cleaning can be more thorough and complete if vehicles are not on the street when the street is cleaned. Much like when there is a snowstorm, residents with driveways are asked to use them so the entire street can be cleaned on that day.
- · Please avoid placing grass clippings, sticks and other debris in the roadway.
- Property owners are asked to keep trees trimmed to the required height so the sweeper can work close to the curb without causing damage to the machine.

YARD WASTE COLLECTION —

It's almost the time of year that some of us dread, while others can't wait...yard work season. Did you know there is a right way and time to dispose of the by-product from all your hard work in the yard?

What: Yard waste is material such as tree trimmings, shrubbery, and other organic landscape vegetation. It does NOT include grass clippings, fruits and vegetables, tree stumps, dirt, and stones. These non-yard waste items can be disposed of with your normal trash collection if it is in a container. For grass clippings, it's suggested you practice grass-cycling and leave them on your lawn. The benefits are great for your lawn, saves you time and keeps them out of the landfill.

How: Place yard waste in biodegradable brown paper bags or bundle it with biodegradable twine in easy-to handle bundles. Bundles may be no longer than five feet in length; not exceed six inches in diameter; and not weigh more than 30 pounds each. An unlimited number or brown paper bags or bundles may be placed at the curb. Do not put yard waste in plastic bags. It will not be collected.

When: New Cumberland Borough's yard waste pick up is the 3rd Saturday in April and October. In 2024, that is April 20th and October 19th. Once prepared, yard waste must be placed at the curb on one of the days above before 6 a.m. Do not put yard waste out during your regular collection day.

DO NOT PLACE THESE ITEMS OUT FOR YARD WASTE COLLECTION

Grass Clippings

Fruits & Vegetables

Tree Stumps

Dirt & Stones









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PROTECTING YOUR WATERSHED.

Some Pennsylvanians live in town, some Pennsylvanians live in the country, but all Pennsylvanians live in a watershed. A watershed is an area of land where all the water flows toward the lowest point, usually a stream, lake, or river. The watershed then eventually drains into larger bodies of water, such as the Chesapeake Bay and Lake Erie.

There are over 15,000 miles of streams and rivers impaired in Pennsylvania. Agricultural, business, and residential development have changed Pennsylvania's landscape, replacing natural areas with hard surfaces such as compacted soil, parking lots, roads, and roofs. Rainfall that would naturally soak into the ground and be absorbed by tree and vegetation roots now "runs off" these hard surfaces. This stormwater runoff carries pollutants from these surfaces into streams, rivers, and lakes. Pollutants include:

- · nutrients (nitrogen and phosphorus) from manure and other crop fertilizers
- · sediment (eroded dirt)
- · vehicle fluids and other toxic contaminants
- · lawn fertilizers and pesticides
- road salt
- · viruses and bacteria from pet waste or faulty septic systems cigarette butts and other litter

7 Ways Residents Can Reduce Runoff Pollution

- 1. Take a more natural approach to your yard. Use less lawn fertilizer and plant a raingarden with native plants to reduce the amount of stormwater running off your property. Never apply them before a rainstorm as much of it will be washed into nearby storm drains. Consider using organic fertilizers. For these tips and many others, check out: stormwaterguide.org/static/HomeownersGuide.pdf.
- 2. If there's a stream on your property, plant trees and shrubs on the banks. Don't mow to the edge of the stream.
- 3. Maintain your vehicles and fix leaks. Always recycle or properly dispose of products that contain chemicals. Never dispose of chemicals in the lawn or storm drain. Cumberland County has a Household Hazardous Waste Program (HHWP) that's offered four times a year at their Cumberland County Recycling Center, 1001 Claremont Road, Carlisle, PA. Appointments are required and a fee of \$0.55/lb will be charged. Find more details and sign up on **cumberlandcountypa.gov**. In 2024, the HHWP events will be:
 - Thursday, April 11, 2024, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, June 15, 2024, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
 - Saturday, August 17, 2024, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday, October 24, 2024, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- 4. Never dump anything down a storm drain.
- 5. Take your vehicle to the car wash. If you wash your car at home, wash it on your lawn, not in the street or your driveway.
- 6. Drive less, and take a bus, carpool, bike or walk.
- 7. Pick up after your pet. Pet waste can be a source of bacteria and can lead to contamination of our waterways.



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EVERY LITTER BIT MATTERS

Little litter is a big problem for Pennsylvania, but Pennsylvanians are fighting back. Small pieces of litter might seem insignificant, but they make up most of the litter found in public spaces around Pennsylvania. Research shows that small litter adds up by attracting more litter, not to mention it can be toxic over time, and it costs PA millions each year to clean up. We're calling on Pennsylvanians to "Fight Dirty" by keeping our state free from litter and ensuring every piece of waste – no matter how small – is disposed of properly. There are four easy-to-remember facts about litter that can help Pennsylvania fight back against litter:



1. Every litter bit matters.

Little litter is a big problem for Pennsylvania. In fact, 85% of the litter along PA roadways is four inches or less. Toss your trash—no matter how small—into a garbage can. Not on our roads.



2. Litter attracts litter.

Research shows that when an individual sees litter, they're more likely to toss a can, candy wrapper, or cigarette butt in the same place. Take care of your trash before it attracts more.



3. Cigarette butts are toxic.

They may seem small and harmless, but cigarette butts are filled with dangerous chemicals which are toxic to wildlife and humans. They account for one-third of all litter and can take up to ten years to decompose. Stash them until you can trash them.



4. Litter costs us all.

Each year, Pennsylvania spends \$350 million to combat thousands of pounds of litter. Those funds could be used for road repairs, transportation, and safety improvements. Instead, they're thrown away on cleaning up trash.

Fighting dirty doesn't have to take a lot of work. We can all do our part to tackle the big problem of litter with small, simple actions. These tips can help you make little changes in your life to reduce litter in your community. Share these tips with friends, family and community members to further the impact and help PA Fight Dirty.

10 Ways to be Anti-Litter

- 1. Keep a reusable bag in your car to stash trash like food wrappers until you get home, stop at a gas station, or pass a garbage can.
- 2. Stop trash at its source by living the reduce-reuse-recycle lifestyle. Ask for less packaging, shun single-use plastics, make items last for as long as possible and buy used whenever possible. If you must buy, recycle right! Find out what items you can and can't recycle at newcumberlandborough.com/living-here/trash-recycling/recycling/.
- 3. Cover your trash and recycling bins when you take them to the curb. If you sweep the sidewalk in front of your home, bag any trash and put it in a trash can instead of sweeping it into the street.
- 4. Cover items being transported in a truck bed. Uncovered trucks are one of the top three sources of litter in PA.
- 5. Follow the Leave No Trace code in Pennsylvania's parks and forests. It's a small price to pay for our beautiful and free parks.
- 6. If you are a smoker, keep a container in your car and pocket for cigarette butts. Cigarette butts contain plastic, leach nicotine and heavy metals and take about 10 years to break down.
- 7. Report illegal dump sites. Use the online form **keeppabeautiful.org/contact-us/report-a-dumpsite/**, which is easy and confidential.
- 8. Join a local volunteer litter cleanup event at **keeppabeautiful.org/programs/pick-up-pa/**. Free supplies are provided for PUP events March 1 to May 31 and Sept. 1 to Nov. 30.
- 9. Adopt a highway at adoptahighway.penndot.gov/. It's easy to apply, and PennDOT provides supplies.
- 10. If you're a teacher, school administrator, or parent, start a Litter Free School Zone program to get students in the habit of taking care of their trash. Find materials at **keeppabeautiful.org/programs/education/**.

This was adapted from the PA Litter Action Plan spearheaded by The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and the Department of Transportation (PennDOT).

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- PAINTING WORKSHOPS
 Join local artist, June Minaya for painting fun!
 No painting experience necessary and all supplies are included.
- ADULT SWIM LESSONS
 It's never too late to learn how to swim whether for safety reasons or fun and fitness! Become more comfortable in the water!

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Enjoy evenings of informal competition for fun and exercise. Teams formed on a weekly basis. New Cumberland Middle School Wednesdays, 7:30-9:30 p.m.

- FANTASTIC FICTION ISLAND (After School)
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 Teams in grades 1-5 tackle engineering
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 STEAMwarts Academy) to classic reads (like
 Alice in Wonderland) to our very own
 Challenge Island book series, this island is
 always a bestseller.
- CHALLENGE ISLAND KID'S NIGHT OUT
 Monsters & Myths Better than a sitter! Parents
 plan a special night out while your kids ages
 6-12 get some S.T.E.A.M out. It's sure to be a fun
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 monsters, legendary creatures and things that
 go bump in the night.
- FAMILY NIGHT May the 4th STEAM with you!
 May the 4th be with you! Calling all family
 members! Our multi-generational STEAM
 Battle events are a perfect Family Night Out
 activity! You will work as a team on an
 out-of-this-world evening of engineering your
 game to outsmart the other forces!
- BABYSITTING CERTIFICATION

 Girls and boys ages 11-15 can become certified through this American Red Cross program, which provides the knowledge and skills necessary to safely and responsibly give care for children and infants.

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PARKS AND RECREATION

COMMUNITY GARDEN

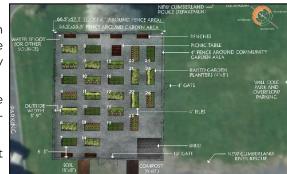


If you haven't already, we encourage you to check out New Cumberland Borough's Community Garden located near the Borough Office at 12th & Market Streets, New Cumberland (across the street from the Police Department). The Community Garden launched in 2021 and has 26 individual growing plots. It is meant to be a community asset where residents of the community can get their "green thumb" on. This project was one that was identified by the New Cumberland Revitalization Initiative / Safe-Active-Healthy Team as one that aligns well with the recreational and environmental interests of the community.

The garden plots are granted to residents of New Cumberland Borough on a "first-come, first-served" basis who make timely application, and who demonstrate that they will use the assigned plot actively and responsibly.

Key Information:

- **Plot Renewals:** Residents wishing to renew their plot will be given "first right" to renew the plot that they had last year, provided that the renewal application is submitted by March 15, 2024. After that date, any unrenewed plots will be available to new applicants.
- **New Applications for Plots:** Those wishing to newly apply can initiate their application process, starting March 15, 2024. It is first-come, first-served and based on availability.
- Approved renewal and new garden plot holders will be free to start their gardening work immediately following approval of application.



- · Applications and a Plot Plan can be downloaded on newcumberlandborough.com under the Living Here section.
- If an applicant wishes to be assigned a certain plot, the Borough will make its best effort to accommodate depending on availability. Applicant should refer to the Garden Plot Plan noting the desired Plot #, and then calling the Borough Office to determine availability.
- Your completed application, along with a check for \$30 (made payable to the Borough of New Cumberland) can be hand delivered or mailed to the Borough Office at 1120 Market Street, New Cumberland, PA 17070. The nominal fee of \$30 per year per plot is to help with maintenance costs.
- For information, please call the Borough Office at (717) 774-0404.

Applications for Employment can be downloaded on <u>newcumberlandborough.com</u>, under the "Permits & Documents" menu under "Permits and Forms" and emailed to <u>info@newcumberlandborough.com</u>, or mailed or dropped off at the Borough Office at 1120 Market St., New Cumberland 17070. If you have questions, please call (717) 774-0404.

RENT A PAVILION IN BOROUGH PARK -

Are you looking for an outdoor space to host a birthday party or family reunion? New Cumberland Borough Park has five facilities available for rent: four pavilions with picnic tables and one gazebo. The sizes of the pavilions vary, with the smallest capacity at 35 people to the largest at 150 people. To be eligible, you must be a resident of the Borough. Facilities are assigned based on availability. A non-refundable fee is due when the application is filed: pavilions range in rental cost from the smallest and mid-sized at \$25/day to the largest at \$50/day, and the gazebo is \$100/day. The concession stand is not available for rent. View the map and photos of each facility and download a rental application online at newcumberlandborough.com/living-here/rent-a-pavilion-or-facility/ or pick one up at the Borough Office.











EVENTS IN THE BOROUGH

Find more event details and links, and registration links at newcumberlandborough.com/government/calendar/.

FOOD TRUCK & RESTAURANT RALLY -



Thursday, March 14, April 11 & May 9 - Community members are invited to attend the New Cumberland Food Truck & Restaurant Rally the second Thursday of each month from March through December 2024. From 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., rain or shine, food trucks line the perimeter of Market Square in downtown New Cumberland. Tempt your taste buds with fresh, savory fare from numerous area food trucks. After your bellies are full, we encourage you to take a stroll around our downtown and stop by the many businesses that stay open late and have special promotions.

THE BEST ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY EVER! =

Saturday, March 16 - We are proud to present the first-ever St. Patrick's Day Block Party from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m., in the heart of downtown New Cumberland on the 300 Block of Bridge Street. Get ready for an unforgettable experience for all ages, filled with our first ever pet parade, and live music from Crippled but Free, the Martini Brothers, Swisher Sweets, Bagpipers, and Irish dancers showcasing their skills. There will be contests for the best red hair, kilts and even the best knees (trust us it will be a fierce competition); Irish food and food trucks; a collection of talented handcrafters; face painting for the little ones; a pop-up tattoo shop; adult beverages from Dead Lightning Distillery and the Wild Rabbit; and so much more! Don't miss the legendary tradition of kissing the Blarney Stone, bringing you luck and good fortune.



2nd ANNUAL SKYLER MONTGOMERY YOUTH TROUT DAY



Saturday, March 30 - The Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission (PFBC) will hold its annual Mentored Youth Trout Fishing Day statewide to encourage local youth to get outside, fish or learn to fish. The New Cumberland Olde Towne Association, Nicks 114 and Dead Lightning Distillery is hosting a special event at Borough Park along the Yellow Breeches Creek. This free event from 8 a.m. to Noon will include fishing tackle giveaways, light refreshments, and fishing assistance from seasoned anglers. **Pre-registration, and**

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HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE RECYCLING -



Thursday, April 11 - Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) consists of products in the home which are corrosive (drain cleaners or bleach), flammable (gasoline or kerosene), reactive (chemistry kits and photographic chemicals) or toxic (pesticides and insecticides). Penn Waste is NOT authorized to pick up these materials. These materials may NOT be placed in your curbside trash. Cumberland County offers a HHW collection recycling program to give the residents of Cumberland County an alternative disposal method for these types of wastes. Bring your HHW to Cumberland County Recycling Center, 1001 Claremont Rd, Carlisle April 11, 2024, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Appointments are required and a fee of \$0.55/lb will be charged.

EARTH & ARTS FESTIVAL

Sunday, April 14 - The New Cumberland Earth & Arts Festival, held on the grounds of the New Cumberland Public Library 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., is a place to celebrate, learn, grow, and create. The festival features earth-friendly advocates and artisans, workshops, wildlife demos, a sustainable fashion fair, interactive art, live music, food trucks, and much more.



FRIENDS OF THE NEW CUMBERLAND LIBRARY PLANT SALE



Saturday, April 27 - Join the Friends of the New Cumberland Library, from 8 a.m. – 2 p.m. for their annual plant sale. They need donations of annuals, perennials, garden tools, equipment, and ornaments. Separate and donate your plants. Need Help digging up plants? Call the Library at 717-774-7820. Please pot and label the plants. Bring them to Foundation Hall, 1 Benjamin Plaza, New Cumberland on: April 25, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.; April 26, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.; or early on the day of the sale.

VICKIE'S ANGEL MOTORCYCLE RIDE -

Saturday, May 4 - The 2nd Annual Vickie's Angel Motorcycle Ride, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., is a community event that is designed to benefit Vickie's Angel Foundation and the many active cancer treatment patients it serves across 9 counties in Pennsylvania and New Cumberland Borough. It is a family-friendly event that will benefit all with fun and awareness. Registration starts at 10 a.m. in the New Cumberland Borough Park and doughnuts and coffee will be served. The opening ceremony starts at 11:30 and KCU at 12 p.m. Food, music, raffles, vendors, and fun start at 1 p.m. The rain date is Sunday, May 5.



MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY



Monday, May 27 - The P.W. Milano Detachment of the Marine Corps League invites you to attend our annual ceremony to honor the fallen from 8:15 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. at Riverside Park in New Cumberland Borough. There will be a few speakers after which we will float a wreath in the Susquehanna River while rendering honors with a rifle salute and Taps. There is no seating, but you are welcome to bring a lawn chair if needed.

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE & CEREMONY

Monday, May 27 - Please join us in the American spirit of paying our respects to those who gave up their lives so we could remain free. A brief Memorial Ceremony will be held at 11:30 a.m. at the VFW Memorial located in Veteran's Park at Park Avenue and Bridge Street in New Cumberland Borough. The parade will begin immediately following the Memorial Ceremony (approximately 12:00 p.m.) and proceed down Bridge Street to Third Street turning left and ending at Market Square.





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Phone: 717-774-2150

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Your Community Cemetery

PLEASE JOIN US MAY 21 AND 23!

US Military Veteran Memorial Salute: Thursday, May 23, 12noon-2pm Join Veterans' families, American Legion Post #143 members, Cedar Cliff HS JROTC Cadets, and other friends to honor our 500+ Military Veterans resting in peace. Help place small US Flags at each gravesite and gather together to give thanks, watch the Honor Guard present new colors, salute, and hear "Taps".



Spring Cleaning: Tuesday, May 21, 10am-2pm
Help get ready for the Veterans' event by volunteering on Tuesday, 5/21 from
10am to 2pm to gather with others to pick up fallen limbs and debris, rake
leaves, edge and clean tombstones, and get to know one another.

More information is on our website (on left).

Hope to see you there,
Sam Brinley, General Manager
Denny Derr, Historian and Right Hand Man
Volunteer Board: Nancy Derr, Deb Shenck, Gene Brinton,
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