#### **Summer 2022**

# **Turtle Creek Community Calendar**

Who	What	When	Where	
Red Lantern Bike Shop and Opportunity Hub	Thrift Store Bike Shop	Friday-Saturday11 am-2 pm https://www.facebook.com/ redlanternbikespa	125 Shaw Avenue	
Food Pantry Distribution	<b>Food Pantry</b> 2nd Saturday of each month: 8:30—10:30 am	October 8 November 12 December 10	Human Svcs. Ctr. 413 Penn Avenue	
Rotary Club	Rotary Meeting	First and third Fridays at noon, as long as indoor seating is allowed in restaurants	Papa Rocks Pizza (Haymaker Village( 4512 Broadway Blvd, Monroeville	
Senator Brewster 's Representative	Office Hours	Tuesdays 9 am—4:00 pm	Borough Building	
Turtle Creek Borough	<b>Council Meeting</b> First Monday of each month: 7 pm	July 11 August 1 September 12	Borough Building	
SNAP Outreach	Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank	Local office closed. Contact <b>1-833-822-SNAP (7627)</b>	Human Svcs. Ctr. 519 Penn Avenue	
Turtle Creek Develop- ment Corporation	Monthly Meeting	Fourth Wednesday of each month 5:30 pm	1st Christian Church 201 Pine Street	
Turtle Creek Home Plate Vegetable Garden	Volunteer-run community garden, vegetable stand	Farm Stands Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10am-12. Donations accepted.	Hamilton Park	
Turtle Creek's Human Services Center	Hosts offices for service agencies	Open Monday—Friday 7 AM—5 PM	519 & 413 Penn Avenue	
PA CareerLink Office Hours	Job search, employment assistance	1st and 3rd Tuesdays 2pm-4:30pm	519 Penn Ave.	
Financial Empowerment Center	Receive free one-on-one financial coaching	Wednesday 8:30am-4:30pm	519 Penn Ave.	
Veterans Place Office	Veterans job search, employment assistance	Thursday 9am-12pm	519 Penn Ave.	

# THE **Turtle Creeker**

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Registration Table: Karen Thomas, Gary Lasser, an Lisa Susalla.50/50 tickets sold by Henrietta "Pee Wee" Palmer Jarvie

Turtle Creek/Turtle Creek Area High School All-Class Get Together was held on Sunday, September 4, 2022 at the Forest Hills Westinghouse Lodge on Greensburg Pike. Nearly 400 alumni and guests attended the event with attendees from the classes of 1949 thru 1985. People came from 19 states, including Alabama, Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and West Virginia. One of the nicest things about this gathering is many families had mini-reunions; namely, the Kaefer, Murray, Passmore, Saxman, Schake, Sellman, Silverio families and others. An informal meet-n-greet was held Friday evening at the Monroeville AOH-Irish Club. A special thank you to Joe Fallon and staff for accommodating us.

Registration began at 1 pm. Class photos were taken by Maria (Callas) Krishnaswamy. Anyone who missed ordering a class photo or other group photo may contact Maria at 412-742-9665 or marajphoto@yahoo.com. Pastor Bill Saxman, Class of 1953, delivered a beautiful prayer before a hot buffet was served. The event was catered by Dana Whitfield and her staff, who will be missed at the next get together as she will be retiring. A big thank you to all who donated cookies or desserts for our traditional Cookie Table. One of the highlights of the event is always Bill "Rocco" Marusko's evergrowing Memorabilia Table.

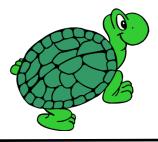
The planning committee, headed by Joe Murray, consisted of Melanie (Mikasinovich) Baden, Bob "Biggs" Conroy, Jim DeMuzzio, Beth Hamill, Gary Lasser, Bill "Rocco" Marusko, Henrietta "PeeWee" Palmer Jarvie, Cathy Patterson, Debbie (McLain) Sharp, Darcie (Sapida) Sinclair, Karen Thomas, and Valerie (Van Halanger) Warning. In addition to the committee members, tickets were sold by Dave Keller at Keller Hardware, Don Watt at Mathey's Auto Service, Ron Brannigan, and Doug Sellman. Additional helping hands during the event: Lisa Susalla, Colleen (Sanker) Caruso, Eileen (Nolan) Smeltz, Scott Craig, Danny Murray, Sheldon Schake, and soundman, Bill "Buzzy" Bordogna. If we overlooked thanking anyone who helped, your assistance was greatly appreciated.



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The Turtle Creek Development Corporation (TCDC) is committed to revitalizing and sustaining Turtle Creek as a livable community. TCDC is an all-volunteer organization. In addition to a variety of activities geared toward improving the quality of life for Turtle Creek residents, TCDC takes a lead role in housing rehabilitation, home ownership opportunities, and workforce development through a partnership with the Mon Valley Initiative.

TCDC meets on the 4th Wednesday of every month at 5:30 p.m. at the First Christian Church (201 Pine Street).



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# **Human Services Center**





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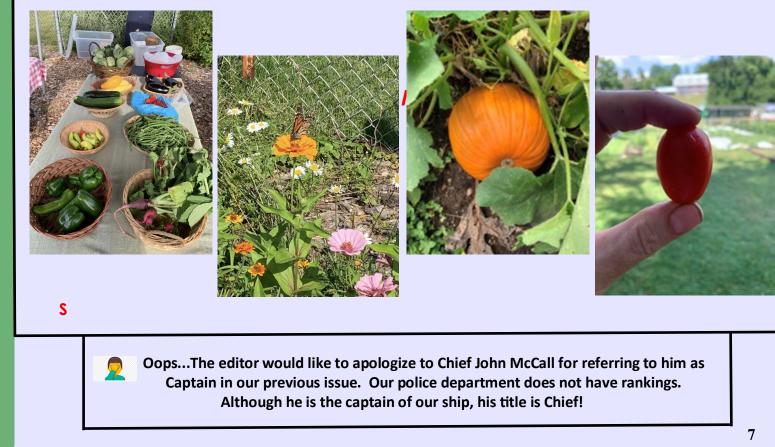
· 22nd Annual Mon Valley HIV/AIDS Awareness Walk, Saturday October 1 from 8:30am-12pm. Free and open to the public. Doors open at 8:30am for registration and we begin walking at 9am. Free HIV testing and resources will be available. Everyone is invited to stay after the Walk for a hotdog cookout and a chance to win prizes!

• Build Your Credit Webinar, hosted on Zoom by HSCC Wednesday October 12, 12pm-1pm. Join this free webinar to learn about credit and credit reports. Sign up at: <u>https://hscc-mvpc.org/event/build-credit/</u>

· COVID-19 Testing, HSCC 413 Penn Ave, each Friday 1pm-4pm, free COVID-19 testing. Appointments encouraged: https://curative.com/sites/27564

I am a Creeker. A simple enough statement. Right? One of the first things one learns about being a Creeker is how to pronounce the name of our hometown. It's Turtle Crick. I know this because I grew up here. My lovely wife is, unfortunately, a foreigner, from just across the border in Wilkins Township. Although she has many of the same memories of our youth, she is, nonetheless, not a Creeker. Growing up in Turtle Crick was great! I graduated from TCHS in 1964 (#.&#@, am I OLD !) and life was grand. We had great hangouts like Palmer's and Anton's and the Dairy Delite. Friday night football games, bonfires and snake dances. When it was hot out, we went to Burkes Glen or to Bluedell to swim. We went to Kennywood for our school picnic, and out to Roundhouse Road for a little romance. When there was a fight it was a couple punches thrown, not a shooting. It's no coincidence that "Memories" was the title of our high school yearbook. Sadly, that's all we have left of those golden days gone by. I have many more memories of T.C. Perhaps in a future issue I can some more of them with you. Submitted by Jim Topper

### Another Year at Turtle Creek Home Plate Garden





# Then and Now

#### **TC Memory Lane**