

•McCANDLESS TOWN CRIER•

TOWN OF McCANDLESS

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The Town's ongoing Transportation District is currently undertaking major improvements of the Cumberland Road/Babcock Boulevard intersection.

THE ROADWAYS OF THE TOWN OF McCANDLESS

Over the course of the past few years traveling through the Town has changed. Through the Town's comprehensive Transportation District, a program that incorporates Local and State resources, the Town has improved existing roadways and provided better traffic control equipment. The next phase of the program, already under way, is the reconstruction of the intersection at Babcock Boulevard and Cumberland Road. The reconstruction will raise Babcock Boulevard about five feet where it intersects with Cumberland Road to better facilitate the flow of traffic. Additionally, both Babcock Boulevard and Cumberland Road will be widened to three lanes to allow the creation of left turn lanes and to provide much need-

ed higher through-movement capacity. A new signal will also be installed at the Babcock/Cumberland intersection which will meet with the requirements of the other improvements being made on both roadways.

While the construction is under way on the improvements to the intersection, residents will have to temporarily alter their traffic patterns. From May 31 until approximately Mid-August, Babcock Boulevard will be closed between Cumberland Road and Duncan Avenue. During the second phase of construction, which will occur from approximately Mid-August to Mid-November, Babcock Boulevard will be closed between Cumberland Road and Whitley Drive and Cumberland Road, as it approaches

ORPHAN REAL ESTATE

Foresight is the hallmark of good government. By having a vision of future needs and opportunities government can take steps in the present that will help to improve the entire community. One way in which foresight is helping the residents of McCandless is through an orphan real estate program initiated years ago. The program identified properties that had gone unsold for extended periods and purchased them for later sale. Through the program the Town was able to combine a number of the lots into larger and more attractive parcels and was able to generate more interest as a result. The Town also showed confidence in the quality of life in McCandless, a confidence that has been borne out considering the recent boom of interest in real estate in McCandless.

The commercial viability of these parcels is a testament to the confidence and the foresight of the Town government and administration who saw a chance to build a better future for all of us where others only saw vacant lots.

Babcock Boulevard, will be closed to through traffic. Alternative routes will be marked by detour signs while construction takes place.

The Town of McCandless realizes that residents will experience an inconvenience to their daily routines but trusts that residents will realize that any inconvenience is temporary and will serve to improve the quality of life for the entire community. After the dust clears and the detour signs are removed, the Town and its residents will be rewarded with a road system that will be able to serve the Town now and in the future. Thank you for your patience and your cooperation as we work together to make our Town a better place in which to live.

POLICE REPORTS



As we all get set to enjoy the summer months after a long and harsh winter, the Police Department of the Town of McCandless would like residents to be aware of some important facts and tips that will make the summer more enjoyable. The first thing the Police Department would like residents to be aware of is that as temperatures begin to rise with the summer months, so does the incidence of crime. While increased awareness helps promote community safety, residents are urged to be aware of two particularly prevalent types of criminal activity that increase during the Summer: swindling and other business scams as well as burglary are unwelcome summer pests and, like mosquitos, certain steps must be taken to eliminate their ability to harm.

In the case of Swindlers and other Confidence Artists, the best advice is common sense. If you are offered a deal on any type of service that seems too good to be true, more than likely it *is* too good to be true! Swindlers make their money by promising services that they never deliver. They frequently disguise themselves as Carpenters or Roofers as well as Driveway Repair Workers, gaining admittance by telling prospective victims that they have been working in the vicinity and offering one time opportunities at tremendous savings. Needless to say those savings never come and the work is never completed. Always remember that any reputable business rarely resorts to such high pressure and immediate tactics to acquire clients. Additionally, any business that is legitimate and above board welcomes inquiries pertaining to its practices and prices. One way to combat swindlers is to remember to always ask for references and to always verify the legitimacy of the people whom you hire to perform a service. Verification also helps when dealing with solicitors who go door to door asking for donations. Remember that all solicitors are required by the Town to have a visible license in order to operate in McCandless and must produce credentials if asked. If someone does not meet this criteria then their activities are likely questionable.

Summer is also the time of year when we are most likely to go on vacation. Criminals are aware of this fact and step up their activities during this time. To help residents make their homes safer from these criminals the Police Department offers these tips:

- Inform the Police Department of your travel plans and apprise the Police Department of the appearance of your home.
- Stop all mail, milk, and newspaper deliveries or arrange for a neighbor to pick them up.
- Arrange for your lawn to be cared for.
- Plug your lights and T.V/Radio into a timer that approximates regular usage.
- Place empty rubbish cans out of the sight of potential criminals.
- Turn the bell volume down on your phones and if you own an answering machine, set it to pick up on the first ring.
- Close and lock all windows.
- If you leave your car, park it in the driveway. If you take your car, arrange for a neighbor to occasionally park theirs in

your driveway while you are away.

- Leave blinds and curtains in a normal position.
- Ask neighbors to watch your house and provide them with a number and address where you can be reached.

The most important thing to remember is that you are trying to make your home look occupied while you are away. An occupied home is far less appealing to a criminal planning a burglary.

In both cases, swindling and burglary, residents can cooperate with the Police Department by being more aware and by exercising common sense and caution. Cooperation with the Police Department *before* a crime occurs is the best way of preventing a crime. By working together we can ensure a safer summer for all the Town's residents.

EMERGENCY CALLS

Whenever an emergency situation arises time is crucial to generating the most effective response. Successful emergency response policy hinges on shaving minutes and seconds from the time a call is received and the time the emergency unit is dispatched. The Town, as part of its continuing effort to provide the best emergency service to McCandless residents, is

initiating a new one-number emergency extension that will maximize the response time of the Town's Police and Fire Departments. The new unified number (364-2250) will enable a quicker reaction time in the event of an emergency by streamlining the system and negating the need for residents to know two separate emergency numbers.

IMPORTANT FACTS & PHONE NUMBERS FOR McCANDLESS RESIDENTS

ELECTRIC : Duquesne Light 393-7100
Penn Power 758-6359

GAS : Equitable Gas 281-9911
Columbia Gas 1-800-942-2204

TELEPHONE : Bell Atlantic 1-800-292-2231
North Pittsburgh Telephone Company 443-9521

WATER: West View Water Authority 931-3292

SEWER : McCandless Township Sanitary Authority .. 366-2700

GARBAGE/RECYCLING: Waste Management of Pittsburgh..... 1-800-395-7422
or 266-8880

CABLE TELEVISION: TCI of Pennsylvania 741-1850

RECLAIMING OUR ROADS

Local residents and the Town Government have initiated a volunteer program which has as its goal the removal of litter from the side of the Town's roads. Those who have participated in the program know that it serves the Town of McCandless by creating a better public image for visitors to our community, allowing them to focus on our beautiful surroundings rather than stray bottles and gum wrappers. The program also acts as a reminder of the attachments we all have to each other and the community in which we live by affording us the opportunity to work beside one another in an effort to increase the beauty of our natural surroundings by removing unsightly distractions.

The program itself functions in cooperation with the Town of McCandless Department of Public Works and the Assistant Manager of the Town. Residents are encouraged to form small groups from which a representative, or "Captain", is chosen. The

Captain will then act as a liaison between the Town and the group. Once a road has been selected, the Town will provide high visibility safety vests, gloves, and bags to be used during the pick-up procedure. After the road has been cleaned, the Captain will then arrange with the Town for the disposal of the litter and the return of the collection equipment. Ideally this effort will be an ongoing—every six to eight weeks—commitment by the volunteers to improve the environment of their community.

A concerted program of separate groups working to beautify our roads can make a significant difference in the way we present our community to the world. We take pride in McCandless and we believe attention to small details improves the quality of life for all of us. If you would like more details on how to participate in the program please contact Edie Liguori at the Town Hall of McCandless.

THE LEASH AND THE LAW

As the warm weather returns and we all break our winter hibernation and resume outdoor activities, a perennial problem becomes more visible. The problem is the lack of responsible pet ownership, specifically a lack of concern for and control of dogs.

During the winter months the cold weather conspires to keep many animals close to home if not entirely indoors. When the temperature rises, however, some pet owners are more inclined to let their dogs run free. These dogs then wreak more havoc and can wander great distances because they are not disheartened by the cold. The summer months see an increase in people walking dogs without leashes and unsupervised dogs roaming away from their property which results in more dog bites and emergency room visits. The unrestrained animals also create more traffic accidents and property damage as a result of their being unattended. Additionally — and perhaps most importantly — the unattended pet is at increased risk of being lost or seriously harmed as a result of their owners lack of care and responsibility.

Pet owners should be aware that the Town of McCandless does have regulations concerning dogs and that those regulations are actively enforced. Dogs must be leashed when walking and tethered or in an enclosed area while on the owner's property. All waste materials deposited outside of the owner's property must be immediately picked up by the owner. Dogs must be licensed with the County and should be properly inoculated against rabies. Excessive and uncontrolled barking can also be considered a nuisance and is the responsibility of the owner to control.

These regulations are enforced to create a better, safer environment for both people and pets. Our community requires our cooperation in order to function and our dogs rely on our good judgement in order to live. Be fair to your neighbors and to your pets by assuming responsibility for your animal.

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

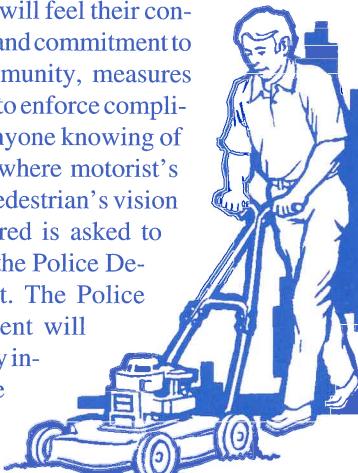
One of the enduring characteristics of the Town of McCandless is the beauty of our natural surroundings. The lush green foliage that flourishes throughout the Town is a source of community pride and pleasure. The Town has long sought to retain the appearance and character of the Town by exercising care and responsibility over the natural legacy with which it has been entrusted. The responsibility for the continued beauty of McCandless, however, rests on the shoulders of the individual property owner as much, if not more, than Town government.

The property owner can assume community responsibility in many ways. The proper care and maintenance of yards and foliage is one example of this kind of responsibility. If a property owner maintains their yard, they contribute to the entire community by making a statement of pride in the Town's appearance. Contrarily, property owners who do not attend to their homes and yards betray a public commitment to the aesthetic beauty of the Town.

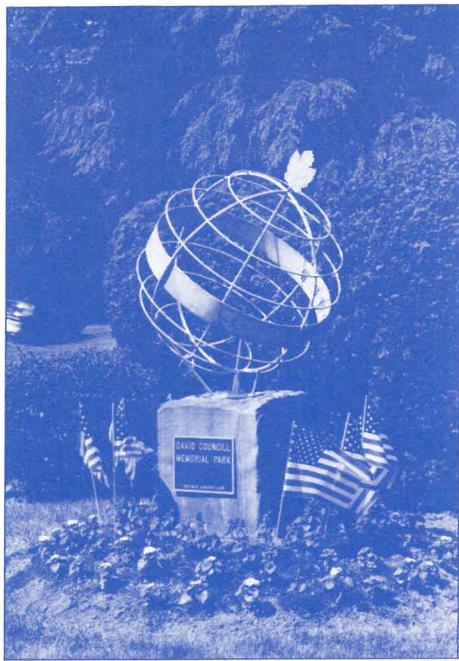
In addition to the lack of natural aesthetic appeal, an unkempt and overgrown yard can be dangerous to other people. Each year people are unnecessarily put at risk by overgrown trees and shrubs that obstruct the views of pedestrians and motorists. It is the property owner's responsibility to insure that a driver's line-of-sight is clear and unblocked by trees and shrubs. By abrogating this re-

sponsibility property owners place their fellow citizens at risk and contribute to increased insurance liability. While it is hoped that citizens will feel their connection and commitment to the community, measures do exist to enforce compliance. Anyone knowing of a street where motorist's and or pedestrian's vision is hindered is asked to contact the Police Department. The Police department will officially inform the property owner

of their responsibility and allow ten (10) days for the condition to be rectified. If the property owner does not comply and the condition persists, the Town's ordinances allow for the levying of fines. If the problem occurs on a Town Road, the Town itself may clear the obstruction and charge the owner for the costs incurred during the removal. While the Town prefers individual responsibility, it will act to protect the interests and safety of the community at large. Caring for our community and our neighbors requires that we attend to our trees and shrubs in a responsible fashion.



Another area of property responsibility concerns swimming pools and hot tubs. Nothing looks more inviting on a hot summer day than a swimming pool. Because of this the fences that surround swimming pools must be kept in good repair. Little children are attracted to pools and outdoor tubs and can easily be involved in a tragic acci- ➤



Members of the Ingomar Garden Club have maintained the David E. Councill Memorial Park for thirty-nine years.

NURTURING THE TOWN'S MEMORIES

Our community is much more than a collection of buildings and roads, it is the collected lives — past, present, and future — of the people and the experiences they share that truly shape the spirit of the Town of McCandless. In good times and bad, the fabric of our lives is interwoven with the knowledge of our shared heritage and pride. No different than the pride a family has for its members, our community thrives because people care about it and work to maintain the memory of those who have given their all to forge the spirit of the Town.

A wonderful example of community nurturing in action is the work done by the Ingomar Garden Club. For 39 consecutive years this non-profit group has volunteered their talents and time to make Councill Memorial Park an ongoing monument to

the sacrifice made by David E. Councill. David E. Councill was the first soldier from Ingomar killed during World War II and the memorial is a remembrance of his sacrifice and contribution to our future, as well as those made by all other soldiers killed in battle for our Country. The members of the Ingomar Garden Club have continued to honor the sacrifices made by David E. Councill and his compatriots by filling Memorial Park with beautiful blossoms year after year. The flowers are a fitting tribute to the peace we all enjoy, a peace made possible by sacrifices such as the one made by David E. Councill.

We would like to take this opportunity to applaud and thank the members of the Ingomar Garden Club for their untiring commitment to the spirit of the Town of McCandless. Their work is a reminder to all of us of that our community is, and always will be, a reflection of our combined lives. We urge residents to take the opportunity to view the effort of the Ingomar Garden Club and reflect on the giving nature of community in action. For those who would like to view the Memorial, it is located at the intersection of West Ingomar and Ingomar Heights Roads.

FESTIVAL TRAFFIC TANGLE

If you were one of the unfortunate residents who got caught in the traffic during last years Penn's Colony festival, you were not alone. There was no source of consolation in the shared experience of the traffic tangle emanating from the September gathering, only a common sense of annoyance at the inconvenience of clogged roadways. What is important to remember in this scenario, however, is that the Town of McCandless had and has no part in the

planning or execution of the Festival itself; this is an Allegheny County event. Because it is a County event and held on county property, the Town does not control the organization and operation of the event and its traffic control. So, if this September you find yourself caught in traffic, be aware that there are some events that are outside of the Town's ability to control because of our proximity to a large County facility.

FLYING HIGH

In a world that often promotes the sensationalistic and parades the lurid news of the day in front of the public eye, it is a refreshing change to be able to celebrate a commitment to excellence and community achievement.

On June 4, 1994, at Northmont United Presbyterian Church, Boy Scout Troop 335 held the "Night of 100 Eagles", an event which commemorated the troop's 30th anniversary and the induction of its 100th Eagle Scout. Attaining the level of Eagle Scout—the highest recognition in scouting — requires a commitment to learning and to the community. Eagle Scouts exemplify the mission of scouting and are dedicated to honor, excellence, and community ser-

vice. During the festivities, each of the existing Eagle Scouts were honored as well as the past Scoutmasters who gave of their time so these boys could reach the best part of themselves and realize their potential, both as scouts and as human beings. Local and national representatives of the Boy Scouts of America were also on hand to applaud the wonderful people who participated and participate in this valuable community legacy.

The Town of McCandless would like to add its heartfelt congratulations and appreciation to Boy Scout Troop 335 for their accomplishments and their commitment to the creation of community-minded citizens. We look forward to the continuation of the Troop and are sure that a "Night of 200 Eagles" is waiting in the future.

MAINTENANCE, continued

dent if fences are not able to keep them out. The Town Council recognized the dangers involved and established Ordinance #1104 which states "a fence be kept in good repair at all times and be in compliance with the standards set by the building code". A related Ordinance, #1122, requires that hot tubs must either be equipped with locking covers or be properly fenced. Property owners once again can show their commitment and responsibility by voluntarily complying with the fence regulations.

The responsibility of building and protecting our community begins and ends with each one of us. In order for our neighbors to care about us we must care about them in return. One beautiful property does not make a beautiful community but joins with a commitment by other citizens in creating a safer and more attractive place to live. The Town welcomes all efforts which emphasize our individual responsibilities in bettering the community in which we live.

INSIDE TOWN COUNCIL

As the millennium approaches, the way in which we live our lives is constantly changing; each new day brings some new scientific information or some new technological marvel that we have to accommodate in order to function and to grow. We are living in the age of information, a time when super-highways are just as likely to carry digitalized data as they are tractor trailers. In this age information is a vital commodity, a commodity that is so valuable the speed with which it is dispatched is now measured in micro-seconds. Provided with increased access to information, people are now demanding more opportunities to become involved in decisions that affect their lives; interactive is the buzz-word. Given the current hi-tech climate, it is somewhat ironic when we realize the finest example of interactivity available is not a computer-network or a virtual reality program, but the American form of representational government which has prospered for over 200 years.

The Town Council of McCandless carries on the American tradition of government by the people and for the people, a tradition that ensures all of us a voice in community decision making. Indeed, in order to best serve the community the Town Council *requires* the participation and interactive contributions of the citizens it represents, because it is their knowledge and wisdom that help provide the resources needed to make the right decisions for the community.

It is in the forum of the Town Council where the shape of our community is formed and decisions are made that affect our daily lives. The council seeks to arrive at balanced decisions with the overall good of the Town as the ultimate end. Because we live in a pluralistic society the Council has to deal with different opinions and opposing perspectives in achieving the best situation for McCandless as a whole. Assuring the continued well-being of the Town and its residents has, is, and always will be the primary mission of the Town Council.

The following articles focus on some of the issues faced by the Town Council in the past year. We trust that you will see the complexity of the issues and appreci-

ate how each issue is thoroughly examined before any decision is made. We also believe that the participatory and interactive nature of the municipal decision making process affords Americans a unique opportunity to directly engage in the process of government. The Town Council takes its business very seriously and these issues and decisions were arrived at after serious consideration with the valuable input of concerned citizens. We urge more of our citizens to actively contribute to their government and their community by attending and participating in the regularly scheduled Council meetings. Scientists say that interactive is the word of and the world of tomorrow, but interactivity is already alive and working in the world of today, in your municipal government.

AUGUST 23, 1993

The Town Council held a public hearing concerning the establishment of an Agricultural Security Area. The proposal was initiated by farm owners in the North Hills area under the auspices of the "agricultural security area law" — Act 43 of 1981 — which was created to promote the continued use of land for agricultural purposes. The law allows farmers to join together in order to qualify for the special protection the establishment of such an area provides. In order to qualify for consideration the land in question has to equal at least 500 acres; the proposal submitted covered 41 separate farms and 2863 acres of farmland. While only 18.8 acres of that land was within the Town's boundaries the law still required the Council to respond to the petition within 180 days.

The Council and the administrative staff quickly set about the task of coordinating the procedures required by law to properly review the petitions. These procedures involved the evaluation of the petitions by the Planning Commission and the submission of the petitions to the Agricultural Security Advisory Committee for study. The Committee — which consists of three active farmers, one citizen, and one member of the governing body — had to be formed to fairly reflect the multijurisdictional character of the peti-

tions. To this end the Town Council co-operated with The North Hills Council of Governments (an association of local municipal governments) while at the same time keeping the specific issues that affected McCandless close to hand.

Before the proposal could be approved it was first necessary for the Agricultural Security Advisory Committee and the Planning Commission to ascertain the agricultural viability of the land in question. The Planning Commission, after careful study, arrived at the conclusion that the farmland within the McCandless boundaries (The Eichner Farm) did possess the requisite soil for agricultural production and that it was currently being used for just this purpose. All would seem to be straight forward at this point but the Commission and the McCandless Town Council had the foresight to be aware of the potential conflict with the proposed section of the Harmony Trail that runs through the Town and which abuts a 3.3 acre parcel of the Eichner's Farm. Because the stipulations of the Agricultural Security Area give the right to farm owners to approve or disapprove any condemnation of land for public use, it was possible that future options concerning the use of the old Harmony-Short Line rail-bed would be limited if the Town did not act to protect its interests. This situation is an illustration of how the Town Council weighs the private benefits accrued against the possible future good of the Town when making any decision.

The Town Council listened to citizens and heard and read reports from a variety of professional and private sources. They weighed the desire of the property owners for the increased protection of their farms along with the potential for a possible recreational addition to the Town. Without committing themselves to any future course of action, the Council excluded a strip of land 1895 feet long and fifteen feet wide from the Agricultural Security Area in order that they could protect future recreational possibilities and afford more latitude in which to address the Town's needs.

On September 7, 1993 the Council passed Resolution #14 of 1993, which called for the establishment of an ➤

Agricultural Security Area. This area — remains in effect for seven years, after which it will be reviewed — provides additional protection to farm owner's by prohibiting the imposition of ordinances that unreasonably restrict farm practices. The area also states that farming practices cannot be deemed nuisances and, as such, are exempt from nuisance ordinances that typically deal with noise and odors. The placement of hazardous and low level radiation waste sights within the area is also prohibited. A further benefit of the area, one previously mentioned, is the farm owner's right of approval concerning condemnation of their land. This right insures their ability to maintain the agricultural heritage of their land by limiting Governments prior right to condemn said land for community purposes. By arriving at a balanced decision Council was able to provide for the future of farms and farming within the Town of McCandless while at the same time reserving for itself and the citizens of the Town the right to be able to choose its own future. Because of their thorough and informed approach the Council was able to achieve a decision that addressed private concerns without compromising public interests.

SEPTEMBER 27, 1993

The line between public good and private interests and rights is thin and Town Council has to walk carefully along its length in order to make the fairest possible decisions. The proposed conversion of the rail bed of the defunct Harmony Short Line Railroad is a case in point of the difficulties that arise when walking the line between public and private worlds.

The discussion began in earnest when

the County approached the Town with an offer of matching funds to develop a pilot program of the Harmony Trail between Potter Park and a lot north of Pine Creek Road. The proposed segment of trail would cover only one-third of a mile and would connect two properties already owned by the Town of McCandless. In addition to connecting the two properties the trail would provide increased educational and recreational opportunities to all McCandless residents by improving access to these natural resources. To this end, the County offered to match dollars with the Town at the ratio of 2:1 up to a total of \$24,000, with further potential funding from the Federal Government through the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA ACT). All of the funding would be directed to complete a study design to determine the feasibility and character of the pilot trail. Procedures involved in this process would include topographical and landscape design studies and cost estimates for the implementation of the project as well as surveys and deed searches. It is important to

note that the Town would oversee all of this work and that participation in the study does not commit the Town to a pre-determined course of future action.

After receiving the offer the Town Council began the involved process of examining the benefits and the detriments of the proposed agreement. The offer itself seemed to be congruent with the Town's prior desire to link Potter and Vestal Parks to allow for more resident usage of both facilities. But rather than

act precipitously, Council encouraged the input of concerned citizens before arriving at a definitive conclusion. Several citizens opposing the pilot program who owned land where the proposed trail would cross, voiced concerns that the program itself was just a prelude to the much larger Harmony Trail project. They were apprehensive that Town participation in an undefined program would entail commitments to the Harmony Trail project which would circumvent the Town's ability to maintain control and would ultimately compromise their right to privacy. Along with these concerns, the Council also heard many positive comments concerning the development of the pilot trail, many of which cited the wonderful recreational benefits the trail would provide. The bi-polar opinions of residents are an example of what Council has to take into consideration when making any decision.

On October 4, 1993, Council was ready to act on Resolution #17 of 1993 which concerned the adoption of a contribution agreement with the County of Allegheny to construct a pilot segment of a bicycling and walking trail to help determine the feasibility of the Harmony Trail. At this point the Council, with the input of the Town's attorney, decided to amend some of the language in the agreement in order to retain control of the disposition of the project and to further protect the individual rights of property owners whose land is adjacent to the proposed path of the trail. By placing a "by agreement and/or purchase" codicil in the agreement the Council sought to protect the future rights of McCandless citizens against unilateral action by any other governing body. With this done the Council thought it best to approve the adoption of the agreement. They felt it was the best way of developing a detailed study examining the trail without committing unnecessary funds and without obligation to a larger project. This study will provide all parties with more concrete information on which to base their opinions. The agreement that was made gives McCandless the option to build the trail and, if built, all future jurisdiction over its usage. By acting in this way the Town Council served the interests of private individuals as well as developing options for the benefit of the public good.

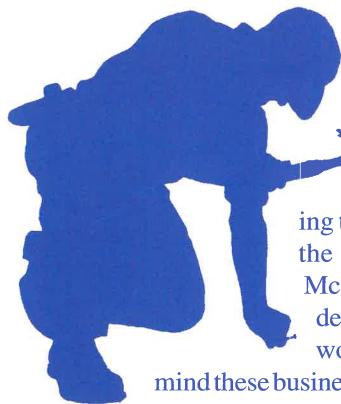
REMODELING REMINDER

As the Town of McCandless continues to thrive and to grow, local businesses strive to better serve their community. Many familiar places are expanding or undergoing some form of structural or cosmetic improvement to facilitate their customers

needs. Along with these established companies, many new businesses are opening their doors for the first time to McCandless residents. The Town

would like to remind these business owners, old and new, that any form of construction and remodeling must conform with the Town's established building codes and ordinances.

Particularly important is the compliance with sprinkler-system regulations in all bars, restaurants, and other commercial eating establishments. When any such business undertakes a remodeling project, they must update their sprinkler-system to meet with current standards. While these standards are in effect for all establishments, it is vital for those business owners contemplating an improvement or addition to their place of operation to be aware



of their legal responsibilities.

The Town of McCandless enjoys its relationship with its business community and strives for the best possible environment for those businesses to serve the Town's residents. We trust that the business community agrees with us that in order to create that environment, customer

safety must always come first. Compliance with the Town's Building Codes and Ordinances creates a safe environment for customers and a foundation for future success for the business owner. For more information on building and remodeling requirements, contact Allen Baldwin at the Town Hall, extension 369-7905.

HOT TUB REGULATIONS

Many McCandless residents have installed Hot Tubs so that they may enjoy the soothing warmth of the relaxing waters. For many people the tubs are perceived as a pleasant alternative to the more active and youth attracting environment of swimming pools. Because of the fact that Hot Tubs are not generally associated with children some people forget that they still hold the same appeal to curious youngsters and, unless protected, present the same dangers as much larger swimming pools. To ensure the proper protective environment exists the Town requires that all exterior Hot Tubs be either enclosed with a wall or fence that complies with the standards itemized in the BOCA Building Code, or that the Hot Tub be equipped with a locking cover which will be placed over the Hot Tub whenever it is not in use. The Town also requires that all Hot Tub installation meet the requirements of the

Town's adopted Building and Fire Code regulations. These standards are in place to help prevent tragic accidents and to allow people to enjoy their leisure time safely and responsibly.

LEAF BAGS

The Town's successful leaf pick-up program will continue this fall. Residents will once again be able to rake leaves into some streets for collection by the Town. In 1994 the program runs from Monday, October 24, to Friday, November 25, and will again be constituted of a regularly scheduled weekly collection day for each of the Town's roads and streets. McCandless residents who live on state maintained and collector roads have to follow a different procedure. On these roads leaves *cannot* be raked into the street and must instead be bagged prior to being picked up the Town. The Town will provide the first 25 leaf bags free of charge while additional bags will be provided at cost. For the leaf pick up schedule for your street, consult the back of your 1994 Town of McCandless calendar.

REFUSE REMOVAL

The Town's contract with its refuse remover, Waste Management of Pittsburgh, expires this year. The Town will soon be taking bids from refuse service providers and will accept the lowest responsible bid. The new contract will continue to focus on the correct recycling of materials and will reflect the participation of McCandless citizens in the task of reclaiming our materials and our environment. If a new hauler is the lowest responsible bidder, look for information in the mail from the hauler in early December. More detailed information concerning the new contract and pricing structures will be included in the 1995 Town of McCandless calendar.

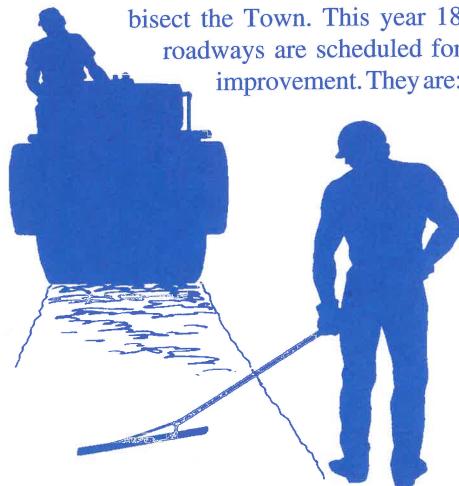
RECYCLING REMINDER

Proper recycling is a community wide project. In order to have the best possible return for our efforts, both environmentally and practically (in the form of built in cost reductions from refuse carriers), we must encourage complete resident awareness and participation. To achieve this goal we wish to remind residents that newspapers and magazines are now included among the articles that *must* be recycled. Since January 1, 1994, the Town's refuse carrier has been picking these items up for inclusion in the recycling program. Newspapers and magazines *must* be tied in bundles with twine or string in order to be taken away. Help your Town and your environment, recycle diligently and correctly.

***The Town of McCandless
is an Equal Opportunity
Government. McCandless
will make reasonable
accommodations to its
programs and services to
assure access to all persons.
If because of a disability
you require an accommoda-
tion, please contact Edith
Liguori, (412) 364-0616.***

THE McCANDLESS ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM '94

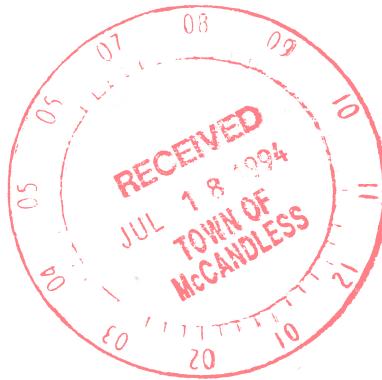
The Town of McCandless, through its Department of Public Works, continues to maintain and improve the streets and roadways of the Town. The Town's ongoing and comprehensive road maintenance programs has as its goal a safe and functional road system for all Town residents. The Town believes that the best way to accomplish that goal is through regular maintenance and improvement of the roads and streets that bisect the Town. This year 18 roadways are scheduled for improvement. They are:



TOWN OF McCANDLESS
9955 GRUBBS ROAD
WEXFORD, PA 15090



STREET:	FROM:	TO:
Birch Avenue	Perry Highway	Turnaround
Chippewa Avenue	Pontiac Avenue	Iroquois Avenue
East Fairview Avenue	Perry Highway	Melwood Avenue
East Sandle Avenue	Perry Highway	Melwood Avenue
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Linden Road	Richard Road	Plan Line
Melwood Avenue	East Sandle Avenue	East Fairview Avenue
Mohawk Avenue	Chickasaw Avenue	Mohican Avenue
Mohican Avenue	Hillcrest Avenue	Turnaround
Montclair Avenue	Perry Highway	Turnaround
Nixon Road	Birch Avenue	Turnaround
Oneida Avenue	Highland Road	Mohican Avenue
Pontiac Avenue	Chickasaw Avenue	Seneca Avenue
Ringeisen Road	Duncan Avenue	Sample Road
Seminole Avenue	Old Perry Highway	Huron Avenue
Seneca Avenue	Pontiac Avenue	Chickasaw Avenue
Sunset Road	Old Perry Highway	West Ingomar Road
Weller Drive	Perry Highway	Linden Road



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