



# Borough of Perkasie



NEWS FROM COUNCIL

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**MEETING SCHEDULE:**

Borough Council:

1st Monday at 7 p.m.

Borough Council:

3rd Monday at 7 p.m.

Zoning Hearing Board:

4th Monday at 7:30 p.m.

PBA:

1st Mon. & 3rd Tues. at 7 p.m.

Planning Commission:

2nd & 4th Wed. at 7:30 p.m.

Park & Recreation Board

1st Wednesday at 7 p.m.

PWTA:

4th Monday at 7:30 p.m.

Please check

www.perkasieborough.org for updates to schedule.

## Renovations Complete at Aquatics Center

When the Menlo Aquatic Center opens on May 25th, visitors will notice a welcome change to the bath house.

After three months of construction, the final phase of the Aquatic Center remodeling project has been completed on time and under budget. The bathroom renovation included replacing the concrete floor with a slip-resistant tile material. Updated plumbing, new toilets, a double vanity, and a fresh coat of paint were also included in the project.



The pool opens May 25th with the annual Memorial Day Party being held from Noon to 8:00 pm. The party is free for members and includes a DJ and prizes! From

May 26th to June 19th, the pool will be open Monday through Friday from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm. The Aquatics Center will be open full-time beginning on Saturday, June 20th. Recreation swim will be held from 11:00 am to 8:00 pm for the rest of the season.

Memberships can be purchased during hours of operation at the pool. Remember to bring proof of residency, including a Borough electric bill and identification. Make sure to leave plenty of time since membership pictures will be taken.

**Security at the Pool**

The Borough would like to remind all visitors of the Aquatic Center of the availability of the pool.

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## Borough Wins State Web Site Award!

The Borough of Perkasie won second place in the 2009 Municipal Web Site Contest hosted by the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs (PSAB)! All entries were evaluated by the PSAB leadership and effective local government leaders. The Borough won the award in the 7,500 and over population category. The content was evaluated based on proper coverage of Borough functions and activities of differ-

ent departments in a way that is easily understood by residents. Clarity and effectiveness is also highlighted, stressing the importance of providing citizens with information that allows them to better understand local government and its function. The layout and design was also evaluated, ensuring that the Web site encourages residents to read and use the site as a resource.

## Household Hazardous Waste & Old Computer Collection



*“To dispose of latex paint, let it air dry to a solid. It may be placed out with trash once thoroughly dry.”*

### What can you bring?

As many as three old computers and up to 25 gallons or 220 pounds of hazardous products. Read the label! Hazardous products will have cautionary words on the label. If there are no words indicating it is a hazardous product, it likely isn't. Dispose of it in your regular trash!

The County of Bucks sponsors Household Hazardous Waste Days each year that include recycling of computers.

### Why?

Household products containing toxic chemicals, like pesticides, oil based paints, solvents, cleaning products, weed killers and automotive batteries can be a threat to people and the environment if improperly discarded. Never throw these materials into the trash, as the toxic chemicals may harm sanitation workers, or result in fires in collection vehicles. It is also not safe to pour

them into a sink or storm drain as they can end up in the environment polluting the air, water, or soil.

### Do Not Bring

- Latex Paint (it is not toxic – it is water based)
- Appliances (with or without Freon)
- Asbestos
- Biological Waste
- Explosives
- Gas Cylinders (Greater than 20 lbs.)
- Household Batteries (regular alkaline)
- PCBs
- Pressurized CFCs (greater than 1 lb.)
- Radioactive Waste
- Tires

For more information, contact:

- The PADEP Recycling Hotline at (800) 346-4242
- Bucks County Planning Commission for disposal suggestions at (215) 345-3400

As a resident of Bucks County, you may participate in any of the days listed below. **Hours are 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.** Collections are held rain or shine.

**Saturday, June 20** | Upper Bucks County Area Vo-Tech School, 3115 Ridge Road, Bedminster Township

**Saturday, July 18** | Middle Bucks Institute of Technology, 2740 Old York Road, Warwick Township

**Saturday, August 15** | Bucks County Technical High School, 610 Wistar Road, Bristol Township

**Saturday, September 26** | Quakertown Community Pool, 601 W. Mill Street, Quakertown Borough

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# Menlo Aquatic Center Opens May 25th!

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ity of lockers. For just \$1.00, you can rent a locker to store all of your stuff while you enjoy the pool. Cell phones, iPods, money and other valuables should not be left unattended at any time. To prevent theft, rent a locker. Remember, the Borough or Aquatic Center is not liable for any lost or stolen items. If you do notice that one of your personal items has been stolen, please contact a pool staff member immediately so that the police can be notified. The Borough also encourages users to lock their bikes!

### Great Food To Go!

Do you really love the delicious ice cream from the pool's snack bar? Do you wish you could en-



joy a fresh, hot slice of pizza on your lunch break? The Borough has made ordering from the pool snack bar an ease by opening a new service window outside the confines of the pool! Patrons can now order their favorite foods without having to enter the pool grounds. Just look for the open window on the front of the building.

### Pool Programs

There are a lot of fun programs at the pool this year. Swimming lessons will once again be offered, along with the Sunday night Flick N Float fun! DJ parties will be held several times over the summer. And don't forget to schedule your pool party starting May 25th. Call (215) 453-7126 or check out the 2009 Park & Recreation Guide.

## Borough Reminds Residents to Follow the Rules!

The Borough of Perkasié has seen a significant rise in the cost associated with the pick up and disposal of trash and bulky items. In order to close the gap, Public Works crews will be attempting to provide accurate and timely information to the residents of Perkasié Borough concerning the rules and regulations dealing with trash collection and the 'pay as you throw' program.

This will be accomplished by leaving notes reminding residents of the regulations that have always been in place and adopted by ordinance concerning weight of bag, items which need to be in bags and also the amount placed out for collection. Crews will more closely follow the intent of the rules. Residents are reminded that the large bags may not exceed 40 lbs. in weight while the small bags should not exceed 20 lbs. Trash is considered "anything that is generated within a household" and all these items must be placed in a Borough Bag. The best rule to follow is "if it fits in a bag it must be in a Borough Bag".

For a complete copy of the rules and regulations, please visit [www.perkasiéborough.org](http://www.perkasiéborough.org). We thank you in advance for your cooperation with this matter as we continue to strive to provide the best service possible to the residents of Perkasié.

## Clean Water is Everyone's Business!

### 10 Things You Can Do to Prevent Storm Water Runoff Pollution:

1. Use fertilizers sparingly and sweep up driveways, sidewalks, and gutters.
2. Never dump anything down storm drains or in streams.
3. Vegetate bare spots in your yard.
4. Compost your yard waste.
5. Use the least toxic pesticides, follow labels, and learn how to prevent pest problems.



6. Direct downspouts away from paved surfaces; consider a rain garden to capture runoff.
7. Take your car to the car wash instead of washing it in the driveway.
8. Check your car for leaks and recycle your motor oil.
9. Pick up after your pet.
10. Have your septic tank pumped and system inspected regularly.



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## Homeowners Are Eligible for Budget Plan

Are you tired of having high summer and winter electric bills? Spread out those bills to have a more even bill all year round.

The Borough Electric Department offers a budget billing program to homeowners that have a one-year established billing history. This billing option will generate a monthly bill for actual electric charges; however, the total due will be a pre-determined monthly average of utility services based on your billing history and evaluated every month.

This plan is for customers caught up on their utility bill; this is not a payment plan for catching up on past due accounts. For more information on our budget billing program please contact the Borough at (215) 257-5065.

## Street Sweeping Begins in June

Perkasie Borough will begin street sweeping on June 1st and continue through Friday, June 5th. Residents are encouraged to move their vehicles off the streets.

**Monday:** streets that are north of the railroad tracks and bounded by the Sellersville Borough line and Ridge Road.

**Tuesday:** streets bounded by the Sellersville Borough line to Chestnut St. and south of the railroad tracks extending to Second St.

**Wednesday:** those streets bounded by Chestnut St. to Vine St. and Seventh St. to Second St.

**Thursday:** all of South Perkasie from the creek to the Hilltown Twp. Line.

**Friday:** those streets bounded by Vine St. to Blooming Glen Dr. and Seventh St. to the Perkiomen Creek.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact the Perkasie Borough Public Works Dept. at (215) 257-6860. This schedule is weather permitting and may be adjusted accordingly.