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LETTER FROM MAYOR HOLLENBACH

What a wondrous time is spring, trees budding, birds singing, and flowers blooming! I am glad to shrug off the cold winter, especially this winter!

As I set out this morning I donned my light jacket over a fleece vest, I could feel the warmth of the sun, and allowed my mind to wander to the heat of summer, the shade of trees, the smell of mowed lawns, the sounds of baseball, tennis, and the laughter of people at the pool.

So, as we continue the cleanup from the ravages of winter storms, we look forward to cook outs, picnics in the park swimming at Menlo Aquatic Center, and trips to the shore and mountains. But the best part of all this is greeting neighbors and friends in our community; participating or attending the Little League Parade, the Memorial Day Parade, and Community Day.

Truly we are blessed to live in a community and a country where we have so many things to build, share, and enjoy together. So, spring clean, open the windows, and greet one another. Then look for how you may be a bigger part of Perkasio, by volunteering on a committee, board service club, or any of the opportunities available, and needed, where your talents and interests may be of service to all.

We have a great community, be a part of continuing, and building it for the next generations.

Blessings,

John D. Hollenbach, Mayor



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1% Decrease in Customer Rates; Power Supply Master Plan Shows Savings

After a brutal winter, residents in Perkasio are benefitting from a small savings on their rates while other communities faced an unexpected hike. The Perkasio Borough Council voted to decrease 2014 rates by 1% beginning in January.

The Borough finalized its Master Plan for the Electric Utility in the summer of 2012, which serves as a guide for the amount of future wholesale power needs, the diversity of power supplies, and the timing of such purchases over multiple years. By November of 2012, Borough Council authorized the purchase of three additional blocks of power for future years. Their next purchase came in the spring of 2013, and included a load-following product that saved the Borough close to \$300,000 during January of this year. The product secured all electric requirements above the block purchases already in place at a fixed price.

“January’s cold temperatures put a huge demand on the power grid, even with all available generation online,” stated Public Utility Chairman Jim Purcell. “Borough Council had purchased a load-following product for the remaining 10% of the Borough’s needs back in 2013. Because of that product, the Borough avoided most of those extravagant charges that are caused by high demand.”

“The Power Supply Master Plan was designed to help the Borough reduce future costs by planning well in advance and allowing the Borough to average the purchase costs to avoid high market rates in years to come,” said Jim Ryder, Borough Council President. “The electric market has changed dramatically from how it was in the past. It’s good to see our customers saving money as a result of that action. It’s a small step, but a step in the right direction.”

The Borough Council has looked at a wide variety of products since 2008 with the goal of having a diverse portfolio. In 2012, Council considered a wind farm project in Northwest Ohio with a 20 year agreement. After looking at an engineering analysis of the plant, the Council voted against the product due to the bad timing of the project as compared to the Borough’s actual needs, and the prices were not as competitive as market-based products projected during the same ten year horizon.

In the spring of 2011, Borough Council reviewed a Landfill Gas Project. Specifically, that project utilizes methane gas from three landfills to drive a turbine to produce electricity. Because the Borough had already purchased 100% of needs through 2013, the timing of this project was also not ideal and, ultimately, Borough Council voted against participating in the project.

The Borough receives power by right through New York Power

Authority (NYPA), the largest State-owned power authority in the United States. The New York Power Authority sells electric power to government agencies, community-owned electric systems and rural electric cooperatives, companies, private utilities for resale (without profit) to their customers, and to neighboring states, under federal requirements.

The Power Supply Master Plan recommends that Borough Council purchase the remaining needs for 2016 and 2017 during this year. This is about 20% of the Borough’s overall requirements for those years. In March, Council authorized their electric consultant, Garrett Cole of GDS Associates, Inc. to seek indicative pricing for the purchase. The product will be similar to the 2014/2015 AEP purchase – a load-following product that would serve the remaining needs at a fixed price.

“The year 2016 will be momentous for the Borough’s Electric Utility,” said Ryder. “That will be the first year where all of the electric purchases are a result of the Power Supply Master Plan and the contracts left from the 2008 spike are over. Our purchasing portfolio will remain diverse in the future. While we know that there will be some increases in charges related to the utility that is out of our hands, we hope to be able to get our rates below neighboring utilities and stay there going forward.”

“The Borough’s Electric Utility has proven to be very reliable,” stated Purcell. “Looking back over the big storms in the last 3-4 years, our customers enjoyed power when most others were out for hours, days or even weeks at a time. That’s the advantage of living or doing business in a public power community. We have a dedicated team of linemen that focus on proactively maintaining our system so the lights stay on.”

The Borough Council continues to have an active Public Utility Committee consisting of members of Council that analyzes potential power purchases and makes recommendations to all of Council. “Council is committed to staying focused on keeping the electric utility rates competitive. We are looking into all kinds of options at this point, even possibly putting in a natural gas generator in the Borough. The Borough has not generated any of its own power since before the 1950’s. We’ve looked at wind and solar in the past, and the price was just not competitive over 20-30 years. A natural gas fired turbine may be the way to go. There is a lot more research that needs to be done on this option, and if it doesn’t turn out to be suitable for the town, then we’ll keep exploring options for the future.”



PERKASIE PARKS AND RECREATION

NEW WEBSITE ALLOWS ON-LINE REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT



The Perkasio Borough Recreation Department has a new website: www.perkasierec.com

The new website permits participants to maintain an account for themselves and/or their family. The account includes information that allows family members to register for the various events and activities offered by Perkasio Recreation throughout the year. Establishment of an account also eliminates the need to fill out the same information on numerous forms; plus you can review what you have signed up for anytime you wish.

Please go to www.perkasierec.com and click on the Create New Account button to open your account providing us with emergency contacts, allergy/medical info & more so we can serve you better. Don't forget to enter your cell number with the carrier so we can text you with any last minute changes. **Be sure to then add all the members of your household into the account.** Your new household account will provide you with registrations history, financial history and much more. Register now for summer camps!

PERKASIE RECREATION SUMMER CAMPS

TITLE: STARDUST CERAMICS

DATE: June 30 to July 3

TIME: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

AGE: 5 and older

COST: \$90.00

LOCATION: Menlo Park Pavilion #1

DESCRIPTION: Perkasio's Stardust Ceramics & Pottery will bring out the inner artist in your child. Participants will explore different ceramics art forms each day including hand -building with clay, making wearable art and learning different glazing and painting techniques for ceramics. Please bring a smock and lunch or snack. Contact Stardust Ceramics at 215 257-2632 with any questions.



COST: \$130.00

LOCATION: Menlo Pavilion #2

DESCRIPTION: Participants will learn stagecraft while creating their own play. Disciplines of the actor are introduced through theatre games. Movement, voice, theater terms and listening are practiced daily. The week culminates in a performance for friends and family. Everyone should bring a drink and lunch each day.

TITLE: COMPUTER EXPLORERS:
CREATE YOUR OWN VIDEO GAME

DATE: July 14 - 18

TIMES: 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. OR 12:30 - 2:30 p.m.

AGE: 7 - 11 years old

COST: \$135.00

LOCATION: Borough Hall, public meeting room

DESCRIPTION: Participants will have fun and success as they creatively design, build and edit their own video games from scratch. Design the action and the characters. Participants will feel a sense of power as they control their own characters.

TITLE: GEO VENTURES ZOMBIE SURVIVAL CAMP

DATE: July 7 to July 11, 2014

TIME: 9:00 a.m. to Noon

AGE: 6-10 years old

COST: \$115.00 (includes participant t-shirt. *Need t-shirt size*)

LOCATION: Skate Park Pavilion

DESCRIPTION: Are you prepared for the zombie invasion? Become a member of the Zombie Outbreak Response Agency. As a ZORA agent you will learn proper protocol for building zombie-proof shelters, locating supply caches using GPS, signaling skills to communicate with other agents, tracking the undead movements and camouflaging to hide among the zombie legions. Join the resistance for this post-apocalyptic camp.

TITLE: GEO VENTURES ECO ARTIST

DATE: July 21 through July 25, 2014

TIME: 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

AGE: 6-10 years old

COST: \$115.00 (includes participant t-shirt. *Need t-shirt size*)

LOCATION: Skate Park Pavilion

DESCRIPTION: Nature can be marvelously messy. EcoArtists create masterpieces using materials and inspiration drawn from nature. Activities include painting with unconventional materials, pressing flowers and leaves, and sculpting with sand and plaster. The week concludes with a gala art show in the park for families and friends.

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TITLE: CREATIVE THEATRE CAMP

DATE: July 7-11

TIME: 9:00 am - 2:30 pm

AGE: 5 - 11 years

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TITLE: GEOVENTURES SAFARI JUNIOR CAMP

DATE: July 21 to July 25

TIME: 9:00 - Noon

AGE: 6-10 years

COST: \$115.00 (includes participant t-shirt. Need t-shirt size)

LOCATION: Skate Park Pavilion

DESCRIPTION: It's a jungle out there and Junior Safari Explorers are heading out on an adventure to explore the outdoors and the thrilling plants and animals that dwell there. Armed with your binoculars and magnifying glasses, campers will work to answer some of the world's biggest (and smallest) questions. Campers will learn what to do when encountering wild animals, identify prints and tracks, go on exploratory hikes and a nature scavenger hunt, and investigate how animals camouflage themselves plus much more. Are you ready to go on a Safari Adventure?

NOTE: Campers registering for both the Safari Junior and EcoArtists Camps receive a \$10.00 total discount.

TITLE: MAD SCIENCE RED HOT ROBOTS

DATE: July 21 through July 25, 2014

TIME: 9:00 - Noon

AGE: 5 - 12 years old

COST: \$165.00 (includes materials)

LOCATION: Menlo Pavilion #1

DESCRIPTION: Join us for a week of fun with amazing robots! In this full week of half-days, learn about the uses of robots in our world and spend time experimenting with super cool red-hot robots. Experiment with sound sensing robots, line-tracking robots, amphibious robots and robots that can even play soccer! Discover the science of circuits and how robots use sensors to explore things around them. Use your skills to build your very own working robot to take home with you!

TITLE: MAD SCIENCE SPY ACADEMY

DATE: July 28 - August 1, 2014

TIME: 9:00 - Noon

AGE: 5 - 12 years old

COST: \$135.00

LOCATION: Menlo Pavilion #1

DESCRIPTION: Become a Mad Science - Secret Agent and take a fascinating journey into the world of detection, forensics and classified information. Learn code language to send secret



messages as part of your mission. Go undercover and decode messages from other agents using your top secret clearance. Investigate a pretend crime scene and sift through clues to crack the case. Join the Mad Science Bureau of Investigation to gain observational skills that are necessary for the job. Follow Sherlock's footsteps to learn what tracks and trails can teach us. Take home projects include a detective kit, secret decoder, fingerprint kit and more!

TITLE: STARDUST CERAMICS "RECYCLED ART"

DATE: July 28 - August 1, 2014

TIME: 9:00 - Noon

AGE: 5 and older

COST: \$90.00

LOCATION: Menlo Pavilion #2

DESCRIPTION: Learn how to reuse items found around your home to create art.

TITLE: BRICKS4KIDZ: LEGO MINECRAFT

DATE: August 4 - 8

TIME: Noon - 3:00 p.m.

AGE: 8 - 12 year olds

COST: \$240.00

LOCATION: Borough Hall public meeting room

DESCRIPTION: Participants will face new challenges every day, placing their brick-blocks to build a shelter before the monsters come out at night. Experience the world of Minecraft in this camp where participants will build mobs, critters and tools using LEGO bricks. At the end of the week, all Miners and Crafters will go home with a custom minifigure.

TITLE: BRICKS4KIDZ: SAVE THE PLANET SUPER HEROES

DATE: August 4 - 8

TIME: 9:00 - Noon

AGE: 5 - 7 years old

COST: \$240.00

LOCATION: Borough Hall public meeting room

DESCRIPTION: Build Super Heroes with LEGO bricks. Explore all the caped crusaders and discover their super powers by building unique models to explore how they defeat the bad guys. At the end of the week, all Super Hero Campers will go home with a custom minifigure.

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Townwatch Program

The Perkasie Borough Police Department is organizing a Townwatch Program. The initial meeting was held on February 25 with dozens of interested residents in attendance. Townwatch is a group of volunteers who observe and report on suspicious criminal behavior taking place in public areas of the community. Since Perkasie Police provides police service to Sellersville and Perkasie, the new Townwatch will patrol both communities as well. The police department is seeking volunteers from Perkasie and Sellersville to help energize this renewed partnership between residents, community members and the police department.

Perkasie Officer Anthony DeLia gave the initial presentation of the program to a room of about 40 Perkasie and Sellersville residents. DeLia said the Townwatch is a community-based program supported by the National Sheriffs' Association with thousands of communities across the country participating. The purpose of creating the Townwatch is to give neighbors a way to safely look out for one another and create a sense of neighborhood cohesion.

The Townwatch provides a cost-effective way to prevent crime, DeLia said. The watch reduces the fear of crime while simultaneously increasing surveillance in the community. "It's effective because it unites neighbors behind a common goal: safety," he said. "It provides basic skills to all members on preventing crime and reporting suspicious activities or crimes."

DeLia clarified that the members of the Townwatch are not vigilantes; rather, they are extra eyes and ears for reporting crime and helping neighbors. "Members learn how to make their homes more secure, watch out for each other and the neighborhood, and report activities that seem suspicious to the police or sheriff's office," he said.

Chief Hillias said he would prefer for members of the watch to call in anything they think is suspicious, even if ultimately it is nothing remarkable. "We've gotten a few calls about child luring lately," he said. "Thankfully, in both cases, it was nothing. But I'd rather get those calls, check it out and find out that it was nothing, rather than have a dangerous situation go unreported. Please keep those calls coming."

DeLia gave residents an idea of what they should look for when the Townwatch begins, including screaming, shouting, unusual noises and vehicles moving slowly with no apparent destination. Other potentially suspicious activity includes abandoned cars, strangers talking with children and unusual activity in alleys or isolated areas of town, including the parks.

Hillias said that at future Townwatch meetings, members will work with officers to practice reporting suspicious behavior and remembering as many details as possible.

The second meeting of the Town Watch group was held on April 22nd at Perkasie Borough Hall. Those interested in helping their community, or those that frequently walk or jog around Perkasie and/or Sellersville or in the parks are encouraged to participate! Contact the Police Department for more information.

PennDOT Database for Emergency Contact Information

The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation website allows Pennsylvania driver's license and identification holders the opportunity to easily and immediately upload their emergency contact information to an online database accessible only to law enforcement and emergency personnel.

The system was developed to ultimately save lives by cutting down on the time needed to locate an emergency contact for individuals involved in situations that render them unable to communicate.

Visit www.dmv.state.pa.us and click on the Emergency Contact Information link. You will need your driver's license number; the last four digits of your social security number and your date of birth to enter the secure site; then users will be taken to a secure page where you can add up to two emergency contacts. The information can be changed by the user at any time by reentering the secure site. Access to the information is available only to law enforcement through a secure law enforcement connection to the system.

Police Establish Anonymous Telephone Tip Line (267) 517-0099

The Perkasie Borough Police Department has established an anonymous telephone tip line. Call (267) 517-0099 to leave information about crime, disorder or suspicious behavior. This number is not for emergencies and will not bring an immediate police response. The number does not have the caller ID feature. You need not give your name or telephone number but it would be useful if we could contact you in regard to your information.

Remember, you cannot report emergencies or request a call for service on this line. You can also email info@perkasiepd.org to relay information of concern about crime, disorder, or suspicious behavior in your neighborhood.

Leaving A Message On Facebook, Email Or Our Telephone Tip Line Will Not Trigger An Immediate Police Response. Call 911 For Emergencies Or Call (215) 257-2022 For Non-Emergencies.

PERKASIE POLICE DEPARTMENT SCAM ALERT

A complaint was recently made to Perkasie Police about a caller soliciting donations. The caller posed as associated with Perkasie Police Foundation. The number that appeared on caller id was 215-249-6168. Please note that neither the Police Department nor the Officer Association has any association with this, and it is most likely an attempt to defraud people of their money.

There are a great number of different frauds and scams that contact people by phone or email. Perkasie Borough Police cautions its residents to be skeptical of any calls or emails from people you have never met in person. Further, the Perkasie Police cautions against any call, email, letter, or other form of communication that asks for money, asks you to forward money sent to you, or allows someone access to your personal computer or information.

If you have any questions, contact the Perkasie Police at 215 257-6876.

MENLO AQUATIC CENTER

2014 FEES: A simplified fee schedule was adopted by Borough Council for 2014. Please note that the several membership categories have been combined and/or modified.

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY	2014 RESIDENT FEE	2014 NON RESIDENT FEE
Individual	\$ 75.00	\$ 105.00
Twilight Individual	\$ 65.00	N/A
Family		
2-Member	\$ 150.00	\$ 210.00
3-Member	\$ 200.00	\$ 350.00
4-Member	\$ 250.00	\$ 370.00
5-Member	\$ 295.00	\$ 445.00
6-Member	\$ 325.00	\$ 505.00
7-Member	\$ 325.00	\$ 505.00
8-Member	\$ 325.00	\$ 505.00
9-Member	\$ 325.00	\$ 505.00
10-Member	\$ 325.00	\$ 505.00
Family Twilight	\$ 185.00	N/A
Senior	\$ 70.00	\$ 85.00
Senior Twilight	\$ 45.00	N/A
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JULY 2 –The Sadie Green Sales Jug Band - Sadie Green Sales is an International phenomenon, a musical experience that will make you laugh, sing, dance and make you wonder how much fun you can stand.



JULY 9 – 52nd Street – An evening of Billy Joel music. Billy Joel fans will enjoy hearing all his hits performed by this popular cover band.

JULY 16 –Galena Brass – Everything from Glenn Miller to Mozart.

JULY 23 –RGM Project- Cool jazz and more.
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JULY 30 – The Mango Men – Perkasio's favorite group. Come out for a great family evening of music and fun

Perkasie Carousel

The historic Perkasie Carousel, located in Menlo Park at 3rd Street and Park Avenue, operates each year from May through December. The Carousel is operated by the Perkasie Historical Society.



PERKASIE CAROUSEL Dates of Operation

Monday, May 26	11:00 AM. -5:00 PM
Sunday, June 15	Noon – 5:00 PM
Sunday July 6 (<i>July 13 rain date</i>)	Noon-8:00 PM
Sunday, July 27	Noon – 5:00 PM
Sunday, August 17	Noon – 5:00 PM
Sunday, September 7	Noon – 5:00 PM
Sunday, October 5	Noon – 5:00 PM
Saturday, December 6	Noon – 5:00 PM



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MENLO AQUATIC CENTER

2014 SPECIAL EVENTS AT THE MAC *(Menlo Aquatic Center)*

Flick n' Float: Movies begin at sundown

June 28: The Wizard of Oz

July 12: Jaws *(Original PG version. May not be suitable for younger children)*

July 26: Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory *(1971 version)*

August 9: Spy Kids

August 23: ET The Extra Terrestrial

DJ Parties:

Lobie Entertainment will once again be providing music for everyone starting on Memorial Day from 4:00-6:00 P.M.

Other parties are from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on the following dates: **June 28, July 4, July 12, July 19, July 26 and August 2**

SWIMMING LESSONS: Swim lessons are available on a first come, first serve basis for non-swimmers, beginners, and intermediate and advanced skill levels. Class size is limited. All classes are 45 minutes Monday-Thursday (Friday as a rain day make up.) Group lessons will consist of up to 5 swimmers per instructor. Cost is \$50 for season pass holders (members), \$65 for non-members.

SESSION I: June 23 – July 3

SESSION II: July 7 – July 17

SESSION III: July 22 – July 31

SESSION IV: August 4 – August 14

EVERYBODY SWIMS PROGRAM *(BOROUGH RESIDENTS ONLY)*

FREE for children entering the 1st, 2nd or 3rd grade in the fall of 2014. Pool membership is not required, but you must bring a Perkasio Borough Electric bill as proof of residency.

PRIVATE SWIM LESSONS Individual 30-minute private lessons will be available August 18 – 22 from 8:00 -10:00 a.m. Cost for season pass holders is \$70.00. Non-members pay \$80.00

PLEASE NOTE: It is very important that your child be placed in the correct level to provide the greatest opportunity for improvement, learning and safety. A skills assessment will be held the first Monday of each session to correctly place each swimmer in the appropriate level class.

SATURDAY MORNING PROGRAMS

(Start June 14)

Adult Lap Swim – 8:00 – 10:30 a.m. \$3.00/class plus daily pass fee; no charge for season pass holders

Water Walking *(adults only):* 8:00-9:00 a.m. \$3.00/class plus daily pass fee; no charge for season pass holders

Water Zumba: \$5.00 per class/plus daily pass fee; no charge for season pass holders. Dates and times to be announced.

WEEKDAY PROGRAMS *(June 23 – August 24)*

Adult Lap Swim: 6:45 - 7:45 a.m.

Water Walking: 6:00 - 7:00 a.m.

Water Zumba: \$5.00 per class/plus daily pass fee; no charge for season pass holders. Dates and times to be announced.

DISCOUNT TICKETS

Perkasie Borough participates in a discount ticket sales program through the Pennsylvania Recreation and Park Society. You may purchase tickets for area theme parks, the Philadelphia Zoo, Camden Aquarium, and Baltimore Aquarium. Discounts vary by location, date and time of use. Save some money and time standing in line and purchase your tickets at the Borough before you go. Sorry, we will no longer accept personal checks in payment for discount tickets. Cash or credit card only.




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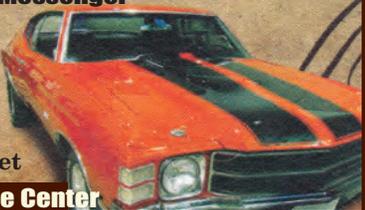
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PERKASIE'S AMAZING RACE

Help us celebrate National Trails Day with Perkasio's Own Amazing Race. Presented by GeoVentures, the Amazing Race Challenge is open to working groups of 4-6 participants any age (youth under 14 must be in a group with adults (over 18).

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From The PERKASIE FIRE COMPANY

Swimming Pool Season Is Coming!

And that means it's almost time to open your swimming pool. The Perkasio Fire Company would like to offer these helpful safety tips when storing and handling your pool chemicals.

1. Make sure to lock your chemicals up to protect your family and pets
2. Keep chemicals dry and do not mix different types chemicals
3. Keep chemicals in their original containers and closed
4. Keep chemicals cool, in a well-ventilated area and away from direct sunlight
5. Make sure to protect your pool chemicals from all heat sources and flames and do not smoke while handling these chemicals
6. Prioritize good housekeeping in the chemical storage area. Do not allow rags, trash, and debris to collect in storage area.
7. Dress for safety by wearing appropriate safety equipment such as goggles, gloves, and a mask
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TRASH, REFUSE AND RECYCLING

2014 Southeastern Pennsylvania Regional Household Hazardous Waste Collection and Old Computer Recycling Program

Many household products contain chemicals that when discarded contribute to the contamination of our environment by contaminating our soil, air and water. A Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program provides the opportunity to reduce the amount of hazardous household chemical waste that is flushed down the toilet and kitchen drains, "disposed" of in the backyard, dumped into storm drains or simply disposed of in the municipal waste stream. These typical means of disposal are both hazardous to public health and unnecessary. Yet, it continues because individuals are frequently unaware that many useful products contain hazardous chemicals. It is the consumer's responsibility to use and dispose of household products safely. Certain household waste should be brought to community household hazardous waste collection events for proper disposal.

RID YOUR HOME AND GARAGE OF HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE or that OLD COMPUTER SYSTEM or TVs: Participate in the Bucks County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program.

Events scheduled in Bucks County:

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ELECTRONICS ONLY

July 26, 2014

Central Bucks South High School
1100 Folly Road

Warrington Township

HAZARDOUS WASTE ONLY

July 19, 2014

Central Bucks South High School
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Warrington Township

HAZARDOUS WASTE ONLY

May 10, 2014

Lower Makefield Corporate
Center

770 Township Line Road

Lower Makefield Township

HAZARDOUS WASTE ONLY

June 21, 2014

Upper Bucks County
Area Vo-Tech School

3115 Ridge Road

Bedminster Township

HAZARDOUS WASTE

AND ELECTRONICS

August 16, 2014

Quakertown Community
High School

600 Park Avenue (Rear Lot)

Quakertown Borough

HAZARDOUS WASTE

AND ELECTRONICS

August 23, 2014

Bucks County Technical
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AT ELECTRONIC ONLY COLLECTIONS - ITEMS TO BE BROUGHT INCLUDE: All Sizes and Types of TVs, Answering Machines, Blenders, Camcorders, Cell Phones, Copiers, CPUs, Electric Typewriters, Fax Machines, Gaming Consoles/Controllers, Keyboards, Laptop Computers

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At Hazardous Waste Only Events - Items Collected Include:

Pesticides such as Chlordane, Sevin, DDT or Malathion; Toxics materials such as weed killer, mercury, pool chemicals, photographic chemicals, rust remover; and wood preservatives; Flammable materials such as oil-based paints, varnishes, paint strippers, thinners, gasoline, kerosene, and other solvents; Caustics such as oven cleaner, lye, and ammonia based cleaners; and household rechargeable and button type batteries, as well as automotive type batteries.

At a combinations event, items from either list above can be brought as long as it doesn't exceed 25 gallons or 220 pounds. This event is not open to business, industry or institutions.

The regional collection program consists of at least twenty-five collection days scheduled throughout southeastern Pennsylvania of which five are scheduled in Bucks County.

Whenever possible, material should be in its original container with an original, legible label.

Following are a couple of suggestions on how to handle some of the materials you may have around the house which may, or may not, be

accepted as part of a household hazardous waste collection program.

LATEX PAINT: Air dry latex paint or mix with an absorbent ("oil-dry" or clay based kitty litter at the rate of about 1 gallon of paint to 2-4 cups of absorbent) and discard absorbed paint and paint can, with its lid off, in your regular trash. EMPTY paint cans may be placed with recyclables in many municipal recycling programs (check with your hauler or municipal officials).

SMOKE ALARMS: Mail back to manufacturer, or dispose of in regular trash.

BAR-B-Q GRILL TANKS (20lb or less): Return to a tank exchange location, or bring to collection program.

TIRES: Contact nearest major tire retailer. (Anticipate a charge of \$5.00 to \$10.00 per automobile tire).

USED MOTOR OIL: Contact your local automobile repair shop.

Call the Bucks County Planning Commission at (215) 345- 3400 if you would like to receive additional information.



TRASH, REFUSE AND RECYCLING

GENERAL INFORMATION

Refuse and recyclables must be placed at the curb or alley no earlier than 6:00 PM the evening prior to your pickup day, and no later than 7:00 AM the morning of collection. There are no call backs for trash or recycling that is set out after 7:00 AM. Household refuse must be placed in a securely tied Borough disposal bag, which does not exceed the weight of forty (40) pounds for large (green) bags and twenty (20) pounds for small (black) bags. Borough bags or recycling containers cannot remain curbside for more than 24 hours. Borough disposal bags are available at the Borough Office, 620 West Chestnut Street, and at area retailers who display the green hickory tree logo. Disposal of materials resulting from renovation, repair, construction of buildings and structures, or the removal of trees, will not be collected by the Borough. Such items shall be removed by and at the expense of the property owner or the contractor.

If refuse is not collected on your regular trash day due to inclement weather, it will be collected on the next business day (when possible).

RECYCLING CENTER

The Borough Recycling Center, located behind the Perkasio Police Department, at 311 South 9th Street, is for the convenience of Borough Residents ONLY. Perkasio Borough staff may ask for identification when you use the Center. There are signs indicating where recyclable materials are to be placed. Please rinse the recyclables and remove any caps or lids, no plastic bags, please. Combine glass, aluminum, tin and plastic (PDE #1-7) containers in the



dumpsters that are marked as such and that have metal stairs. Combine newspaper and cardboard and place in the trailer.

Trash and bulky items are not accepted at the Recycling Center. Absolutely NO construction materials, aluminum/plastic siding, window glass, shutters, etc. are accepted at the Recycling Center. No laundry baskets, plastic trash cans, large tin (popcorn) containers, fish tanks, mirrors or other household materials are accepted. As of June 1, 2010 yard waste (NO GRASS CLIPPINGS) will be accepted on the first Saturday of the month 7:30 AM - 3:30 PM. Please use brown paper bags, lawn and leaf bags or bring a container to be dumped when disposing of yard waste. No plastic bags. Please call the Borough or check the website for additional information.

GRASS CLIPPINGS & YARD WASTE

Grass clippings must be bagged in Borough disposal bags and placed out with household refuse. Perkasio Borough promotes "grass-cycling" - cutting the grass before it gets too high, or using a mulching mower, and letting the grass clippings remain on the ground to nourish the soil. You are encouraged to compost leaves and garden debris as a means of recycling this material as valuable mulch and nutrient for your lawn and/or garden. Please see "Recycling Center" for information on Free yard waste drop-off.



Updated 2014 Holiday Collection Schedule For Refuse & Recycling This Is A Revised Schedule. *PLEASE NOTE THE DECEMBER DATES.*

Please feel welcome to contact the Public Works Dept. at 215-257-6860 with any questions. Thank you.

SERVICE	HOLIDAY	REVISED COLLECTION DATE
Trash	Memorial Day – Monday, May 26	Tuesday, May 27
Recycling	Independence Day – Friday, July 4	Friday, July 11
Trash	Labor Day – Monday, September 1	Tuesday, Sept. 2
Trash	Thanksgiving – Thursday, November 27	Monday, December 1
Recycling	(Day after Thanksgiving) Friday, November 28	Friday, December 5
Trash	Christmas – Tuesday, December 24	Monday, December 29
Recycling	(Day after Christmas) Friday, December 26	Friday, January 2, 2015
Trash	New Year's Day – Thursday, January 1, 2015	Monday, January 5, 2015

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UPDATE ON NEW POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Bamboo

In order to protect public health, safety and welfare, Borough Council enacted Ordinance 966 as of September 16, 2013 to control the growth of bamboo in the borough. Chapter 65 of the Perkasio Borough Code now acknowledges bamboo is an invasive species, and as such residents are not allowed to maintain or grow bamboo in a manner that spreads, invades or grows onto adjoining or neighboring properties. Any property owner or resident who has planted or maintains bamboo ("Bamboo Property Owner") shall be required to take such measures that are reasonably expected to prevent such bamboo from invading or growing onto adjoining or neighboring properties.

If you are concerned about bamboo planted on a neighboring property please contact the Borough at (215) 257-5065.

Sidewalk Accessibility

Over the last 5 years, the Borough has been installing and maintaining curb ramps. The curb ramps are a requirement of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The ADA requires state and local governments to install curb ramps at pedestrian intersection when they construct or alter (repave, re-surface, or excavate) the streets where intersections are located.

Curb ramps are critical to providing access between the sidewalk and the street for people who use wheelchairs. Curb ramps are most commonly found at intersections, but they may also be used at other locations such as on-street parking, loading zones, bus stops, and midblock crossings. The implementing regulations under Title II of the ADA specifically identify curb ramps as requirements for existing facilities, as well as all new construction.

The curb is also the most reliable cue for people with vision impairments to identify the transition between the sidewalk and the street. The installation of curb ramps removes this cue and replaces it with a ramp which is much more difficult to detect. Therefore, it is important that as curb ramps are installed to create access for people who use wheelchairs, they are installed in such a way as to maximize detectability for people with vision impairments. Where gradual slopes are desirable for people who use wheelchairs, a detectable warning at the bottom of the curb ramp can provide the information blind pedestrians can rely on.

Property owners are not required to pay for the installation of curb ramps; the borough absorbs the entire cost. There has been grant funding available for the installation of curb ramps, but several of those grant programs no longer fund the projects.

For additional information or if you believe that a state or local government or a public accommodation has not complied with its obligations under the ADA, you may file a complaint with the United States Department of Justice (DOJ) via their information hotline at 800 514-0301.

REMINDER: Building and/or Zoning Permits

A zoning permit is required for any structure, (except for signs stipulated in Section 186-76 of the Perkasio Borough Zoning Ordinance), fence, retaining walls under four feet in height, play structures and ground level patios not under a roof made of pavers or bricks that is erected, constructed, reconstructed, altered, or moved. No building can be used or occupied or changed in use until a Zoning Permit has been secured.

A building permit is required for nearly every form of construction. Exceptions are interior or exterior repair, remodeling or redecorating which does not require any structural change; repair of a deck, floor or banister, provided the work has no structural impact; replacement or repair of windows, doors, siding or exterior painting of a residence or commercial building does not require a permit.

If you are not sure if the work you are doing on your property requires a permit, please feel free to contact the Borough offices. Remember, work done without a required permit results in doubled permit fees.

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May 18	All You Can Eat Breakfast	7:30 AM-12:30 PM Perkasie Fire Company
May 18	Perkasie Garden Club Plant Swap	1:00 p.m. Menlo Park
May 25	Goodtime Motorvators Car Show	Lenape Park 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
May 26	Menlo Aquatic Center Opens	Noon-8:00 PM
June 14	Perkasie Olde Towne Farmers' Market	Menlo Park 9:00 a.m. to Noon
June 15	All You Can Eat Breakfast	7:30 AM-12:30 PM Perkasie Fire Company
June 24-28	Perkasie Fire Company Carnival	Perkasie Fire Company, Lenape Park
June 28	Scrap Metal and Appliance Drive	Perkasie Fire Company
July 6	Pennridge Community Day	Lenape & Menlo Parks

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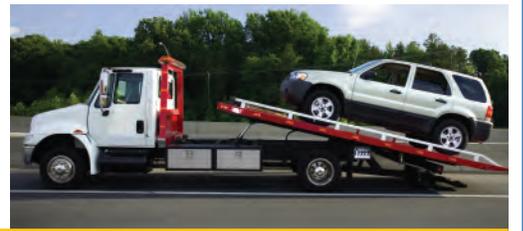
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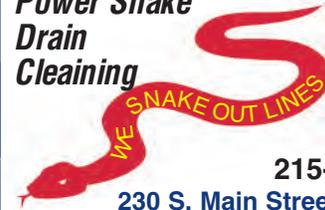
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