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WINTER 2016 NEWSLETTER

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## PENNRIDGE LITTLE LEAGUE MEMORIAL DEDICATION

There is a memorial at the Pennridge Little League fields on Walnut Street dedicated to former Little League players who lost their lives in service to our country. The plaque on the memorial was stolen several years ago and largely through the efforts of John Snyder, Vice Commander of Hartzell Crouthamel American Legion Post 280, it was replaced. But Mr. Snyder did not stop there. Working closely with Dan Gilbert, Perkasio Borough Public Works Director, the families of the veterans on the plaque were contacted and on October 22nd, the plaque was rededicated with families and friends present to honor their memory. The Rededication Ceremony included remarks from Dr. Donald Miller of the Veterans Community Network as well as John Snyder. A rifle salute was provided by the Hartzell Crouthamel Legion Post and the Color Guard was provided by Nase Kraft American Legion Post 255.



**THOSE HONORED WERE:**  
**RANDALL W. MOORE**  
**CLIFFORD D. VAN ARTSDALEN**  
**KENNETH G. WORMAN**  
**ERIC F. SHELLENBERGER**



*Eric Shellenberger's mother and step-father, Rhonda and Paul Goettner, place flowers at the memorial.*



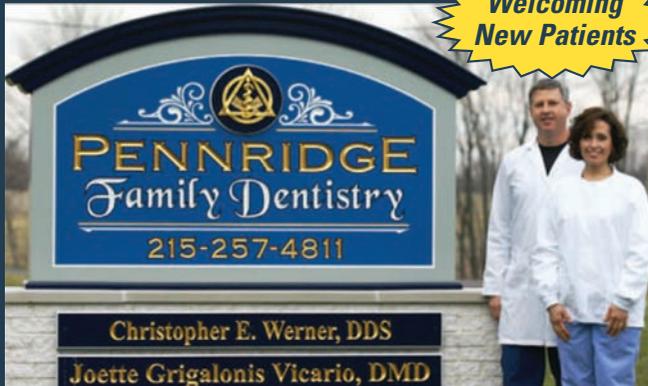
*Rifle Salute from the Hartzell Crouthamel American Legion Post #280 and Color Guard provided by the Nase Kraft Legion Post #255.*



*Unveiling of the memorial by family members. L-R Dennis Worman, brother of Kenneth G. Worman. Dennis Van Artsdalen, nephew of Clifford D. Van Arts Dalen, and Thomas Moore, brother of Randall W. Moore.*

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## LETTER FROM MAYOR HOLLENBACH

*Greetings Friends and Neighbors,*

It is hard to believe winter is just around the corner. We have already had a few mornings of frost, and the donning of jackets. Chilly winds, snow, and the scraping of windshields are upon us. We will be yearning for those hot days of summer shortly.

However, the start of the holidays is a great and wonderful time. The season brings family gatherings, good food, and fellowship. Perkasio began the season with No Shave November; a contest to promote awareness of men's cancer issues. The Perkasio Police Department officers participate in the contest by not shaving from November first to the thirtieth, and seek others to support their no shave month with donations to American Cancer Society. You can also participate by donating men's shaving gear and clothing to the Penridge Fish.

Then we have Thanksgiving; my personal favorite holiday. The children and grandchildren come to our house after the annual Penridge-Quakertown football game (Go Rams!). The Saturday after Thanksgiving is now Small Business Saturday with many of Perkasio's businesses participating and encouraging you to "shop local."

The Christmas season is kicked off by the annual tree lighting on December 3rd. Do not miss this great family night with food, music, recitals, hot chocolate, candy canes, and Santa!

Winter and the holidays are just a great time for so many of us and our families. But I want to remind everyone it is also a difficult time for those who do not have jobs or who have lost loved ones or have family serving in the military who cannot be home for the holiday. So, be thankful and celebrate the birth of Jesus, at the same time, please keep all of those in need and our leaders in your prayers.

May God bless all of you, and may His face shine upon you!

Sincerely,

John D. Hollenbach, Mayor

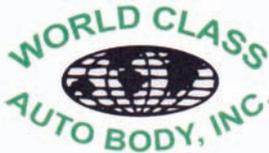
### BOROUGH HALL HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

**The Borough administrative offices will be closed on:**

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| Thursday, November 24 for Thanksgiving | • Friday, November 25, day after Thanksgiving |
| Friday, December 23 for Christmas Eve* | • Monday, December 26 for Christmas*          |
| Monday, January 2 for New Year's*      |   |

\*These holidays fall on a weekend, so the administrative offices are closed on the Friday before (for a Saturday holiday) or the Monday after (for a Sunday holiday).

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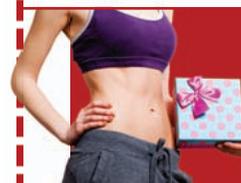
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### Perkasie Hires New Officer

**P**olice Officer Anthony B. Gro joined the Perkasie Police Department on September 12, 2016. He previously worked for the North Coventry Township Police Department for seven years, serving as both a part time and full time police officer. "Tony" also spent many years in the construction field, working in his family's general contracting business. He enjoys spending time with his wife and young daughter and playing sports. We welcome Officer Gro to our community. Feel free to say hello when you see him around town!

*Mayor Hollenbach administers the Oath of Office to Anthony Gro at the September 6 Borough Council meeting, as his wife holds the Bible.*

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW FOR THE FOLLOWING EVENTS:

December 3	<b>Christmas Tree Lighting</b>	Perkasie Borough
December 3	<b>Historic Menlo Carousel Open</b>	Perkasie Hist. Society
December 17	<b>Santa Run</b>	Perkasie Fire Co.
December 18	<b>Breakfast with Santa</b>	Perkasie Fire Co.
January 15	<b>All You Can Eat Breakfast</b>	Perkasie Fire Co.
February 19	<b>All You Can Eat Breakfast</b>	Perkasie Fire Co.
March 18	<b>St. Patrick's Day Parade &amp; Celtic Festival</b>	Chamber of Commerce
March 19	<b>All You Can Eat Breakfast</b>	Perkasie Fire Co.
April 1	<b>Bus Trip to New York City</b>	Perkasie Rec. Dept.



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## ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING ON DECEMBER 3RD

Enjoy a traditional Holiday evening out, with rocking holiday music, food and fun when Santa Claus arrives to light the Perkasio Borough Christmas tree on Saturday, December 3.

Now in its 107th year, the traditional ceremony began in 1909 and is the oldest of its kind in the United States. Last year's ceremony saw Congressman Mike Fitzpatrick present the official Congressional Citation to Perkasio in honor of this long-standing community tradition.

The 2016 event is scheduled from 5pm – 8pm. This year's ceremony will feature several activities for the whole family, including a live performance by Mike Greer and Co., Holiday music and carols from the South Middle School Choir, strolling musicians, horse and carriage rides and – in time-honored tradition - a special reading of "Twas the Night Before Christmas" by Perkasio Mayor, John Hollenbach.

Santa will arrive to light the tree at 7pm then will be available



for photographs in the RE/MAX 440 building at 7th St. and Market St.

Don't forget to bring a non-perishable food item for Pennridge FISH. Every child that makes a donation will be entered to win the drawing to help Santa light the tree.

Town center businesses will be running food and shopping specials on Dec 3rd and many of them create unique window displays to entertain visitors.

Be sure to visit the Electric Department at 120 North 7th St to see Doug Kramer's Nostalgic Holiday Train Display on December 2nd and 3rd from Noon to 8:00 p.m. each day.

The Borough thanks the sponsors who make this wonderful event possible: Free Will Brewing Co., A&T Chevrolet-Subaru, Grim, Biehn & Thatcher, Metropolitan Development Group, American Heritage Federal Credit Union, Laurel Abstract, Grandview Service Center, Dunkin' Donuts, and Gilmore & Associates.

For more information about this year's event, call 215-257-5065 or events@perkasioborough.org.

## HOLIDAY GIVING



### TOYS FOR TOTS

The Perkasio Police Department and Perkasio Fire Company are once again soliciting donations for Toys for Tots. This annual national program provides toys for disadvantaged children ages 2- 12. Listed below are the collection sites for 2016. You will see the familiar boxes starting November 5 at the locations listed below as well as Borough Hall. Please remember that donations should be unwrapped.

97% of your donation goes to the mission of providing toys, books and other gifts to less fortunate children. The 3% spent on support principally covers fundraising expenses – not one donated dollar goes to pay for salaries or any other manpower costs.

#### DONATIONS ACCEPTED UNTIL DECEMBER 12 AT THE FOLLOWING SITES:

##### OLDE TOWNE CARDIO BOXING

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### HAT AND MITTEN TREE

Beginning on November 28, the Hat & Mitten Tree will be set up in the Borough Hall for your donations of hats, scarves and mittens for those less fortunate. The donations will be taken to Pennridge Fish on December 7.



### COME ON OUT

Saturday, November 26, 2016  
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## SANTA HOUSE



## Meet Santa and Mrs Claus in Perkasie

**HO HO HO! Santa and Mrs Claus are visiting Perkasie this December and they've set aside some time in their busy December schedule to meet you and the kids. They'll be in their house at the corner of 7th St. and Market St. in the center of Perkasie at the following times:**

Friday December 9 from 6pm – 8pm	Thursday December 15th from 6pm – 8pm
Saturday December 10th from 2pm – 4pm	Friday, December 16th from 6pm – 8pm
Sunday December 11th from 1pm – 3pm	Saturday December 17th from 9am – 12pm
Tuesday December 13th from 6pm – 8pm	Sunday, December 18 from 1pm – 3pm

**There is no charge to visit Santa and Mrs. Claus, but they are accepting donations of non-perishable food items, new unwrapped toys or hats, gloves and mittens to help less fortunate children.**

## HOLIDAY TRASH COLLECTIONS

DATE NO COLLECTION	HOLIDAY	SERVICE	REVISED COLLECTION DATE
Thursday, November 24	Thanksgiving	Trash	Monday, November 28
Friday, November 25	Thanksgiving	Recycling	Friday, December 2
Friday, December 23	Christmas Eve	Recycling	Friday, December 30
Monday, December 26	Christmas Day	Trash	Tuesday, December 27
Monday, January 2	New Year's Day	Trash	Tuesday, January 3



**Christmas tree collection will occur every Friday in January. Place your tree curbside for pick-up.**

## PERKASIE PARK RECEIVES HISTORIC DESIGNATION

For the first time in more than five years, the National Park Service has added a Bucks County property to the National Register of Historic Places: the Victorian camp-meeting grounds and cottages at Perkasie Park.

Edson Beall, the historian for the National Park Service, made the announcement on September 8, 2016.

Perkasie Park becomes the 160th property in Bucks County to be named to the National Register. In 1966, Washington's Crossing State Park and Andalusia were the first county properties named to the Register; in April 2011, the Quakertown Historic District was the most recent honoree.

To be known as the Perkasie Park Historic District, the privately owned facility on Ninth Street in Perkasie becomes the second National Register property in the Borough, joining the 1832 South Perkasie Covered Bridge.

"I am grateful for the recognition by the National Park Service of the Park's historically significant past. The Park's founders and the many generations of cottagers who have gone before us would be delighted by this honor," said Frank Pezzanite, president of the Perkasie Park Association. "The designation of the Park as a Historical District will help it survive intact for generations to come."

The park's researchers first starting working on the nomination process in May 2014, in conjunction with Wise Preservation of Chester Springs, Pa.

Perkasie Park is one of a handful of intact camp-meeting facilities that continue in operation in Pennsylvania. It has had summertime religious services since 1882, and Perkasie Park's historic outdoor auditorium has hosted secular public events for the past 134 years.

The facility has 66 buildings, including 60 Victorian cottages. The Park Service found 63 of the 66 structures were contributing historic structures.

The Pennsylvania Historic Preservation Board unanimously had approved the Perkasie Park nomination in February 2016.

Perkasie Park, founded in 1882, was recognized as a significant property associated with the American camp meeting movement of the late 19th and early 20th Century, and for its design and architecture.

During the Victorian era, Perkasie Park was the second biggest public attraction in Bucks County, next to the annual county fair, and at its peak, the Park's camp meeting had 23,000 visitors, with 2,000 teams of horses, at its 1890 Sunday camp meeting. It also served as an important train and trolley destination for the growing Borough.

In 2015, Perkasie Borough recognized Perkasie Park as a historic structure, and its nomination to the National Register was supported by U.S. House Representative Michael Fitzpatrick, Pennsylvania state Representative Craig Staats, former state Representative Paul Clymer, and the Bucks County Board of Commissioners.

The National Register of Historic Places was established in 1966 to help coordinate and support public and private efforts to identify, evaluate, and protect our historic and archeological resources.





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### DID YOU KNOW?

The Fire Company is in need of men and women in our community to volunteer their time performing various duties. Did you know that Perkasie Fire Department is 100% volunteer? That includes the Firefighters that you see on the street, the staff that manages the business aspects, and the dedicated members who raise funds to keep the Fire Department running.

We are currently accepting applications for trained and non-trained members. Firefighters will be trained in various aspects of firefighting and rescue skills through the Bucks County Public Safety Training Center, which is affiliated with Bucks County Community College. We also need members who are willing to dedicate their time for fund-raising events. The Fire Department relies on fundraisers to help with our day to day expenses. Members who join for fundraising would become part of the valuable group of members who commit to making sure our fundraisers are successful so we can meet our monetary needs.

### *A Fire Department is good for men and women of all ages.*

#### Ages 16 – 18

- Earn college credits through Bucks County Community College while you train to be a Firefighter. All training is free.
- Use the experience and community service for your Senior project
- Add to your resume for job opportunities after High School and entrance in Colleges

#### Ages 18 and Older:

- There are volunteers of all ages in the Fire Department
- Volunteering looks great on a job application for young adults who have recently graduated High School or are seeking employment after College
- Young adults have a place to spend their time with other members their own age, and access to our family furnished lounge which includes free internet and TV.
- Members with families have a place to bring their children and be involved in family oriented activities.

#### WE WILL TRAIN YOU

When you join the Fire Department, we will train you in all the qualities you need to be a successful Firefighter. This includes, but not limited to free training thru the Bucks County Community College.

You will also receive any gear and equipment needed to perform your duties as a Firefighter. The Perkasie Fire Department strives to equip its members with quality equipment and apparatus. Membership is cost free.

#### FUN TIMES

While firefighting is a very serious job, the Officers and Members of Perkasie Fire Department recognize the need to have some fun. Throughout the year, the members participate in various social activities, as well as other family oriented activities.



## A MESSAGE FROM THE CODE ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT



Prior to the arrival of inclement weather, individuals should inspect trees on their property to ensure any branches or limbs in need of attention are addressed. Section 175-3 of the Perkasie Borough Code outlines the requirements for trimming trees. The section states that there shall be a clearance of at least 14 feet from the surface of the street and at least 8 feet from the surface of the sidewalk to the lowest branch or limb of such tree or any other overhanging part thereof.

As winter approaches please remember your obligation to ensure that sidewalks are cleared of snow and ice. Section 152-2 of the Perkasie Borough Code states that it shall be the duty of the owner and occupant, jointly and severally, of every parcel of real estate adjoining a public sidewalk, whether the parcel of real estate is occupied by a structure or not, to keep such sidewalks adjoining such property free from snow and ice along a three-foot width for the entire length of the sidewalk adjoining said real estate. Snow and ice shall be so removed from the sidewalks of all business and commercial premises within the Borough within six hours after the cessation of any fall of snow, sleet or freezing rain; provided, however, that snow or ice that has ceased to fall or to be formed after 6:00 p.m. of any evening may be removed at any time before 12:00 noon of the following day. Snow and ice shall be so removed from all other sidewalks within the Borough within 18 hours after the cessation of any fall of snow, sleet or freezing rain. Please also become familiar with the remaining subsections for Snow and Ice Removal (CH. 152)

## BOROUGH RESIDENTS NOW HAVE TOTER OPTION IN ADDITION TO BAGS FOR TRASH

Earlier this year, the Perkasio Borough Council approved changes to the way that trash collection is handled in the Borough. A 64-gallon wheeled cart service became available in the Borough for curbside trash collection in September, along with the current pay-as-you-throw bag program. Going forward, both programs will co-exist. The current pay-as-you-throw bag purchase program would remain in place for those who do not opt for the toters.

### WHEELED TRASH CART OPTION:

- 64 gallon wheeled cart delivered upon request.
- Quarterly billing, in advance of service, for trash  
**\$70/quarter plus \$15 annual fee.**

<b>TRASH SERVICE PERIOD:</b>	<b>BILL ISSUED:</b>	<b>BILL DUE DATE:</b>
January – March	Mid-November	Mid-December
April – June	Mid-February	Mid-March
July – September	Mid-May	Mid-June
October – December	Mid-August	Mid-September

- The Borough will retain ownership of the cart and it will be collected by the Borough once service is discontinued.
- Cart Specifications:
  - o 64-gallon Wheeled Cart or "Toter"
  - o 31-3/4"x24-1/4"x41-3/4"
  - o Manufactured by Toter®
  - o Toter® carts are manufactured with up to 50% recycled content, with steel components constructed with 80% to 100% recycled steel
  - o Toter® carts are fully recyclable. In fact, Toter® recycles used carts into new carts.
- To sign up for service, registration forms are available at the Borough Hall building and on the Borough's website.

### "PAY-AS-YOU-THROW" TRASH BAG PROGRAM:

- Trash bag pricing remains at \$2.25 for a small bag, \$3.25 for a large bag
- Annual fee for trash and recycling collection - \$15/year
- Borough collects all trash placed in Borough trash bags
- Bulk trash collection is unchanged (1 large item per collection; must be set out with a Borough bag)

### RECYCLING IS MANDATED BY THE STATE; COLLECTION & DROP OFF TO REMAIN THE SAME:

- Curbside pickup every Friday for glass, plastics, and aluminum & steel cans.
- Curbside paper pickup is the third Wednesday of every month.
- For drop-off of your recyclables, the Recycling Center is at 311 S. Ninth Street
- Yard waste drop-off is the first Saturday of every month at the Recycling Center.
- **NEW FOR 2017!** Users of the Recycling Center should display a "hangtag" identifying them as Borough residents. Hangtags will be issued in late December 2016 or early January 2017.



### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT THE NEW TOTER OPTION

Here is a list of FAQ's illustrating many of the rules and regulations concerning your new trash Toter service.

- **DON'T STORE YOUR NEW TOTER AT THE CURB!** They must be stored in a place that is not visible from the street. If you are in a row home, consider an attractive & small enclosure or hedging to keep the Toter accessible and hidden. You will receive a violation notice if the can is not stored properly. There are many ideas on storage available on the internet.
- **DON'T LEAVE THEM AT THE CURB FOR MORE THAN A DAY!** Trash Toters should not be set out earlier than 6:00 p.m. on the day prior to scheduled collection. All Toters/bags/recyclable material must be placed curbside by 7:00 a.m. on your scheduled collection day. There will be no call backs for late put outs. Empty refuse containers or recycling containers must be removed from the collection points prior to 6:00 p.m. on the day of collection. In no event should Borough disposal bags, Toters or recycling containers remain at curbside for more than 24 hours.
- **DON'T ABUSE THE SERVICE!** All materials placed out for collection must have been generated from within your household. You are not permitted to share a Toter with your neighbor or a relative from out of town.
- **SET YOUR TOTER OUT ON A FLAT SURFACE.** Toters should be placed for collection at ground level on the property readily accessible to and not more than 10 feet from the side of the street from which the collection is made. This will assist the handler with collecting your trash quickly and in a safe manner.
- **THE LID MUST CLOSE!** We do not want trash littering the town because it was blown out of the Toter. Also, we don't want animals to crawl into the Toter and create a mess.
- **WHAT IF I HAVE SO MUCH TRASH THAT IT WON'T FIT IN MY CAN WITH THE LID CLOSED?** If you have extra waste one week, you can purchase the "Pay-As-You-Throw" specially marked Borough bags. If you consistently have extra waste, consider contracting with the Borough for a second Toter. There is no discount for the second Toter. It would be \$70 per quarter for each Toter regardless of how many you set out at the curb on a weekly basis.
- **BAG YOUR TRASH!** No one wants a stinky mess. By bagging the trash and draining all liquid, you are helping make trash collection a little cleaner. No need to use Borough bags – you can use regular household trash bags.
- **KEEP THE TOTER CLEAN!** By simply rinsing your Toter with a hose every week, your Toter will be a lot more pleasant and it won't attract insects or curious animals.
- **NO STICKERS, PLEASE!** Residents may not place stickers, labels, other markings on the Toter except your address.
- **ONLY THROW AWAY TRASH!** Toters should be used for refuse only (no tires or construction materials) and should not contain any form of recyclable materials such as plastic, glass, aluminum cans, steel cans, paper, cardboard, yard waste, leaves, and branches. You may dispose of grass in your Toter – but please put it in a paper or plastic bag. The State mandates recycling by everyone. All recyclable materials must be disposed of per Borough regulations.

## PERKASIE BOROUGH EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZED

### BRANDY MCKEEVER



Brandy McKeever posting a zoning notice.

Brandy McKeever, Borough Code/Zoning Officer, was nominated in early 2016 for a two year term as the Bucks County chapter President for the Pennsylvania Association of Zoning Officials ((PAAZO). PAAZO is a state-wide non-profit organization for Zoning and Planning Officials dedicated to providing support, education and training, as well as professional certification of Pennsylvania's zoning professionals. In her position with the Borough Ms. McKeever is tasked with the difficult job of interpreting and administering the zoning regulations. She has also successfully addressed numerous property maintenance/code issues and is committed to assisting the public in various zoning/building related.

### DONNA BENNER



Left to right, Borough Manager Andrea Coaxum, Donna Benner and Rhonda Leimbach from the Pennridge Chamber of Commerce.

Donna Benner, Executive Assistant to the Borough Manager, was recognized by the Pennridge Chamber of Commerce for her outstanding service as part of the Chamber's Administrative Professionals Day event in April. Donna has served under several Borough Managers and Councils, providing support such as preparation of the meeting packets, writing Council Meeting Minutes, organizing the annual Volunteer Appreciation Reception, and also responding to any requests for public information.

## PERKASIE BOROUGH GARNERS ARCHITECTURAL AWARD

In September of this year, the Central Bucks Chamber of Commerce created and hosted a two day architectural symposium and walking tour of Perkasio Borough.

2016 Excellence in Design Architectural Stewardship Award presented to the Borough of Perkasio by the Central Bucks Chamber of Commerce at the October 3 Borough Council meeting.

"To the citizens of Perkasio, who have successfully maintained the character of the borough as a vibrant, mixed-use community that responds effectively to changing economic and environmental conditions while preserving the rich architecture of the late nineteenth and early twentieth century."

Part of Perkasio's charm are the stunning Victorian buildings homes and buildings. Significant architects designed most of the historic gems, 48 by Milton Bean, 12 by Oscar Martin and the train station by Theopolis Chandler (in 1888). Chandler was the founder of the University of Pennsylvania's School of Architecture.



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## PROSPERITY IN PERKASIE

### Perkasie Borough continues to welcome new businesses



#### Jaye's Barkery - "Treats they ask for by name!"

A pet shop/pet supply store is opening in the newly constructed Perkasie Commercial Center in the Town Center district specializing in naturally homemade pet treats and supplies.

"We moved back to Perkasie and wanted to open a shop here because of its hometown feel, quaintness and charm," remarked Jaye Fissel, owner of the Barkery. "We came to the Perkasie Farmers Market on its second or third week of the season and the reception from local residents indicated that they were happy we were here and glad that we were setting up. There is a strong sense of community and a really nice feeling attached to that."

"The Farmers Market is very well run and organized. Linda Reid (Perkasie's Event Coordinator) is excellent and very involved in helping me and all the vendors." Growing out of their success at the Perkasie Farmer's Market, Jaye's Barkery fills a niche for animal lovers and their four-legged friends in the downtown. A favorite evening route for dog walkers, the 7th Street shopping corridor will certainly be a regular stopping point for this pet friendly shop.



#### Per Diem - Co Working Space and Event Space



Located at 528 W. Market Street, in the Sisters U building, Per Diem (Per Day) is revolutionizing Perkasie's work space culture. Operating as a "shared workspace," Per Diem accommodates today's

modernized and mobile workers by offering a work environment by the day, by the week or by the event.

"We have noticed a considerable amount of growth in the Perkasie area and decided that it would be an ideal place to open our co-working and event space. Moving co-working spaces out towards the suburbs lets people who work from home an opportunity to work and many people enjoy the lack of commute that working at Per Diem allows. Other local businesses in Perkasie provide an excellent backdrop for Per Diem; there are plenty of places for lunch and a coffee or retail therapy break," remarked Emily Smith, one of the co-owners

"At Per Diem, we want to provide an enjoyable and positive working space while bringing together people from the community who wouldn't otherwise have gotten to know each other," said Smith. "Co-working is that perfect blend of working from home yet getting out of the house and getting to know your town." Per Diem is designed for freelancers, creative entrepreneurs, remote employees and offers work tables, free Wi-Fi, printers, coffee and conference space in Perkasie's town center district.

"I am passionate to help people be their best selves, to really know who they are and what they want to do. I am also very passionate to support the viability of the local community," commented Karen Chellew, one of the co-owners. "Our modern culture seems to focus more on efficiency and productivity and the human need to belong and be a part of something bigger than yourself, can sometimes get lost in the shuffle," said Chellew. "Co-working fosters not only physical connection but social connection as well. The buzz of someone working in close proximity can create a "partnership" effect of sorts for so many "solopreneurs." We hope to be an incubator for small businesses and an integral part of the rebirth of Perkasie.

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## FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

As we all face this winter season together the Borough encourages residents and homeowners to become familiar with the rules and regulations dealing with the snow removal process. The Borough is asking for your cooperation moving your vehicles so as not to cause an inconvenience to you and our Borough work crews as we all work together to make our streets safe.

The ordinances and resolutions concerning snow removal and emergency snow route parking restrictions are as follows:

Resolution #2008-34 states, in part, the following:

### **Snow is to be removed from the areas:**

1. West side of South Fifth Street from West Market Street to Park Avenue.
2. West Walnut Street from South Fifth Street to South Sixth Street.
3. South Sixth Street from Walnut to Chestnut Street.
4. West Chestnut Street, from Sixth Street to Seventh Street.
5. Seventh Street, from Chestnut Street to Arch Street, both sides, and the West side of Seventh Street between Arch Street and the Electric Department Building.
6. Arch Street, both sides, from North Seventh Street to North Sixth Street.
7. West Market Street, from Eight Street to North Sixth Street. As well as the corner of West Market and its intersection with Fifth Street. [Portions of this may be done after other areas are cleared.]
8. North Sixth Street, from Market Street to a distance 100 feet north of the intersection.
9. Intersection of South Main Street and Walnut Street on Main Street only.
10. Other areas may also be cleared if deemed necessary by and at the discretion of the Borough Manager.

This process begins with the placement of No Parking signs along the routes to be cleared. The signs will be marked with the time that such parking restrictions will begin. Residents are encouraged to be watchful for the signs after a snow event as signs may be posted in the late hours of night or early morning. Once these signs are in place it is then possible for enforcement by Borough Police. If you are parked along a snow emergency route, which is already designated by signage, you must remove your car during a snow storm of 3 inches or more or it can be towed.

Having cars removed from the streets allows Borough work crews to efficiently and safely remove snow from walks and roads to ensure easier access for you, the residents, as well as the travelling public and business patrons in the area. This is a free service provided by the Borough and is done to encourage usage of the Town Center district by patrons of all businesses.

As crews begin the removal process, if cars are parked in the designated no parking areas, police are called in to run license plates and find the registered owners of the vehicles. If the Police cannot contact the vehicle owner they will begin towing cars to a designated area within the Borough (currently the parking lot along Walnut St. at Second St.). Costs for the towing and possible fines will be imposed on the owner.

This resolution does not preclude the homeowner from the responsibility to clear their sidewalks. Homeowners are still required, by ordinance, Chapter 152.2; remove all snow from their walks along a three foot width for the entire length of their property within 6 hours of cessation of snowfall. Borough crews will only clear snow from the edge of the sidewalk along the curb line as equipment works its way up the street. Borough crews will not clear entire sidewalks.

Public Works crews will use a variety of equipment during the removal process. Front end loaders, skid steers, snow blowers, small plows and dump trucks are all utilized in the effort. Having all this heavy equipment in use in a confined area brings with it an element of danger. All employees are specifically trained in the use of all this equipment and realize the inherent dangers involved with them. We strongly encourage and request that all residents stay out of the work areas to minimize danger to themselves as well as our employees.

Lastly, we appreciate your patience and cooperation when snow removal operations take place.

If you have any questions concerning this information please feel welcome to contact the Public Works office at 215-257-6860.



### **The resolution goes on to state in part:**

- After a snowstorm totaling 6 or more inches or after a combination of snowstorms that total 10 inches or more, and after crews have had a sufficient rest period, Borough Public Works crews, along with hired contractors, will begin the process of snow removal from the overlay district.
- Snow plowing of streets and roadways, park service drives, municipal parking lots, sidewalks on Borough-owned properties, and any emergency needs are to take priority over snow removal.
- The order and the scheduling of snow removal work are at the discretion of the Borough Manager or his designee.
- Designated roadways may be completely closed to traffic by either the Public Works Department or the Perkasié Borough Police department to allow snow removal crews complete access to the area. To the extent practical, these street closings will be scheduled so as to minimize inconvenience to businesses, their customers and nearby residents.

## STORMWATER RUNOFF AND YOU

by Martha Maxwell-Doyle, currently Project Coordinator for the Barnegat Bay Partnership.

Stormwater runoff occurs when water from rain or melted snow flows over impermeable surfaces such as driveways, sidewalks, and streets. Rather than naturally soaking into the ground, this stormwater picks up debris, chemicals, dirt, and other pollutants on its way into sewers. It is then discharged as untreated runoff into the water bodies we use for swimming, fishing, drinking water, and more. Fortunately, there are a variety of measures individual citizens like you can take to combat the effects of stormwater **runoff**.

**These measures include:**

### RESIDENTIAL STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

- Recycle or properly dispose of household products that contain chemicals, and never pour these products onto the ground or into storm drains.
- Do not over water your lawn, and use a soaker hose instead of a sprinkler.
- Use pesticides and fertilizers sparingly. When use of these products is necessary, apply them in recommended amounts.
- Use organic mulch or nontoxic pest control methods whenever possible.
- Compost or mulch debris from your yard. Never leave debris in the street or sweep it into a storm drain where nutrients and organic matter can collect.
- Cover piles of dirt or mulch so the wind does not blow them away.

### SEPTIC SYSTEM MANAGEMENT

- Inspect your septic system and pump your tank every three to five years. Doing so prevents nutrients, bacteria, and viruses from entering nearby waterways.
- Do not dispose of household hazardous waste in sinks or toilets.

### AUTOMOBILE CARE

- Use a commercial car wash that treats or recycles its wastewater, or wash your car on grass so water infiltrates into the ground.
- Repair leaks and dispose of used automotive fluids, batteries,

and degreasers at designated drop-off points or recycling centers.

### PET WASTE DISPOSAL

- When walking your pet, pick up its waste. Flushing pet waste is the most effective method of disposal. Leaving it on the ground increases public health risks by allowing harmful bacteria and nutrients to wash into storm drains, and eventually into local bodies of water.

### LANDSCAPING PRACTICES

When landscaping your property, consider using environment-friendly methods, such as:

- Permeable Pavement. Traditional concrete and asphalt do not allow water to soak into the ground. Permeable pavement, on the other hand, allows stormwater to soak through, decreasing quantities of runoff.
- Rain Barrels. Use mosquito-proof containers to collect rainwater from rooftops for use on your lawn or garden areas.
- Rain Gardens and Grassy Swales. Specially designed areas filled with native vegetation can provide natural places for rainwater to collect and soak into the ground. Rain from rooftops or paved surfaces can also be diverted to these spots rather than into storm drains.
- Vegetated Filter Strips. Filter strips are areas of native grass or plants created along roadways and streams. They trap the pollutants that runoff carries as it flows across driveways and streets.



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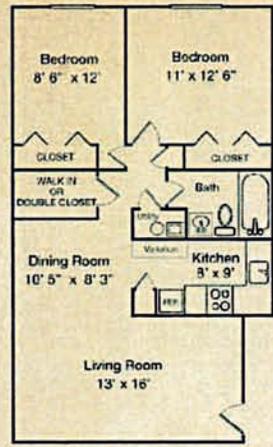


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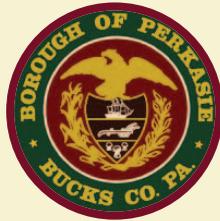
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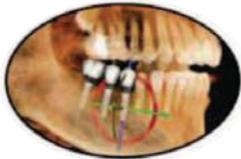
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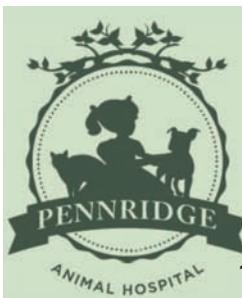
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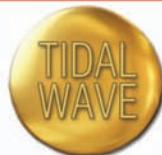


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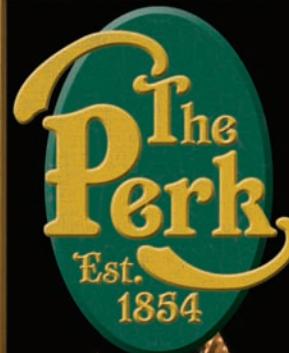
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