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MENLO PARK POOL CELEBRATES ITS 84TH SEASON

Now known as Menlo Aquatic Center

Swimming has always been a favorite pastime of Perkasie residents. As far back as the late 1890's when Samuel R. Kramer, Grier Scheetz and Issac Groff established the Menlo Park Association, purchasing 5 acres and the water rights through Sellersville. In the area that is now known as Lenape Park, the creek was dredged to make a swimming hole complete with a water slide. Other developments at that time included a dam to provide better boating facilities and a toboggan which extended down the steep hillside. The park was established in 1892 and served the entire North Penn area as a place of entertainment, recreation and amusement bringing thousands of people to the Perkasie area.



In 1920 the Park was purchased by Henry Wilson and Joseph Hizer. A few years later the partnership was dissolved with Wilson purchasing Hizer's interest. Wilson continued to provide quality recreation and amusements in the park. In the late 1930's Wilson decided to gamble and build a concrete swimming pool. A pool 60 x 168 feet in size costing \$30,000 to construct. In addition, new buildings and amusements were added creating a very modern and successful recreation center.



In 1956 the Borough of Perkasie purchased the pool and recreation center from Henry Wilson. With voter approval and the needed ordinances adopted, a Recreational Committee was appointed to direct the pool management and its operation. The pool complex was expanded again in 1964 with the addition of a Tot pool and bath house.

Well, that's all history... The existing pool complex was demolished in 2005 to make room for the new Menlo Aquatic Center which we know and love today. After a year of construction, the new complex was completed with many new upgrades and amenities hidden within the complex. The complex now houses:

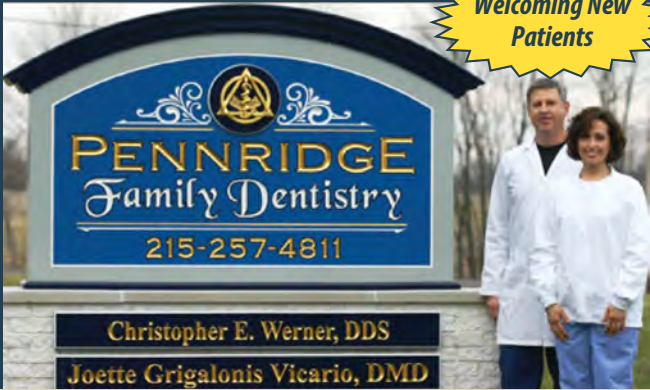
- an 8-lane competitive pool with diving blocks for competitive swimming, diving boards, and a drop slide
- a zero-entry leisure pool with lazy river, whirlpool, slide, and activity spray area
- and a toddler pool with zero entry, spray features, and small toddler slide
- expanded locker room facilities including snack stand
- tables, chairs, loungers, and picnic tables located around the facility

Some amusement features have faded over the years but Melo Aquatics Center continues to be a tribute to those past and present visionaries who care to shape our community for the benefit of residents and their families. "Though the complex has grown over the years it is more than most people expect in their backyard community pool. With three pools each with their own features, members can find entertainment for all ages and skill levels and the excellent MAC staff provide all types of activities for all members. I encourage everyone to get their 2024 Memberships" says Councilman Dave Worthington.

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LETTER FROM THE MAYOR

Robbie Shell, a Philadelphia-based writer, once said "Transitions in life can offer opportunities for discovery." That quote is exactly how I feel about my experience as Mayor of Perkasio over the past 2 years. Even though I have lived here most of my life and deeply appreciate the wonderful people of this community, I was unsure about what this experience might hold. What I have discovered is that the Perkasio Borough is functioning well, led by many skilled people. I have been impressed by the professionalism and care for our community demonstrated day in and day out by our Borough Administration, Borough Council, Electric Department, Public Works, the Fire Company, and the many Departments and Committees that make this Borough a great place to live. In this newsletter, and those moving forward, I want to highlight specifically some of these different groups, and for this article I want to highlight my deep appreciation for our Perkasio Police Department.

Historically, our Police Department began 100 years ago when the Perkasio Council, in 1924, passed Ordinance #117 creating the position of a Borough Policeman at a salary of \$15.00 a week. If you have lived in the community for a period of time, you might remember names like Jim Schatz or Claude Nace, who both served as Police Chiefs for many years.

Currently, the Police Department's stated mission for our community is:

To enhance the quality of life of the citizens it serves. The Police Department seeks to accomplish this by developing a partnership with, and responding to the needs of, the community. While operating within the framework of the United States constitution, we will enforce the law and preserve the peace to provide a safe community environment. As police officers, we will display pride, integrity and courage:

- *PRIDE in the performance of our duty and in our service to the public.*
- *INTEGRITY in our dealings with the people we protect and serve.*
- *COURAGE to act in an unbiased, unprejudiced, fair and equal manner to all...even in the face of adversity.*

The Perkasio Borough Police Department is staffed by eighteen full-time police officers (including two Detectives) and two civilian staff. As technologies change, the police department continues to find new and innovative ways to both prevent and investigate crimes and enforce traffic laws in Sellersville and Perkasio. Each police vehicle is equipped with mobile data computers which allow officers to receive real time information from the Bucks County Radio Room and PennDOT. The computers allow our officers to access our records management system from the road which permits officers to complete reports remotely and issue citations and written warnings electronically. The police department also employs License Plate Readers which automatically provide notifications to officers regarding expired registrations, stolen vehicles and wanted persons.

The department consists of two full-time Detectives who employ state of the art investigative techniques to solve crimes. These techniques include DNA collection, cellular/smart phone data retrieval along with other groundbreaking technology to solve complex cases. Perkasio Police Officers also keep up to date on modern police training and techniques including yearly use of force training, de-escalation and monthly legal update training. The Perkasio Borough Police Department remains committed to providing professional, courteous and prompt police services to our community.

I have discovered that we have well trained, talented police officers led by a highly qualified and accomplished Police Chief. Thank you, Perkasio Police, for all that you do to keep us safe.

Mayor Hollenbach



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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

PUBLIC WORKS REMINDERS: BULK TRASH & APPLIANCES

Annual plan fee includes the collection of one BULK TRASH item weekly with regular trash collection. Bulk trash includes large household items (e.g. love seat, mattress, bookshelf) that do not fit inside a Borough trash bag or toter.

APPLIANCES are collected on WEDNESDAYS, and must be marked by a STICKER. Stickers cost \$10 and can be purchased at Borough Hall, Mon through Fri between 8:00am and 4:00pm. Purchase your sticker by 3:00pm on Tuesday for collection that Wednesday. Place the bulk item out no earlier than 6:00pm on Tuesday and no later than 7:00am on Wednesday. Make sure the sticker is visible from the street. Stickers are required for these items: washers, dryers, hot water heaters, trash compactors,

garbage disposals, humidifiers, stoves (electric or gas), riding lawn mowers, dishwashers, air compressors, pool filters, snow blowers, electric generators, microwave ovens, water softeners.

Note that the Borough WILL NOT collect these items: TVs, computers, computer accessories, multiple storm doors or storm windows, tires (on or off wheels), parts of any type of vehicle including batteries, all types of heaters (gas, wood, coal, or oil), oil tanks, remodeling materials, outbuildings (wood or metal, garages, wood sheds etc.), carpeting and padding exceeding 9'x12'.

The Borough DOES NOT accept any items that contain FREON, such as refrigerators, freezers, dehumidifiers and air conditioners, even if the Freon is thought to be removed from the appliance.

RECYCLING CENTER

Located at 311 S. 9TH ST. and open Monday-Friday 7:30a-8:30p and Saturdays 7:30a-4:00p (Closed Sundays and most holidays). Residents must display a Borough hang tag on their car in order to use the recycling center. Staff may request additional proof of residence. Do not lend your hang tag to non-residents.

Prepare your recyclables as you would for curbside recycling. Recycling dumpsters are marked; please make sure to use the correct one. DO NOT PUT PLASTIC BAGS IN DUMPSTERS.

You may drop off YARD WASTE and leaves at the recycling center. YARD WASTE is defined as leaves, garden residue, shrubbery and similar material. Yard waste must be loose or in biodegradable paper bags. Waste in plastic bags must be emptied from the bag. GRASS CLIPPINGS ARE NOT YARD WASTE (per Act 1988-101, Section 103).

Upcoming Holiday Collection Days

GOOD FRIDAY: Collection → Friday, March 29 (Paper & Cardboard)
Friday, April 5 (Paper & Cardboard)

MEMORIAL DAY: Collection → Monday, May 27 (Trash & Recycling)
Tuesday, May 28 (Trash & Recycling)

INDEPENDENCE DAY: Collection → Thursday, July 4 (Trash & Recycling)
Monday, July 8 (Trash & Recycling)

TRASH and BULK TRASH items ARE NOT accepted at the recycling center.

Menlo Pool: continued from cover

Gearing up for its 84th season the Menlo Aquatics Center is slated to open Memorial Day through Labor Day. Full summer recreation hours run 12-8 pm starting in mid-June with modified hours when school is in session. Programs such as competitive swimming through Pennridge Aquatics Club, learn to swim lessons, lap swimming, water walking, and aquatic exercise classes all available for 2024 with fun additional pool events scattered throughout the season.

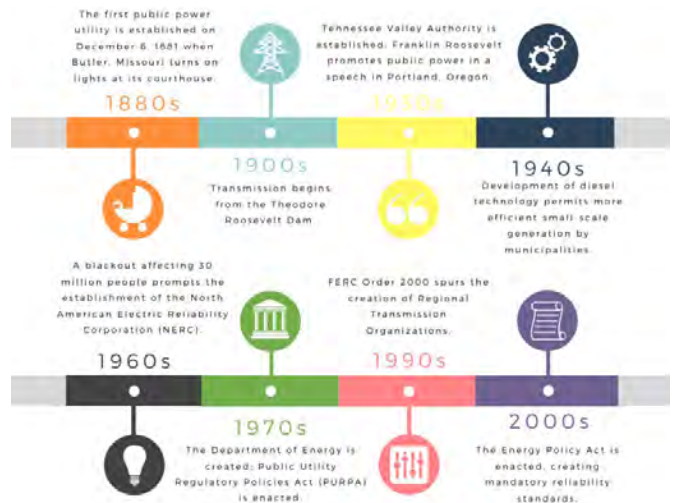
Memberships are currently on sale now through Perkasio Borough Parks and Recreation with Perkasio Borough resident discounts, early bird pricing available until 5/1, and payment plan options. Members not only get access to the facility but also have the ability to bring guests at discounted day rates, access for member only days, early access to the facility every day, discounts and early registration on all pool programs, and discounts for birthday party packages.

For more information please continue to page 16 or visit our website at: <https://perkasioborough.org/departments/parks-recreation/menlo-aquatics-center/>. Questions can be directed to the Aquatic Facilities and Program Manager at menloaquatics@perkasioborough.org or at 215-257-5065 ext 116.

*Information provided by Rick and Louise Doll and the Perkasio Historical Archives

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Stormwater Pollution Prevention Tips

Spring 2024



Clean-up: Collect and dispose of any trash that might have blown into your yard over the winter. Mulch or compost leaves and garden cuttings from the fall so that they don't get washed into local streams.



Plant Natives: Spring is a great time to plant native trees, shrubs and perennials! Native PA species require less maintenance, are more beneficial for wildlife and absorb more stormwater than non-natives.



Fertilize Carefully: Look for slow release nitrogen fertilizer which is less likely to harm water quality. Several small fertilizer applications spread out over the growing season is better than one large application. Never apply fertilizer before it rains!



Mow Sharp and High: A sharp mower blade cuts grass cleanly which improves turf health. Set your mower deck to 2.5" or more to help reduce stormwater runoff. Consider converting a section of your lawn to native garden!

CARING FOR YOUR YARD THIS SPRING

Spring is here and with it comes warmer weather, longer days and lots of yard work! Before you head outside to tackle your latest project, remember that what you do on your yard has a direct impact on the environment. This is especially true when it comes to caring for your lawn.

Lawns are notorious for their negative impacts on wildlife as well as local waterways. Luckily there are lots of small steps that you can take as a homeowner to make your yard more eco-friendly!

Consider these tips to reduce stormwater pollution and create wildlife habitat on your property this spring.



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FINANCE DEPARTMENT

2024 BUDGET

The Borough is proud to present a balanced budget for 2024. Borough Council passed the 2024 budget in December 2023. The budget process was challenging this year as we continue to face increased costs related to Electric and the collection of Refuse and Recycling. Investing in our Electric Infrastructure is a priority; in 2024 we will continue the installation of smart meters and we have plans to replace transformers at our sub-station. Additionally, the Borough continues to see an increase in power purchases each year due to higher transmission and distribution costs. Overhead costs such as Hauling and Personnel related costs continue to rise for the collection and disposal of curbside solid waste and recycling.

Despite these factors, the impact on residents is limited to small increases in fees for Electric and Trash. To help offset the increased costs, Council voted to take the following measures:

- Residential electric usage rates will increase by .01¢ / KWh. The new rates, as listed below, will take effect in the February billing cycle:

First 200 KWH \$.1724

Next 800 KWH \$.1580

All Addl. KWH \$.1388

- The quarterly Toter fee will increase by \$7.50/per quarter. The new fee will be \$82.50 per quarter.

- The fees for the Pay-As-You-Go bag system are increasing by .50¢, as listed below:

Large (green) Bags \$3.75

Small (black) Bags \$2.75

2024 will be the third year that Council has approved the 3 mill increase for the dedicated road tax. This dedicated road tax has made it possible for the Borough to continue with repairing the most vulnerable roads. In 2024 we will be including 9 roads as part of our annual road program.

A full copy of the budget is available online at perkasieborough.org for anyone who would like to review it.



A Message From The Perkasie Fire Company

Serving Perkasie since 1980. Perkasie Fire Company NO 1 is 100% volunteer, running 24/7/365 serving Perkasie, East Rockhill, and other surrounding areas.

Please welcome our new members!

Chris Pettit - Firefighter
Erin Pettit - Contributing Member
Katrina Pettit - Fire Police
Andrew Keys – Firefighter

Don't just live in your community...protect it. Interested in volunteering? Visit <https://www.perkasiefire.org/> Perkasie Fire Company is 100% volunteer run and always looking for additional volunteers!

Residents are reminded that our annual fundraising letter was mailed out earlier this year so please don't forget about us.

Mark your calendars! Fire Company Breakfast on Sunday, 5/5. More information to be available online at <https://www.perkasiefire.org/>

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A Message From The Perkasie Borough Police Department

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The Perkasie Borough Police Department Provides full-primary police services to Perkasie and Sellersville Boroughs twenty-four hours a day. The police department is staffed by nineteen full-time police officers which includes two detectives that are supervised by an administrative Sergeant.

The police department administrative office is staffed by two civilian employees, (administrative assistant and a police secretary) Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm excluding recognized holidays. The department non-emergency number is 215-257-6876. For emergencies, please dial 911.

The Perkasie Borough Police Department often receives calls for service where elderly residents become the victims of elder abuse through financial exploitation. According to the Department of Justice financial exploitation refers to two types of crimes against the elderly; financial abuse committed by some one who knows the victim and financial fraud which is committed by someone who is a stranger to the elderly victim.

The Department of Justice indicates that people who commit financial crimes may use charm, persuasion, lies, threats, and a variety of other approaches. Their goal is to separate older adults from their money.

No one is ever to blame for their financial victimization, and anyone can be a victim. The blame lies with those who commit these crimes. As a victim you have the right to report it and get help.

Some common scams include:

Imposter Scams:

Someone contacts you and pretends to be from the government (such as the Social Security Administration, IRS, or the police), or a company (such a bank or online company). Scammers will tell you there is a serious problem with your account or benefits, or that you are a suspect in a crime. They may warn you that your benefits are being stopped, that you'll be arrested, or that your money is not safe. A scammer will tell you the way to fix this problem is to pay money or move your money to a "safe" account the scammer provides you.

Technical Support Scams:

You get a pop-up on your computer or a phone call or email saying that you have a problem with your computer. The scammers may pretend to be from a well-known company. Then scammers will ask to "remote" into your computer, meaning they can access and control your computer. Scammers will tell you there is a problem that needs fixing immediately and tell you to pay a fee. At times,

scammers will also pretend to offer you a refund. They will pretend to refund you too much money (\$4500 instead of \$450) and ask you to return the difference.

Grandparent/ Someone in Need Scams:

You'll get a phone call from someone pretending to be a family member, such as a grandchild, or someone calling for a family member. The scammer will say your family member is in trouble—often arrested or seriously injured—and needs money right away. Scammers often demand that you keep this phone call a secret.

Phishing Scams:

You'll get an email or text message that looks like it is from a company (a bank or a shipping company) or the government, but is actually a trick to get you to provide information about yourself. Scammers may say, for example, that they are concerned about some activity on your account or that they need to double check some information, such as your username and password, your Social Security number, or a credit card number. Scammers will use that information to take your money or open accounts or seek benefits in your name.

The Perkasie Police Department always advises residents to never give out personal information over the phone or computer and if you are unsure if a phone call or email is legitimate to contact our officers who will assist you in verifying if the phone call or email is legitimate.

The Perkasie Police Department remains committed to providing professional and prompt police services to the residents of Perkasie and Sellersville. Officers are available and on duty twenty four hours a day and can be reached at 215-257-6876 or by calling 911 for emergencies.



PLEASE JOIN US IN CONGRATULATING OUR RECENTLY ELECTED OFFICIALS:



Ward 2: Kelly Laustsen and Robin Schilling



Ward 3: Jeremy Wano



School Age Child Care jobs in Bucks County

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College Students - living at home and attending Bucks County Community College, TCNJ, Universities in Philadelphia, etc. – Earn money with our flexible schedule while you attend college. We have employed many students from local colleges. 15 - 25 hours a week.

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Moms who want to go back to work. 15 – 25 hours a week.

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A Message From The Code Enforcement Department

Springtime means growth, which also means it is time to keep an eye on your trees and shrubbery on your property! It is especially important for line of sight around corners to avoid any obstruction for pedestrian and vehicle traffic. Please see the ordinance below and make sure to keep your trees trimmed.

§ 175-3 Requirements for trimming trees.

It shall be the duty of the owners of real estate in the Borough of Perkasio to trim and keep trimmed all trees located upon such property and along or near to any street in the Borough, so that:

- A. The limbs and/or branches thereof shall in no way interfere with electric wires and other wires lawfully suspended along such street. There shall be a clearance of at least 10 feet from all electrical wires and utility poles to all branches, limbs, or trunks and any other portion of the tree which may be overhanging any electric wires or utility poles. [Amended 3-6-2017 by Ord. No. 1003]
- B. The limbs and/or branches thereof shall not obscure or obstruct the light from any streetlight.
- C. No part of such tree or the limbs and/or branches and foliage thereof shall obstruct the view of the said street and/or traffic thereon by persons operating vehicles upon such street or any intersecting street.
- D. There shall be a clearance of at least 14 feet from the surface of the street and at least eight feet from the surface of the sidewalk to the lowest branch or limb of such tree or any other overhanging part thereof.
- E. No portion of the trunk of any tree shall encroach horizontally over the roadway of the street or over the paved portion of the sidewalk.
- F. Any tree upon a property which is dead or substantially diseased shall be removed by the owner of the property on or in front of which the same is located in instances where damage to neighboring property and/or Borough property is imminent. [Added 3-6-2017 by Ord. No. 1003]

If you have any further questions please contact the Codes and Zoning Department at 215-257-5065.



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Perkasie Garden Club

Perkasie Garden Club's purpose is to provide an opportunity for the members in the club to "grow" in their knowledge of gardening through lectures, demonstrations, and mutual sharing and to pass that knowledge on to the members of our community. If gardening and nature interest you, please join us at our 2024 meetings.

Our monthly meetings are held on the second Wednesday of the month and start at 7:00pm. We meet at the Perkasio Regional Authority located at 150 Ridge Road in Sellersville. Programs are presented from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. Our business meeting follows which all are welcome to attend. Annual dues, payable in January, are \$15.00 per household and entitle members to attend our monthly programs and meetings.



UPCOMING 2024 PROGRAMS:

March 13 –Great Dahlias: Terry Fulginiti

This presentation showcases the beauty of dahlias and offers strategies for successful growing. Learn about popular hybrid varieties, forms, and sizes. Presenter, Terry Fulginiti, a Penn State Master Gardener since 2001, has grown dahlias for 25 years and is the owner of Dahlia Acres.

April 10 – Composting: Russ Hartman

Composting is essential to building great soil which is essential for good gardening. This presentation covers the many benefits of home composting, the various waste materials that can be composted, and basic compost science. In addition, the presenter will discuss how to get started making good compost at home, various uses for the finished product, and ways to troubleshoot issues that may arise. Russ Hartman has been a Master Gardener since 2021 and is currently a Master Watershed Steward trainee.

May 8 – The "Buzz" on Pollinators: Marilyn Hibbard

A Beekeeper's Walk Through the Garden. Marilyn Hibbard – Montgomery County Beekeepers Association

June 12 - Outsmart Insect Pests with Tactical Garden Planning - Kristi Wenrich

Kristi teaches how to plan your garden for great yields without worry about insect pests. Kristi Wenrich is a Montgomery County Master Gardener. Her favorite crop to grow is new gardeners.

Our club is very active throughout the community. Mid-May we plant annuals in the various planters you may see throughout the borough. A reminder, the planters in Perkasio are not public property. Each is owned by the business or club that purchased it. Our club is honored to plant and decorate them. If you wish to learn how we care for the planters and the Veterans' Memorial Garden, come out to our meetings and get involved.

Another fun event we hold in May is our annual Plant Swap. This year it will be held on Sunday, May 19th at the Menlo Park pavilion along West Park Avenue. Bring plants to swap for other plants. Plants you bring must be potted and labeled two weeks prior to the swap event. We offer plants for sale as well. The pavilion will be open to the public to browse plants from 12:30pm to 2pm. Please arrive early to check your plants in!

The club is also planning a Garden Tour for 2025. We hope to locate a few more gardens in the Perkasio area to showcase. Email us at perkasiogardenclub@mail.com if you have an interest in participating in the tour.

Perkasie Historical Society Celebrates 70 Years!

The Perkasie Historical Society is looking forward to seeing you at our Spring 2024 season events.

SPEAKER SERIES/Membership Meetings:

The Perkasie Historical Society has regular dinner meetings featuring a speaker or program. Meetings are held at 6:30 PM at the St. Stephen's UCC, 110 N. 6th Street, Perkasie.

Reservations for dinner are necessary. For reservations, please call Pat (215) 257-9624. Dinners are \$15.00 per person.

Tuesday, April 2, 2024: "The History and Community of Durham Furnace" presented by Kathryn Finegan Clark, Bucks County author and freelance journalist.

Tuesday, May 7, 2024: "Eric & Christopher: Our History" presented by Christopher Kline of Eric & Christopher. Eric and Christopher, located in the former Royal Pants factory, produces home decor items right here in Perkasie!

Tuesday, June 4, 2024: Membership Picnic at the Carousel, Menlo Park. Join us for a picnic dinner and carousel ride. Reservations Required!

Spring In-Person Walking Tours: "Our Neighborhood" A tour of the museum neighborhood that was once home to pretzel and cigar factories and even a bowling alley. Meet at the Museum: Saturday, April 27, 2024 1:00 PM, 513 West Walnut Street. Suggested donation: \$5.00. Please check our website for specific updates. (<https://www.perkasiehistory.org/>)



Celebrating Perkasie Historical Society



MUSEUM DISPLAYS

Perkasie Historical Society Museum volunteer curators and archivists work diligently to present interesting and descriptive exhibits of local interest. Perkasie Historical Society Museum is located at 513 W. Walnut St., Perkasie. **Museum is Open Noon - 4 PM**

Saturday May 11, 2024: Perkasie PorchFest: Band TBD pending PorchFest schedule **"Saluting our Armed Forces"** at the Perkasie Historical Society Museum. This exhibit will feature military items from our collection.

Saturday May 18, 2024: "Saluting our Armed Forces" at the Perkasie Historical Society Museum. This exhibit will feature military items from our collection.

Saturday and Sunday June 8th and 9th, 2024: "Our History: Perkasie Historical Society 1954-2024"

June 15, 2024:

National Register of Historic Places Plaque Unveiling 11:00 AM

Museum exhibit: "Our History: Perkasie Historical Society 1954-2024"

Please check our website for specific updates. (<https://www.perkasiehistory.org/>)

PERKASIE HISTORICAL SOCIETY SELF-GUIDED WALKING TOUR

Our Perkasie Historical Society website has a wealth of information sharing our local history. Consider taking our award-winning Perkasie Historical Society Self-Guided Walking Tour of Perkasie Borough. An additional location is added monthly and the tour now encompasses more than 65 location and is accessible from our website: <https://www.perkasiehistory.org/perkasieselfguidedwalkingtour.html>. Watch for our additional tour locations identified by the Walking Tour QR Code window films!

MEMORIES OF PERKASIE

Sharing interesting connections between Perkasie's people, places and events. Perkasie Historical Society Museum volunteer curators and archivists work diligently to prepare descriptive topic adding articles monthly. (Perkasie Historical Society - Memories of Perkasie ([perkasiehistory.org](https://www.perkasiehistory.org)))

JOIN US IN PRESERVING PERKASIE'S HISTORY!

Membership dues of \$10.00 per year, are used to support our community activities. New Members: Please complete and submit the membership form on our Support Us page (<https://www.perkasiehistory.org/supportphs.html>) and mail your check to: Membership: Perkasie Historical Society, 513 W. Walnut St., Perkasie, PA 18944

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Economic Development In Perkasio

Perkasie Borough is sad to say “farewell” to Chimayo Gallery & Gift Shop as owners Alix Stoll and Priscilla Gray-Stoll retire after running the store for 10 successful years.



Alix and Priscilla moved to Perkasio from New York in the early 2010s, and first opened the Chimayo Gallery & Gift Shop in a small storefront on W. Market St. Chimayo moved to the current location on 7th St in 2016, so that they could work with more artists and provide space for art classes, book club meetings, craft circles, and many other kinds of community gatherings. Together they created a welcoming, friendly atmosphere in a store filled with diverse, eclectic and affordable art and Fair Trade items. As a result, Chimayo has become a cornerstone of the Perkasio community, providing a space where creativity has flourished and connections were forged, leaving an indelible mark on the hearts of patrons. Alix and Priscilla have served the Perkasio business community in many ways, serving on the Board of the Perkasio Towne Improvement Association and the Perkasio Pride organization. They have donated to and supported countless local organizations and school groups during their time here.

The closure of Chimayo Gallery marks the end of an era filled with passion, dedication, and a profound commitment to fostering community and supporting local artists and makers. Alix and Priscilla will miss their time at the store, but are looking forward to spending their time creatively... writing, painting, crafting, gardening and enjoying their new grandchild.

While we are sad that Chimayo is closing, we are delighted that another Perkasio Borough store is moving in... Bloom Flower Co. is moving from their current location on N. 7th St. Rebranded as “The Shop Around the Corner by Bloom Flower Co.,” this new location will feature the trademark style and atmosphere of Bloom with gifts for all ages. The new location will continue to carry work by some of Chimayo’s artists and makers, as well as numerous customized “Perkasio” items. The Shop Around the Corner will also host a variety of creative workshops and classes throughout the year. Another local woman-owned business, Sage Bliss Aesthetics is planning to relocate from Telford to Perkasio and bring their personalized, luxury esthetician services to the space vacated by Bloom Flower Co.

Perkasie Towne Improvement Association (PTIA)



The Perkasio Towne Improvement Association “PTIA” is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization governed by a 9-member Board of Directors. PTIA strives to connect both new and established local

businesses to each other and to our local community. Through marketing, and events PTIA is able to connect the community in a variety of fun and creative ways. We aim to welcome and promote business and community opportunities to locals and visitors alike.

PTIA organizes First Fridays, Perkasio Ale Trail, Main St. (Pine2Pink) in Perkasio, Coffee With a Cop, and Perkasio business roundtable discussions. We also host seasonal events like SHOP HOP Perkasio, Trick or Treat in Downtown Perkasio, Grinchmas, Gingerbread Extravaganza and Winter Wanderland in collaboration with local businesses. Each year we partner with local artisans to curate the commemorative Perkasio holiday ornament. As a group, we look forward to continuing our mission to connect Perkasio businesses with each other and with the greater Perkasio community through family-friendly events and professional networking.



WINTER WANDERLAND IN DOWNTOWN PERKASIE

Families gathered and wandered through Perkasio’s business district for our second annual Winter Wanderland event this January. Each participating business had a fun activity or promotion for all ages to enjoy. We even had a visit from a special guest - Elsa! A big thank you to Liberty Trail



Girl Scouts for offering a face painting activity, and the Children’s Librarian from the Perkasio Branch of Bucks County Free Library for joining us for an interactive story time.

As always, thank you to all of our participating businesses: Rise & Grind Cafe, Perkasio Florist, Papa’s Cupcakes, Bloom Flower Co., Chimayo Gallery, Modern Male Barbershop, Olde Towne Tanning.

PERKASIE ALE TRAIL

Our second annual Perkasio Ale Trail was a success! Over 1,000 participants completed the entire Perkasio Ale Trail card, earning the 2024 Perkasio Ale Trail pint glass. Thank you to our participating businesses: RAMS Pint House, Mystic Ways Brewing Co., Van Lieus Brewing Co., Free Will Brewing Co. and The Perk. It was a wonderful weekend with great weather, great beer, and great conversations. We look forward to our next Perkasio Ale Trail in 2025!



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PERKASIE

first friday

EAT • DRINK • SHOP LOCAL

First Fridays start back up in April! With live music, shopping and dining specials, kids' activities and more, our once-a-month First Friday events have grown steadily! Our Events Committee, under the leadership of Kelly Laustsen and Kim Bartells, have been busy planning our calendar for 2024. All First Friday activities take place in the area of 7th and Market streets. Save the Date for these upcoming First Fridays and their tentative themes. Follow along via Perkasie First Friday Facebook page: facebook.com/perkasiefirstfriday

May 3rd: Celebrate Perkasie's Birthday
+ Cinco de Mayo Celebration

June 7th: Paws Night Out

July 5th: Red, White & Food Trucks

August 2nd: Summer Block Party

September 6th: Chili Cook Off

October 4th: Oktoberfest

***Saturday November 2nd:** FIRST
SATURDAY SHOPPING EVENT

December 6th: Hometown Holiday



JOIN OUR VOLUNTEER CREW



PTIA WEBSITE



PTIA FACEBOOK

Looking to get involved in your community? Love local events? Send us an email at ptia.board@gmail.com or send us a message on Facebook.

SHOP LOCAL + SUPPORT LOCAL

Follow along with our small business shopping guide on Facebook. Boutique shops and restaurants in Perkasie borough will share in-store promotions, new arrivals, dining & drink specials. Whether you're looking for gifts for friends, family, coworkers, or ideas for a fun gathering out in town, this guide has something for everyone.

SERVICE PRO PERKASIE

Looking to hire a service professional in our area? This guide highlights local service pros in Perkasie borough with promotions, contact information and more.

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FINANCIAL FOUNDATIONS: INVESTING FOR RETIREMENT

GenX and Millennial consumers face slow growing wages, ever increasing expenses and disappearing employer pension options. Financial Foundations: Investing for Retirement is a free workshop designed to help you address these challenges. Please join us! This workshop is presented by the Redtail Financial Group.

Date: Monday, 4/15 from 6:30 – 8:00pm

Fee: Free, – must pre-register at www.PerkasieRec.Com

WOMEN, WEALTH & WISDOM WORKSHOP

Learn to apply real-world lessons about managing finances and reaching financial goals. Attend this workshop to hear stories about six women who have figured out a few things about their finances - and enriched their lives in ways beyond what's in their bank accounts. This workshop is presented by the Redtail Financial Group.

Date: Monday, 5/6 from 6:30 – 8:00pm

Fee: Free, – must pre-register at www.PerkasieRec.Com

5 KEYS TO RETIRING FEARLESSLY

Attend 5 Keys to Retiring Fearlessly to learn insights that can help you figure out what steps to take next. This workshop is presented by the Redtail Financial Group.

Date: Monday, 6/3 from 6:30 – 8:00pm

Fee: Free, – must pre-register at www.PerkasieRec.Com

PERKASIE COMMUNITY GARDEN PLOTS FOR SALE!

Perkasie Residents can register starting March 1st and non-residents starting April 1st. Plots are 12'x12' and are available to start planting after initial tilling. For more information and registration visit www.perkasie.rec.com.

Location: Garden is located at 5th Street and Shadywood Drive

Fee: \$25 per plot plus \$25 water key deposit

ZUMBA!

Get ready to workout by dance! This is a high-intensity dance fitness class for all levels! There is a wide range of dance styles and fitness workout combinations throughout every class to accommodate all

participants. Dance styles include salsa, merengue, soca, dembow, hip-hop, dance pop, and much more. Join us on Monday nights to burn calories and have fun!

Dates: Every Monday 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Location: Perkasie Fire Department, 100 N 5th St Perkasie

Fee: \$7– must pre-register at www.PerkasieRec.Com

KNOW YOUR MEDICARE OPTIONS

Confused about your Medicare options? Join us for this educational session as we go over how Medicare works and what it covers. We will also discuss how part "D" prescription cards work and how to pick the right one for you. Finally, we will discuss the differences between Medicare supplements and Medicare Advantage Plans. Please come with questions so you can make the right choice when planning for Medicare or Medicare Advantage decisions.

Date: Tuesday, April 16th from 6:30pm-8:00pm

Instructor: Steve Perlman, DelVal Senior Advisors,
Independent Medicare Planning Specialist

Location: Perkasie Borough Hall, 620 W Chestnut St, Perkasie

Fee: Free, – must pre-register at www.PerkasieRec.Com

MULTI-SPORT SUNDAYS IN LENAPE PARK

Multi Sports programs allow children of all ages to experience a variety of sports throughout their program. Children will have the opportunity to learn and play sports like basketball, soccer, flag football, track & field, hockey, and more! All of our Multi Sport programs are suitable for children of all ability levels. From the recreation-level player to the more serious athlete, our multi sports programs are great fun for all.

Date: Sundays, 4/14 – 6/9 (no class 4/21 or 5/26)

Instructor: US Sports Institute

Location: Lenape Park Softball Field, 504 Constitution Ave, Perkasie

Fee: \$175 – register at www.perkasierec.com

Ages: 2-6 in multiple age groups based upon parent discretion

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PERKASIE PICKLEBALL

Exciting Pickleball programs coming to Perkasio this Spring. Learn and understand the latest tips and techniques to enjoy and improve at this fun game. All instruction is customized to your level. 3 Week sessions, single day clinics, and private lessons all available!

Class Information: Visit perkasierec.com for different classes available

Instructor: Kathy Ebbert, IPTPA Level 2 Certified Pro and IPTPA Rating Specialist. PTR Certified Tennis Instructor.

Location: Kulp Park Tennis Courts, 21 South 2nd Street, Perkasio, PA 18944

COMMUNITY YARD SALE

One man's trash is another's treasure! Sell your unwanted belongings in Town Center, adjacent to the extremely popular Perkasio Farmers' Market. Please no makers or growers. Limited spaces are available to both Perkasio Borough residents and non-residents. Those interested in participating must register in advance on-line.

Date: Saturday, June 8th from 9a-12pm (rain or shine event)

Location: Perkasio Town Center

Fee: The cost per space will be \$10.00 – register at www.perkasierec.com

SUMMER BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Join us this summer for our competitive basketball league! We have been playing at Kulp Park off 2nd Street in Perkasio for 20 years. See if your team will end up on top this year! League is open to all ages!

League starts mid to late June and play through summer on Monday – Thursday evenings (Friday evenings and Saturday morning reserved for weather make ups) at Kulp Park Outdoor Basketball Courts (21 S 2nd Street, Perkasio).

Registration is by team only! Forms, pricing, and rules are available at PerkasioRec.com (search: basketball). Only completed Team Registration Packets will be accepted: includes team payment, registration form, and waiver signature. Packets can be mailed or dropped off to Perkasio Borough Hall, 620 West Chestnut Street, Perkasio. Or with credit card info, emailed to ParkandRec@PerkasioBorough.org. Minimum of 7 players, max of 12.

REGISTER NOW! Final deadline is Friday, May 12th.

To avoid cancellations, we need a commitment from teams early! Please note every year teams wait to register fearing cancellations but if everyone waits and won't commit then it forces us to cancel. We need at least five teams for each league.

League Categories

Adults Ages 18+ Guaranteed 10 games + playoffs and jerseys!

Youth Girls - 5/6th grade; 7/8th grade; 9-12th grade Guaranteed 8 games + playoffs and shirts!

Boys - 5/6th grade, 7/8th grade; 9-12th grade Guaranteed 8 games + playoffs and shirts!

Grade is for 2024/2025 school year

INDIVIDUALS LOOKING TO PLAY? Contact parkandrec@perkasioborough.org with name, league category, and contact information. If possible, we will try putting together individual teams. *Note: we will NEED 1-2 parent/guardians available to be a coach so please note if you are available/interested in the email.*

2024 BCTA TENNIS LESSONS IN PERKASIE BOROUGH

Location: Kulp Park Tennis Courts, 50 South 2nd Street, Perkasio, PA 18944

Register at: www.buckscountytennis.usta.com

Additional \$3 administrative fee per participant for mail-in

registration. Receive a \$10 discount per participant by signing up for three or more five-week seasons at one time!

REGISTRATION DEADLINES

Season 1: March 22

Season 2: May 4

Season 3: June 30

Season 4: August Swing, and Fall sessions also available. More information online.

LEARN, PRACTICE & PLAY

Pee Wees (recommended ages 4–6): \$70

Season 1: 5 Tuesdays, April 2 – May 7, 4:45–5:30 pm

Season 2: 5 Tuesdays, May 14, – June 11, 4:45–5:30 pm

Season 3: 5 Tuesdays, July 9 – August 6, 4:45–5:30 pm

Little Aces (recommended ages 7–10): \$75

Season 1: 5 Tuesdays, April 2 – May 7, 5:30–6:30 pm

Season 2: 5 Tuesdays, May 14, – June 11, 5:30–6:30 pm

Season 3: 5 Tuesdays, July 9 – August 6, 5:30–6:30 pm

Juniors (recommended ages 11–13): \$75

Season 1: 5 Tuesdays, April 2 – May 7, 6:30–7:30 pm

Season 2: 5 Tuesdays, May 14, – June 11, 6:30–7:30 pm

Season 3: 5 Tuesdays, July 9 – August 6, 6:30–7:30 pm

Teens/Adults (Beginners/Intermediates) (recommended ages 14 and up): \$75

Season 1: 5 Tuesdays, April 2 – May 7, 7:30–8:30 pm

Season 2: 5 Tuesdays, May 14, – June 11, 7:30–8:30 pm

Season 3: 5 Tuesdays, July 9 – August 6, 7:30–8:30 pm

MORE TENNIS OPPORTUNITIES FOR

PERKASIE BOROUGH RESIDENTS

Perkasio Borough is part of BCTA's county-wide tennis network. Check out this Website for more information about tennis opportunities available to Perkasio Borough residents, such as:

- BCTA County-Wide social tournaments for youths and adults
- Introductory BCTA Jr. Team Tennis for players (ages 8–13) who previously participated in Learn, Practice and Play or similar programs
- Advanced BCTA Jr. Team Tennis Training and USTA Travel Teams (14-and-under and 18-and-under)
- Middle and High School Training and special High School Competitions • Adult leagues (Flex League, meet-ups and Fall Doubles)

SUMMER 2024 SPECIALTY ONE WEEK CAMPS

SCIENCE & ADVENTURE CAMPS!

Zombie Survival Camp (ages 9-12)

Are you prepared to survive a zombie invasion? In this playfully spooky camp we learn real survival skills with exciting immersive storyline. Learn proper protocol for building zombie-proof shelters, location supply caches using GPS, games training the undead's movements and camouflaging skills. Have a blast with games and challenges and leave with some useful knowledge of emergencies and life in the wild! Each day will include hands-on activities, discussion, and team activity. Bring a water bottle and snack, wear comfortable shoes and dress for activity and weather.

Date: Monday – Friday, June 17th – June 21st from 9a-12pm

Instructor: GeoVentures

Location: Rotary Pavilion, Lenape Park, 504 Constitution Ave, Perkasio

Fee: \$200

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NATURE ADVENTURE CAMP (AGES 6-8)

Be explores of the plant and animal world all around us. Together we'll encounter creatures, identity prints and tracks, explore ecosystems, play stealthy games and hunt for natural treasures. Join us for a great adventure every day! Each day will include hands-on activities, discussion, and team activity. Bring a water bottle and snack, wear comfortable shoes and dress for activity and weather.

Date: Monday – Friday, July 8th – July 12th from 9a-12pm
Instructor: GeoVentures
Location: Skate Park Pavilion, Lenape Park, 504 Constitution Ave, Perkasio
Fee: \$200

SUPER SLIMEY SMOKEY SCIENCE (AGES 7-12)

Dive into a variety of scientific fields as you help solve a mystery, stretch silly putty and slime, copper plat nickels, tinker with circuits, and investigate optical illusions. Become captivated by lasers, dry ice, and hair-raising experiments! You will love what happens when you mix science and fun! Bring a water bottle and snack.

Date: Monday – Friday, July 22nd – July 26th from 9:30a-12:30p
Instructor: Mad Science
Location: Perkasio Borough Hall, 620 W Chestnut St, Perkasio
Fee: \$190

UNDERGROUND EXPLORERS – FROM DINOSAURS TO ANCIENT CIVILIZATIONS (AGES 7-12)

Learn about archaeology and the techniques scientists use to excavate long lost cities. Discover ancient civilizations and the tools and artifacts they used in everyday life. Study bone fragments, pottery shards, amber deposits, and fossils to understand what they can tell us about history. Make incredible projects to take home, ling an amber time capsule an antique coin from around the world! Bring a water bottle and snack.

Date: Monday – Friday, July 29th – August 2nd from 9:30a-12:30pm
Instructor: Mad Science
Location: Perkasio Borough Hall, 620 W Chestnut St, Perkasio
Fee: \$190

THEATER & EDUCATIONAL FUN CAMPS:

Chess Wizards Camp (ages 6-12)

Chess Wizards has been teaching the game of chess since 2002. Join us this summer for tons of challenging chess lessons, exciting games, and cool prizes. You'll improve your chess skills, meet new friends, and work out your most powerful muscle - your brain! Our camps include fun team chess games (like Corner Chess), recess time (of course), snacks, tournaments, and puzzles. Each camper receives a T-shirt, trophy, and puzzle folder. We include all the materials necessary for your child to participate. Unleash your brain power and spend part of your vacation with Chess Wizards!

Date: Monday – Friday, June 24th – 28th from 9a-12pm or 12pm – 3pm
Instructor: Chess Wizards
Location: Perkasio Borough Hall, Parks and Recreation Office, 620 W Chestnut St, 2nd Floor, Perkasio
Fee: \$250

CREATIVE THEATER CAMP (AGES 6-10)

In our 14th season at Menlo Park! Have you ever wanted to star in a play that YOU helped create? Then this is the summer camp for you! Learn all about theater by doing it yourself! Participants are guided by the instructors through a process where they play theater games, create a story, and work together to form their ideas into a theatrical production. Students will create their own character, plot, props, costume, title, and everything else in between that is needed to make the production complete! Play the part you have always dreamed of!

Parents, family, and friends please join us for a performance of their original work on the Friday of camp at 1:30 pm! Please provide a lunch, snack and drink daily.

Date: Monday – Friday, July 29th – August 2nd, 9:00 – 2:30 pm
 Monday- Friday, August 5th – August 9th, 9:00am-2:30pm
Instructor: artsTECHsolutions
Location: Menlo Park Pavilion, 425 Arthur Ave, Perkasio
Fee: \$155

30 PLAYS IN 60 MINUTES (AGES 11-18)

New for 2024! Students create 30 different plays that are performed in one hour or less. The audience decides the order in which they are performed by calling out suggestions from the "menu" of play titles. Very fast and a lot of fun, the program requires a lot of quick thinking on the part of the actors-and lots of energy from the audience as they decide what they want to see and when! Parents, family, and friends please join us for a performance of their original work on the Friday of camp at 1:30 pm! Please provide a lunch, snack and drink daily.

Date: Monday – Friday, August 12th – August 16th, 9:00 – 2:30 pm
Instructor: artsTECHsolutions
Location: Menlo Park Pavilion, 425 Arthur Ave, Perkasio
Fee: \$155

ALICE IN WONDERLAND (AGES 9-12)

New for 2024! Have you ever wanted to travel down a rabbit hole, or take part in a mad tea party? Join us this summer and you'll get your chance! Brought to by the Creative Theatre team, our version of "Alice in Wonderland" is based loosely on the Lewis Carroll stories and presented in the style of absurd theatre. Alice finds herself falling down the rabbit hole, and from there tries desperately to get back home. In our production we have multiple Alices (because it is wonderland Alice changes shape constantly), plenty of mad tea party guests (the hatter, the hare, dormouse, etc), and of course her royal highness the queen of hearts. We follow an outline version of the books...this is not based on the movie. But like the Creative Theatre programs, the students add their own voice to this piece. The thing to remember is that everyone in wonderland is quite mad, and quite funny!! Parents, family, and friends please join us for a performance of their original work on the Friday of camp at 1:30 pm! Please provide a lunch, snack and drink daily.

Date: Monday – Friday, August 19th – August 23rd, 9:00 – 2:30 pm
Instructor: artsTECHsolutions
Location: Menlo Park Pavilion, 425 Arthur Ave, Perkasio
Fee: \$155

SPORTS CAMPS!

Basketball Camp (ages 5-11)

The summer basketball camp introduces a wide range of skills throughout the week including dribbling, passing and shooting. Each day ends with small-sided games where the coaches encourage good sportsmanship and teamwork. Participants will develop an understanding of offensive and defensive plays, and be encouraged to implement these skills into realistic scrimmages and game-play situations. This summer camp is appropriate for basketball players ranging from beginners, to those already well versed in the sport of basketball. Groups are separated by age and ability to ensure all players flourish in the optimum positive learning environment while having a great time!

Date: Monday – Friday, July 15th – July 19th from 9am-12pm
Instructor: US Sport Institute
Location: Kulp Park Basketball Courts & Pavilion
Fee: \$205

NOT YOUR TYPICAL SPORTS CAMP (AGES 10-15)

This is a fun day camp that will provide some outdoor play along with a focus on specific games for competition included kickball, mat ball, wiffle ball, ultimate frisbee or football, and other amazing

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activities to bond with your friends and get that exercise we all need. It will be a fun yet competitive camp that will end each week with playoffs and the chance to win a championship! Along with exercise your child will learn how to compete healthily and learn social skills. Please come prepared with water and athletic/leisure attire and sunscreen.

Dates: Monday – Friday, July 10-July 14th, 8am -1 pm
Monday – Friday, July 31 – August 4, 8am – 1 pm

Instructor: Coach Arnold & Coach Bradham - *Matthew Arnold is a certified English teacher in the Pennridge School District and coaches multiple sports and Marques Bradham is both boys' and girls' basketball coach for Pennridge School District.*

Location: Kulp Park Pavilion, 21 S 2nd St, Perkasio

Fees: \$200 per week

USA ARCHERY SUMMER CAMP (AGES 5-17)

Get in touch with your inner warrior learning the family friendly, lifetime sport of ARCHERY! Connect with nature and our ancestors in what just may become the beginning of your child's love for outdoor recreational adventures! This ½ day weeklong camp is geared for archer's ages 5 to 17 with skill sets from beginner through advanced. Archers will not only learn range safety, shooting techniques and how to successfully hit targets but will also enjoy the following activities: Moving balloon targets, 3-D targets, making our own target faces & quivers, games such as defend our camp....just to name a few! At the end of the week archers will shoot in a real tournament for score and each archer will receive a bronze, silver or gold medal! S.S.A.A. will provide certified archery instruction and state of the art archery equipment including traditional recurve bows and genesis compound bows!

Dates: Monday – Friday, August 5 – August 9th, 9am-12pm

Instructor: Shooting Star Archery Academy

Location: Lenape Park

Fees: \$225

LOVE YOUR PARKS, PERKASIE PARK CLEAN UP

Show your love for your parks by assisting the Park and Rec Board and Skate Park Subcommittee at our spring park clean up! Everyone welcome. Groups please reach out to parkandrec@perkasio.org to let us know in advance if you would like to join. Individuals and families do not need to reach out prior and can just show up that morning. Please note though we are meeting in Lenape Park please wear comfortable clothing and shoes because some groups may be walking the trail system during the cleanup.

Date & time: Saturday, April 20th at 9am

Meeting Location: Skate Park Pavilion, Lenape Park

Leave Your Mark In The Park – Memorial Bench Program

Mixed concrete and wood benches available for purchase or donate. Memorial plaques can be added to any bench and bench locations are customizable. What better way to leave your mark in the park then leaving a lasting bench for all to enjoy. Reach out to parkandrec@perkasio.org for more information.

Celebrate Your Party In The Park –

Online Pavilion Requests

Spring and Summer are just around the corner! Perkasio Borough park pavilions are a great place for your party or event. Every pavilion is in close proximity to park amenities included rest rooms and open play space! And requesting a reservation has become easier than ever before with our new online calendar, registration system, and printable permits! Visit <https://perkasio.org/departments/parks-recreation/parks-trails/rentals/> for more information and to reserve!

**Want to celebrate your party at the Pool? Menlo Birthday Party Packages are available! Reach out to menloaquatics@perkasio.org*

JOIN US FOR THE ANNUAL BUCKS COUNTY SENIOR GAMES!!



The Bucks County Area Agency on Aging and our partners-- Bucks County Foundation for Aging, Bucks County Department of Parks and Recreation, Bucks County Community College, and the Senior Games Committee are working hard on delivering another great Games in 2024. We encourage residents 50 and over at all levels of ability to compete and make new friends in a relaxed, friendly atmosphere. Billiards, Bocce, Disc Golf, Bowling, Chess, Darts, and Pickleball clinic are just a few of the event offerings.

For more information including registration and dates visit their website at <https://buckscounty.gov/292/Senior-Games>

SELLERSVILLE MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

The Annual Memorial Day Parade is a reminder to each of us that many of our countrymen and women fought and died to preserve our nation's freedom. The Memorial Day Parade and Service will take place on Saturday May 27th, 2023. The Parade will start at 10:00am forming at the intersection of Diamond Street and East Clymer Ave. with it ending at the Park. The Memorial Day Service will start around 11:30am. The event will cancel in the event of rain. Individuals and groups wishing to participate in the Memorial Day Parade should reach out to Craig Wilhem at 215-802-4572. *Please note the annual Memorial Day Parade alternates each year between Perkasio Borough and Sellersville Borough. Perkasio Borough will host again in 2025.*



INDOOR FARMERS MARKET

Our indoor market brings exciting foods and flavors from local growers and producers to town on the 2nd & 4th Saturdays of each month through the end of April. You'll find all the foodie fun from 9am-12pm at the Perkasio Fire House.

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Perkasio's Summer Concert Series will run at the amphitheater in Lenape Park. Concerts will take place from 7pm-9pm on Wednesday and some Friday evenings in July and August. Please visit our website for the schedule: <https://perkasio.org/information/community-events/summer-concert-series/>



PERKASIE FARMERS MARKET

Perkasio's fabulous Farmers Market will open for the summer season on June 1st, 2024. Now a weekly fixture for so many residents and visitors, the market takes place every Saturday morning, from 9am-12pm on 7th St in the center of town. Shoppers will find local farmers, new and established food producers, and a few handmade, homemade craft items. Live music and family activities every week. Special event themes include Fathers Day, Pride Day, Christmas in July, and Halloween Party and more. The market has a free community spot for non-profits and other civic organizations that serve the Perkasio area. Volunteer opportunities. Please direct questions to events@perkasio.org. More information at <https://perkasio.org/information/community-events/farmers-market/>



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The Celtic heritage has captivated hearts and minds with its timeless beauty. From the enchanting melodies of traditional music to the awe-inspiring footwork of Irish dancers, the Upper Bucks Celtic Festival immerses attendees in a world where legends come to life. Brought to you by Upper Bucks Chamber of Commerce and Perkasio Borough the Celtic Festival will be held in Downtown Perkasio Saturday, March 16, 2024 from 11 am to 4 pm. Join us in celebrating the beauty and charm of Celtic culture at the Upper Bucks Celtic Festival. Together, we can create an unforgettable experience for our community while forging lasting connections with passionate individuals who appreciate the power of heritage.

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Penridge Community Center

The Penridge Community Center is a conglomeration of neighbors, colleagues, and friends who meet regularly to enjoy the company of others. The Center is open to all members of the greater community 55 years and older.

Our main purpose is to provide activities, friendship, and information to our members. Although most occur at our facility, we may travel to other events in the area. A hot lunch is also available for our members on a daily basis. We also have many special events throughout the year, including fundraisers where volunteers are needed.

Memberships not required but are reasonably priced, come with benefits and discounts for some activities and events. For more information visit our website at <https://www.pennridgecenter.org/>

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

- Billiards** Mondays' 9:00am – 1:00pm
(Free for Members, \$2 non-members)
- Chair Yoga** Tuesday's 10:00am-10:45am
(\$3 Members, \$5 non-members)
- Art Class** Wednesday's 10:00am-11:15am w/ Duane Moyer
(\$3 Members, \$5 non-members)
- Tai Chi** Wednesday's 11:30am-12:30pm Beginners/
12:30pm-1:30pm Advanced
(\$5 Members, \$10 non-members)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Saturday, April 6th** - Cash Bingo - \$30.00 for 17 games. Doors open at 11:00 am – games begin at 1:00
- Wednesday, April 10th**, - Stroke Awareness - Katie Jones, BSN, stroke care coordinator from Grand View Health in Sellersville, will present - stroke signs and symptoms, treatment options, recovery, and secondary stroke prevention. partnership with Penn Medicine . The Starts 10:00 am.
- Wednesday, April 10th**, Pennridge HS, presents Hello Dolly - this preview show is free for Seniors. The show begins at 4:00 pm. You must provide your own transportation. No preregistration required.
- Thursday, April 25th**, Spring Fling Tea Party - \$15.00 member – non-mem. \$20.00
- Wednesday, May 8th**, Dublin , PA - Rod Shultz, who was raised in Dublin and went to the one room school house for 1st and 2nd grade, will be hosting this wonderful program. Starts at 10:00 am. More information in our next Newsletter.
- Friday, May 17th** - Shredding Event, 10:00 am - Noon.
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MEETING DATES

Borough Council..... 1st and 3rd Mondays,
Borough Hall | 7:00pm

Parks & Recreation Board 3rd Tuesday,
Borough Hall | 7:00pm

Perkasio Regional Authority..... 2nd Monday,
PRA | 5:30pm

PWTA 4th Monday,
PWTA | 7:00pm

Planning Commission 4th Wednesday,
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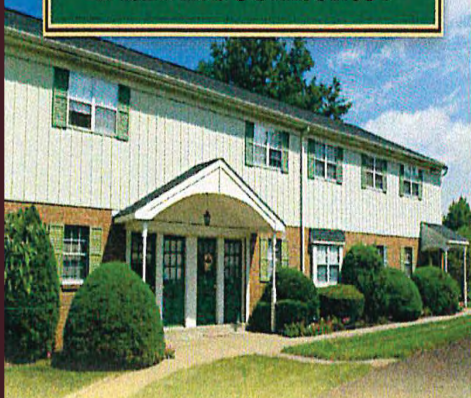
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