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UPCOMING SEWER INTERCEPTOR REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Engineering and planning work has begun for the replacement of the two sewer interceptors that serve Quakertown Borough and surrounding Richland Township. The replacement and upgrade of our aging interceptors will be 100% funded by the Bucks County Water & Sewer Authority. Depending on the time needed for design and securing of permits, actual construction may not begin until 2014. In the meantime there will be survey crews and planning personnel working around town.

The project will replace existing sewers located along the Licking Run and Beaver Run Creeks. Construction on the Licking Run Interceptor will be from just east of North Main Street to very near the wastewater treatment plant. Specific areas involved include: backyards on the south side of the Licking Run Creek: from Main Street to Seventh Street, areas in Memorial Park along the creek, the Fibermark property along the creek, North Hellertown Avenue: from Erie Avenue to Court Alley, Court Alley, North Ambler Street: from Court Alley to the creek, areas along the south side of the creek to Erie Avenue crossing Erie Avenue and creek at Elm Street, and the wooded area along the creek to the wastewater treatment plant. Construction of the Beaver Run Interceptor will follow the Beaver Run Creek: from Front Street west to Route 309 into Richland Township and ending at Mill Road. Specific areas involved include: backyards along the north side of the creek from: Front Street to the dead end of South Third Street, Cedar Crest Drive, the edge of the Quakertown High School property, South Main Street Park, the

backyards of Congress Court crossing Route 309, and wooded areas along the creek in Richland Township crossing Trumbauersville Road to Mill Road.

Some properties along the construction zone may have building sewer laterals connected to the sewer interceptors. As per Quakertown Borough Sewer Ordinance, the Borough shall inspect the sewer laterals whenever sewer laterals are reconnected to a reconstructed sewer main. If this inspection determines that the lateral is leaking or made of porous or otherwise improper material, the Borough shall require the property owner to replace or repair the defective sewer lateral. Replacement of leaking laterals stops groundwater from entering the sanitary sewer system which helps keep treatment costs down and benefits the environment.

Due to the large scale and complex nature of this project, we ask in advance for your patience and cooperation during this construction. Construction in backyard properties may require the removal of small structures, fences, shrubs, and trees that have encroached on the sewer easement. We will do our best to plan and work with property owners to minimize this disruption and to properly restore all areas. We will continue to keep you posted on the progress of this project, especially as the actual construction date nears. Please call the Sewer Department at 215-536-5004, if you have any questions or concerns about this project.

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- Electric Department 215-536-5003
- Wastewater Department 215-536-5004
- Highway Department 215-536-5005
- Water Department..... 215-536-5855
- Quakertown Community Pool 215-536-5235
- 24-hour Anonymous Crime Tip Line..... 267-371-5094

- Utility Emergency after hours 215-721-3520

The Borough office is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For your convenience, utility payments can be made at the drive through area located behind Borough Hall. When the office is closed, utility payments can be deposited in the side door of Borough Hall.

The Borough Council Chamber regular meeting is the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. The work session meeting is the fourth Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. All meetings are open to the public. Council's Chamber is handicap accessible. If you want to confirm a meeting date, please check our website at www.quakertown.org.

The Planning Commission meeting is held the second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

DATES OF INTEREST

Event	Date	Time	Rain date	Location
Relay For Life	Saturday, May 4-5	9:00am		Memorial Park
Trash 2 Treasure Community Yard Sale	Saturday, May 11	8:00am-12:00pm		Skate Shelter Parking Lot
Bike Rodeo	Saturday, May 11	9:00am	Sat. May 18	Quakertown Pool Parking Lot
Arts Alive!	Saturday, May 18	10:00am-4:00pm		Downtown Quakertown
Pool Opening Weekend	Saturday, May 25	12:00pm-8:00pm		Quakertown Community Pool
Memorial Day Holiday - Borough Closed	Monday, May 27			
Tentative Pool Opening Day	Saturday, June 15	12:00pm-8:00pm		Quakertown Community Pool
Pool - Local Band (Jesse Nace & Dan Frasch)	Saturday, June 22	1:00pm-4:00pm		Quakertown Community Pool
Pool - Family Day w/ DJ Lobie Entertainment	Sunday, June 23			Quakertown Community Pool
KIDS Camp - STARTS	Monday, June 24			Check-In at Skating Shelter
Garden Affaires Tour Reception	Saturday, June 29	7:00pm-10:00pm		Downtown Quakertown
Garden Affaires Tour	Sunday, June 30	10:00am-4:00pm		Downtown Quakertown
Pool - Blue Dollar Day w/ Quakertown Band	Sunday, June 30	2:00pm-4:00pm		Quakertown Community Pool
Community Day	Thursday, July 4	begins 8:00am		Memorial Park
Pool - Theme Night w/ DJ Lobie Entertainment	Saturday, July 6	4:00pm-8:00pm		Quakertown Community Pool
Concert in the Park	Sunday, July 7	6:30pm-8:30pm		Memorial Park
Pool - Teen Night w/ DJ Lobie Entertainment	Friday, July 12	6:00pm-10:00pm		Quakertown Community Pool
Concert in the Park	Sunday, July 14	6:30pm-8:30pm		Memorial Park
Concert in the Park	Sunday, July 21	6:30pm-8:30pm		Memorial Park
Pool - UBACE performance	Saturday, July 27	1:00pm-4:00pm		Quakertown Community Pool
Concert in the Park	Sunday, July 28	6:30pm-8:30pm		Memorial Park



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Quakertown Community Pool Membership Application - 2013			
The last day for EARLY APPLICATION is May 24, 2013			
Applicant's Name:			
Date of birth:	Home Phone:	Cell Phone:	
Address:			
City:	State:	Zip:	
Email:	Borough Resident: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Own <input type="checkbox"/> Rent	

Memberships				
*** Please include APPLICANT (listed above) if they require membership ***				
First Name	Last Name	Relationship (mother, father, sister, etc)	Date of Birth	Male/Female

2013 Pool Fees		
Membership Type	Early Application	Regular Application
Family – Resident	<input type="checkbox"/> \$180.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$185.00
Family – NonResident	<input type="checkbox"/> \$265.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$275.00
Adult – Resident	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ 75.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ 80.00
Adult – NonResident	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$110.00
Child (under 18) or Senior(over 62) (R)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ 70.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ 70.00
Child (under 18) or Senior(over 62) (NR)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ 85.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ 85.00
Twilight	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ 75.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ 80.00

Important Information Regarding Your Pool Application
Proof of residence must be shown before memberships are issued. Proof of full time student status must be included for college students. Proof of age must accompany all applications for children under 19 years of age who did not previously have a season pass.
To receive resident rate you MUST pay your electric utility bill to the Borough of Quakertown. Other utility companies in the outlying townships are considered non-resident. A copy of recent utility bill must accompany all applications, including renewals.
Release of Liability Waiver must be signed to obtain pool membership.
Make your check payable to Quakertown Borough .
A family membership includes 2 Adult and all dependent children less than 18 years of age living in the same residence.
Only one membership registration is permitted per application form.
Keytags can be picked up at Quakertown Community Pool upon registration.

Signature of Applicant:	Date:
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Verification	
To be Completed by the Borough of Quakertown	
Date Received:	Proof of Residency: <input type="checkbox"/> Utility Bill <input type="checkbox"/> PA Drivers License <input type="checkbox"/> Other
Authorization:	Date:



QUAKERTOWN COMMUNITY POOL

RELEASE OF LIABILITY WAIVER

(Required for all pool memberships & to be included with application)

I certify that I, the undersigned, am in good health and am able to participate in this program. I also, as the parent or legal guardian of the participant listed, certify that the participant is in good health and is able to participate in this program.

I understand that no health and/or accident insurance(s) are provided for participants and I accept full responsibility for obtaining the same or for payment of all expenses in the absence of such insurance.

Whereas, I the undersigned, do desire and intend to participate in this program, and whereas, I, the undersigned, do desire and intend for my child to participate in this program,

Now, therefore, in consideration of the foregoing, and in consideration of the mutual relationship of others participating in said program, and of my participation therein, I do hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns, forever remise, release and discharge the Borough of Quakertown their successors and assigns, directors, officers, members, agents, and other representatives, and their heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns from any and all of manner of action, causes of action, suits, debts, accounts, controversies, damages, claims and demands whatsoever which I or my legal representative may have or may acquire against the Borough of Quakertown or their directors, officers, members, agents, and other representatives, by reason of any loss resulting from personal injury or damage to personal property belonging to me other than caused by our negligence, which may occur during or by reason of my participation in said program.

I agree that the Borough of Quakertown shall have the right at their discretion to enforce established rules of conduct and/or terminate my participation for failure to maintain these standards, or for actions or conduct detrimental to or incompatible with the welfare, comfort, harmony or interest of the groups and its program as a whole.

I hereby grant the Borough of Quakertown and any of their directors, officers, members, agents, and other representatives full authority to take whatever action they consider to be warranted regarding my health and safety, and

I fully release all of them from any liability for such actions taken on my behalf. I fully release all of them from any liability for such actions taken on my child's behalf.

Signature

Print Name

Date

Please list the names and birth date of all family members included in your 2013 pool application (include person above).

Print Full Name

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New Water Treatment Facility Update



With the roof and shingles now on, work is beginning to progress on the inside of WELL 7-8-9. The insulation and drywall is currently being installed. A few of the new water pumps have been set into place. The Borough Electric Department and the contractor worked together to get the new electric service run into the building. The contractor also installed new wire to an existing nearby well house. There is still a lot of work to be completed on the inside. We will keep you informed of the progress until the job is finished and the facility is operational.

Electric Department Projects 2013



In 2013 the Borough of Quakertown will be kicking off two multi-year projects.

Tree Trimming

The Borough of Quakertown will be sub-contracting to have all city-owned and privately-owned trees trimmed away from power lines and high voltage lines throughout the Borough. The first one will be a four year program on trimming trees around high voltage lines. Each year we will be doing a different section of the Borough. This trimming cycle will help improve safety around power lines, increase electric reliability and enable us to restore service quickly. You will receive notification letting you know when qualified line clearance trimming crews will be in your area trimming trees. While you will be able to access your property at all times when crews are present, crews and equipment may cause temporary lane closures and/or detours in and around your neighborhood while trimming is going on. Please be respectful of our crews during the temporary closures and detours.

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LED Street Lights

In an effort to modernize our street light infrastructure, the Borough is replacing all street lights with energy-efficient and brighter Light Emitting Diode (LED) technology. The project is anticipated to take 5 years to complete the upgrade of our 1,114 street lights. This will be partially funded by our energy cost savings. In addition to the electric expense savings, the LED street lights are expected to reduce maintenance costs because of their longer life expectancy and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

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Each permit issued under this part must be prominently displayed on the premises and be visible from the street upon which the garage sale is conducted throughout the entire period of the permitted sale. The permit for a garage sale shall not be transferable.

No signs advertising the garage sale are to be posted on any place other than the premises of the applicant. The sign is not to exceed two feet by two feet in size, cannot be placed on the premises earlier than one week prior to the sale, and must be removed within 24 hours after the sale has terminated. Directional signs only may be placed on private property with the owner's permission.

You can access a permit application by either calling the Borough Code Enforcement Office or on the Borough web site at www.quakertown.org. An approved permit will be issued with a copy of the ordinance pertaining to garage sales. Permit fee is \$10.00.

Building Permits and Selling Your Home



If you are planning to sell your home, have your Home Improvement Permits ready. There is a chance that prospective buyers may request a permit history. If permits are not available at the time of sale the sale could be delayed creating unwanted expenses for everyone involved.

Often, renovations are done without obtaining the required permits in an attempt to save time and money. For instance, finished basements are one of the most common examples where permits are not often filed. If the permits are not on record an inspection will need to be performed prior to closing. If the inspector finds issues that do not comply with current codes, those issues would need to be satisfied prior to closing and in many cases certain portions of the remodel will need to be dismantled to verify that the construction was done in compliance with the code.

In the case that a homeowner did not request a permit history of the house before purchasing, the potential exists that if they decide to do home improvements and file for permits they may find that previous permits from the last owner were never closed and new permits cannot be issued until the old ones are satisfied. If in this case the Code Official finds that the previous work was not done in compliance with code the new homeowner is responsible for the corrections which may be an extra expense the new owner had not foreseen.

If you are unsure if you need a permit to perform certain work, please contact the Quakertown Borough Code Enforcement office and we will be glad to discuss your project with you and whether or not you will require a permit. Permit applications are available on-line by accessing the Borough web site at: www.quakertown.org



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Paul Houseknecht



Paul Houseknecht was born in 1986 at Grandview Hospital and raised in the Boyertown/Upper Perkiomen Valley area. A 2004 graduate of Boyertown High School, Paul joined the United States Marine Corps at the age of 18 years old and served five years at MCAS New River in Jacksonville, NC. Serving as a CH-46E Helicopter Crew Chief, he was deployed twice to the Middle East attached to a Marine Expeditionary Unit and received an honorable discharge in 2009 at the rank of Sergeant.

Upon his discharge he attended Mansfield University of Pennsylvania where he played on the Sprint Football team and also worked as an Education Liaison for the Department of Veteran Affairs. In his senior year of football at Mansfield, Paul was awarded the MVP and Fall Male Athlete of the Year awards before graduating with a Bachelors of Arts degree in Political Science; with minors in Criminal Justice and History.

Paul currently attends the Montgomery County Municipal Police Academy and will become a Quakertown police officer upon his graduation in March. Paul's parents are residents of East Greenville, where his father and stepmother work at Knoll Inc. and his mother works at Pennsburg Manor.

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Sergio Rodriguez



Born in Mexico, Sergio moved to Washington State in 1997, where he lived for less than a year before moving to Alpha, NJ in 1998.

He attended Phillipsburg High School in NJ and graduated in 2002. In 2003 he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps where he was stationed in Camp Lejeune until his contract was completed in 2008.

Sergio and his wife Veronica married in May 2004. Together, they have a son, Giovanni, who is seven years old and in the second grade.

Today Sergio and his family live in Bethlehem, PA. He is currently attending DeSales University in Center Valley, PA where he is enrolled in their Criminal Justice program.

He likes to coach and play soccer with his son and friends during the summer, as well as work on his project car.

In 2010, Sergio became a United States citizen, an honor and privilege that according to him is one of the greatest gifts man can receive.

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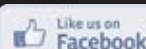
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SUNDAY, JULY 28TH
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LEARN ABOUT SMOKE ALARMS

A properly installed and maintained smoke alarm is the only thing in your home that can alert you and your family to a fire 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Whether you're awake or asleep, a working smoke alarm is constantly on alert scanning the air for fire and smoke.

According to the National Fire Protection Association, almost two-thirds of home fire deaths resulted from fires in properties without working smoke alarms. A working smoke alarm significantly increases your chances of surviving a deadly home fire.

There are many different brands of smoke alarms available on the market. These alarms fall under two basic types: ionization and photoelectric.

It cannot be stated definitively that one type of alarm is better than the other in every dire situation that could arise in a residence. Both ionization and photoelectric smoke alarms are better at detecting distinctively different, yet potentially fatal fires, and because no one can predict what type of fire might start in a home, thus the **USFA recommends that every residence and place where people sleep be equipped with:**

- **Both ionization AND photoelectric smoke alarms, OR**
- **Dual sensor smoke alarms,** (which contain both ionization and photoelectric smoke sensors)

In addition to the basic types of alarms, there are alarms made to meet the needs of people with hearing disabilities. These alarms may use strobe lights that flash and/or vibrate to assist in alerting those who are unable to hear standard smoke alarms when they sound.

Smoke alarms are battery powered or they are hardwired into the home's electrical system. If the smoke alarm is battery powered, it runs on either a disposable 9-volt battery or a non-replaceable 10-year lithium ("long-life") battery. A backup battery is usually present on hardwired alarms and may need to be replaced.

These batteries must be tested on a regular basis, and in most cases should be replaced at least once each year (except for lithium batteries). See the Smoke Alarm Maintenance section for more information.

Smoke alarms are not expensive and are worth the lives they can help save. Ionization and photoelectric smoke alarms cost between \$6 and \$20. Dual sensor smoke alarms cost between \$24 and \$40.

Install smoke alarms on every level of your home, including the basement. Many fatal fires begin late at night or early in the morning, so the U.S. Fire Administration recommends installing smoke alarms both inside and outside of sleeping areas.

Since smoke and many deadly gasses rise, installing your smoke alarms at the proper level will provide you with the earliest warning possible. Always follow the manufacturer's installation instructions.

Hardwired smoke alarms should be installed by a qualified electrician.

Smoke alarms must be maintained! A smoke alarm with a dead or missing battery is the same as having no smoke alarm at all.

A smoke alarm only works when it is properly installed and maintained. Depending on how your smoke alarm is powered (9-volt, 10-year lithium, or hardwired), you'll have to maintain it according to manufacturer's instructions. General guidelines for smoke alarm maintenance:

Smoke alarm powered by a 9-volt battery:

- Test the alarm monthly.
- Replace the batteries at least once per year.
- The entire smoke alarm unit should be **replaced every 8-10 years.**

Smoke alarm powered by a 10-year lithium (or "long life") battery:

- Test the alarm monthly.
- Since you cannot (and should not) replace the lithium battery, the entire smoke alarm unit should be replaced according to manufacturer's instructions.

Smoke alarm that is hardwired into the home's electrical system:

- Test the alarm monthly.
- The backup battery should be replaced at least once per year.
- The entire smoke alarm unit should be replaced every 8-10 years.

A smoke alarm is just doing its job when it sounds while you're cooking or taking a shower with lots of steam.

- If a smoke alarm sounds while you're cooking or taking a shower with lots of steam, **do not** remove the battery. You should:
- Open a window or door and press the "hush" button,
- Wave a towel at the alarm to clear the air
- Move the entire alarm several feet away from the location.

Disabling a smoke alarm or removing the battery can be a deadly mistake.

Finally...

Be sure every level of your home has a working smoke alarm, and be sure to check and clean it on a monthly basis.

Most important of all, remember to call 911 in the event of an emergency.

For additional information and safety tips contact Douglas C. Wilhelm, Fire Marshal at 215-536-5001 Ext. 114. If your home doesn't meet these requirements and you can't afford to put smoke detectors in your home you may be in danger if your home catches on fire. Please don't hesitate to call to schedule for someone to come out and assist you in installing smoke detectors.

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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Quakertown Police are seeking volunteers from the community to participate in a diversionary program for first time juvenile and adult offenders who commit non-violent crimes. The program allows the accused to gain clarity, teaches them responsibility for their actions, and brings structure to their lives before it is too late.

What are diversionary panels?

A diversionary panel allows a first time offender the option to appear before a panel of community volunteers rather than entering the court system. The members of the panel will assume the decision making process. The outcomes are simple; make the offender understand the seriousness of their actions and the effect the crime has on themselves, the community, the victim, and their families. The goal is to prevent further criminal activity and rehabilitate the offender.

Are diversionary panels new?

Quakertown Police Department started the first Youth Aid Panel in 2006 in conjunction with the Richland Township Police Department. Historically, the first Youth Aid Panel was created in 1977 in Warrington Township. Today, we have 22 panels within Bucks County. In 2011, Bucks County heard 420 panel cases and 391 cases were successfully completed. In 2012, a new diversionary panel was created called the Bucks County Community Accountability Program (CAP), which affords first time non-violent adult offenders the opportunity for acceptance in a diversionary panel.

What is purpose of diversionary panel?

Diversionary panels offer a second chance for first time offenders who have a lapse in judgment. For example, a 13 year old juvenile who makes an immature decision to shoplift could be referred to the diversionary panel. A conviction for shoplifting can result in significant consequences, such as a bar to certain types of employment or admission into college institutions. The offender must admit their involvement in the offense and have no prior arrests to qualify. Diversionary panels allow the Court system to be more efficient, reduce tax costs, and allow the offender to return to the community without a criminal record.

How do I volunteer?

The requirements to volunteer consist of the following: (1) must reside within Quakertown School District for one year; (2) must be at least 21 years of age; (3) must complete an application; (4) must pass criminal/child background clearances; and (5) must volunteer for at least 1 year.

After the application phase there is a mandatory training which consists of six (6) classes. Each panel member would then be sworn in by one of our County Judges. Typically, the panel meets one or two times a month. Our panel members have a diverse background which makes the program so successful.

Who do I contact?

For more information or to apply for a volunteer position, please contact Officer Robert Lee, Quakertown Borough Police, at 215 536 5002 or email rlee@quakertown.org.

Spring Leaf Pickup

The Borough will conduct the "Spring Leaf Pickup" beginning on Monday, April 1, 2013. Leaves will be collected on Mondays only until the end of the month.

Please remember:

- PLACE LEAVES NO MORE THAN 5 FEET FROM THE CURBLINE.
- DO NOT PILE LEAVES WITHIN 10 FEET OF ANY CATCH BASIN OR WITHIN 20 FEET OF ANY INTERSECTION.
- DO NOT PUT STICKS, STONES, CANS OR OTHER HARD MATERIAL IN THE PILES. They will damage our leaf collecting equipment.
* These things mixed in the leaf piles will result into a non-pickup.*

VERY IMPORTANT!!!! TIE ALL BRANCHES AND BRUSH IN BUNDLES NO MORE THAN 4 FEET LONG AND WEIGHING NO MORE THAN 50 POUNDS. PLACE THE BUNDLES AT THE CURB ON YOUR TRASH PICKUP DAY.

DUE TO STATE REGULATIONS, WE CAN NO LONGER ACCEPT GRASS CLIPPINGS!

Try these "green" alternatives for your grass clippings:

1. Leave the grass clippings as a natural fertilizer for your lawn. Studies show that you can reduce your total annual mowing time by 20-25% in this way!
2. Collect grass clippings and apply them to your vegetable garden as mulch.
3. Mix them directly into garden soil. This will increase drainage in heavy soils, while improving your water retention in sandy soils.



Quakertown Borough acquired the land that was the former site of the Krupp Foundry business. Since then, the borough remediated the land into a clean site and has identified the land to be used for passive recreation. The property currently consists of 12.3 acres of land that is to be the future home of walking trails, flower gardens, tree plantings, a water feature or pond, a gazebo, and an amphitheater (for concerts, plays, and other entertainment venues).

This future park will be adjacent to the borough's sports complex and fields where baseball, soccer, football, and lacrosse events are held. Also in this surrounding area are a large, modern, public library and a public pool facility. One of the goals of this project is to offer residents and participants that already visit these borough facilities, the opportunity to visit all the new and exciting features of the proposed park.

Look for more information in regards to this project, as well as sponsorship opportunities on the Quakertown Borough website:

www.quakertown.org

BIKE RODEO



The Quakertown Bike Rodeo is an event held for children between the ages of 6 and 12. It is held annually on the second Saturday of May.

This year's event will be held on Saturday May 11, 2013; the rain date is Saturday May 18, 2013. The event is held at the Quakertown Community Pool parking lot: 601 Mill St. Registration begins at 9:00am.

The event is broken down into three age groups; 6-7 years old, 8-9 years old, and 10-12 years old. Medals are provided to the participants with the top three scores, in each age group.

The program is designed to promote bicycle safety. All participants are required to wear a safety helmet. Helmets are provided to children who do not have one. The children are provided instructions and demonstrations on how to properly fit and wear their helmets. They are also provided instruction on safe riding techniques and how to utilize proper hand signals.

Prior to participating in the event, the children's bicycles are inspected for safety. During the event, participants are tested in bicycle safety skills and knowledge. Skills are tested through six courses; Circling, Serpentine, Balance, Maneuvering, Steering, and Braking. There is an additional ten question quiz to test children's knowledge.

At the conclusion of the event there will be a bicycle drawing, t-shirts, hand outs, and refreshments for all participants.

The practical measure of ability in handling a bicycle under varying conditions is an important factor in the physical safety of the rider and an integral part of a comprehensive bicycle safety program. Besides affording the young cyclist an opportunity to show their abilities in safety, these exercises also enable them to discover areas in which they can improve.

The skill tests have been developed to increase awareness and proficiency in safe, skillful, and courteous bicycle driving on the streets of our community. The purposes of these tests are to make each rider conscious of the different phases of the motion in riding and improve the ability of handling a bicycle in order to achieve the highest degree of efficiency as a safeguard against accidents. These tests also establish confidence in their bicycle skills.

The Quakertown Bike Rodeo event is sponsored by Quakertown Borough and Richland Township Police Departments, as well as the Richlandtown Lions Club. Additional affiliates are Bucks County Highway Safety, Safe Kids Coalition, St. Luke's Hospital, The Boy Scouts, and Cycle Zone.



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IS YOUR CHILD A RUNNER?

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Saturday, June 8, 2013 - 10:00 a.m.

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The purpose of the Hershey's Track & Field Program is to encourage physical fitness among youth and emphasize participation and sportsmanship. Girls ages 9-14 (age as of December 31, 2013) will have the opportunity to compete in various events. **If you enjoy running and track and field... this is the event for you!**

- *WHO: Boys & Girls
- *AGES: 9 - 14 (age as of December 31, 2013)
- *EVENTS: 50 meter dash 800 meter run
 100 meter dash 1600 meter run
 200 meter dash Standing long jump (field event)
 4x100 meter relay Softball throw (field event)

(Each child can participate in either 2 track and 1 field or 2 field and 1 track event.)

- *WHEN: Saturday, June 8, 2013 - 10AM
- *LOCATION: Gwynedd Mercy High School Track
 1345 Sumneytown Pike, Gwynedd Valley, PA 19477

Winners of each event have the opportunity to advance to the District meet, held in Easton, PA

Participants MUST pre-register through Lower Gwynedd Township Parks & Recreation Department: 215-646-5302.
 Registration forms can be found at: www.lowergwynedd.org



K.I.D.S. Camp!

Summer is just around the corner and so is another fun and exciting year of K.I.D.S. Camp! This program (Kids Involved Doing Something) is sponsored by the Borough of Quakertown. It provides children ages 6-13 with opportunities for team building, cooperative play, and a chance to get out and have some fun this summer! K.I.D.S. old and new are invited out to Memorial Park for a summer full of crafts, sports, games, trips, and special events!

Turn in completed registration forms and payment (if necessary) to Borough Hall. You **MUST** complete a separate registration form for each child you enroll in camp. Additional registration forms can be picked up at Borough Hall or found online at www.quakertown.org. If printing pages back to back, please keep page 1 separate from all others. All checks should be made out to "The Borough of Quakertown."

*** Be sure to print out a Parent Pack. It can be found at www.quakertown.org. It includes all important information for camp this summer! We look forward to sharing our summer with you and your children!***

For more information check the borough website: www.quakertown.org or call the Parks & Recreation Department at 215.536.5001 x113.



Joshua Mallery Promoted to Corporal



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Joshua Mallery joined the Quakertown Police on June 7, 2001 and has served as a patrolman for over eleven years. At 7:30pm on Wednesday, February 6, 2013 Mallery was promoted to the position of Corporal. Josh is also a certified Weigh Master, a sworn Bucks County Narcotics Officer, and a Standardized Field Sobriety instructor. Joshua will continue to represent the Quakertown Police Department with distinction and professionalism, while serving our community with duty and honor.

SAVE THE DATE!



Tuesday August 6th

Rain Date: Saturday, August 10th

Help your community by sponsoring our event!!

For more information on how to sponsor please contact:
Ashley O'Neill, Parks & Recreation Coordinator
215.536.5001 x113 or aoneill@quakertown.org.



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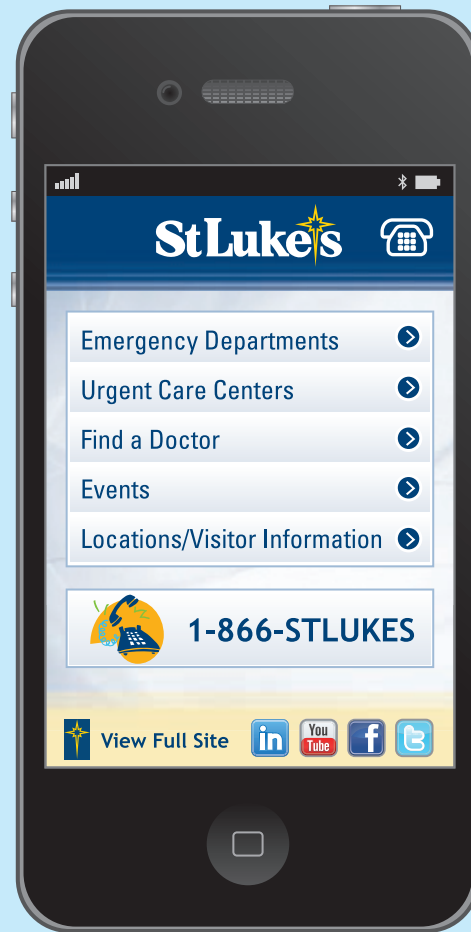
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