

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

The Bush House Hotel Resident Relocation

January 1, 2022

At the time this goes to print, Quakertown Borough has recently condemned the Bush House Hotel.

The Borough did not undertake the condemnation of this downtown landmark building lightly. At the center of every step of the process, the Borough's primary concern and focus was the safety and well-being of the Hotel's residents. Following extensive inspections of the building and its condition, and with the full support of Bucks County government top officials, it became evident that condemnation and relocation of the Hotel's residents was the only choice. This set-in motion a plan for the safe removal of the Hotel's residents, their placement in temporary housing, and the ultimate goal, finding clean, safe, and permanent housing for them.

On a sunny Wednesday morning, the condemnation process began. Borough and County officials, borough employees, police, first responder representatives, and others assisted in clearing the Hotel. County agencies - assisted the displaced residents and St. Luke's personnel provided medical assistance.

Present at the operation, I was moved by how the respect and dignity of each resident was upheld by those assisting them. From the code officers helping them exit the building, to the employees escorting them to Borough Hall, to the people at Borough Hall helping them with the relocation, the entire process was calm and well-organized. Upon leaving the Hotel premises, residents' clothing was laundered and dried to prevent transmission of bed bugs to their new housing. One resident, upon finishing his decontamination shower, told us that it was the first time he had hot water for a shower in over

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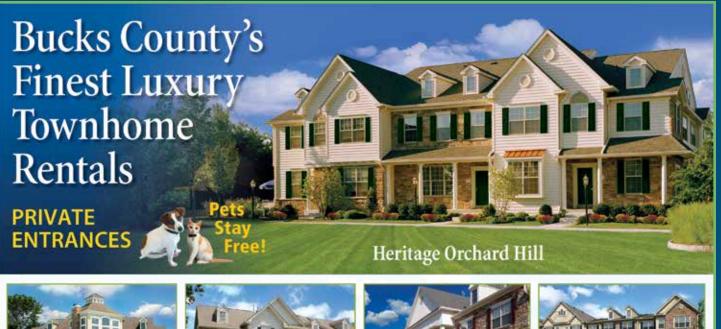
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a month, as the hot water did not work in the Hotel. Those residents with employment obligations were given priority for decontamination and social service assistance so they were not late to work. Children were provided with toys to help keep them entertained. Food was served by the Souderton Goodwill truck. Emergency medical personnel, fire company, auxiliary police force and fire police assisted throughout the day. Many thanks to everyone who assisted.

By the end of the day, all residents who requested assistance were in temporary housing. Bucks County agencies, including the Bucks County Opportunity Council and the YWCA, are working on finding permanent housing for everyone. As I am writing this, some family units and residents have been moved into permanent housing, and the agencies are working closely with the remaining residents who are seeking assistance. The Borough, along with local businesses and individuals, worked to raise supplies and assistance for the displaced residents as they find new housing. The community response to this situation has been fantastic and shows the care that is present in the Quakertown area for these individuals and families.

We are very grateful to Diane Marseglia, chair of the Bucks County Commissioners, for spearheading the county's assistance in the full scope of the condemnation and relocation of the residents. She and her team were present during the operation and provided invaluable support and assistance. The YWCA and St. Luke's also played key roles.

The issue of affordable housing in our community is brought to the fore because of this unfortunate situation. While the Hotel's residents were paying up to \$250 a week to live in squalid and unsafe conditions, this was often the only housing they could find in the area where average apartment rentals exceed \$1,000 monthly and require credit checks, security deposits, etc. These requirements are not always achievable to those who are struggling financially. Proximity to jobs and public transportation are additional housing needs that pose further challenges in addressing affordable housing requirements in our community and most communities in Bucks County. These issues do not have easy solutions, but the events at the Bush House Hotel have highlighted the assistance that is available to those in need from county and regional agencies.

Finally, I would like to wish all our residents and businesses a happy, healthy and prosperous new year in 2022.

Best regards,

Donald Rosenberger

President, Borough Council

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QUAKERTOWN BOROUGH - Schedule of Events

EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Bulk Trash Pick-Up (on your scheduled trash day)	January 3-7		
Council Work Session	January 24	7:30 P.M.	Borough Hall
K.I.D.S. Camp Registration Opens	February 1		Quakertownrec.com
Council Meeting	February 2	7:30 P.M.	Borough Hall
Bulk Trash Pick-Up (on your scheduled trash day)	February 7-11		
Large Trash Pick-Up (on your scheduled trash day)	March 7-11		
Council Meeting	March 2	7:30 P.M.	Borough Hall
Bus Trip: Washington D.C. National Cherry Blossom Festival	April 2	7:30 A.M.	Register on Quakertownrec.com
Council Meeting	April 6	7:30 P.M.	Borough Hall
Easter Egg Hunt	April 9	10:00 A.M.	Soccer Fields
Bulk Trash Pick-Up (on your scheduled trash day)	April 4-8		
Borough Hall Closed – Easter Holiday	April 15		
Spring-Clean Up Day	April 30	8:00 A.M.	Quakertown Community Pool

POLICE DEPARTMENT



Borough of Quakertown Police Department 35 North Third Street, Quakertown, Pennsylvania 18951 Phone: 215-536-5002 • Fax: 215-536-5140 www.quakertown.org Scott C. McElree, Chief of Police



WE ARE A PROUD BPAIR DEPARTMENT

The Quakertown Borough Police Department is proud to have joined the Bucks County Police Assisting in Recovery (BPAIR) program to help Bucks County residents with substance use disorders and their families. Participating Police Departments aim to help those who are struggling by connecting them with treatment, resources, support, and services. BPAIR operates during regular police business hours. For more information about the program, please call 215-536-5002 or visit www.bdcac. org. Funding for the Countywide BPAIR Expansion Initiative comes from the Bucks County Drug & Alcohol Commission, Inc. and is supported by the Bucks County District Attorney's Office and Bucks County Commissioners. Created in 1973, the Bucks County Drug & Alcohol Commission, Inc. (BCDAC) serves as the Single County Authority (SCA) for alcohol, tobacco and other drug prevention, intervention and treatment and recovery support services. For more information, please call 215-444-2700 or visit www.bcdac.org.



THE CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY

Community oriented policing plays an important and vital role in reducing crime in any community. Therefore, the Quakertown Borough Police Department instituted a Citizens Police Academy to improve communications and obtain citizen support throughout the Borough. The goal of this program is that the graduates will partner with Quakertown Police in identifying problems and solutions to criminal issues that are affecting our community. Graduates can take the knowledge back to their neighborhoods where they can use it to enhance the quality of life.

The Citizens Police Academy is a program designed to provide participants with a working knowledge of the Quakertown Borough Police Department. The program consists of a series of classroom instruction and practical field exercises. There will be a total of eight sessions, held one evening per week for a period of two hours. The Citizens Police Academy gives an in-depth view into several areas of law enforcement. It is an educational and informative program that allows citizens the opportunity to learn more about the issues that affect law enforcement in Quakertown Borough.

Individuals who apply for the Citizens Police Academy must be 18 years of age. The academy is open to anyone, but priority will be given to those who live or work in Quakertown Borough. The academy is offered at **no cost**. A valid driver's license is required and applicants may be subject to a background check. The academy will begin on Tuesday, March 8th of 2022 at 6:30pm. Applications for admission can be found on the Borough's website at www.quakertown.org. If you have any questions about the program, please contact Sergeant Steven Stoneback at 215-536-5002 or email him at sstoneback@quakertown.org.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

QUAKERTOWN BOROUGH POLICE DEPARTMENT SECURITY CAMERA INDEX

The Quakertown Borough Police Department is devoted to our relationship with residents and business owners. We are committed to protecting our community in every possible manner. One way to make our community more secure is



through the use of surveillance cameras. Video surveillance is one of the best methods for the apprehension and conviction of offenders. The Quakertown Borough Police Department has utilized this technology in numerous cases to successfully prosecute criminals. We have created a Security Camera Index to allow residents and business owners to register their current camera systems in our database. Installing video surveillance is a great example of community-police partnerships and is something we highly value as a police agency serving our community. Residents and business owners are providing the police department with the locations and abilities of their protective systems. By registering with us, we can quickly identify nearby cameras that may have captured criminal activity. After registering your camera, police personnel may request to view your camera footage to assist in an investigation regarding a crime that occurred in that area. You are under no obligation to give police video if you do not wish to. Information provided to the Quakertown Borough Police Department regarding your camera systems will be for official use only, and personal information will be kept confidential. If you have additional questions or concerns about the program, please contact Sergeant Steven Stoneback at 215-536-5002 or at sstoneback@quakertown.org.

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11TH ANNUAL SHOP WITH A COP

On Thursday, December 9th, 2021 the Quakertown Borough Police Department hosted its 11th annual Shop with a Cop program at the Quakertown Walmart. With support from the local community and businesses, the committee raised over \$65,000.00 hosted over 240 children this year, an increase from 180 children in 2020.

At the event, children were each paired with a police officer and given a \$150.00 gift card to purchase gifts for themselves and their family members. Children also received meals to take home and a school bag full of essential items and school supplies. While the children shopped, parents were also given \$100.00 to shop for gifts and/or home items.

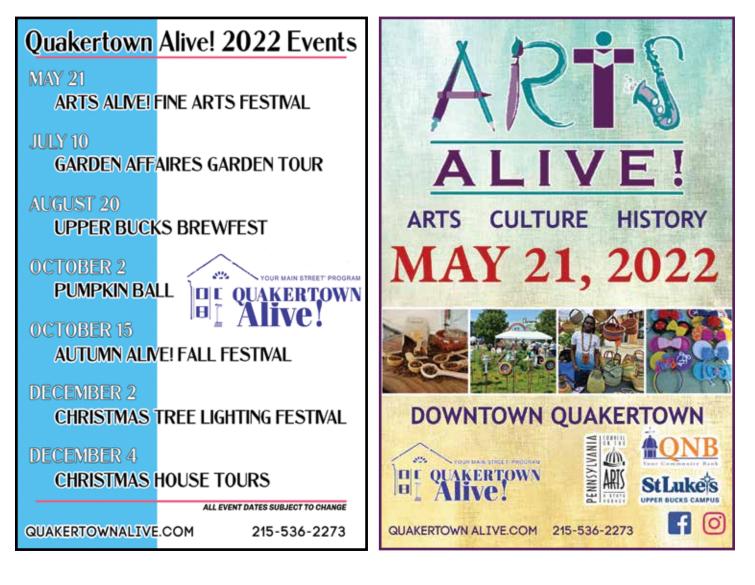
Over 60 officers from 15 local law enforcement agencies havejoinedforcestomakethisyear's Shop with a Cop Program possible. Participating departments included Quakertown Borough, Bedminster Township, Dublin Borough, Hilltown Township, Marlborough Township, Newtown Township, PA Fish and Boat Commission, PA Game Commission, PA State Police, Perkasie Borough, Pennridge Regional, Richland Township, Springfield Township, Upper Saucon Township, and Warwick Township. Multiple Departments have also partnered with the Quakertown Shop with a Cop Program by sponsoring families in their own communities.

Scott McElree, Chief of Police for Quakertown Borough Police Department stated, "Shop with a is an event our officers look forward to each year. Not only does this event provide children with a better holiday, but it is also an opportunity for them to see law enforcement officers in a positive light and create positive relationships with one another. It's an experience they will never forget."

The Quakertown Borough Police Department and the Shop with a Cop Committee would like to give a big thank you to all our generous and dedicated sponsors, local police departments, and volunteers.

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PARKS & RECREATION continued

COMMUNITY GARDEN: COMING TO QUAKERTOWN BOROUGH IN 2022!

The Parks and Recreation Department is excited to announce that they received a \$5,000 grant from The GIANT Company and Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful for the creation and support of a community garden in the Borough. The application process was extremely competitive, and we are extremely grateful to have been chosen to have our project funded out of the 230 applicants. The goal of the Quakertown Borough Community Garden is to create a safe, engaging environment for gardeners of all ages and skill levels the opportunity to learn about, produce, and ultimately enjoy healthy foods grown by their own hands. The community garden will feature 25 raised garden beds that will be available for community residents to rent out for the growing season.



The garden will be located at 670 South Main Street, which is found behind Free Fall Action Park. The Public Works Department will soon begin constructing the raised garden beds with the goal of having them ready for the 2022 gardening season. Stay tuned for details and how to register for a garden bed as this project progresses!

POLLINATOR GARDEN CLEAN UP RECAP

On Saturday, October 30th and Tuesday, November 2nd, Borough staff, Bucks County Master Gardeners Master Watershed Stewards, and local volunteers gathered to revitalize the Pollinator Garden that is located at the Park at 4th. Volunteers worked together to remove invasive and non-native plant species and debris from the garden. The goal of this revitalization effort is to restore the pollinator garden to its natural beauty. Borough residents can expect to see the overgrown path in the garden brought back to life to allow residents and visitors to walk among the garden. Future plans will include labeling of the remaining plants in the garden to increase educational value, awareness, and value of pollinator plants. Until the pollinator garden is returned back to its natural beauty, please excuse its appearance as our volunteers are hard at work! Pollinators are vital to our ecosystem and the Borough is thankful to have volunteers dedicated to revitalizing this important habitat for them.



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JOIN THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE BEST SUMMER EVER!

Each year, the Quakertown Borough Parks and Recreation Department depends on nearly 75 seasonal employees to help maintain and operate our park facilities and recreation programs. For the summer of 2022, the Parks and Recreation Department is looking to hire responsible and enthusiastic individuals to lead our annual K.I.D.S. Camp program and manage our new pool facility.

K.I.D.S. Camp Counselors, Lifeguards, and Pool Attendant positions offer many developmental opportunities to those new to the workforce in areas of responsibility, leadership, communication, and teamwork. The Department also offers children who are too old for camp but too young to be a



counselor the opportunity to be a Counselor in Training (CIT). The CIT program is designed to offer qualified young individuals an opportunity to prepare for positions as camp counselors or recreation leaders. These life skills will benefit staff long after the summer is over and into their future endeavors.

Starting February 1st, the Parks and Recreation Department will begin accepting applications for K.I.D.S. Camp Counselors, Lifeguards, and Pool Attendant. For more information or to apply, visit <u>www.quakertown.org/employment</u>. Come join us for the best summer ever!

UPDATES COMING TO CEDAR GROVE PARK!

Quakertown Borough is excited to announce that it is in the beginning stages of planning to rehabilitate Cedar Grove Park located at the western end of the Borough off Roan Tree Drive. Currently, this park features basketball/ street hockey courts, a playground, and a stoned walking path. While the playground is still fit for play, it is not inclusive for children with varying abilities. Similar to QuiNBy's Playground, this playground will be designed to allow children of all abilities an equal opportunity of play.

In addition to an updated playground, plans include a paved parking lot with ADA parking spaces, a pavilion with restrooms attached, benches, a 9-hole disc golf course, and horseshoe pits. Additionally, the Borough will be adding lighting and security cameras for the safety of our community members. Borough staff looks forward to creating a welcoming, safe, and accessible park for both community residents and visitors.

We would love to hear your feedback! Please take a few minutes to complete the survey to help us better understand how Cedar Grove Park is currently used and what you, as residents, would like to see included in the park design. To take the survey, please visit www.quakertown.org/cedargrove.

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SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY 8:00AM at Quakertown Community Pool



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6:30PM - 8:30PM

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SATURDAY APRIL 30 8:00 AM

Location: Quakertown Community Pool & Memorial Park Parks and Recreation Department, Council Members and community members will be beautifying the parks!

Register to volunteer at Quakertown.org/SpringCleanUp



Borough of Quakertown Code Enforcement / Emergency Management / Fire Marshal's Office 35 North Third Street, Quakertown, Pennsylvania 18951 Tel.: 215-536-5001



SNOW REMOVAL

Every person in the Borough that owns or is in charge of any building or parcel in the Borough fronting or abutting on a paved sidewalk in the residential or business district, shall remove and clear away, snow and ice forming a path of at least 24 inches in width. The time limitation shall be 36 hours for the removal of snow, sleet or freezing rain. If there should happen to be a declared state of emergency the time limit shall be 36 hours after the termination of that emergency.

If the snow and ice on a sidewalk becomes so hard that it cannot be removed without the likelihood of damage to the sidewalk, then the person in charge of the removal shall, place sand or other abrasive on the sidewalk to make travel on the sidewalk reasonably safe; and shall then, as soon afterward as weather permits, remove the snow and ice by forming a minimum 24 inch pathway. The snow shall not be removed in such a way that it is deposited on the roadway or vehicular traveled portions of the street.

In the event that the sidewalk does not get cleared, the Borough Manager does have the authority to have those sidewalks cleaned at the expense of the owner or the person in charge at a rate of 10% above the calculated cost of the work.

Fire Prevention Life Safety "Home fire sprinklers save your life, your loved ones, and your property"



PREPARE YOUR HOME FOR WINTER

As winter approaches, our thoughts turn to other activities as we plan for the annual hibernation to the indoors. This is also a good time to plan a safe hibernation for your house as well. The constant change in the weather can have a significant effect on your house that, if left unchecked, may result in major repairs in the future.

Now is the time to inspect your house for anything that does not appear to be normal. Things to look for include loose siding, missing or torn shingles, broken or sticking doors, missing caulking around windows or any other item that will leave your home exposed to the elements. Now is the time to start addressing these items before the cold weather sets in and these items are forgotten.

You may also want to take a look at other items that are often overlooked until it is too late. One important item is your home heating system. Most people who are not on a maintenance program forget to have service performed until well into the heating season when the furnace decides to stop working. Unfortunately, this is the time that most heating contractors are busiest and you may have to wait for service. Avoid the headache and plan ahead.



Items such as your water heater may need your attention as well as other home appliances. Remember to check and make sure water pipes are properly insulated and not exposed to freezing temperatures. Be sure that leaves and debris do not obstruct water flow from gutters and downspouts. Water that freezes and is allowed to back up rooftops often provides you with unwelcome leaks. The lists are endless, but remember your home is a major investment - take good care of it.

HELP YOU LOCAL EMERGENCY SERVICES – ADOPT A FIRE HYDRANT

As winter approaches, please help the Borough of Quakertown Emergency Services by adopting the fire hydrant closest to your home or business and keep it free of snow during the winter.

Please make it a point to uncover your fire hydrant after each and every snowfall. Clear a path approximately 3 feet around the hydrant and shovel a path from the street or roadway up to the fire hydrant. These actions will allow the fire department to quickly locate the fire hydrant, obtain a water supply for firefighting activities, and give the fire department room to work with this hydrant should the need arise.

Please consider helping a neighbor with a medical condition or who is elderly, by shoveling out a hydrant in front of their home. This act of kindness will benefit the entire neighborhood.

At a fire, the Fire Department must quickly locate and gain a water supply source from the closest fire hydrant. A fire engine carries enough water on board for approximately 3 ½ minutes of firefighting. If a fire hydrant is buried by snow, it is difficult to find and valuable time must be spent digging it out. It may take from 4 to 6 minutes to dig out a fire hydrant buried by snow. The delay in gaining a water supply from a fire hydrant may disrupt the timely manner in which firefighters are able to fight the fire and may allow a fire to grow.

Fire doubles in size every 20 seconds.

The "Adopt A Hydrant" program is an informal program, therefore it is not necessary to advise the fire department of which hydrants you will be clearing snow from.

On behalf of the entire Borough of Quakertown Emergency Services, thank you for keeping the Quakertown community's fire hydrants clear of snow and keeping our communities safe!

Fire Prevention Life Safety

"Home fire sprinklers save your life, your loved ones, and your property"

For additional information, please contact the Borough's Fire Marshal at 215-536-5001 Ext. 114.







Borough of Quakertown Code Enforcement / Emergency Management / Fire Marshal's Office 35 North Third Street, Quakertown, Pennsylvania 18951 Tel.: 215-536-5001 Ext. 114



OPEN BURNING AND RECREATIONAL FIRES

Prohibition against Open Burning

Within the municipal limits of the Borough, no person shall kindle, set, start, ignite, maintain or permit the kindling, setting, starting, ignition or maintenance of any open burning outside of any building for any purpose at all, including by way of example and not by way of limitation any junk fire, refuse fire, open fire, a fire ignited to burn brush, grass, wood, leaves, paper, rubbish, garbage, construction materials, etc.

Open burning that will be offensive or objectionable due to smoke or odor emissions due to atmospheric conditions or local circumstances shall be prohibited. The Code Official or Fire Marshal is authorized to order the extinguishment of any open burning which creates or adds to a hazardous or objectionable situation. The Fire Marshal or Code Official may ban open burning within the Borough when atmospheric conditions result in the potential for wildfires that may spread from their source due to dry vegetative or plant conditions.

Exceptions

The prohibition against open burning shall not apply to any fire started or ignited:

A. For the purpose of instructing firefighting personnel.

- a. Burning will be allowed for the purpose of instruction or training firefighting personnel under the supervision of the fire chief or officer in charge. However, fire for firefighting training may not be used when atmospheric conditions would create a situation of offensive or objectionable smoke or odor on other premises.
- B. To prevent or abate a fire hazard.
- C. For the prevention and control of disease or pests.
- D. Solely for ceremonial purposes, such as a bonfire.
 - A permit shall be obtained from the Borough Fire Marshal prior to kindling a fire to prevent or abate a fire hazard, for the prevention and control of disease or pests and for ceremonial purposes, such as a bonfire.
 - When required by state or local law or regulations, open burning shall only be permitted with prior approval from the state or local air and water quality management authority, provided that all conditions specified are followed.
 - The locations from above shall not be less than 50 feet from any structure, and provisions shall be made to prevent the fire from spreading to within 50 feet of any structure
- E. The outdoor cooking of food shall be permitted in or on an Underwriters Laboratory (UL) approved open flame cooking device, solely intended for the cooking of food, and in strict adherence with the manufacture's specifications and the 2006 International Fire Code.

o Units not approved by Underwriters Laboratory (UL) must be approved by the Borough Fire Marshal and used in strict adherence with manufacturers specifications and the 2006 International Fire Code.

- F. The use of patio wood burning units that are approved by the Underwriters Laboratory (UL) are approved for use under the following conditions:
 - The patio wood burning unit is approved by the Underwriters Laboratory (UL).
 - Under no circumstances shall trash, garbage, leaves, brush, branches or hazardous materials be used in the ignition of these devices: The burning of Clean-wood only is permitted.
 - The use of a patio wood burning unit is used in accordance with manufacturer's specifications and the 2006 International Fire Code.
 - The patio wood burning unit while in use must be ignited, attended and extinguished by an adult (18 years or older). A minimum of one portable fire extinguisher or other approved on-site fire-extinguishing equipment such as a bucket of water or garden hose shall be available for immediate utilization.
 - o Units not approved by Underwriters Laboratory (UL) must be approved by the Borough Fire Marshal and used in strict adherence with manufacturers specifications and the 2006 International Fire Code.

- G. The use of a Masonry Home Built Units are approved for use under the following conditions:
 - The Existing Masonry Home Built Unit has been inspected and approved by the Borough Fire Marshal.
 - Under no circumstances shall trash, garbage, leaves, brush, branches or hazardous materials be used in the ignition of these devices: The burning of Clean-wood only is permitted.
 - The outdoor fireplace must be ignited, attended and extinguished by an adult (18 years or older). A minimum of one portable fire extinguisher or other approved on-site fire-extinguishing equipment such as a bucket of water or garden hose shall be available for immediate utilization.
 - The owner of a New Masonry Home Built Unit shall obtain a permit from the Code Enforcement Office prior to any installation and the final installation shall be inspected by the Code Enforcement Official and only put into operation with written approval from the Borough's Code Enforcement Office. The purpose of the Code Enforcement Office inspection will only be to ensure compliance with this ordinance and shall not be considered a safety inspection.
- H. An outdoor wood-fired boiler may be installed and used in accordance with all of the following provisions:
 - The outdoor wood-fired boiler shall not be used to burn refuse and shall be used to burn clean wood only.
 - · Shall be located at least 100 feet from the nearest residential dwelling which is not on the same property as the outdoor wood-fired boiler.
 - Shall have a chimney that extends at least 15 feet above the ground surface or 3 feet above the building it serves, whichever is greater. In addition, the chimney shall extend 3 feet above the highest peak of any residence located within 500 feet from the wood-fired boiler. The Fire Marshal or designee may approve a lesser height on a case-by-case basis if, in the opinion of the Fire Marshal or designee, it is necessary to comply with manufacturer's recommendations
 - and if a lower chimney height does not create a nuisance to neighbors. The owner of the outdoor wood-fired boiler shall obtain a permit from the Code Enforcement Office prior to any installation and the final installation shall be inspected by the Code Enforcement Official and only put into operation with written approval from the Borough's Code Enforcement Office. The purpose of the Code

Enforcement Office inspection will only be to ensure compliance with this ordinance and shall not be considered

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WINTER STREET PLOWING

Street safety is a primary concern for the Borough during the winter months. The Public Works Department provides snow removal and de-icing of Borough and State streets whenever road conditions call for these services. Please remember that snow removal operations are being performed under emergency conditions. Drivers experience extended work hours to provide safe and effective removal. The following items are what all residents need to be aware of this winter season.

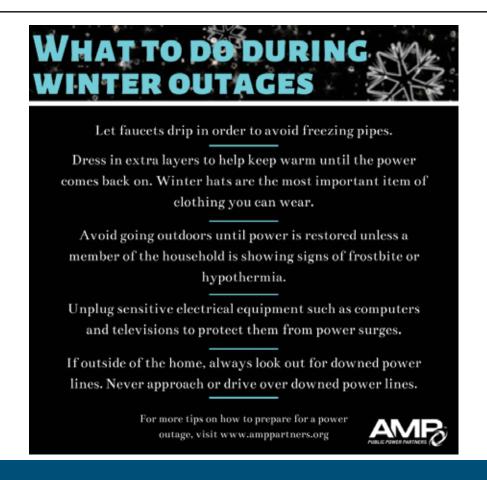
- Do not deposit leaves in the roadway. Drains can become clogged with leaves that were left in the roadway which prevents melting snow from reaching the drains.
- Borough property owners shall not throw or place snow or ice onto Borough streets. This hinders our drivers doing snow removal from roadways and can cause significant plow damages. In the event that the Borough shall be required to remove snow from the roadway such cost shall be charged to the owner of the property where the snow was deposited. If you have a plowing contractor, please remind them of these regulations.
- Observe "NO PARKING" on Borough roads whenever snow has fallen, and the accumulation is such that it covers roadway surfaces. Please plan ahead and do not leave your vehicle in the roadway if snow is

forecasted if at all possible.

- Do not place garbage cans on/in the street. Objects in the roadway are our biggest deterrent in efficient plowing operations.
- Remove all basketball posts that are located in the road or within the road right of way. Any posts or backboards left in these areas can produce damage to the Borough Vehicles performing snow related duties.
- Leave the last two (2) feet of your driveway un-shoveled until we have completed curb-to-curb removal. This will prevent our plows from plowing this area back in.
 - If you must shovel the very end of your driveway prior to our completion, place the snow to the right of your driveway (with your back facing your house). If placed in this area, this lessens the amount of snow plowed back onto the drive area.
- A special reminder for residents who live on Cul-desacs: these areas are particularly difficult to plow. We place snow accumulation in the most practicable area(s).

Thank you in advanced for your cooperation.

Joe Murgia Director of Services Borough of Quakertown





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HUMAN SERVICES

THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES ANNOUNCES NEW LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLD WATER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Borough of Quakertown is pleased to announce the partnership with the Department of Human Services to assist household with their home water bills. The Low-Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP) is an emergency water assistance program created by the federal government due the COVID-19 pandemic to assist families experiencing

hardship with their water and wastewater bills. LIHWAP will assist Pennsylvanian families who are behind on their bills to ensure their services remain active.

Similar to LIHEAP, Households will need to apply for LIHWAP benefits and provide proper verifications to determine eligibility, such as proof of responsibility for the water and/or wastewater bill and the amount necessary to restore service or prevent shut-off. Online applications for LIHWAP will be accepted in COMPASS (www.compass.state.pa.us) beginning January 4, 2022. For more information on this program, please contact the Customer Service Department at 267-347-5009 or customercare@quakertown.org





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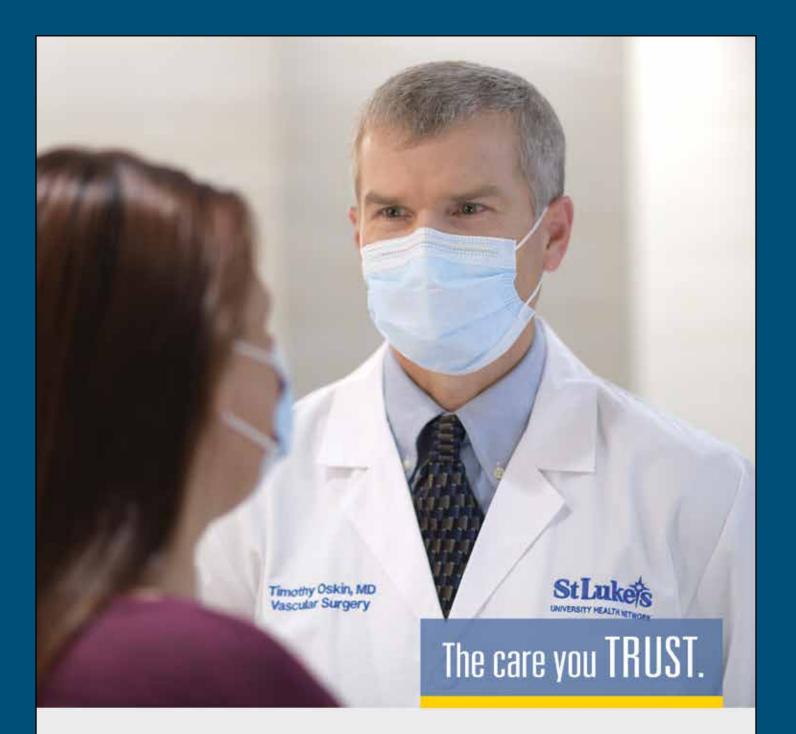
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