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April 1, 2022

As we welcome the return of warmer weather, I want to take this opportunity to thank Quakertown Borough's Public Works crew for the great job they did this past winter in maintaining our Borough roads during and after winter storms. We all appreciate their dedication in timely snow removal and addressing winter conditions. Later this spring, the Borough will officially recognize the efforts of our Borough workers when we celebrate Public Works Week.

Earlier this year, the Quakertown Police Department welcomed two new officers, Randall Harrison and Jacqueline Engler. They were sworn into duty by Judge Lisa Gaier at Borough Council's February meeting, following council's resolutions to bring them on to our police force. We welcome these outstanding individuals to their duty in Quakertown.

The process involved in hiring a police officer is carefully undertaken and thorough. It starts with written and physical testing, where frequently a large percentage of the candidates are eliminated for not meeting the required level of achievement. The remaining candidates are subject to extensive interviews and vetting, by both police officers and Quakertown's Civil Service Commission. The Civil Service Commission is made up of Borough residents who meet and interview the candidates. The candidates are ranked. and Borough Council then interviews the top four or five, depending on the projected number of hires to be made. Borough Council makes the final selection. These candidates are given conditional offers contingent on completion of background checks. It is not unusual for the background checks to lead to the exit of an individual with a conditional offer. Following the successful completion of the background checks, Borough Council votes on the appointment to officer status, followed by swearing in from the local magistrate.

Having been involved with the hiring process for some time, it is encouraging to meet the many fine candidates that are brought before us. Quakertown Borough has been very fortunate to have so many fine police officers that have come through this process and joined our force.

On a separate note, two Borough employees were awarded national and state recognition this year for

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER *cont.*

achievements in their fields. Ashton Miller, our Recreation Coordinator, was recognized by the National Recreation and Parks Association as one of the top 30 young professionals in the nation who are making advancements and lasting differences in Parks and Recreation and the community. Courtney Burns, our Parks Coordinator, was one of two individuals named as a recipient of the 2022 Phyllis Lieberman Women's Trailblazer Scholarship award. Scholarship funds (up to \$1,500) can be used towards educational advancement programs or professional associations that promote women's leadership in local government. Congratulations to Ashton and Courtney for their achievements and well-deserved recognitions.

Donald E Rosenberger, Council President



QUAKERTOWN BOROUGH HALL

35 North Third Street, Quakertown, PA 18951 Office hours: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m (Monday-Friday) Phone: 215-536-5001 Website: www.Quakertown.org

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Emergency, Fire, Ambulance or Police dial 9-1-1

Customer Relations:	67-347-5009
Police Administration:2	15-536-5002
Police Non-Emergency Dispatch:	15-328-8505

At the reorganization meeting on January 3rd, re-elected Donald Rosenberger, Dave Wilsey, and Mae Wear were sworn into another 4 years of service by Magisterial District Judge Lisa Gaier. Congratulations to all and thank you for you service!



President of Council, Donald Rosenberger

COUNCIL OFFICIALS





Mae Wear



Certified Borough Official (CBO) Program Recognition

Dave Wilsev

The Borough of Quakertown is pleased to recognize Kristine Barndt, Executive Administrative Assistant for accomplishing and receiving the Pennsylvania State Association of Borough's Certified Borough Official (CBO) designation. This is a voluntary educational achievement program designed to promote continuing education for borough officials and excellence in local government service.

Kristine completed five required program components and accumulated 76 CBO credits. Kristine continues to exude the highest level of professionalism to our community, and we are proud of her accomplishments. Congratulations!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION						
Bulk Trash Pick-Up (on scheduled trash day)	April 4-8								
Council Meeting	April 6	7:30pm	Borough Hall						
Yard Waste Drop Off	April 9	9:00am-12:00pm	Sewer Plant						
Easter Egg Hunt	April 9	10:00am	Soccer Fields						
Know Your Medicare Options FREE Seminar (Register on Quakertownrec.com)	April 14	6:30pm-8:00pm	Borough Hall						
Planning Commission Meeting	April 14	7:00pm	Borough Hall						
Borough Hall Closed - Easter Holiday	April 15								
Yard Waste Drop Off	April 23	9:00am-12:00pm	Sewer Plant						
Council Work Session Meeting	April 25	7:30pm	Borough Hall						
Spring Clean-Up Day	April 30	8:00am	Quakertown Community Pool						
Drug Take Back	April 30	10:00am-2:00pm	Borough Hall						
Bulk Trash Pick-Up (on scheduled trash day)	May 2-6								
Council Meeting	May 4	7:30pm	Borough Hall						
Community Yard Sale	May 12, 13, 14	9:00am to Dusk							
Planning Commission Meeting	May 12	7:00pm	Borough Hall						
Yard Waste Drop Off	May 14	9:00am-12:00pm	Sewer Plant						
Police Bike Rodeo	May 14	9:00am	Quakertown Pool Parking Lot						
American Red Cross Babysitting Course (Register on Quakertownrec.com)	May 14	9:00am-3:00pm	Borough Hall						
Council Work Session Meeting	May 16	7:30pm	Borough Hall						
Police Bike Rodeo – Rain date	May 21	9:00am	Quakertown Pool Parking Lot						
Yard Waste Drop Off	May 28	9:00am-12:00pm	Sewer Plant						
Borough Hall Closed - Memorial Day	May 30								
Memorial Day Parade	May 30	9:00am	Downtown Quakertown						
Bulk Trash Pick-Up (on scheduled trash day)	June 6-10								
Planning Commission Meeting	June 9	7:00pm	Borough Hall						
Yard Waste Drop Off	June 11	9:00am-12:00pm	Sewer Plant						
Happy Together Tour Concert	June 15	7:00pm	Univest Performance Center						
Yard Waste Drop Off	June 25	9:00am-12:00pm	Sewer Plant						
K.I.D.S. Camp Begins (Register on Quakertownrec.com)	June 27	9:00am-3:00pm	Memorial Park						
Council Work Session Meeting	June 27	7:30pm	Borough Hall						
Borough Hall Closed – Independence Day	July 4								
Community Day - Pancake Breakfast	July 4	8:00am-11:00am	Memorial Park						
Community Day	July 4	11:00am	Memorial Park						



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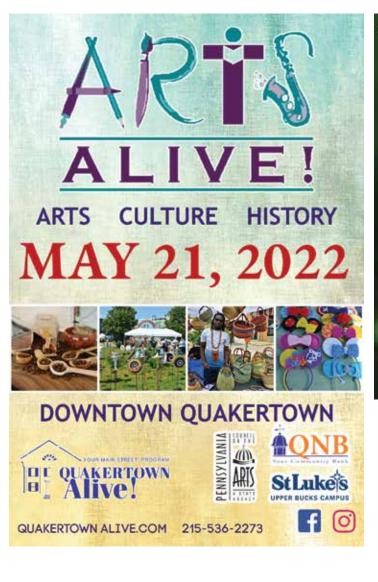
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Family Pizzeria 120 S. West End Blvd.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT



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Project Lifesaver

The Quakertown Borough Police Department is proud to offer the Project Lifesaver program! Project Lifesaver is the premier search and rescue program operated internationally by public safety agencies and is strategically designed for "at risk" individuals who are prone to the life threatening behavior of wandering. The primary mission of Project Lifesaver is to provide timely response to save lives and reduce potential injury for adults and children with the propensity to wander due to a cognitive condition. Project Lifesaver is a community based, public safety, non-profit organization that provides law enforcement, and caregivers with a program designed to protect, and when necessary, quickly locate individuals with cognitive disorders who are prone to wandering. The necessity of this program was determined through the correlation between cognitive conditions and the act of wandering. With the dramatic increase of cognitive conditions since the inception of the organization, the program has grown from a localized program to a program recognized internationally as a proven and effective method of "bringing loved one's home."

Project Lifesaver was the first to apply such locating techniques to aid in the search and rescue of individuals and is the most widely used and proven most effective program in the nation that is specifically designed to protect the "At Risk" populations in our communities. The program was structured in a way that strategically combined state of the art locating technologies, innovative search and rescue methods, and community policing courses that educated first responders about cognitive conditions. The search times for certified Project Lifesaver agencies have been reduced from hours, potentially days, down to minutes. Recovery times for Project Lifesaver agencies average 30 minutes, which is 95% less time than standard operations without Project Lifesaver. The method relies on proven radio technology and specially trained search and rescue teams. Citizens enrolled in Project Lifesaver wear a small transmitter on the wrist or ankle that emits an individualized frequency signal. If an enrolled client goes missing, the caregiver notifies their local Project Lifesaver agency, and a trained emergency team responds to the wanderer's area. The first responders will then use the client's individualized frequency to locate the position of the individual. The knowledge learned from the community policing courses is best applied in this situation because the first responders will know how to best approach the client once found, and allow them to be brought back to safety.

A fee may apply and if you are interested in more information on how to join the program, please contact Sergeant Steven Stoneback at sstoneback@quakertown.org or call 215-536-5002.



POLICE DEPARTMENT

Quakertown Police Department Welcomes Two New Officers



Pictured from left to right: Chief Scott McElree, Officer Jacquelyn Engler, Officer Randall Harrison, Lt. Don Bender

On Wednesday, February 2, 2022 the Quakertown Borough Police Department proudly welcomed two new Probationary Officers, Randall Harrison and Jacquelyn Engler. The two officers were sworn in by Magisterial District Judge Lisa Gaier.

Randall Harrison is an accomplished Sergeant and Ranger with the United States 1st Battalion 75th Ranger Regiment. He graduated in 2011 from Pennridge High School. He then attended DeSales University where he studied Criminal Justice from 2011-2014. Soon after, Harrison decided to serve his country by enlisting in the US Army at the beginning of 2015. During his time in service, he deployed to Afghanistan three times and once to Iraq. He has earned many awards and medals. Some of the notable being Ranger Tab, five Army Achievement Medals, two Army Good Conduct Medals, Combat Infantryman Badge, and Expert Infantryman Badge. Currently, Randall is enrolled in the City of Allentown Police Academy and is excelling in experience as he works towards the MPOETC certification.

Officer Jaquelyn Engler grew up in Bucks County and graduated from Willian Tennent High School in Warminster, PA before going on to earn a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from Penn State University. During her studies, she completed an internship with Abington Police Department. She attended Montgomery County's Municipal Police Academy in the Fall of 2021 and has experience working for the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office as a Deputy. Outside of her professional accomplishments, Jackie enjoys long-distance running and general fitness, cooking, reading, and spending time with family and friends.

Congratulations and welcome to the QBPD Family!



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Bike Rodeo

The Quakertown Area Bike Safety 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 14th, 2022; the rain date is Saturday May 21, 2022. The event is held at the Quakertown Community Pool parking lot: 601 W. 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 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 the participant's knowledge.

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

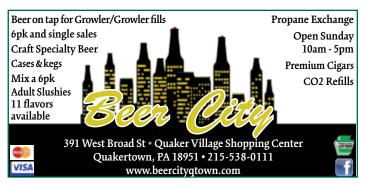


The practical measure of ability in handling a bicycle under varying conditions is an important factor in the physical safety of the rider and an integral part of a comprehensive bicycle safety program. Besides affording the young cyclist an opportunity to show their abilities in safety, these exercises 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 the Quakertown Borough and Richland Township Police Departments. Additional affiliates are St. Luke's Hospital, The Boy Scouts, and Cycle Zone.





PARKS & RECREATION

2022 National Park and Recreation Association's 30 under 30

We are proud to announce Ashton Miller, Recreation Coordinator is being recognized as one of the 2022 National Park and Recreation Association's 30 under 30! Each year the National Recreation and Park Association honors 30 professionals under the age of 30 who are making advancements and lasting differences in the field of Parks and Recreation and their communities. This recognition program is a joint effort by the NRPA Young Professionals Network and the NRPA Parks and Recreation Magazine. More than 100 nominations were received, forming a diverse group of nominees from 27 different states.

The scoring committee evaluated the nominations on one or more of the following criteria:

- Impact on the agency's community and service population
- Contributions to the professional development of the field of parks and recreation
- Innovative ideas, programs, or research in the field of parks and recreation.

Since coming to the department in 2017, Ashton has tremendously established the Department creating and implementing new events, programs, advanced the K.I.D.S. Camp Program and much more. In fact, the Department, which previously had limited programming and events, now encompasses more than 29 programs and events. Among her biggest accomplishments has been community engagement and helping establish the Sounds of Summer Concert Series.

We are so proud of Ashton and her accomplishments over the past five years! Congratulations!

The Phyllis Lieberman Women's Trailblazer Scholarship Award

With great pleasure, we announce Courtney Burns, Parks Coordinator as the recipient of the Phyllis Lieberman Women's Trailblazer Scholarship awarded by Delaware Valley Insurance Trust for her advancements as a woman in local government. The Phyllis Lieberman Women's Trailblazer Scholarship Award was established in December 2018 to honor the late Phyllis Lieberman, a long-time manager of Whitpain Township and founding Executive Committee Member of the Delaware Valley Insurance Trust. Phyllis was a pioneer who understood that achieving success often required taking risks, but she also demonstrated with her leadership abilities how to manage that risk. Each year, two educational scholarships are awarded from a pool of very well-



qualified candidates. Both recipients are awarded \$1,500 that can be used towards educational advancement programs or professional associations that promote women's leadership in local government.

During Courtney's time as Parks Coordinator, we have seen her grow significantly leading to many of the advancements in the Parks and Recreation Department. Courtney was involved in the planning and execution of major construction projects within our community, specifically the Free Fall Action Park and Panther Playground (QuiNBy's Playground). Courtney continues to further environmental initiatives within the Borough and is currently pursuing a M.S. in Parks Conservation and Resources Management and an M. Ed. in Environmental Education at Slippery Rock University.

Congratulations Courtney and we look forward to seeing what other amazing things you accomplish!



Quakertown Community Pool to Reopen this Summer

Quakertown Borough Parks and Recreation Department is excited to announce the Quakertown Community Pool will reopen this summer with many new updates to the facility. For the past several months, crew members have been working on repairing the existing pool footprint. With repairs, we are replacing the features in the existing pool including a large 25' slide, new diving board, rock wall, and play feature at the 0' entrance.

Members can also expect a newly installed baby and program pool. This pool will be separate from the current pool footprint and will include a toddler play feature, sprayers, and a wall separating the baby pool from a 3.5' program pool to be used for swim lessons and water aerobic classes. In the fall of 2022, we will begin installing the splash pad that will be available for the 2023 pool season.

The pool will be open full time from 12:00 pm-8:00 pm beginning Saturday, May 28 through Labor Day.

Both Borough residents and non-residents are now welcome to purchase season passes to the Quakertown Community Pool on QuakertownRec.com. To receive the Resident Rate, you must pay your electric utility bill to the Borough of Quakertown.

Borough Staff and contracted construction companies are working tirelessly to ensure your experience is exceptional this year. We will continue sending update emails and posting any new information to the Borough of Quakertown's websites and social media pages as we receive it. Thank you for your patience, and we look forward to celebrating 65 years in the community this summer!



Calling all Gardeners!

Have you always wanted to start a garden but don't have the space? Quakertown Borough Parks and Recreation has your solution, the new Quakertown Community Garden! The Community Garden is located at 670 S. Main Street which is found behind Free Fall Action Park, and will be ready for the growing season beginning May 9th, 2022.

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, 12ft by 6ft raised garden beds. The fee for one season is \$50.00 per plot. Gardeners will have access to water and have the option of onsite tool storage.

If you are interested in reserving a plot, please fill out a Community Garden Application found on our website at Quakertown.org/CommunityGarden or they are available for pick up at Borough Hall.



For Ages 7-12 9:00 am - 3:30 pm | Memorial Park Residents: \$50 Non-Resident: \$100

Registration is based	on individual
Registi	" week.
WEEK 1 JUN. 27 -JUL. 1	ALOHA
WEEK 2	COLOR
JUL. 5-8	CRAZE
WEEK 3	WILD WILD
JUL. 11–15	WEST
WEEK 4	SPLASH-
JUL. 18-22	TACULAR!
WEEK 5	INTERCAMP
JUL.25-29	CHALLENGE
WEEK 6	EARTH
AUG. 1-5	RANGERS
WEEK 7	7TH INNING
AUG. 8-12	STRETCH
AUG. 8-12	

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	KIDS INVOLVED DOING SOMETHING	
WEEK	DESCRIPTION	FIELD TRIPS
WEEK 1 JUN. 27 -JUL. 1	ALOHA SUMMER Aloha Summer and Campers! Get your grass skirts ready for a week of sun, fun, and all things tropical! Campers will design their own tiki masks, play island games, and even create their own luau desserts, and work together to build erupting volcanoes!	No Field Trip
WEEK 2 JUL. 5-8 *No Camp July 4*	COLOR CRAZE Colors fly high during Color Craze! Prepare to get messy as we toss, play, and make camp colorful! Splatter paint, water colors, and ultimate color capture the flag are just a few of the events to help Campers dive into the world of color!	The Crayola Factory
WEEK 3 JUL. 11–15	WILD WILD WEST It's time to saddle up for an exploration of the wild west! Campers will pick their own cowboy and cowgirl names, participate in a balloon stampede, protect the bank from bandits, and celebrate their success at the camp square dance.	Urban Air Adventure Park
WEEK 4 JUL. 18–22	SPLASHTACULAR! This week we will make a splash! Extra trips to the pool, water balloon races, splash artwork, water games, a 2 lane roaring river water slide, and much more, campers should get ready to be splashed all week long!	Movies and Bowling
WEEK 5 JUL. 25-29	INTERCAMP CHALLENGE Meet your team, make a flag, and let the games begin! One of the most popular weeks of the summer, Intercamp Challenge is an opportunity for campers to compete in classic camp games with a lot of laughs along the way.	Lego Land
WEEK 6 AUG. 1–5	EARTH RANGERS Calling all Earth Rangers! Discover all the different ways to go green and make better choices for our environment. Campers will learn all about navigating the wilderness and identifying everything thats around us.	Iron Pigs Baseball Game
WEEK 7 AUG 8-12	7TH INNING STRETCH Let's play ball! Campers will be introduced to games that are played all around the world.	Dave and Busters

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PARKS & RECREATION



Clean up Clean up SATURDAY APRIL 30 8:00 AM Location: Quakertown Community Pool & Memorial Park Parks and Recreation Department, Council Members and community members will be

Quakertown Borough

Register to volunteer at Quakertown.org/SpringCleanUp

beautifying the parks!

Ready...Set...Get Fit!

Do you enjoy working out and being outdoors? If the answer is yes, the Quakertown Borough Parks and Recreation's Fitness in the Park series is perfect for you! May through September, you are invited to engage in several fitness classes including Yoga and Zumba. The Fitness in the Park series helps community members achieve their fitness goals while connecting to nature in our park system.



FREE FALL ACTION SPORTS

FREE FALL ACTION PARK

Free Fall Action Park is an ever-growing family-friendly facility which supports its students and the surrounding community. Since the grand opening in June 2021, the park has been busy with activity and excitement. The cold slowed things down, but spring is just around the corner. The locals are ready to ramp things back up and launch into another great season.

Free Fall is bonded together by action sports and community events. We have activities like our Goodlum team meetings where students come together and plan events of all types. In this meeting, meaningful opportunities are discussed to accommodate students in their areas of interests in and outside of action

sports. For example, the Annual Free Fall Event & Competition is where Skateboard, Scooter, and BMX riders come out for a day to show their skills and compete. We have a "Create to Skate" event where our local high school art teacher aids students in creating their very own design on skateboards. We have local band nights which not only provide our students with entertainment, but also gives small local bands a place for them to express themselves. This spring we plan to offer skateboard lessons as a way to teach beginners how to get around the park and hone their skills. All these activities help to inspire and encourage students of all ages to get outdoors and grow and share their passions.

As a non-profit, we always provide ways for people to get involved. If you are interested, or inspired by our story and community, you can volunteer, give, or sponsor to support our ever-growing community at www.freefallactionpark.com.

Goodlum Scholarship Program

In 2021, Free Fall Action Sports Board created the Free Fall Action Sports Goodlum Scholarship Program to support local Free Fall Action Sports team members in pursuing Higher Education. The ideal candidate shows commitment to Free Fall Action Park, their peers, and the broader action sports community. Each recipient receives an annual scholarship of \$1,000 for a maximum for four years to help offset the cost of their higher education. Free Fall Actions Sports is extremely grateful for Orthodontic Specialists of the Indian Valley and all of their incredible financial partners that have made the Free Fall Action Sports Goodlum Scholarship Program possible!



Free Fall Action Sports is excited to announce that the Free Fall Action Sports Goodlum Scholarship has been award to four students in 2021, Kyleigh Duhaime, Aaron Brezner, Erin Kelly, and Caitlin Rivera. These four outstanding students have demonstrated commitment to the park, supported students and visitors of the park, and are key to the success of the park. Kyleigh Duhaime is pursuing Business at Montgomery County Community College, Aaron Brezner is pursing Youth and Family Ministry at Cairn University, Erin Kelly is pursing Social Work and Bible Studies at Lancaster Bible College, and Caitlin Rivera is pursuing Environmental Science at Delaware Valley University. Congratulations to our scholarship recipients!







CODE ENFORCEMENT



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



Garage/Yard Sale Permits

It shall be unlawful for any person to conduct a garage sale in the Borough without first filing with the Zoning Officer the information required and obtaining from the Zoning Officer a permit to do so.

A permit to conduct a garage sale shall be issued for any one residential property or to any one household no more than two times within a calendar year, and no such permit shall be issued for more than three consecutive calendar days.

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 by going to the Borough's web site at www.quakertown.org. An approved permit will be issued with a copy of the ordinance pertaining to garage sales.



Any questions contact Missy Molnar at 215-536-5001 x 132



Noxious Weeds

Quakertown Borough has an ordinance requiring anyone who owns property within the Borough of Quakertown to maintain their property in a safe, clean, and sanitary manner. Therefore, it shall be unlawful for any person to create, continue, cause, maintain or permit to exist any nuisance at any place within the Borough. One of the most common nuisances found are property owners neglecting to cut their lawn and to remove noxious weeds. Noxious weeds as defined in the Borough Codified Ordinances Chapter 10 Section 202 shall include Canada thistle, mustards, bindweed, perennial sow thistle, hoary alyssum, ragweed and poison ivy, poison sumac

or other plant or growth which are more than six inches in height. The maintenance of ornamental plantings, such as shrubs and hedges are not regulated by this ordinance.

The excessive growth of grass, weeds and underbrush creates a harborage or shelter for disease carrying insects and vermin. Overgrown properties detract from the overall value of the neighborhood.

In the event that a property owner does not comply with this ordinance the owner of the property will receive a notice. The notice will be either given to the property owner in person or by certified mail. At that point the property owner will have five days to comply with the notice. If the property owner does not comply with the notice the Borough manager can decide to have the noxious weeds cut and removed. The cost of cutting and removal will be compiled and 10% added to the cost and forwarded to the owner responsible for the property.

UTILITY BILLING

LIHWAP

The Customer Relations Department is pleased to announce another assistance program that the Borough of Quakertown has recently partnered with. The program is LIHWAP. They may be able to assist you with overdue water and wastewater bills.

What is LIHWAP?

The Low Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP) is a temporary emergency program to help low income families pay overdue water bills. LIHWAP is a grant. You do not have to repay it.

How does LIHWAP work?

LIHWAP Crisis grants may be available if you have an emergency situation and are in jeopardy of losing your water service. You can receive one Crisis grant for your drinking water service and one Crisis grant for your wastewater service, up to \$2,500 each.

Crisis situations include:

- Past due water bills.
- Termination of utility service.
- Danger of having utility service terminated (received a notice that service will be shut off within the next 60 days).

How do I apply?

- Apply online at www.compass.state.pa.us.
- Request and application by calling the Statewide Customer Service Center at 877-395-8930 or call PA Relay at 711 for the hearing impaired.
- Applications are available at your local county assistance office.

To apply, you will need:

- Names of people in your household
- Dates of birth for all household members
- Social Security numbers for all household members
- Proof of income for all household members
- A recent water bill

Who is eligible?

- You may qualify for a LIHWAP grant if:
- You must have an overdue water bill that you are responsible for paying.
- Your household income meets the following guidelines:

Household Size Maximum Annual Income

1\$19,32	20
2\$26,13	30
3\$32,94	ţO

Household Size	Maximum Annual Income
4	\$39,750
5	\$46,560
6	\$53,370
7	\$60,180
8	\$66,990
9	\$73,800
10	\$80,610

After your application is processed, you will receive a written notice that will tell you if you qualify. If eligible, it will notify you of the amount of your grant.

In addition to this new program there are other assistance programs customers can take advantage of.

- LIHEAP
- BCOC
- Salvation Army

What are these programs?

- LIHEAP The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) assists eligible low-income households with their heating and cooling energy costs, bill payment assistance, energy crisis assistance, weatherization and energy-related home repairs.
- BCOC Bucks County Opportunity Council has a mission to reduce poverty and partner with our community to promote economic self-sufficiency.
- Salvation Army -The Salvation Army combats problems, such as poverty and homelessness.

How do I contact these programs for assistance?

The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) - For more information about LIHEAP:

You can call the National Energy Assistance Referral (NEAR) project. NEAR is a free service providing information on where you can apply for LIHEAP. You can speak to someone at NEAR Monday through Friday, from 7 a.m.- 5 p.m. (Mountain Time).

You can:

Call the toll-free phone number at: 1-866-674-6327

Send an e-mail to: energy@ncat.org

or you can contact your State's LIHEAP office

Bucks County Opportunity Council – Quakertown Client Services – 215-536-0353

Salvation Army – Upper Bucks Service Center – 215-529-6547

UTILITY BILLING

Budget Billing – Plan Your Utility Expenses!

The Borough of Quakertown offers Budget Billing on a year-round enrollment basis. You have the right to request Budget Billing. Budget Billing is an agreement made with the Borough to have your bills averaged throughout the year. To be eligible for Budget Billing, you must be delinquent-free for one year. The Borough will review 12 months billing history and adjust the amount of your bill based on your usage. You will be billed the same amount each month even though your usage may vary from season to season. At the end of your budget year, if you owe a large amount to settle the difference from what you paid, you can request the balance to be spread over several billing periods. If you do not pay your monthly budget amount on time for two (2) consecutive billing periods, the Borough will remove you from Budget Billing and you will be required to pay the balance in full. The Budget Billing for utilities, please complete the Budget Agreement found on our website (www.Quakertown.org) and return it to customercare@quakertown.org. All budget accounts are monitored multiple times over the course of the year to verify proper averages are maintained. Like most other utility companies, the Borough of Quakertown Budget Billing accounts do not balance out at the end of the year. Budget amounts may change at any time during the course of the year. Customers will be notified of any change to the billing and a new Budget Agreement must be signed and returned. Failure to sign the agreement will result in the account being returned to a normal billing account. Any outstanding amounts will be immediately due.

Residential Owner-Occupied Budget - To enroll in Budget Billing, your utility account must be at a zero balance. The account must be in the name of the occupant of the address in order to be eligible for the Budget Billing.

Tenant Budget - Tenants may enter into the budget plan, with their landlord's consent. Similar to the Budget Plan for homeowners, there are certain criteria that must be met prior to entering into the Tenant Budget plan. A tenant must complete the Tenant Budget Application form and have the landlord authorize that they are in agreement. 1. The tenant must have established residency in their location for at least one year. 2. The tenant must have a zero-account balance. 3. The tenant must be delinquent free for at least twelve months. 4. The tenant must be made aware that their account will be audited annually, and an adjustment may be made. Commercial Budget Commercial customers requesting the Budget Billing must own the property where the commercial enterprise is located, and the services must be in their name. Commercial Rental tenants are not eligible for the Budget Billing.

Duplicate Bill

As a service to landlords, the Borough of Quakertown will mail a duplicate of all monthly bills and disconnect notices directly to the landlord for an annual charge of \$15.00 per account. To arrange for this service, please complete the Landlord Duplication Bill form on our website and forward it along with a check made payable to the Borough of Quakertown. You also have the option to set up electronic statements through Invoice Cloud at www.invoicecloud. com/quakertownpa.

Register for Paperless Billing for a Chance to Win a \$25.00 Credit towards your Utility Bill

Quakertown Borough utility customers are now eligible to win a \$25.00 credit towards their utility bill by signing up for paperless billing through our online payment system, Invoice Cloud! At the end of every month, one paperless customer will be selected to win a \$25.00 credit that will be applied directly towards your utility bill. After you have registered your account through Invoice Cloud, you do have the option to select paperless billing. It is very simple, fast, and convenient. Benefits include being better for environment, convenient access to your documents, reduced mail, and security. Any questions you might have on setting up for paperless billing please contact the Customer Relations Department at 267-347-5009 or by email at customercare@quakertown.org.

Sewer Credit

The warmer weather is approaching and with that, pools will need to be filled. If you would you like to receive a sewer credit towards your utility bill, please complete our Pool Sewer Credit form on our website.



Sally recently had surgery for acid reflux and is finally able to enjoy a family meal again. All thanks to a health partner who has the most advanced, leading-edge technology available – including robotic surgery. Here, we get you back to being you, faster. Learn more at LVHN.org/surgery or by calling 888-402-LVHN.



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during Bulk Collection Week on your scheduled contrash day - the first full week of each month. Construction materials, "white items", and TVs Fawill NOT be collected. "White items" refer to household items such as refrigerators, stoves, washers, dryers, etc. Mattresses must be placed in a plastic bag before placing them for pick up. Mattress bags can be purchased at Double the store of the s						Yard Waste Drop-Off and waste is now accepted at the Borough's mposting facility located at the rear entrance the Borough's Wastewater Treatment cility, 650 Erie Rd. Max size of limbs is 6 in. in diameter and 8 ft. length. Garden waste, shrubbery trimmings, leaves, use brush, and grass clippings are accepted. Free stumps and dirt are NOT accepted.								Waste Collection - 2 bundles of branches - Must be bundled and tied, no longer 48" and not heavier than 40 lbs 3 brown bags of yard waste - Yard waste includes leaves, grass clippings, garden								

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WATER CONSUMER

Notice Of: 2021 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

The 2021 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report is now available. To view the 2021 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report and to learn about your drinking water, please go to:

www.quakertown.org/waterreport

This report contains important information about the source and quality of your drinking water.

If you would like a paper copy of the report, please call Quakertown Borough Hall at 215-536-5001 x132 and a copy will be mailed to you promptly.

Hydrant Flushing

Flushing will be done Monday through Friday between the hours of 7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Each year the Quakertown Water Department opens fire hydrants throughout the Borough and the neighboring service areas, allowing water to flow through the pipes. As a result of flushing you may experience reduced water pressure and/or discolored water. If discoloration occurs, run cold water until clear. If you have any questions, please call the Quakertown Water Department at 215-536-5855.

LINEWORKER CERTIFICATION



Eric Koch of the Borough's Electric Department recently completed the 4-year Lineworker Certification Program through the Northwest Lineman College. This certification, along with his job training, qualifies him to be Electrical Lineworker. The Borough continues to further educate our employees to better serve the residents of Quakertown. Congratulations Eric!



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Choose one of 4 events where you can register as an individual, join a team or create your own team and invite others to join!



JOIN US MAY 21, 2022 AMY'S RIDE/RUN/WALK - QUAKERTOWN, PA

This FUN and incredibly FAMILY-FRIENDLY event raises money to fund pancreatic cancer research and compassionate care initiatives to improve the lives of all those suffering from this disease.





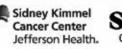
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