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FALL 2022 NEWSLETTER

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PARKS & RECREATION DEVELOPMENTS

If you have been to one of our many free summer concerts this summer or visited our new updated tennis and pickleball courts then you may have noticed some fun and exciting Parks & Recreation developments!

Many of these projects were in the works before the COVID-19 pandemic, but had to be paused for a few years. This year we have been able to push forward to finalize many of these projects in the park system. Our Parks & Recreation Department, with the support of Perkasio Borough Council and the help of our Public Works and Electric Departments, is thrilled to provide an update and a look to the future.

LENAPE PARK AMPHITHEATER

In 2017, Perkasio Borough won the Oldcastle Infrastructure "Building a New Tomorrow" Program, which was intended to provide resources to the communities in which Oldcastle's employees live and work. The award gifted a precast structure to Perkasio Borough for use as an outdoor amphitheater.

The Borough's engineers and staff worked with Oldcastle designers on plans, budgets and site challenges for the amphitheater. Originally the structure was to sit on the north side of the Perkiomen Creek but concerns about the extent of the flood plain meant that its location was moved to its current spot on the south side of the creek, close to the park's volleyball court and skate park pavilion on Constitution Avenue.

Additional funding for the engineering, excavation, footers and improvements to the surrounding area was provided by a Bucks County Open Space grant.

We kicked off our 2022 Summer Concert Series this year on June 15th with a Grand Opening Event, ribbon cutting, and fun music from "The Nerds". Every Wednesday through mid-August we hosted a variety of performers and musical styles, with a few Fridays thrown in for good measure! We thank all our Summer Concert Series sponsors, and everyone who came out to watch the concerts. Thank you for making the 2022 Summer Concert Series a success!



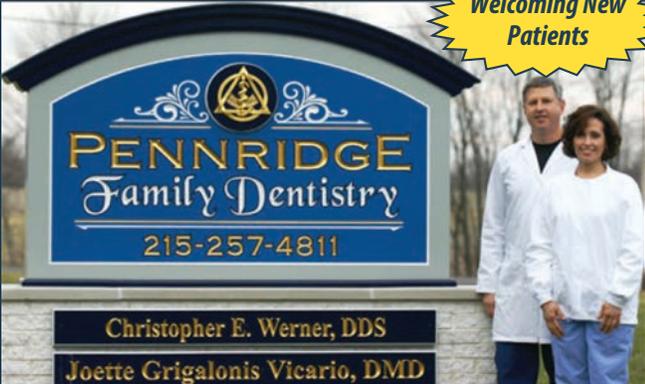
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LIBERTY BELL TRAIL FROM 7TH STREET TO 9TH STREET

Did you know that Perkasio Borough is home to a section of the Liberty Bell Trail? This historically important trail is so named because part of the trail was traveled by the Liberty Bell in September 1777, when it was being moved from Philadelphia to Allentown for safekeeping shortly before the British occupation of Philadelphia during the American Revolutionary War.

In late 2016 Perkasio Borough signed a Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant Contract with the Commonwealth Financing Authority. The grant award provided funding to update curbs, ramps, and sidewalk on 7th Street, create a 'pocket park' at the entrance of the Trolley Tunney and extend an asphalt trail connecting 7th St to 9th.

Although the contract was awarded in 2016, the project ran into numerous delays and we requested and received multiple time extensions from PA Department of Community and Economic Development. At a Perkasio Borough Council meeting in February 2022 a bid was finally awarded to G&B Construction Group and the project started soon after.

As a result of this project the trail has been extended from 7th St and currently ends at the top of the 9th Street rail abutments. We are already working on sourcing funding which will allow us to continue the Liberty Bell Trail down onto 9th St and beyond.



TENNIS AND PICKLEBALL COURTS

Pickleball anyone? Pickleball, enormously popular with people of all ages, is played with a paddle and a wiffle-like ball, and is America's fastest growing sport.

Perkasio's pickleball journey started in 2019 when Public Works painted our first set of pickleball lines at Kulp Tennis courts and the recreational programming and play began. Within a year the demand outgrew the court and more lines were added in 2020 along with two temporary pickleball nets funded by Bucks County Recreation Council.

The increased use of the Kulp St courts by pickleball and tennis players accelerated the Borough's plan to renovate the playing surface and courts. Early in 2022, Perkasio Borough Council approved the renovation project with Keystone Sport Construction for the full



mill, pave, resurface, and new equipment for the new Kulp Tennis and Pickleball Courts. The new design replaced 2 tennis courts with 6 pickleball courts and created 3 newly lined and resurfaced tennis courts. The project also included moving and updating the court lighting with the help of Perkasio Borough Electric Department.

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SECURITY CAMERAS

Perkasie Borough Council and Perkasie's Police Department have been dealing with increased incidences of vandalism and graffiti in parts of our park system. In response, and in order to maintain and clean and safe park system for our community Perkasie Borough is working on installing security cameras in our parks. Park users may have noticed cameras at Perkasie's new Amphitheater in Lenape Park and will start to see more cameras in the area. These cameras will extend coverage to the new restrooms, Skate Park, Skate Park pavilion, Dog Park, Twin Bridges, and the surrounding fields and pathways.

Our goal is to provide assurance to community members, that they and their park system are valued and protected. We will continue to consider security at each of our park locations.

LOOKING TOWARD THE FUTURE...

Though we completed a few items on the park to-do list we saw firsthand how important our park system was to the community especially during the COVID-19 pandemic. The need for open space, parks, and trails was prevalent across the country. Along with the need to safely connect our community members to these places and local businesses. This is why the Perkasie Borough plans to continue to work on Park and Recreation updates.

For example, with the completion of the 7th to 9th Street Liberty Bell Trail Perkasie Borough has already applied for another Multi Modal Transportation grant for the second step of this project. These plans include stairs down from the top of 9th street trolley abutments, updated ADA access down Chestnut Street from the cemetery, and a pedestrian trail up Park Avenue. The Park Avenue portion would include curbing, walkway, and retaining wall which could complete the Liberty Bell Trail route through the borough. This pedestrian portion is part of a larger scale Park Avenue Improvement Project which includes Stormwater Management measures and a full width mill and pave. More information on the entire project can be found at <https://perkasieborough.org/public-works-department/park-ave-improvements/>

We are excited about our 2022 updates and will continue to work to provide new and exciting park and recreation opportunities for our community in the future!

LETTER FROM THE MAYOR

I have both noticed and experienced that it's easy to take important things for granted, and when we lose those things, our appreciation for what we had can grow dramatically. This can clearly happen when it comes to our health. I recently had a battle with double vision for about a 6 week period of time, and my respect and appreciation for the gift of sight was greatly improved. It was annoying to talk to someone and see 3 of them, not knowing if I was looking at the correct person. It was impossible to drive and subsequently lose the independence that occurs when you cannot simply get in your car and go.

When I was in college, I had the privilege of living in a house with 12 other guys. One of those guys, named Mike, was 99% blind, and I discovered after spending time with him, watching him navigate the challenges he experienced with grace and a positive attitude, that he gave me an invaluable life lesson. Mike was the kind of person that chose to not let his disability get in the way of his life experience. He ran Cross Country in high school, tethered to another runner about his speed so he could be part of the cross country team. In his sophomore year in college he decided to go to Europe, by himself, for spring break. Mike's determination to live life well, bless and encourage others, and be an inspiration not in spite of but through his disability is something I will never forget.

I noticed those same kinds of attitudes in my friend, the former Mayor John, and deeply value our relationship and ways he's inspired and encouraged many people. Are there some areas, some people, where we can do a little less taking for granted and find ways to show more value and respect? Appreciation and determination, 2 ideas that can go miles in helping us to live life well.

I appreciate this wonderful community in which I live, and am blessed to be part of it.

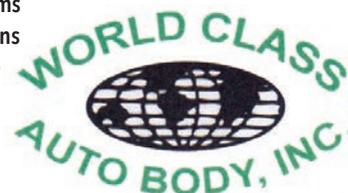
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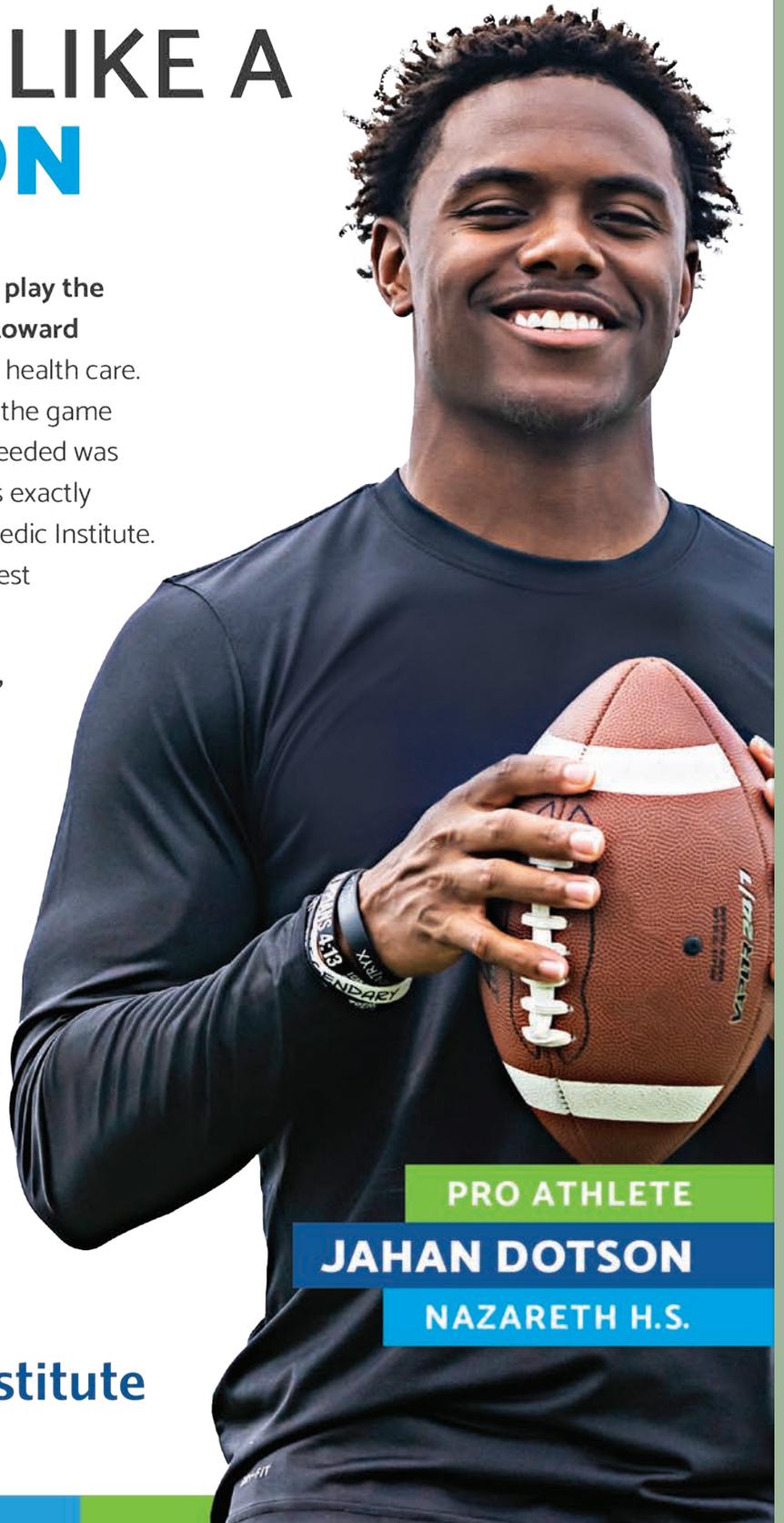
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2022 Collection and Disposal of Refuse Reminders

RECYCLING CENTER HOURS

Monday through Friday:

7:30 am - 8:30 pm

Saturdays: 7:30 am - 4:00 pm

Closed Sundays and most holidays.

The Borough Recycling Center, located behind the Perkasio Police Department, at 311 South 9th Street, is for the convenience of **Borough Residents ONLY**. Perkasio Borough staff may ask for identification when you use the Center. There are signs indicating where recyclable materials are to be placed. **No plastic bags, please.** Combine glass, aluminum, tin and plastic (PDE #1-7) containers in the dumpsters that are marked as such and that have metal stairs. Combine newspaper and cardboard and place in the trailer.

Trash and bulky items are not accepted at the Recycling Center. Absolutely NO construction materials, aluminum/plastic siding, window glass, shutters, etc. are accepted at the Recycling Center. No laundry baskets, plastic trash cans, large tin (popcorn) containers, fish tanks, mirrors or other household materials are accepted. As of June 1, 2010 yard waste (NO GRASS CLIPPINGS) will be accepted on the first Saturday of the month 7:30 AM - 3:30 PM. Please use brown paper bags, lawn and leaf bags or bring a container to be dumped when disposing of yard waste. **No plastic bags.** Please call the Borough or check the website for additional information.



FALL LEAF COLLECTION

Leaf collection will begin mid-October and continue through November, weather permitting. Please look for confirmed dates on the Borough's website and social media. Rake leaves into the street along the curb line without blocking or clogging storm drains. Please keep vehicles away from areas where leaves are piled.

Leaves will be picked up when scheduling allows. There are no set collection days for areas of the Borough. The Public Works crew will follow a specific route and do so cyclically.

UPCOMING HOLIDAY COLLECTION DAYS

Please be aware of the following **Trash Schedule** updates for upcoming Holidays:

THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

Thursday, November 24 (Trash)

Friday, November 25 (Recycling)

Will be picked up:

Monday, November 28 (Trash)

Friday, December 2 (Recycling)

CHRISTMAS EVE

Friday, December 23 (Recycling)

Will be picked up:

Thursday, December 22 (Recycling)

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

Monday, December 26 (Trash)

Will be picked up:

Tuesday, December 27 (Trash)

NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAY

Friday, December 30 (Recycling)

Will be picked up:

Thursday, December 29 (Recycling)



CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION

Christmas trees (without wire) are picked up along with recyclables during the first three weeks of January. Wreaths with or without wire will be collected with refuse. Live-balled Christmas trees may be donated for planting in Borough parks.

FALL STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

Here are some tips for managing stormwater on your property this fall:



- 1) Dispose of leaf litter and yard waste in an appropriate manner, never in the street or stream.** Shred yard and leaf waste to use as mulch or fertilizer for your yard and garden.
- 2) Clear leaves and debris from gutters and storm drains.** This will prevent flooding and keep debris out of our local waterways.
- 3) Fertilize your lawn only if needed.** To save yourself time and money, have your soil tested to determine the amount of fertilizer required. Standard soil test kits can be purchased from county offices of Penn State Extension.
- 4) Plant native trees and shrubs!** Fall is the best time of year to plant. Trees and shrubs provide habitat for wildlife and help rainwater soak into the ground.

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A Message From The Perkasie Borough Police Department

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The police department would like to remind all residents to double check to make sure your vehicles are kept locked, even when in your driveway. Theft from vehicles is generally a crime of opportunity with offenders looking for unlocked/unsecured vehicles that may contain cell phones, cash, computers and other valuables.

As we enter our fall season and school is back in session the police department would like to offer the following safety tips from PennDot and AAA;

School Bus Safety

School bus safety is a high priority in Pennsylvania. Students, parents, teachers, administrators, transportation personnel and the motoring public all play important roles in keeping our children safe while on or around the school bus.

Pennsylvania's School Bus Stopping Law

- Motorists must stop at least 10 feet away from school buses that have their red lights flashing and stop arm extended.
- Motorists must stop when they are behind a bus, meeting the bus or approaching an intersection where a bus is stopped.
- Motorists following or traveling alongside a school bus must also stop until the red lights have stopped flashing, the stop arm is withdrawn, and all children have reached safety.
- If physical barriers such as grassy medians, guide rails or concrete median barriers separate oncoming traffic from the bus, motorists in the opposing lanes may proceed without stopping.
- Do not proceed until all the children have reached a place of safety.

The penalties if convicted of violating Pennsylvania's School Bus Stopping Law include:

- \$250 fine
- Five points on your driving record
- 60-day license suspension

The police department is staffed 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Administrative office hours are Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, excluding holidays.

The Police Department non-emergency contact phone number is 215-257-6876. For emergencies, please dial 911.

The Perkasie Borough Police Department wishes all of our residents a safe and happy Fall season.

For more information, review Pennsylvania's School Bus Stopping Law Fact Sheet.

- Tips for Parents/Students
- Get to the school bus stop five minutes early so you won't have to run across the road to catch the bus.
- When waiting for the bus, stay away from traffic. Line up at least five giant steps away from the curb or the roadway to wait for the bus.
- Never run after the school bus if it has already left the bus stop.
- Never push when getting on or off of the school bus.
- Always walk at least 10 feet in front of the bus when crossing so that the school bus driver can see you.
- Be aware — cross with care! Wait until the school bus has stopped all traffic before stepping out onto the road.
- When the school bus is moving, always stay in your seat. Never put your head, arms or hands out of the window.
- Talk quietly; do not distract your school bus driver.
- If your school bus crosses railroad tracks, be calm and quiet so that your driver can listen for a train.
- Always obey your school bus driver's instructions, so that he or she can make safe decisions.
- Never play with the emergency exits. Backpacks, band instruments, or sports equipment may not block the aisle or emergency exits. If there is an emergency, listen to the driver and follow instructions.
- When getting off of the school bus, make sure that all drawstrings and other loose objects are secure so that they don't get caught on the handrail or the door.
- Never cross the street behind the school bus. If you leave something on the bus or drop something outside of the bus, never go back for it. The driver may not see you and begin moving the bus.
- Never speak to strangers at the bus stop and never get into the car with a stranger.



Perkasie Garden Club

A huge thank you to the Perkasie Garden Club who spend time year round making our town as beautiful as ever!

Monthly meetings are held on the second Wednesday evening of the month at 7:00pm. January through May meetings are held at the Perkasie Regional Authority, 150 Ridge Road, Sellersville. June through September meetings are held at members' homes and gardens. Annual dues, payable in January, are \$10.00 per household and members are entitled to admission with no additional cost to all monthly programs and events.

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A message from the Code Enforcement Department

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A Message From The Perkasie Fire Company

Fire Prevention Week is October 9-15, 2022

This year NFPA Fire Prevention Week Theme is
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This year is the 100th Anniversary of Fire Prevention Week.

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Perkasie Fire Co.No.1 will be holding their Annual Fire Prevention Open House on Thursday, October 13, 2022 from 6-9p.m. at the Perkasie Firehouse located at 100 North Fifth St. Perkasie.

Meet the Perkasie Fire Department Firefighters and Fire Police. Local Police and Fire Departments will be joining us with Fire Apparatus on display and Fire Safety demonstrations.



Perkasie Fire Company is looking for volunteers!

Don't just live in your community...Protect it! Perkasie Fire Company is in need of individuals to volunteer their time. All membership in Perkasie Fire Company No. 1 is strictly voluntary. Our members are not "on-call", but if available to respond to the Station when alerted. For more information visit perkasiefd.org



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Perkasie Historical Society

The Perkasie Historical Society has regular dinner meetings featuring a speaker or program. Meetings are held at 6:30 PM at the St. Stephen's UCC, 110 N. 6th Street, Perkasie. Cost of dinner is \$12.00.

Reservations for dinner are necessary. For reservations, please call Pat (215) 257-9624.

If the need arises, please be considerate and cancel your dinner reservation before 3 PM.

Upcoming Meetings and Information:

Tuesday, October 4, 2022: *"Slavery in PA and Richard Moore and the Underground Railroad in Upper Bucks"* presented by Mr. Jack Schick VP. of the Quakertown Historical Society. The presentation will share the efforts of Richard Moore and impact of the Underground Railroad in the area.

Tuesday, November 1, 2022: *"The History & Lore of Thanksgiving"* presented by Darcy Fair, PhD. Thanksgiving is the traditional response to the end of Harvest. Exhausted farm folk need to celebrate the end of their backbreaking labor and replenish their energy with a feast! Preparations for it often begin in the summer! How our "quintessential American Holiday" came to be is a story in itself, with religious and civic roots.

Tuesday, December 6, 2022: *"Pennridge Chamber Choir" performance.* The Pennridge High School Chamber Choir is an auditioned ensemble of 24 students who perform collegiate-level repertoire throughout the school and community. With their music-making, they hope to bring artistry, musicianship, and joy to all of those who listen or see them perform!

There are no Perkasie Historical Society meetings in January or February. We look forward to seeing you in March 2023!

PERKASIE CAROUSEL



The Perkasie Carousel is located in Menlo Park at West Park Avenue and 3rd Street, adjacent to the Menlo Aquatic Center.

October 2, 2022: Open noon to 5 PM:
Perkasie Fall Fest

December 3, 2022: Open noon to 5 PM:
Perkasie Tree Lighting Day

IN-PERSON WALKING TOURS

Saturday, October 29, 2022 1:00 PM: "Mausoleum and More: Perkasie Historical Society's Perkasie Mausoleum Tour" Take the tour of the mausoleum learn more about a few significant people from Perkasie's past. Meet at the Museum. 513 West Walnut Street. Suggested donation: \$5.00

Saturday, October 29, 2022 6:00 PM: "Unusual Occurrences Along the Railroad" The tour will visit locations of notable events that occurred in the area of the railroad tracks in Perkasie. This is an evening "Lantern Light" Tour. Suggested donation: \$5.00

MUSEUM DISPLAYS

Sunday, October 2, 2022 Fall Fest "Peek of Perkasie" Noon - 4 PM The display features unique items from the museum collection, not routinely displayed.

Saturday and Sunday, November 12 and 13: "Trains and Trolleys" Noon - 4 PM. Photos and artifacts will be on display from these two important modes of Perkasie transportation. There will also be an operating model train display.

Saturday, December 3: Tree Lighting Evening "Christmas in Perkasie" This display features photographs and artifacts from Perkasie's Community Christmas Celebrations along with an operating model railroad display. The "Conductor" will be reading the "Polar Express." Please check our website for specific updates. (<https://www.perkasiehistory.org/>)

Perkasie Self-guided Walking Tour

Scan this QR code to visit Perkasie Historical Society's "Then and Now" Self-guided Walking Tour:

<https://www.perkasiehistory.org/perkasieselfguidedwalkingtour.html>



Visit Perkasie Historical Society
<http://www.perkasiehistory.org>

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Our Perkasie Historical Society website has a wealth of information sharing our local history. Consider taking our award-winning Perkasie Historical Society Self-Guided Walking Tour of Perkasie Borough. The tour encompasses more than 60 locations and is accessible from our website:

<https://www.perkasiehistory.org/perkasieselfguidedwalkingtour.html> Watch for our additional tour locations identified by the Walking Tour QR Code window films!

JOIN US IN PRESERVING PERKASIE'S HISTORY!

Membership dues of \$10.00 per year, are used to support our community activities.

New Members: Please complete and submit the membership form on our Support Us page (<https://www.perkasiehistory.org/supportphs.html>) and mail your check to: Membership, Perkasie Historical Society, 513 W. Walnut St., Perkasie, PA 18944

Girl Scout Troop 2763



Thank you to Eliza Richards, Ellie Forest, Natalie Marucci, Molly Christopher, Alexis Lloyd, and Violet Wilkerson of Girl Scout Junior Troop 2763. This past summer they build a butterfly garden complete with butterfly houses, flowers, kindness rocks, and plant signage outside of Perkasio Borough Hall.

In planning for this project they attended presentations with Master Gardeners to select a variety of flowers each carefully chosen based on its function, affordability, and the species of butterflies it attracts. They also hand painted the butterfly house and kindness rock to ensure proper preservation of the wood and UV protection.

At the February 21, 2022 Perkasio Borough Council meeting they proposed the project to Perkasio Borough Council and received approval and a maximum contribution up to \$400.

Thank you Troop 2763 and congratulations on your Bronze Award project!



Economic Development



NEW PTIA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR - Kelly Laustsen

The PTIA Board of Directors is pleased to announce that Kelly Laustsen, owner of Bloom Flower Co., has been named Executive Director of the organization. She replaces Joe Ferry, who stepped down recently after almost four years in the position.

As Executive Director, Kelly will be responsible for PTIA's day-to-day operations. She will be the main point of contact for business owners, borough officials, and the public.

Kelly has already been an active member of PTIA as an organizer of our First Friday event. She also is coordinating the design of this year's Perkasio Christmas Ornament. Kelly's creativity, enthusiasm, and boundless energy will be a true asset to the community. "I am very much looking forward to working with my fellow business owners as Perkasio continues to evolve as a destination and a great place to live, work, and raise a family," said Kelly.

You can reach Kelly by email at director@perkasiotowneimprovementassc.com

PTIA WELCOMES THREE NEW BUSINESSES TO PERKASIE IN ONE MONTH.

PTIA recently hosted three grand openings and ribbon cutting celebrations. Attendees included Perkasio business owners, community members, Borough officials, state legislators and representatives from local organizations.



Wine Room at Perkasio Florist

Flowers and wine, a perfect combination. Perkasio Florist and Cardinal Hollow Winery have created a wine room located at 101 N. 5th St. in Perkasio. Over 18 varieties of wines from dry to sweet. Stop by and sample a variety today!

Abundance Water Ice

"We are the Finnegans and we are so excited to be joining the other wonderful Perkasio businesses. We love this town and enjoy serving! Our shop is all about friendship, community and of course delicious water ice!" -Sandy Finnegan, owner

Located at 316 W. Walnut St., Abundance Water Ice is co sharing their space in the Haasis Gluten Free Bakery. Long time friends, Kristy (Haasis) and Sandy teamed together to bring gluten free water ice to the Perkasio community. A family run business, the Finnegans are excited to have a brick and mortar location in the heart of downtown.





Mystic Ways Brewing Company

Mystic Ways Brewing Company, Perkasia's second micro-brewery, opens in Perkasia's charming downtown. It is a unique, family owned brewery that provides a wide selection of beers served in a captivating taproom.

"Mystic Ways Brewing Company offers a variety of beers to choose from. We have popular styles, traditional styles, experimental styles, and beers from our side pouring tap from the Czech Republic. We are looking forward to serving folks from Perkasia and beyond. Cheers!" -*Joe Winiarski, owner & brewmaster*

Mystic Ways Brewing Company is located at 510 1/2 W. Walnut St, Perkasia Pa 18944.



can be purchased at participating businesses starting on Small Business Saturday. Dating back over 15 years, collecting the Perkasia Tree Ornament has become a tradition shared by many. Ornaments will also be available for purchase during the tree lighting ceremony.



Holiday Gifting Made Easy – Perkasia E-Gift Card

The Perkasia Community E-Gift Card, a community based digital gift card makes it fun and easy to keep the dollars you spend in the Perkasia community.

The Perkasia Community E-Gift Card can be used at any of the participating businesses: Bloom Flower Co., Bravo's Pizza, Chimayo Gallery, Frox, Hickory Stick on 7th, Papa's Cupcakes, and Perkasia Florist.

The Perkasia Community E-Gift Card is all digital and always available on your phone. It can also be printed out for use.

To order, visit PTIA website (perkasiatowneimprovementassc.com). You can write a personal message and send it to family, friends, and colleagues via email or text. Sold in denominations from \$5-\$250. Recipients can choose to spend their Perkasia E-Gift Card at one participating merchant or mix it up and spend flexibly at multiple locations.

UPCOMING FIRST FRIDAYS

Every First Friday from April through December, the Perkasia business community welcomes local residents and visitors to our charming, walkable downtown. Attendees will enjoy a casual, family friendly atmosphere filled with music, entertainment, food trucks, shopping and dining specials.

All activities take place in the Towne Center (7th & Market).

OCTOBER - Pink October

NOVEMBER - No First Friday event.

DECEMBER - Santa, Singing, and Shopping



PTIA SUPPORTS PINE 2 PINK IN OCTOBER

Once again, the Perkasia Towne Improvement Association is pleased to join Doylestown, New Hope, Peddler's Village, Carversville, Newtown, Valley Square and Thompsonville (Thompson car dealerships) by participating in the Pine2Pink campaign during the entire month of October. Now in its fifth year, Pine2Pink has raised over a quarter million dollars to help local residents during their treatment, recovery, and beyond from breast cancer.

Last year, thanks to Perkasia's involvement, Pine2Pink made a \$21,500 contribution to Grand View Health's Breast Cancer Program. That money is actively being used to support our friends and neighbors. Your support was key to making that donation happen.

We will be turning the town pink in October by having the Electric Department crew install pink gels over street lights along Market, 7th, and Walnut streets. Our "Pink Street" sign will be installed at the intersections of 6th and 7th streets at Market for the month. October 22, 2022 Farmer's Market will be designated Pine2Pink Day.

Last year approximately 20 borough businesses participated as fundraising partners by offering to donate a percentage of sales from certain products and services during the month.

LOOKING AHEAD TO THE HOLIDAY SEASON...

2022 Perkasia Ornament Sales

Our always popular Christmas Tree Ornament will soon be available for purchase. Limited quantities will be available at the last Perkasia Farmers Market of the season, October 29th. Hand made by a local artist, this collectors item



JOIN OUR VOLUNTEER CREW

Looking to get involved in your community? Love local events? Join us in preparing for events like First Fridays, Porch Fest and Pine 2 Pink. Send us an email at director@perkasiatowneimprovementassc.com or send us a message on Facebook.

UPCOMING EVENTS



PERKASIE'S 21ST ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL

Perkasie's 21st annual Fall Festival will take place from 12pm-4pm on Sunday, October 2nd, 2022. The Festival takes place in both the town center, and in Menlo Park, where Perkasie's historic Carousel is open for the day. A free bus links the event sites, or visitors can enjoy the short walk between the two locations.

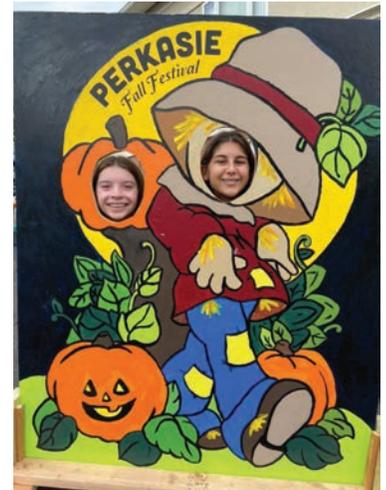
The theme of this year's event is "All Things Corn" and visitors will find a huge inflatable corn maze, kettle corn, corn muffins, street corn, and corny crafts & activities.

As every year, families will find lots of free fun at Menlo Park, including a petting zoo, balloon twisting, face painting, and (weather permitting) the Boing gymnastics Tumble Track and pony rides (small fee). Free fall-themed crafts are under one park pavilion, and scarecrow decorating is under the other. Families are welcome to build and enter a scarecrow in this popular contest (one per family please, while supplies last, or bring your own).

Perkasie's town center plays host to many free activities, including tractor rides, a large outdoor games area, a massive inflatable "Corn Maze" and the Revivals Block Party. Pumpkin decorating (small fee) and other free attractions are on N. 7th St. The wing eating contest at 2:30pm is followed by the ever-popular pie eating contest at 3:15pm. The Bucks County Folk Song Society, Mudfoot and Josh Washam will provide musical entertainment. Visitors to the town center can enter to win large raffle baskets with prizes generously donated by local businesses.

All this, plus food trucks, and a large craft & vendor fair. Town center stores & eateries are open with shopping and dining specials. Please join us in thanking these Event sponsors for their support: A&T Chevrolet-Subaru, American Heritage Federal Credit Union, Dunkin' Donuts, First Student, Gilmore & Associates, Kay Builders, Moving Targets, Penn Community Bank, Grim Biehn & Thatcher, QNB, Thrivent Financial.

We welcome applications from vendors for the Fall Festival, AND from community groups who would like to exhibit or perform at the event. Please contact events@perkasieborough.org for more information.



Thank you!

Perkasie Borough is please to bring you the latest edition of our newsletter. This publication provides you with information on municipal services, contract numbers, and more. We extend our thanks to the business and professional members of our community who have supported this publication through advertising which makes this newsletter possible at minimal cost to our residents.

TREE LIGHTING

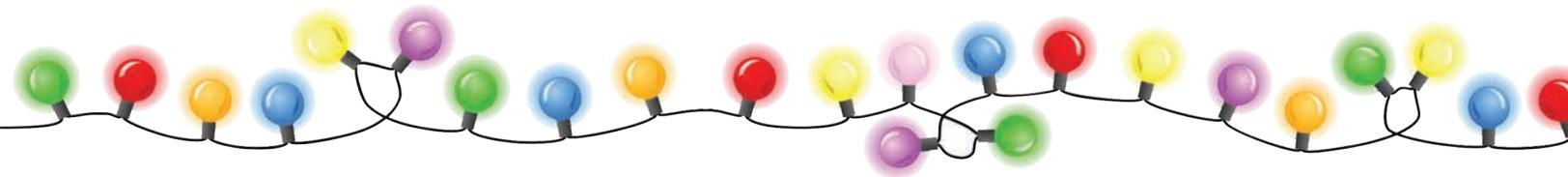


The nation's oldest Community Tree Lighting Ceremony returns from 5pm-8pm on Saturday December 3rd. Families can expect a traditional evening out, with Holiday music, food and fun. The event opens at 5pm with former Perkasio Mayor, John Hollenbach and his time-honored annual reciting of "T'was the Night Before Christmas". Carols and Holiday music from local school choirs will be followed by rocking Holiday music by Mike Greer & Co.

Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus arrive on a Perkasio Electric Truck to light the Christmas tree at 7pm. One lucky child will be chosen to climb on the stage to help Santa light the tree; bring a non-perishable food item for Penridge FISH to enter the drawing.

We invite community groups and local nonprofits to participate in the Tree Lighting event.

Please contact events@perkasieborough.org for more information.



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The 2022 Perkasie Farmer's Market

Perkasie's award-winning Farmers Market is open on 7th St in the town center, from 9am-12pm every Saturday until October 29th. Local farmers and food producers bring Certified Organic and locally grown produce, eggs, microgreens, meat, honey, coffee, cookies and cakes, preserves, sweet treats, flowers, plants, and more, as well as soaps and homemade, local craft items. Crafts and family activities, live music and a visit to Perkasie's stores round out a lovely morning in town. Well behaved, well-socialized dogs are welcome. The Perkasie Farmers Market made possible, in part, with contributions from A&T Chevrolet-Subaru, Begley Carlin Mandio, Dunkin' Donuts, Grace Inspired Ministries, JC Steinly and QNB Bank. The best way to find up to date market and vendor news, shopping specials and community information is to follow our Facebook or Instagram accounts. General information about the market is available at <https://perkasieborough.org/parks-recreation/farmers-market/>

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

THANK YOU MENLO COMMUNITY!

The 2022 was one to remember and we want to thank the entire Menlo Community, Perkasio Borough Council, and our staff for sticking with us and supporting us through this season! If you have any comments or questions please email ParkandRec@PerkasioBorough.org. We will be working all fall and winter to be prepared and ready for 2023 and we hope to see you again!

KNOW YOUR MEDICARE OPTIONS

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



Date: Tuesday, October 18th from 6:30pm-8:00pm
Instructor: Steve Perlman, DeVal Senior Advisors, Independent Medicare Planning Specialist
Location: Borough Hall, 620 West Chestnut Street, Perkasio
Fee: Free, but pre-registration required (visit www.PerkasioRec.com)

SCHOOL'S OUT CAMPS!

GEOCACHING – WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5TH

Geocaching is one of the fastest growing outdoor activities. It is a hi-tech scavenger hunt combining GPS tracking with a series of clues leading you through a course of hidden surprises. Experienced staff will guide you during this active camp as you learn how to use a GPS unit for geocaching, explore the outdoors as you search for hidden caches, gain expertise as the hunts become more challenging, and finally work together to design your own course!



Ages: 9-12 years
Time: 9a-3pm
Location: Skate Park Pavilion in Lenape Park
Cost: \$82 – register at perkasierec.com
Presented by GeoVentures

Please bring snack, lunch, water, and appropriate clothing and/or layers. This camp is held outdoors.

ESCAPE THE CAMP – MONDAY, OCTOBER 10TH

Do you love puzzles, codes, and Escape-Room style mysteries? Join us for a week of mind-bending challenge and plot-twist set in the outdoors. You will test your own skills by solving escape mysteries, then be trained in code-breaking, observation, trick objects and immersive story creation as your team gets the chance to build an escape experience of your own.

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ZUMBA!

Get ready to workout by dance! This is a high-intensity dance fitness class for all levels! There is a wide range of dance styles and fitness workout combinations throughout every class to accommodate all participants. Dance styles include salsa, merengue, soca, dembow, hip-hop, dance pop, and much more. Join us on Monday nights to burn calories and have fun!



Dates: every Monday 6:00 – 7:00 pm
Location: Classes move indoors to Perkasio Fire Department 100 N 5th St. starting 10/3
Fee: \$7 – must pre-register at perkasierec.com

PICKLEBALL IN PERKASIE

Exciting Pickleball programs coming to Perkasio this Fall. Learn and understand the latest tips and techniques to enjoy and improve at this fun game. All instruction is customized to your level.

Check back at www.PerkasioRec.com for program information starting in June.

Instructor: Kathy Ebbert, IPTPA Level 2 Certified Pro and IPTPA Rating Specialist. PTR Certified Tennis Instructor.
Location: Kulp Park Tennis Courts, 21 South 2nd Street, Perkasio, PA 18944



AMERICAN RED CROSS BABYSITTING COURSE (AGES 11 AND UP)

This certification course provides participants with the confidence and skills to care for youngsters. Prospective employers will be happy to hire babysitters who have acquired this official recognition. During the course you will develop a resume, practice interviewing, practice diaper changing, feeding, holding and caring for infants and children. Participants will also learn first aid and much, much more. Upon completion of the course you will receive an ARC Certification card that does not expire. You must attend the entire course, pass the evaluations, and show the maturity to properly care for children. Please have a mask, bring a lunch, snack, note pad, and pencil. (Participants must be 11 by the course date).

Date: Sunday, November 6th, 2022 from 9a-3p

Instructor: Red Cross Certified Instructor

Location: Perkasio Borough Hall, 620 W. Chestnut Street, Perkasio

Fee: \$79; register online at www.PerkasioRec.com



UP AND BACK IN NYC BUS TRIP!

Spend a day in New York City this holiday season! The day is yours to plan! You can see a show, visit a museum, shop, sight see, go to a gallery - whatever you wish.

Saturday, December 10th – 8am

Seats are only \$52 per person and include tip.

Pre-registration is required at perkasierec.com Don't wait and reserve your seat today; must hit minimum by November 9th to avoid cancellation.



HAT & MITTEN TREE

Perkasio Parks & Recreation Department will be collecting new mittens, gloves, hats, boots, and scarves on behalf of Pennridge FISH. The tree will be located at Perkasio Borough Hall. Collection for the Hat & Mitten tree will run from November 28th to December 23rd.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR PERKASIE BASKETBALL SUMMER LEAGUE CHAMPIONS!

Thank you to our organizer, Bonnie Walck and all the refs, coaches, and participants who made the 2022 season fantastic! The weather was not always on our side but we hope all the players had a fun time in our annual competitive summer league. Please keep an eye out for registration information coming in the spring of 2023, see you next summer!

CHAMPIONS:

7/8th grade girls - Team #5 - Grizzlies



9th/12th grade boys - Team #7 – Sabol Select



Adult League - Team #14 – Hornets



Thanksgiving Safety

The kitchen is the heart of the home, especially at Thanksgiving. Kids love to be involved in holiday preparations. Safety in the kitchen is important, especially on Thanksgiving Day when there is a lot of activity and people at home.



- » Stay in the kitchen when you are cooking on the stovetop so you can keep an eye on the food.
- » Stay in the home when cooking your turkey and check on it frequently.
- » Keep children away from the stove. The stove will be hot and kids should stay 3 feet away.
- » Make sure kids stay away from hot food and liquids. The steam or splash from vegetables, gravy or coffee could cause serious burns.
- » Keep the floor clear so you don't trip over kids, toys, pocketbooks or bags.
- » Keep knives out of the reach of children.
- » Be sure electric cords from an electric knife, coffee maker, plate warmer or mixer are not dangling off the counter within easy reach of a child.
- » Keep matches and utility lighters out of the reach of children — up high in a locked cabinet.
- » Never leave children alone in room with a lit candle.
- » Make sure your smoke alarms are working. Test them by pushing the test button.

Did you know?



Thanksgiving is the leading day of the year for home fires involving cooking equipment.

Have activities that keep **kids out of the kitchen** during this busy time. Games, puzzles or books can keep them busy. Kids can get involved in Thanksgiving preparations with recipes that can be done **outside** the kitchen.



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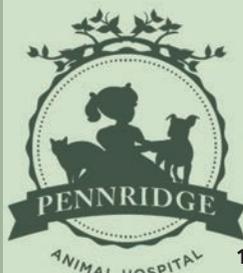
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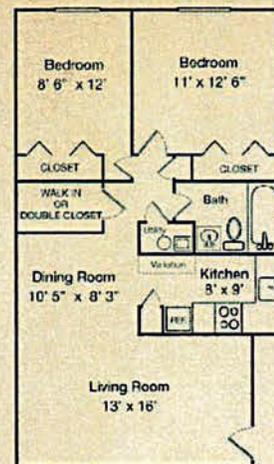


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Borough Council..... 1st and 3rd Mondays,
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Perkasio Regional Authority..... 1st Monday and 3rd Tuesday,
PRA | 6:30pm

Planning Commission 4th Wednesday,
Borough Hall | 7:00pm

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

PWTA 4th Monday,
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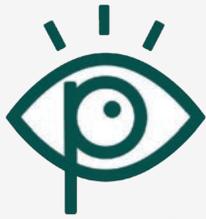
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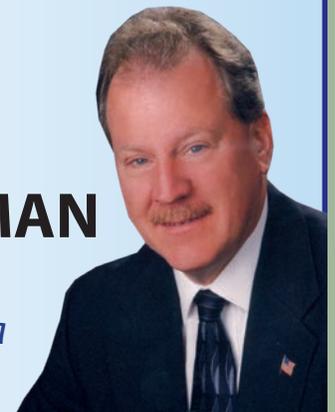
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