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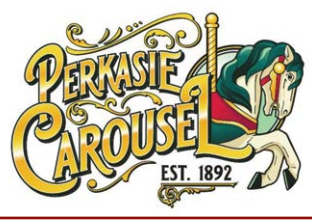
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Summer 2023 NEWSLETTER

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IMPROVEMENTS COMING TO RESIDENTIAL CURBSIDE RECYCLING

We are increasing the frequency of curbside recycling collection, making it even easier for residents to recycle.

Starting on July 10th 2023, residents should set out paper & cardboard for collection EVERY FRIDAY and their plastics, glass, tin & aluminum (“comingled”) EVERY WEEK on the SAME DAY as TRASH. As always, residents are also able to drop off separated recyclables at the Borough’s Recycling Drop Off Center. Residents should not put plastic bags in the recycling bin or place recyclables in plastic bags. We will no longer collect plastic bags, nor accept them at the Recycling Center.

Perkasie Borough is one of only 2 municipalities in Bucks County that provide trash & recycling services directly to their residents, and the only municipality in the County that operates dual-stream recycling. Dual-stream recycling means that our residents separate paper & cardboard from other comingled recyclables. The practice means that the recycling stream is “cleaner”, more materials are recycled, and we can keep recycling costs lower for our residents.

Perkasie Borough recently used grant funding from the Department of Environmental Protection to purchase a baling machine which is housed at the residential Recycling Drop Off Center. Baling paper & cardboard has significantly reduced the costs of recycling these materials and even positions the Borough to generate income from the sale of paper & cardboard as and when the commodity price increases. Revenues will be used to offset the increasing costs of disposing of comingled recyclables.

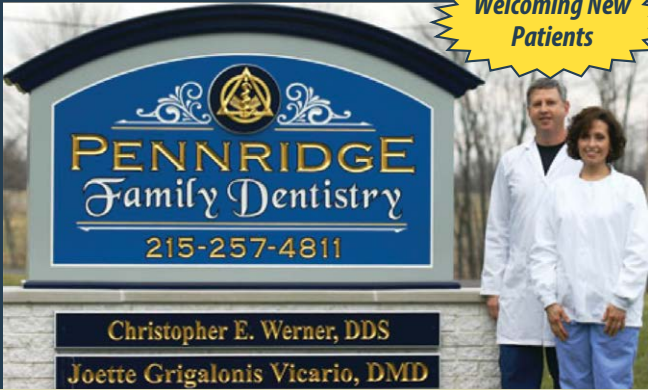
“Increasing the frequency of curbside collection and moving comingled to the regular trash day will make it a lot easier and less confusing for our residents to recycle” said Steve Rose, Borough Councilman and Chair of the Public Works Committee. “It also means that we’ll increase recycling rates for the community as a whole and increase the amount of paper & cardboard that we bale and recycle”.

It is important that residents take note of the changes. After July 10th, we can only collect materials set out correctly, and following the new schedule. We will not collect paper & cardboard

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Market Update

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Improvements Coming To Residential Curbside Recycling *continued from cover*

if it is mixed with other recyclables, and we can't recycle any materials that are mixed in with trash or food waste.

We have updated the trash and recycling pages at perkasieborough.org to reflect the changes and residents should have received a color postcard in the mail. Anyone with questions about the new schedule should call the Borough office at (215)-257-5065.

Perkasie Borough is a mandated community under Act 101, which means that residents and all commercial, institutional, educational and religious institutions are required to recycle under the law. Questions about Perkasie Borough's Recycling Program should be directed to the Public Works Director at (215)-257-5065.

WHAT GOES OUT & WHEN?

*USE YOUR OWN CONTAINER AS YOUR RECYCLE BIN

NEW SCHEDULE EFFECTIVE JULY 10th

Curbside on Friday



Paper



Cardboard

Curbside on Trash Day



Food & Beverage Containers
Glass, Plastic, Tin & Aluminum



NEVER
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Please visit
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for more information
about Perkasie
Borough's Dual-Stream
recycling program



Questions? Call 215-257-5065

Visit perkasieborough.org for a full list of what we collect.

BOROUGH RESIDENTS may also drop recyclables at the Recycling Center. Proof of ID is required. Visit our website for more info.

UPCOMING HOLIDAY COLLECTION DAYS

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

INDEPENDENCE DAY

Tuesday, July 4 (Trash)

Collection: Wednesday, July 5 (Trash)



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LETTER FROM THE MAYOR

For this newsletter I would like to highlight the incredible work that has gone into the efforts to restore the South Perkasio Covered Bridge with minimal financial impact on our budget. I want to congratulate Scott Bomboy, Andrea Coaxum, and others in our Borough Administration who demonstrated remarkable patience and persistence in acquiring this dedicated funding. Please see updates regarding the restoration of the South Perkasio Covered Bridge below, written by Scott Bomboy.

In late April, FEMA awarded two major grants to Perkasio Borough to repair our historic 1832 covered bridge. Perkasio is eligible for FEMA funds to return the bridge to its condition before Hurricane Ida since the bridge is on the National Register of Historic Places.

The FEMA grant awards are for a minimum of \$427,000. Before Ida, the Perkasio Historical Society had raised \$120,000 to rehab the bridge, and Perkasio Borough was awarded a \$100,000 state grant in June 2020 based on the society's match.

In all, the Covered Bridge repair project now has a minimum of \$689,000 in dedicated funding, including a FEMA emergency grant in 2021 to stabilize the bridge.

The funding was the outcome of 15 months' of discussions between Borough representatives, FEMA, and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. To our knowledge, FEMA has only funded four other covered bridge projects in recent years nationally.

Perkasio Borough had fully documented the bridge for its state grant, which gave FEMA the critical data needed for its grant awards. The Borough will advertise for planning proposals for the project shortly. Once we award those bids, we will have an estimated completion date for the project.

We all look forward to the day when the covered bridge returns to active use in Lenape Park. I'll have more updates in the coming months on this important project!

Perkasio Borough Honored With National Award For Outstanding Safety Practices

WASHINGTON, D.C., May 2, 2023 – Perkasio Borough has earned the American Public Power Association's Safety Award of Excellence for safe operating practices in 2022. The utility earned First Place award in Group A in the category for utilities with 12,480 worker-hours of annual worker exposure.

"Safety needs to be the first thing on every utility employee's mind as they go about their work," said Jim Boyd, Chair of APPA's Safety Committee and Electric Operations Safety Manager at Tacoma Power, Tacoma Washington. "The utilities honored by APPA for excellence in this area should be proud of the culture they have instilled in serving their communities."

283 utilities from across the country entered the annual Safety Awards. Entrants were placed in categories according to their number of worker-hours and ranked based on incident-free records and overall state of their safety programs and culture during 2022. The incidence rate is based on the number of work-related reportable injuries or illnesses and the number



of worker-hours during 2022, as defined by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA).

"Perkasio Borough cares deeply about sending our employees home to their families safely every single day," said Andrea Coaxum, Perkasio Borough manager. "We are proud to be honored for all the work that goes into standing behind this commitment."

The Safety Awards have been held annually for more than 65 years. APPA is the voice of not-for-profit, community-owned utilities that power 2,000 towns and cities nationwide.



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STORMWATER POLLUTION PREVENTION TIPS

SUMMER 2023

SUMMER STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

Stormwater runoff is a major pollutant of our local waterways. It flows from rooftops, over paved streets, sidewalks, parking lots, across bare soil and lawns. As it flows, runoff collects and transports many different kinds of pollutants. This water drains directly into nearby creeks and streams without being treated at a sewage plant.

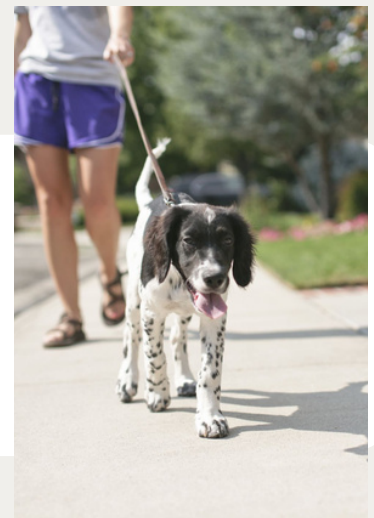
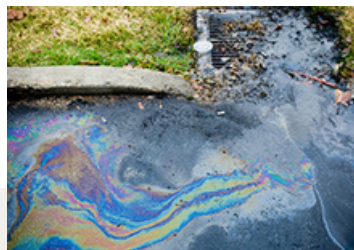
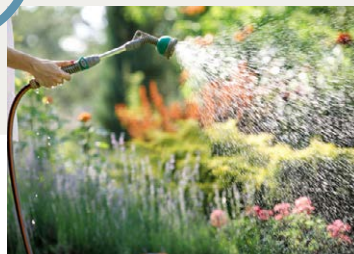
Luckily, there are many steps that you can take to help reduce the amount of pollutants entering our waterways.

Here are some tips to manage stormwater pollution this summer:



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www.perkiomewatershed.org

- **Pick up after your dog.** Their waste is not natural, its full of bacteria and excess nutrients that will create algae blooms and contaminate local waterways.
- **Water your lawn & garden slowly.** Only water your grass and plants when necessary. When watering, be sure to do so slowly to reduce runoff. Consider investing in irrigation hoses or gator bags where possible.
- **Wash your car the right way.** Either wash it at a car wash that filters wastewater, or in a grassy area.





A Message From The Perkasie Borough Police Department

311 S. 9TH STREET PERKASIE, PA 18944 (215) 257-6876

The Perkasie Borough Police Department is implementing several new programs to assist our residents.

The first program is a **Blue Envelope Program**, which is modeled after a program that was first developed and distributed in the State of Connecticut. The program has also been adopted by police agencies in several other states including New Jersey.

The purpose of the Blue Envelope is to improve the interaction between a driver with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) and Police Officers on a traffic stop. The Blue Envelope provides written information and guidance on enhancing effective communication between police officers and persons with ASD.

The primary goal of the Blue Envelope Program is to assist drivers with ASD with document organization and to help them understand what to do on a motor vehicle stop. The envelope's instructions warn the driver that the officer might have a radio and flashing lights on their patrol car. The instructions also direct the driver to keep his or her hands on the steering wheel until they receive further instructions from the officer. The directions detail the process of events that should occur during the stop and how the driver should respond.

The Blue Envelope also provides Police Officers with the means to quickly identify an operator of a motor vehicle who has ASD and helps to guide Police Officers with the interaction.

The Police Officer's section of the envelope explains some behaviors that the driver might exhibit, including repetitive body movements and signs of high anxiety. Police Officers are also instructed to allow the driver extra time to respond, to use the most simplistic language possible and to clearly tell the driver when he or she can leave the scene.

The ASD driver can place a copy of their driver's license, registration and insurance cards inside the envelope for quick access. The envelope also contains an emergency contact form for the ASD driver.

The Blue Envelopes are available for pick up at the Perkasie Borough Police Department located at 311 S. 9th Street, Perkasie.

The second program is a **Handle with Care Registry**. Law enforcement and other first responders frequently have contact with residents who have communication, cognitive and physical needs that make providing services to them more difficult.

Emergency situations often create high anxiety, excitement and physical demands thus exacerbating these pre-existing conditions. In an effort to preemptively address these needs, the Perkasie Borough Police Department has embarked on an initiative to better assist our residents with special needs called, 'Handle with Care'. 'Handle with Care' residents can include, but are not limited to, elderly, dementia, Alzheimer's, autistic, or any other cognitive or physical condition which may require specific attention or assistance in an emergency.

Handle with Care Information can be accessed through the department Crime Watch web page <https://bucks.crimewatchpa.com/perkasieboroughpd>

The data will be used to provide officers with information they need to help a "Handle with Care" resident who is without their caregiver, who may have wandered from home or who otherwise is in need of assistance. This form will provide the officers with vital information to ensure the 'Handle with Care' resident is properly cared for in an emergency situation. All information in the registry will be held in strict confidence.

Last but not least the Perkasie Borough Police Department has partnered with the Bucks County Human Services Division to participate in an **Upper Bucks Co-Responder Program**.

The Human Services Division in Bucks County (the "County") oversees funding and contractual services for individuals in need of social services throughout the County. The following entities fall within the Human Services Division: the Area Agency on Aging, Behavioral Health and Developmental Programs, Children and Youth Social Services Agency, and the Bucks County Drug and Alcohol Commission. The mission of the Division is to support and strengthen individual and family wellness through community connections, collaboration, integration, and responsible stewardship of resources. The overarching goals of the Initiative are to: (i) decrease the time law enforcement spends responding to situations involving social service's needs, (ii) provide a more effective emergency response through the addition of clinical-informed support and an enhanced community resource knowledge base, and (iii) divert individuals primarily presenting with social services needs from further penetration into the criminal justice system.

The following Upper Bucks Police Departments are participating in the program, Perkasie Borough, Pennridge Regional, Hilltown Township, Bedminster Township, Dublin Borough, Springfield Township, Tinicum Township, Richland Township and Quakertown Borough.

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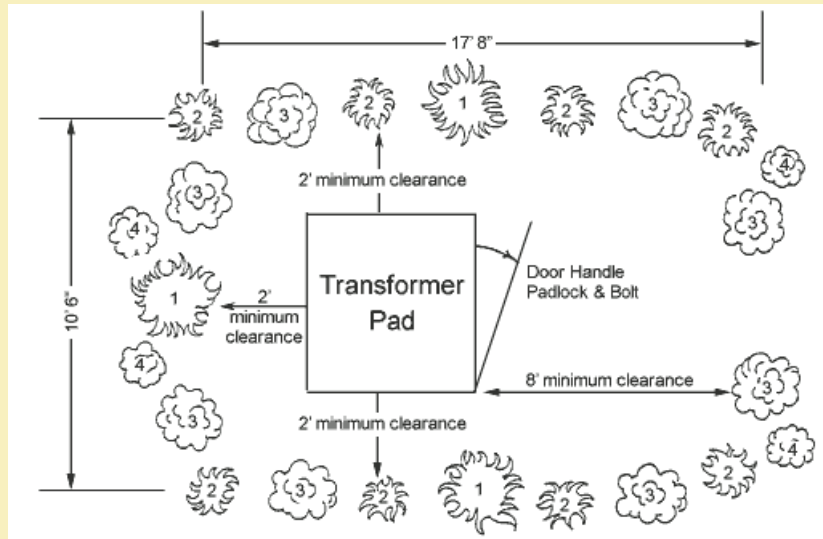
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Bushes, Flowering Plants and Transformers

In some areas of the Borough residents have underground service for their electric. In these areas the Electric Department has installed underground transformer. The big green square boxes aren't very attractive, but they do serve a purpose, they give our linemen access to the equipment that is underground. Residents might try to make that area of their yard look "prettier" by planting around it, but it is important to leave enough space for the linemen to do their job if repairs and maintenance are needed. If you do have a transformer on your property and wish to plant around it, this diagram shows you the necessary clearance that is needed for access.



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Perkasie Garden Club

Perkasie Garden Club's purpose is to provide an opportunity for the members in the club to "grow" in their knowledge of gardening through lectures, demonstrations, and mutual sharing and to pass that knowledge on to the members of our community.

If gardening and nature interest you, please join us at our 2023 meetings. All are welcome to attend our monthly meetings which are held on the second Wednesday of the month and start at 7:00pm. Programs are presented from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. Refreshments and our business meeting follow. Most meetings are held at the Perkasie Regional Authority located at 150 Ridge Road in Sellersville. Annual dues are \$10.00 per household and entitle members to attend our monthly programs, meetings, and special events.

Summer Program List

July 12—*Planting with Purpose: Saving Nature at Home and Beyond.* Learn how you can garden with native plants for beauty—and for nature. Edie Parnum and Barb Elliot, CoDirectors of the Backyards for Nature program of the Valley Forge Audubon Society, which serves Southeastern Pennsylvania and surrounding areas.

August 9—*Roses, everything you need to know about planting the glorious rose in your garden.* Nathan Fisher, President of the Lehigh Valley Rose Society, and winner of the 2021 American Rose Society Rising Stars Award.

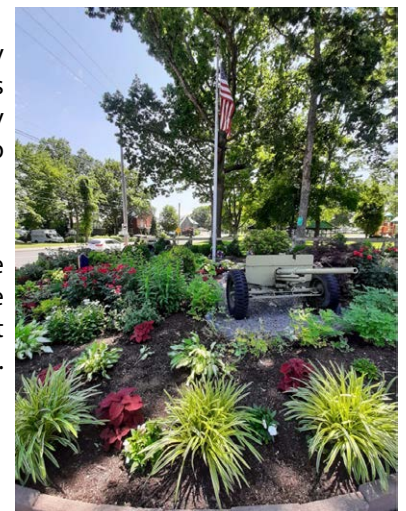
September 13— Common invasive weeds in Bucks County, their history, how to identify them, and options on how to remove them. Identifying invasive trees, shrubs, vines, and forbs that are commonly found in your neighborhood. James Walter, a long-term Bucks County Master Watershed Steward, and Master Gardener. He is a member of the Buckingham Township Environmental Advisory committee. Jim earned a Ph.D. from U.C. Berkley in Chemical Engineering.

Thank You PGC Volunteers

Much appreciation to our members who planted the 27 planters before Mother's Day and to the Perkasie Businesses that water the planters. Jean Hufstetler and Anita Baker lead the committee that plants, mulches, and maintains the Veterans' Memorial Garden at Menlo Park. Extra effort is always made to have the garden as beautiful as possible for the Memorial Day Services. Thank you.

For monthly meeting times, program topics and locations visit: <https://perkasiegardenclub.weebly.com/meetings-and-activities.html>

Questions or comments please email: Perkasiegardenclub@mail.com



A Message From The Perkasio Fire Company



Serving the Perkasio community since 1890 and for many more years to come. We are 100 percent all volunteers who respond 24 hours a day 7 days a week 365 days a year. On average our response time is 3 to 4 minutes. If you see us out and about please stop over and say hello! Thursday nights at 7 PM we hold "Drill" we would love to see you.

Grilling Fire Safety Tip

To prevent a fire, place grill well away from the home, deck railings, out from under eaves and overhanging branches.



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Perkasio Historical Society

The Perkasio Historical Society is looking forward to seeing you at our Summer 2023 season events.

SPEAKER SERIES:

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

There are no Membership/Speaker dinner meetings in July and August. Look forward to seeing you in September

Tuesday, September 5, 2023 6:30 PM: "Traveling on the Perkiomen Railroad" presented by Steve Mallon, president of the Perkiomen Railroad Historical Society. In the heyday of railroad travel, the Perkiomen Railroad was the connector between Philadelphia and Emmaus. With the train line passing through Schwenksville, the borough grew into a vibrant community. Samuel Pennypacker used the train line to commute into Philadelphia as Judge of the Court of Common Pleas and then when he became the Governor of Pennsylvania, he commuted on this rail line into Philadelphia and transferred to rail service to Harrisburg.

PERKASIO FIRST FRIDAYS

Visit us at Perkasio First Fridays held on the first Friday of the month. (April-Oct.) from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. First Fridays are held on Seventh and Market Streets in the Towne Center.

MUSEUM DISPLAYS

Perkasio Historical Society Museum volunteer curators and archivists work diligently to prepare descriptive topic displays. Perkasio Historical Society Museum is located at 513 W. Walnut St., Perkasio. Museum is Open 4-8 PM unless otherwise noted.

July 8, 2023: Perkasio Dairies: Did you know Perkasio had a large number of home bottling and distribution dairies. The display will feature artifacts and memorabilia from the Perkasio Dairies.

August 19, 2023: Open 4PM- 8 PM for "Under the Stars Car Show" and Walnut Street's "Cars from Afar" with a preview of our "The Missing Block" Like many cities and towns, Perkasio experienced it's own "Urban Renewal." The display will feature images, artifacts and memorabilia from Perkasio's "Missing Block, now the site of Shelly's" Design Center.

PERKASIO HISTORICAL SOCIETY SELF-GUIDED WALKING TOUR

Our Perkasio Historical Society website has a wealth of information sharing our local history. Consider taking our award-winning Perkasio Historical Society Self-Guided Walking Tour of Perkasio Borough. An additional location is added monthly and the tour now encompasses more than 65 location and is accessible from our website: <https://www.perkasiohistory.org/perkasieselfguidedwalkingtour.html>

Watch for our additional tour locations identified by the Walking Tour QR Code window films!



MEMORIES OF PERKASIO

Sharing interesting connections between Perkasio's people, places and events. Perkasio Historical Society Museum volunteer curators and archivists work diligently to prepare descriptive topic adding articles monthly.

JOIN US IN PRESERVING PERKASIO'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.perkasiohistory.org/supportphs.html>) and mail your check to: Membership Perkasio Historical Society, 513 W. Walnut St., Perkasio, PA 18944



PERKASIO CAROUSEL

We look forward to seeing you this summer at the carousel! The carousel is located in Menlo Park at West Park Avenue and 3rd Street, adjacent to the Menlo Aquatic Center. Community Day: SUN. JUL 9* 12:00 - 8:00 (*Community Day Rain date July 16 12-8 pm.)

SUN. JUL 30 12:00 - 5:00

SUN. AUG 20 12:00 - 5:00

SUN. SEP 10 12:00 - 5:00



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Economic Development

Perry Mill Development

Work is well underway on the Perry Mill development at the corner of 8th & Market. HG Properties are constructing 28 new rowhomes in two, 14-unit buildings with a detached garage shared between every two units and accessed via an alley to the rear. Each home also has a 2nd off street parking space. Sidewalks will be installed along the length of N. 8th St along with a paved trail connecting Arch St to N. 8th St. Plans for the development have been subject to rigorous review by the Perkasio Planning Commission, the Bucks County Planning Commission and Perkasio Borough Council as part of the municipal Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance (SALDO).

The development lies within the Borough's Row Home Infill Overlay district, created in 2021. The overlay provides an additional option for development on underused parcels which preserves the historic neighborhood fabric and reflects the architecture of the older parts of the Borough. Rowhomes as a residential dwelling unit in Perkasio are steeped in historical roots. Most of these rowhomes were built in the early 1900's as homes for workers in local businesses. The earliest rowhomes in Perkasio are across from the old train station on Eighth Street between Market and Chestnut Streets.



Stipulations in the new Overlay, which make rowhomes distinct from townhome developments, include:

- building materials must be similar to materials of the surrounding neighborhood or use scale, form, architectural detailing, etc., to establish compatibility.
- brick and/or stone must be used to clad the entire front façade, and vinyl/aluminum siding, metal, concrete and/or stucco are not permitted.
- roofs have to be similar to surrounding neighborhoods and should include dormers, gables, pitch, parapets or cornices
- homes must have front porches at least 6' deep, spanning the entire length of the front facade of the building, and elevated at least 3' above the street

The Perry Mill development is being built on land first used in the 1880's, when J.G. Moyer, the owner of a coal and lumber business at the corner of 7th & Market extended operations into this area. Local farmers would bring wagons of hay to be compressed & baled, after Mr Moyer added a hay press in 1889. In 1944, Shelly and Fenstermacher of Souderton purchased the land for use as a building and fuel business. Storage bins were renovated and new buildings constructed in the mid-1970s. The lumber yard closed in 2017 and the land has stood vacant since then.

Perry Mill provides new housing, within walking distance of Perkasio's thriving business & retail area, and in keeping with the architectural style of the surrounding, historic neighborhoods.

Dairy Queen

You may have noticed that Perkasio's DQ has recently undergone significant renovations and an impressive facelift! DQ was one of the properties significantly affected in the devastating flooding caused by the aftermath of Hurricane Ida in 2021. The rushing waters broke a window and flooded the DQ building, causing almost \$100K in damage to the structure and its contents. As he considered repair and renovations, DQ owner Steve Vernaccio made sure that his plans built in a number of flood mitigation measures. Under the supervision of Steve's son Anthony Vernaccio and long-time manager, Mary Roatche, serving windows were replaced with double paned glass and raised by 48" to be above the level of flood waters, and a sump pump was installed in case water needs to be pumped out. Remote cameras & wifi were added to allow for remote observation during future flooding events. The facelift also included an new iconic red roof, new stucco and siding, air curtains in front of the serving windows and improvements to the lot and seating areas. The cost of the renovations was approximately \$225K, a huge investment in Perkasio for a small local business.

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Economic Development *continued*



Steve Vernacchio (center) with son Anthony and Mary Roatche, managers of the Perkasia DQ.

Perkasie's DQ is truly a family business. In fact, Steve met his wife at the serving window of the Colmar DQ, when she served him a Peanut Butter Parfait in 1983. They married in 1985 and had 3 sons, who each manage a DQ franchise of their own. Steve's family has owned the Perkasia DQ since 2003, adding the drive-thru in 2008. Perkasia's DQ is located at 200 Constitution Avenue, conveniently located within easy walking distance of Kulp Park, Lenape Park, South Perkasie and the town center.

Alles Construction

Recently moved into Perkasie Borough in October 2022 following their renovation of a commercial property at 25 S. 9th St, behind the Covered Bridge Carwash. Until now, Alles Construction, a finished carpentry and millwork manufacturer, has focused entirely on the commercial market and mainly on new construction projects. President Brent Alles explained that they are about to expand into the residential market with a new offering of closet systems for mud rooms, kitchens and dressing rooms. The Closet Shop



will offer a small showroom at their Perkasie location as an extension of their first showroom in Telford. Readers are invited to follow updates about their expansion on their website at <https://www.allesconstructiongroup.com>

Photo of Brent and Office Manager, Tina Bruns, are residents of Sellersville and met years ago when they both served as leaders of their daughters' Girl Scout troop. Brent loved his time as "Cookie Dad" and is glad to have his business in Perkasie, so close to home.

Vita Essentials Salon

Congratulations to Tina Gerhart on the Grand Opening of Vita Essentials Salon. Tina hosted an Open House on Saturday April 22nd, complete with prizes, snacks, friends and family. We wish Vita Essentials the very best in her new location at 113 S. 6th St.



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.

Perkasie Towne Improvement Association (PTIA)



The Perkasie Towne Improvement Association "PTIA" is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization governed by a 9-member Board of Directors. PTIA strives to connect both new and established local businesses to each other and to our local community. Through marketing, and events PTIA is able to connect the community in a variety of fun and creative ways. We aim to welcome and promote business and community opportunities to locals and visitors alike.

PTIA organizes First Fridays, PorchFest, Perkasie Ale Trail, Pine2Pink in Perkasie, and Coffee With a Cop. We also host seasonal events like SHOP HOP Perkasie and Trick or Treat in Downtown Perkasie in collaboration with local businesses. Each year we partner with local artisans to curate the commemorative Perkasie holiday ornament.



COMMUNITY GATHERS FOR BAKE OFF AT FIRST FRIDAY

We kicked off the 2023 First Friday season in Perkasie with a bake-off contest! Three local celebrity judges sampled over 15 custom made desserts from local residents. Thank you to all that participated! There were so many amazing entries, we were all impressed by your talents.

Congrats to our top three winners from each age category:

Age 10-15 Category

1st place: Gemma - brownies

2nd place: Dahlia - carrot cake cupcakes

3rd place: Carter - vegan chocolate peanut butter cupcakes



Age 16+ Category

1st place: Heather - sopapilla cheesecake

2nd place: Adele - butter cake

3rd place: Esther - chocolate chip cookies



A big thank you to our judges, Chef Trish from Rise and Grind Cafe / Perk City Flavor, Jim Ryder - President of Perkasie Borough Council, and John Ferraro owner of Papa's Cupcakes.

With live music, shopping and dining specials, kids' activities and more, our once-a-month First Friday events have grown steadily! All First Friday activities take place in the area of 7th and Market streets. Save the Date for these upcoming First Fridays and their tentative themes. Follow along via Perkasie First Friday Facebook page: facebook.com/perkasiefirstfriday

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Upcoming First Friday Events

June 2: Fashion show with Frox & Ribbon Cutting Celebration with Dough & Co.

July 7th: Red, White & Food Trucks

August 4th: Summer Block Party

September 1st: Cook Off

October 6th: Pine2Pink

November 4th: Thanks & Giving

December: Holiday theme

COFFEE WITH A COP

Thank you to Perkasie Borough Police Department and Rise and Grind Cafe for partnering with us for another great community event. We enjoyed spending the morning with the community through coffee and conversation. Channel 69 News WFMZ joined us and interviewed officer Russell Closs and residents that attended. Our next Coffee With A Cop will be in the summer and will include an interactive family activity. We will update the PTIA Facebook page when we have our next event scheduled.



GUEST SPEAKERS FROM VISIT BUCKS COUNTY JOIN PTIA & PBN BUSINESS ROUNDTABLE MEETING



Visit Bucks County recently joined PTIA & Pennridge Business Network for their business roundtable networking meeting. Paul & Lisa from Visit Bucks County gave an informative presentation on tourism, hospitality and ways Perkasie businesses can get involved with their marketing team at a local level. We had a great turnout, with 22 Perkasie businesses participating in discussion at Rise and Grind Cafe. If you're a Perkasie based business and are interested in attending or getting involved in our next meeting, email director@perkasietowneimprovementassc.com

Perkasie Towne Improvement Association (PTIA)

CALL TO ARTISTS 2023 Perkasie ORNAMENT CONTEST

submission specifications:

material: wood, ceramic or metal

size: approximately 3"x3"

color palette: artist's choice

Must include the year and PTIA or Perkasie Town Improvement Association on the ornament

the winner will be expected to:

*create 100 ornaments by October 6th
with the balance of 600 ornaments by November
3rd for a total of 700 ornaments

*sell them to PTIA for a wholesale price of under \$6

*include a hook or ribbon + holiday packaging



*deadline for
submission: July 1, 2023*

NOW ACCEPTING ARTISAN APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2023 PERKASIE COMMEMORATIVE ORNAMENT!

We are currently accepting design applications for this year's Perkasie Christmas ornament contest until July 1, 2023. For more information, contact Kelly Lautsen at director@perkasietowneimprovementassc.com



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@perkasietowneimprovementassc.com or send us a message on Facebook.



2ND ANNUAL PERKASIE PORCH FEST

On April 29 this year, PBR Productions and PTIA presented the 2nd annual Perkasie PorchFest, a diverse collection of performers playing on residential porches, outside of businesses, and on street corners throughout the downtown. Artisan vendors, food trucks, local breweries, and more participated in the event. Jay Allan's Legend of Elvis finished out the festival with guest horn section from Musicality Youth Ensembles.

Thank you to the 70+ acts that performed, more than 30 different venues and residents that offered their porches, our volunteers, organizers and sponsors! A big shoutout to Heather and Corey Armideo from PBR productions for all of their hard work, dedication and countless hours spent organizing a stellar event! We are so grateful to Visit Bucks County's Tourism Grant Program, which helped tremendously with our marketing efforts throughout the region and beyond!



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Dates: every Monday 6:00 – 7:00pm
Location: Menlo Park Pavilion, 425 Arthur Ave, Perkasio
Fee: \$7 – must pre-register at www.PerkasioRec.Com

KNOW YOUR MEDICARE OPTIONS

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

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

COMMUNITY YARD SALE

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

Date: September 16th, 2023 from 9a-12pm (rain or shine event)
Location: Perkasio Town Center
Fee: The cost per space will be \$10.00 – register at www.perkasiorec.com

PERKASIE PICKLEBALL

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

Class Information: Visit perkasiorec.com for different classes available
Instructor: Kathy Ebbert, IPTPA Level 2 Certified Pro and IPTPA Rating Specialist. PTR Certified Tennis Instructor.
Location: Kulp Park Tennis & Pickleball Courts, 21 South 2nd Street, Perkasio, PA 18944

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

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REGISTRATION DEADLINES FOR PERKASIE

Season 4: September 1st
 August Swing: July 30th
 Fall Forehands: October 8th

LEARN, PRACTICE & PLAY

Pee Wees (recommended ages 4–6): **\$67**

Season 4: 5 Tuesdays, September 12 – October 10, 4:45–5:30pm

Little Aces (recommended ages 7–10): **\$72**

Season 4: 5 Tuesdays, September 12 – October 10, 5:30–6:30pm

Juniors (recommended ages 11–13): **\$72**

Season 4: 5 Tuesdays, September 12 – October 10, 6:30–7:30pm

Teens/Adults (Beginners/ Intermediates)

(recommended ages 14 and up): **\$72**

Season 4: 5 Tuesdays, September 12 – October 10, 7:30–8:30pm

AUGUST SWING SEASON

Tuesdays and Wednesdays, August 8, 9, 15, 16, 22; **\$72**

Pee Wees (recommended ages 4-6): 4:45–5:30pm

Little Aces (recommended ages 7–10): 5:30–6:30pm

Juniors (recommended ages 11–13): 6:30–7:30pm

Teens/Adults (Beginners/Intermediates)

(recommended ages 14 and up): 7:30–8:30pm

FALL FOREHANDS SEASON

Mondays and Wednesdays, October 18, 23, 25, 30; November 1; **\$72**

Pee Wees (recommended ages 4-6): 4:45–5:30pm

Little Aces (recommended ages 7–10): 5:30–6:30pm

Juniors (recommended ages 11–13): 6:30–7:30pm

Teens/Adults (Beginners/Intermediates)

(recommended ages 14 and up): 7:30–8:30 pm

MORE TENNIS OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERKASIE BOROUGH RESIDENTS

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

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

SUMMER 2023 SPECIALTY ONE WEEK CAMPS:

NEW: NOT YOUR TYPICAL SPORTS CAMP

This is a fun day camp that will provide some outdoor play along with a focus on specific games for competition included kickball, mat ball, wiffle ball, ultimate frisbee or football, and other amazing activities to bond with your friends and get that exercise we all need. It will be a fun yet competitive camp that will end each week with playoffs and the chance to win a championship! Along with exercise your child will learn how to compete healthily and learn social skills. Please come prepared with water and athletic/leisure attire and sunscreen.

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

Ages: 11-13 years (6th-8th graders)

Fee: \$200 per week

Instructor: Coach Arnold & Coach Bradham

Location: Kulp Park Pavilion, 21 S 2nd St, Perkasio
Matthew Arnold is a certified English teacher in the Pennridge School District and coaches multiple sports and Marques Bradham is both boys' and girls' basketball coach for Pennridge School District.

ULTIMATE STEALTH GAMES (AGES 7-11)

Learn to walk silently, camouflage with your surroundings, and disappear into the landscape as we play your favorite sneaking and seeing games at a whole new level of skill. Each day our skills will increase, preparing for the final showdown. Each day will include hands-on activities, discussion, and team activity. Bring a water bottle and snack, wear comfortable shoes and dress for activity and weather.

Date: Monday – Friday, July 17th - July 21st, 9am-12pm

Instructor: GeoVentures

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

Fee: \$188– register at www.perkasierec.com

NASA JOURNEY TO OUTER SPACE CAMP

Take a voyage of discovery into the atmosphere and beyond as we explore planets, moons, and other space phenomena. Create a comet and build your own Mad Science rocket and participate in a real NASA style rocket launch! Campers will take home additional NSA activities to complete at home! **Mad Science is the ONLY organized licensed by NSA to use these activities for Summer Camps!**

Date: Monday – Thursday, July 24th - July 27th,
9:30am-12:30pm

Instructor: Mad Science

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

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

JR. NATURALIST CAMP (AGES 7-12)

Learn how birds and beats catch their prey! Flow through the food chain and discover how animals and insects adapt to life on our planet. Explore how a change in the wind, water, and temperature affects all the Earth's inhabitants. Build wooden birdhouses, dissect owl pellets, and learn how animals navigate the world using scent trails. Campers will also build a bug house to observe critters and identify animals making plaster animal tracks.

Date: Monday – Thursday, July 31st – August 3rd,
9:30am-12:30pm

Instructor: Mad Science

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

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

CREATIVE THEATER CAMP (AGES 6-10, 11-18)

Have you ever wanted to star in a play that YOU helped create? Then this is the summer camp for you! Learn all about theater by doing it yourself! Participants are guided by the instructors through a process where they play theater games, create a story, and work together to form their ideas into a theatrical production. Students will create their own character, plot, props, costume, title, and everything else in between that is needed to make the production complete! Play the part you have always dreamed of! Older students will focus more in depth with characterization and development along with other multiple theater elements. Parents, family, and friends please join us for a performance of their original work on the Friday of camp at 1:30 pm! Please provide a lunch, snack and drink daily.

Ages 6-10: Monday – Friday, August 7th – 11th,
9:00am – 2:30pm

Monday – Friday, August 21st – 25th,
9:00am-2:30pm

Ages 11-18: Monday – Friday, August 14th – 18th,
9:00am – 2:30pm

Location: Menlo Park Pavilion, 425 Arthur Ave, Perkasio
Fee: \$155– register at www.perkasierec.com



Leave your mark in the park – Memorial Bench Program

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

Celebrate your party in the Park – Online Pavilion Requests

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

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT



Menlo Aquatics Center (MAC) is more than most expect. The MAC has three main pools with multiple features available at each as well as locker rooms, snack stand, and tables, chairs, and loungers located around the facility. The MAC is also located directly across from our Menlo Playground and Pavilion area.

- Our 8 lane, 25 yard style COMPETITION POOL features varying depths from 4-13' and our diving board, rock wall, and drop slide.
- Our LEISURE POOL features a zero grade beach style accessible entrance and whirlpool, lazy river, activity pool for the all ages.
- And our BABY POOL is complete with a frog slide and whale spout and is for children ages 12 and under with supervised adult.

For more information and facility and feature rules visit: <https://perkasieborough.org/menlo-aquatics-center/>

Lap Swimming

Monday – Friday from 7a-8am – June 19-August 11
\$1 Members, \$3 Non-Members

Water Walking

Monday – Friday from 7a-8a – June 19 – August 11
\$1 Members, \$3 Non-Members

Aqua Zumba

Mondays from 7p-7:45pm – June 12-August 7
\$1 Members, \$10 Non-Members
Must pre-register at perkasierec.com

Poolside, Sunrise, Yoga

Instructed by Shine Yoga
Tuesdays from 6:45a-7:45am – June 13- August 8 (no class 7/4)
\$1 Members, \$10 Non-Members
Must pre-register at perkasierec.com

MAC Swim Lessons

MAC offers a variety of swim lessons for different ages and skill level including groups, private sessions, and one on one single lessons! For a full list of swim lessons and registration dates visit <https://perkasieborough.org/menlo-aquatics-center/> and click on our 2023 Program Guide

EVERYBODY SWIMS

Free swim lessons for Perkasie Borough children entering 2nd or 3rd grade in the Fall of 2023! Membership not required.
Monday - Thursday, August 14—17th from 10:45-11:25am
All classes are Beginner level only. Must register at perkasierec.com

MAC Special Programs

For a full list of special programs and events visit dates visit <https://perkasieborough.org/menlo-aquatics-center/> and click on our 2023 Program Guide

DOGGIE DIP

Saturday, September 9th from 12-1:15pm – Small dogs
& 1:30-2:45pm – Large Dogs
\$10 per dog
Additional rules and regulations at:
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The 2023 Perkasie Farmer's Market Starts June 3rd! Perkasie's wonderful Farmers Market is open from 9am-12pm every Saturday through the end of October on 7th St in the center of town. Visitors will find farms, locally produced foods and a few local crafters. Locally grown and Certified Organic produce, eggs, cheese, meat, honey, coffee, cookies, cakes, preserves, sweet treats, flowers, plants, and more, as well as soap and skincare. The market hosts live music every week and special event mornings all season long. We will be celebrating Father's Day (June 17th), Pride (June 24th), Red White & Blue (July 1st), Dog Days (August 26th), and closing with our annual Trick or Treat on 7th st (Oct 28th).

Our FREE community spot is open to local groups and civic organizations who would like to share information and a craft or game for visiting families. Interested parties should email events@perkasieborough.org or call (215) 257 5065.



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SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Perkasie's Summer Concert Series is in full swing. The new amphitheater at Lenape Park is proving to be a great place for families to hang out and enjoy live music through the summer.



*summer
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series*

Wednesday June 21st: The Wonton Soups

Friday June 23rd: Bucks County Folk Song Society

Wednesday July 5th: Barefoot Bobby and the Breakers

Wednesday July 12th: River of Dreams

Friday July 14th: Hatter

Wednesday July 19th: Ferdinand the Bull

Wednesday July 26th: Elle and The John doe Band

Wednesday August 2nd: Wonderland

Wednesday August 9th: Rootsetters

Wednesday August 23rd: Mama's Black Sheep

All concerts are from 7pm – 9pm at the Amphitheater in Lenape Park.
Bring a lawn chair. Snacks available for purchase.
For more information visit <https://perkasiaborough.org/our-events/summer-concert-series/>

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UNDER THE STARS CAR SHOW

We are delighted to announce the 24th annual Under the Stars Car Show. This popular town center event is scheduled for 4pm-8pm on Saturday August 19th. The 1st annual "CARS FROM AFAR" show will take place on W. Walnut St at the same time being staged by Ragtops & Roadsters and the Perkasie Historical Society. Perkasie's historic downtown streets will play host to over 400 antique, classic and custom vehicles and the show attracts 4,000+ visitors from across the region.

Exhibitor registration for both the main show and the Cars from afar show is open at www.perkasierec.com. Advance registration costs \$15 and is open until 4pm on August 16th. Day of show registration costs \$25. Commemorative dash plaques are included in event goody bags for the first 400 vehicles at the show.



There is no fee for spectators at the show. Visitors to town will find vendors, food trucks, music, shopping and dining specials from Perkasie's small businesses.

Vendor registration is open at www.perkasierec.com. Road closures, ADA parking and other event details for the Under the Stars Car Show will be made available at <https://perkasiaborough.org/our-events/under-the-stars-car-show/>. Perkasie Borough is grateful to these organizations for their support of the Under the Stars Car Show.

Questions about the Under the Stars Car Show to events@perkasiaborough.org or (215) 257 5065.



FALL FEST

Mark your calendars for Perkasie's Fall Festival. This event takes place in the town center and at Menlo Park from 12pm-4pm on Sunday October 1st. Visitors can enjoy the walk between the 2 locations, or take a free shuttle bus.

Enjoy lots of family entertainment, including acrobats, music, scarecrow making, games, crafts, tractor rides, a huge vendor fair, pumpkin decorating, a petting zoo, photo ops, pony rides, mascots, face painting and more. Food trucks, live music, shopping and dining specials round out a very special day in town. The best part is almost everything is FREE OF CHARGE for visiting families.

Vendor registration is open at www.perkasierec.com. Road closures, ADA parking and other event details for the Fall Festival will be made available at <https://perkasiaborough.org/our-events/fall-festival/>

Questions about the Fall Festival to events@perkasiaborough.org or (215) 257 5065.

Save the date!

Save the date for these upcoming 2023 Perkasie Borough community events.

Farmer's Market	Saturdays from June 3rd through October 28th	Under the Stars Car Show	Saturday, August 19th
Perkasie PRIDE	Saturday, June 24th	Fall Festival	Sunday, October 1st
Summer Concert Series	Wednesdays from June 21st through August 9th	Winter Food Market	Every 2nd and 4th Saturday from November 11th through May 11th
		Tree Lighting Ceremony	Saturday, December 2nd

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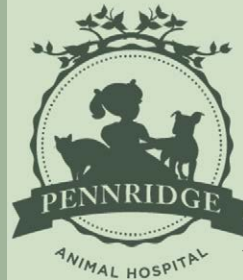
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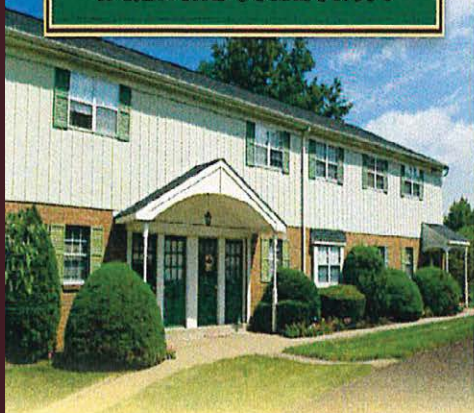
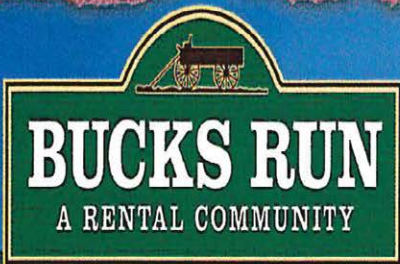
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- Central Heating and Air-Conditioning
- Washer and Dryer in Unit
- Patio

Building Features & Services

- Parking Included in Rent
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Perkasio Fire Department

100 North 5th Street
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(215) 257-6950

Perkasio Borough Public Works

Phone (215) 257-6860
Fax (215) 257-2704

Email publicworks@perkasioborough.org

Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday, 7:00 AM – 3:30 PM

Perkasio Borough Electric

Electric Department
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Email electric@perkasioborough.org

Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday, 7:00 AM – 3:30 PM

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Email Parkandrec@perkasioborough.org

Website www.PerkasioRec.com

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

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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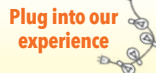
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