

ATGLEN BOROUGH NEWS

September 2006

Upcoming Events:

Free Kids Carnival

“Grounded” performs at Free Concert

Free Yard Sale Items

September 9th

West Fallowfield Christian School

10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

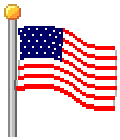
moon bounce, face painting, clowns, games, prizes

bring your lawn chairs and blankets for the concert

Food available for purchase from Nick's Chicks

For more information please contact:

New Day Community Church 610.621.4036



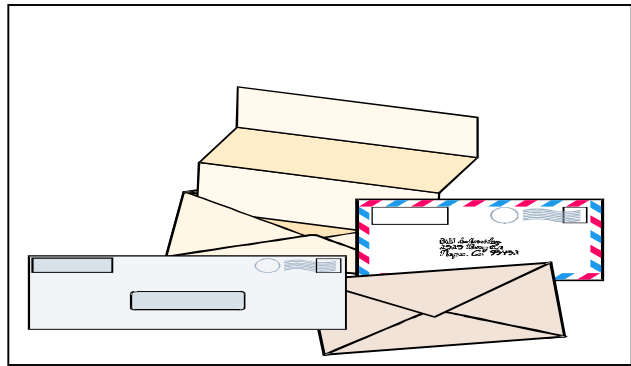
Flag Burning Ceremony

Local Boy Scout Troop #20 will hold their annual flag burning ceremony on Monday, September 11th at 7:00 p.m. at the Penningtonville Presbyterian Church.

Please inspect your flag, including any on your car, for wear. If you find that it is in poor condition, feel free to take your flag to the Penningtonville Presbyterian Church located at 406 Main Street at the time stated above or you may drop it off at the Borough Office during regular business hours.

Community Yard Sale Fundraiser for the Library

The bi-annual Community Yard Sale will be held on Saturday, October 7th - 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Contact the Library to be included on their yard sale map. It's a great way to support your local library. Call 610-593-6848 for more information or visit <http://www.ccls.org/libs/atglen.htm>



50th Anniversary of Octorara High School

The school district is inviting local residents to share their memories, photos and other memorabilia to help commemorate the special occasion. Special activities are planned in conjunction with Homecoming Weekend slated for October 6th and 7th. While plans are still unfolding, a special exhibit is planned as part of the activities. The district is also searching for former class officers and current addresses of OHS Alumni. Residents who wish to be involved or have information, photos or memories to share are requested to contact: Nancy Hess, Communications Coordinator at Octorara Area School District, 610.593.8330 or nhess@octorara.org



15th Annual Covered Bridge Classic

Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 21st at Penningtonville Presbyterian Church located at 406 Main Street. Events include: 1 Mile, 5K & 10 Mile Runs and 5K Walk. Registration forms are available in the Borough office or by calling 610.593.6538. For more information, visit www.atglen.org.

Dedication of the Main Street Revitalization Project and the Bell Plaza

The Atglen Historic Commission has been busy working on the Main Street Celebration. Dedication of the Main Street Project and the Bell Plaza will occur at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 21st. Then from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. there will be a car cruise along with a Recreation Commission sponsored "Historic" Scavenger Hunt. More information will follow in the October newsletter.



THANK YOU



Special thanks go to Ed and Kelly Heaton for their commitment to the Borough. Ed and Kelly have taken photographs of historic properties and "before and after" photos of our Main Street Revitalization Project as well as Borough events. We look forward to continuing to work with Ed and Kelly. If you are interested in acquiring some of their photos or just want to see more of their work, check out their websites at www.edheaton.com and www.kellyheaton.com



Plastic Recycling Now Available

Plastics may now be recycled along with newspaper, glass and aluminum cans. Recycling bins are located at the Borough Garage, 125 Liberty Street.

International Property Maintenance Code

As discussed in our March newsletter, the Borough previously adopted the Property Maintenance Code as an enhancement to the International Building Code. The Ordinance establishes minimum regulations governing the conditions and maintenance of property, buildings and structures. Briefly, the Ordinance is to ensure public health and safety. Andy Kirk and Bill Beers are the designated Code Officials and will answer any questions or concerns you may have about the Ordinance. As Code Enforcement Officers, when they become aware of an infringement of the Ordinance, they conduct an external inspection and notify the property owner of their concerns. Currently, they are conducting inspections throughout the town.



School is back
in session
Please drive carefully

Federal Tax Credits for Residential Energy Efficiency

The Energy Policy Act of 2005 provides Federal Tax Credits for Energy efficiency home improvements. The federal Tax credits are available for homeowners that implement energy efficiency measures between January 1, 2006 and December 31, 2007.

The maximum allowable credit per household for all energy efficiency improvements is \$500. Some examples of energy efficiency improvements can be windows, roofing, insulation, water heaters, and heating and cooling (HVAC) systems.

Manufactures certification of product compliance with energy conservation code is required. The IRS encourages manufacturers to provide these certifications on their websites to facilitate identification of qualified energy conservation products. Taxpayers must keep a copy of the certification statement for their records, but do not have to submit a copy with their tax return. For more information go to www.IRS.GOV and Keyword Search, Energy Policy Act of 2005.

Meetings

Borough Council

1st Monday of the Month at 7:00 P.M.

Planning Commission

4th Wednesday of the Month at 7:00 P.M.

Historic Board

4th Monday of the Month at 7:00 P.M.

Park and Recreation Board

3rd Wednesday of the Month at 7:00 p.m.

Meetings are held at the

Borough Office – 120 West Main St.

Atglen Borough Council

Dirk Hagen – President

William Tipping, II – Vice-President

Michael Brock

Larry Lavenberg

Carol (Moyer) McGrath

Wesley Vincent - Mayor

Water, Sewer/Trash Bill Schedule for Atglen Borough

Bills are issued on the first day of the month based on the schedule listed below and are due within 30 days.

- Sewer and Trash bills are issued the first day of the month every March, June, September and December in the amount of \$41 for trash and \$90 for sewer.
- Water bills are issued the first day of the month every January, April, July and October and the bill is based on your actual water consumption. There is a minimum charge of \$40.00 for 6000 gallons or less; every 1000 gallons over the minimum is \$4.60. A meter reader will check your meter from the outside read pad, you are responsible for keeping that area clear of obstacles and vegetation to allow for easy access.
- Sewer/Trash and Water Bills may be paid in person at the Atglen or Christiana Branches of the Bank of Lancaster County or mailed to The Bank of Lancaster County, P O Box 460, Atglen, PA 19310. (The Atglen Branch is a walk-up/drive-up window only – hours are Monday thru Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.) Extended hours are available at the Christiana Branch.
- Bills will be issued on the schedule stated above, if you do not receive your bill, it is still your responsibility to contact the Borough office for the amount due. Bills must be paid by the due date in order to avoid late penalties.
- Late Penalties
 - 10% penalty is added 30 days after the bill is issued.
 - \$5.00 penalty is added 60 days after the bill is issued.
- Discontinuation of Service Process

Water Service is subject to discontinuation 60 days after the bill is issued (for both Water and Sewer/Trash Bills).

On the 61st day after a bill is issued (if multiple accounts are unpaid - this process applies to each account)

 - Your property will be posted for impending service discontinuation and a \$20.00 property posting charge will be added to your account.
 - A certified letter will be sent to your mailing address and a \$10.00 fee will be added to your account.
 - If full payment is not received prior to the 10th day of the month in which a property is posted for shutoff, your water service will be discontinued and a \$50.00 disconnection/restoration of service fee will be added to your account.
 - **There will be no further communication prior to disconnection of service.**
- If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Borough office at 610.593.6854.