



# Borough Informer

## Fall 2013

### Borough Council and Staff

- *John H. Weierman,  
President*
- *Kenneth V. Farrall,  
Vice President*
- *Lawrence G. Stevens*
  - *Bryan Moyer*
  - *John Kroesser*
- *Robert L. Kaler III,  
Mayor*
- *Michael J. DeFinis,  
Borough Manager/  
Secretary*
  - *Linda L. Watts,  
Assistant Secretary*
  - *Jaime E. Snyder,  
Public Information Officer*
  - *Diane Farrall,  
Treasurer*
  - *Fred Leister,  
Public Works Director*

### Great News for Borough Residents!

Borough Council held their annual planning and strategy meeting on September 17<sup>th</sup>. During the session, Council identified projects and goals to be accomplished in 2014. Council also directed the administrative staff to develop the 2014 Budget with

**NO TAX INCREASE  
NO ELECTRIC RATE INCREASE  
NO SEWER RATE INCREASE**

# 2013 FALL

## HARVEST DAY

\* *Craft & Yard Sale Items*  
\* *Petting Zoo* \* *Children's Games*  
\* *Prizes* \* *Moon Bounce* \* *Food Vendors*

*October 26, 2013*

*9:00am - 2:00pm*

*Market Street - SEPTA Lot*

**FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!!**





## REPORTS FROM YOUR MAYOR & COUNCIL



Mayor  
Robert L. Kaler III

I have served as Mayor of the Borough of Hatfield since 2004. In that time, the Borough has endured extreme weather, near national economic collapse, and tumultuous local, national and international events. Through all these events, Borough Council and I have held fast to the obligation of our offices. The health, safety and welfare of all Borough residents remains our primary responsibility and focus. Providing basic services to Borough residents is a constant challenge, along with developing new and exciting community events. I am proud and humbled by the efficiency in which Borough Council operates our local government. I have office hours every Wednesday from 9:30am to 2:00pm. Please do not hesitate to stop in if you have any concerns.



Council President  
John H. Weierman

As Chairman of the Budget, Finance and Labor Committee, I have many responsibilities. Administering a \$1.6 million General Fund budget and a \$6.5 million all inclusive budget is a daunting task. My degree in business and almost forty years in the banking industry are only part of the preparation necessary for administering our local government. Understanding local, county, state and federal statutes and guidelines are essential for stable financial planning. During my twenty plus years as an elected official, I have experienced the ups and downs in financial markets and the challenges of adopting a balanced budget. I am proud to serve with a dedicated group of individuals who take the time to understand the challenges at hand and make the right decisions.



Council Vice President  
Kenneth V. Farrall

I serve as the Utilities Committee Chairman for the Borough of Hatfield. My professional background in civil engineering is useful for this Borough responsibility. Guiding fellow Council members, Mayor Kaler and staff with the help of industry respected consultants has added a rewarding aspect of my professional career. Administering to sanitary sewer, storm sewer and electric distribution and purchase contracts are very important tasks for local government.



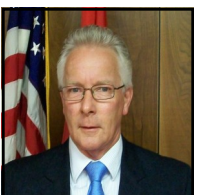
Councilman  
Lawrence Stevens

Serving on Borough Council as chairman of the Property & Equipment Committee allows me to offer my past professional experiences to the Borough. My involvement in many cultural and civic events for the past 3 decades, have kept me in touch with residents and business owners. Open communication and interaction with business owners and residents have enhanced the future of several Borough community organizations. HERC (Hatfield Economic Revitalization Committee), has recently partnered with Habitat for Humanity to help Borough residents with critical home repairs and property maintenance. And our efforts in community events helps strengthen the businesses by giving them the opportunity to promote their products and services. I am honored to have served the residents of the Borough for more than 20 years.



Councilman  
Bryan A. Moyer

As a former Volunteer Fire Fighter I serve as Chairman of the Public Safety Committee. Interacting with the Hatfield Fire Company and Hatfield Township Police Dept. enables Borough Council to directly participate in the safety and security of the residents of the Borough. As a member of the Public Works Committee I utilize my experiences in general contracting to benefit the Borough.



Councilman  
John Kroesser

I joined Borough Council after serving on the Planning Commission. My years of service to community organizations such as the Hatfield Little League, are the footprint to my public service. Volunteering as Chairman of the Public Works Committee and as a member of the Property and Equipment Committee I draw on my nearly 30 years as a business owner to guide my decision making process. I take a practical business approach to the many tasks concerning Borough Public works projects. I am pleased to participate in the American Experience of Local Government.





# CONGRESSMAN FITZPATRICK'S 50 BUSINESSES IN 50 DAYS TOUR



This past summer Congressman Mike Fitzpatrick vowed once again to continue to visit small businesses in the 8th congressional district, this time focusing on small businesses in Montgomery County. The Congressman stopped by Hatfield Borough on Tuesday, August 13 and held a round table breakfast at the Hatfield Volunteer Fire Company with borough business associates. He met local volunteers, spent the day visiting local businesses in the Borough and shared the evening at the Hatfield American Legion Post 933 talking to our country's Veterans about the economy and government policies. On behalf of Hatfield Borough Mayor Robert L. Kaler III, Hatfield Borough Council and staff, we would like to thank everyone who participated in this day to make the Congressman's visit a great success!





# MARK YOUR CALENDARS!


**Daylight Savings Time Ends**  
**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3**  
*When you change your clocks...*  
*...Change your batteries!*




**General Election Day**  
**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5**  
 Election site:  
**Hatfield Fire House**  
**75 Market Street**  
 More info:  
**Montgomery County Voter Services**  
**610-278-3280**



**October**





**Fire Prevention**

Take precautions and teach your children about fire safety

**FREE Walk Hatfield Event!**

Thursday, October 24  
 7:00pm

Meet at the Gazebo in front of the Borough Office (401 S. Main Street)

Christmas Tree pick up is the first two Mondays of the new year. Trees must be undecorated and placed by the front curb.

**Small Business Saturday**



Hatfield Borough supports Small Business Saturday. Stay local and support our small businesses on Saturday, November 30, 2013.

**Public Works, works for YOU!!**

**LEAF PICK-UP**  
 Every Monday beginning October 28 thru December 2  
 Please place bags near the front curb by morning. Only paper bags will be collected  
*No plastic bags!*  
 Bags are available for purchase at the Borough for \$.25 each.



**Money Saving Coupon!!**

**Buy One Leaf Bag Get One FREE!**

*Buy 1 leaf bag for \$.25 and get second bag FREE!!*

Valid ONLY at Hatfield Borough Office  
 Limit of 20 bags per coupon








# COMMUNITY EVENTS



## Holiday Canned Food Drive

November 1-December 9

Help those in need this Holiday Season.

Donate canned items to these participating businesses:

- Bella Italia
- Casey's Saloon & Eatery
- Franconia Auto Repair
- Trolley Stop Deli
- The Woodburners
- \*Borough Office\*



## WINTER BLAST 2014!

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25

11:00AM - 4:00PM

Montgomery Mall  
North Wales, PA

**Tons of children's activities and performances all day!**

## Come join us on Saturday, December 7 for Hatfield Borough's Winter Wonder Evening and Decorating Contest Tour

Pet Pictures with Santa  
3:00-5:00pm  
at  
Electric Plant Park Gazebo



Bring your pets out for a picture!

Cost: \$10.00 will be donated to SPCA & PTMA Bike Share Programs

Walking Decoration Tour  
5:00-6:00pm

*Join us as we walk through the Borough and judge all decorated businesses*



Open Play at LA Fun Zone  
6:00-7:00pm  
Follow us to Lansdale Amusement for open game play!

Hatfield Chamber of Commerce  
Caroling & Tree Lighting Ceremony  
7:00pm  
Broad & Market Streets  
(next to Woodburners)





# INFORMATION CORNER



Telephone.....215-855-0781  
Fax.....215-855-2075

Website: [www.hatfieldborough.com](http://www.hatfieldborough.com)

**HTV CHANNELS:**

Verizon: 24  
Comcast: 22



Facebook: Hatfield Borough  
Twitter: @HatfieldBorough

**Office Hours:**  
8:00 AM to 4:30 PM  
Monday - Friday

**Borough Meeting Schedules for  
Borough Council :**

1st & 3rd Wednesdays of each month  
at the Borough Hall 7:30 PM

**Planning Commission:**  
Monday before 1st Council  
meeting of each month 7:00 PM

**HERC :**  
4th Wednesday of each month 8:00 AM



All questions regarding code enforcement, building permits, home improvement requirements, zoning issues, ordinances, and fire safety should be addressed to the following Borough Officials:

**Jim Ennis**  
*Borough Zoning Officer*  
215-855-0781 ext. 3

**Randy Yardumian**  
*Code Enforcement Officer and  
Fire Safety Inspector*  
215-855-0781 ext. 8

**Bob Kaler IV**  
*Fire Marshall/Emergency Management*  
215-855-0781

Hatfield Borough  
Office Closures

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11  
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28  
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24  
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1



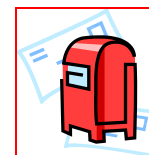
**\*\*PLEASE NOTE\*\***

All correspondence by mail including electric and sewer payments should be sent to:

**HATFIELD BOROUGH  
P.O. BOX 190  
HATFIELD PA 19440**

Payments are also accepted in person at the Borough Office, located at 401 S. Main Street, during regular business hours. You may also pay your bill at:

**TD BANK  
1500 COWPATH ROAD  
HATFIELD PA 19440**



## Caution: Fall Driving Tips

Fall foliage is certainly beautiful, but as leaves begin to fall they litter the roads, making streets slick while obscuring traffic lines and other pavement markings. They also hide potholes and other road hazards. When it rains, it can make those wet leaves on the roadway as dangerous as ice. Beware: where there are turning leaves, there are leaf peepers'. These leaf-peeping drivers tend to crawl along the roads and make unpredictable stops to admire the changing foliage. If you're driving behind a car with out-of-state plates, give them a little extra space just in case they stop short for a photo.







# BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT



## Best of Times Chauffeured Limousine Service Inc.



236 W. Broad Street

215-361-9577

info@bestoftimeslimos.com

*"Is a family owned and operated business with fifteen years of experience in the field of transportation and special events planning."*

## YOUR LOCAL BUSINESSES

**Bonnie's Beauty Boutique**  
Family Hair Care  
Nails & Facials  
368-1703  
By Appointment

**PARADISE MANOR**

**THE MAIN HOTEL**  
  
08/03/2012

**Shia Bella**

**Dale Moyer BARBER SHOP**  
BY APPOINTMENT  
(215) 855-2483  
PARKING IN REAR

**State Farm**  
DAVE SEIBERT 215-855-2848

**CASEY'S**  
Saloon & Eatery  
210 South Main Street • Hatfield, PA  
215-368-8823 • FAX 215-368-2751  
www.caseysaloonandeatery.com

**FAMILY DENTISTRY**  
STEPHEN F. GAZDICK  
D.D.S., P.C.  
(461)

**Bella Italia**  
Pizzeria & Ristorante  
215-855-8821  
215-855-8822  
FAX: 215-855-8823

**Doyle's FAMILY RESTAURANT**  
Breakfast Omelettes Lunch

**FRAN TAYLOR**  
PLUMBING & HEATING  
COMMERCIAL & RESIDENTIAL

**MILKO'S TIRE & AUTO CENTER**

**the Woodburners**  
Stove & Artisan Shop

**Mom's Real Italian**  
**WATER ICE & Soft ICE CREAM**

**BROOKS INSTRUMENT**

Repair and Maintenance on All Cars & Light Trucks  
**Godshall's Auto Service**  
24 HOUR ROAD SERVICE

**Hatfield PIZZERIA**  
129 S. Main St., Hatfield

(215) 368-6005 John Kroesser  
**Partners Towing**  
Professional Recovery Service  
100 Whites Road, Lansdale PA 19446  
130 Chestnut St Hatfield PA 19440

**TROLLEY STOP DELICATESSEN**

225 S. Main St. • Hatfield, PA 19440  
www.godshallsauto.com  
Tel: 215-855-7800  
Fax: 215-855-7883  
**Franconia Auto Repair**  
www.franconiaauto.com 215 362 8843  
Owner Joe Amorosi  
23 South Main Street Hatfield, PA 19440

**Allstate**  
Allstate Insurance Company  
21 E. Lincoln Ave  
Suite 250  
Hatfield, PA 19440  
Phone 215-362-7353  
Fax 215-362-1259  
Bill Lee Agency Owner  
BillLeeAgency@allstate.com

**GREEN PROPANE INC.**

*Preferred Travel Service*  
Jean Bevino, CTC  
Certified Travel Consultant  
58-B Garfield Avenue Hatfield, PA 19440  
(215) 362-9150  
FAX (215) 362-1268  
preftrl@comcast.net

**Tranquility Life Spa & Hair Design, LLC**



**Hatfield Borough Office**  
401 S. Main St.,  
Hatfield PA 19440



## Tax Collector Corner "From the Desk of Nancy DeFinis"



### **REMINDER: the Borough Office will be closed on December 31, 2013**

Thank you to everyone who paid their taxes. The face amount of the School tax bill is currently due. I will be available at the Borough Office on October 31, 2013 and December 30, 2013 from 11am-2pm to accept your payment. After Thursday October 31st, a 10% penalty will be added. I will not be able to accept personal checks as payment after December 15, 2013. Cash, certified check or money order will be accepted as payment only. If you need to contact me, kindly call the Borough Office at 215-855-0781, option 7 and leave me a detailed message. I check my messages on a regular basis and will get back to you as soon as I am able. I will be happy to schedule an appointment to meet with you.

PLEASE NOTE: I DO NOT HANDLE THE EARNED INCOME TAX RETURN. I collect real estate/property taxes for the County, Borough and North Penn School District. Please contact Berkheimer Tax Administrator directly at [www.hab-inc.com](http://www.hab-inc.com) or call 800-360-8989 regarding EIT and make sure you specify "Earned Income" tax.

As always, thank you for your support and cooperation. I am happy to serve as your elected Tax Collector representing you and this town that I love.

Regards,

*Nancy DeFinis*