



Borough Informer

Winter 2015



Borough Council and Staff

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

STRATEGIC PLANNING 2015

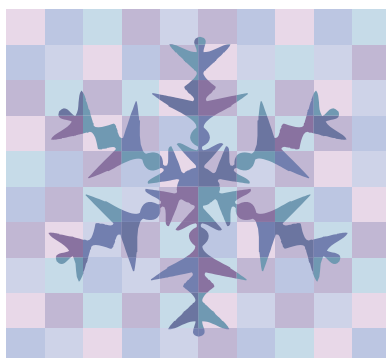


- **Public Safety**
- **Utilities**
- **Public Works**

Public Safety Committee: Chairman of the Public Safety Committee, Councilmember Bryan Moyer and the Committee continue to meet with the Hatfield Police Department on a quarterly basis to address any questions or concerns pertaining to Hatfield Borough public safety issues.

Utilities Committee: Chairman of the Utilities Committee, Vice President Kenneth Farrall continues to direct the administrative staff to look into and work with Utility Engineers to establish stable electric rates beyond 2017.

Public Works Committee: Chairman of the Public Works Committee, Councilmember John Kroesser and the Committee are continuously working with the Public Works Director on winter maintenance while preparing for 2015 road projects.





UPDATES FROM COUNCIL AND YOUR MAYOR

Borough of Hatfield
 MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
RESOLUTION No. 2014-28

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE VOLUNTEERS of THE HATFIELD FOOD CUPBOARD AS CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

WHEREAS, A GROUP OF CONCERNED Citizens, desiring to provide their community with food and personal products formed the Hatfield Food Cupboard at Emmanuel Evangelical Congregational Church in 1981 to service residents of Hatfield Borough and Hatfield Township; and

WHEREAS, since 1981, numerous people have been gathering at the Hatfield Food Cupboard to volunteer with organizing, setting up and distributing items throughout the community opening their doors two times a month serving on average forty to fifty homes; and

WHEREAS, The Hatfield Food Cupboard in the past year has had 619 visits in which they have provided 18,800 lbs. of goods including not only food products and fresh produce from there onsite garden, but basics such as personal hygiene items, paper towels, toilet paper, dish and laundry detergent; and

WHEREAS, The Hatfield Food Cupboard has brought awareness and great comfort to those in our community for over thirty years and continues to service the community through annual food drives and collections throughout the year.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Hatfield, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, take great pride in recognizing The Volunteers of The Hatfield Food Cupboard for their dependable, professional services to the Residents of Hatfield Borough and the Hatfield Community, and it is with great pleasure of the Borough Council of the Borough of Hatfield to recognize The Volunteers of The Hatfield Food Cupboard as Citizen of the Year for 2014.



Pictured from Left to Right:
 Janet Hague, President John H. Weierman, Francis Brownlee, Pam Dyck, Mayor Robert L. Kaler III

HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL NAMES THE VOLUNTEERS OF THE HATFIELD FOOD CUPBOARD 2014 CITIZENS OF THE YEAR!

Mayor's Desk

I would like to start by wishing everyone a Happy 2015.

Now that winter is upon us I wanted to take the time to remind you all of the following designated Snow Emergency Routes in the Borough. If a snow emergency is declared, please keep the following roadways cleared:

STREET		BETWEEN	STREET		BETWEEN
Broad Street, East and West Forty Foot Road	Market Street and Towamencin Avenue	Broad Street and Borough line	Main Street, North & South Market Street	Borough line and Borough line, East Lincoln Avenue and Union Street	entire length
North Girard Avenue	Entire length		Orchard Lane	Entire length	
South Girard Avenue	Entire length		Stephanie Court	Both sides for entire length	
June Drive	Entire length		Towamencin Avenue	Forty Foot Road / Broad Street and South Main Street	
East Lincoln Avenue	Market Street and S. Main Street		Union Street	Borough line and Market Street	
			East and West Vine Street	Borough line and Borough line	

If you are unsure if a Snow Emergency has been declared for Hatfield Borough please check the Borough website, HTV service channels, Borough Facebook or Twitter pages. All of these media outlets are updated with important winter weather information pertaining to the Borough.

As always, if you would like to speak with me please stop by the Borough Office any Wednesday between 9:30am and 2:00pm during my office hours.

-Mayor Bob



HELPFUL SAVING & SAFETY TIPS

Energy Saving Tips

For Every Room in the House

- Bath:**
- Take showers. A ten minute shower uses less water than taking a bath.
 - Use an Energy Star-rated vent fan to save \$\$ and fight mold and mildew.
- Basement:**
- Use only full loads in washer on the cold water cycle, and don't over dry.
 - Set your water heater to 120 degrees or lower for normal use.
 - Replace your heating & cooling air filters every three months.
- Kitchen:**
- Replace your old refrigerator. Energy Star models save you \$\$ each year.
 - Self-clean your oven right after cooking to reduce heat-up time.
 - Use properly sized pots and pans that fit a range's burner sizes.
 - Use a microwave or toaster oven when possible to reheat small portions as these devices require less energy to operate.
 - Skip the drying cycle of your dishwasher. This will cut energy use in half.
- General:**
- Caulk and weather-strip around windows.
 - Invest in insulation, this saves heating and cooling costs.
 - Use compact fluorescent bulbs. They are inexpensive & can last 7 years.
 - Invest in a programmable thermostat.

Home Heating Safety Tips

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More home fires occur during the colder winter months than at any other time of year. Heating your home safely can help prevent winter fires.

- Have your heating system and chimney inspected by a qualified professional at least once a year.
- Keep anything that can burn at least 3 feet from heating equipment.
- Use products only for their intended purposes.
- Turn off space heaters when you leave the room or go to sleep.
- Install carbon monoxide (CO) alarms to avoid the risk of CO poisoning.

Funding for this resource was provided by a 2011 FP&S Grant from DHS / FEMA

WHAT TO CARRY IN YOUR CAR

WSDOT PRESENTS

Because you never know when you will encounter winter weather or emergency road closure

511 Know before you go

wsdot.com/traffic

GET OUR MOBILE APP

Our Android and iPhone apps include statewide traffic cameras, travel alerts, mountain pass reports, ferry schedules and alerts, northbound Canadian border wait times and more.

Android iPhone



2015 BOROUGH EVENT DATES

April 2015-Earth Day: Check the Borough media outlets for a scheduled date and time!

May 18, 2015-Roll & Stroll: Business open house; visit all participating businesses and enter into a raffle drawing to win prizes!

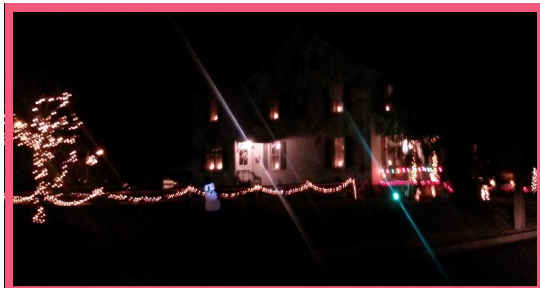
June 15, 2015-Founder's Day: Come to Centennial Park in Hatfield Borough for a family night out filled with face painting, balloon art, inflatable jumps, and NEW THIS YEAR: MOVIE NIGHT IN THE PARK!

September 26, 2015-Fall Festival: A family fun filled day with fall themed children's activities, a car show and vendors selling their treasures.

December 5, 2015-Holiday Events & Chamber Tree Lighting: Get into the Holiday spirit in Hatfield Borough; get your pets picture with Santa, visit holiday decorated homes and establishments and see Santa at the community Tree Lighting and Caroling event by the Hatfield Chamber of Commerce all followed by snacks at the Hatfield Vol. Fire Co.

HOLIDAY DECORATING CONTEST!

Did you decorate for the holidays this season? So did these WINNERS! Enter into the contest in December of 2015 for your chance to win! See future editions of the Informer for details!



RESIDENTIAL WINNERS:
1ST PLACE: 19 ROOSEVELT AVENUE
2ND PLACE: 387 TOWAMENCIN AVENUE
3RD PLACE: 65 LAMBERT STREET

**Emmanuel EC Church won for "business" portion of this contest; 100 S. Main Street.



2015 DATES TO LOOK FOR

Curbside Chipping
First Monday in May
First Monday in October

All branches must be no more than 6 inches in diameter. Place all material curbside by morning

No Shrubs
No Clippings



Leaf Bag Pick up
Last Monday in October
Through
First Monday in December

Bags Can be Purchased at the Borough Office
for .25 cents per bag

Day Light Savings Time
Begins: March 8 2015
Ends: November 1, 2015



Don't forget to check your batteries in
your smoke and CO detectors

Hatfield Aquatic Center
Opens May 2015!



Early Bird Discount!
5% Discount March 2nd
through May 1st.

Memorial Day Parade
Monday, May 25, 2015



Primary & General Election Day
TUESDAY, MAY 19, 2015
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2015



Election site:
Hatfield Fire House
75 Market Street

More info:
Montgomery County Voter Services
610-278-3280

Hatfield Borough

Office Closures 2015

THURSDAY JANUARY 1
FRIDAY APRIL 3
MONDAY MAY 25
FRIDAY JULY 3
MONDAY SEPTEMBER 7
MONDAY OCTOBER 12
WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 11
THURSDAY NOVEMBER 26
FRIDAY NOVEMBER 27
THURSDAY DECEMBER 24
FRIDAY DECEMBER 25
THURSDAY DECEMBER 31
FRIDAY JANUARY 1, 2016

Pedaling on the Parkway!
Saturday, April 25, 2015



Partnership TMA of
Montgomery County
Event!

www.ptma-mc.org

Hatfield Museum & Historical Society
Presentations

Tuesday, May 26, 2015
Tuesday, September 22, 2015
Tuesday, November 24, 2015

Hatfield Vol. Fire Co Banquet Hall 7:30PM

FOR 2015 MONTGOMERY COUNTY RECYCLING
EVENT DATES VISIT: MontgomeryCountyRecycles.org



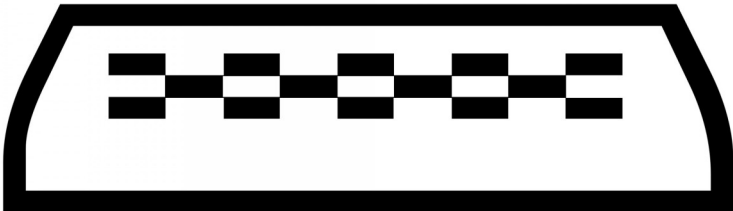
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www.hatfieldborough.com

FACEBOOK: Hatfield Borough

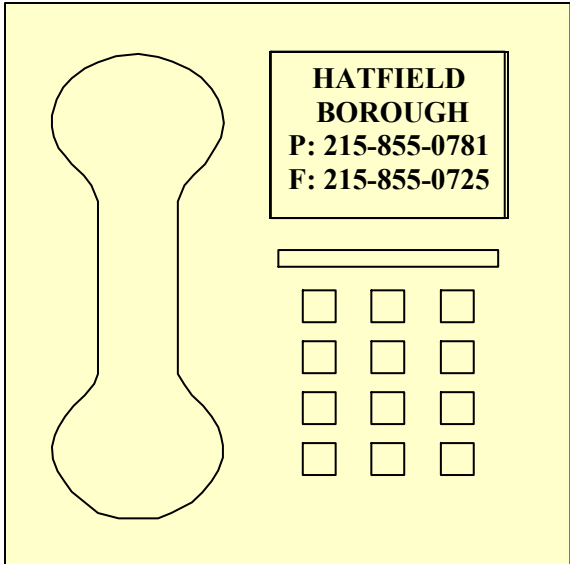
TWITTER: @hatfieldborough

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**TUNE INTO
KYW 1060 AM
OR
WNPV 1440 AM**

**FOR ALL SCHOOL CLOSINGS AND
WINTER WEATHER UPDATES!**



- TELEPHONE OPTION PROMPTS FOR ALL BOROUGH DEPARTMENTS**
- 1 - BOROUGH MANAGER
 - 2 - PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR
 - 3 - ZONING OFFICER / PROPERTY MAINTENANCE
 - 4 - UTILITY BILLING
 - 5 - ASSISTANT SECRETARY
 - 6 - TREASURER
 - 7 - TAX COLLECTOR
 - 8 - BUILDING PERMITS & FIRE MARSHALL
 - 9 - PUBLIC INFORMATION
 - 0 - OPERATOR



2015 BUSINESSES OF THE MONTH

Milko's Tire & Auto Center
44 South Main Street

Lansdale Amusement
LA Fun Zone
127 Union Street

KCBA Architects
8 East Broad Street

Potter Contracting
66 Market Street

Best of Times Limousines
& Transportation
236 West Broad Street

A Cut Ahead
102 East Broad Street

YOUR LOCAL BUSINESSES



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

Tax Collector Corner “From the Desk of Nancy DeFinis”

HAPPY NEW YEAR! Wishing you a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous 2015



Watch your mail, your Hatfield Borough and Montgomery County tax bill is to be postmarked by March 1, 2015. If you do not receive your bill please contact me immediately. My telephone number is 215-855-0781 option 7. Please leave me a detailed message, or email me ndefinis@hatfieldborough.com and I will get back to you as soon as possible.

My collection hours are at the Borough Office located at 401 South Main Street. For 2015 they are: April 1, 8 & 15 from 11:00am until 2:00pm. Additional hours are April 22, 23, 27, 28, 29 & 30 from 10:00am to 4:00pm. I will be closed from noon to 1:00pm for lunch during my extended hour days. My extra hours are on June 30 from 11:00am to 2:00pm at the Borough Office. As always feel free to call for an appointment or with special needs.

Thank you for your kind courtesy and cooperation. I love our town and serving as your tax collector.

Sincerely,

Nancy DeFinis