

INFORMER

NEWS FOR RESIDENTS OF HATFIELD BOROUGH

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Fall 2008

Service Memorials at Electric Plant Park Dedicated



Hatfield Borough has a new addition to their Electric Plant Park, located in

front of the Borough Hall at 401 S. Main Street. The new "Service Memorials" were recently dedicated and are a beautiful addition to the park which is already the home to many deciduous trees, ornamental bushes and a Gazebo.

Residents, officials, and representatives of all branches of the Armed Service were in attendance on June 28, 2008 for the dedication ceremony. The park now features a new brick walkway leading to a pond-less waterfall, a sitting wall, and three new illuminated flagpoles. The base of the flagpoles is the home to the seven dedicated memorial plagues, each

honoring the five branches of the United States Armed Forces along with our own Police and Fire Departments.

The ceremony concluded with Council President John Weierman reading a congratulatory tribute from the Senate of Pennsylvania along with acknowledgements from both the House of Representatives and Governor Edward Rendell honoring Hatfield Borough for its 110th anniversary.



Borough Council President John Weierman speaks to the crowd at the newly dedicated Service Memorials.

Borough Electric Is a Bargain

The average Borough homeowner uses approximately 1,000 kilowatt hours of energy a month. The average homeowner pays \$146.63 a month and \$1,759.56 a year. PECO customers in neighboring communities pay \$164.28 a month and \$1,971.36 on an annual basis.

Hatfield Borough residents save on average **\$211.80** a year due to the Borough owning its own electric utility. This is **12**% less than what customers in neighboring communities pay.

We hope you will agree that Hatfield Borough electric is a great deal and a real bargain! ELECTRIC RATES AS OF JULY 1, 2008

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ENERGY (KWH)	BOROUGH	PECO	
200		\$40.23	\$34.88	
300		53.53	49.73	
400		66.83	64.58	
500		80.13	79.43	
600		93.43	96.40	
700		106.73	113.37	
800		120.03	130.34	
900		133.33	147.31	
1,00	0	146.63	164.28	
1,250		179.88	206.71	
1,500		213.13	249.13	
1,750		246.38	291.56	
2,000		279.63	333.98	
2,250)	312.88	376.41	
2,500)	346.13	418.83	

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Borough Updates.....

Founder's Day 2008 A Success

The 110th celebration of Founder's Day was held on Saturday, June 28 at Centennial Park and, despite the inclement weather, was a huge success. Borough residents were treated to an afternoon of games. food, music and good old fashioned fun. Commemorative gift bags were handed out to all children to hold their treats and prizes.



speed of the next "Jamie Mover"

Borough Council extends a big thank you to all volunteers and businesses who donated their time, talents, and treasures to make this day a success.

Revitalization Grant Awarded

The Montgomery County Department of Housing and Community Development has awarded the Borough of Hatfield a Grant of \$56,000 for the Liberty Bell Trolley Parking Lot Improvements Project Phase II. This phase of the Liberty Bell Trail will put the final touches on a "public" parking lot in the Core Commercial District. The scope of work funded under the 2008 Revitalization program includes additional lighting of the parking area, landscaping, and common signage. The project is located on the north side of Lincoln Avenue next to the Trolley Stop Deli.

The Montgomery County Revitalization Program provides money to assist municipalities in their revitalization, redevelopment and rebuilding.

A Message from your Fire Marshall....

October is Fire **Prevention Month**

Smoke Alarms Save Lives

- Install smoke alarms in every sleeping room & on every level of the home.
- Test your smoke alarms once a month & replace batteries once a year.
- Replace alarms that are more than 10 yrs old.

Be Prepared

- Plan and practice your escape route. Agree on a meeting place outside the home where everyone can gather and be safe.
- Make sure the street number for your home is clearly visible from the road.
- Keep all stairways and exits clear and free from clutter.
- When the smoke alarm sounds.... Get Out and Stay Out!

Outdoor Burning Ordinance



lease be aware that there is an ordinance restricting outdoor burning

within the Borough of Hatfield. The burning of vard trimmings. not including loose leaves, is permitted only during the months of April and November. and only during the hours from 8:00 am till dusk. Such burning shall be constantly attended with a water hose at the site. Burning shall not be permitted during periods of high winds and/or drought situations.

Propane Cylinder Disposal

ropane cylinders for gas grills are not municipal solid waste and should not be discarded with curbside trash. They also will not be accepted at any of the Household Hazardous Waste Collection programs. Residents may discard or exchange a propane cylinder at any authorized Propane Dealer. (There may be a fee for disposal.)

For drop-off locations and more information please contact Montgomery County Recycling Hotline (610) 278-3618.





DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Community Alert System



- Find Out First!

Emergencies.. Severe weather.. Threats to homeland security..

When emergency situations arise in Southeastern PA that may affect you and your family, ReadyNotifyPA lets local officials notify you quickly using the Community Alert System. This is your personal connection to real-time updates, instructions on where to go, what to do, who to contact and other important information during an emergency. Be among the first to find out and stay informed during an emergency.

ReadyNotifyPA can send you an E-mail, or send a text message to

your cell phone or other device. You let ReadyNotifyPA know how you'd like to be notified. It is free to sign up and you can choose the types of alerts you want to get. Some counties offer other alerts such as severe weather, transportation delays and crime alerts. Alerts are free; however, your cellular provider may charge for text messaging. Your ReadyNotifyPA account is a record of your contact information, such as your name, cell phone numbers and e-mail addresses where you would like to receive alerts. You control this information and can change it at any time.

Sign up today, so you can find out first! www.ReadyNotifyPA.org



New Tax Collector Appointed

Nancy DeFinis was appointed Hatfield Borough's Tax Collector at the July 16, 2008 Borough Council meeting. She will serve out the remaining term of office previously held by Christine Calhoun. Nancy is a long-time resident of Hatfield Borough and has a great deal of experience in public service. She is a member of the Borough's Zoning Hearing Board and serves as the Treasurer of the Montgomery



County Commission on Women & Families. She also has worked over 15 years at the Montgomery County Courthouse in various departments. Nancy and her husband Michael have 3 children.



Dale Moyer (center) with Council President John Weierman and Mayer Bob Kaler.

Dale Moyer Celebrates 50 Years

Dale Moyer was recently honored with a Resolution of Commendation by Borough Council for his 50 years of service to the community. Dale began his work as a barber in 1948 at 14 W. Broad Street un-

der the employment of Titus "Skeets" Schrauger and acquired the business and residence in 1966. He continues to operate his oneman barber shop at the same location, cutting the hair of Borough residents, and making Hatfield a better place to live and work.

Congratulations Dale!

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Telephone......215-855-0781

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Office Hours:
8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday - Friday

Borough Meeting Schedules

Borough Council

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

Planning Commission

Monday before 1st Council meeting of each month......7 p.m.

4th Thursday of each month......8 a.m.

The Hatfield Volunteer Fire Co. is in the process of putting together a Photo History Book of the Fire Company in preparation for their 100th anniversary in 2010. If anyone has any photos which are part of that history and would be willing to share them, please call the firehouse at 215-855-2121 and ask for Herman Goetter.

Photos will be copied and returned.

Upcoming Community Events

Hatfield Community Awareness Night for Public Safety

Saturday, Sept. 13, 2008 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. School Road Park

The Hatfield Township Police Department, the Colmar and Hatfield Fire Companies, and the Volunteer Medical Service Corps of Lansdale will be on hand with important safety displays and interactive booths. Enjoy refreshments, games, prizes, a DJ, and most importantly, fun for the whole family.

Hatfield 5K Fun Run

Saturday, Sept. 13, 2008 Race begins at 9 a.m. Hatfield Community Park

The Fun Run is for runners of all ages, with awards for the top finishers. The fee to register includes a commemorative T-shirt. Post race refreshments will be provided.

To register call 215-855-0900 or www.hatfieldtownship,org

9th Annual Rocktoberfest & Car Show

Saturday, Oct. 4, 2008 11:30 a.m. to 3:30.p.m. Hatfield Community Park

Join your friends and neighbors at Hatfield Township's autumn community festival, with music, car show, food by local community groups, craft booths, and children's activities.

Music by "Flamin' Dick & the Hot Rods" & "The Grace Notes" of West Chester U.

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PLEASE NOTE

All correspondence by mail including electric and sewer payments <u>must</u> be sent to:

P.O. BOX 190 HATFIELD PA 19440

Payments will be accepted in person at the Borough Hall at 401 South Main St. Also, delinquent payments should be made at the Borough Office to insure the payment will be immediately credited to your account.

Important Dates to Remember



Hatfield Community Awareness Night Saturday, September 13, 2008 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

School Road Park



CURBSIDE CHIPPING

Monday, October 6

Tree limbs and branches up to 6" in diameter will be chipped.
Please place all material to be chipped on your curb by morning.

(no leaves or other debris)

LEAF PICK-UP

Every Monday starting
October 27 through December 1
Bags must be purchased at the
Borough Hall.
Cost \$.25 per bag

ELECTION DAY

Tuesday, November 4
Hatfield Fire House

Information can be found online at www.voterservices.montcopa.org.





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