



Bensalem Township Pennsylvania

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Dear Residents,

Summer has finally arrived and B-Town is buzzing with all sorts of activities. Our popular Parks and Recreation Department's Summer Program is in full swing and the Penn Community Bank Amphitheater is up and running with two great concerts under our belt and 10 more to go!



While summer is the time when living is a little easier, it's also the time when construction projects- whether it be residential, commercial or overall infrastructure- in and around Bensalem take place. You will see curb cuts for ADA compliance, road striping, tree trimming, and other improvements taking place just about every day. Additionally, you will notice non-Township entities such as PENNDOT, AQUA, BCWSA and PECO (just to name a few) working on upgrades to the services they provide our Residents and surrounding communities.

Your patience is appreciated during this time. Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my office. Even if it's not a project we have initiated, my staff and I will always try to get you the answers you may need.

Okay, with that out of the way, take the time to enjoy the summer months ahead with family and friends. Go on that vacation or staycation! Make memories and cherish them, as time waits for no one.

God Bless!

Sincerely,

Joseph DiGirolamo, Mayor
Bensalem Township



Penn Community Bank Amphitheater

The PCBA Teams Up With Relay for Life

Did you know that the American Cancer Society is the official sponsor of BIRTHDAYS? Millions of cancer survivors will celebrate a birthday this year. That's a sign of progress and proof that a world with more birthdays is possible!

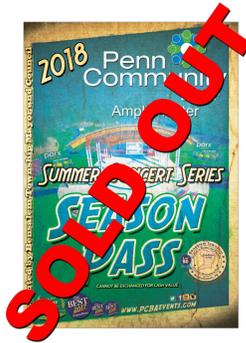
The Penn Community Bank Amphitheater is proud to partner with Relay for Life Bensalem as a collection site for canned goods to use in the luminaria bags at this

year's event on June 23rd at Bensalem High School. The luminaria bags are purchased in memory, honor or support of someone who has lost their battle with cancer, in honor of those still fighting and also recognizes those who are caregivers. The cans hold the bags in place along with the candle and are displayed around the track during the evening ceremony.



You will find collection boxes at each ticket booth and the front gate Season Pass entrance at each of the first three concerts in June. On Sunday, June 24th the canned goods will be collected and donated to local food banks such as Redeemer Lutheran Church, Libertae right here in Bensalem, and YWCA Bucks County. For more information on Relay for Life Bensalem, please contact Denise at 215-512-3434 or Relay2010@hotmail.com.

Season Passes: Sold Out!



Thank you to everyone who purchased a Season Pass for the 2018 Summer Concert Series. Online sales were a huge hit this year and we sold out in record-breaking time!

Individual tickets to all of our shows are available for pre-purchase online until 2pm the day of each show. Anyone who purchases a ticket in advance can gain entry at 5:30pm along with Season Pass holders. If you buy early, you should get in early! You can view our schedule and buy tickets [right here](#) on our website. If you have any questions please call 215-633-3630 or email amcdonald@BensalemPA.gov.



Penn Community Bank Amphitheater Concert Recap
KICK - The INXS Experience





»» Fall Festival «« celebrating community pride saturday, october 6th

Bensalem's annual "Fall Festival: Celebrate Community Pride" will take place on Saturday, October 6th. This annual "Best of Bucks" celebration hosted by Mayor DiGirolamo, Township Council, Bensalem Community Affairs and Parks & Recreation highlights all that is distinctive about our Township while also promoting friendship, goodwill and love of community.

This full-day family event offers community performances, entertainment, food, amusements and a variety of crafters and vendors. If you're interested in being a vendor or sponsor please download the appropriate form [here](#) and submit by September 7th FIRM. Nothing will be accepted after that date. If you have any special requests or needs you must discuss them in advance with Community Affairs Manager, Amanda McDonald, by calling 215-633-3630 or emailing amcdonald@BensalemPA.gov.

Mommy's Lil' Black Book Summer Reading Program

School's out for the summer, but that doesn't mean the learning has to end! Jen Flannery of Mommy's Lil' Black Book is once again bringing us her "Reading Fun in the Sun!" program. Your child has the chance to turn their summer reading list into prizes from 16 different sponsors!



Children up to 2nd grade must read 15 books and those entering 3rd grade through 12th must read 5 chapter books by September 3rd. If your child can't read independently, parents can read to them! For all of the requirements, prizes and the reading log just head on over to the MLBB page [here](#).

Building and Planning



Current Bensalem Solicitor Licenses

A common topic of discussion heard throughout the community is in relationship to solicitors / peddlers and whether or not they are allowed to knock on your door. In Bensalem Township, anyone who wishes to peddle their goods and/or services to Residents via door-to-door methods must apply & be approved for a Peddler / Solicitor License through our Building & Planning Department.

Want to know who is currently approved for these licenses? [Click here](#) for a complete list! If you have any questions on how to apply for this license, please call 215-633-3644 or 215-633-3646.

Public Safety

Rotary Officer of the Year

The Bensalem Rotary Club honored Sergeant Greg Winokur as Bensalem Township's Officer of the Year!

The Rotary Officer of the Year Award is presented to an officer who exemplifies the Rotary's mission of service above self as well as the Bensalem Police Department's mission of courage, integrity and community involvement. Each year, the pool of candidates for the awards grows larger because the Bensalem Police Department is full of deserving officers. This year, Sergeant Greg Winokur stood above the rest!



Congratulations to one of the most kind, generous and dedicated law enforcement personnel in Bensalem!

BEHIND CLOSED DOORS: A Realistic Creation of a Typical Teenager's Bedroom

As a parent or guardian of a teenager, do you know what the potential signs of drug abuse, mental health issues and other at-risk adolescent behaviors are? Come by the Bensalem Police Department and check out "BEHIND CLOSED DOORS: A REALISTIC CREATION OF A TYPICAL TEENAGER'S BEDROOM" as featured in [U.S. News & World Report](#).



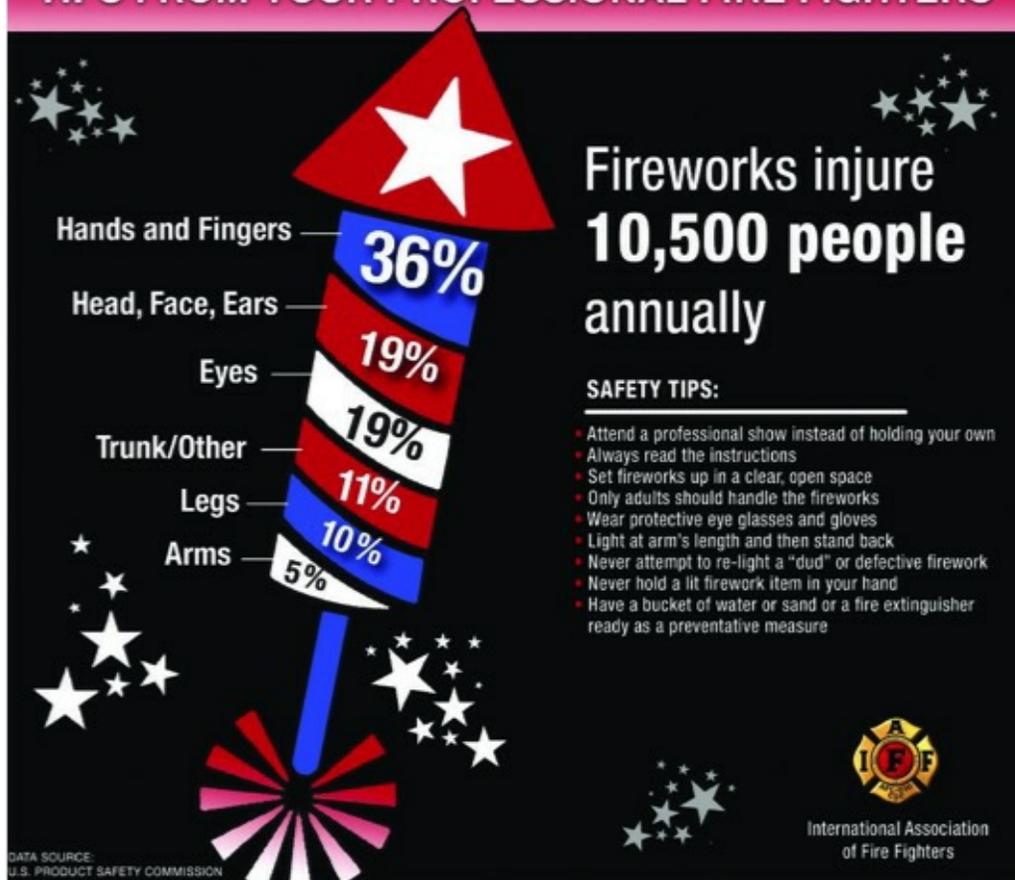
There are a variety of days & times that this room is available for public viewing from now through July 30th. The complete schedule can be found [here](#). If these days and times do not work for you, please contact 215-633-3719 to schedule a private tour.

Fireworks Safety

As of January 1st there is a new "Fireworks Law" in Pennsylvania. Consumer fireworks are permitted to be purchased, possessed and used but must be done so in accordance with ACT 43 of 2017 and APA 87-1 "American Pyrotechnics Association Standard." Check out all of the guidelines [here](#) on our website.

FIREWORKS SAFETY

TIPS FROM YOUR PROFESSIONAL FIRE FIGHTERS



2018 Bensalem Police Memorial

Public Works Department

My Ash Tree is Dead: Now What Do I Do?

As many homeowners may be aware, ash trees in North America have been under attack from an invasive species of beetle known as the Emerald Ash Borer. This type of Asian beetle feeds specifically on ash trees. These beetles bore into the bark of the tree and basically kill it from the inside out.

This can lead to dangerous situations in which homeowners are unaware the trees are in fact infected and diseased and are in



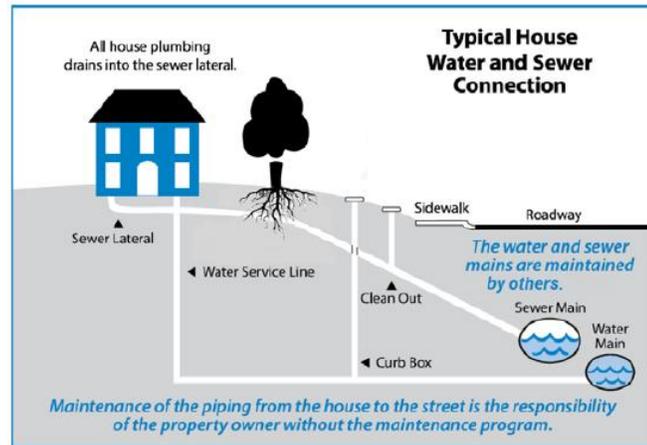
danger of falling. All homeowners with ash trees located on private property should have them inspected by a licensed arborist to ensure the safety of the trees. Any trees that are deemed a potential hazard should also be removed by a licensed arborist or tree service.

While Bensalem Township cannot recommend a particular tree service, we can help Residents make an informed decision. Any company you are considering should be fully insured and licensed in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Residents should also contact the Bensalem Township Building & Planning Department at 215-633-3644 to inquire if permits are required prior to removal of any trees.

BCWSA Sewer Maintenance Program

As a homeowner, do you know who is responsible for broken outdoor water & sewer lines? Oftentimes it is the homeowner and not your local water & sewer provider.

Bucks County Water & Sewer Authority is offering the **SafeGuard™ Water & Sewer Maintenance Program** for Residential and Commercial properties. This program is designed to help customers offset the cost of repairing the water service line and the sewer lateral line that run from the outside of your home/building to the curb, which can typically cost up to \$5,000 for residential and up to \$10,000 for a commercial property to replace.



Under this program, residential properties pay \$5/month per service line and commercial properties pay \$10/month per service line for coverage. This program is also available to Non-BCWSA customers in Bucks County & Montgomery County. For more information or to sign up simply visit the BCWSA website at www.bcwsa.net or call 215-343-2538 Ext 140.

Street Sweeping Schedule

The Bensalem Public Works crew will be continuing their efforts to keep our streets clean this month. Here's where they'll be through mid-July:

WEEK #12: June 18 – June 22

Andalusia East, Echo Beach, Torresdale Manor, Lower Andalusia

WEEK #13: June 25 – June 29

Hansell Drive, Knights Road, Byberry Road, Annina Lane, Tucker Road, Essington Way, Belmont Ridge, Rockhill Drive, Columbia Drive, Woodsvie Drive, Hidden Valley, Country Village, Apple Way, White Oak Lane

WEEK #14: July 2 – July 6*

Trevoise, Oakford, Linconia, Concord Park

*The Township will be closed July 4th for Independence Day. No street sweeping will be



done on this day.

WEEK #15: July 9 – July 13

Nottingham, Tillman Drive, Century Lane, Murray Avenue, Stanwood, Atlantic Avenue, Asbury Avenue, Brown Avenue, Virginia Avenue

A complete schedule can be found [here](#) on our website. For questions about street sweeping, or anything for our Public Works Department, please call 215-633-3980 or 215-633-3733.

Rosie the Riveter Congressional Gold Medal Act



Please join us in co-sponsoring the “Rosie the Riveter Congressional Gold Medal Act,” bipartisan legislation to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the American women who joined the workforce during World War II.

Countless American women dedicated themselves to strengthening our nation during WWII. These women answered our nation’s call to action by joining the workforce and learning new jobs. Many of these women built the vehicles, weaponry and ammunition that were critical to the war effort. These “Rosie the Riveters” rose to the challenges and set a powerful example for not only America’s working women, but for all women and girls across the country. Today, their example continues to inspire generations of females to embody the “We Can Do It” spirit.

The “Rosies” are among our nation’s greatest living heroines, and they deserve recognition for their tremendous service to our country. If you would like to join us in honoring these women with a Congressional Gold Medal, or if you have any questions, please contact [Andrew Usyk](#) in Senator Casey’s office or [Rowan Bost](#) in Senator Collins office.



The Mayor's Show
Mae Krier (Rosie the Riveter)

Buzzin' Around B-Town



Bensalem Police Memorial; May 21



Sgt. Greg Winokur, Rotary Officer of the Year, pictured here with his extremely proud parents



Bensalem Police Memorial; May 21



The Philippine Youth Dancing Delegation



KICK - The INXS Experience - June 6



Southern Accents - The Ultimate Tom Petty Experience - June 13
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