



## BALLY BOROUGH NEWSLETTER

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### **Borough Directory**

#### **Mayor**

Philip Ferrizzi

#### **Borough Council**

President \* Christian Kopp

Vice President \* Glenn Mutter

Thomas Leister \* Denise Sobjak

Robert Koch \* Ronald Gilbert

#### **Borough Manager**

Leo Mutter

#### **Secretary/Treasurer**

Andrea Delo

#### **Solicitor**

Jeffrey Karver

#### **Engineering/Code Enforcement**

Systems Design Engineering

Gilmore & Associates

#### **Tax Collector**

Beth Spaid

#### **Planning Commission**

Thomas Leister \* Donald Conrad

Barbara Appleman \* David Isett

Karen Babio

#### **Zoning Hearing Board**

Paul Conrad \* Brad Ibach

Nancy Brusk

#### **Recycling Committee**

Donald Conrad \* Richard Rohrbach

#### **Emergency Mgmt. Coordinator**

Leo Mutter

### **IMPORTANT!! IMPORTANT!! IMPORTANT!! WATER/SEWER BILL MESSAGE**

The Borough is not equipped with automatic payment. Therefore, if you make a payment through your bank close to or on the due date, it often does not reach us on time because it comes through the mail from an out of state facility. The payment **MUST** be received in the Borough office by 4:00 PM on the due date. No exceptions will be made any longer. Please keep in mind that the bank often takes the money out of your account on the date you ask the payment to be made. This does **NOT** mean the check arrives in the office on that date. If you pay through your bank, please enter your payment at least 7 days before the due date. If you pay through the mail, please drop it in the mail at least 5 days before the due date. The Borough enters late fees the day after the due date. We will no longer refund late fees for **ANY** reason.

### **FOR YOUR INFORMATION**

At the May 4, 2010 Council meeting, Leo (Boots) Mutter was named Borough Manager. Boots has lived in the Borough his entire life and is a great asset to our community. Due to his new position, he was required to resign from Borough Council. Christian Kopp was named Council President and Glenn Mutter was named Council Vice President.

### **ATTENTION!!!**

When mowing your lawn, please do not let the grass blow into the street. When grass sits in the street, it falls into the crevice between the curb and the street. Grass then grows in this area and the maintenance crew must spray to kill the grass, which is an extra cost to the Borough. If grass is kept out of the streets, the cost of clean-up will be lower.

**BALLY BOROUGH IS GOING GREEN!!**

To save on postage and printing costs, the Borough is offering the newsletter via e-mail. Any interested residents are asked to contact Borough Hall at [bally@comcast.net](mailto:bally@comcast.net) to receive the newsletter by e-mail. You will still receive your water/sewer bill in the mail in a smaller envelope at a lower postage cost. This will also cut back on printing materials and paper. If you are not interested or do not have access to a computer, you may still receive the newsletter in the mail with your water/sewer bill. Anyone who is interested will begin receiving the newsletter by e-mail beginning in September. Thank you for assisting the Borough in saving money and the environment!!

**BALLY LIONS CLUB NEWS**

We would like to thank the Lions Club for putting up the flags and banners along Main Street!! We offer a sincere thanks to our Lions Club members for all they do!!

Hot Air Balloon Ball Drop to be held at Jake's Flea Market

September 4, 2010 at 8:00 AM

Rain Date: September 11, 2010 at 8:00 AM

You can purchase raffle tickets from any Lion's Club member.

\$2.00 a ball or 3 balls for \$5.00

For more information, call 610-845-2746.

**BALLY PLAYGROUND PROGRAM**

**July 26 to August 6, 2010**

**10:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

**Playground Program Director:**

**Carolyn Zimpfer**

**Open to all Borough and Non-Borough Children between the ages of 6 and 10.**

**Cost:**

**\$10.00 per Borough Child**

**\$20.00 per Non-Borough Child**

PLEASE WELCOME OUR NEW RESIDENTS

LAUREN SMITH

**REMINDER**

We want to remind everyone that grass is to be cut regularly and is not to exceed a length of 4 inches. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

**2010 TAX COLLECTION DATES**

County/Borough/School

Tax Collector: Beth Spaid

Location: 204 S. 7th Street, Bally, PA 19503

Collection Hours: 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM on

April 19, 20, 21, 24, 28, 29 \* June 29 \* August 18, 23, 24, 28, 30, 31 \*

October 27 and December 30

11:00 AM to 1:00 PM on April 24 and August 28

Anyone needing an appointment may call 610-845-9590 after 4:30 PM and I will also go to anyone's home to collect their taxes if they need me to. Anyone coming down to pay their taxes, please remember to check the dates to make sure I have hours that day. Thank You. Beth Spaid.

**\*\*\*If you have more than one bill, you may put all of the payments on one check.**

**SNOW INFORMATION**

Though winter is a faraway thought, the Borough would like to discuss some issues that we had over the Winter of 2009-2010. We all know that this was an unusually snowy winter. Bally has small plows. The Borough is not equipped for two feet of snow and it was hard for the crew to clear the streets any more than what they did. The cost of a large truck and plow is an estimated \$135,000 and often, we do not need anything larger than what we have.

We have several snow emergency routes in the Borough and many cars were left on parked on them over the winter. These routes must be open for safety purposes and your cars can be towed if you do not move them when a snow emergency is posted. Beginning this year, if a snow emergency is called and your car is on a snow emergency route, it **WILL BE TOWED** at your expense.

The Borough had some cases where snow was removed from the sidewalk and deposited into the street. Per Ordinance #174, no person shall deposit snow onto a Borough Street. You may be fined for this.

**General Information \* In Every Issue**

**Borough Council Monthly Meetings  
1st Tuesday at 7:00 PM at the Borough Hall. All residents are  
welcome to attend.**

**ASSISTANCE PROVIDED \* DOUG REICHLEY**

State Representative Doug Reichley, or one of his assistants are now located in the Bally Brook Industrial Park at 20 North Front Street. Office hours are Wednesday and Thursday from 9:30 AM—5:00 PM. This office serves Bally, Barto, Bechtelsville, Hereford, District and Washington Townships. They are there to assist residents in numerous areas, most especially Senior Citizens who need help with their taxes, or finding out what they are entitled to, such as rent rebates. Office Number: 610-845-1425



**BALLY RECYCLING PROGRAM**



**Curbside Pickup \* 2nd Saturday of every month  
at 9:00 AM**

**Aluminum beverage cans, tin cans, and clear, green and  
amber glass. Please make sure items are clean and  
separated.**

**IN CASE OF HEAVY RAIN OR SNOW \* PICKUP WILL  
BE CANCELLED**

**Magazines, junk mail, newspapers, and catalogs can be  
recycled by dropping them into the recycling bin  
located in the Bally Pool parking lot.**

**We need more volunteers for recycling. Please call  
Andrea Delo at 610-845-2351 if you are interested. Just  
one Saturday a year would be a great help!!!**

**BALLY COMMUNITY AMBULANCE**

2010 memberships are payable at Borough Hall or through the mail to the Ambulance Association. If you did not receive a membership form in the mail, they are available at Borough Hall.