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MEMORIAL DAY

A Memorial Day service will be held on Monday May 29th at 9:00 am at the Veteran's Memorial across from the Police Department. The Economy Borough Veteran's Memorial Association will oversee the event. Reverend Robert Harrison of the First Baptist Church of Economy will be present, as will the Air Force Reserve 911th Air Wing Honor Guard, the Ambridge Area Jr ROTC, Boy Scout Troop 414, the Economy Borough Senior Women's Club, and Alyson Matthews will sing the National Anthem. Refreshments will be provided following the service in the Municipal Building.



RETIRE YOUR AMERICAN FLAGS

Economy Boy Scout Troop 414 will begin accepting worn American Flags for proper retirement. You can drop off your worn or torn flags to the Scouts on the 2nd Saturday of each month during their regular morning recycling collection at the Borough Complex. Please note that only cloth flags will be accepted for retirement (no nylon or synthetic flags) and this service is only for Economy Borough residents. For more information visit their website at https://patroop414. wordpress.com/service-project/recycling/.

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RECYCLING

Yard Waste and Tree Limb Chipping permits are available at the Borough Office for \$25.00. The permit allows you to dump grass and yard waste (no tree limbs or bushes) in the yard waste dumpster located near the basketball court beyond the baseball field at the Municipal Park. Plastic bags cannot be put in the dumpster. Curbside tree limb chipping takes place on the first Monday of each month, April through November. Limbs can be up to 4 inches in diameter and no longer than 6 feet. No root balls. Call the Borough Office the week before the Monday chipping to be added to the list. This is for

residential use only; commercial users will be cited.

Cardboard recycling is done in containers located in the parking area behind the baseball field. Boxes must be flat. There is no charge for this and it is for residential use only.

Boy Scout Troop 414 will unload newsprint for recycling on the second Saturday of each month between 9 am and noon in front of the Public Works garage. They also recycle aluminum cans.

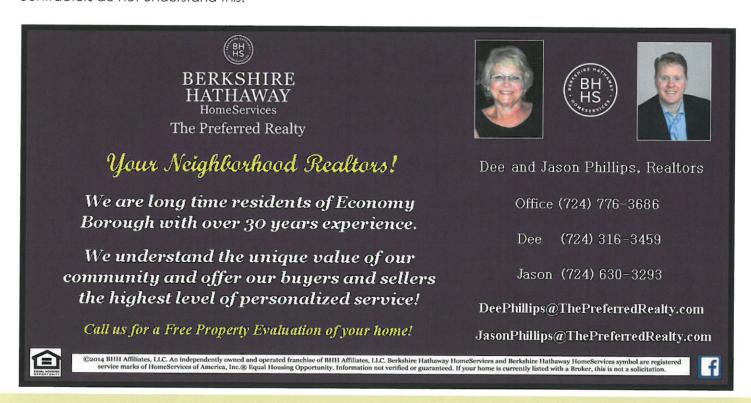
E-cycling: landfills are no longer allowed to take TVs, computers



and other electronic equipment. Brady's Run recycles these items for a fee, call 724-770-2064 as does ECS&R in Evans City, 724-432-3278; 129 Ash Stop Rd.

CODE ENFORCEMENT ISSUES

Nearly every construction project requires a building permit or a zoning permit. Before you build anything call 724-869-4779 x 5 to find out what the requirements are. For instance, fences require a zoning permit, some fence contractors do not understand this.



PICKLEBALL IN ECONOMY BOROUGH

What is pickleball? You may have heard of it, and you may have even seen some of our residents playing it. Pickleball combines elements of tennis, table tennis, badminton, and racquetball. The game is very easy to learn and is popular with all ages, including teenagers and senior citizens. It can be played indoors and outdoors. In Economy Borough, pickleball is played in two outdoor locations. Our original pickleball court is located behind the Municipal Building Complex (Conway Wallrose Road) on the basketball court right next to the baseball field. Four additional courts, located at Jeffrey Meddock Park on Recreation Drive off Mary Reed Road, offers residents one of the area's best locations for playing outdoor pickleball.

Pickleball is played on a court the size of a doubles badminton court. While paddles can be made of wood, most serious players prefer paddles made of graphite or a composite material. The ball used is similar to a whiffle ball, with the size of the holes in the ball dependent on whether the game is being played indoors or outdoors.

For more information about pickleball, the following websites are very helpful: azpickleball.com, usapa.org, pickleball.com and pickleballcentral.com There are numerous videos available to watch at www.youtube.com (search: pickleball videos). Go to usapa.org for an excellent source of videos and information on rules and strategies for both beginners and experienced players.

This summer, free pickleball instruction will be offered to adult residents on the first Saturdays of June, July and August from 9:00-10:00 am at the Jeffrey Meddock Park location. For more information and to register, please email Kathy at letsplaypickleball@gmail.com.



RETRACTION: LEAF BURNING

In the last edition of the Economy Connection in an article about the Volunteer Fire Department, residents were urged to be careful when burning leaves. Leaf burning is prohibited in the borough. Please do not burn leaves. An apology is offered to anyone who was confused or offended by this mistake.

LOST PET?

If your pet gets loose, or you see one running at large; the company to call is Animal Control Services, 724-503-4417. You can also call Beaver County Dispatch, 724-869-2813.

ECONOMY SENIOR CITIZENS LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS

The Economy Senior Citizens invite the borough's seniors to join their group. Economy residents aged 55 and older are eligible to join to make new friends and renew old acquaintances. Covered dish lunches

are held the first Thursday of each month at 1:00 pm in the Fire Department's Social Hall on Conway Wallrose Road. Bingo, cards and other activities follow some of the meetings. Annual dues of \$10.00 are all it will take to get started. To find out more please call Carmen Petroff at 724-266-6279.

FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

It has been a milder than usual winter and hopefully the snowy weather is over.

Public works employees will soon begin to sweep the roads. We have one street sweeper and each road will require multiple passes making the project of street sweeping several weeks long. We will then be focused on mowing road berms and a few projects to improve drainage issues.

Residents are encouraged to help keep streets clean by picking up litter, mowing their yards so grass clippings and leaves do not blow onto the road surface. Don't put anything into the drainage inlets as it will enter a waterway untreated. The borough appreciates your help in these matters.





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COYOTE SIGHTING INFORMATION

CROSSING A YARD OR A STREET

Coyotes are most frequently seen and heard during mating season (January – March) and when juveniles start leaving the family pack (September – November). While normally fearful of people, they can sometimes be spotted crossing yards or streets. This behavior is not unusual, especially in residential areas bordering on open space where coyotes find their natural habitat. This type of sighting generally requires no response – other than making sure that pets and children are secure and that there are no likely food attractants present in the area.

LOUNGING IN A YARD OR APPROACHING/FOLLOWING PEOPLE

Coyotes are naturally timid animals and will usually flee at the sight of a human. If they linger or approach, it's time to begin "hazing". This is a term applied to the following actions that can be taken to scare coyotes and chase them away:

- * Be as big and loud as possible. Do not run or turn your back.
- * Wave your arms, clap your hands, and shout in an authoritative voice.
- * Make noise by banging pots and pans or using an air horn or whistle.
- * Throw small stones, sticks, tennis balls or anything else you can lay your hands on. Remember the intent is to scare and not to injure.



- * Spray with a hose, if available, or a squirt gun filled with water and vinegar.
- * Shake or throw a "coyote shaker" a soda can filled with pennies or pebbles and sealed with duct tape.

The effects of hazing may not last unless all food attractants are permanently removed. This information should be shared with neighbors, friends and homeowner's associations since hazing is most effective when the entire neighborhood is working together.

Hazing should never be attempted if the coyote is accompanied by pups or appears to be sick or injured. In those cases, make a report to the local police.

FAILING TO RESPOND TO HAZING

Some coyotes may freeze and stare, or run a short distance and stop. Hazing should be continued until the coyote gets the message and finally leaves the scene. Hazing can work whether the encounter is with a lone coyote or a small pack. If the leader retreats, the rest of the pack will follow. If the coyote refuses to retreat or returns to the area despite persistent hazing, it may be due to the fact that someone is feeding coyotes nearby. This is a cause for concern and should be reported to the local police or animal control officer.

APPROACHING A PET OR A CHILD

Small pets and children should never be left unattended, and dogs should always be walked on a leash. Problems are more likely to occur when the animal is out of the owner's control. It can also be helpful to carry a noisemaker, squirt gun or pepper spray. If a coyote approaches, pick up the pet or child, then start hazing, if the coyote does not leave, back away slowly while continuing to haze and go indoors if possible. Any aggressive behavior should be reported to the local police or animal control officer.

INFORMATION FROM COYOTE SMARTS:

http://www.coyotesmarts.org/what-to-do/

THIS N THAT

The 1972 Clean Water Act affected many businesses and directed clean-up efforts following its adoption. Most of us had no part in the implementation and by now there are many who probably haven't heard of it.

For a number of years the Act has been hitting closer to home as municipalities are having to comply with storm water standards that for decades weren't even on the back burner due to all the work that had to be done ahead of storm water. Due in part to the Act we now have a variety of fish thriving in nearby rivers that at one point, not that long ago, only had carp and catfish. One requirement is to educate the public about what is and isn't allowed to happen with storm water. Nothing but storm water is allowed to go into storm water systems. One of the first things the Borough had to do was map every drainage swale and outfall. All outfalls have to be tested on a rotating basis, and if contamination is found we're required to track down and treat the source. Consider how large our borough is, with all the hills and valleys, and you can start to see how much storm water we have to keep track of. In the not too distant future you will begin to feel some of the effects of the 45 year old legislation. Stay tuned.

Swimming pools: just a reminder, pools require a building permit, as does just about anything that you might put up on your property. Please check first by calling Ray at 724-869-4779 x5. By the time you get this newsletter everyone should be well into grass cutting. If you notice tall grass that isn't being cut, let Ray know right away. We can encourage/cite the owner, have the grass cut and place a lien against the property. The sooner we find out about this the better.

Big Sewickley Creek Road Bridge replacement - If you regularly use Big Sewickley Creek Road you're already aware of the bridge replacement projects taking place there. First was the bridge just beyond Wexford Bayne Road, then the bridge near Turkey Foot Road, and then the one near Camp Meeting Road and finally from mid-July through mid-August the bridge just to the right of Conway Wallrose Road will be replaced. The official detour is over 27 miles long and likely won't be used by too many, in other words we can expect increased traffic on local roads that the borough cannot do much about. To learn more about these replacement projects go to www.P3for PA.pa.gov.

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A WORD OF APPRECIATION FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

The members of the Fire Department would like to thank you for supporting our Christmas food drive. We collected enough food to fill up a truck and deliver it to our local food bank.

Also, we would like to thank you for supporting our recent fish fry held on Friday evenings. It takes a lot of man power and energy to put this event on during the Lenten season, but this is another fund raiser we conduct to help defray the cost of running this Fire Department.

and a word of caution

This is brush fire season. Residents are outside cleaning their yards from the debris accumulated during the

winter season. A large amount of weeds and tree limbs present a problem when people want to burn them. This is not an issue if a burn barrel is used for this, but too large of a pile can cause a brush fire to break out. We urge you to be careful. A light breeze can turn a small fire into an out of control one. Do not

hesitate to call the fire department if this happens. Fire Chief Jake Thomas wants to remind all residents they need permission from him if you want to burn a large pile of debris.

An interesting question was presented to one of our fire fighters recently. A student in school asked him during Fire Prevention Week this: "Is it hard being a fireman?" What a unique question from a young person

to ask because there is no easy answer. But there are many factors to look at. First we are all volunteers. To become active in a fire department a person must be willing to put in a lot of free time. The state law requires 176 hours of state training just to start. This costs \$300.00 per person. But to equip each fire fighter with turn out gear is \$8,000.00 per man or woman. After completing this training our fire department meets three nights each month to practice various techniques for regular and specialized training. In addition all members participate in First Aid class every year. Also we have members who are certified as First Responders for medical emergencies. We assist our local Economy Ambulance with emergency

calls. By being a volunteer, we give up our time to train, answer for help calls and put our lives danger help keep the community safe. In Pennsylvania volunteers make up 97% of all firefighters. alarming aspect is that the number volunteers of across the state are decreasing rapidly. Many departments

call on mutual aid for the normal calls due to lack of man power. Fortunately we are not in this situation. Our numbers are strong. We have a good working relationship with our residents and our elected people on Council. Hopefully this trend will continue. We are always looking for new members. If you are interested please contact one of our members.

CONTACT INFORMATION

The Borough Offices have a new phone system and some of the extensions have changed.

BOROUGH OFFICE 724-869-4779

| Secretary | x2 |
|---------------------------------|----------------|
| Office Assistant | x3 |
| Borough Code Enforcement | x5 |
| Building Inspector (BIU) | 1-800-922-6062 |
| Building Inspector (MDIA) | 1-866-884-6343 |
| Borough Manager | x 1 |
| Road Foreman | x4 |
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| Station 3 | 724-869-4381 | | |

OTHER IMPORTANT CONTACTS (NON-EMERGENCY)

| Economy Ambulance | 724-266-9111 |
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| Property Tax Collector | 724-869-7092 |
| Emergency Management | 724-876-0377 |
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