

## **EBENSBURG BULLETIN**



Official Publication of Ebensburg Borough

### A FOND FAREWELL TO THE CHIEF

It is truly the end of an era for residents of Ebensburg Borough. After 40 years of service, Chief Terry Wyland worked his final shift as the Ebensburg Borough Chief of Police on Friday, June 30th. Words cannot express our gratitude for his years of exemplary service, his professional demeanor and his grace and class under the most difficult of circumstances. The protection and service he has given to the residents and businesses of Ebensburg over the past 40 years has been truly remarkable. Thank you, Chief Wyland, as you embark



on a new chapter of what we can only hope will be a long and happy retirement.

### Ebensburg Borough's Long-time Solicitor Steps Down After 50 Years of Service

Long-time local attorney Blair Pawlowski recently decided to step away from his official duties as Ebensburg Borough Solicitor. Attorney Pawlowski was initially nominated and appointed as Solicitor at the January 28, 1974 meeting of Ebensburg Borough Council, making 2023 his 50th year of service. Blair is the definition of the consummate solicitor who has served his community with honor and integrity throughout his tenure by providing timely and sage legal advice across a wide range of borough matters. Pawlowski's law firm, Pawlowski, Long & Gribler, will continue to represent Ebensburg Borough with Attorney Matt Gribler as the Borough's newly appointed Solicitor.

### 'Ebensburg Water Alerts' to Replace 'SwiftReach 911'

Ebensburg Borough and Municipal Authority are replacing the SwiftReach notification system that alerts customers when there is an issue effecting their water service area.



'Ebensburg Water Alerts' will be the new system, powered through the Smart911.com website. All existing users in the SwiftReach system have been uploaded into the new system, however, we encourage users to login to insure that all their contact information is current. Also, users may now customize how they would like to receive these alerts; via text, voice, email or all of the above. Additional household members and phone numbers can also be added under an existing account.

For anyone who has not yet registered, please take a moment to set-up your account now at https://ebensburgpa.com/eburgwateralerts.

**July 2023** 

### Inside this issue:

2

3

5

6

7

Parking Reminders, Concerts in the Park

E-Bikes, Junior Councilor & Alley Ways

New Business 4
Openings,
Crosswalk Safety

Homecoming Events & Pool Information

Farmer's Market, Tennis Center, Bike & Boat

YPCC & Summer Tennis Clinics

Event Calendar

## Borough Council

Doug Tusing, President
Cecilia Houser, V. President
Jeffrey Ball
Theresa Jacoby
Dave Kuhar
Robert Miller
Michael Owatt
Mayor Randy Datsko

Ebensburg Borough 300 West High Street Ebensburg, PA 15931 814-472-8780 www.ebensburgpa.com





### **PET WASTE CLEAN-UP REMINDER**

Please be aware, it is against the law to leave pet waste on any sidewalks, streets, parks, playgrounds, in stormwater drains or on any public or private property without the permission of the property owner. This offense is punishable by law and carries a fine of up to \$600.00

Pet waste should be bagged and taken to either a public waste receptable or to the pet owner's home to be disposed of. Please DO NOT throw pet waste of any kind—bagged or not— into someone's private, residential garbage can. And DO NOT leave bagged waste lying on the ground or on any public or private property. This is also punishable by law.

Pet waste bags are available in Veterans Park, at the YPCC Trailhead and the soon-to-be-opened Ebensburg Dog Park. Please use these waste bags when necessary.



### IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING

If you see something in our community that you think needs to be addressed, please let us know! Examples of that could be:

- Inappropriate graffiti
- Broken or faulty equipment that could pose a safety risk
- Litter or dumping sites
- Vandalism of any kind

Please report these types of issues to the borough office, either by calling the main office at 814-472-8780 or emailing eburg@ebensburgpa.com.

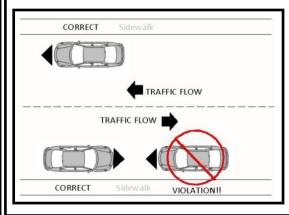
Additionally, if you see something suspicious, call 9-1-1 for immediate attention, or the non-emergency number to have an officer dispatched: 814-472-2100. Emails may also be sent to police@ebensburgpa.com.

### **PARKING REMINDERS:**

## PARKING AGAINST THE FLOW OF TRAFFIC IS A YEAR ROUND VIOLATION

When parking on borough streets, please remember that all vehicles must be parked WITH the flow of traffic. This means that your passenger side door is to be against the curb and driver side door must be open to the roadway. This violation carries a fine of \$15.00 and will be enforced YEAR ROUND.

Additionally, if a sidewalk is part of your driveway, you cannot use the sidewalk as part of your driveway. A fine of \$15.00 for blocking the sidewalk may be incurred.





### **ELECTRIC BIKES COMING SOON TO THE YPCC!**

The YPCC was recently awarded a grant through the Community Foundation for the Alleghenies to purchase two electric bikes. Two Aventon Step-Through e-bikes will be arriving soon and will be available to rent.

What is an e-bike? An electric bike, or e-bike, is any bicycle with an electric motor that propels you forward through assistance while pedaling or using a throttle. This motor draws power from a rechargeable battery connected to the frame. When you pedal, a torque sensor will measure how much effort you are putting in and match that to the motor's power output. The idea is that the motor won't completely take over; instead, you should get consistent power delivery that won't send the bike lurching forward.

With electric power, bicycles can be used for more jobs and by a larger percentage of the population, thanks to reducing the physical demands of riding in hilly areas, fighting headwinds, or carrying cargo.

# EBENSBURG BOROUGH JUNIOR COUNCILOR OPPORTUNITY

Since 2002, Ebensburg Borough Council has had several local high school students serve as junior councilors. The Junior Councilor program provides youth in the community with an opportunity



to get engaged in borough government and develop leadership skills. It also affords them the opportunity to meet and work directly with community leaders.

The junior council member is a non-voting member of Council, but is permitted to participate fully in all proceedings of Council, with the exception of executive sessions.

If you know a local high school or college student that may be interested in serving as a junior councilor, they may submit a brief letter of interest to eburg@ebensburgpa.com.

Junior Councilors must be borough residents and are required to attend Council's monthly meetings which take place on the 4th Monday of each month in Council Chambers at the Ebensburg Municipal Building.

### EBENSBURG'S ALLEY WAYS - HOW CAN THEY BE USED?

A common question often asked by residents is who owns Ebensburg alley ways, who can use them and how?

Across Ebensburg, alleys were included in a street plot many years ago but were never formally ordained or opened by the borough. The borough has long since lost any right to now open the alley or ordain it as a street. These non-ordained alleys were commonly used to haul coal into and ashes out of a residence. Some provide access to a garage at the rear of the property. Some of the alleys are cinder-based and utilized by traffic, and others are grass and are never traveled. If the public has previously been permitted to utilize the alley, they cannot now be deprived of that right of use.

If the alley constitutes the sole access to a particular parcel of property, that parcel cannot now be denied that access. Property owners are not permitted to construct anything on the alley, as that would violate zoning setbacks. No property owner is permitted to store any materials on the alley, or to park a vehicle on the alley, as the property is not his/hers. Property owners abutting an alley are responsible for its maintenance, just as they are a sidewalk in front of their property.

There have been occasions in the past in which ALL contiguous property owners have agreed to petition to have the alley abandoned. Generally speaking, the borough does not object to such a joint effort. The borough has no ownership interest in the alley, and would in most cases support such a joint petition by waiving any interest it has or may have. An exception would be a case in which a borough-owned water or sewer line is located in the alley. The petition would be filed with the courts, and if successful, the alley would be divided between the contiguous properties.

# EBENSBURG WELCOMES NEW BUSINESSES



Bono's Custom Leather 3135 New Germany Road Ebg Mini Mall, Suite 9 830-733-0864



Homebrew Supply

1608 North Center Street bootleggershbs@gmail.com 814-418-7414



Stahl Sheaffer Engineering 101 W. High Street www.stahlsheaffer.com info@stahlsheaffer.com

### **The Backroom Saloon**

3133 New Germany Road (Rear Entrance) Ebensburg Mini Mall 814-419-8764

High Street Emporium
Opening Under New Management, August 1st
205 West High Street
814-472-6990

### **Ebensburg Swimming Pool Improvement Project**

Work will begin this fall on an extensive swimming pool improvement project that will include the replacement of gutters, repairing of tile work and the zero-depth beach entry access. The project will be partially funded with a \$134,600.00 grant that was received through the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Local Share Account Grant. The work will be completed in the off-season and the pool will be ready to go for the 2024 swimming season.



### **CROSSWALK SAFETY**

By law, vehicle drivers are required to stop for pedestrians at all crosswalks. Crosswalks within the borough are clearly marked with a sign similar to the one seen here. Pedestrians are considered "IN" the crosswalk if at least one foot is off the curb with the intent to cross. Failure to stop for pedestrians within the crosswalk is a violation of state and local law and the fine for this violation is \$25.00 — along with an additional fee of \$129.50 for court costs — for a total of \$154.50. Help keep our streets safe by yielding at all crosswalks.











Join the YPCC (Young Peoples Community Center) for their monthly Bingo nights! Tickets are \$25.00 if preregistered, and \$30.00 at the door. Tickets include 18 games, as well as pizza, chips and water. Rip tickets and 50/50 are available for purchase, as well as a \$50.00 Fast Bingo game and \$500.00 jackpot game. Each month, the YPCC partners with a different local non-profit and the proceeds are split. Mark your calendar for July 14th for the next Bingo night! Follow the Young Peoples Community Center on Facebook to receive notifications on when the next monthly Bingo night will be hosted.



### **REMINDER - GARAGE SALE & OTHER YARD SIGNS**

Posting signs for garage sales, lost & found or any other purpose on telephone poles or sign or light posts is PROHIBITED. Get a permit before holding any type of yard sale. They're **FREE**! The permit explains the rules regarding what type of signs and number of signs permitted. Signs attached to utility or street poles are removed by borough staff as soon as they are noticed. Be sure to follow these guidelines so you don't waste your time and money.

## Homecoming Schedule Saturday, July 29th

	<i>j</i>			
Time	Event	Location		
All Day	Community Yard Sale	Throughout Ebensburg		
8 am - 2 pm	Book Sale			
8 am - 4 pm	Yard Sale	Ehonoburg Combrio		
9 am - 2 pm	Bake Sale	Ebensburg Cambria Public Library		
8 am - 2:30 pm	Basket Raffle (Drawing at 2:30 pm)	225 W. Highland Ave.		
0 am - 2.00 pm	(Drawing at 2.00 pm)			
7 am - 2 pm	Indoor Yard Sale	Bishop Carroll High School		
8 am - 12 pm	Indoor Flea Market	Holy Name Church Hall 500 N. Julian St.		
8 am - 2 pm	Yard Sale, Basket Raffle & Food Sales	Ebensburg VFW 120 W. Sample St.		
9 am	Homecoming 5K & 15K	Ghost Town Trail YPCC Trailhead *Hosted by Friends of CCXC		
9 am - 11 am	Kid's Fishing Derby	Lake Rowena *Hosted by Lions Club		
9 am - 12 pm	Farmer's Market	Penn Eben Park		
9 am - 5 pm	Open House and Free Tennis Lessons	Ebensburg Tennis Center		
11 am - 4 pm	Bridal Flea Market	K & K Bridal 206 E. High Street		
1 pm - 5 pm	Cambria Elementary PTO Goodwill Fundraiser	Ebensburg Cambria Public Library		
5 pm	Free Backpack Giveaway (While supplies last)	Lake Rowena Pavilion *Hosted by Cambria Summit ABATE		
4 pm - 8:30 pm	Hogue's Fun Factory Good Times Ice Cream Bona's Pizza	Lake Rowena		
5 pm - 8 pm	Basket Raffle			
7 pm - 10 pm	Live Music by <b>TBD</b>	Lake Rowena *Hosted by Ebensburg Main Street Partnership		
Dusk	Fireworks Show on the Lake			

## Downtown Shutdown

Friday, July 28th, 7 pm to 11 pm

Live Music Starting at 8 pm by:

### The Uptown Band

Be sure to bring your chairs, blankets, coolers & friends!



# AFTER HOURS WATER & WASTEWATER EMERGENCIES

If residents experience a water or wastewater emergency after hours, and it has been determined that the issue can only be resolved by the borough's public works department, then the Ebensburg Borough Police non-emergency dispatch number should be called at 814-472-2100 and the issue reported. At that point, Ebensburg Borough Police will contact the appropriate public works staff member to determine the best course of action.

### TAX COLLECTOR CORNER

Keep in mind that school real estate tax bills were mailed on July 1st. If you did not receive your tax bill, please contact the tax collector at 814-846-4764. You are still responsible for paying your tax bill on time even if you don't receive your notice. If you are paying at discount, the bills MUST be post-marked by August 31, 2023. Please note, the school no longer has a per capita tax.

### **Ebensburg Swimming Pool Information**

Hours: Monday - Thursday; 12 pm - 7 & Friday; 12 pm - 6 pm

Multi-Visit Passes Admission Rates Five Day Minimum Purchase

Adult (19-54 yrs. old) \$30/\$6 day Child (4-18 yrs. old) \$20/\$4 day Senior (55+ yrs. old) \$20/\$4 day Seasonal
Pool Passes Rate
Individual Adult \$135
Individual Child/Sr. \$110

Free admission for children under three and free admission with valid military ID.





This year's Farmer's Market will begin on Saturday, July 8th and will end September 23rd. The Market is held every Saturday, from 9 AM to Noon in Penn Eben Park. This year's market will feature items from local growers including: fruits, veggies, herbs, fresh-cut flowers, honey, nuts, maple syrup, chicken/pork/beef and delicious home baked goodies! There will be vendors onsite who accept PA Dept of Ag. produce vouchers. Follow the "Ebensburg Farmer's Market" on Facebook!





# Ebensburg Tennis Center



The summer tennis season has begun at the Ebensburg Tennis Center. If you are looking to tune up your game or just get started, the center offers both individual and group lessons by USPTA certified professional, Jamie Taylor. Ask about our junior tennis program or take part in an adult clinic. In need of someone to play with? Join a "flex league." These leagues are available for juniors or adults of all ability levels. The tennis center also offers court rental for play on the indoor and outdoor courts. The center is open for member and non member play.

Tennis memberships at the Ebensburg Tennis Center will provide you with 24 hour access to the facility and an online court reservation book. Listed below are memberships costs-memberships are based on an annual fee.

Out of town memberships are for those who live 40 miles away from the center.

Summer memberships are available. The summer membership gets you full membership privileges and began June 1 and runs thru September 6. The summer membership is perfect for students in town for the summer or someone interested in trying tennis for the first time. All memberships can be pro-rated to an annual membership after the summer memberships expire. Our membership rates are below.

Visit www.ebensburgtenniscenter.com or call 814-471-2980 for more information.

ANNUAL RATES						
Single	\$160	Out of Town Single	\$70			
Single Family	\$210	Out of Town Family	\$125			
Junior	\$65					

SUMMER SPECIALS					
Single	\$50				
Family	\$90				
Junior	\$30				

### Bike & Pedal Boat Rentals Available

- Bike rentals include a helmet. Children 12 and under are required to wear a helmet per PA Law.
- Pedal boat rentals include life jackets. Children 12 and under are required to wear a life jacket per PA Law.
- Must sign Waiver of Liability form before renting.
- Must provide driver's license and leave car keys.

BIKE PRICING: Adult/1 Hour/\$8 Youth

Full Day/\$32

PEDAL BOAT: \$8/Hour per boat

Youth/1 Hour/\$6 Full Day/\$24





# Young Peoples Community Center

HOURS OF OPERATION

Mon - Fri: 9 am - 9 pm / Sat: 10 am - 9 pm / Sun: 12 pm - 9 pm **Phone:** 814.472.4277 www.ebensburgpa.com

### Monthly Gym Membership Fees:

Single/Adult \$30.00 Seniors (55+)/Military/Student \$25.00

~ See website for current group and family rates. ~

#### \* DISCOUNT SPECIAL \*

PURCHASE 3 MONTHS & RECEIVE THE 4TH FREE! PURCHASE 6 MONTHS & RECEIVE 2 FOR FREE! PURCHASE 9 MONTHS AND RECEIVE 3 FOR FREE!

Regular exercise, proper nutrition, stress management, and other good lifestyle habits are more important than ever before. At the same time, it is more difficult to find the time in today's fast-paced society to focus on your physical fitness and wellness. The YPCC is ideal for those looking to improve their physical fitness because it offers first-rate equipment in an intimate state-of-the-art facility at very low fees.

~ Members 18 and older may purchase a key fob for 24-hour access. ~

# **Summer Clinics at the Ebensburg Tennis Center**

Adult Intermediate/Advanced Clinic: This clinic places emphasis on establishing the correct technique on all of the shots: forehand, backhand, volley, etc. Focus on match play situations. NTRP rating of 3.0 to 4.0 is recommended for this clinic. Mondays 11 AM - 12:30 PM, Wed. 5 - 6:30 PM June 6th - Aug 31, 2022 (Taught by Jamie). Cost: Member: \$20; Non-Member: \$22

**Beginner Clinic:** The beginner tennis clinic is back! This clinic will focus on teaching students the correct technique and form. An emphasis will be placed on getting the student ready to play the game. Drills will focus on match and game plan scenarios. This clinic is available to adults and juniors, recommended age for juniors is 14 and above. **Tuesday 5-6 PM June 7 - Aug 30, 2022** (Taught by Jamie). *Cost: Member: \$14; Non-Member: \$15* 

We are having our first ever junior tennis camp at the center! The camp will be an all-day camp. Children ages 6 through 17 are welcomed. We will have three staff members conducting the camp and will be able to accommodate all ages and levels of play. This camp will be ideal for children looking to improve their tennis skills, learn the fundamentals of the game and prepare for upcoming high school tennis seasons!! There will be three camp sessions offered throughout the summer, you can attend one, two or all three weeks, June 19 through 22, June 26 through 29 and July 24 through 27. The camp will run from 10 am - 2 pm.

### Cost for the camp:

Just morning session tennis and no lunch or match play - \$125 member for the week - \$135 non-member for the week All day, lunch-included and match play session - \$175 member for the week - \$190 non-member for the week

\*All campers will receive an Ebensburg Tennis Center Summer Junior Camp T-shirt!\*

\*If any camper who decides to stay for the lunch session has any food allergy concerns or issues with certain foods, please let me know beforehand so we can special order food. Most lunches will be basic sandwiches and sports drinks or water.\*

\*We will need a minimum of 15 campers to host the weekly camp.\*

Please call or drop by the center to register, sign-ups will be on the bulletin board at the center. If anyone has any questions about the camps please do not hesitate to reach out.



PRSRT STD U.S. POSTAGE PAID ALTOONA, PA PERMIT #150



Use this QR code or "quick response" code to visit the Ebensburg Borough website - to access it, scan with your smartphone camera and tap on the link that pops up.

# **Ebensburg Community Events**

### Movie in the Park\*

June 9 & July 7 Veterans Memorial Park

### Farmer's Market\*

Saturdays, 9 AM - 12 PM July 8 - September 23 Penn Eben Park

### **Concerts in the Park\***

July 14, 21, August 4, 11, 18 & 25 6 pm - 9 pm at Penn Eben Park

### **Downtown Shutdown\***

Friday, July 28, 6 - 11 PM Downtown Ebensburg

### **Ebensburg Homecoming\***

Saturday, July 29 Ebensburg Area & Lake Rowena

### Festival of Books in the Alleghenies

September 16 Downtown Ebensburg

### **American Legion County Fair**

Always Labor Day Week September 3 - 9 Cambria County Fairgrounds

### **Ebensburg PotatoFest\***

Saturday, September 30, 9 AM - 5 PM

### Fall Foliage Ride\*

Sunday, October 8 Ghost Town Trail

### Halloween Parade & Trick-or-Treat\*

Sunday, October 29

### **Ebensburg Turkey Trot**

Hosted by Ebensburg Area Running Club Thursday, November 23 www.ebensburgrunners.org

### **Small Business Saturday\***

Saturday, November 25

### **Dickens of a Christmas\***

December 1 - 3 Downtown Ebensburg

\*Sponsored by Ebensburg Main Street Partnership ~ www.ebensburgmainstreet.com