

BOROUGH IMPROVEMENTS ALL AROUND

LED STREET LIGHTS

In 2013, the Borough Electric Department began replacing 150 watt High Pressure Sodium street light heads and 175 watt Mercury Vapor street light heads with energy efficient 65 watt LED bulbs on Sacony Alley, Sander Alley and West Walnut Street. So far, in 2014, the 49 area lights in the park have been replaced with Lineman Kerry Eckert installing an

LED bulbs, which lowered



LED street light head.

the energy used per light pole from 175 watts to 40 watts. Other targeted areas for LED replacements this year are West Main Street, from College Boulevard to Constitution Boulevard, as well as Noble Street and South Whiteoak Street.

MAIN STREET DECORATIVE STREET LIGHT PROJECT

In August, 2013, after receiving an estimate of \$85,000 to install five new decorative street lights, the Borough decided to use its own workforce to complete the job on West Main Street, from Whiteoak Street to Strausser Alley. Two lights were installed last year on the south side of Main Street and three lights will be installed on the north side of Main



Electric Department employees installing a decorative street light.

Street this summer. The estimated expense for this project is \$20,000 - saving the Borough \$65,000!

BOROUGH INFO

Borough Admin and Community Development Offices Monday through Friday* | 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. *Except holidays (listed on Web site)

Borough Council Meetings

Third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Train Station (all other meetings listed on Web site)

NORTH PARK

North Park, located on Krumsville Road, is now complete! Fronting the Sacony Creek, the one-mile walking trail loops around the site of the old Borough Pool. Features of the park include foot bridges that go over a hand-laid brick swale, a picnic

pavilion with small charcoal grill, a gazebo, and horseshoe pits for everyone to enjoy. Public restrooms are also within close proximity of the other buildings. To get to North

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Park, travel north on Route 737 and turn left after Eagle Point Road (before Sweet Corn Drive). Follow the road past the office building parking lot and keep right at the fork (after the bridge).

WATER DEPARTMENT PROJECTS

The East Main Street Water Line Replacement project starts east of Elm Street and runs through to North Constitution Boulevard. The size of the water main is being increased from a 4" cast iron pipe to an 8" ductile iron pipe. New three quarter inch copper water service is also being installed to each home, as well as new curb stops and curb boxes. In addition, all of the fire hydrants will be replaced along this stretch of East Main Street.

The Water Treatment Plant Building Expansion is a training building that will accommodate all Borough utility departments'

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COMMUNITY INTEREST



Bicentennial Events Planned for 2015

The celebration for the 200th anniversary of the incorporation of Kutztown as a Borough in Pennsylvania will be held from July 25 through August 2, 2015. There are a variety of activities already planned for this celebration, with more in the pipeline!

JULY 25 - AUGUST 2, 2015 Decoration Contest

SATURDAY, JULY 25, 2015 Muscle on Main

SUNDAY, JULY 26, 2015 Family Movie Night

MONDAY, JULY 27, 2015 Walking History Tour of Kutztown

> TUESDAY, JULY 28, 2015 Bicentennial 5K Run

WEDNESDAY, JULY 29, 2015 Ice Cream Social

THURSDAY, JULY 30, 2015 Brew & Que

FRIDAY, JULY 31, 2015 Dinner on Main Street

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1, 2015 Bicentennial Parade

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 2015 Kutztown Day

For the most up-to-date information about the 2015 celebration, visit www.kutztownboro.org/bicentennial., or find Kutztown Bicentennial on Facebook.

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efforts for continuing education classes to keep up-to-date on the many frequently changing regulations.

On the same site, the **Nitrate Removal System** project is an upgrade that will enable the removal of nitrates from the well water that supplies the Water Treatment Plant.



Water Treatment Plant Building Expansion

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT

The Borough's Wastewater Treatment Plant project, which began in October of 2012, is due for final completion by the end of July. The project included a phosphorous removal system with a bulk chemical storage building; a UV disinfection system which replaces the gas chlorine disinfection system; an

enclosure over the screenings removal system; a new larger diameter outfall pipe for discharge into the Sacony Creek; and the demolition and replacement of the original Wastewater Treatment Plant control building that was constructed in 1939.



Control Building, left; Maintenance Building, center; and Garage, right

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See the full schedule at www.kutztownboro.org

COMMUNITY INTEREST



Library Summer Reading Program

Come to the Kutztown Community Library this summer and "Fizz Boom Read!" Children are encouraged to read, listen, explore and learn all summer long. All kids from birth through high school can participate by keeping track of the amount of time they read or are read to and earn prizes. **The Summer Reading Program runs from June 9 through August 17**, so there is plenty of time to join in the fun! Check out some of these events:

Weekly Programs

Toddler Time for children ages 0-3 will be held on Mondays at 11:00 a.m.: June 9 – August 11.

Preschool Story Time for children ages 3-5 will be held on Mondays at 10:00 a.m.: June 9 – August 11.

StoryRiders Story Time for children ages 0-5 will be held on Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m.: June 18 – July 23.

Elementary Programs for children who have completed Kindergarten through 5th grade will be held on Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.: June 12 – August 14.

Teen Programs for students who have completed 6^{th} grade and up will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Mondays: June 16 – August 4. Come Spark a Reaction at the library!

> * No Programs the week of July 4 * (Monday, June 30 through Thursday, July 3)

Need More!?

The Library's Web site is the place to go to find out what specific events will be held each week — Visit **www.kutztownlibrary.org**. And stop in the library to see what special events are happening daily!

Library Hours

Monday – Thursday: 9:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Friday: 9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Saturday: 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Tree Tagging in the Park

Have you noticed the trees in Kutztown Park are wearing something new?

Every tree in the park over six feet tall was tagged, mapped, and inventoried last summer in a project led by Dr. Todd Underwood, EAC member and Kutztown University (KU) Biology Professor. With the help of Robert Roos, a KU Environmental Science student, 567 trees were tagged with a small aluminum disc bearing a number and their GPS coordinates were recorded. Each tree and its corresponding number were entered into a spreadsheet with information regarding the type of tree and its location, as well as any obvious health issues.



Laura Kaufmann, a recent KU Geography graduate, used the GPS coordinates of each tree to produce a set of detailed maps of the park with the locations of each tree along with all of the buildings and other park features. The mapping phase of the project was supervised by Dr. Robert Ziegenfus, a KU Geography professor. The tree inventory and maps will be used by the Borough's Public Works Department to monitor trees in need of trimming or removal, or trees that need to be examined by an arborist. The comprehensive list also helps to keep track of the species of trees already present in the park and to ensure a diversity of species as new trees are added.

Please do not remove the tags from the trees, and if a tag is found in the park, it should be returned to the Public Works Department.

2014 CONCERT SERIES IN THE KUTZTOWN PARK BAND SHELL

May 14 (Wed)	6:30–9:00 p.m.	Kutztown High School Show Choir & Jazz Band
May 28 (Wed)	6:30–8:30 p.m.	Kutztown Middle School Jazz Band
May 31 (Sat)	7:00-9:00 p.m.	Frog Holler
June 10 (Tues)	7:30–9:00 p.m.	Flag Day Concert — Kutztown Community Choir
June 14 (Sat)	7:00-9:00 p.m.	The Cramer Brothers Band
June 21 (Sat)	7:00-9:00 p.m.	Swing Fever
June 28 (Sat)	7:00–9:15 p.m.	The 6o's Boys
July 5 (Sat)	7:00-9:00 p.m.	The Wallace Brothers
July 12 (Sat)	7:00-9:00 p.m.	The Mighty Manatees
July 19 (Sat)	5:30-7:30 p.m.	The Happy Dutchmen German Band At Kutztown Fairgrounds Main Stage (Kutztown Optimist Club Community Days)
July 26 (Sat)	7:00-9:00 p.m.	Ben Mauger's Roaring 20's & Dixieland Band
August 3 (Sun)	3, 4:30, 7:30 p.m	. Kutztown Day — The Allentown Band Sponsored by Lehigh Valley Health Network
August 7 (Thurs)	7:00–9:00 p.m.	Kutztown School District Summer Band

Park Facility Reservations

2014 reservations will be accepted any time and 2015 reservations will be accepted on or after October 1, 2014.

A letter of request must be submitted to the Public Works Committee, at least 30 days in advance, for consideration of special events in the park, Scooter Building, Roller Rink or Band Shell.

Fees must be paid to the Borough no later than five days after the reservation is made, except for reservations made less than fifteen days prior to the event, which must be paid on the day the reservation is made.

The following buildings are available for rental:

BUILDING	<u>CAPACITY</u>
Band Shell*	100
Scooter Building*	130
Brick Pavilion	50-100
Ceres Pavilion*	50-60
Flora Pavilion	50-60
Pomone Pavilion	50-60

* Not available for rent on the first Sunday in August (Kutztown Day).

DATES	DATE	EVENT	LOCATION IN THE PARK
AT	5/30 – 6/1	KYAA Boys 9 & Under, 12 & Under Baseball Tournament	All Upper Fields
Ω	6/21 – 6/22	KYAA Girls 12 and Under Softball Tournament	KYAA Sr. and Softball Fields
L Z	7/11 – 7/13	KYAA Boys 10 and Under Baseball Tournament	All Upper Fields
TA	7/19 – 7/20	KYAA Girls 14 and Under Softball Tournament	KYAA Sr. and Softball Fields
K	7/26 – 7/27	KYAA Girls 16 and Under Softball Tournament	KYAA Sr. and Softball Fields
MPORTANT	9/6 – 11/9	Kutztown Cougar Youth Football/Cheerleading Games held every Saturday and Sunday	Park Multi-Purpose Field

BOROUGH OF KUTZTOWN SWIMMING POOL 2014 SEASON TICKET PRICES

Bo	rough Residents	Non-Borough Residents
FAMILY Parents & children incl. high school seniors residing in the same household	\$170	\$225
ADULTS Over 18 years of age	\$110	\$155
Special Late Afternoon Season Ticket Option*	\$95	\$ 140
STUDENTS Incl. current year high school graduates & college students with valid II Special Late Afternoon Season Ticket Option*	\$ \$100 \$ 85	\$145 \$ 130

* Special Late Afternoon Season Tickets are available to individuals and are valid after 4 p.m. until closing on weekdays and any time on weekends during pool hours.

SENIOR CITIZENS FREE admission for Kutztown Borough Senior Citizens 62 years of age or older who obtain complimentary tickets at the Kutztown Municipal Building.

◆ SEASON PASSES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE AND NON-TRANSFERRABLE. ◆

There will be a charge of \$25/pass for lost season passes — no exceptions.

POOL HOURS

12 – 8 p.m. (June 7 - July) • 12 – 7 p.m. (Aug. & Sept. 1)

Evening hours extended, weather permitting and at the discretion of the Borough

Swimming Pool will be open daily, subject to staff availability and weather permitting, through September 1, 2014.

NO SEASON TICKETS SOLD AT THE POOL .

GENERAL ADMISSION

	Kutztown School <u>District (KSD) Resident</u>	Non-KSD <u>Resident</u>
ADULTS	\$8	\$12
Over 18 years of age (inclu	ding Senior Citizens)	
STUDENTS/CHILDREN\$6\$10Incl. ages 3 through high school seniors & KU students with valid ID		
CHILDREN UNDER THREE FREE \$5 with paid ticket holder		
GENERAL ADM. AFT	ER 5 p.m. \$5	\$7

Kutztown Youth Sports Organization Contacts

Playground Program:	Megan Dougherty	610-944-6515
Little League:	Dave Rothermel	610-756-6748
Girls/Boys Soccer:	Rich Reimert	610-756-4105
T-Ball:	Mike Collins	484-664-8864
Football/Cheerleading:	Laura Miller	610-756-3703
Dolphins Swim Team:	Donna Feiertag	610-683-6173
Basketball:	Doug Sanders	610-763-9169
Legion/Jr. Legion		
Baseball:	Rob Rarick	610-682-6015
Wrestling:	Steve Sharadin	610-683-5495
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Kutztown Park Roller Skating Rink

Due to maintenance and safety concerns, the Roller Rink will not open this summer.

Kutztown Playground

Managed by the Tri-Valley YMCA, Sponsored by the Borough of Kutztown

Dates:	Monday – Friday, June 23 – August 15, 2014
Times:	9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Location:	The Scooter Building is the hub of activity
Fees:	\$40 (Kutztown School District)
	\$80 (outside Kutztown SD)
Questions:	Call the Tri-Valley YMCA office at 610-944-6515

EMPLOYEE NEWS

In Memoriam — Randy Conrad

On August 18, 2013, the Borough lost a member of its family when 43year employee Randy Conrad passed away. He was an avid hunter and fisherman, and he loved everything outdoors, especially farm work. He was very generous with his time, and he was always there when someone needed help. Randy is deeply missed by his family, friends and everyone at the Borough.



Electric Department Recognized for Safety

At the November 19, 2013 Council meeting, Borough Council President Kevin Snyder recognized the Electric Department for a safety award, received from AMP, for no work time lost in a year. AMP representative Gary Shultz presented Electric

Department employees with the award. Mr. Shultz noted that this is quite an accomplishment and that only handful of а communities, of 130. out received this award. Electric Superintendent



AMP representative Gary Shultz presents Electric Department employees with the safety award. From right to left: Superintendent Steve Diehl, Kerry Eckert, Jase Smolnik and Evan Muller.

Steve Diehl thanked Council for their support and for supplying the materials for the crew to work safely.

Electronics Recycling Day Scheduled

Since last July, the Borough has hosted three Electronics Recycling Days, and RRS has certified that a total of 18,126 lbs. of electronic waste was collected and recycled from those events! Join us for the next Electronics Recycling Day on September 13, 2014. More details are available on the Web at www.kutztownboro.org/departments/refuse/.

The Kutztown Emergency Alert Siren will be tested quarterly, at 12 noon, on the **first Friday in February, May, August and November.** In case of an actual emergency, the best sources of information are local TV and radio stations.

A Growing Workforce

Over the past couple of years, the Borough has added several talented employees to the workforce, including: Eric Boyer, Community Service Officer Coordinator II; Matthew Hafer, Code Inspector; Charles Lawson, Police Officer; Kerry Eckert, Second Class Lineman; Arthur Hirsch, Police Officer; Raymond Austin, Finance Director/Assistant Treasurer; Ezra Border, Wastewater Uncertified Maintenance Mechanic/Plant Operator; Shelley Grim, Office Assistant (Community Development Office); Travis Diehl, Public Works Laborer I; and Chad Gechter, Public Works Laborer I.

Promotions

Mark Arnold, Telecommunications Director; Jarrad Burkert, Wastewater Plant Manager; David Horvath, Director of Information Technology; and Dale Kramer, Water Plant Manager were all appointed to their respective management positions last summer. Congratulations!

Water Department Wins Award Again!

On March 26, 2014, the Borough Water Department was presented with an Area-wide Optimization Program Award for their efforts in optimizing water turbidity, which is the level of cleanliness of drinking water. The award was given by the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection. Kudos to the Water Department who also received this award in 2007 and 2013!

BOROUGH OF KUTZTOWN CONTACT NUMBERS

45 Railroad Street

Administrative Offices 610-683-6131
Public Works/Utility Services 610-683-6131
TV/Internet/Digital Phone Services 610-683-5722
Police Department
Emergency 911
Non-Emergency 610-655-4911
Office Information 610-683-3545
324 W. Main Street
Community Development Office 610-683-3290
Office of the Mayor 610-587-3298
After Hours Support
Choose a department option 610-683-6131
Industrial Avenue
Swimming Pool 610-683-9177
70 Bieber Alley
Kutztown Community Library, Inc 610-683-5820

From the Roller Rink to the Council Table — Mac Eidle Served the Borough Well

After 27 years on Borough Council, Malcolm A. "Mac" Eidle attended his last meeting as an elected official on December 17, 2013. Although Mac spent several years as

vice president and president during his tenure on Borough Council, he didn't care about the titles – he truly enjoyed the challenge.

Mac's political involvement blossomed because of his love of roller skating! In the 1950's, he ran the roller rink in the Kutztown Park, and when the rink started to deteriorate, his desire to revive it, along with his wife Shirley's encouragement,

motivated Mac to join the Borough's Recreation Board. After 16 years on the board, Mac filled a vacancy on Borough Council — a seat that he kept from 1986 through 2013.

"WE MAY NOT ALWAYS AGREE, BUT WE CAN REMAIN FRIENDS."

His fascination with utilities and facilities kept Mac

interested all of those years. He enjoyed "doing the research and bringing facts and figures to the table because you need to have a deep understanding of the issues before making decisions."

While Mac says that he misses the challenge of planning projects and seeing them come to fruition, the upside is that he has more time to dedicate to his kids, grandkids and his all-time favorite hobby —



building and running model railroads. He proudly boasts a collection of over 90 locomotives and approximately 300 cars, but he is most proud of the control panels that he built himself using Collins Train Controls that were sold in Kutztown. The real joy was in building the trains over the years, but now he loves to run them and tinker with the scenery. Mac has many fond memories of showing his newest displays to Shirley, who was always so proud of his work.

Sadly, Shirley passed away in 2011, after 53 years of marriage. Mac thinks of her every day and he keeps her memory alive with his family: daughter Kathy and her husband Neil; son Douglas, his wife, Robin, and their children Julianna and twins Kira and Ira; and son Michael.

Mac feels "really fortunate" because he loved his job as an electrician, his wife was very supportive and encouraging, and he has wonderful kids and grandkids that "bind them as a family."

While he misses the camaraderie of being on Borough Council, Mac still serves as the Borough's Emergency Management Coordinator, and he visits Borough Hall often. He enjoys keeping in touch with Borough staff and he feels that "if we didn't have such good workers, we wouldn't have the Borough we have."



Mac enjoying his train display with his greatgrandson, Bailey.

After serving the Borough for 43 years, and forging the relationships that he has, one of the lessons learned that Mac wishes to impart is, "We may not always agree, but we can remain friends."

Thank you for your MANY contributions and for being such a good friend to the Borough, Mac!

A Message from the Tax Collector Regarding new Per Capita Tax bill regulations.

As of 2012, all Per Capita Tax bills not paid by December 31 are sent to Berkheimer for collection.

All 2014 Per Capita Tax bills must be paid or exonerated before December 31, 2014, or they will be sent to Berkheimer for collection. No reminder notices will be sent by my office, so please check the status of your Per Capita Tax bills to avoid incurring extra fees. The 2014 Per Capita Tax bills will be mailed out around July 1, 2014; the same time as the 2014 School Tax bills. As of 2013, anyone whose income does not exceed \$5,000.00 per year can apply for an exemption to the \$15.00 Per Capita Tax. Forms are available in the tax office and must be filed with the school district every year that you qualify for both the Borough and the school district portion of the bill.

Please call me at 610-683-8245 with any questions or concerns about your tax bills.

Brenda Bailey Tax Collector, Borough of Kutztown



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