



## MAYOR JIM SCHLEGEL — LIVING A CHILDHOOD DREAM

As many residents already know, lifelong Kutztown resident Jim Schlegel was elected mayor and began his term on January 1, 2018. For those of you who do not know Jim — is there anyone? — read on to learn more about the Town's Outstanding Young Man, as awarded by the Kutztown Jaycees, in 1983.

A 1968 graduate of Kutztown Area High School, Mayor Schlegel prides himself on having lived in Kutztown his entire life, except when he served in the Army, from 1968 to 1970, during which time he spent one year in Vietnam. While in the Army, Jim attended Transportation School, helping him to eventually become a Transportation Movements and Control Specialist, and setting off an educational journey that would guide him for the next decade. In 1974, he graduated from International Correspondence School with a diploma in Traffic Management, and he went on to graduate from



Allentown Business School, in 1986, with a degree in General Business. The mayor was well served by his scholastic and vocational pursuits, enabling him to parlay his love of all things transportation-related into a career spanning more than four decades as a shipper, with a CDL license, for Atlas Minerals and Chemicals, Inc.

Equally as passionate about Kutztown, Mayor Schlegel has been involved with the Borough's local government since his first stint on Council in 1994. Due to the Borough's ward division, and a move that his family made in town, he was unable to serve for a prolonged tenure, but he was elected again in 2005 and remained on Council through 2015, when he decided to step back and begin considering the possibility of running for mayor if future circumstances allowed.

In addition to serving on Borough Council, where he was Vice President for many years, Jim has also served, and often chaired,

the Kutztown Transportation Authority, the Kutztown Day Committee, the Lions Club, and the Optimist Club — all for close to or more than 30 years each!

When asked why he wanted to become mayor after two years away from the hectic meeting schedule and decision-making of local government, Jim thoughtfully cited a variety of factors that informed his decision. Recalling his childhood ambitions, Jim admitted that it was a dream of his from when he was a kid and his dad was a friend to the mayors of the time. The image remained vivid in the back of his mind, and the timing was right for him to seize the opportunity. As a cancer survivor, Mayor Schlegel is thankful for his present state of good health and the ability to carry out the responsibilities of his position, and he wants people to know that there is hope to fight it, beat it, and continue on with what you love to do. And, finally, as everyone who knows Jim can attest, he loves advocating for Kutztown. "There is no better place to live because of the good, hard-working and industrious people," the mayor said.

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It's not only the residents that he believes make Kutztown a great place to live. Mayor Schlegel has high praise for the Borough crews, staff and the police department that keep things running 365 days a year. He explained, **"When you buy electricity from the Borough of Kutztown, you not only get electricity, you get municipal services, and a low municipal tax rate."** Jim also proudly observed that "on the rare occasion that a part of town loses power, our crews repair the problem within hours, not days or weeks like other towns."

While Kutztown is a source of great love and pride for Mayor Schlegel, he says that "family means more than anything else." He has been married to Merry for almost 45 years, and they have two sons, Daniel and Andy, and one granddaughter, Addison.

A proponent of term limits, Jim will likely only accept a second term if elected, but for now, our new mayor is happy to be living a childhood dream in the town he has always called home. 🌻

### Borough Admin and Community Development Offices

Monday through Friday\* | 8:00am - 4:30pm

*\*Except holidays (listed on Web site)*

### Borough Council Meetings

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

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## Home Net Welcomes yondoo Video

Over the past several years, the Borough's Telecommunications staff has closely monitored, and discussed with Borough Council members, the direction of Home Net's television services. After much research and consideration, it was the consensus of Council and staff to responsibly make a change in our video service in a way that benefits the Borough and our residents. Later this year, Home Net television customers will become yondoo Video customers.

We are confident that you will be excited to see all of the enhancements that will be available to you.

Some of the yondoo Video enhancements and advanced video services to customers on the Home Net fiber network will include:

- **A Robust channel lineup**
- **An all-HD channel lineup**
- **Blockbuster Premium channels**
- **On Demand movies and Catchup TV**
- **watchTVeverywhere**
- **Integrated with Netflix, Hulu, etc.**

**SPECTACULAR HIGH DEFINITION VIDEO ON YOUR TV PLUS WATCHTVEVERYWHERE TO ENJOY ALL YOUR FAVORITE SHOWS ON ALL YOUR MOBILE DEVICES.**

yondoo Video has contracted with Home Net to use the same knowledgeable Home Net field technicians in addition to yondoo's friendly customer care specialists.

Home Net will continue to offer Internet and digital phone services. The video environment is changing rapidly, and yondoo Video is ready to bring you all the latest features and functions customers demand. We are excited for you to see the great, new improvements that yondoo Video will bring soon!



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## Bee Houses Installed Around Town



Griffin Price, of Fleetwood, made Bee Houses as his Eagle Scout Project for Kutztown Thriving, which is a sub-committee of the Kutztown Community Partnership that aims to sustain a healthy community through positive solutions and holistic endeavors. Griffin put the bee houses in place at the Kutztown welcome sign garden, the native plant garden at North Park, and at the PA German Heritage Center last fall. The bees are excellent pollinators and they are fun to watch — they don't sting unless squeezed or aggressively handled. You can view Griffin's video at <http://kutztownpartnership.org/kutztown-thriving/>.



OUR ANNUAL  
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**JUL 28  
2018**



**AUG 3  
2018**

The 4th Annual  
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## Summer Quest at Kutztown Community Library

Summer is an exciting time filled with nice weather, outdoor activities, and family time! Did you know that students lose momentum over the break and teachers spend up to two months reviewing old material in the fall? Join the Kutztown Community Library in stopping the summer slide.

You are challenged to complete a Summer Quest Tracker filled with interesting reading, thrilling programs, and hands on activities. Each action provides ideas and enjoyable challenges to prepare children and teens for the upcoming school year. Program highlights are Line Dancing taught by Miss Megan, Tasty Art with the Yocum Institute, and crowd favorite Jesse the Reptile Guy. Story times are offered for ages 5 and under, elementary school programs are Thursdays at 10am, and teen programs are Tuesdays at 1pm. Check the events calendar for specific details and our other weekly programs at [www.kutztownlibrary.org](http://www.kutztownlibrary.org).



Babies, kids, and teens are all encouraged to complete an activity tracker to earn fun prizes. Every tracker completed also earns a raffle ticket for one of our many gift baskets. Did you know the library has Required Reading books? You can get rewarded while doing school work! Adults, we have something special planned for you, too. You have a chance at winning your own raffle baskets by reading books. Summer Quest runs from June 11 to August 18. Stop in and visit the Kutztown Community Library to dream, read, and explore.

## Flying soon? It's time to check your passport and ID

Ready to fly to distant lands and tropical beaches? Don't get caught without your passport. Most people think of passports only for foreign travel, but they can also be used as an ID for domestic air flights.

Pennsylvania lawmakers recently voted to comply with Federal regulations for Real IDs, but until the new PA driver's licenses are issued, a passport or passport card can fill your needs.

Kutztown Community Library provides convenient passport services six days a week. To apply for a passport, travelers need the passport application, proof of U.S. citizenship, photo ID, passport photo, fees, and an appointment. Call 610-683-5820 to set up an appointment.

## Kutztown Community Library Showered with Awards

On February 21, 2018, Berks County Public Libraries honored the Kutztown Community Library with five awards at their 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Awards Celebration.

Janet Yost received **"Outstanding Library Director"** for her efforts in helping library directors throughout Berks County.

Highland Strong, a program in conjunction with Kutztown Strong, won **"Outstanding Program"** for their weekly outreach to the Highland Estates Community providing alternative activities for kids.

The Heat, Air and Technology Campaign for Help – or HATCH – was awarded **"Outstanding Fundraising Effort"** for bringing in \$36,000.00 for the library's new heating and ventilation system.

**"Trustee of the Year"** was given to Mary Laub for her support of the library at Maxatawny Township Supervisor meetings.

The library also won the monetary **"Chet Hagan Memorial Public Relations Award"** given to the library that strives in its public relations efforts. The scrapbook that was submitted with the application includes all of the posters, events, and programs made to reach out to our patrons, and it is available to view at the library.

In addition, on Friday, May 18, 2018, Jackee Sharayko was awarded **"Outstanding Library Support Staff"** by the Lehigh Valley Chapter of the Pennsylvania Library Association.

**Congratulations to the entire staff and board of our fantastic library!**





# 2018 Concert Series in the Kutztown Park Bandshell



**MAY 12 (Sat) 7:00 – 9:00PM**

**Dave Mell Band**

**MAY 19 (Sat) 7:00 – 9:00PM**

**Macungie Band**

**MAY 23 (Wed) 6:30 – 8:30PM**

**Kutztown School District Instrumental Concert**

**JUNE 2 (Sat) 7:00 – 9:00PM**

**Frog Holler**

**JUNE 12 (Tues) 7:30 – 9:00PM**

**Flag Day Concert: Kutztown Community Choir**

**JUNE 23 (Sat) 7:00 – 9:00PM**

**The Mudflaps with The 60's Boys**

**JUNE 30 (Sat) 7:00 – 9:00PM**

**The Cramer Brothers Band**

**JULY 5 (Thurs) 7:00 – 9:00PM**

**"Summertime Spectacular"**

**KU Summer Music Festival**

**JULY 14 (Sat) 7:00 – 9:00PM**

**Ben Mauger's Dixieland Band**

**JULY 21 (Sat) 7:00 – 9:00PM**

**Swing Fever**

**JULY 28 (Sat) 6:00 – 8:00PM**

**The Fabulous Greaseband**

**AUGUST 5 (Sun) 3:00, 4:30 & 7:30PM**

**Kutztown Day: Allentown Band**

**AUGUST 9 (Thurs) 7:00 – 9:00PM**

**Kutztown School District Summer Band**



Thank you to all our sponsors of this year's Concert Series! The full list can be found online at [www.kutztownboro.org](http://www.kutztownboro.org)

## Park Facility Reservations

2018 reservations will be accepted any time and 2019 reservations will be accepted on or after October 1, 2018.

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 parks, Scooter Building or Band Shell. Contact Brian Bailey at [bbailey@kutztownboro.org](mailto:bbailey@kutztownboro.org) or mail your request to him at 45 Railroad Street, Kutztown, PA 19530.

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:

<u>KUTZTOWN PARK</u>	<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
<u>NORTH PARK</u>	<u>CAPACITY</u>
Pavilion	40
Gazebo	4

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

## Kutztown Playground Program

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

**Dates:** Monday – Friday, June 18 – August 10, 2018

**Times:** 9am – 1pm

**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



## BOROUGH OF KUTZTOWN SWIMMING POOL 2018 SEASON TICKET PRICES

	<u>Borough Residents</u>	<u>Non-Borough Residents</u>
<b>FAMILY</b> <i>Parents &amp; children incl. high school seniors residing in the same household</i>	<b>\$170</b>	<b>\$225</b>
<b>ADULTS</b> <i>Over 18 years of age</i>	<b>\$110</b>	<b>\$155</b>
Special Late Afternoon Season Ticket Option*	\$ 95	\$ 140
<b>STUDENTS</b> <i>Incl. current year high school graduates &amp; college students with valid ID</i>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>\$145</b>
Special Late Afternoon Season Ticket Option*	\$ 85	\$ 130
* Special Late Afternoon Season Tickets are available to individuals and are valid after 4pm until closing on weekdays and any time on weekends during pool hours.		
<b>SENIOR CITIZENS</b> <i>62 years of age or older</i>		
<b>BOROUGH RESIDENT</b> <i>w/complimentary ticket at Municipal Building</i>	<b>FREE</b>	
<b>INSIDE KUTZTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT</b>		<b>\$ 65</b>
<b>OUTSIDE KUTZTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT</b>		<b>\$125</b>

### 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 – 8pm (May 26 - July) ♦ 12 – 7pm (Aug. - Sept. 3)

*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 3, 2018.

♦ **NO SEASON TICKETS SOLD AT THE POOL** ♦

### GENERAL ADMISSION

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

### Kutztown Youth Sports Organization Contacts



Playground Program:	Brandon Schurr	610-944-6515
Little League:	Darcy Calkins	484-894-6473
Girls/Boys Soccer:	Jared Diehl	610-698-3282
T-Ball:	Hugh Smith	484-553-3474
Football/Cheerleading:	Rebecca Helverson	484-764-7191
Dolphins Swim Team:	Donna Feiertag	610-683-6173
Basketball:	Hugh Smith	484-553-3474
Legion/Jr. Legion		
Baseball:	Rob Rarick	610-682-6015
Wrestling:	Jed Wood	610-972-8532



### SNACK BAR MANAGED BY THE KUTZTOWN COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

Enjoy lunch with your family at  
the pool or grab a quick snack to  
cool down in the heat! Kutztown  
Community Partnership is a  
community non-profit organization.

### Kutztown Park Concessions Under New Management — Mad Dogs in the Park

For more information,  
call 484-648-2808  
or visit [www.maddogskutztown.com](http://www.maddogskutztown.com).



## Public Works Department ANTICIPATED PROJECTS

### 2018 Street Improvements Project:

- Sacony Alley, from N. Whiteoak Street, to Baldy Alley – full reconstruction
- Vine Lane – storm line improvements
- Highland Avenue, from E. Walnut Street, to the barricade – full reconstruction and manhole repair
- Normal Avenue, from S. Baldy Street, to W. Main Street – chip and seal coat
- Luella Drive, from North Cedar Street, to Kemp Street – chip and seal coat and base repairs
- Walking trails/walkways in the park – full reconstruction and overlay

With a goal of replacing all of the ball field benches, the Borough has been upgrading them when possible. Thank you to the **Kutztown Grange** and the **Kutztown Optimist Club** for their bench donations.

Thank you to the **Kutztown Garden Club** for tending to the park flower beds and to **Kutztown Thriving** for tending to the Greenwich Street mini park flower bed.

## From the Wastewater Department

The Wastewater Department encourages residents and property owners to view our Web page, [www.kutztownboro.org/departments/wastewater/](http://www.kutztownboro.org/departments/wastewater/), for information and educational materials on maintaining your building sewers and ownership responsibilities.

We highly encourage customers to practice good housekeeping by not flushing wipes, feminine products, rags, grease, etc., down the system, as well as limiting the use of garbage disposals. These are the top reasons for individual customer sewage back-ups, which can be extremely burdensome and costly to the customer. This debris also causes pump clogging and wear and tear on treatment equipment at the facility, reducing the lifespan of treatment machinery. Please take in to consideration that just because a package might say “flushable,” it does not mean that it should be flushed. The trash is the proper place for these items. More information on this subject will be available to customers in the near future.

The Borough of Kutztown and Kutztown Municipal Authority  
**2017 Drinking Water Quality Report**  
is available online at [www.kutztownboro.org/departments/water/water-report/](http://www.kutztownboro.org/departments/water/water-report/)

To receive a paper copy, please visit the Kutztown Municipal Building or call a Borough representative at 610-683-6131.

*We are pleased to report that our drinking water meets federal and state requirements.*

## Updates and Scheduled Projects from the Electric Department

The Electric Department installed two new 15 kv circuit breakers, at the 69kv substation, which replace original breakers that have been in service since 1972 when the substation was built. The new breakers are magnetically actuated, and they do not contain oil, so there is no yearly expense for oil testing.



Six more decorative street lights will be installed, on West Main Street, from Greenwich Street to Constitution Boulevard, and overhead electric service will be converted to underground service at the 400 block of E. Walnut Street, between E. Walnut Street and Highland Avenue.

Along with these major projects, the Electric Department will continue with required maintenance and tree trimming to provide reliable electric service to our residents.

Pictured: 15 kv circuit breaker

## The Borough Welcomes New Employees...

The Borough is happy to welcome the following new employees to the workforce:

- **Jared Babel**, Public Works Laborer
- **Robert Hriczko**, Police Officer

## ...and Wishes Others the Best in Retirement

Thank you to **Ricky Bailey** and **Dan Eslinger** for your many years of service to the Borough.

## REMINDERS FROM THE Community Development Office:

Buildings shall have approved address numbers placed in a position to be plainly legible and visible from the street, road or alley to the front and to the rear of the property.

The height of grass or weeds shall not grow or remain upon such property so as to exceed a height of six (6) inches.

Feel free to contact the Community Development Office with any questions: 610-683-3290

## A Pharmaceutical/Medication Drop Box is located at Borough Hall.



Unused or unwanted medication can be disposed of at this secure location, Monday-Friday, 8:00am-4:30pm. Visit our Web site for details.



## Electronics Recycling Day

Join the Borough and RRS on September 22 from 9am-12pm.

More details and a list of items accepted are available on the Web at [www.kutztownboro.org](http://www.kutztownboro.org).

## Ride the Rails in Kutztown!

The Allentown & Auburn Railroad operates a four mile track between Kutztown and Topton, and offers seasonal excursions as well as special events throughout the year.

Upcoming events include Storybook Trains, Summer Days Doodlebug Rides, the evening Firefly Express, Wine Tastings, and holiday events with Santa Claus. For more information, visit [www.allentownandauburnrrr.com](http://www.allentownandauburnrrr.com).



## Rep. Gary Day's TEMPORARY DISTRICT OFFICE

Good Will Fire Company No. 1 Trexlertown  
7723 Hamilton Blvd., Breinigsville, PA 18031  
Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Residents can continue to use the same phone number at (610) 760-7082, and email address at [gday@pahousegop.com](mailto:gday@pahousegop.com).



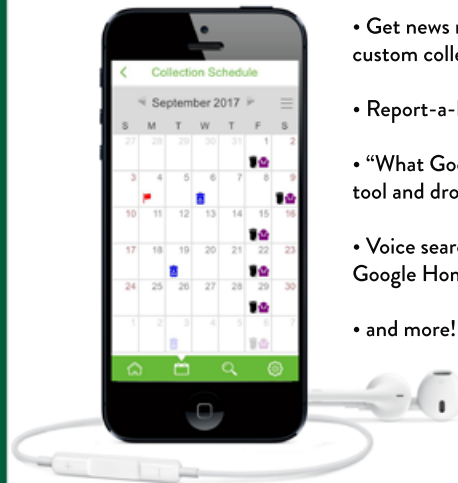
MAILING ADDRESS: Star Plaza, Suite 302, 6299 Route 309, New Tripoli, PA 18066

SAVE THE DATE - Senior Fair Thursday October 4, 2018  
from 10 AM - 1 PM at the Kutztown Fire Company.



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.

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## THE BOROUGH OFFERS A DISCOUNTED REFUSE RATE OF \$19.00 FOR RESIDENTS 62 AND OLDER.

### 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
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#### 171 Industrial Avenue

Swimming Pool.....	610-683-9177
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#### 70 Bieber Alley

Kutztown Community Library, Inc. ....	610-683-5820
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## Your Current Mayor and Council for the Borough of Kutztown

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Council President Pro Tem	Scott R. Piscitelli
Council Member	Edwin K. Seyler
Council Member	Richard J. Diehm
Council Member	Arabel J. Elliott

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## Have you seen the Borough of Kutztown video tour?



Anyone looking to visit Kutztown, or who simply loves our special town, will enjoy this great new feature on the main page of the Borough's Web site: [www.kutztownboro.org](http://www.kutztownboro.org).

A special thank you to our sponsors — please make sure to view their Web sites and videos as well.