Chalfont Borough Lamplighter

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Spring 2017

When: 06/03/2017 Where: 40 North Main Street

Registration: 7:00am—8:25am One Mile Fun Run: 8:00am
5kRace: 8:30am

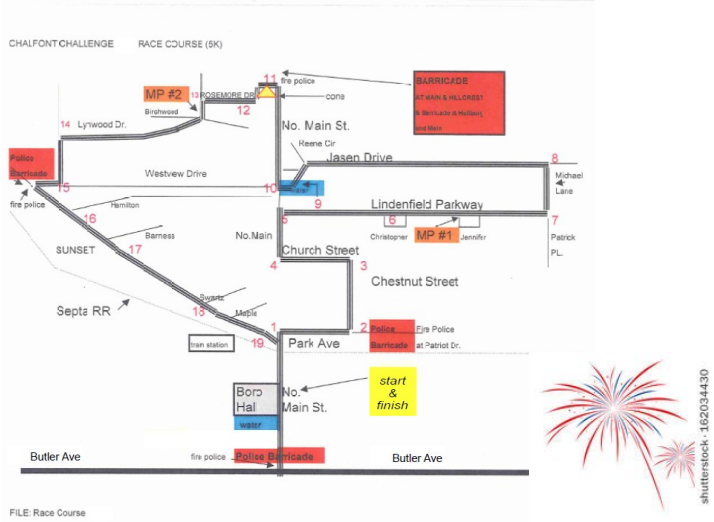
Pre-Registration begins May 11 from 9am-4pm from Monday-Friday at Chalfont Borough Hall or online at www.Bucks5Kseries.com.

The Chalfont Challenge is the final race in the Bucks 5K Series. Series Awards will be presented at the conclusion of the race in picturesque Krupp Park located behind Borough Hall.

The proceeds from the Chalfont Challenge will continue to help fund Chalfont's Park & Trail Development Program, including re-habilitation of existing trails and the construction of new trails to encourage the use of our parks system and create a pedestrian friendly community.

We are still seeking community volunteers to help on race day, and local businesses to help sponsor this year's Chalfont Challenge. Sponsorship information is available on the Borough website at www.chalfontborough.com/information. You may volunteer to help on race day at: mhjacobson@verizon.net.

PLEASE NOTE: Streets along the race route will be closed from 7:30am until approximately 10:00am on the day of the race.



Evening festivities will take place at Unami Middle School beginning at 7pm. The event begins with a Mango Men concert, inflatables for the kids, refreshment vendors and a fireworks show at dusk. Bring your lawn chairs and appetites for a fun family evening. Rain date for the fireworks will be Sunday, June 4th.

Tax Information

County and Borough Municipal Real Estate Tax bills have been mailed. If you have not received your bill or have recently moved, please contact the tax office at 215-822-7295 to update your mailing address.

If your taxes are escrowed, forward one portion of your bill to your mortgage company and keep a portion for your records. The discount period ends May 1, the base amount is due by June 30. Payments can be made by mail or in person at Borough Hall, 40 N. Main Street.

If you pay your bill by mail and would like a receipt, please enclose a self addressed stamped envelope with your payment.

Your Earned Income Tax return is due by April 18. You can e-file on Keystone Collections Group's secure web-site at www.KeystoneCollects.com. Taxpayer support is also available on this site, or call Keystone's Taxpayer Helpline at 1-888-328-0565 to speak with a local, knowledgeable Taxpayer Service Agent.

School Taxes

School Taxes will be mailed to property owners on July 1st. If you do not receive them or have questions, please contact Nancy Jones at 215-822-2930.

Please make checks payable to: Central Bucks School District or CBSD

Mail payment to 207 Park Avenue, Chalfont, PA 18914

To take advantage of the discount, payments must be postmarked by August 31. Otherwise the base amount is due October 31.

Bucks County Recycling Program

Bucks County Planning has a Recycling program. More information is on their website: http://www.buckscounty.org/government/CommunityServices/PlanningCommission/Recycling

Or go to www.chalfontborough.com/forms/ and look for Hazardous Waste Schedule.

What's happening around town?

- May 6th Chalfont Borough is co-hosting a shred event at the New Britain Township Building from 9:00am—1:00pm. Limit 5 bags per household. Please make sure to show ID as the program is for Borough and Township residents only. Paper products only—no metal! CRT computer monitors and TVs will cost $30/per item.
- The Farmers Market will be held from 8:00am—noon on Saturdays from June 10th—August 26th in the parking lot at 40 North Main Street, Chalfont, PA. Anyone interested in volunteering or setting up a vendor table at the Chalfont Farmer's Market should contact Gail via email: gailpalovchak@verizon.net or by phone at 215-272-2200.
- Are you interested in making your voice heard in town? We have several vacancies on Boards and Commissions and can always use additional volunteers. Please visit our website, fill out the volunteer form and submit it to info@chalfontborough.com. We will contact you with information about vacancies, and help match your skills and interests to a committee.
- Don't forget we love hearing from our residents. Please feel free to contact Borough Hall at any time to set up an appointment with our Manager. We can answer questions about development, goals of council, happenings, etc.
- Spring is a gorgeous time to enjoy our many parks and trails in town. Many of them are hidden gems. Visit our website to learn more about our parks and the various recreation opportunities we have in town.

Central Bucks Regional Police Department News

Chalfont is now entering its second year as a member of the Central Bucks Regional Police Department that also serves Doylestown and New Britain Borough.

Oversight of the department is provided by six Commissioners comprised of two volunteer representatives from each borough. Chalfont Borough Council Vice President John Abbott, is this year's chairman and Mayor Marilyn Becker is a representative along with one alternate, Chalfont Borough Council President John Engel.

Commission meetings are convened monthly and the location rotates between the three boroughs. Karl Knott was Chalfont Borough's Chief of Police prior to regionalization and now serves as a captain to Chief Donnelly (Doylestown) who heads the department.

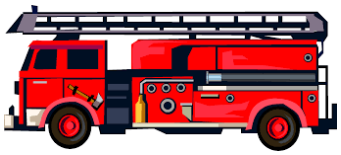
There is a police officer on duty in our community at all times. Everyone is welcome to attend commission meetings. You can visit the web site at CBRPD.net to seek more information, ask questions, and find the next meeting date.

Chalfont Fire Company Events

301 North Main Street

www.ChalfontFireCompany.com

May 6, 2017	Turkey Hoagies	9:00am—12:30pm
June 11, 2017	Chicken Bar-B-Q	11:00am—4:00pm
June 24, 2017	Flea Market	8:30am—1:30pm
September 9, 2017	Turkey Hoagies	9:00am—12:30pm
September 24, 2017	Buffet Breakfast	8:00am—12:00pm
October 12, 2017	Fire Prevention Open House	7:00pm—9:00pm
October 28, 2017	Craft Show	9:30am—3:00pm



Receive notifications electronically by sending your email address to cfcauxiliary@gmail.com

****Yard Waste Dumpster****

There will be a dumpster behind Borough Hall, 40 North Main Street, from Thursday, May 18th until filled. This 30 yard dumpster is for residents to use for yard waste disposal only and will be available until filled. Examples of yard waste are: grass clippings, brush or branches not to exceed 4 feet in length. **PLEASE NOTE: no plastic bags; no tree or shrub stumps; do not fill over the top of the dumpster; do not leave anything around the dumpster—if it does not fit, you must take it with you**.

WHEN IT RAINS, YOUR TOWN DRAINS

10 EASY THINGS YOU CAN DO TO STOP POLLUTION OF OUR CREEKS AND RIVERS

1.

Recycle your used motor oil. Autozone, Valvoline Instant Oil Change, and other service stations in your community accept used oil. Some will also accept your used antifreeze. **Never dump oil or antifreeze down the storm drain which flows into the creeks or rivers.**

2.

Reduce auto emission through regular auto maintenance, ride sharing, and use of public transportation. Fix oil, radiator and transmission leaks in your car. **Don't let your car leave ugly oil slicks behind.**

3.

Use a garbage can for your trash. Recycle reusable materials. **Don't put trash and litter in the street; it will be washed to the river.**

4.

Sweep the dirt from your walk or driveway back into the yard with your broom. Pick up pet waste and dispose of it in the toilet or trash. **Hosing dirt and pet waste away sends it into the drainage system and directly to the creeks & rivers.**

5.

Dispose of any hazardous home chemicals at approved household hazardous waste collection sites. **Use the least toxic products available in your home and garden.**

6.

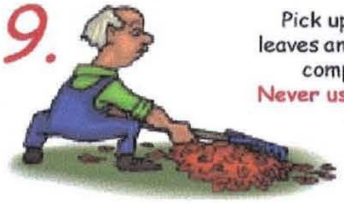
Choose water-based paints such as latex. Wash brushes in your sink with water. If using paint thinner, reuse and recycle it. Solidified paint can be disposed of in regular household waste. **Don't pour any paint or toxic material down the storm drain.**

7.

Use pesticides and other lawn chemicals sparingly. Never double the dose! **Follow the directions and do not apply if rain is forecasted.**

8.

Go to a car wash or wash your car in the grass. **Don't wash that grimy road dirt and chemical cleaners down the drive and into the storm drain.**

9. 

Pick up and properly dispose of leaves and grass clippings. Start a compost pile with yard waste. **Never use streams or gutters to dispose of yard waste.**

10.

Maintain your septic system. Have it pumped out every 3 years to remove sludge and scum. Do not use tank additives, and practice water conservation to prevent overworking your system. **Repair or replace malfunctioning septic systems.**

EDUCATE YOUR FAMILY, FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS. SPREAD THE WORD.
WATER POLLUTION IS EVERYONE'S PROBLEM; WATER QUALITY IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY.

Remember it is illegal to put anything other than stormwater into the stormwater collection system!
To report an illicit discharge call 215-822-7295.

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From the Borough Office …

- Many people are unaware that there is an insect known as the Emerald Ash Borer that is infesting Ash trees in our area. This problem has risen to epidemic levels in approximately 30 states, killing millions of Ash trees. Contact your local ISA Certified Arborist to have your trees examined and talk about your options. You can also visit: http://ento.psu.edu/extension/trees-shrubs/emerald-ash-borer.
- Trash and recyclables should be placed curbside on Thursday evening for pickup on Friday morning. Trucks may come as early as 6:00am. If you have a bulk item to dispose of, call Advanced Disposal for pick up at 877-790-4027.
- Get the latest new by subscribing to news on the Borough website: www.chalfontborough.com or like us on: facebook.com/Chalfont Borough, or follow us on Twitter @chalfontboro.

Public Works …

- Street sweeping will begin in the Borough. Please make sure your mail-box is back beyond the curb line. Trim trees & shrubs back too.
- Mowing season is here. Did you know you can be fined for blowing your grass clippings into the street? Please do us all a favor and keep your clippings on your property.
- Spring has sprung! If there is a stop sign or other road sign on your prop-erty please ensure that trees/shrubs are trimmed and don't block the visi-bility to see those signs.

Chalfont Borough Monthly Meetings

Council—2nd Tuesday

Planning—1st Monday

HARB—4th Monday

Zoning Hearing Board—4th Wednesday

All meetings are held @ 7:00pm in Chalfont Borough Hall

Chalfont Borough Officials

Mayor Marilyn J. Becker

John R. Engel, Council President

John Abbott, Vice President

Tracey Bowen

Jeffrey Coddington

Michael Horvat

Michael Kelly

Marilyn H. Jacobson

Sandra B. Zadell, Borough Manager