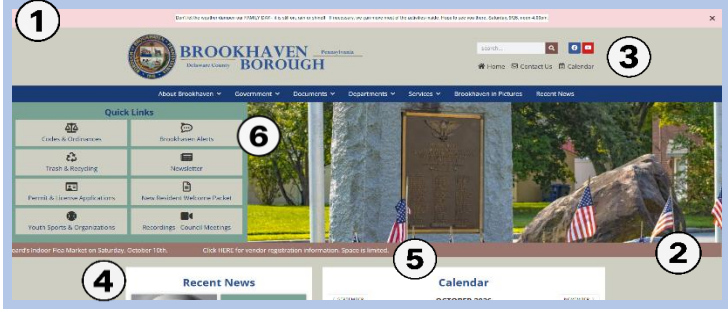
## … Website Feature of the Month …

The **Home Page** of the Borough's website keeps the residents informed and connected.




1. **Public Alert Notification** – informs residents of emergencies and last-minute changes to borough meetings/activities, e.g., *Malfunctioning traffic light at Brookhaven Rd. & Edgmont Ave - PennDOT is working on it.*
2. **Scrolling News Ticker** – reminders on borough activities, e.g. *Tax Collector accepting tax payments this week, M--F, 9-11am* OR *Last day to pick up your Family Day tickets is Friday, Sep 18th 9am-4pm.*
3. **Links: Social Media Links, Borough Resources** – direct links to Borough Facebook and YouTube (for Council Mtg Recordings) and Contact Us to directly reach out to Borough Council and Borough Services.
4. **Recent News** -- dedicated section displays the latest updates for borough news and activities, e.g., details on Rec Board events, Ordinance updates, Council decisions, Police & Fire information.
5. **Calendar** – Dynamic, filter-enabled community calendar for upcoming borough meetings, details of borough events and activities, public service information, and municipal deadlines.
6. **Quick Links** – navigation shortcuts giving users immediate access to frequently used resources, such as signing up for Brookhaven Alerts, New Resident Welcome Packet, and Permit & License Applications.

Note: The screenshot shows the desktop layout. The mobile version includes the same features, though their appearance and location may differ slightly.

## EVENTS • MTGS

- **October 10:** Indoor Flea Market | 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM | BMC, Gym | $20 per table
- **October 13:** Borough Offices Closed | Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples Day 🇺🇸
- **October 17:** Concert in the Park – A Touch of Blues | 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM | Eaton Park
  - *Free to attend, refreshments will be available for purchase*
- **October 18:** 21st Annual Golf Outing | Shot Gun Start at Noon| Ed Oliver Golf Club
  - *Seeking golfers and sponsors (Deadline: 10/12/26) – benefits the Rec Board*
- **October 18:** Artful Aging – TBA | 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM | BMC, Community Room
- **Oct 21, Nov 4, 18:** Dungeons and Dragons | 6:00 - 8:30 PM | BMC Council Rm | Join Us!
- **October 22:** Story Time @ Brookhaven Fire Company | 10:30 AM | Fire House
  - *In conjunction with Middletown Family Library, simple registration requested*
- **October 24:** Trunk or Treat | 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM | Coebourn School Parking Lot
  - *Candy donations appreciated, Costume Contest, Trunk Contest, Trunks Needed*
- **October 29:** Family Day Wrap-up Meeting | 6:00 PM | BMC, Council Room
  - *All residents are invited to discuss what worked and didn't work to improve for next year*
- **November 3:** Borough Offices Closed | Due to Election Day 🇺🇸
- **November 9:** Council Meeting rescheduled to the 2nd Monday of the month | 7:00 PM
- **November 10:** Veterans Day Service | 6:30 PM | BMC, Gym | Let's honor our Veterans!
- **November 11:** Borough Offices Closed | Due to Veterans Day 🇺🇸
- **November 13:** Murder Mystery – *Slay and the City* | 7:00 PM | BMC, Community Rm
  - *Interactive comedy and murder-mystery parody of the TV show Sex and the City*
- **November 14:** Shred & Electronic Recycling | 9:00 AM – Noon | Coebourn Elementary
- **November 21:** Holiday Parade | Starts at 2:00 PM at Charity Commons

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



- Brookhaven Parks & Recreation invites Brookhaven residents to an evening of costumes, candy, decorated trunks, and Halloween fun! Join us for **Trunk or Treat** **on Oct 24th at 5pm-8pm**! Wristbands are required to attend and can be obtained from Borough Hall during normal business hours. If you are **interested in decorating your trunk** for the event, click HERE to sign up! If you would like to **donate candy**, there are donation boxes at Borough Hall and The Real Church.

- **Message from Family Day Chairperson, Jessica Meyer**:

  *My sincerest thank you to all Family Day Committee Members, Brookhaven Borough Staff, Rec Board, Borough Council, Volunteers, Vendors, performers, and local Businesses who made our first nor'easter Family Day a success! And a big thanks to Brookhaven Fire Company for allowing us to use their space to help us all stay out of the rain.* ***Please don't forget to support our GENEROUS DONORS****, who invested their time, money, and/or resources to allow us to make this event free for our residents.*

  *I would also like to thank our wonderful community for joining us. We never could have imagined the situation we would find ourselves in, but I couldn't be more proud of our borough for coming out, braving the weather, and making the most of what we had to offer. We can't wait to come back next year bigger than ever! I'm very honored to have been trusted with such a time-honored tradition and would love to invite anyone interested to our* ***Family Day wrap up October 29, 6pm*** *in the council room.*

- PLANNING, PLANNING, AND MORE PLANNING – we will keep you updated as these projects continue through the Planning and Zoning processes, but we do **encourage all residents to come to the meetings to get your questions answered.**
  - **8 Townhouse Subdivision** (former Kyj's property) - Planning Commission met on Tuesday, September 15th and reviewed preliminary plans and gave the approval for the project to continue. **Next step**: submit a formal Land Development Plan and obtain zoning variance.
  - **7 Brews Coffee** (4101 Edgmont Avenue) - Planning Commission is scheduled to meet on Tuesday, October 20th at 7:00pm. This is the official Land Development Plan approval meeting. **Next step**: traffic plans and PennDOT review.
  - **Flagship Carwash** (The Shoppes at Brookhaven) - Planning Commission will meet on Tuesday, November 17th at 7:00pm to discuss this new project**.**

- **Great news:** Brookhaven Borough has been awarded **$646,067** in Local Share Account funding for accessibility improvements at Memorial Park, Samson Park, and Charity Commons. The Local Share Account (LSA) Statewide Grant Program distributes gaming and casino tax revenue across Pennsylvania to fund public-interest and quality-of-life community projects. **Preliminary plans** include repaving the parking lots and adding ADA-accessible parking spaces at each park, plus:
  - **Memorial Park** – Add a new park sign, install a new storm sewer, and add accessible paths.
  - **Samson Park** – Add an accessible path connecting to the existing sidewalk.
  - **Charity Commons** – Add a new park sign; **possibly** install sidewalks, replacement curbs, fencing, landscaping; add ADA-accessible curb cuts; and build a driveway to the right of the existing school to provide separate entrance and exit driveways.

What's happening at Garzia Park, Samson Park, and Sommerville Park…. details in the November Newsletter!!

## October is Fire Prevention Month

**Fire prevention starts with all of us - and it never ends!**

This year's National Fire Prevention Week, October 4-10, focuses on the theme *Charge into Fire Safety™: Safe Charging is a Superpower,* with a special focus on **Lithium-Ion Battery Charging Habits**.

Pay close attention to how/when you charge smartphones, laptops, tablets, power tools, toys, e-bikes, and other battery-powered devices. Click HERE for **important safety tips** on charging lithium-ion battery-powered devices.




The Fire Marshal provides a scenario on what to do when you smell smoke in your home. Click HERE and take a few minutes to learn important tips on what to do and what not to do -- YOU MAY ONLY HAVE A FEW MINUTES TO GET OUT. **The RULE is**: *if you smell smoke and cannot identify the source quickly, **leave**.*

The Fire Marshal reminds you to CHECK YOUR ALARMS TODAY - National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) recommends that smoke alarms be installed inside every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level of the home, including the basement.

The Residential Building Code Official, Shaun Guthrie reports that there is a growing threat of **counterfeit smoke and carbon monoxide alarms**. This puts our families at risk -- ensure they are genuine, properly certified, and in good working order. Click HERE for details on ***How to Spot a Counterfeit Alarm***.

Fire prevention is a key way to keep the community safe, and Brookhaven Fire Company plays an important role by visiting local schools and community groups. Learn more about **volunteering** at www.JoinBrookhavenFire.org.






**REMINDERS**

- **Borough offices will be closed** on the following days:
  - Monday, October 12th -- federal holiday, Columbus Day / Indigenous Peoples Day.
  - Tuesday, November 3rd – Election Day
  - Wednesday, November 11th – Veterans Day
- **Leaf Collection** will begin with Zone 2 on Monday, November 16th – Click HERE for more information on your Zone and pick-up dates.

## BROOKHAVEN REWIND
STORIES FROM THE BOROUGH'S PAST

According to the 1950 U.S. census, Brookhaven had 1,040 residents. During the next decade of unprecedented growth, the borough's population surged to 5,250 by the 1960 census.

But……in what appears to be an unusual move, Council voted in October 1957 to have the borough secretary request **a special census** from the Department of Commerce, **hoping to qualify for increased road-fund aid**. The letter was sent on November 25, 1957. At the December Council meeting, it was announced that the Department of Commerce had approved a census for early 1958 at the borough's expense. Based on an estimated population of about 3,800, the projected cost to Brookhaven was $273.54. The census counted 4,050 residents, resulting in an additional $42 charge from the Commerce Department. **The effort paid off:** in 1958, Brookhaven received $3,185.68 from the state as a liquid fuels tax refund for its road fund, giving Brookhaven plenty of ***bang for its buck***!




...that Faith Community Church, once again, is sponsoring the Br5Khaven Fun Run 5K & 1-Mile Walk on Sunday, October 18th, 9:00am, starting at Coebourn Elementary. **100% of all registration fees and donations go directly to the Brookhaven Fire Co**. Note: if you forget to register in advance, walk-up registration opens at 8:00am.

...that following the Sustainability Committee's recommendation, Borough Council unanimously passed Resolution 2026-014 opposing a proposed **liquefied natural gas (LNG)** export terminal on the Delaware River waterfront in Delaware County. The facility would process natural gas daily for export and pose significant public health, safety, and environmental risks. Given Brookhaven's proximity to the proposed locations in Chester and Eddystone, our borough could be directly affected. We are proud to stand with neighboring communities in **opposing LNG development in Delaware County**.

...that you won't want to miss **The Wall That Heals,** a replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial that resides in Washington, D.C. Aston is honored to host the Wall behind the Aston Municipal Center on Concord Road. The Wall will be open **24 hours/day** from opening ceremony on Thursday, October 8th at 10:00am through the closing ceremony on Sunday, October 11th at 1:00pm. See the tentative Schedule.

