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Welcome to the Zelig News

By Borough Manager Don Pepe

Welcome to the first issue of the Zelenople Borough Newsletter....The Zelenople News.

Even though the Borough has a website that we will continue to maintain, we felt it is important to produce a Newsletter that we will send out with our utility statements in addition to our electronic media. The newsletter will be published the 1st, 3rd and 4th quarters of each year to bring you current news and information in a brief format that may pique your interest where you may want to learn more. It will also provide useful tips that will make living and working in Zelenople easier and hopefully more enjoyable. The second quarter will be my Borough Manager Budget Message for the year in which I go into depth relating to Borough programs and departments that the residents and businesses should be made aware.

We welcome your input regarding topics that you would like to see addressed both on the website and in the newsletter. Articles of interest may be

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dropped off at the Borough office or emailed to zelieboroughnewsletter@zoominternet.net for inclusion in the next quarterly mailing.

The Zelenople News is also open to all community entities to submit material to us for consideration. We reserve the right to choose what is published and edit as needed in order to meet our publications standards for content and size. There will be no advertisements accepted or published.

Again welcome to our newsletter. Enjoy!

Great News Comes to Zelenople

This year our community has some great reasons to be thankful! The day after Thanksgiving a message came from Senator Vogel's office that Zelenople was awarded a \$3 million capital improvement (RCAP) grant. The Zelenople Revitalization Committee had been pursuing grant monies and state assistance to freshen up the Main Street corridor and expand parking in the downtown area for several years. All of the careful planning, public meetings, work sessions with consultants and city planners, trips to

Harrisburg, phone calls and letters to politicians, and a few extra prayers finally paid off!

Jim Ayers and the Revitalization Committee have done a tremendous job lining up a series of smaller grants prior to obtaining the major RCAP grant needed to get the project started. These dollars should enable Zelenople Borough to complete the streetscape on Main Street to include the consolidation or elimination of overhead utility

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Borough Electric Service

The Borough of Zelienople is currently in the process of revising its Electric Rules and Regulation Ordinance. To ensure that customers who faithfully pay their bills do not provide a subsidy to customers with delinquent accounts, several changes, directly impacting the Borough's utility customers, will be made to the ordinance. The winter period, where service terminations do not occur, will be shortened and service terminations will start in March instead of April. Secondly, service terminations will occur year round for non-residential customers. Lastly, the

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permitted account delinquency period before service termination will occur, will change from 90 days to 60 days. These changes will essentially have no impact on customers who do not fall delinquent on Borough utility bills.

Help Zelienople Celebrate 175 Years

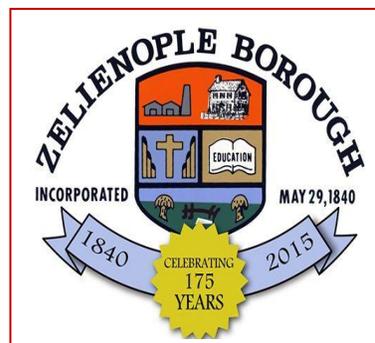


The last week in May 2015, celebrations will commence to celebrate the 175th anniversary of the incorporation of Zelienople Borough. Mark your calendar and plan to be a part of the festivities that will include a huge parade, a community picnic, dinners, concerts, fireworks, a donkey softball game featuring the Harmony and Zelienople Fire Departments and much more.

A scholarship contest as well as a commemorative book is being developed for the event. Two \$500 scholarships will be awarded for the winning essays on “What It Means to Grow Up and Live in a Small Town”. Scholarship submissions are due by April 15th. Visit zelie175.weebly.com for requirements and submission information.

The commemorative book will showcase historical and current pictures that will follow the growth and development of Zelienople from 1840 to present. If you would like to submit photos for the commemorative book, contact Huckestein Printing at (724) 452-5777 or hp@zoominternet.net.

If you would like to become a sponsor for one of the events celebrating the 175th incorporation of Zelienople, contact the Butler County Tourism and Convention Bureau at (724) 234-4619. For more information regarding the Zelienople’s 175th anniversary, visit zelie175.weebly.com.



Official Borough Logo for 2015

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For more information

Zelienople Community Park News

Are you thinking happy thoughts of spring yet? Now is the time to purchase your discounted 2015 pool membership. Get the first early bird discount by March 15th, second tier discount by April 30th, and after May 1st it is normal pricing. For example: a Zelig resident family of 4 would pay \$195 by 3/15 or \$220 by 4/30 or \$255 after May 1. Seniors 70+ are FREE. Nanny passes available. Passes will not be mailed. They will be available for pick up on the first day of the pool opening on Saturday May 23 at noon. Payment plans are also available to fit your needs. Contact us at zelienoplecommunitypark@gmail.com. If you want to be on a plan....you can start today. It could be paid off by 5/23! Go to www.myzeliepark.org to download this year's membership application.

Our summer programming is starting to fall into place. Want to try weekly yoga, scuba, kayaking, water polo, boot camp or tennis? How about a Performing Arts Camp, Mud Run, or Adult Frisbee

Message from the Borough Manager

By Borough Manager Don Pepe

Hi all and welcome to winter in Western PA. I want you to know that our staff does its best to keep our roads safe and clear as best as possible. Sometimes, circumstances get in the way of being as rapid as we normally are due to weather conditions, equipment and manpower limits during the heavy events and of course the fact that our public works employees cannot be everywhere in the borough at the same time.

Rest assured we do have our plowing and salting plans which we discuss and update as needed. We are responsible to prioritize state routes, major streets and intersections, school bus routes and then residential streets. Your understanding and

Zelienople Borough Resident Only Pool Membership Rate (Family of 4):

<i>Purchased by March 15</i>	<i>\$195.00</i>
<i>Purchased by April 30</i>	<i>\$220.00</i>
<i>Purchased May 1st and after</i>	<i>\$255.00</i>

golf? Your 2015 recreation guide will be an insert in an April issue of your Cranberry Eagle or will be available to view on our website in April.

Our Fourth of July fireworks usually come in with a bang; however, costs for this year's show have risen dramatically. We are looking for sponsors or donations from businesses or families who would generously sponsor the fireworks this year. If you would like to help, send your donation to: Community Park Association, PO Box 402, Zelienople, PA 16063.

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patience is appreciated. Of course if you have a problem or emergency that needs immediate attention then call the office if it is during normal business hours of 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Monday through Friday or after hours or weekends try our emergency number (866) 663-3759 or 911.

Keep safe and remember that when you shovel or plow your driveways, always deposit snow "upstream" of the driveway so as not to have the plow deposit what you shoveled back in your driveway. Also, remove all vehicles off the street as soon as possible so that the equipment can reach each street to the curbs.

Choose which Zelienople Pool membership level applies for you.

(The discount resident rates only applies if taxes are paid in the Zelienople Boroughs.)

Zelienople Borough Residents Only

	Purchased by Now to March 15	Purchased by March 16 to April 30	Purchased by May 1 and after
Individual	\$110.00	\$120.00	\$140.00
Family of 2	\$135.00	\$150.00	\$175.00
Family of 3	\$175.00	\$185.00	\$225.00
Family of 4	\$195.00	\$220.00	\$255.00
Family of 5 or more	\$220.00	\$250.00	\$290.00
Nanny	\$70.00	\$80.00	\$90.00
Senior 70+ are FREE			

Non-Zelienople Borough Resident

	Purchased by NOW to March 15	Purchased by March 16 to April 30	Purchased by May 1 and after	
Individual	\$135.00	\$150.00	\$165.00	
Family of 2	\$180.00	\$205.00	\$225.00	
Family of 3	\$220.00	\$250.00	\$275.00	
Family of 4	\$260.00	\$300.00	\$330.00	
Family of 5 or more	\$290.00	\$325.00	\$360.00	
Nanny	\$80.00	\$90.00	\$100.00	
Senior 70+ are FREE				

*Note: Dependents are considered unmarried children 21 years of age or younger living at home.
Proof that the dependent meets the above criteria may be required.*

Complete membership form.

Type of Membership: _____

Member's Name: _____ Spouse's Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (Home) _____ (Cell) _____

Municipality: _____

Children's Name (s) 1 _____ Age _____
 2 _____
 3 _____
 4 _____
 5 _____

Email: _____

Nanny Pass Yes _____ No _____ Duplicate Passes: Yes _____ No _____ \$2.00
 (Please add additional amount to membership fee if you are purchasing a Nanny pass.) Nanny Pass must be purchased at the same time of purchase of family membership.

Please note any medical conditions or special needs:

All passes can be picked up at the pool after Opening Day.

Lost Card replacement Fee \$1.00

Enclose check and mail form!!

I have enclosed \$ _____

Please complete and mail your check payable to: **Community Park Association**
 P.O. Box 402
 Zelienople, PA 16063

- Payment Plans available upon Request call Park Office at 724-452-0231
- Any membership prorated after June 4, 2014
- Passes required for entrance.

Office Use Only	
Payment: Cash _____	Check# _____
Amount: _____	Date: _____
Membership Level: _____	
Passes Issued: _____	

Lutheran Seniorlife Passavant Community News

The Fitness & Wellness Center at Lutheran SeniorLife Passavant Community brings a multitude of wellness services to its residents and members of the Zelenople/Harmony communities. That's right; we offer a full scale wellness center to the public and offer exercise classes, active games, state of the art gym equipment, nutrition counseling, water aerobics and sports in a brand new, indoor warm-water pool!



Water Aerobics Class at Passavant Community

Our professionally trained and certified team can help you set and achieve individual wellness goals. Become a member and gain access to our equipment, such as treadmills, recumbent bikes or steppers, which can improve your cardiovascular fitness or assist you to lose weight. If maintaining strength is important to you as you age, our team will provide one on one instruction for our specialized Keiser strength training machines. These machines are very smooth, hydraulic action and are easier on the joints than standard weight equipment. If you want to step it up another notch and be part of a class, you

can join one of our group exercise classes, or take yoga and tai chi on our low-impact aerobics floor. Finally, if you would like to use water as a way to improve your fitness, you can try one of our specialized pool activities, recommended by many physicians to help improve your joints. We set our members up with an equipment orientation and provide an Individualized Exercise Program to help reduce the risk of injury and promote healthy living. And we have men, ladies and family dressing rooms, including private shower accommodations.

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Volunteer Firefighters Needed

The Zelenople Fire Department is comprised of approximately 50 Volunteers. This is a combination of Junior Firefighters (2), Firefighters (38), Fire Police (5), and Auxiliary (5). These men and women make our services available to the public 24/7 365 days a year.

fire fighters only in Zelenople that was comprised of 50 firemen, and there was a rather large waiting list that went along with it. Now days the firefighters fluctuate between 35-40 and the waiting lists are long gone. We pay to train all of our firefighters and instill a culture of safety and training into all of our members. We are currently seeking volunteers for all of the branches of the department.

Is there
a **FIRE** in
you?



There is a nationwide shortage of volunteer firefighters. Not too long ago there was a roster of

Junior Firefighter- You must be 14 years of age with a valid work permit. You develop your skills and train under a mentor. We begin training you so when you turn 18 years of age you can become an interior firefighter.

Firefighter- 18 years of age or older. We are looking for members that are interested in

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Great News from page 1

lines and poles, new ornamental mast arms for the signals at Main & New Castle as well as Main & Spring, new sidewalks, and ornamental street lamps.

The Kaufman House will receive part of this grant to reopen this iconic restaurant and convert it into a boutique hotel. Butler County Tourism Foundation combined their grant request with the Borough of Zelienople and as a result of DCED's direction, they will receive a portion of this grant to aid in reestablishing this anchor building/business

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Paid Summer Internship Available: Candidate will be responsible for developing and overseeing programming activities for all ages. Inquire via email at zelienoplecommunitypark@gmail.com.

Volunteers Needed for events! If you need to fulfill service hours for scouting, senior projects, NHS, or enhancing your college application, consider helping out with the many events at the park. Just want to help? Volunteer 2 hours and receive day

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As part of our total wellness package, we have a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist on our team. She distributes information monthly on health topics of interest, such as nutrition, healthy cooking and overall health awareness and disease prevention. If you would like individual nutrition counseling, please call and set up your personal appointment. (Some costs may apply to the nutrition counseling). Passavant Community's Fitness & Wellness Center is a proud location of both the SilverSneakers and Silver & Fit programs. These programs, provided through your insurance companies, provide fitness center membership reimbursements. This means no additional costs to you! You can contact Passavant Community's Fitness & Wellness Center to see if you are eligible with no obligation. If you are not eligible through your insurance company,

at the heart of Zelienople. The Butler County Community College has taken steps to join forces with this initiative and hopes to expand its Hospitality Program by coordinating classes and student work studies through the reopened business.

Look for more information in the next few months, the Revitalization Committee will be hosting another public meeting in the near future to update the public on our progress.

pass at the pool.

Have comments and/or suggestions for activities or athletics or events? Please let us know! Sign up for a weekly newsletter and updates at flood@zoominternet.net.

Lastly, our summer programming is starting to fall into place. If you have any ideas please let us know. If you would like to volunteer for an event we need as many as we can get over the summer.

we also offer an affordable monthly payment plan with no joining fee.

Our mission at Passavant Community is to promote healthy living to our communities through physical, nutritional and social programs. We specialize in adult fitness; however you can join at any age over 18 years old. We are eager and happy to assist you in becoming healthier.

The Fitness & Wellness Center is located in our new Abundant Life Center at 105 Burgess Drive in Zelienople, and is open Monday – Friday: 7:15 am – 5:15 pm.

If you have any questions or are interested in joining, you can contact the Passavant Community Fitness & Wellness Center Team at 724-452-3456. We look forward to hearing from you!

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Firefighters from page 4

administrative work, driving, and firefighting. We will pay to get you into the necessary training to become an asset to the department operationally or administratively.

Fire police— 18 years of age or older. They direct traffic on emergency and other special events.

Auxiliary— The auxiliary is a group of individuals that coordinate functions for the department. They do things such as the banquet, Christmas party, summer party. They also provide food and water to the members in case of a lengthy call.

The Fire Department trains every Monday night at 7pm. The auxiliary meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month. If you are interested in more information please feel free to stop by and visit on a Monday night. If you would like an application please visit the boroughs website, go under departments, and click on fire department. The application is at the bottom of the page. Please help us protect you, your neighbors, and your community.

Sign Up for the SwiftReach Notification System

The Zelenople Borough Police Department would like to remind Zelenople residents and businesses to sign up for the SwiftReach Notification System if you haven't already done so.

SwiftReach is an alert notification system used to contact you during urgent or emergency situations with useful information and updates via phone calls, text messages, and email. Messages related to power outages, water main break or a temporary interruption of service due to construction or repair work, traffic advisories due to road

closure, road repairs, and detours, hydrant flushing notifications, and other important safety advisories *are* sent via this tool.

We strongly encourage residents and businesses to provide cell phone numbers and email addresses so that non-emergency information can *be* provided to everyone. We would like to limit the phone message notifications to emergency type situations.

If you are not receiving these calls or emails or wish to update your contact



information, please complete the SwiftReach Contact Form in this newsletter and return it to the Zelenople Police Department.

The alert system is free; however, standard text messaging rates from your carrier may apply.



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JAMES A. MILLER
Chief of Police

In our efforts to provide more reliable communications with Residents and Businesses in the borough, we will be implementing Swiftreach Networks, Inc. as our Emergency Notification service provider.

Swift911™ in its simplest form is a system that makes phone calls and sends emails to specific people or areas in the event of an emergency, water system notifications, or for sharing important information. All the calls you receive will have the Caller ID of 'Zelienople Borough' or 'Zelienople Police Department'.

Please fill out the form below to add or update your contact information. You may also sign up by visiting our website at www.zelieboro.org and clicking on the Swift911 logo.



Registration for the Swiftreach notification system is **mandatory** in order for the Borough to be in compliance with a PA Department of Environmental Protection order. The order requires all water distribution systems to have the capability of notifying their customers of water system emergencies or problems.

Please update your emergency notification contact information for inclusion in the notification database.		
<i>[The information you enter will be audited and erroneous data will be deleted.]</i>		
Contact Information		
Name	Street	
	City	Zipcode
Primary Phone	State	
	County	
	Email	
Alternate Phone1		
Alternate Phone2		
Alternate Phone3		

This form may be dropped off at the Zelienople Borough Police Department, faxed or mailed.