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## A Message From The Mayor...



There's just something about fall in Ivyland. As summer's heat gives way to milder days and brisk nights, the borough transforms. The color of the leaves turn to accentuate the beauty of our small historic town with our eclectic mix of Victorian, Craftsman and early century architecture. Pumpkins, mums and Eagles flags garnish front porches, yards are decorated for Halloween with a variety of enthusiasm, and warm jackets and hats more frequently adom early morning and late evening strollers and dog walkers. It's a nostalgic season that suits our borough well. I look forward to all our Ivyland fall activities and events and hope that you do, too. It's part of what makes this season – and our neighborhood – even better. Enjoy!

- MAYOR ANTHONY JUDICE

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### Historic Books In Deed

Two historic Bucks County deed books will reside in Ivyland through December 20th as a result of the borough's support in the Bucks County Historic Deed Book Restoration Project.

One of the two books, number 164, contains information about Ivyland founder Edwin Lacey's purchase of 38 acres from Isaac Parry in 1873. Books 16 and 164 will be on display from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. weekdays in the Borough Hall Conference Room.

The restoration project, which is preserving 700 volumes of original deeds dating back to the 1680s, began in 2018, when Bucks County Recorder of Deeds Robin Robinson took office.

Robinson had heard other recorders mention old deed books, which made her wonder, did Bucks County have old deed books of their own and if so, where were they located?

Following her personal motto, "We don't know what we don't know," Robinson said it was time to find out. As the recorder of deeds, Robinson said it is her job to maintain and preserve the record of Bucks County.

The location was tracked down and Robinson found herself at an old warehouse in Doylestown.



Bucks County Recorder of Deeds Robin Robinson poses with some of the restored deed books.

Upon entering, Robinson said her "heart fell into my stomach." There were about 700 deed books, ripped, moldy and taped lying on the floor of the warehouse, left like laundry, Robinson compared.

"I thought, 'Oh no, the history of our county is in there on the floor," Robinson said. "When I walked in and saw those books in that condition, I had to do this, this is my job, I was elected to do this."



 $Pages\ of\ the\ Bucks\ County\ historic\ deed\ books\ dry\ during\ the\ restoration\ process.$ 

From there, Robison began working to restore the books with support from municipalities, including Ivyland, after the borough voted in favor of donating to the project. Proceeds from Ivyland's donation came from the Borough Council Members' salaries.

Robinson was put in contact with the Vermont company Kofile Preservation, which would begin the restoration process. The process included scraping tape off the pages, bathing them in water and hanging each to dry. Once "brought back to life," Robinson said each page would then be placed into a protected archivable sleeve, which allows residents to touch the pages when browsing without damaging the records.

As of now, half of the 700 deed books have been restored with the promise that the preserved books will last another 500 years.

The books that have been available to the public so far have been greeted with "nothing but excitement," Robinson said.

Residents of Ivyland can share in this excitement by viewing the deed books on display at the Borough Hall to trace their genealogy, do research or just take a stroll back in time.

"This is our history, not just Bucks County, but in the United States of America." Robinson said.

### The 2019 Ivyland 5K

This year's Ivyland 5K was one of the largest ever with 418 finishers and another 25 in the 1 Mile Fun Run. First to cross the finish line was was Brian Lang (16:44) for the men and Ivyland's own, Emma Zwall (18:48) for the women.

A number of high school cross county teams participated in this year's race including CB West Boys, Methacton Girls, and William Tennent Boys and Girls. William Tennent boys' team was led by Ivylander Dean Ricco (17:29) with a 5th overall finish. Other borough award winners included Zeffi Angelikas, Vitaly Belotserkovsky, Elizabeth Belotserkovsky, Tim Zwall and T.I Zwall.

This year, the Ivyland 5K hit a major milestone, celebrating its 20th year. The annual race takes runners throughout the town, ending with pancakes served at the Fire House.

"When I was growing up in town I loved the Fire Company Suppers. They were fun because the whole community came together," Jonathan Severn, co-founder of the Ivyland 5K along with his wife, Mary, said. "Race day is different for sure, but when I see the Fire Company, the Borough, the Church and so many residents participating, I feel like some of the same spirit is there."

The race is made possible with the help of the Borough Council, Ivyland Police, Fire Police, Fire Company, Ivyland Presbyterian Church and all the businesses who sponsor the event. Support from Hatboro Federal Savings,

Boucher and James, Harris and Harris, Tony's Place, Waste Management, Finisher Fitness, Weissman's Pet Boarding, and Winter Plumbing Heating and Air also help to make the Ivyland 5K possible.

"We are so grateful for all the help and support we've received," Severn said.





### **Community Cornerstones**





The 2019 Ivyland Commemorative Christmas Ornament has arrived! This year's ornament celebrates the historic Ivyland Presbyterian Church. These ornaments are for sale at the Borough Office. There are a few ornaments from previous years still available. The cost of each ornament is \$12.

For more information, contact the mayor at ajudice@ivylandborough.org



### SAVE A LIFE PROGRAM

We are excited to announce that we obtained a very limited supply of smoke detectors from the annual Save A Life Program held at the Philadelphia Fire Academy. If you need a smoke detector please email us at <a href="mailto:ifco62@gmail.com">ifco62@gmail.com</a> and we will contact you, please note we have a limited supply.

### BECOME A VOLUNTEER

Serving your community as a member of Ivyland Fire Company is one of the most rewarding experiences you will ever have. You will learn valuable skills, receive training, and have a positive impact on the lives around you. YOU can make a difference by becoming an Ivyland Fire Company volunteer, please email us at <a href="mailto:ifco62@gmail.com">ifco62@gmail.com</a> and we'll contact you.



Ivyland Presbyterian Church

# Annual Clothing Drive - Starts Sat. September 28!

This is the Saturday after the Community Yard Sale! Bring your bagged unsold items (no plush toys, VCR tapes, box TVs, monitors or outdoor play sets) to the church. We can store them for you too! IPC will receive some funds for our collection and these monies go to offset our youth and mission programs!



### **Events**



SAT. SEPTEMBER 21 Community Yard Sale 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. (Rain Date Sun. September 22)



SAT. OCTOBER 5
Fire Prevention Day
Ivyland Fire Company
1 p.m. - 3 p.m.





# SAT. OCTOBER 19 Bonfire & Hayride Ivyland Common 7 p.m. - 10 p.m. (Hayrides until 9 p.m.)



# Everything You Need to Know About Recycling

Many residents have expressed concern and confusion over what can be recycled and what is accepted in the weekly borough collection on Tuesday mornings. So we've put together some helpful resources in conjunction with Waste Management Inc. and Bucks County to assist in addressing your recycling questions.

- Waste Management has a terrific recycling website that describes exactly what they'll accept, what they don't accept (and why) and what should go in your normal trash. If you've often wondered if you recycle an item or dispose, this site will help! You can check it out at recycleoftenrecycleright.com
- Bucks County also has a website with information and videos on Hazardous Household Waste disposal and large item recycling. There is a calendar of collection and recycling events being held throughout Bucks County. Visit recycling-bucksgis.opendata.arcgis.com
- The Borough office has received special recycling bin stickers that you should place on the lid of your green recycling bin. It will help the collectors more easily identify which of your bins contain your recyclables.
   These free bin stickers can be obtained at the Borough Office during normal business hours.

All of the above resources can also be found on our website at: ivylandborough.org/recycle.html. Finally, if you have a question about or an issue with trash collection for the Borough, please do not call Waste Management. Call us at the office 215.675.0110 and we will address it with them, we promise. Thank you!



### **Borough News Bites**

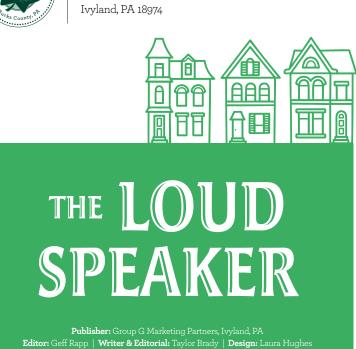
- Thank you to the Tanner family (grew up in the house at 1026
   Jacksonville Rd.) for donating 2 oil paintings Train Station and
   School by former resident artist Gertrude Shaefer who lived at 28
   Lincoln Ave. Pictures are displayed in the Borough office.
- Our sincere appreciation to local Ivyland business Eco-Chic Gardens (ecochicgardens.com) for providing and arranging the planters at Memorial Park.
- Trash issues? Please DO NOT CALL Waste Management, call the Borough Office and we will address your concerns with them.
- Street light problems? Report any outages or blinking lights to the Borough Office please provide the light ID number located on the pole.
- Enjoy walking your dog in the neighborhood, but be sure to clean up after your dog finishes its "business". It helps keep harmful bacteria out of our water system and after all, it's your doggie duty!
- Borough is in the process of adopting an ordinance banning bamboo. More information to come.
- Proper Parking. When parking on the side of the street always face your vehicle in the direction of the traffic flow. Also, all parking on the sidewalk, even partially, is a safety hazard and is prohibited.
- Fireworks Laws. Residents, while the law has changed to permit the
  purchase of some fireworks, it is still illegal to set off aerial shells
  and the following restrictions are for all fireworks: No fireworks
  can be set off on public or private property without permission of
  the owner, not in a motor vehicle or building interior, not toward
  a motor vehicle or building, and not within 150 ft. of an occupied
  building.
- We have a Facebook page! Check out facebook.com/ivylandpa for the latest Borough activity. Post your news and interesting items here too!



### Student Spotlight: Maria Kelly

We are pleased to acknowledge that Maria Kelly of Lincoln Avenue was the recipient of our 2019 Ivyland Borough Norman Kelly History Award. She received her honors at William Tennent during Senior Awards Night in June. Maria wrote about how the roots of Ivyland history are closely intertwined with the history of our country. She also tied that history together with her personal experiences. Maria noted, "This experience has helped me research my borough's history and appreciate just how lucky I am to be an Ivyland resident". Well said! Maria is currently a freshman at Kutztown University studying Psychology and Criminal Justice putting her scholarship award money to good use. Congratulations to Maria and her parents Bill and Kathie. (To nominate your student, email loudspeaker@ivylandborough.org)





# Borough Hall Info.....

Ivyland Borough Council Meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. the second Wednesday of the month at Borough Hall, 991 Pennsylvania Ave.

Borough information, including events, contact numbers, emails and meeting dates can be found at ivylandborough.org.

BOROUGH
OFFICE HOURS:

Monday-Friday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

#### HOLIDAY HOURS:

Closed Monday Oct. 14 in observance of Columbus Day Closed Thursday and Friday Nov. 28-29 in observance of Thanksgiving



**NEW** Official Facebook Page for Ivyland Borough: facebook.com/ivylandpa



### Fall is Leaf Season!

The turning of the leaves is magical. The falling of the leaves, well not so much. The Borough will supply a large waste container bin in the Ivyland Fire Company parking lot sometime in late October or early November. This is to be used for organic yard waste and **unbagged** leaves (not even paper leaf bags should be placed in the bin please). Check Ivylandborough.org or the Ivyland Facebook page for updates. Bagged leaves can be placed out for normal trash collection as well.

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See inside for details...

