BALLY BOROUGH NEWSLETTER

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Bally Borough Council

The Bally Borough Council meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm in the Borough Council room. All residents are welcome to attend. If you wish to address the council, you must sign in on the sheet located in front of the council president seat.

POOL FILL CREDIT

Anyone requesting a sewer credit for filling their swimming pool **must** fill out the pool fill credit form included in this mailing. Pool fills occurring in May, June and July can be submitted on one form and returned to the Borough office no later than August 16th for credit on the September water/sewer bill. You must collect a meter reading before starting the fill and after you stop. If filling over multiple days, readings must be taken daily and water should not be left running overnight. Credits are given in 1000 gallon increments and total usage must exceed the 5000 gallon minimum usage. If you have questions concerning pool fill credits, please contact the Borough office.

Bally Park Playground

The Borough has ordered an embankment slide for the playground. We are also looking to purchase sand diggers and install a pea gravel pit for digging. We hope to receive and install the items prior to school letting out for the Summer. This will complete the playground overhaul for the grant. We hope to save up funds to add more equipment in the future.

Upcoming Events:
March 15: Bally Mennonite Church Breakfast Fundraiser
March 31: Last Day to order Hometown Hero Banners
April 19: Lions Club Easter Egg Hunt 1pm Bally Park
May 16,17,18: Bally Community Yard Sale dates to be determined
May 17: BARDS Spring Bake Sale & Carwash Bally Pool Parking lot
May 24: Bally Community pool opens at Noon



Bally Community Pool

The Bally Community Pool will open on Saturday, May 24th at noon to begin the 2025 pool season and will be open weekends only until Boyertown School District closes for summer break. The pool will celebrate Memorial Day, May 26th with $5 admission price and $1 hot dogs available at the concession stand.

Pool membership forms are available by email, on the Borough website or in person at the Borough office. If your paid membership is received at the Borough office BEFORE May 1st, you may deduct 5% off the price of the membership fee.

BARDS NEWS…
Get involved with the Bally Area Recreational Development Society (BARDS). Volunteers are always needed for events and activities (It takes a Borough), Contact events2ballyrec.org or call (484) 241-5490.

2025 BARDS Projects and Events…

Spring Bake Sale & Car Wash—Saturday, May 17th 8 am to Noonish (weather permitting)
BARDS Pool Fence Banner Sponsorships— Advertise your business on the pool fence for 1 year and help BARDS with your sponsorship. Call 484-241-5490 before May 31st for details.
Bally CAN DO IT Recycling —BARDS is collecting aluminum cans beverage and pet food cans (No Tin Cans). Please bag and drop your cans in the lblue receptacle in the pool parking lot OR call Joshua at 484-241-5490 for pick up.
Doggie Poo Awareness Signs—Help keep the park clean, by buying and placing signs. If interested please reach out online or by phone.

To help BARDS support the pool and park, donate online at www.ballyrec.org/donate OR set up a monthly contribution using PayPal, Credit or Debit Card. Checks must be made out to "Bally Borough—BARDS" and mailed to PO Box 217, or dropped off at the Borough Office, 425 Chestnut St.

Find Us Online at Facebook.com/bally/rec

BALLY LIONS CLUB NEWS

Bally Easter Egg Hunt. Our local traditional Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for SATURDAY, April 19th, 1 PM in the Bally Community Park. Bring your young kids and Easter baskets for an "aged grouped" egg hunt! Parking is available at the pool, Borough office and pavilions. The Lions Club members will be setup at the pavilions.



Hometown Hero Banners. The Bally Lions Club is continuing the Hometown Hero Banner program. Banners may be purchased at a cost of $250 and honor local military veterans and emergency responders from the area. Banners are hung along Main and Chestnut Streets from May through November, **as long as the banner is in good condition**. You may request a New or Replacement order form from the Borough office or call (484) 241-5490. Deadline for new/replacement banner applications is March 31st
Free Medical Lending Equipment Lending Program. The Bally Lions Club has wheelchairs, hospital beds, walkers, commodes and more available for use to any Bally area resident in need. For more information, feel free to contact Donnie Conrad 610-845-2564 or Rick Ingram at 484-358-6496.
Porta Potty in the Park. The Bally Lions sponsor a year-round, handicap accessible porta potty in the Community Park. It is located near the side parking lot on North 4th Street.
Scott Moll Scholarship Fund. High School Seniors in the Boyertown High School heading to college or trade school can apply and submit an essay to obtain the Scott Moll Scholarship. Additional information and application are available from the Boyertown High School counselor. Deadline to apply is April 30th. The scholarship award minimum is $1000.
Donations. Your donations are used to support our local community activities. If you would like to donate to the Lions Club, you may make a check payable to Bally Lions Club Charity and mail to:
Bally Lions Club
PO Box 285
Bally, PA 19503

Find the Bally Lions Club online at: Facebook.com/ballylions

2025 TAX COLLECTION DATES

County/Borough/School Tax Collector, Beth Spaid
Location: 204 S. 7th Street, Bally, PA 19503

Collection Hours: **5:00 PM to 7:00 pm weekdays**
11:00 am to 1:00 pm weekends (4/26 & 8/23)
April 17,22,23,26,29,30
No sitting dates in June. Please call for an appointment for the first two weeks of June
August 19,21,23,26,27,28
October 29 and December 30

Anyone in need of special concessions may call 610-845-9590 after 4:30 PM. The tax collector is willing to work with your special needs. Please remember to check the sitting hours above before arriving at the tax collectors residence.

*****If you have more than one bill, you may put all of the payments on one check.**
*****Requests for mailed receipts require a self addressed stamped envelope with payment**

A Message from Eastern Berks Fire Department:

Eastern Berks Fire Department again thanks you for your support as we concluded another busy year. During 2024, we again responded to fires in structures, vehicles and brush, both within our own first due area, and as mutual aid to neighboring departments. We were increasingly called for trees and wires down on roadways, as well as accidents of all kinds, some requiring rescue tools to extricate victims. Our fire police were sent to direct traffic around a variety of emergency scenes. We assisted the ambulance with numerous medical emergencies, as well. In all there were 473 dispatches in 2024 – 45 of them in Bally.

Our land and building needs were addressed as we purchased the former Gross Bus property at Route 100 and Hoffmansville Road. Rescue 97 is currently stationed there as we make renovations and improvements and negotiate space needs with our school bus tenants.

Our new Attack (mini-pumper) is set for delivery later this year. At a cost of $500,000, it will be able to reach many of our hard to access areas and is much less costly than paying over $1,000,000 for a similar style full sized apparatus.

Watch for our 2025 Fund Drive letter which should arrive in your mail shortly. Please be generous. Thank you.

You may discover more at our website: www.esaternberksfire.com or on Facebook.



Borough Projects

The Borough is currently working on lining sewer laterals along S 7th and Pine Streets, as well as planning a storm water project on N 7th street at Main. Once these projects are complete, the Borough will secure bids for paving North and South 7th streets and a portion of Elm street later in the year.

The Borough continues to evaluate Borough roads and prioritize which roads to pave with each project. Road condition, sanitary and stormwater sewer work needed, number of residents served and availability of funds, are all taken into consideration when deciding which roads are paved with each project.

BALLY COMMUNITY AMBULANCE

The 2025 Bally Community Ambulance Donation forms have been mailed. All residents living in Bally Borough are now covered for EMS service by the EMS Tax. Those wishing to support the Ambulance with a donation can mail their check to:

Bally Community Ambulance Association
PO Box 353
Bally, PA 19503



Membership means utilization of EMS service will be billed to your insurance, but any unpaid portion WILL NOT be billed to the resident. The membership applies to residents only, utilizing ambulance service from their Bally residence to the hospital.

Bally Community Yard Sale Weekend



The Borough will host its Community Yard Sale weekend, on May 16, 17, 18. Residents may hold yard sales on these dates without obtaining a yard sale permit. The Borough will consider a second Community Yard Sale weekend near the Labor Day Holiday.

Bally Mennonite Church Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser

Bally Mennonite Church, Route 100, Bally, will host a pancake breakfast on March 15th, from 7:00 to 10:00 am. Pancakes & French toast, scrapple & sausage, eggs, juices, coffee and tea will all be available. Cost is a donation of any amount. Proceeds will benefit Bally Community Center. Come out to fill your belly and support a good cause.

