BALLY BOROUGH NEWSLETTER

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Borough Council Monthly Meetings are held on the 1st Tuesday of every month, at 7:00 PM at the Borough Hall. All residents are welcome to attend.

Mayor: David Schott

Borough Council:
President * Glenn Mutter
Vice President * Michael Moll *
Michael Bauman * Matthew Gehman *
Paul Gehringer * Joel Pilgert*
Joshua Sloan

Manager/Treasurer- Wendy Mutter
Secretary- Tammy Wood

Borough Solicitor—Richard T. Curley

Engineering
Systems Design Engineering

Code Enforcement
Kraft Municipal Services

Tax Collector: Beth Spaid

Notable Dates

May 23/24: Butter Valley Church Annual Yard Sale
May 31: Pool opens daily for the season
June 16-20: Butter Valley Church Vacation Bible School
June 28: Bally Mennonite Church free Finance Seminar 10 am - Noon presented by Everence
July 19: Bally Mennonite Church breakfast benefitting local charities
July 28-Aug 1: Kids Camp in the Park
August 15: Deadline for submission of pool fill credits for Bally Borough sewer

Consumer Confidence Report

The 2024 water consumer confidence report is available for viewing on the Borough website www.https://ballyboro.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/2024-Bally-CCR.pdf
Printed copies are also available at the Borough office.

Grass Cutting

Ordinance # 174 requires grass to be cut regularly and is not to exceed a height of 8 inches at any time. **Do not blow grass clippings into the street** as this accelerates weed growth in street gutters, clogs storm drains and can be a slip hazard for motor vehicles, especially when wet.

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Bally Community Pool



The pool opened on Saturday, May 24th through Memorial Day and will be open full time May 31st for daily operation. Pool hours are 12:00 to 7:00 pm. **The pool will be closed June 4th for a private event.** Season memberships are available at the pool and Borough office. The pool is able to accommodate group rentals and both group and one-on-one swim lessons this season. Please contact the pool during operating hours 610-845-1480 or email poolmanager@ballyboro.org for more information.

2025 TAX COLLECTOR INFORMATION

County/Borough/School Tax Collector: Beth Spaid
Mailing Address: PO Box 173, Bally, PA 19503
Sitting Location: 204 S 7th Street, Bally, PA
Hours: weekdays 5:00—7:00 pm, weekends 11:00 am—1:00 pm
Sitting Dates: August 19, 21, 23, 26, 27, 28
October 29 * 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.

***Multiple tax bills may be put on one check.
***Requests for mailed receipts require a self-addressed stamped envelope included with payment

Bally Lions Club

The Lions Club is pleased to announce that our Hometown Hero Banners are now proudly displayed along Main and Chestnut Streets. The Lions Club maintains a supply of medical equipment available to lend to any area residents in need. For more information, please contact Donnie Conrad at 610-845-2564 or Rick Ingram 484-358-6496. The Lions Club is enhancing your park experience with several initiatives. A handicap-accessible portable restroom is available near the Lions Club building off N 4th St and is cleaned weekly. We have agreed to undertake repairs to the park walking trail, and are partnering with BARDS to co-sponsor a new drinking fountain in the park.

Give the gift of sight! Drop off your used eyeglasses at our collection boxes located at Ambler Savings Bank, Fast Tracks Bally, Quigley Chevrolet, or hand them to any Lions Club member

We couldn't do it without you! Your generous donations make all of our community activities possible. To contribute, please make checks payable to "Bally Lions Club Charity" and mail to:

Bally Lions Club
PO Box 285
Bally, PA 19503

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

Bally Area Recreational Development Society (BARDS)

BARDS extends heartfelt appreciation to all who support our mission through donations and volunteering. Your enthusiastic participation at our events and fundraisers inspires us to do more! Follow us at www.facebook.com/ballyrec for updates on community events and fundraisers.

In 2024, we completed the pool parking lot resurfacing with fresh sealcoating and employee parking designation.. Coming in 2025 is a multi-use drinking fountain in the park that will accommodate adults, children, water bottles and even pets! The 2025 "StoryWalk" partnership with Boyertown Community Library is pending approval.

Donations to support BARDS activities for the pool and park may be made by check and payable to:
Bally Borough-BARDS
PO Box 217
Bally, PA 19503

From Eastern Berks Fire Department

The first months of 2025 has been extremely busy for your Eastern Berks Fire Department. We have responded to structure fires, brush fires, accidents, medical assists, and numerous calls for trees and wires. We have averaged almost 50 calls a month, the highest we have ever experienced.

Our newest apparatus – an "Attack" Engine is now under construction at Marco Equipment in Honey Brook, with an expected delivery this summer. 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. While maintaining what we have, we continue to look ahead for future needs as several of our trucks are getting older.

The department was saddened by the death of Ronald Kehl on February 22nd. Ron was the longtime chief of the legacy Bechtelsville Fire Company and had been treasurer of Eastern Berks Fire since its inception in 2011. A funeral with full fire honors was held on March 8th at the Lutheran Church in Bechtelsville.

We continue to work on our new building at 1200 Rt 100 where our Rescue Engine is now housed. Dramatic lettering is being added to the front announcing its new use.

Our 2025 Fund Drive letter has been sent. We are looking forward to the response of the community, in addition to revenues from the much-needed fire taxes which are being received from some of our first due municipalities.

You can follow us on our website - easternberksfire.com or on Facebook.

BUTTER VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH—2600 Old Route 100, Bally

The annual Butter Valley Community Church Yard Sale will be held Friday and Saturday, May 23/24 from 7 am to 1 pm. Large amounts of household items and clothing will be available for purchase. There will be a Bake Sale and prepared food for lunches. Saturday will also feature a donation Car Wash and free bounce house for children. All proceeds will benefit the summer youth missions project.
Vacation Bible School will be held Monday, June 16 to Friday, June 20, 6:45—8:45 pm. The theme will be "True North" and the free program is available for children age 3 through those entering the sixth grade this fall.
"Kids Kamp" sponsored by Butter Valley Community Church is scheduled from Monday, July 28 through Friday, August 1 from 10am to Noon in the Bally Community Park. The free program is available to children entering kindergarten to those entering the sixth grade this fall. There are inflatables, games, snack and a Bible lesson. Drop-off is at the park pavilion parking lot.
Butter Valley's Outdoor Summer Concert Series begins in July. Held on Sundays at 6:30 pm rain or shine (the concert moves indoors in case of rain.) Please bring a lawn chair. Free-will donations are accepted.
The following line-up is presented:

July 6th—Mended Heart
July 20th—Mike & Linda Hertzog
August 3— Good News Travelin' Band
August 17—Crow Hill

BALLY MENNONITE CHURCH—Route 100, Bally

Bally Mennonite Church and The Deviators will be sponsoring a Finance Seminar on Saturday, June 28, 10:00am to Noon. Information will be provided by Everence. All are welcome.
Bally Mennonite Church will have a Pancake Breakfast, July 19th, 7:00am—10:am. Breakfast will include: Pancakes, French Toast, Scrapple, Sausage, Eggs and beverages. All are welcome. Cost is by donation and proceeds will support local charities. If you have any questions you may call 610-845-7780 or visit our web page www.ballymc.org.

SCOUTING NEWS

Join the Adventure with Pack/Troop 586 – Bally, PA
Looking for something real for your kids to do? **Cub Scout Pack 586 and Scouts BSA Troop 586** is now recruiting boys and girls ages 5–17.

Cub scouts family pack 586 (boys and girls) ages 5-10
Scouts BSA Troop 586 (Boys) 11-17
For more information on cub scouts or scouts bsa visit beascout.org

We camp, hike, build fires, learn first aid, play games, and build confidence — all while making great friends and having fun. Scouting teaches practical skills, teamwork, and leadership. Whether you're new to Scouts or moving up from Cub Scouts, there's a spot for you.
Interested? Call Tyler Richard at (484) 447-0980 to find out more or visit us at a meeting.

Cub Scout Pack /Troop 586 is where adventure begins.

Stay tuned to our face book pages for community events and adventures we have .
@pack586bally and @troop586Bally

Did You Know?
Scouts from **Troop 586 in Bally, PA** are trained in the proper ceremonial retirement of American flags. If you have a worn or damaged flag, you can drop it off anytime at the **flag retirement drop box** located in front of **Schneider Hall**, right next to **Most Blessed Sacrament Church (610 Pine St.)**.
Honoring our flag is a proud tradition in Scouting — and your old flag will be retired with the respect it deserves.
Questions? Call Tyler Richard at (484) 447-0908 or email us at scouting@troop 586bally.