

BOROUGH FOUNTAIN

The Borough Council of Selinsgrove is attempting to install the fountain that had been previously standing in the center of town.

The Borough has the bowl part of the fountain, but is trying to find the three (3) columns which support the fountain. Anyone with any information on their whereabouts should contact the Borough Office at 374-2311.

The fountain would be placed along the Pine Street side of the Borough building. We would

DELINQUENT WATER & SEWER BILLS

Selinsgrove Borough bills quarterly for water, sewer and recycling services. Bills are mailed the 20th of the month following the end of the quarter (example - quarter ends June 30, bills are sent July 20).

Each customer has a water meter in their home, some have remotes which allow for reading meters from outside. The sewer charge is based on water consumption. If you use 10,000 gallons of water, then you are billed for 10,000 gallons of sewer. Recycling is a quarterly \$5.00 charge. Anyone not paying their bill within 30 days, is charged a 25% penalty.

Residents should take the opportunity to locate their water meter in their basement. You can check your consumption weekly or monthly. Any additional information can be obtained

FALL & WINTER UPCOMING EVENTS

Market Street Festival
Saturday - September 25th

Halloween Parade
Tuesday - October 19th

Downtown Christmas Decorating - All Day
Tuesday - November 23rd

Christmas Tree Lighting
Tuesday - November 23rd

Late Shoppers' Night
Tuesday - December 7th



Consumer Confidence Report

To comply with Safe Drinking Water Act amendments, the Borough of Selinsgrove will be issuing an annual report on the monitoring performed on its drinking water. The purpose of this report is to improve

consumer understanding of drinking water and heighten awareness of the need to protect precious water resources.

Watch for the Consumer Confidence Report to be delivered to your home in the near future. Call the Borough with any

EMERGENCY RESPONSE

During the recent chemical spill south of Selinsgrove it became necessary for residents to be evacuated. This has happened before and will happen again.

The Borough of Selinsgrove has an emergency operations plan for such occasions. As part of this plan Council needs to know of any resident who would require additional assistance during an evacuation.

Please contact the Borough Office if you are handicapped or disabled or know of a resident who would need additional assistance during an emergency. We will keep this information on file for future reference.

Also, neighbors should look out for each other and give any assistance to elderly or handicapped individuals.

While many people may have thought the recent evacuation was unnecessary, environmental experts reported that the particular mix of chemicals in this

REMEMBER:

The placement of leaves, grass or snow in the streets is considered littering and violators will be prosecuted.

Fire Company & Ambulance League Consider Relocating

A meeting of Borough Council members, fire company personnel and ambulance league personnel was held recently. Consideration is being given to the possibility of the fire company and ambulance service relocating to the corner of Industrial Park Road and Sassafras Street. The land is currently owned by the Borough.

DH&L had been located at Pine and Water Streets for many years and the facility needs major improvements. The fire company and ambulance could utilize their monies more effectively by constructing a new and modern facility with more room and parking. Everyone is enthusiastic about this project and very eager to proceed. To

From the Police Department - Realistic Concerns for Y2K [Year 2000]

The Media has given great attention to potential problems arising from a now well known flaw for many computers, characterized as the "Millenium Bug". Concerns have given rise to people considering stockpiling of foodstuffs, withdrawing funds from banking institutions, and others to avoid the perceived chaos that will arise. But the simple fact of the matter is that most problems that may occur with computers, Utility Companies, Banking Institutions, and Local Governments have already been addressed.

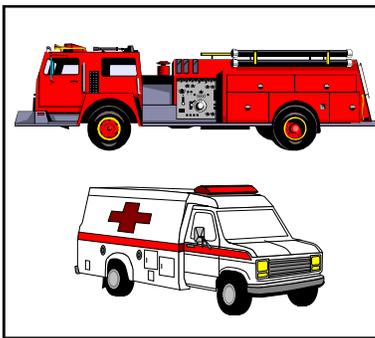
BOROUGH RECYCLING

The Borough of Selingsgrove offers many recycling opportunities to **Borough residents only**. Residents pay a quarterly fee of \$3.50 for recycling. Another \$1.50 is added to the recycling charge to cover the costs of the annual spring cleanup.

Curbside pickup includes the three colors of glass (green, brown, clear) and aluminum beverage cans only the last Thursday and Friday of the month. The drop off site on Sassafras Street will accept all of the above including tin cans, #1 & #2 plastics, etc. every Thursday. Newspapers and magazines can be dropped off at the Borough shed on the third Saturday each month. The compost site is available to residents to drop off leaves and brush. A detailed listing of all recycling opportunities is available at the Borough Office.

The Borough receives funding from DEP for items recycled during the year. Last year's funding was down due to a decrease in recycling. Please take advantage of the opportunities available to all residents.

Borough employees would like to thank all residents for



Answers to Trivia Puzzle March 1999 - Issue 3

Across

- 2. Blackhorse
- 7. Spottys
- 8. Sheetz
- 9. Stanley
- 10. High
- 11. Sheldon
- 12. Strip
- 13. BJ
- 14. Ax
- 15. Kinney

Down

- 1. Hop
- 3. Little Norway
- 4. CVS
- 5. OK Hosiery
- 6. Sweet Hope
- 11. Sub

Although the chance of major disruption is small, there is concern that residents may fall prey to frauds and consumer scams, by individuals capitalizing on fear generated by Y2K.

The most popular scam concerns efforts by criminal to have individuals divulge their credit card and other similar numbers. Individuals may pose as service representatives from the person's credit card company. In one such scheme, a criminal told individuals that the credit card company was sending out replacement magnetic strips for their cards [which hold information about the card], to ward off Y2K problems. The person is then asked for their account numbers for "verification". From this, the criminal was able to obtain account numbers and made transactions using the persons account. Some have represented themselves as bank officials, who through offering Y2K safe accounts, or other ploys, gets individuals to disclose their account numbers, social security numbers, and even PIN numbers for their debit cards. Of course, this gives the criminal access to people's accounts, and their money.

Citizens should recognize that unrealistic fears over the Y2K problem allows criminals the opportunity to commit these types of offenses. But there are some simple recommendations that can help you avoid being a victim of this type of fraud:

1. Never give out personal financial information to anyone you do not know, unless YOU initiate the contact.
2. If in doubt, contact your financial institution if you receive any calls about your accounts.
3. Check your account statements closely and alert your bank of any unexplained activity.
4. Do not provide any information from your credit card, bank accounts, or other information to unsolicited callers. If a company, such as a credit card company, calls you, they ALREADY have this information. They can read off the account number to you, which you may confirm.
5. If in doubt, call appropriate authorities, such as a bank, police department, or credit card company, to ask questions.

NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE
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YEAR 2000

The Year 2000 issue is the result of shortcomings in many electronic data processing systems and other equipment that may adversely affect the government's operations as early as 1999.

The Borough believes its operations critical systems to be Year 2000 compliant.



Selinsgrove Borough Council is always looking for interested residents to serve on various committees and commissions. If you are interested in serving your Borough, please contact a council member of the Borough Office.

Adopt a Classroom

Selinsgrove Borough is participating in the Adopt a Classroom program at the Selinsgrove Intermediate School.

The Borough has "adopted" the third grade class of Mrs. Sue Stasheski. Mrs. Stasheski has met with Borough employees to discuss various points of interest for the students.

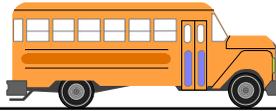
Residents are invited to stop by the Borough Office and see

Linda Lane Water Extension

During the fall of 1999, the Selinsgrove Borough will be making a water line extension up to Linda Lane.

This extension is for fire protection only at this time.

**DRIVE CAREFULLY
SCHOOL STARTS**



Selinsgrove Borough Council would like to thank the residents of North High and Sherman Streets for their patience and cooperation during the reconstruction and paving of these streets. Residents suffered during the dust and inconvenience gracefully. Again, thank you for your cooperation.

LEAF PICK-UP

The Borough of Selinsgrove anticipates beginning leaf pick-up around October 15, 1999. Leaves should be placed at the curblines. Leaves may be placed in containers or plastic bags, these will be emptied and left at the curbside. **Do not place leaves in the street;** this can cause backup of storm sewer drains. Leaf pick-up discontinues at the end of November or when the first snow flies.

SNOW REMOVAL POLICY

The policy with regards to snow removal has always been that if we receive more than six (6") inches at one time the Borough would remove the snow only in the central business district. This would be the two hour parking area.

The first priority is to open access for emergency vehicles. This requires two lanes and takes several hours. By this time people have already shoveled their walks, so we do not go back and attempt to enlarge this area closer to the curb which would

result in snow on clean sidewalks. It is necessary to maintain a certain speed in order to keep the snow from building up on the plows.

The Borough appreciates residents diligence in cleaning sidewalks but would also remind those few who are negligent that sidewalks must be cleared 24 hours after a snowfall and would like to ask everyone to clear a path all the way to the curb so that pedestrians are not forced into the streets.

SIDEWALKS UPDATE

Some residents have contacted the Borough Office regarding the installation and replacement of their sidewalks. We commend the residents who recognized the importance of sidewalks.

Any homeowner having bituminous sidewalks will need to have these replaced. The ordinance calls for four foot concrete sidewalks. Where possible, we would prefer that a twelve inch (12") area between the sidewalks and curb.

Remember the October 31, 2000 deadline.

Grant funds are now available to those property owners who meet the eligibility rules. Please contact Janet Powers for eligibility requirements. Additional questions should also be directed to her at the

**General Election
Tuesday, Nov. 2, 1999**



**Selinsgrove
Historical Committee**

The Borough has appointed a "History Committee" to identify and inventory significant historical sites in Selinsgrove. This is in recognition that before the past is preserved, it must be known. Appointed were Ruth Roush, Don Housley and Betty Schlingmann. Others will be invited to join this committee which meets the second Thursday of the month at 4:00 p.m. in the



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A LOOK AT OUR BOROUGH

Budget Review Begins

In October, the budget process will begin for fiscal year 2000.

During this time, all councilmembers will review and appropriate funds available. Requests for funding will be due in the Borough Office by October 12, 1999.

It is the responsibility of Borough Councilmembers to budget for the coming year and to establish budget priorities in line with available funds.

All Borough meetings are open to the public. Residents are invited to attend any meeting.

Water Street Improvements

Selinsgrove Borough Council has been notified that the Community Development Block Grants funds for Water Street improvements has been approved by the Department of Community Affairs.

A survey of income was completed by Borough employees and SEDA-COG representatives. The low to moderate income eligibility requirements for Community Development Block Grant funding were met.

Improvements to Water Street, from Pine to Mill Streets, will include water mains upgrades, sewer main repairs, curbing and sidewalk replacement and paving.

2000 Street Program

Selinsgrove Borough Council is considering the possibility of street improvements to Pine Street, from Market Street to Broad Street, during the year 2000.

Reconstruction will include paving and curbing. This section of Pine Street is in need of resurfacing. Residents along this section of Pine Street may need to replace their curbing. Certified letters will be sent during the spring of 2000, informing residents of their obligation to



