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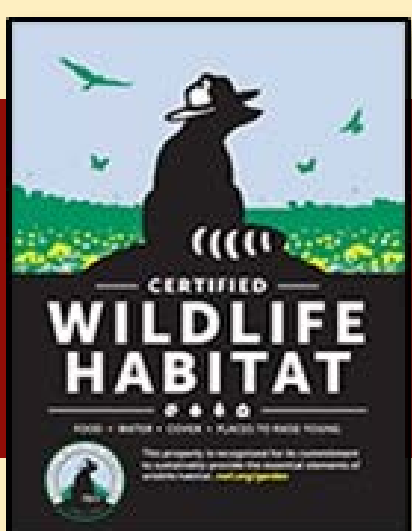
Pop-Up Park Returning to Town Center September 16-18, 2022



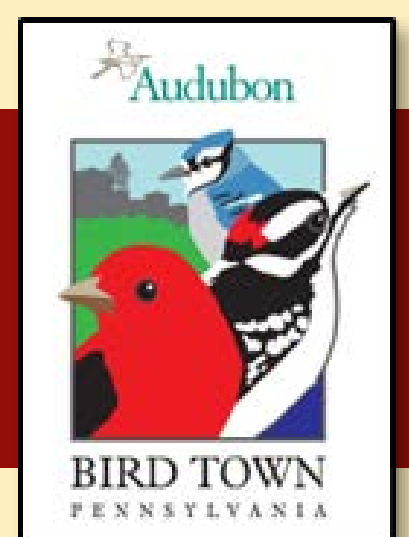
After a two-year absence due to Covid, the Bird Town Committee's Native Plant Pop-Up Park will be held on the third weekend in September. The Pop-Up Park will again be located in the parking lot at the New Britain Town Center on West Butler Ave. The Pop-Up Park will open at noon on Friday, September 16 and close on the afternoon of Sunday, September 18. There will be live music on both Friday and Saturday evenings and park visitors are invited to dine at the park both nights. You can bring your own food and beverages from home or order dinner from Nico's, Sakana, or Old School Burgers and have dinner delivered right to your table.

Native Plants on Display and For Sale

The Pop-Up is an opportunity to highlight the value of native plants to the local ecosystem and to learn about healthy-yard practices that will help your property become a haven for birds, pollinators, and other wildlife. Creating wildlife habitat using native plants is a major goal of the Bird Town program. Educational materials will be available, and members of the Bird Town Committee will be on hand to answer your questions about landscaping with wildlife in mind. Native plants will be on display and offered for sale throughout the three-day event. Native plants will also be given away to lucky raffle winners.



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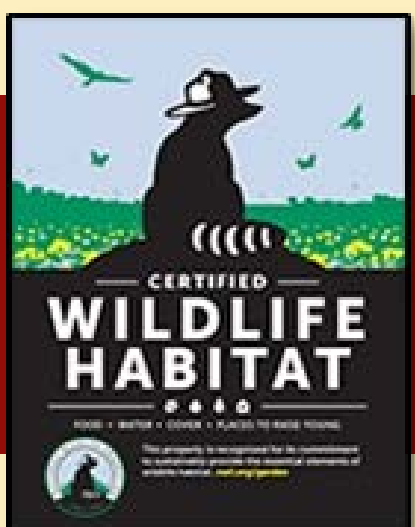
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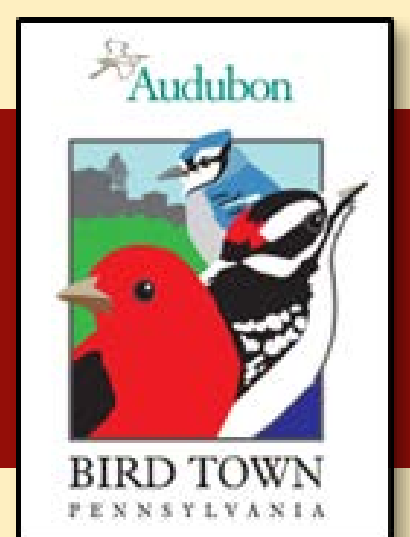
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Mayor:

James Donovan

Borough Council:

*(Meets 2nd Wed.
of the Month at
Burkart Hall
7:30 PM)*

Peter LaMontagne - *President*
Lori Kesilman - *Vice-President*
Steve Ascher
Robyne Kelemen
Tom Price
Loren Frasco
Jennifer Salisbury

Planning

Michael Stenislav - *Chair*

Commission:

*(Meets 3rd Tues.
of the Month at
Burkart Hall
7:30 PM)*

David Holewinski – *Vice-Chair*
Karl Dieterichs
Nicole Kerrigan
Jeffrey Gillmore
Jury Kheiretz
Colin Matejka
Michael Parke
Loren Frasco – *Council Liaison*

Zoning Hearing Board:

*(Meets 3rd Thurs.
of the Month at
Burkart Hall
7:30 PM)*

Anthony Coia - *Chairman*
Andrea Antell – *Vice-Chair*
Edith Benyvovsky
William Schaefer
Christen Pionzio – *Solicitor*
Mike Italia – *Zoning Officer*

Tax Collector: Nicole Percetti, 215-822-2930

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Borough Solicitor: Michael Peters - *Eastburn & Gray PC*

Borough Engineer: Karen MacNair - *Gilmore & Associates*

Planning Consultant: Judy Stein Goldstein - *Gilmore & Associates*

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Central Bucks Regional Police Dept:

Chief Karl Knott

Office: 215-345-4143 (non-emergency)

Dispatch: 215-348-3524

Borough Staff:

John W. Wolff - *Borough Manager Secretary*
Andrea Dewhurst - *Assistant Borough Manager/Open Records Officer/Notary Public/Newsletter Editor & Designer*
David Bernhauser – *Treasurer Borough Finance*
Bryan Coleman – *Public Works Director/Road Master*



Manager's Highlights

Fall / Holiday 2022

This is an honor to be writing this Manager's letter. As your new Borough Manager, I want you to know I am available for any phone calls, emails, a "just stopping in to say hi" or to ask any question about the borough. I look forward to this opportunity you have given me.

Many of you have been asking about the new gas station on Butler Avenue. I can tell you that New Britain Borough's building and code inspectors have already issued the TCO. (Temporary Certificate of Occupancy) This certificate allows them to open and operate. Now it's all up to them to finish setting up. We are all hoping they will open soon.

"The New Britain Borough West Butler Ave Sidewalk Project - Phase One" which started in the beginning of June, ran Westward from Sandy Ridge Road, along Butler Ave and eventually ended at Keeley Ave. This project is now complete and walkable. "Phase Two" will come soon as soon as we apply for the 2nd grant. "Phase Two" will connect from the end of "Phase One" at Sand Ridge Road and go all the way to Delaware Valley University. Wow, this will allow you to walk from the University to Manhattan Bagels in Chalfont and anywhere in between. We hope you will enjoy this walking adventure!



We are coming into the fall. As we get back to mowing grass and soon raking leaves, I will ask that you do not blow or rake your grass and leaves into the streets and/or into the stormwater drains. Yes, people have been known to do that, and we all know that this will cause street flooding and add contaminates in our streams and waterways. If you see anyone doing this illegal act, please contact me and I will be glad to have a chat with that individual.

Lastly, we are getting closer to snowplow season. Some of us look forward to this white blanket of beauty while others fear the removal of the white stuff. Please keep an eye on your senior neighbors, check on them frequently and lend a helping-hand when you can. Shoveling and venturing outside (walking or running errands) in a winter wonderland is very dangerous for them. While removing this white fluff, please do not place in the road. Throwing snow in the road is illegal and causes icing hazards. Please wait till the snowplow has cleared your street, curb to curb or edge to edge before clearing your driveway.

I also recommend you check your mailboxes for two things:

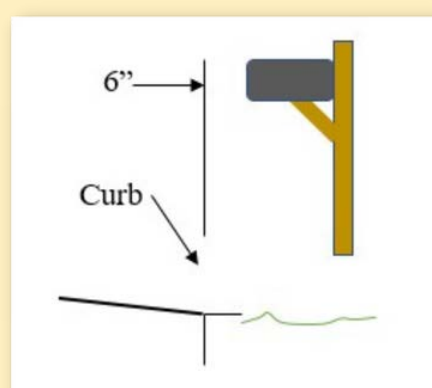
- 1) please make sure the mailbox post is sturdy. That it's not rotted at the base, because it's easier to replace now than in the frozen ground.
- 2) check that the face of the mailbox is 6" behind the face of the curb or edge of the asphalt. (see below) This helps during snowplowing season.

Many people believe, the snowplow drivers aim for your mailboxes... they do not! If your mailbox is knocked over, it's because of one or both of these two points are the issue.

If you have any questions about this letter, please feel free to contact me at the borough office. Have a safe and great weekend with family and friends.

Sincerely,

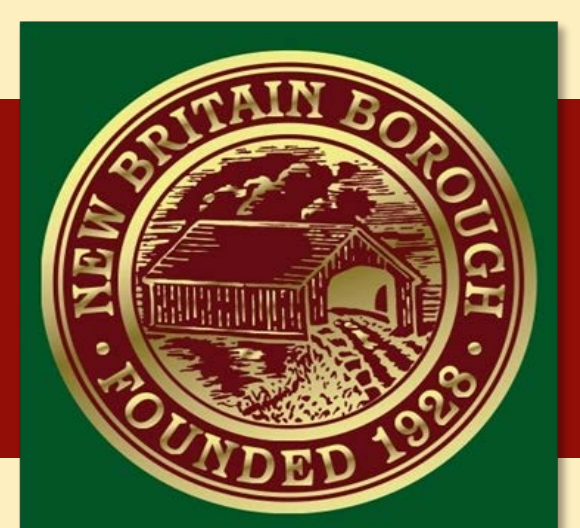
John Wolff



Mailbox Location & Position

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Mayor's Message

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There are a great many things that have happened here in New Britain Borough this year with many more to look forward to. That being said, it is only with the support of our residents, volunteers and local businesses that these things occur. So much goes on behind the scenes, before, during and after these activities that it's time we all take notice and say Thank You.

Every one of these events, activities and locations have one thing in common, support from our community, businesses and volunteers. Countless hours spent preparing for, operating and cleaning up after these events typically goes unnoticed, but the events wouldn't happen without them.



- The New Britain Civic Association's Covered Bridge Day and their Annual Duck Derby.
- The New Britain Farmers Market every Wednesday behind the New Britain Baptist Church.
- The Central Bucks Regional Police Foundation's Comedy Night fundraiser for the Victim Services Unit.
- The Wreaths Across America Dine and Donate event at the New Britain Inn.
- Our local Fire Companies and EMS organizations.
- The Wilma Quinlan Nature Preserve, Orchard Park and the Community Garden.

To all of these organizations, businesses and people I would like to say "Thank You" for all your efforts.

There have also been improvements to our community.

- The continuation of the new sidewalk from Keeley Ave on to Butler Ave.
- The soon to be opened gas station and mini-market across from the Town Center.

Our Borough Manager and Asst. Manager deserve a great deal of credit for working through all the issues that went into these changes.
To both of them, "Thank You".

Many changes have happened over the last couple of years. Our lives have been impacted dramatically due to the pandemic. People and businesses alike have had to deal with the effects from it, but I think we see the light at the end of this tunnel, and we are all ready to move forward.

Take a moment to realize we live in a wonderful community and because of you, I know it will continue to stay that way. To everyone, "Thank You".

James Donovan
- Mayor -



It is that time of year, Election Season! Political Campaign Signs Know your Rights

Michael Italia, Barry Isett Associates, Zoning Officer



Many residents choose to display their support for a candidate or party by placing political campaign signs on their lawn. Most signs require zoning permits, however one of the exceptions to zoning permits are political campaign signs.

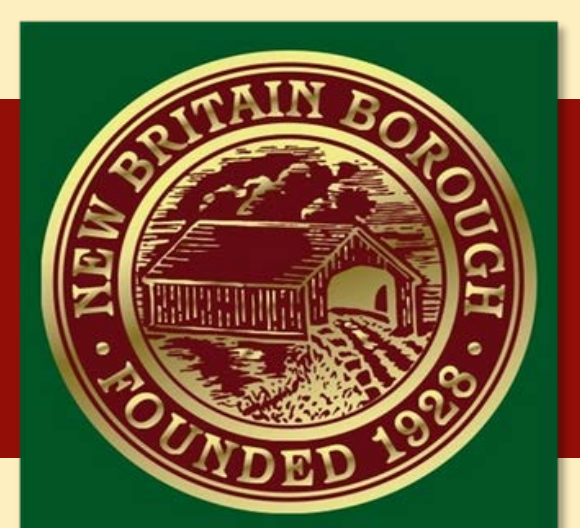
When displaying your political campaign signs this fall, please be sure to keep in mind the ***Zoning Ordinance regulations***:

1. Political campaign signs cannot exceed four (4) square feet in area.
2. Political campaign signs shall be displayed by the owner of the property, or by the party or candidate with permission from the property owner. If someone places a sign on your property without your permission, you have the right to remove the sign.
3. Political campaign signs cannot be displayed more than 30 days prior to the election and 20 days following the election.

**This year, political signs can be displayed
October 9, 2022 through November 28, 2022.**

4. Political campaign signs shall not be located in a position to limit sight distances along any roadway or driveway. This ensures the safety of all residents and visitors of the Borough.

And remember, don't forget to vote on Tuesday, November 8th!



STORM WATER

Karen MacNair, Gilmore & Associates

Stormwater management is very important for the sustainability of the Borough. The remnants from Hurricane Ida, which impacted our area about 1 year ago, showed our area the extreme power of water. The Borough's stormwater design standards have evolved and improved over the years in efforts to minimize the impacts from stormwater runoff. Depending on the size of development, the requirements vary.

For the smallest of projects, up to 1000 square feet (SF), they are exempt from the requirements of the stormwater management ordinance. Below is a simple example of a project that would be exempt:

A homeowner wants to add a garage and a driveway to meet it. The garage is 22 feet by 20 feet or 440 SF of additional impervious. The driveway is 40 feet by 10 feet or 400 SF of additional impervious. Combined the increase in impervious coverage is 840 SF. Therefore, being less than 1000 SF, this project would be exempt from the stormwater management ordinance requirements.

For projects between 1001 and 5000 SF of impervious, such as a large addition or double-wide garage and new driveway, this type of development follows the Small Project Stormwater Management Site Plan requirements and is exempt from peak rate requirements. The most common mitigations for a project of this size are construction of a small rain garden or underground stone seepage bed.

For projects with over 5,000 square feet of new impervious surfaces, the Borough requires the applicant determine the total amount (volume) of runoff and how fast (rate) with which the stormwater runs through and out of the site in its current condition. Next, the applicant must do this same analysis on the proposed conditions. The existing and proposed data are compared. The total volume of water permitted to leave the site ultimately must be equal to or less than what currently leaves the site. The rate of which the water leaves the site must also be equal to or less than existing. These requirements are generally addressed with large above ground or below ground basins and associated conveyance pipes, inlets, and manholes.

Everything you do has an impact on others downstream from you. Likewise, what others do upstream from you has an impact on you. It takes everyone to properly manage the increased stormwater runoff that would otherwise result from development.

You can help keep our water clean! To report a non-stormwater discharge to the stormwater system, storm drain, or to a stream, please call the Borough's offices at 215-348-4586.

As always, the Borough Code of Ordinances can be found online by visiting <https://ecode360.com/NE3059>



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Central Bucks Regional Police

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Police Chief Karl Knott

229 N. Broad Street, Doylestown, PA 18901
<https://bucks.crimewatchpa.com/centralbucksregionalpd/home>

NON-EMERGENCY: (215) 345-4143

**IN-CASE OF AN EMERGENCY
CALL: 9-1-1**



Comedy Night Fundraiser

**September 16, 2022
at 7:00 pm
doors open at
6:30 PM
at Our Lady of Czestochowa.**

**Tickets:
Purchase online at
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/comedy-night-fundraiser-tickets-342958467007>**



A 501(c)(3) PA Charitable Organization

229 N. Broad Street
Doylestown, PA 18901
foundation@cbrpd.net

WE NEED YOUR HELP!



Victim Services Unit

The Central Bucks Regional Police Foundation is a 501(c)(3) PA charitable organization in support of the Central Bucks Regional Police Department.

We are hosting a Comedy Night Fundraiser to support the Victim Services Unit (Central Bucks Regional PD, Buckingham Twp PD, Plumstead Twp PD and Doylestown Twp PD). The event will be held on September 16, 2022 9 (doors open at 6:30 PM) at Our Lady of Czestochowa.

Tickets: Purchase online <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/comedy-night-fundraiser-tickets-342958467007>

Please consider either **donating an item for raffle** or **becoming a sponsor** for this event. 100% of proceeds will go directly to initiatives of the CBRPD and victims of crime.

Donate an Item for Basket Raffle: You can donate a new item that we will add to a basket or create your own collection of items to raffle. Send us an e-mail at foundation@cbrpd.net and we will be happy to pick up your donation.

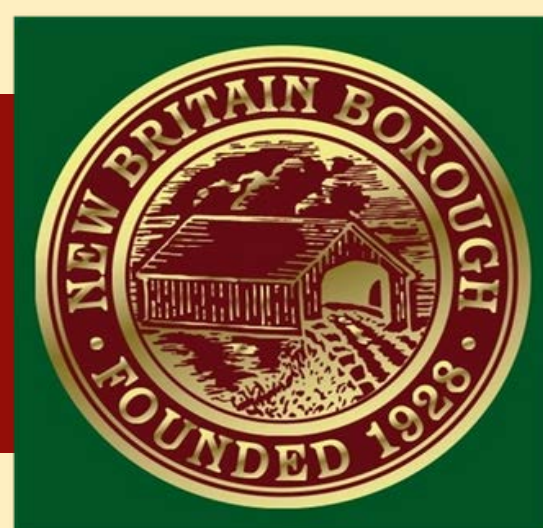
Sponsorship Opportunity:

- | | |
|------------------------|---|
| ★ Gold Sponsor \$1,000 | Four Comedy Night Tickets
Private Tour of CBRPD HQ including Meet & Greet with K9
Signage Advertising Your Sponsorship at Event
Social Media Event Blast including Your Sponsorship Status |
| ★ Silver Sponsor \$500 | Two Comedy Night Tickets
Signage Advertising Your Sponsorship at Event
Social Media Event Blast including Your Sponsorship Status |

Thank you for your consideration!

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Doylestown Fire Department

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Fire Chief Michael Wood

Station 19: 68 Shewell Ave., Doylestown, PA 18901

Station 79: 40 Warden Road Doylestown, PA 18901

<https://doylestownfireco.org/>

NON-EMERGENCY: (215) 348-2656

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CALL: 9-1-1**



MISSION, VALUES & VISION

Doylestown Fire Company No. 1 (DFC) is an all-volunteer force located in Doylestown, Pennsylvania. We serve Doylestown Borough, Doylestown Township and assigned areas of Buckingham Township, New Britain Borough and New Britain Township.

We have a dedicated team of about 100 volunteer firefighters and staff members with a mission to provide excellent fire, rescue, fire prevention, and public education services to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the Community. We have successfully served the Doylestown area since our inception in 1879.

Currently, we have two stations serving the area. Station 19 which is located at 68 Shewell Avenue in Doylestown Borough and Station 79 located at 40 Warden Road in Doylestown Township.



Station 19



Station 79

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Central Bucks Emergency Services

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455 East Street, Doylestown, PA 18901
www.cbems.org

NON-EMERGENCY: (215) 348-3343

**IN-CASE OF AN EMERGENCY
CALL: 9-1-1**

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION
DRIVE TIME



As you can imagine, 2020 and 2021 have been very trying for EMT's and Paramedics but they continue to work hard in providing our communities with much needed emergency medicine in time of need.

We would like to say thank you for the support our community has shown us the past 18 months, your kindness has been very comforting.

Our annual mailing is a vital part of revenue for CBEMS. Our annual fundraising is a substantial part of our annual operating and capital budget that supports our ability to respond to over 11,000 911 emergencies annually.

The annual subscription drive is not only a substantial annual revenue source but is also important in assisting subscribers who may need to call upon 911 for an ambulance.

Your subscription can help with avoiding insurance co-pays, or in the case of being uninsured or a high deductible plan, avoid full payment.

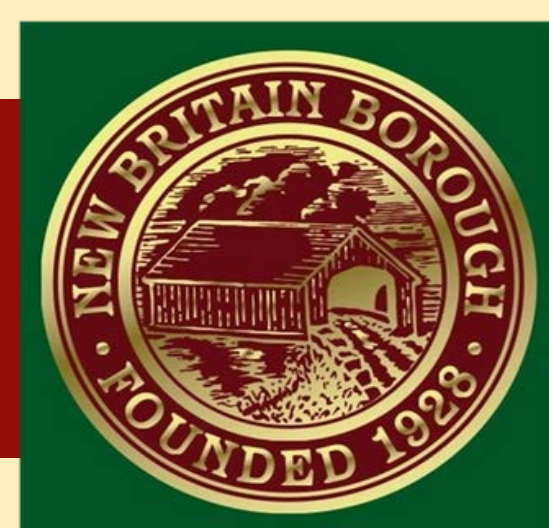
To learn more and to enroll in a subscription plan, visit <https://www.cbems.org/subscription>

You may also call our office and request a form, stop by the office and complete a form or call and pay by phone at 215-348-3343.



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Chal-Brit Regional Emergency Medical Services

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Postal address: P.O. Box 506, Chalfont, PA 18914-0506
Station 134: 201 Park Ave., Chalfont, PA 18914
www.chalfontems.org

NON-EMERGENCY: (215) 822-1308

**IN-CASE OF AN EMERGENCY
CALL: 9-1-1**



ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION DRIVE TIME

The Chal-Brit Regional EMS
Annual 2022/2023
Subscription Drive will be
mailed on or around the 15th of May.



As in the past the Board of Directors & Staff of Chal-Brit
Regional EMS Thank you for your support which “Helps us Help You”.

CHAL-BRIT REGIONAL		Emergency Medical Services	SUBSCRIPTION FORM	
2022-2023 Subscription Rates:		PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS PORTION.	<p>Please make checks payable to: Chal-Brit Regional EMS and mail to: C/O American Heritage Federal Credit Union 765 East Butler Pike New Britain, PA 18901 Information Calls: 215-822-1308 ext. 418 Reference No. _____</p> <p>CHAL-BRIT REGIONAL Emergency Medical Services</p> <p>2022-2023</p> <p>Name: _____</p> <p>\$ _____ AMOUNT</p> <p><i>Thank you for your tax free contribution!</i> EMERGENCIES: DIAL 9-1-1 Expiration Date: June 30, 2023 KEEP THIS PORTION</p>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual Rate	\$50.00	<p>For payments via PayPal, please include your reference number and membership type</p> <p>Reference No. _____</p> <p>Visit our secure website to use:  www.ChalfontEMS.org</p> <p>Please make necessary corrections to name and address.</p>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Family Membership Rate	\$70.00			
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<input type="checkbox"/> Senior Individual Rate (65 & Over)	\$40.00			
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<input type="checkbox"/> Additional Tax-Deductible Donation	\$ _____			

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Chalfont Fire Department

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Designer Bag

BINGO



November 12, 2022
Saturday Evening at 7:00pm
(Doors Open at 6:00pm)

National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa
654 Ferry Road, Doylestown, PA 18901

TICKETS

\$35.00 in advance
\$40.00 at the door

Make checks payable to:

Chalfont Fire Company Auxiliary
301 North Main Street, Chalfont, PA 18914
Any Questions please call Erin Brant at 216/392-2141

*Play 10 rounds of BINGO (extras will be available)
3 Specials, 50/50 & Raffles*

Come out and have a fun night
while supporting a great cause

Hosted by:
Chalfont Fire Company Auxiliary
Benefits:
Chalfont Fire Company



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New Britain Borough Manager

John W. Wolff

John W. Wolff has lived in New Britain Borough for over 40+ years. John and his wife, Caroline, raised their two children in the borough, and feels that there is no better place to raise a family. Their children attended the Cover Bridge Park Summer Camp for many years and loved it.

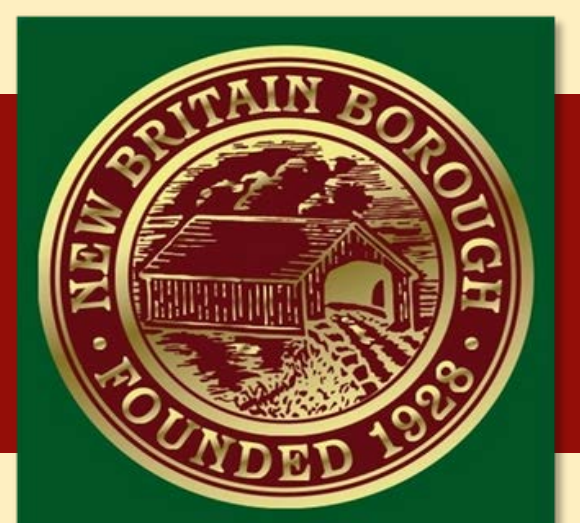


John has been a sitting as an active member of the Borough's Zoning Hearing Board for 28 years and a member of the Financial Advisory Committee since its inception 7 years ago. Previously to being offered the Borough Manager position, John was seated on the Borough's Council. He has watched his own Borough's growth and change with great interest and enthusiasm and has helped with many past and present projects.

John was previously employed by Hatfield Township in Montgomery County for 20 years. He first started as the Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer and then as Director of Public Works and Code Enforcement.

John's background is heavily focused on municipal infrastructure. He supports the growth of businesses in the community and wants to continue to improve and develop the infrastructure throughout the borough, including roads, utilities and walkability.

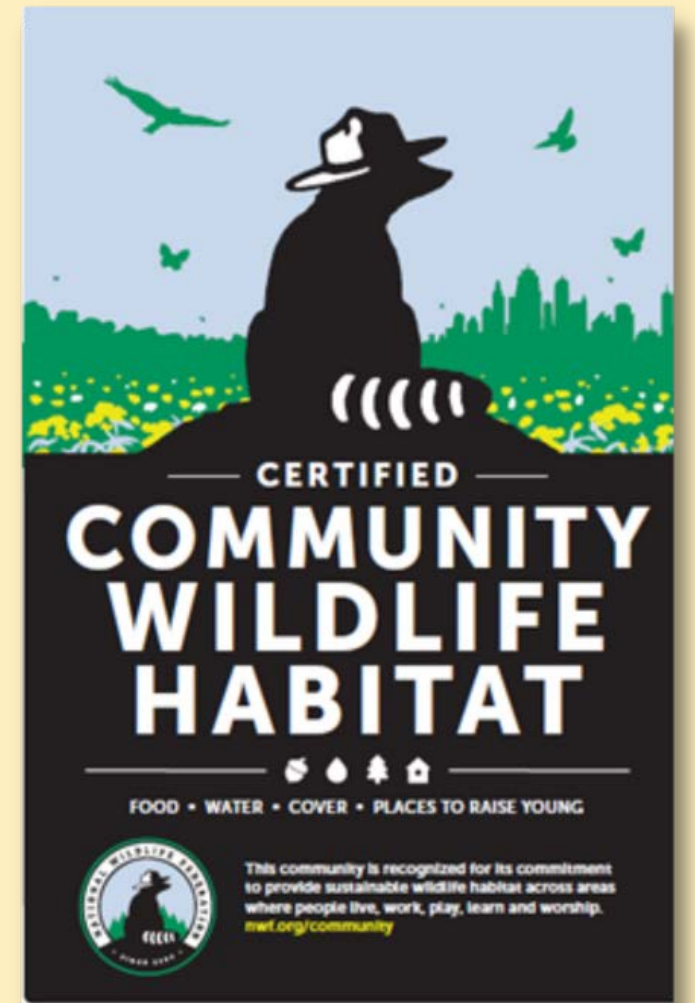
John is excited to be the New Borough Manager of New Britain Borough.



Community Wildlife Habitat Certification Celebration

This year's Pop-Up Park is also an opportunity to celebrate New Britain Borough's recent certification as a Community Wildlife Habitat by the National Wildlife Federation.

Our Borough is only the fifth municipality in Pennsylvania to earn this certification.



A special ceremony marking this achievement will be held on Saturday, September 17 at 11:00 a.m.

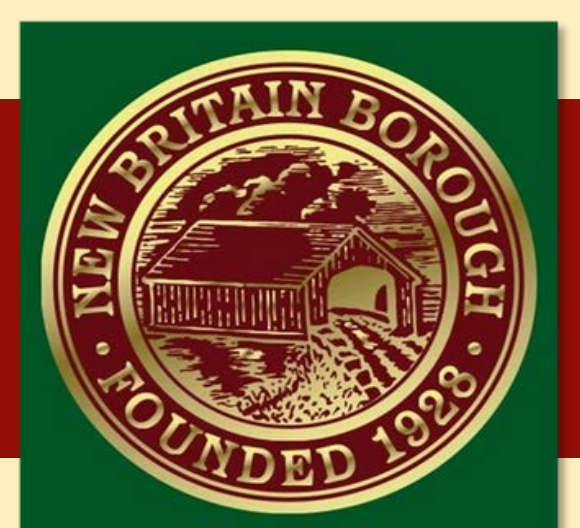
Many Borough residents helped us achieve this certification by making the commitment to landscape their properties with wildlife in mind and by registering their properties as wildlife habitat.

We hope to see everyone who registered their properties in attendance for this special celebration, so as an incentive, and thank-you, to those residents, anyone who brings their property certificate to the park will receive a free native plant!

And it's not too late to register your property as wildlife habitat.

Register your property at the Pop-up Park and you'll receive a free native plant, as well!

More information about this registration program can be found at <https://www.nwf.org/CommunityWildlifeHabitat/>.





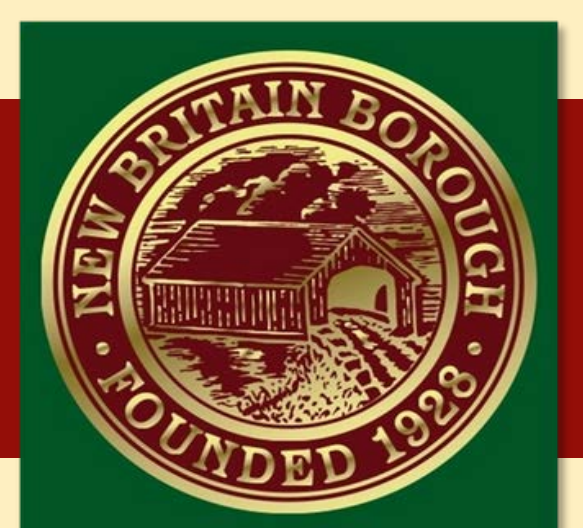
“Homegrown National Park”

The organizing theme of this year’s Pop-Up Park is “Homegrown National Park®,” a term coined by Doug Tallamy, the chair for entomology and wildlife ecology at the University of Delaware.

Tallamy is the author of numerous books about the importance of restoring biodiversity to our yards and co-founder of Homegrown National Park. According to Tallamy, “Our National Parks, no matter how grand in scale are too small and separated from one another to preserve species to the levels needed. Thus, the concept for Homegrown National Park, a bottom-up call-to-action to restore habitat where we live and work, and to a lesser extent where we farm and graze, extending national parks to our yards and communities.”

The initial goal of Homegrown National Park is to create 20 million acres of native plantings throughout the U.S. and visitors to the Pop-Up Park will learn how they can add their properties to this important and growing initiative.

Please visit <https://homegrownnationalpark.org/> for more information about Homegrown National Park.

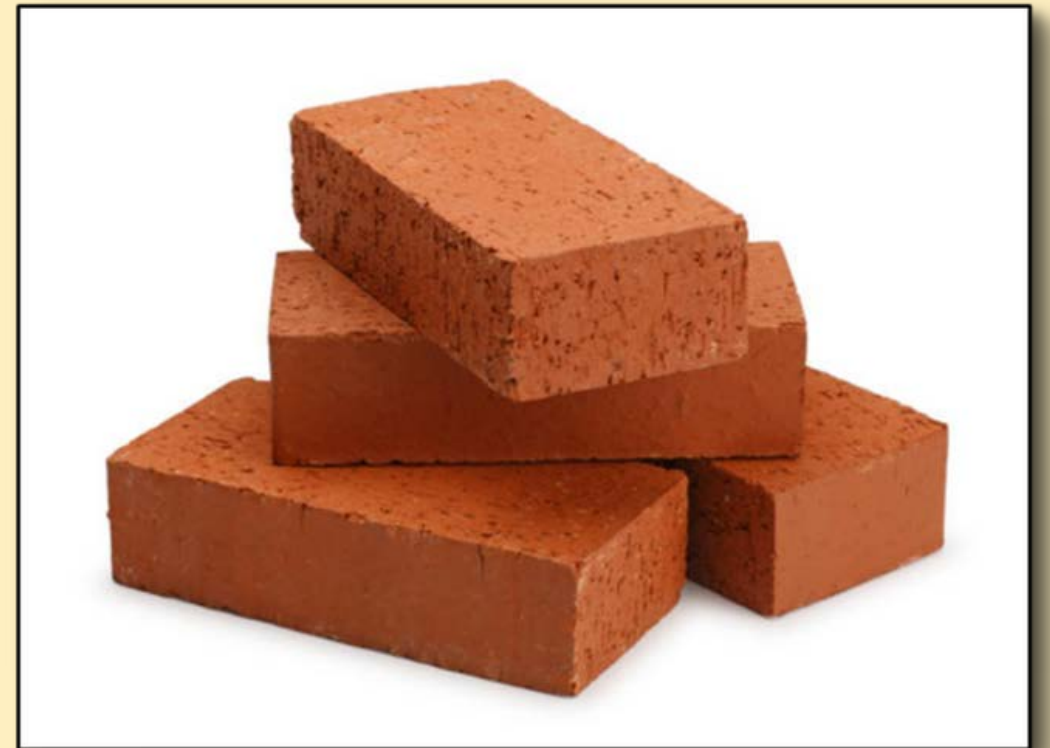


2022 BRICK FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN AT COVERED BRIDGE PARK

New Britain Civic Association kicks off their 2022 Brick Fundraising Campaign to install a new Playground for the Disabled.

The N.B.C.A. is adding two new pieces of Playground equipment for the disabled.

The Brick Campaign will run from April 1st through September 30th, 2022.



President of the New Britain Civic Association, David Holewinski, said “Because of the loss of revenue during the past twenty-four months, the Civic Association has been unable to fulfill our commitment to provide recreational equipment for those children with disabilities. This brick pavers fund raising project gives us the opportunity to complete that project, your generosity is paramount in our success. “

NBCA is a not-for-profit 5031C serving our community for 65 years. They rely on volunteers, the generosity of their membership and the surrounding communities to fund their construction projects.

The Bricks are going to be part of a new walkway that will connect to the new playground equipment to their replica train station building in Covered Bridge Park.

The bricks will be available at a cost of \$120 dollars and can be engraved with a personal message or a memorial tribute to a loved one.

For more information visit: newbritaincivic.org



**The New Britain Borough Historic Preservation Committee
is proud to sponsor Wreaths Across America
at the New Britain Baptist Church cemetery.**



Wreaths Across America is a nationwide program to remember and honor our fallen heroes. On Wreaths Across America Day volunteers place wreaths on veteran's graves at more than 2,800 locations nationwide.

**Historic Preservation Committee is sponsoring a Dine & Donate
at the New Britain Inn on Sunday, November 6, 2022.**

20% of your total food bill will go towards sponsoring wreaths at our location.
Look for more information via Ready Bucks email as the event date gets closer.

**Join us on Saturday, December 17, 2022,
at the New Britain Baptist Church cemetery!**

We will gather to honor veterans buried in the historic cemetery by placing wreaths on their graves. The ceremony starts promptly at noon and begins at the Walter H. Harvey memorial on the grounds of the church.

How can you be a part of Wreaths Across America Day?

You can help by sponsoring wreaths to honor the veterans buried in our historic New Britain Baptist Church cemetery. Each wreath is only \$15.00.

To sponsor a wreath online:

visit: www.wreathsassamerica.org

Search for PANBBC to make sure that your donation is sent to our location.

OR checks made payable to "Wreaths Across America"
can be mailed to the New Britain Borough Administration Office
45 Kelley Ave. New Britain, PA.



Donations need to be received by Friday, November 18th.

**Come join us to remember our veterans
and the sacrifices they made for our freedom.**



Volunteers Needed

Fall / Holiday 2022

Volunteers Needed to Help Maintain the Borough's Natural Areas

New Britain Borough is home to several tracts of open space set aside for passive recreation, including walking, birdwatching, and nature study. These natural areas include the Wilma Quinlan Nature Preserve on Mathews Avenue and Orchard Park on Keeley Avenue, both owned by the Borough.

If you've visited either of these Borough gems, you've likely been impressed by how well maintained they are. But have you stopped to ask who is responsible for that maintenance? For the most part, it's us, the residents of the Borough. More accurately it's a small group of residents, who serve on the all-volunteer Borough committees responsible for stewarding these areas.

Aside from the mowing, the Borough's Nature Preserve Committee is responsible for the management and most of the maintenance of the Nature Preserve. The Parks & Rec Committee has the same responsibilities for Orchard Park. Add the volunteers on the Bird Town Committee, who have taken responsibility for the landscaping at the Borough office and Burkart Hall, and the members of the Shade Tree Commission, who are responsible for the trees planted along Butler Avenue, and we're talking twenty-five people who do almost all of this work.

This should surprise no one who knows or lives in our Borough. We have always depended on community service by volunteers, who have always been one of our Borough's greatest strengths. Volunteers do a tremendous amount of work that most residents take for granted, but it's work that needs to be done. Volunteers cost nothing and save the Borough money, doing work that would otherwise need to be contracted out or done by paid staff.

The problem we face today, however, is that our volunteer base is changing. None of us are getting younger, and few of us can do as much as we did a year, or five years, ago. Some of us are tired, or maybe a little worn out. So, we need some help. We need you, and other Borough residents, to join our efforts. This doesn't necessarily mean committing to join a committee, but we sure could use more help with the work we do on these Borough properties. Volunteering to help on workdays in the Nature Preserve or in Orchard Park would be a good start. Help us restore habitat by planting native trees and shrubs, or by removing invasive species that are degrading these open spaces. Help us with weeding, watering, mulching, trail work, construction projects, and more. Help us in any way you can.

To express an interest in getting more involved, email pricet@newbritainboro.com or just come to a scheduled workday this fall. The dates and times for those workdays are found elsewhere in this newsletter and are also posted on the kiosks in the Nature Preserve and Orchard Park. Or register on the Borough website, <https://www.newbritainboro.com/> to receive notices of Borough news, including these volunteer opportunities. Thanks in advance for stepping up.

Hope to see you soon.



Autumn Reminders for Borough Residents



This is the time of year to enjoy backyard fires.

A reminder... fires must be contained inside of a commercially made fire pit, or within blocks.

- Open burning in yards is PROHIBITED.
- Open fires should be attended at all times and until the fire is completely extinguished.
- No outdoor fires shall be ignited prior to 9:00 a.m. on any day, and they must be extinguished by 12:00 a.m. midnight of the same day.

**The updated regulations for burning can be found at:
<https://www.ecode360.com/15538278>**

**Leaves will be beginning to fall from trees... as a reminder
Leaf Burning is PROHIBITED in New Britain Borough.**

Tree limbs and branches are still allowed to be burned (in a fire pit), but leaves are not.

All leaves must be disposed of either by
compost, recycling, or through the normal trash disposal in yard waste bags.



Volunteer Community Service
**Wilma Quinlan Nature Preserve
and Orchard Park**
Fall Work Days



Nature Preserve: Saturdays 9:00 - 12:00

September 24

October 8

October 22

November 12

Orchard Park: Sundays 1:00 - 4:00

September 25

October 9

**Please join us for native tree planting, invasive species
removal and other conservation work!**



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New Britain Civic Association

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DUCK DERBY & PICNIC IN THE PARK 2022

**Saturday, September 24, 2022
11:00 am - 3:00 pm (rain or shine)**

Sponsored by
New Britain Civic Association



If you are looking for a fun, family friendly event this weekend stop by Covered Bridge Park for New Britain Civic Association's Annual Duck Derby & Picnic in the Park!

There are all kinds of activities and games for children such as face painting, moon bounce, hayrides and a duck hunt. There is entertainment, vendors, gift basket raffle items and food.

The entire day is a build up to the final event at 2:00 pm - a fun filled rubber duck race which has hundreds of ducks racing downstream to the finish line to see who will be the winner of the 2022 Duck Derby!

There will be entertainment, raffles, food trucks and of course the Duck Race with a first prize of \$500 dollars.

Proceeds from this event will benefit the New Britain Civic Association and this year, the Chalfont Fire Company.

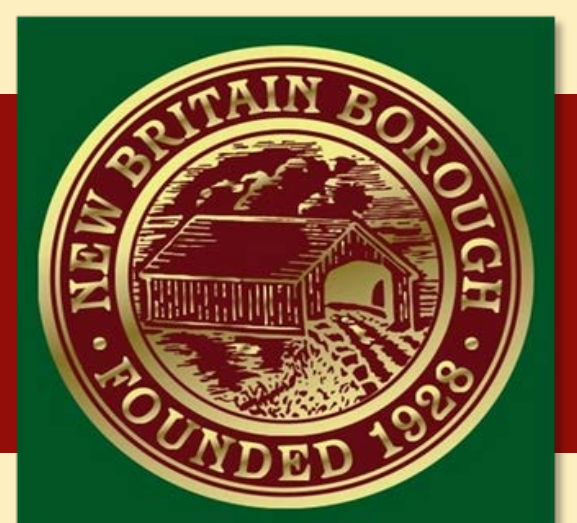
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Bird Town Committee

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More Info!



Activities
for kids and adults

FREE plant raffles

Live music each night

Bring your own food or order
from Nico's, Old School Burgers
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POP-UP PARK & Native Plant Sale

September 16th, 17th & 18th



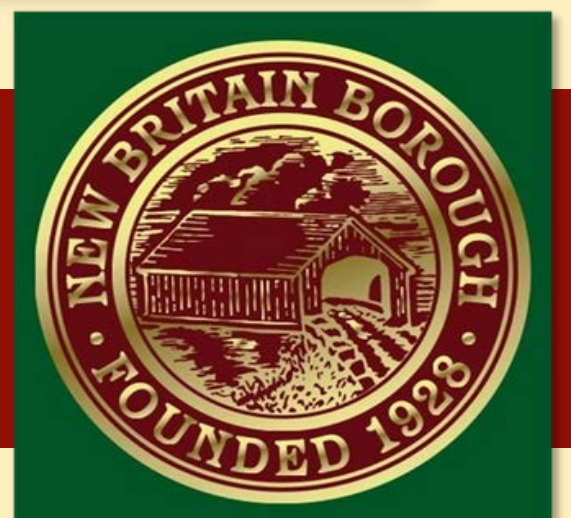
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For more info visit <https://tinyurl.com/PopUp-NBB>

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BIRD WALKS

HOSTED BY CHALFONT, DOYLESTOWN TOWNSHIP
AND NEW BRITAIN BOROUGH BIRD TOWNS

FALL 2022

**Sunday,
September 11th**

**Kelly and Twin
Streams Park**
from 9:00 - 11:00am

Meet and park at Chalfont
Borough Hall (40 N. Main
Street)

**Saturday,
October 8th**

at **Central Park**
from 8:30 - 10:30am
(425 Wells Road - Pavilion 1)

followed by a
Native Plant Sale from
10:30-12:30 at the
native plant garden



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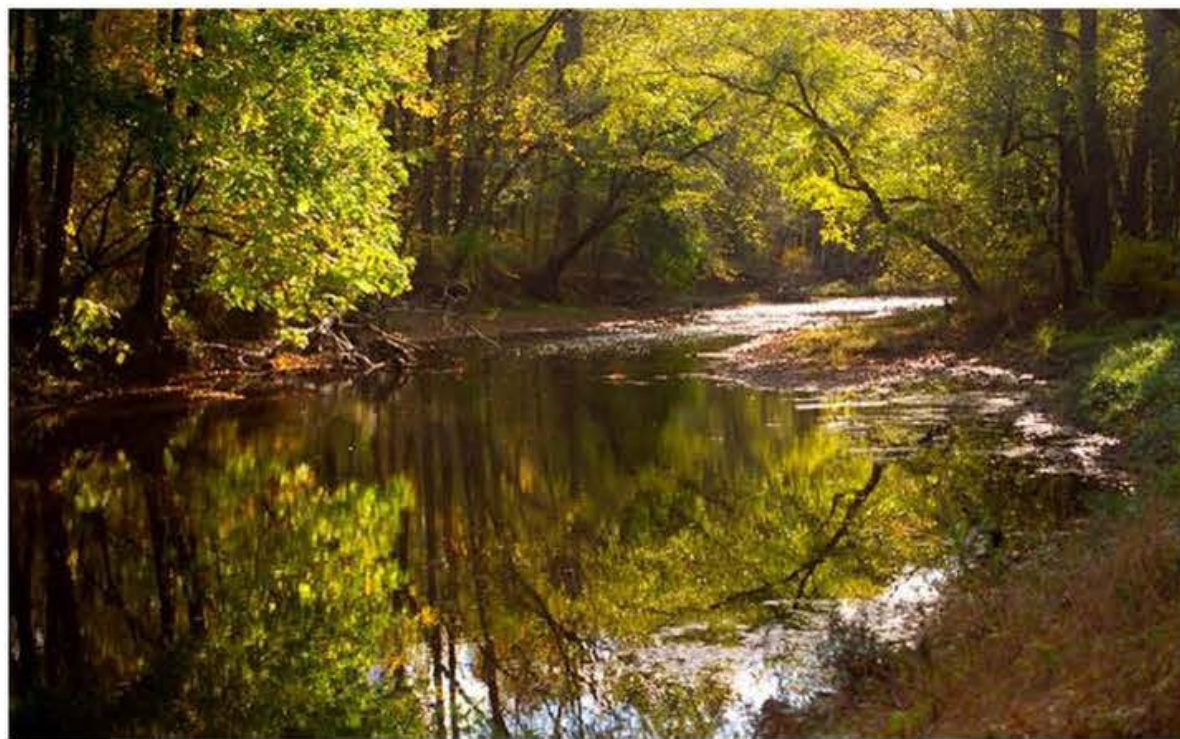
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Nature Preserve



Saturday, October 15

**Come learn more about
the Preserve!**

Self or Guided Tours

(Walking or Golf Carts)

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon



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New Britain Civic Association

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New Britain Borough Annual Tree Lighting

**Wednesday,
December 7, 2022**

Join the New Britain
Civic Association at their
Annual Tree Lighting!

**Festivities Start
at 7:00 p.m**

**Located at
Covered Bridge
Park**



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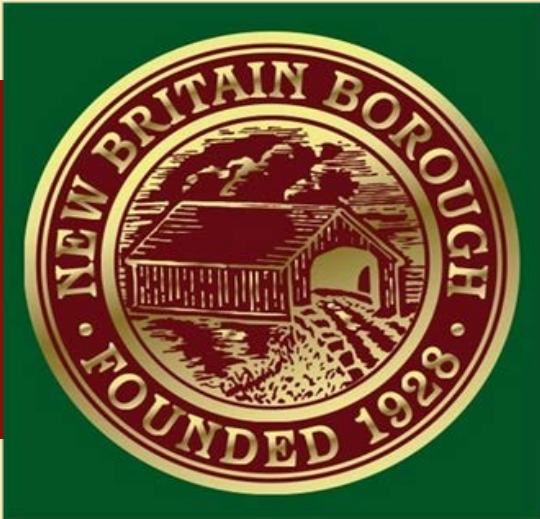


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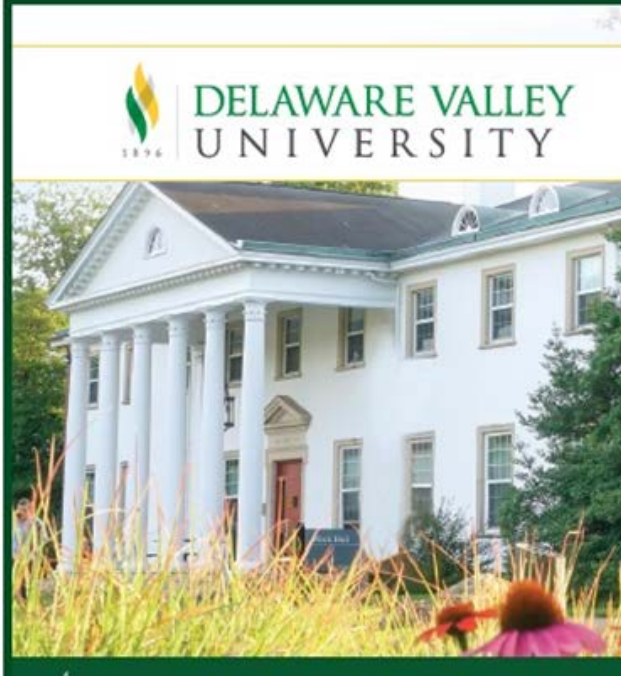


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