



Fall  
2025



## Elverson Parade—Ellie Mountz

One of my family's favorite fall events is the Elverson Parade which we make sure to attend annually. This year, it will be held on October 15 and will start at 7:00 pm, but if it rains they'll wait until October 16th. The parade travels up Main Street through Elverson from Pine Street to Yeingst Drive. Make sure you come hungry because, besides the candy, there will be a Joanna Store Food Truck, Giovanni's, and Yellow Door Tacos. There is also going to be live music before the parade starts! John Barnett will be singing with his band in front of Elverson Supply starting at 5:30.

This year's parade theme is Celebrating Our Favorite Musicals, and it will be cool to see what musicals are represented. You can help pick the winners if you vote. Information on voting will be handed out on programs the evening of the parade on QR codes. I hope you come and experience one of my favorite fall events this year at the Elverson parade!




# COME JOIN US.

This event supports Chester County's comprehensive plan to ensure readiness for, response to, and recovery from pipeline incidents.

**Agenda:**  
 High-level review of Chester County Pipeline Incident Plan & interactive stakeholder information stations

 Tuesday  
**September 30, 2025**

 **5:00 - 7:00 PM**  
 Eastern Time

 **Twin Valley Elementary Center Gymnasium**  
 50 Mast Drive  
 Elverson, PA 19520

 **Parking:** School lot

PARTICIPANTS  
 MAY INCLUDE

CCDES • Municipal Emergency Management Coordinators and Township Managers • Public Utility Commission (PUC) Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) • Chester County Planning Commission • PA 811 PA Department of Environmental Protection • Elected Officials • Pipeline Operators

## Elverson's Skatepark *Justin Horrocks*

We are excited to provide an update on the Elverson Skatepark being built in Livingood Park. As of this month, Action-Impact has secured everything necessary to begin building the park.

Work is scheduled to begin by the end of the month, and many of you will begin to see equipment, layout, and plans begin to take place. Provided the building schedule stays on track, we should have a skatepark by the end of the year.

Action-Impact is glad to be able to take part in this project and donate this community skatepark to the borough. We hope it will serve the next generation well. It would not be possible without the support and the generous donations of many throughout the community.

As we enter the building phase, there is still time to provide financial donations for those looking to have their name etched into Elverson history. There are final financial obligations, to make sure



the skatepark is built to the zoning code and utilizes the space provided. Tax-deductible donations can be sent to: Action-Impact, Inc, 80 Vickery Lane, Elverson, PA 19520. All donations received will be used for the skatepark.

As the park is being built, we ask that the area is respected and that you avoid entering the construction zone. We will be having a grand opening on a date that is to-be-determined.

This community skatepark will be a fun, family-friendly area providing additional outdoor recreational opportunities. We look forward to having this expansion in our local park and we hope that it is enjoyed by many for years to come!

*Note: Funds to build the skatepark are from donations and from a grant. This project is at no expense to the Borough.*

**For Elverson Updates, join us on Savvy Citizen.**

## Elverson Borough Residents, Savvy Citizen® is now available!



Elverson Borough would like to introduce Savvy Citizen. Savvy Citizen is a free notification system for Apple and Android users that will enable the borough to send information about important news and events directly to residents' mobile devices. Residents may access Savvy Citizen by downloading the smartphone app, visiting the website below or scanning the QR code with your phone's camera.



*For more info:*

**SavvyCitizenApp.com**

*Sign up and become a savvy citizen!*



## Fall Garden Regimen

*Herb Hamilton*

I grew up with a mother who was an avid gardener. She taught me that "Fall is for Planting". And we've all seen the signs in the local garden centers and they're not wrong. By following this fall garden regimen, you too will have success planting in the Fall.

While there are a few exceptions, most plants do very well being planted now. They are no longer growing. Instead they focus their energy on root development. Yes, you will have to water, but you are already doing that for your established plants, right? Remember what I said last year: Plants need to go into winter well hydrated.

Make sure you water your new plantings regularly up until Thanksgiving. That's my cutoff. Watering



in December is extremely rare and only if we experience unseasonably warm weather for an extended period. Apply a 2-3" layer of mulch around the

plants to assist in moisture retention and to help insulate the roots through winter.

Finally, don't forget the fertilizer. Again, Thanksgiving is the key date. Fertilizing in December allows the nutrients the whole winter to work their way down through the soil to the roots. Then in March, as the plants begin to become active, the food is right there where they need it.

Water, mulch, fertilize. Whether it's new plants or old, follow this Fall Garden Regimen for gardening success...water, mulch, fertilize.

## **Vote!**

**Tuesday, November 4, 7 am to 8 pm, Brick Lane Community Church, 52 S Brick Lane**

**Last day to register to vote:** Monday, October 20

**Last day to apply for a mail-in or absentee ballot:** Tuesday, October 28

“We do not have government by the majority.  
We have government by the majority who participate.” Thomas Jefferson



### **Elverson Borough Candidates**

Borough Council: Dennis Kurtz, Tom Feeley and Jonathan Mountz.  
Mayor - Cindy Franchitti.

Jon and Cindy are new candidates. Information on both are below.

#### **Cindy Franchitti for Mayor of Elverson**

I am Cindy Franchitti and I'm proud to announce my candidacy for Mayor of Elverson this November. Having lived in Elverson for 10 years, I've been a Chester County resident for over 35 years. I've enjoyed living in Elverson and have been involved in various community groups and I look forward to connecting on a deeper level with our community. I'm passionate about making our historic town the best it can be and will work to enhance the beauty of Elverson, implement an emergency route plan to keep our community safe and work closely with residents and local police to ensure the safety of our children and all citizens. I'm committed to serving with transparency, dedication and a genuine love for our town – “The Greatest Square Mile in Pennsylvania.”



Cindy Franchitti

#### **Jonathan Mountz for Borough Council**

Elverson may be a small town but it has been a large part of my life. I grew up on Main Street in Elverson and attended Twin Valley K-12. After high school I completed a four year engineering degree at Penn State. Beyond college I served in Mexico for two years as a missionary, then moved back to Elverson where I started working in Morgantown for Iron Mountains LLC in 2008, where I now work. I moved to Elverson from Geigertown in 2021 where my wife, Kimberly, and I are raising our six children (ages 3-13). Our family enjoys walking through town to church or the park or you might have seen our older children stopping in for a soda at Giovanni's or biking to get the mail at the train station. We really enjoy the events the town hosts such as the Memorial Day service at the cemetery, Elverson Day, and the Elverson parade. My wife and I are grateful that our children can grow up in Elverson and enjoy the small town benefits that we both experienced when growing up.

The reason I am running for Borough Council is because I believe that communities cannot operate without organization, order, and capable, willing servants. I have witnessed Elverson Borough Council service modeled by both my father and father-in-law, and I would like to continue that legacy. As a believer in Jesus Christ, I want to follow their examples in honoring God by loving my neighbor as myself. Elverson is a great place to live, and I'm proud to be an Elverson Borough resident. If the community elects me to serve, I would strive to do so cheerfully, responsibly, and humbly.



With my wife Kimberly and our children.



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You may have noticed this new addition when playing at the Borough Hall or dropping off your sewer bill. This container will be used to retire American flags properly. Our new boy's group, Trail Life, will provide the proper ceremonies for this endeavor.

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## **Our Greatest Square Mile**

*Esther Prosser, Elverson Mayor*

**T**his is “our” town. If you see something you’d like changed, step up. I moved back to Elverson in 1997 and trucked up to Main to watch the parade in October and mentioned to my brother next to me that there was room for improvement. He replied matter-of-factly, “You live here. Do something about it.”

Our annual Elverson Parade is always the third Wednesday evening in October. Arrive home from work before 6 so you’re not sitting in traffic. We are always looking for help patrolling South Pine that evening. If you’d like to don an orange vest and join the South Pine traffic control team, let me know.

Each December, I have envisioned Christmas lights hanging on street lights or encircling our ce-

ment pot trees on Main. Not a decorator, I have done nothing except to think about this December. If this is your vision as well, let me know. Perhaps we can do it together.



2024 Parade Best of Show

We have continued to play pickleball at the Borough Hall on Mondays at 5. It’s an easy game to learn. Drop in!

This is my last year as Mayor, so, yes, you can say I’m a “lame duck.” I am excited to be passing the baton to Cindy Franchitti, a capable resident with her own vision of promoting Elverson and keeping it safe.

This doesn’t mean I’m checking out of Elverson. I am not. I will continue to help keep Elverson the greatest square mile. Have ideas or questions? Contact me—[esther@stoltzfus.com](mailto:esther@stoltzfus.com), 484.269.7153.

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