## Spring Newsletter

# THE BOROUGH OF MORTON, DELAWARE COUNTY, PA

April 2025



Dear Residents and Friends, we are delighted to welcome you to the latest edition of The Borough of Morton newsletter! We pride ourselves on our rich history, beautiful parks, and a strong sense of community. This newsletter will keep you informed about the latest happenings, events, and important updates within our borough.

As we transition into the Spring and Summer season, Morton is buzzing with activity. Our local parks are perfect for enjoying a game of basketball, baseball, or just about any sport. We encourage residents to take advantage of the upcoming community events which will be highlighted in this issue

We also encourage residents to engage with local businesses that make Morton unique. Morton has over 100 businesses and our local economy thrives when we support our merchants.

In this issue, we want to highlight some of the essential services available to our residents. The Borough Council is continuously working to enhance community amenities and services with ongoing initiatives aimed at improving public safety, waste management, and street maintenance. We urge you to explore our website for the latest updates on these projects and to participate in upcoming council meetings where you can share your thoughts and ideas.

We also want to remind everyone about the importance of community involvement. The strength of Morton lies in our collective efforts to support one another. Whether it's joining a community group, volunteering for local events, or simply reaching out to your neighbors, every act contributes to the fabric of our borough. If you're looking for ways to get involved, be sure to check out the list of volunteer opportunities included in this newsletter.

Thank you for being an essential part of the Borough of Morton. We are excited to continue building a vibrant, inclusive community together. If you have any suggestions or feedback, please don't hesitate to reach out. Please visit the Morton Website for a calendar of events and announcements. We value your input and look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events!

Warm regards,

The Borough of Morton

## In this newsletter you can expect:

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#### Recycling & Trash

Trash collection information:

Trash is collected once a week on Mondays October 1st through May 31st

Trash is collected twice a week on Mondays and Thursdays in the summer - June 1st through September 30th

Trash must be placed at the curb in containers/bags not larger than 20 gallons Place trash curbside after sundown the evening before scheduled collection.

Remove emptied containers from curbside as soon as possible

A 4ft. recycling cube is located at the borough hall in the parking lot next to the maintenance garage. Newspaper, plastics, glass, aluminum cans, and cardboard may be placed in the container.

There presently is NO curbside recycling program within the borough.

For more information on recycling please visit: https://www.mortonboropa.org/trash



#### Hometown Heroes Banner Update:

Last year the Borough of Morton rolled out the Hometown Heroes Banner program. This program is similar to other boroughs in the area that aim to highlight past and current veterans by hanging banners throughout the borough.

The program was successful and had several banners initially hanging in the borough.

Within the last few months there have been several setbacks to the program. The first being that the weather has not been kind to the banners and has taken many of them down.

The second was that the estimate of the cost for the banners was set too low and the borough lost revenue for the banners that have been purchased.

Because of these setbacks the borough is reviewing the Hometown Heroes Banner program and has come up with a phased solution.

The first phase is to install the existing banners that have come down due to weather or faulty installation and we are currently working on placing them back up ASAP.

The second is to review the entire program and come up with a fair price for any new banners that are purchased so that the borough, the residents, and the purchaser of the banners will all be satisfied.

We will keep you updated at the borough meetings so please attend if you are able.

#### Upcoming events



#### Borough of Morton

- Morton Community
   Cleanup Day April 12th -9AM - 12PM - meet at borough hall
- Juneteenth Celebration
   June 14th 11Am-2PM Mike Scioscia Field music,
   food trucks, facepainting,
   activites for everyone
- Morton Movie Night July 11th - 7PM - Mike Scioscia Field



#### Morton Rutledge Fire Department

- Breakfast w/ The Easter Bunny - April 5th, 2025 from 9-11. 38 Alfa Terrace, Morton, PA
- MRFC Food & Truck
   Vendor Fair June 21, 2025
   © 10:00 AM Mike Scioscia
   Field



#### **Delaware County**

- Paper Shredding Event -April 26, 2025: Aston Township Community Center Time: 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM The shredding service is available to all residents for free but donation centers accept funds to help support local programs.
- E-Waste event April 23, 2025 - Upland, PA -Register <u>HERE</u>
- Dining Under the Stars -May through September -Media, PA. Click <u>HERE</u> for details
- Upper Darby Summer Stage 2025 - click <u>HERE</u> for information



### Morton Police Department

- April 19<sup>th</sup> from 11am 1pm meet your Morton Police Officers for an open house tour of the department and equipment.
- May 21st from 5pm 7pm join the Morton Police and Morton-Rutledge Fire Department for an "Ice Cream Social"
- June 14<sup>th</sup> from 9:30am 11:30am Morton Police Family & Friends CPR training event at Morton Borough Hall

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Road safety is a priority of the Morton PD. Here are some safe travel tips.

When driving always remember to Start SMART and Stay SMART.

- 5 Seatbelt on, seat adjusted
- M Mirrors adjusted
- A Air conditioning, Heating, defrost set
- R Radio & volume set
- $\ensuremath{\mathsf{T}}$  Thoroughly check the area for traffic

- S Watch your SPEED
- M Mirrors checked frequently while driving
- A AVOID distractions
- R RULES of the road are safety first
- $\ensuremath{\mathsf{T}}$  Give yourself enough TIME to reach your destination safely

Be a responsible driver by applying the SMART road safety tips listed above. Here are some other tips for road safety!

- DON'T TEXT or use your mobile phones while driving.
- Look out for pedestrians at all times.
- Yield to pedestrians in crosswalks.
- When backing up be aware of your surroundings.
- Do not drink alcohol if you are going to drive.

This is an exciting time of the year with the weather changing, the school year wrapping up and the anticipation of summer vacations and activities.

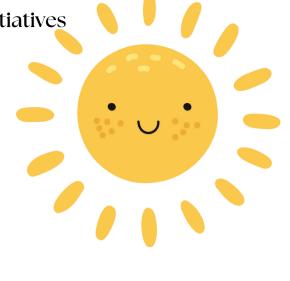
Mayor Hammock, Chief Lawless and the Morton Police Department wish everyone safe travels this spring and summer!



Borough Committee Initiatives

Finance & Administration would like to increase business opportunity in Morton through marketing and development of a "Welcome to Morton Brochure". F&A will continue oversight of the department and to bring Morton into the 21st century with the revamping of the department through hiring of professional staffing and updating personnel policies and office policies. F&A will partner with Community & Economic Development and all committees to re-establish the borough newsletter. Increase community educational/public interest and recreational events at the borough hall to address Morton borough concerns and needs

Public Facilities & Infrastructure - Are you looking for a place to host a birthday party, family gathering, or play indoor basketball, just to name a few? Well the Morton Borough gym is the place! We have a great rate for residents and non-residents in renting our gym! Just go on our website at <a href="https://mortonboropa.org">https://mortonboropa.org</a> and download the Morton Borough Rental Contract & Form. We also have one for the Girls & Boys Youth Club. Rent the gym to hold practices (restrictions may apply). Just call or stop by the Borough Office for more details or questions, 610-543-4565.





Thank you for reading!

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