Dear Residents and Friends,

As we enter into this season of giving thanks...We are grateful to our entire community including all of our residents, employees and public servants. During these most difficult of times, we would like to wish you all good health and happiness in the days and months ahead.

Be sure to check our website regularly (BerlinNJ.org) to keep up to date on all of the current events in the Boro. Please have a safe Fall and Winter season. Our contact information is on the following page, please reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

Best regards,

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Meet Our New Borough Clerk/Administrator

Dwayne M. Harris lives in Lawrenceville, NJ, with his wife, Bridget. The Governing Body appointed him as the Borough Clerk with Administrative duties at their meeting held in May. Dwayne fills the shoes of Lois Sahina, who retired earlier this year.

Dwayne is highly qualified and results-driven with over 30 years of business experience, the past 17 serving in local government. He graduated from Seton Hall University in 1990 with a Marketing degree. In 2016, Dwayne obtained a degree in Business Administration and Management from Purdue Global, where he graduated Cum Laude. He completed his Master’s in Theology at Regent University in 2019 and is currently pursuing a Doctoral degree in Public Administration from Liberty University.

After serving a single term as Councilman in his hometown of Atlantic Highlands, Dwayne accepted the position as Borough Clerk, making him not only the first African American to have served on their governing body but the first African American to hold a Municipal Clerk’s title in both Atlantic Highlands and Monmouth County. While there, he also became certified as a Municipal Registrar and a Qualified Purchasing Agent. In 2017, Dwayne expanded his knowledge base and experience by accepting the position as the City Clerk in the Capital City of Trenton, where he served just before coming to Berlin.

Dwayne’s career has made him adept at training and supervising staff, recommending solutions to improve processes, and implementing effective programs designed to streamline business and governmental operations. Has also has experience in the design and implementation of policies and procedures and assessing operational needs that will have a positive impact here in Berlin.

Dwayne volunteers on the Board of Directors for the NJ Human Development Corporation, a non-profit dedicated to HIV prevention and education. He is a member of the Alpha Beta Kappa National Honor Society and was the former District President for Sigma Pi Fraternity International, overseeing the largest district in the nation with ten local chapters and three alumni organizations.

Dwayne is usually available in Borough Hall Monday – Friday during regular business hours and can be reached via email at administrator@berlinnj.org.
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1. You must wear a face covering while in the library unless you have a medical exemption.
2. We will have a hand sanitizing station at the library entrance and encourage patrons to use it upon entering.
3. Computers will be available by appointment only and will be limited to one hour. (Please call (856)767-2448 ext. 1)
4. Patrons are encouraged to select their materials, check them out and then exit the building. There will be limited leisure seating available.
5. Curbside Pick-up will still be available for anyone who prefers not to enter the library.

Children’s programs: We are pleased to announce that we have started a You Tube Channel!! This channel will feature our weekly story hour, various crafts and other instructional information. The You Tube link can be found on our website: www.berlinborolibrary.org

Due to the frequent changing information regarding the Covid-19 Pandemic, please check the News and Announcement section on our website since programs and hours will change as we move forward. We appreciate your patience as we go through this process. A detailed listing of our restrictions, procedures and up-to-date changes can be found on our website: www.berlinborolibrary.org
Message from

Chief Wilkinson

On Behalf of the Officers’ of the Berlin Police Department, I am pleased to welcome you into the Fall Season. The Berlin Police Department is hopeful to return to normal activity before the end of the year. It is the hope of every Officer to reengage with the community through some of our regularly scheduled programs like National Night Out which we are hoping to hold in October.

Day and night, the Berlin Police Department is committed to the safety and welfare of all residents, business, and visitors of Berlin Borough. The town and the police department have been closely monitoring the rapidly changing COVID-19 pandemic and assure you that our dedication to protecting our community is stronger than ever. As communities across the country are struggling to contain the COVID-19 outbreak, police departments are being asked to rise to the challenge helping to promote community health and safety while maintaining law and order. As part of these efforts, Berlin Borough, the Berlin Police Department and the Camden County Prosecutors Office are making needed policy changes to reduce the number of people who become involved with the Criminal Justice System.

The Berlin Police Department recently developed a website berlinpolice.net to enhance the partnership and communication between the Berlin Police Department and the community. You will find general information about various community events promoted by the department, as well as safety tips to enhance public safety and education. Periodically, we will highlight examples of outstanding work performed by the employees of our police department. It is my hope that our website in addition to the departmental Facebook page will allow residents to become familiar with their Police Department. Though these social media outlets we hope to detail not only emerging crime trends and issues, but also the activities of the department. We also hope to acquaint the community with the department’s divisions, projects, and employees. I am pleased with the Berlin Police Department’s performance, the incredible dedication and talent of its Officers, and I am excited to share its activities with you.

Respectfully,

Millard Wilkinson – Chief of Police

GLOBAL HEALTH ALERT: Protect Yourself and Others

Stay home if you’re sick.  Wash your hands often.  Cover coughs and sneezes.

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During these uncertain times we cannot forget about the dangers of fire and fire safety. Many fires in the home are caused by a single moment of carelessness and could easily be prevented. It is important to be aware of possible fire hazards around the home and to take steps to protect you and your family. Please take the following safety tips listed below into consideration this fall season.

**ELIMINATE HAZARDS**

- Keep space heaters away from anything that can burn
- Don’t let trash accumulate in your attic, basement or garage
- Don’t run extension cords behind rugs or curtains
- Don’t overload circuits
- Use fuses, circuit breakers and appliances with UL seal only

**DEVELOP ESCAPE PLAN**

- Develop and memorize an escape route
- Choose a meeting place outside of your home
- Hold frequent fire drills
- Know two ways out
- Test every door before opening to be sure there’s no fire on the other side

**DURING A FIRE**

- Leave personal belongings behind
- Don’t go back for any reason
- Get out and Stay out

**FIRE PREVENTION**

- Keep operational fire extinguishers handy
- Install and maintain smoke detectors

The Volunteers of the Berlin Fire Company THANK YOU for all your support and hope that you find these tips helpful. Have a Happy and Safe Fall season!
MESSAGE FROM EMS CAPTAIN LOU DeMARCO

As we come to the close of what has been one of, if not the most challenging years I have ever experienced during my 30 years with Berlin EMS, 2020 has been without a doubt something none of us could have ever expected. I want to take this opportunity to THANK the members of the Department that continued to sacrifice their own well being and safety by coming to work every day and putting the Residents and Visitors of Berlin Borough and Berlin Township first. The Members have had to endure challenges such as wearing full face masks on every call now and many have had to battle through adverse side effects of wearing them such as nausea, bruising of the face and heat exhaustion and that doesn’t include the additional discomfort of the safety glasses, hair covering and gowns or Tyvek suits for calls that suspected Covid 19 symptoms.

We would also like to say THANK YOU to the Residents and Businesses that donated to the Department. The donations of PPE have helped to keep our crews safe during this pandemic. Also, the meals and other donations have been greatly appreciated. It is heart warming to see so much community support for the EMTs serving this community.

Berlin EMS is again, in conjunction with Berlin Borough and Berlin Township Police, handing out bike helmet to coupons to all children seen wearing a helmet. We thank Rita’s Water Ice and Sprinklz for their continued support with this program over the years.

From January 1st through September 1st the Department was dispatched to a total of 1,566 emergency calls. There were 743 in Berlin Boro, 554 in Berlin Twp. and 269 to the surrounding communities for mutual assistance.

We want to remind our residents to continue to call 9-1-1 for emergencies and not to fear going to the Hospital if needed, we are taking every precaution to keep our patients safe from the Covid 19 virus! Please continue to follow the CDC guidelines by wearing a mask and practicing social distancing, as the winter fast approaches us, we must prepare for a possible second wave.

Don’t forget to follow us on Facebook as we post information and updates regularly.

Stay safe and be kind to each other!

ATTENTION FALL LEAF COLLECTION

NOV 2ND TO DEC 23RD

Borough Fall leaf collection will begin on Wednesday, November 4, 2020 and go through Monday, December 23, 2020.

Please have leaves piled loose at the curbside. **Leaves must be free from all other yard debris including sticks, twigs, acorns, and trash.** This debris can clog the machine and your leaves will not be picked up if this debris is encountered. Please do not park any vehicles in front of or too close to the leaves during the week or they will not be able to be picked up. Please contact the Department of Public Works using any of the methods below should you have any questions in regards to leaf collection. Thank you.

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Winter holidays are a time for families and friends to get together. But that also means a greater risk for fire. Following a few simple tips will ensure a happy and fire-safe holiday season.

**HOLIDAY DECORATING**
- Be careful with holiday decorations. Choose decorations that are flame resistant or flame retardant.
- Keep lit candles away from decorations and other things that can burn.
- Some lights are only for indoor or outdoor use, but not both.
- Replace any string of lights with worn or broken cords or loose bulb connections. Connect no more than three strands of mini light sets and maximum of 50 bulbs for screw-in bulbs. Read manufacturer’s instructions for number of LED strands to connect.
- Use clips, not nails, to hang lights so the cords do not get damaged.
- Keep decorations away from windows and doors.

**HOLIDAY ENTERTAINING**
- Test your smoke alarms and tell guests about your home fire escape plan.
- Keep children and pets away from lit candles.
- Keep matches and lighters up high in a locked cabinet.
- Stay in the kitchen when cooking on the stove top.
- Ask smokers to smoke outside. Remind smokers to keep their smoking materials with them so young children do not touch them.
- Provide large, deep ashtrays for smokers. Wet cigarette butts with water before discarding.

**Facts**
- Two of every five home decoration fires are started by candles.
- Nearly half of holiday decoration fires happen because decorations are placed too close to an heat source.

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**Before Heading Out or to Bed**
- **Blow out** lit candles when you leave or go to bed. **Turn off** all light strings and decorations before leaving home or going to bed.
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