# ATGLEN BOROUGH NEWS DECEMBER 2022

### NEW ALERT SYSTEM FOR RECEIVING IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM ATGLEN BOROUGH

Atglen Borough has discontinued the use of Swift911, an emergency alert system, and moved to a new platform, ReadyChesCo. The Borough will use ReadyChesCo to communicate water emergencies, such as boil water advisories. Also, we will expand our communication with you by using ReadyChesCo to promote community events. Communication will be by text messages, emails, and/or phone calls. We ask all residents to register on-line with ReadyChesCo.org or go to the Borough's website home page —

atglen.org - and click on the ReadyChesCo link. For additional information see the enclosed instructions. Please call

us at Borough Hall, 610.593.6854, with any questions about the ReadyChesCo platform and registration.



**HOUSE REGISTRATION:** DECEMBER 8 TO DECEMBER 15 **COMMUNITY VOTING:** DECEMBER 17 TO DECEMBER 23

The Park and Recreation Commission invites all Borough residents to light up and decorate your home to look like a Winter Wonderland! This year, we will have 2 categories: full property OR

partial property (porch and/or windows).

Registration: Go to the registration link found on the Borough's home page, www.atglen.org. Please choose which category you want to enter. Registration ends on December 15.

Community Voting: You can vote for your top 3 most favorite decorated in each category. On December 16 by 4 pm the Borough will post on our website (atglen.org) the voting link and map and/or addresses for the participants. You will have from December 17 to December 23 to vote. The top 3 properties in each category with the most votes will be the winners.

Registration and voting links will also be available on Facebook Events: 2022 Atglen Winter Wonderland Registration 2022 Atglen Winter Wonderland Voting

Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 properties with the most votes. Please call Borough Hall if you have questions.

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## CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3, 6 PM TO 7 PM

Come celebrate the holidays by attending the annual Christmas Tree Lighting event hosted by Penningtonville Presbyterian Church. This event will be held outside in the Community Park located on Ridge Avenue behind the Church and will include Christmas carols, cookies, hot chocolate, and a visit from Santa.

### SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9 STARTING AT 6 PM

The Christiana Volunteer Fire Department is bringing Santa to town! Santa will be travelling every street in the Borough starting at 6 pm. When Santa drives around town, he and his helpers will also be accepting non-expired food items for the Octorara Area Food Cupboard. Be on the lookout for the Christiana Fire Company as they accompany Santa around town delivering candy canes and picking up food donations. Step outside your home and wave hi to Santa and the volunteer firefighters.

### ON-LINE PLATFORM TO RECEIVE AND PAY WATER, SEWER, AND TRASH BILLS

Did you know that you can sign up to receive your Borough water and sewer/trash utility bills online? You can also make payments online. Simply go to Atglen.org and hit "Click to Pay Now" on the right side of the home page. This will take you to a secure, third-party site where you can register your account, sign up for paperless billing, make or schedule a payment, or sign up for auto pay. And when you pay by e-check (using your bank account number and routing number) there is NO CONVENIENCE FEE charged!

#### TRASH FEES, SEWER FEES, AND PUBLIC WATER RATES

The inflationary market and contractual obligations have a devasting impact on the cost of goods and services. The trash contract is increasing starting January 1; and, we must pass on the change. Trash fees are increasing by \$ 7 per quarter. Water rates are increasing. The sewer fee remains status quo – no change, the eighth year of maintaining the same sewer rate.

The Borough commits to investing in our infrastructure. Pump replacements are planned for the Church Road Water Plant, Well #4, and the Wastewater Treatment Plant. We are replacing one blower and four actuator motors at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. We are exploring with PA DEP reactivating the springs at the Church Road Water Plant facility. We are making inflow and infiltration repairs.

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