

Contact Us

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Biglerville Borough Newsletter



Summer 2025

Grass & Weeds:

When cutting your lawn please do not project the clippings onto the road or sidewalk. Should this occur please clean the clippings up immediately to minimize the safety hazard.

Grass and weeds should not exceed 8 inches in height. Borough ordinance 11-206 states the maintenance requirements. Any growth or underbrush, noxious weeds or unsightly objects shall be removed per Borough Ordinance 10-303.



Garbage Cans:

Please remember to collect all garbage containers from the curb of the street or alley within 12 hours after collection per Borough ordinance 1-2017.



Sewer/Water Bills

Sewer/Water bills will be mailed on July 10, 2025.

Due Date:

August 11, 2025

Having an issue receiving your bills via mail?

Contact the office to get signed up to receive your sewer/water bills via email.

Where to Pay Bills:

NO Cash Accepted

Make checks or money orders payable to Biglerville Borough

Pay online at:

Biglerville.us & click the “pay online” button.

Mail or drop your check-off at the Borough Office

(Drop box is located in front door on front porch)

Next Billing:

October 10, 2025

Biglerville Borough Police Department

Biglerville Borough Police Department recently received a grant towards the purchase of (2) Mobile License Plate Readers (LPR’S) for the department. We also received a donation from a local business towards the purchase.

What is an LPR?

A [license plate reader \(LPR\) camera](#), also known as an [automatic license plate reader \(ALPR\)](#), is a specialized video surveillance camera designed to automatically capture and read the letters and numbers on vehicle license plates. These cameras are used in various applications, including law enforcement, parking management, and traffic control. They typically utilize [optical character recognition \(OCR\)](#) technology to convert license plate images into text data, allowing for quick and accurate identification of vehicles.

Function:

LPR cameras capture images of license plates, then use OCR software to convert the image into text, allowing for the extraction of license plate numbers.

Applications:

- **Law enforcement:** Identifying stolen vehicles, locating vehicles linked to crimes, and monitoring traffic patterns.
- **Parking management:** Enforcing parking regulations, managing parking access, and streamlining parking operations.
- **Traffic control:** Monitoring traffic flow, detecting congestion, and managing toll collection.
- **Security:** Access control, perimeter security, and incident response.

How do they work?

- **Capture:** LPR cameras capture multiple images of a vehicle as it passes through their field of view.
- **Analysis:** OCR software analyzes the images to identify and extract the license plate numbers.
- **Data storage and comparison:** The extracted data (license plate numbers, timestamps, location data) is stored and can be compared to databases of known vehicles, stolen vehicles, or vehicles linked to specific alerts.

- Chief Craig Hartley

Police (cont'd.)

SCAMS ON THE RISE IN 2025

SCAMS are definitely on the rise. Reported losses to fraud increased significantly in 2024, with consumers losing \$12.5 billion due to cybercrime, [according to the Federal Trade Commission](#). This represents a 22% increase over the previous year. Moreover, scammers are becoming more sophisticated and effective, leading to even higher losses despite a slight decrease in reported scam cases.

In 2025, common scams include AI-powered scams, imposter scams, employment scams, and tech support scams. Other prevalent scams include cryptocurrency scams, romance scams, and [phishing scams](#). These scams often target older adults and can involve fake job offers, fake investment opportunities, and fake connections online.

[AI-Powered Scams:](#)

Scammers are increasingly using AI to create convincing phishing emails, deepfake videos, and fake voices, making it harder to detect their schemes.

[Imposter Scams:](#)

Scammers impersonate trusted individuals like friends, relatives, or government officials to trick victims into giving them personal information or money.

[Employment Scams:](#)

Fake job offers and recruitment pitches targeting job seekers are on the rise, often involving upfront fees for training or background checks.

[Tech Support Scams:](#)

Scammers pose as tech support representatives, claiming your device is infected with malware or viruses and offering to fix it for a fee.

[Cryptocurrency Scams:](#)

Scammers target crypto investors with fraudulent schemes, fake giveaways, and phishing attacks to access their wallets.

[Romance Scams:](#)

Scammers create fake online profiles, often using stolen photos, to build romantic connections and manipulate victims into sending money.

[Phishing Scams:](#)

Scammers use emails, texts, or calls to trick you into revealing sensitive information like passwords, credit card numbers, or social security numbers.

What to do if you have been scammed?

If you have been scammed and lost money, act quickly to mitigate further damage. Stop all communication with the scammer and contact your bank or financial institution immediately to report the scam and potentially reverse the transaction or stop any further payments. Report the scam to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) and your local police department and consider notifying the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3) and your state attorney general.

1. Stop Contact with the Scammer:

- **Do not respond to any further messages, calls, or emails from the scammer.** They may try to manipulate you further or offer false promises of recovery.
- **Block them on any platform where you have been contacted.**

2. Secure Your Finances:

- **Immediately contact your bank or financial institution.** They may be able to stop the transaction, reverse the payment, or advise you on further steps.
- **Report the scam to your credit card company or bank if you used a credit or debit card to pay the scammer.** You may be able to dispute the charge and get your money back.
- **Consider placing a fraud alert on your credit report with the three major credit bureaus (Equifax, Experian, TransUnion).** This will help protect you from identity theft if your information was compromised.

3. Report the Scam:

- **Report the scam to the [Federal Trade Commission](#) (FTC) at [ReportFraud.ftc.gov](#).**
- **Report the scam to your local police department.**
- **If it's a cybercrime, report it to the [FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center \(IC3\)](#) at [ic3.gov](#).**
- **Consider contacting your state's attorney general.**
- **If the scam involved an investment, report it to the [Securities and Exchange Commission \(SEC\)](#).**
- **If you sent a gift card to the scammer, contact the gift card issuer.**

Police (cont'd.)

- If you used a money transfer service like Western Union or MoneyGram, contact them immediately.
- If you mailed cash or a money order, try to stop the delivery.

4. Protect Yourself from Further Scams:

- Be wary of anyone contacting you who claims to be able to help you recover your money. They may be another scammer.
- Share your experience with friends and family to help them avoid similar scams.
- Learn about common scam tactics to be more aware of potential risks.
- Consider placing a security freeze on your credit report to prevent unauthorized credit applications.
- Review your bank and credit card statements regularly for any suspicious activity.

By taking these steps, you can minimize the damage caused by the scam and increase the chances of recovering your money, if possible.

HOW TO BE AWARE OF SCAMS?

To be aware of scams, be wary of unsolicited contact, requests for personal information, unusual payment methods, and pressure to act quickly. Scammers often pose as legitimate organizations, promise incredible deals, or try to exploit your good nature. Protect yourself by verifying sources, taking time to think, and not sharing sensitive information.

Here is a more detailed breakdown of how to be aware of scams:

1. Be Skeptical of Unsolicited Contact:

- **Do not trust unsolicited calls, emails, or texts:**

Scammers often impersonate legitimate organizations like banks, government agencies, or tech support companies.

- **Verify before interacting:**

If you receive an unsolicited message, contact the organization directly using a known phone number or website, rather than clicking on a link or responding to a message.

- **Be wary of promises and offers:**

Scammers often lure you in with promises of incredible deals, large returns on investment, or free gifts.

2. Protect Your Personal Information:

- **Never share sensitive information without verifying the source:**

Scammers will try to get your Social Security number, bank account information, credit card details, or other personal information.

- **Be cautious about clicking links:**

Avoid clicking on links in unsolicited emails or messages, as they may lead to fake websites designed to steal your information.

- **Use strong passwords and enable multi-factor authentication:**

Strong passwords and multi-factor authentication can help protect your online accounts.

3. Be Aware of Unusual Payment Methods:

Scammers often insist on specific payment methods:

They may ask for payment via wire transfer, money order, gift cards, or cryptocurrency, which are difficult to recover if you are scammed.

Legitimate organizations rarely require these methods:

If you are asked to pay in a way that makes it difficult to get your money back, be suspicious.

4. Don't Be Pressured to Act Quickly:

- **Scammers often create a sense of urgency:** They may tell you that you have to act immediately to take advantage of a remarkable offer or avoid a problem, such as a missed payment or arrest.
- **Take your time to verify the legitimacy of the request:** If someone is pressuring you to act immediately, it is a red flag.

5. Stay Informed:

Ensure your operating systems and software applications are up to date to patch security vulnerabilities.

The Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) can provide alerts about new scams.

6. Report Scams:

- **If you suspect you've been scammed or have seen a scam, report it to the [Federal Trade Commission \(FTC\)](https://www.ftc.gov) at [ReportFraud.ftc.gov](https://www.reportfraud.ftc.gov).**
- **You can also report scams to the [FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center \(IC3\)](https://www.ic3.gov) at [ic3.gov](https://www.ic3.gov).**

Electronic Recycling

Date: Saturday September 13, 2025

Time: 8:00 am – 10:00 am

Location: Arendtsville Borough Office -
1 Chestnut Street Arendtsville PA
17303

Photo ID Required

Acceptable Items:

- Covered computer device – Desktop or notebook computer or computer monitor.
- Covered television device – electronic device capable of receiving & displaying television or video programming via broadcast, cable, or satellite.
- Peripheral device – keyboard, printer or device sold for external use with a computer.

East York Street Water Project

The East York Street Water Main Replacement Project is well underway and approaching completion. PennDOT has budgeted to repave the roadway in 2026. Please continue to be mindful of traffic pattern changes and please expect delays during your travel. We ask that you continue to be patient during the construction phase.

Mayor's Corner

- Thank you to everyone who participated in the 5th Annual Community Yard Sale.
- Good news about the Thomas Brothers Country Store, all the apartments ready for occupants are currently rented.

- Mayor Phil Wagner

Upper Adams Communities Celebrates America's 250th Anniversary

Upper Adams 250th Celebration: Join Us!

Get ready for a landmark event! The Upper Adams communities are proudly coming together to host a **250th Celebration on June 14, 2026**. This significant occasion will celebrate America's historic 250th anniversary, foster community spirit, and strengthen the bonds that tie us together.

We're inviting **all Upper Adams Community Members** to actively participate in making this a truly memorable event. You can contribute by becoming an **event sponsor** or by **volunteering** your time on a planning committee or during the event itself. Your involvement is crucial to our success!

For more information, please contact the **Biglerville Borough office today at 717-677-9488**.

Upcoming Events @ The Harbaugh-Thomas Library

July – Read an Almanac Month

August – Read a Romance Month

September – National Library Card Signup Month



Children:

- **Courtyard Story Walk:** July – Counting to Bananas / August – We're Going on A Bear Hunt
- **Shrink Art Fun:** July 1 @ 2 pm – 3:30 pm (Registration Required)
- **Pottery Storytime:** July 7 & August 4 @ 10:30 am – 11 am (Registration Required)
- **Spa Day:** July 10 @ 3 pm – 5 pm (Registration Required)
- **Paper Sculptures:** July 16 @ 4 pm – 5 pm (Registration Required)
- **T-Shirt/Bag Printing:** August 14 @ 1:30 pm – 3 pm (Registration Required)

Teens:

- **Spa Day:** July 10 @ 3 pm – 5 pm (Registration Required)
- **Teen Center Escape Room:** July 15 – July 22
- **Tween & Teen Art Club:** Fridays in July & August @ 2:15 pm – 3 pm (Registration Required)
- **Cake-Off:** July 30 @ 3 pm – 5 pm (Registration Required)
- **Tween & Teen Felt Craft:** August 1 @ 3 pm – 4 pm (Registration Required)
- **T-Shirt/Bag Printing:** August 15 @ 1:30 pm – 3 pm (Registration Required)

Adults:

- **Creative Card Making:** July 7 @ 2 pm – 3:30 pm (Registration Required)
- **Shelf Indulgence Book Club:** July 17 & August 21 @ 1 pm – 2 pm (Registration Required)
- **T-Shirt/Bag Printing:** August 15 1:30 pm – 3 pm (Registration Required)
- **Carlisle Indian Industrial School Presentation:** August 27 @ 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm (Registration Required)
- **The Writing Nook:** August 28 @ 6 pm – 7 pm (Registration Required)

Everyone:

- **Reptile Invasion:** July 31 @ 6 pm -7 pm & 7 pm – 8 pm (Registration Required)

Visit the Adams County Library System Website for more information & other events.



Biglerville Business Recognition

Growers Equipment Center

Grower's Equipment is located on Third Street. It was started in January of 1986 by Jim Showers and a dozen fruit growers. Jim took over the Agway business and buildings. Jim had worked for Agway for 20 years. This business was started to best serve the fruit growers and farmers in the area. Growers is on 2 acres within the borough. Growers Equipment carries the following lines: Bush hog, Agtec, Rears, Landini and Simplicity mowers. They provide agricultural supplies support to farmers area wide. The owners have a wealth of knowledge and experience and are always ready to help customers. Thank you to Growers for being in our borough to help our farmers and our community.



Mammas Pizza

Claudio Monteleone's Mom and Dad opened Mamma's Pizza in December 1981, converting the Western Auto building to a pizza shop. Claudio took over in 2008. Claudio has always been a huge community supporter, from Canner pride and Football team meal donations during the season at Centenary United Methodist Church, to financially supporting a plethora of school related sports activities. Mamma's has also set up sub sales for fundraisers such as Girl Scouts. Claudio is always looking for ways he can give back to our community.



Upper Adams School District

Upper Adams School District first day of school is Wednesday August 20, 2025.

The students will not have school on September 1 & 19.



Borough Office Closures:

In observance of Independence Day, the office will be closed Friday July 4, 2025.

In observance of Labor Day, the office will be closed Monday September 1, 2025.

Upcoming Council Meetings

Tuesday August 5, 2025

Tuesday September 2, 2025

Tuesday October 7, 2025

To register to speak to council, please call or stop by the Borough office to be added to the agenda for the next council meeting.

The Borough Council meetings are the first Tuesday of every month & begin at 7:00 pm.

Council Agendas & Minutes

View Council Meeting Agendas & Minutes:

<http://www.biglerville.us/departments/meetings>



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