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NPWA TOPICS:

For the 24th year, NPWA will be a drop-off site for Toys for Tots, sponsored by the U.S. Marine Corps. Last year, the Montgomery-Harleysville region's total campaign collected over 15,000 toys and distributed to over 3,500 children. The drop-off bin will be available in the Authority's front lobby Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., from the last week of October until mid-December. Please mark your calendar and consider dropping off a new, unwrapped gift for a child up to 18 years old. We appreciate your continued support in providing children in need with a Christmas gift.

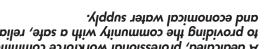




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advocating favorable legislation and opposing detrimental legislative proposals, and to promote the economic vitality and the general welfare of the Commonwealth and its citizens."

The PMAA is the primary voice of community-based services representing the interests of more than 2,600 municipal authorities across Pennsylvania. Benefits provided by the operating standards, and group programs for authorities that are engaged in water supply, sewer systems, water and wastewater treatment, and other critical public services.

Association include advocacy on governmental affairs issues, education and training, networking conferences and informational workshops, updates on new products and stricter PMAA is also a leading voice in fighting against the threat of privatization of publicly-owned infrastructure and non-profit utilities.

You can read more detail about this subject in this year's Annual Report. Copies are posted on the Authority's website, or can be obtained at your local municipal office building, or by calling us to request that a copy be mailed to you. Feel free to contact us if you have any questions, as we're always happy to serve you.



with Tony Bellitto - Executive Director, NPWA The theme of our Annual Report this year is about the long-standing close partnership between the North Penn Water Authority and the Pennsylvania Municipal Authorities Association (PMAA). As the PMAA is celebrating its 80th Anniversary since its founding way back in 1942, we are highlighting in this

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#### WATER NEWS Park Avenue – Ferry Road Transmission Main Project

The Park Avenue—Ferry Road Transmission Main Project is a joint effort between the North Wales and North Penn Water Authorities. Over five miles of 16-inch water main will be installed to ensure safe and clean water for use in Plumstead Township, as well as to parts of Doylestown and New Britain Townships. The project begins at the Forest Park Water Treatment Plant, continues along Park Avenue to Ferry Road, and extends to Route 313 (Swamp Road) in Plumstead Township.

Upon completion of the project, a reliable water supply will be available for firefighting purposes, municipal use, drought, when needed due to failed or contaminated wells, or when any similar situation demands an alternate supply. North Wales Water Authority (NWWA) will supervise the construction activities. The estimated completion date for this project is early December 2023. For updates and construction progress, see our



website: https://npwa.org/park-ferry-transmission-main/.

### WATER NEWS Hydrant Design Contest

We have a new winner for our 2023 Fire Hydrant Design Contest; congratulations to 3rd grader, Kalissie Loftus, of Hatfield Borough!

The contest, held during the first week of May in honor of National Drinking Water Week, encouraged students in grades Kindergarten through fifth to design a fire hydrant. A panel of



Kalissie Loftus and Anthony J. Bellitto, Jr., P.E., Executive Director of NPWA, with the hydrant Kalissie painted.

NPWA judges selected Kalissie's fun and vibrant "minion" design. Kalissie visited NPWA's Operations Center to paint her design on June 23. It's now on display at the Operations Center entrance.

Thank you to all of the participants of this year's contest. The entries can be viewed on our Facebook page **(Facebook.com/northpennwater)**.

## WATER NEWS The Value of Authority Ownership

Now available at NPWA's Operations Center is the Pennsylvania Municipal Authority Association's (PMAA) second edition of "The Value of Authority Ownership of Public Water and Sewer Systems." The publication is an educational tool that highlights the benefits of authority ownership and the serious consequences of privatization of water and wastewater systems purchased by investor-owned utilities.

The publication includes case studies, national and state news

 
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articles, rate comparisons between municipal authorities and investor-owned utilities, and data, facts and consequences of privatization acquisitions. Anyone that is interested in learning more may stop by our office to pick up a copy, while supplies last.