

# **CITY CHATTER**

July 2016

### The Chatter that Matters

City Hall 106 Dorman St. 398-3530 Police Department 10 Mechanic St. 398-4493 Harrington Public Library 110 Center St. 398-4647 Parks & Recreation 114 E. Liberty St. 398-7975

Public Works After Hours On-Call Phone Number 632-8827

City's Website <a href="http://harrington.delaware.gov">http://harrington.delaware.gov</a>



#### Saturday, August 27

Start making plans now to attend Heritage Day and see the many exhibitors and vendors such as Antique Tractors & Autos, Model Airplanes, Petting Zoo, Inflatables and live entertainment! Parade starts at 9 am.

Vendor registrations are now being accepted for craft/food vendors and info booths. Space is limited; early registration is strongly suggested.

# Message from the Harrington Police Department

Movie Night – Thursday, July 7, at dusk we will be showing "War Room". Free admission, popcorn and cotton candy. Just bring your chair or blanket.

Open Basketball at HP&R on Tuesdays from now until July 19 from 6-8pm for ages 8-12. For more info, contact Officer Carl Klotz, Community Policing Officer, at 302-398-4493.

"Like" our Facebook page to learn more about happenings and events at HPD.

We would like to welcome the 2016 Delaware State Fair. We hope you all have a chance to enjoy this year's fair. Please be safe and take extra time when traveling. Our roads are very busy with traffic and pedestrians.

#### **Trash Collection**

Trash/recycling collection schedules are available in City Hall and on the City's website – click on Info then Waste Removal. Or call City Hall to have one mailed to you. Magnets listing recyclables that will be accepted are also available in City Hall.

Trash cans should not be stored in front yards or visible from the street.

The Annual Drinking Water Quality Report is available at City Hall and on the City's website at:

harrington.delaware.gov/water-report



The <u>Community Garden</u> is open to the public. Help maintain the garden and pick whatever you'd like. Call HPR at 398-7975.



Welcome to Harrington's 2 new members of council, who began their terms on June 6.







Micah Parker District 3

The Annual Report to the Electors of the City presented by Mayor Moyer at the City Council Organizational Meeting on June 6 is available on the City's website.

# No Cost Ways to Conserve Water (and save money on your water/sewer bill)

- ✓ Select the proper pan size when cooking.
- ✓ Turn the water off while you lather soap on your hands and while your brush your teeth.
- ✓ Set a timer when running the hose as a reminder to turn it off.
- √Know where the master shut-off valve is in your home. This will allow you to immediately turn off the water in case of a leak.
- ✓ Use a hose nozzle or turn off the water while washing your car.
- ✓ Shorten showers by a minute or two.
- ✓ Scrape dishes rather than rinsing them before putting them in the dishwasher.
- ✓ Use a broom, rather than a hose, to clean off decks, patios and sidewalks.

Sign up on the City's website or call City Hall to register for **CodeRed** and receive important information from the City via automated phone call, e-mail, or text message.

Open basketball with Community Police Officer Carl Klotz on Tuesdays now until July 19, 6-8 pm, for kids 8-12 at the Parks and Rec Building.

## Message from the Mayor

I'd like to wish everyone a fun and safe summer! I hope to see everyone at Heritage Day on August 27!

- Mayor Anthony R. Moyer



Keep up with City news and events by visiting our website,

http://harrington.delaware.gov, and by "Liking" the Parks & Recreation, Library, and Police Department Facebook pages.

#### **Library Events**

Visit our website and Facebook page or call for info

#### Regular Events:

- Storytime every Wednesday, 10:45 am
- Computer Help Lab on Mondays, 12 pm, sign up at the front desk

#### Special Programs and Events:

- Diabetes Classes Friday, July 1, 10:30 am -"Everyone with Diabetes Counts" can help you or your loved one live a healthier life; taught by trained healthcare workers
- 123 Andres Tuesday, July 5, 6 pm Children learn about music and dance; Andres performs bilingually in English and Spanish and plays music
- Puss in Boots presented by the Rehoboth Summer Children's Theatre - Thursday, July 7, 6 pm -Theatrical performance about the adventures of an enchanted cat
- Board Games for Teens Tuesday, July 12, 6 pm - For kids 10 and up to play different board games together: refreshments will be served



- Teddy Bear Picnic Storytime Special - Wednesday, July 13, 10:45 am – Bring your favorite stuffed friend for a special outdoor storytime
- Family Fun Night/Reading to the Dogs Thursday, July 14, 6 pm - Free children's craft and improve children's reading skills by reading to volunteer
- Hip Hop Fundamentals Tuesday, July 19, 6 pm -A diverse group of B-Boys (breakdancers) inspire, educate, and entertain
- A Healthy Portion of Science presented by the Delaware Aerospace Education Foundation -Wednesday, July 20, 10:45 am - Children learn how science, math, and engineering can lead the way to good heath
- Book Club Thursday, July 21, 6 pm -Also a recent reads
- Recycling Teen Craft Night Tuesday, July 26, 6 pm - For teens 10 and up
- Mad Hatter Tea Party Thursday, July 28, 6 pm - For children 10 and under; enjoy snacks during movie



- Dinosaur Award Night with Jungle John - Thursday, August 4, 6 pm at Price Community Center - Fun and educational show with fossils and dinosaur puppets
- Teen Award Night Tuesday, August 9, 6 pm -Award ceremony for teens who participated in the Library Summer Challenge; a sports themed movie will be shown and snacks served
- Family Fun Night/Reading to the Dogs Thursday, August 11, 6 pm - Free children's craft and improve children's reading skills by reading to volunteer dogs
- Book Club Thursday, August 11, 6 pm

Free Housing Repair Program (CDBG) for homeowners with low to moderate incomes. Contact Kent County at 744-2480.

#### Parks & Recreation Events

More info at hprnews.com - Like us on Facebook

 Pop Warner Football & Cheer Register now; drop off registration paperwork at the Recreation Center Monday - Friday 8 am - 4 pm or Friday 8 am - 12 pm



- Soccer Registration for FALL soccer July 1-31; for ages 2 & 3 up to U12 division; registration forms available on website and in office: \$65 for first player in family, \$55 for 2<sup>nd</sup>, & \$45 each additional, \$40 for tots
- Dance Registration begins July 1; children as young as 3 ½ years old; 10 month program with a recital; classes held weekly at the dance studio at HPR; program not only focuses on the technical aspect of dance but the personal growth of our dancers as well

As we have reached summer, everyone should be reminded of safety around swimming pools and fire pits. It is strongly recommended that no one swim alone or without someone watching in case of emergency. Fire pits are enjoyable, however should not be left unattended and without a source of extinguishment close by. When finished with the fire pit make sure it is fully extinguished so that a stray ember does not start a fire. Have fun! Stay Safe! And enjoy Summer!

- Robert A. Taylor, Fire Chief

#### Safety by the Code

Pool & Spa Barriers – water over 24" deep requires a 48+" fence with self-closing and self-latching gates.

Fire Pits & Grills - fires up to 18" and contained in a fire pit or fire ring are allowed. Keep fires and grills away from structures and combustible material. Keep a fire extinguisher handy. No brush or bonfires.

#### Did you know...

The Fourth of July is the most popular holiday for grilling out.

Summer yard waste drop off hours are Wednesdays 9 am - 5:30 pm.

#### City of Harrington **Closings**

July 4 Independence Day



September 5 Labor Day

## Utility **Bills Due**

August 10

Tax Bills Due

October 31

#### **City Council Meetings & Workshops**

July 5 6:30 pm Workshop July 18 7:00 pm Meeting August 1 6:30 pm Workshop August 15 7:00 pm Meeting Workshop September 6 6:30 pm September 19 7:00 pm Meeting

#### Who's Who in the City?

Anthony R. Moyer, Mayor

#### City Council:

Duane E. Bivans (Vice Mayor), District 6 Robert Dean Helsel, District 1 Amy L. Minner, District 2 Micah Parker, District 3

Eric Marquis, District 4 Vacant, District 5

Teresa Tieman, City Manager Norman Barlow, Chief of Police 4 Alan Moore, PW Supervisor Christine Hayward, Library Director Bill Falasco, Parks & Rec Director

