



# CITY CHATTER

*The Chatter that Matters*

January 2018

City Hall  
106 Dorman St.  
398-3530

Police Department  
10 Mechanic St.  
398-4493

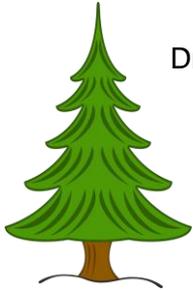
Harrington Public Library  
110 Center St.  
398-4647

Parks & Recreation  
114 E. Liberty St.  
398-7975

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

City's Website <http://harrington.delaware.gov>

### Live Christmas Tree Disposal



Drop your live Christmas tree off at the Public Works Yard at 102 Franklin Street on Wednesdays between 9 am & 3 pm.

– or –

If you are unable to take your tree the Public Works Yard, call City Hall to arrange curbside pick-up.

**Please remove all decorations from your tree.**

### Message from the Harrington Police Department



Happy New Year from the Harrington Police Department!

Please use extra caution when driving in the winter weather.

**Senior/Disabled Citizen Partial Tax Relief applications are available in City Hall and due by May 31, 2018. Senior Citizens no longer have to apply every year to be receive the discount. Call City Hall with any questions.**

### Snow Reminders

Winter is coming. Keep in mind the following snow related issues:

- ❄ Snow & ice must be removed from sidewalks along your property within 24 hours of snowfall ending. Don't throw snow onto streets.
- ❄ If possible, don't park cars on the street during snowfall to allow the plows to clear the streets.

### Cold Weather Water Reminders

- 💧 Know where the master shut-off valve is located in your house, or have one installed, to save water & prevent water damage in case of frozen/leaking pipes.
- 💧 Remove hoses from outside spigots to prevent freezing.
- 💧 Water is metered, so there will be a charge for water left running to prevent frozen pipes.

### Rental Licenses

It is time to renew licenses for rental properties. An inspection must be performed by the Code Enforcement Officer before a license can be issued. Call City Hall for info.

### Downtown Development District

The City of Harrington was designated by the State as a Downtown Development District (DDD) on August 10, 2016. This means that investors in the DDD can qualify for rebate grants for construction costs and other incentives. The City adopted both DDD specific and citywide incentives to encourage growth. More information is available on the City's website.

150<sup>th</sup>

### Anniversary Celebration

Volunteers sought to help plan the City's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Call City Hall to sign up.



The City of Harrington offers water and sewer impact fee waivers for new homes constructed in town. Contact City Hall for more information.

### New Harrington Public Library

Progress is being made on the new library building. A site has been purchased near LF South Elementary, and the building and site are currently being designed.

### Free Housing Repair Program (CDBG)

for homeowners with low to moderate incomes. Contact Kent County at 744-2480.



The officers and members of the **Harrington Fire Company** would like to thank everyone who supported us through 2017 and for your continued support.

The fire company is always looking for help. Anyone interested in joining can visit our website at [www.harringtonfireco.com](http://www.harringtonfireco.com) and follow the links to submit an application.

Please like us on Facebook (Harrington Fire Co. Inc.) to find up to date postings about events going on in the community as well as recent activity of the company.

### Message from the Mayor

The Harrington Christmas Club was able to raise over \$4,000 this year for the Food Pantry! Thank you for the donations and all the hard work of the volunteers.

I hope everyone has a bright new year!

- Mayor Anthony R. Moyer

## Library Events

Visit our website and Facebook page or call for info



### **Regular Programs:**

- Storytime – Every Wednesday, 10:45 am
- Computer Help Lab – Tuesdays, 1 pm, sign-up at front desk
- Book Discussion – Third Thursday of the month (January 18, February 15, March 15), 6 pm – Also recent reads

### **Special Programs and Events:**

- Open Mic Night – Tuesdays, January 2 & 16, February 6 & 20, March 6 & 20, 6 pm – Five minutes for amateur performers to share their poetry, music, and stories; MC'ed by local student CJ Fair; refreshments served
- Teen Book Club – Tuesday, January 23, 6 pm – First teen book club where teens will read books and graphic novels
- Teen Meeting – Thursday, February 1, 6 pm – All teens welcome, free food will be served
- Friends of the Harrington Public Library Meeting – Thursday, February 22, 6 pm – Volunteers that believe a library is a valuable community asset & that promote and enhance library programs, services, facilities; new members welcome
- Teen Book Club – Tuesday, February 27, 6 pm – First teen book club where teens will read books and graphic novels



- Easter Bunny Visit and Activity Night – Thursday, March 22, 6 pm – Easter Bunny will be at the library and kids can participate in a free craft and activity
- Teen Book Club – Tuesday, March 27, 6 pm – First teen book club where teens will read books and graphic novels

## Parks & Recreation Events

More info at hprnews.com

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- Youth Indoor Field Hockey Registration through January; instructional program for grades K-5 at rec center; classes in March; \$50 registration only
- Spring Soccer Registration January 2 to February 28; tot (age 2-3) through U12; registration forms available in the office and online; \$65 for first player in family, \$55 for second, \$45 each additional, \$40 for tots
- Cheerastics Registration January 2 to March 30 or classes fill; space limited to 30 registered participants per class; for children 6-15 years old; focus is on the instruction of different types of jumps and tumbles as well as safety and motions of cheer and dance and techniques with stunting, basing, and flying; \$75
- Basic Tumbling & Gymnastics Registration January 3 to March 30 or classes fill; space limited to 30 registered participants; for children 4-9 years old; classes April to June at HPR; teaches proper techniques for tumbling, jumps, and motions; \$60



**Can I Recycle That?** Our trash hauler provides each household with a recycling can (yellow lid) for biweekly single stream recycling collection. Please be sure to place only accepted recyclable items into this can. Flyers of what can be recycled are available in City Hall and on the City's website. If you are not sure if something can be recycled, please place it in the trash so that the recyclables are not contaminated.

A big THANK YOU to Rudy's Family Diner for donating food to the City of Harrington employee luncheon.

## Peddlers and Solicitors Regulations

The Harrington City Council adopted regulations for peddlers and solicitors operating in the city. These rules require those who sell door-to-door to get a license from City Hall and follow guidelines regarding wearing an ID badge, hours of operation (9 am to 7 pm), not making false statements, and other policies. See Code Chapter 280.

In order to obtain a license, the peddler/solicitor must provide more information than required for a business license such as a background check and passport photo.

There are exemptions for sheriffs/constables, charitable organizations, and those under 16 years old (see § 280-4 for a complete list).

Residents may register with City Hall for the “**no solicitation registry**.” This list of addresses only will be provided to anyone obtaining a license and posted on the City's website. Peddlers/solicitors are prohibited from visiting the addresses on the registry.

If you have a door-to-door salesperson that refuses to leave or is aggressive, please call 911 immediately. Call City Hall with any questions on the program.

## Utility Bills Due February 10

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

January 2	6:30 pm	Workshop
January 16	7:00 pm	Meeting
February 5	6:30 pm	Workshop
February 20	7:00 pm	Meeting
March 5	6:30 pm	Workshop
March 19	7:00 pm	Meeting

### Who's Who in the City?

Anthony R. Moyer, Mayor

#### City Council:

Amy Minner (Vice Mayor), District 2  
 Robert Dean Helsel, District 1  
 Micah Parker, District 3  
 Eric Marquis, District 4  
 Charles W. Baugher, Jr., District 5  
 Duane E. Bivans, District 6

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

## City of Harrington Closings

January 1	New Year's Day
January 15	Martin Luther King Jr. Day
February 19	Presidents' Day
March 30	Good Friday

## 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament



Friday, May 18 at Johnathan's Landing; now accepting registrations for foursomes; Contact Bill Falasco at HPR for more info