



# CITY CHATTER

*The Chatter that Matters*

April 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>

### **Regular Municipal Election** **Tuesday, May 1 ~ 12 pm - 7 pm** **Price Center, 103 Dorman Street**

The positions of District 2 Council Member and District 4 Council Member are up for election this year.

Election notices are posted at City Hall, the Post Office, the Library, and on the City's website. Absentee voting is available if you are unable to make it to the polls. Call the Clerk of Council at 398-4476 with any questions.

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

**150<sup>th</sup>** Volunteers are needed for the City of Harrington's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration. To volunteer call Kelly at 398-4476.

### **Message from the Harrington Police Department**



Spring is finally here and I hope everyone is ready to enjoy the beautiful weather headed our way. When driving please keep an eye out for children who are riding their bikes, and for kids, remember to always wear a helmet.

Please do not give any personal information out over the phone. Be aware of scams and if you give your information out you will be subjected to identity theft.

We would like to remind everyone to please keep your vehicles locked and valuables in a safe place and out of sight. Also always report suspicious activity.

Here are some Spring Safety tips for your home:

- Check all your smoke detectors for low batteries. They are no good if they can't go off!
- Make sure all your door locks are working and install deadbolts on all doors with outside access.
- Trim your shrubs around the home where burglars can hide when breaking into your home.
- Go through old files – shred unnecessary paperwork and file away important documents in a fireproof safe.

### **Information Regarding Trash Collection**

Please have all trash and recycling container handles face your home and 4 feet away from all objects such as cars, mail boxes, or the second container at the curb.



Please do not overflow containers. All lids should be completely closed when placed at the curb.

If you have more trash or recycling than one container holds, a second container can be obtained by calling City Hall. Additional trash carts are \$21 per quarter, and additional recycling carts are \$9 per quarter.

Collection trucks may say Charlie's or Blue Hen; they are the same company.

Containers may be placed at the curb between 3 pm the day before and 6 am the day of collection and must be removed to their storage area by 11:59 pm the day of collection. Please store trash and recycling containers to the side or rear of your home and screened from being viewed from the street.

### **Spring Clean Up May 5-12**

Residents of Harrington can take bulk trash items to the Public Works Yard (102 Franklin Street) for disposal during Spring Clean Up.

Photo ID is required as proof of residency. Tires, paint, & batteries will not be accepted. Appliances must have the Freon removed by someone certified to do so and tagged.

Clean out your garage, shed, or attic or get rid of that old mattress for free!



Call City Hall if you have any questions.

#### Spring Clean Up Hours:

- Sat. May 5 8:30 am – 2 pm
- Mon. May 7 7:30 am – 3 pm
- Tue. May 8 7:30 am – 3 pm
- Wed. May 9 7:30 am – 5:30 pm
- Thu. May 10 7:30 am – 3 pm
- Fri. May 11 7:30 am – 3 pm
- Sat. May 12 8:30 am – 2 pm

## Library Events

Visit our website and Facebook page or call for info

### Regular Events:

- Storytime every Wednesday, 10:45 am
- Computer Class on Tuesdays, 1 pm, sign up at the front desk

### Special Programs and Events:

- Teen Meeting – Thursday, April 5, 6 pm – Discuss library issues; free food served
- Friends of the Harrington Public Library Meeting – Tuesday, April 12, 6 pm – Volunteers to promote and enhance library programs, services, and facilities, new members welcome
- Book Discussion – Thursday, April 19 & June 14, 6 pm – Also a recent reads

- Teen Book Club – Tuesday, April 24, 6 pm

- The Greatest Patriots: Unsung Heroes of the Civil War – Thursday, April 26, 6 pm – Examine 5 relatively unknown patriots who helped save the union

- Star Wars Day – Thursday, May 3, 6 pm – Watch *Star Wars: The Last Jedi*, Star Wars themed craft and snacks; register in advance

- Magician Mike Rose "Magic & Music & Stuff" – Saturday, June 2, 11 am – Music and sound themed magic and comedy with audience help

- Afternoon Movies That Rock – Friday, June 8, 2 pm – Watching *Coco*; popcorn and drinks served

- Tom Crowl's "Puppets Rock" – Tuesday, June 12, 6 pm – Ventriloquist comedy
- Afternoon Movies That Rock – Friday, June 15, 2 pm – Watching *Hairspray*; popcorn and drinks served

- New Moon Theater Presents "Unexpected Heroes: India Tales" – Tuesday, June 19, 6 pm – Master storyteller Julie Kurzava brings to life 3 stories from India in this 45 minute theatrical production

- Delaware Aerospace Education Foundation Presents "Science Rocks the Library!" – Wednesday, June 20, 10:45 am – Learn and experiment with how sounds are made and how we hear them

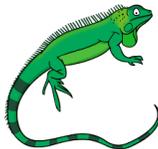
- Reptile Wonders: The Nature Center on the Go – Thursday, June 21, 6 pm – Interactive program for all ages featuring exotic species of reptiles

- Afternoon Movies That Rock – Friday, June 15, 2 pm – Watching *Sing*; popcorn and drinks served

- Teen Book Discussion – Tuesday, June 26, 6 pm – Featuring a music related novel

- Afternoon Movies That Rock – Friday, June 15, 2 pm – Watching *Pitch Perfect*; popcorn and drinks served

**National Library Week  
April 8-14**



## Parks & Recreation Events

More info at [hprnews.com](http://hprnews.com) – Like us on Facebook



- Community Garden All vegetables are free; volunteers needed
- Golf Tournament Friday, May 18 at Johnathan's Landing; accepting registrations for foursomes at a cost of \$300; limited to 25 teams; deadline to enter is May 11; fee includes golf, cart, open range, & luncheon; awards, & prizes after play
- Heritage Day Saturday, August 25; now accepting vendor registrations (forms & info on website); space is limited, early registration suggested

**Harrington Fire Company** Recently, clocks went forward for daylight savings time. We encourage everyone in the community to please change the batteries in their smoke detectors. If anyone needs any, please stop by the station and obtain some free of charge.

The fire company is always accepting new members. An application can be printed off of our fire company website ([harringtonfireco.com](http://harringtonfireco.com)) and turned in to the fire station.

Warm weather is quickly approaching, which means the children in our community will be outside more and more as the weather changes. Please be safe and use caution traveling to and from your destination.

Like us on Facebook (Harrington Fire Co., Inc.) to see up to date information and happenings with the company and members!



Only City of Harrington employees are allowed to access water meter pits. If the water must be turned on or off at the meter, contact City Hall during regular business hours or Public Works at 632-8827 after hours (service fee applies).

Harrington residents can have stray cats spayed/neutered at the SPCA in Georgetown for \$20. Call City Hall for info.



## Utility Bills Due May 10

### City of Harrington Closings

May 28 Memorial Day

### City Council Meetings & Workshops

April 2	6:30 pm	Workshop
April 16	7:00 pm	Meeting
May 7	6:30 pm	Workshop
May 21	7:00 pm	Meeting
June 4	6:30 pm	Organizational Mtg
June 18	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

### Grass Cutting & Yard Waste

Please remember that the City's Code requires that grass be 6" or less in height. Grass clippings must be cleared from the sidewalk & street as soon as mowing is complete. Yard waste cannot be placed in with regular household garbage but can be dropped off at the Public Works Yard during Spring Clean Up Week (see front page) or on Wednesdays, 9 am - 3 pm (9 am – 5:30 pm starting May 9). **Do not blow grass clippings into the street!** Debris on the streets washes into the storm drains & clogs them leading to poor drainage & flooding.

**Keep Harrington beautiful, please don't litter.**



Water and Sewer Impact Fee Waivers are available for new homes constructed in Fiscal Year 2018. Contact City Hall for info.

Sign up with Smart911 to provide information to dispatchers in case of an emergency. See the Kent County website for more information at [tinyurl.com/ybp9q538](http://tinyurl.com/ybp9q538).



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