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ADOPT A BARREL....

Ever wonder who is responsible for the half-barrel planters along Market Street? Many are filled

and maintained by residents whose homes are close by. Others are adopted by workers in nearby offices or businesses in the Town.

Lori Rider generously donated plants last season and again this spring. Placing evergreens and ribbons in the barrels last holiday time as a project adopted by the Lioness Club, and the members have made a contribution toward the purchase of additional flowers for the summer.

Anyone can contribute to this worthwhile project in several ways. A few barrels are still open for adoption and need plants for the coming season.

When the weather doesn't cooperate and things get a little dry, why not help by filling a jug or two of water for the plants that look a little wilted.

Chrysanthemums will be needed for the fall season, especially to make our Town shine during the Apple-Scrapple Festival.

If you would like to help in any way, please contact Kay Sue Hardesty, 337-8595, and let her know how you would like to help.

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OUR MOTTO: We've got what it takes
to take what you've got!!!!

MEET THE TOWN EMPLOYEES:



TOWN OFFICE:
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Watha Hostetler
Alma Fleetwood

DISPOSAL PLANT:
337-7843

Phillip Mowbray
Doug Jones
Rick Passwaters

POLICE DEPT:
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Handley Orr, Chief
Dianne Willey
Allen Parsons
Anthony Powell

PARTTIME OFFICERS:

Kevin Wix
Mike Cook
Doug Messeck
Troy Trimmer

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NEW COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Glen Miles was appointed to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Charles Singman. Mr. Charles Royal was appointed to fill the vacancy due to the resignation of Robert Slater.

The two men were appointed under a revision to the charter that allowed the Town to avoid the cost of a special election. They will serve on the Commission until the next election in January. Then, they will be up for election for the right to serve out the remainder of the term they are filling. Mr. Miles and Mr. Royal were sworn in at the June meeting.

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION....**APRIL 20, 1998:**

- Traffic arrests for March totaled 360.
- Suspect apprehended in Workman's Grocery Store robbery.
- Revenue from two septic haulers totaled \$2,976.00.
- Lawn mower with 63" cut purchased from Shaffer Equipment Company.
- No decision made on the community wide trash collection. Still would like to have input from residents.
- Resignation of Commissioner Slater and Commissioner Singman.
- Computer donated to the office from Mr. Rick Tull.

MAY 11, 1998:

- Traffic arrests for April totaled 243.
- Revenue from four septic haulers totaled \$2,612.00.
- DELDOT will be posting signs for trucks to use the new by-pass once the project is completed.
- Clean up day went well. BFI picked up 4½ truck loads of trash in one day.
- Mr. George Hardesty stated the Kiwanis Club was in favor of the Town promoting economic development and the hiring of a Town Manager.
- A special meeting was scheduled for May 18, 1998 to appoint a new replacement for Commissioner Singman. An election will be held to replace Commissioner Slater because his term has more than a year left.
- The General Assembly approved the 1% real estate transfer tax for Bridgeville. The first reading to take place at the June meeting.
- President Bennett reported the Medical Center on Rt. 40 would soon be hooked into the Town's sewer line.

May minutes cont'd.

- The Boot Camp workers will be cleaning out the branch by the bridges on N. Cannon Street and North Main Street the middle of June.

JUNE 8, 1998:

- Mr. Glenn Miles was sworn in as the new Police Commissioner and Mr. Charles Royal as the new Waste Water Commissioner.
- Traffic arrests for May totaled 309.
- A new alarm system was installed in the control panel at the water department.
- Potholes have been filled on John Street.
- Only 30 residents have responded to the community wide trash collection (30 for-9 against). The Commission would still like to have input from the public.
- Commissioners voted to purchase the Davis Property at 103 S. Main Street.
- The first reading of Ordinance #2-2: an ordinance to allow the Town to collect a 1% real estate transfer tax. Second reading and vote will take place at the July meeting.

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A BIG THANK YOU.....

A big thank you to Mr. Robert Slater and Mr. Charles Singman for the time they devoted to the Town while serving as Commissioners.

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FOOD FOR THOUGHT: A key chain is something that lets you lose all your keys at the same time.....

TOWN CODE-CHAPTER 84-ANIMALS:



SECTION 84-1: It shall be unlawful for any person to keep within the Town any animal which shall, by barking, whining, howling or otherwise, disturb the peace and quiet of any person, or which becomes a nuisance or destructive to property, or which has bitten or attempted to bite any person, or which threatens to become a public nuisance or destructive to property, or is in any other manner dangerous to the health, safety or general welfare of persons in the Town.

SECTION 84-2: POLICE ACTION UPON COMPLIANT: It shall be the duty of every police officer in the employ of the Town to act upon complaints made by persons concerning animals violating #84-1.

SECTION 84-3: ISSUANCE OF NOTICE: Each police officer investigating violations of #84-1 shall give 48 hours notice to the persons owning or having control of the animal or animals in violation #84-1. The persons(s) owning or controlling said animal(s) shall have a period of 48 hours from date of receipt of said notice to abate the nuisance or hazard created by the animal(s).

SECTION 84-4: VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES: Failure to comply with #84-3 shall constitute a violation of this chapter and shall be punishable by a fine not less than \$25.00 and not to exceed \$100.00.

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SUCCESS IS FAILURE TURNED INSIDE OUT! THE MORE YOU DO, THE MORE YOU WILL BE CAPABLE OF DOING!

SOME PEOPLE WAIT TO START SAVING FOR A RAINY DAY UNTIL IT STARTS SPRINKLING.....

"ON TAP"



We recently attended the presentation of the final report commissioned by the County Council for a study of the water and sewer needs of the Rt. 13 corridor from the Kent County line to the Maryland border. This study was to determine the needs through the year 2020 and will be used with the County's Comprehensive Plan to steer development to the areas where water and sewer services are available.

The five conclusions from the report were:

1. Towns along the corridor should provide the needed services.

2. New subdivisions will be directed by the County to areas adjacent to towns.

3. A new regional waste water plant will be built by the County to serve the Blades area to relieve the burden on the Seaford system.

4. CPCN'S (Water Franchises) should be sought by the towns from DNREC for extensions of service in expected areas of growth.

5. Source Water Protection Plans should be put in place to protect the quality of water in the area.

For Bridgeville, the report said that we have sufficient supply to fill the projected needs through the period, but that our storage facilities will need to be expanded. We will keep a close eye on development in the area to give us the needed time to plan for expanding our storage capabilities. We know from the report we received when we had repairs made to the water tank two years ago that the tank is in need of painting and repairs.

With these facts in mind, the Water Department is in the process of developing a five year and a ten year plan for the facilities. We

WATER DEPT-cont'd.

feel that now is the time to start setting aside funds to cover the needed repairs and upgrading of the Town's distribution system. If Bridgeville is to benefit from the expected development in the area, we need to be sure we have the facilities to provide water to serve the expected growth. If we properly plan, and save, we can accomplish our goals without the need to go into debt.

COMMISSIONER JACK DALTON
Water Department

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HIXSON FELLOWSHIP AWARD

Congratulations are in order for Richard Beauchamp. He was awarded the George F. Hixson Fellowship. Mr. Beauchamp has been a member of the Bridgeville Kiwanis Club since 1991. As a member Richard has always been supportive of all the projects and activities sponsored by the club. He has given many hours to putting up and taking down the Christmas lights in Town, helps hang the Apple Scrapple flags in the summer. He has given many hours maintaining and operating the Chicken Bar-B-Que. Richard also gives of his time to the community by helping with functions sponsored by the Methodist Men and umpiring the Woodbridge Little League games.

REMINDER: KIWANIS CHICKEN BAR-B-QUE booth is now open on weekends until late September. The booth is located approximately five mles west of Town on Rt. 404.

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TAKE NOTE: The Town Office will be closed July 3, 1998.....

"STREET NEWS"

FROM

COMMISSIONER SIPPLE



I received a nice compliment recently about the Town being so neat and clean. An out-of-towner wanted to know if we had special ordinances to accomplish this. I told them it was a joint effort between the Town and the citizens. I appreciate the citizens who keep picking up trash that is out of place. GOOD JOB... PAYS OFF!!

The Laws Street paving project is almost complete. This is a wonderful improvement to our Town. Church Street repaving has been awarded to A.P. Croll and should be completed in a few weks.

The potholdes have been filled on John Street once again. I would like to get that street repaved as soon as funds become available.

Did you notice the ditch banks have been cut on N. Main Street. We, of course, will grow back but the small trees are gone and the appearance is so much better. The Ditch Tax paid for this project. Their next project is have the ditch dug out.

First Street has had water standing on the street for a couple of years now after there was a large rain fall. A new drainage pipe was recently installed which should help relieve that problem.

The state's street sweeper out of Gravel Hill comes into Town about three times a year to clean Main, Market and Church Streets. Dirt along the edge of these streets build up fast due to so much traffic. We hope to see improvement once the truck by-pass is completed by the end of summer, if not before!

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IT'S GRASS CUTTING TIME AGAIN!!!!

The Town Code does have regulations for unregulated grass and weeds.

CHAPTER 90: Section 90-1: No owner of land shall permit the unregulated growth of vegetation, including but not limited to weeds, grass, bushes and shrubs, to be maintained on any property within the corporate limits of Bridgeville.

Section 90-2: No weeds, grass or other ground cover vegetation shall exceed a height of eight (8) inches at any time of the calendar year.

Section 90-6: Upon failure of the property owner to comply, the Town shall issue written notice to said property owner ordering compliance. If property owner does not remedy the violation within ten (10) days of receipt of notice, the Town of Bridgeville shall cause the violation to be corrected, and the cost incurred, shall be billed to the property owner. Failure to pay said bill could be followed by a court hearing.



BEWARE: THE WEED CONTROLLER ON DUTY AT ALL TIMES!!!!

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS: OCTOBER 9/10, APPLE SCRAPPLE FESTIVAL

The festival committee once again has started their planning of the festival. As the festival grows (and it has each year), we find we are in need of more dedicated volunteers. If you could give the festival even a few hours of your time, it would be much appreciated. Please contact Bonnie Workman, 349-4636 or Alma Fleetwood, 629-9582 if you would be willing to help in any way.

SUMMER FUN!!!!

REMINDER TO POOL OWNERS:

For those who will be filling swimming pools this summer, there are metered hoses available at the Town Hall. The metered hose will allow you to fill your pool with water charging only for water used, not the sewer charge. Call the office, 337-7135, to reserve a meter.



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LIONS CLUB OYSTER TRAILER OPEN FOR BUSINESS: The Lions and Lioness have opened the oyster booth for the summer. The booth will be open every weekend in July and August. The location is on Alt.13, just south of the Shore Stop.

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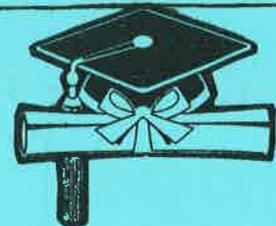


TREAT YOURSELF TO CHICKEN BAR-B-QUE...

The Bridgeville Firemen will be operating the Kiwanis booth the weekend of July 3-4-5, 1998. Support your fire department....

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*Congratulations,
Class of '98
We Wish You Well in
Your Future*



DATES TO REMEMBER.....

- JULY 3 - Town Office Closed
- 4 - Independence Day
- 13 - Commissioners Meeting,
7:00 P.M., Town Hall
- AUG. 10 - Commissioners Meeting,
7:00 P.m., Town Hall

COMMISSIONERS' MEETINGS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. EVERYONE IS WELCOME.....

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COMMUNITY SAFETY!!!

Being on the lookout for suspicious behavior and then reporting it to the authorities will help deter and solve crimes. You do not have to give your name to report information. Don't be afraid to get involved...you could save a life or stop a crime.

WHAT TO LOOK FOR:

1. Someone going door to door in your neighborhood, trying doors to see if they are open or unlocked.
2. Someone who walks through a neighborhood looking into cars or backyards, etc.
3. Business transactions being conducted from a vehicle.
4. Lights or noise coming from a home you know to be unoccupied.
5. Someone who appears to be forcing entry into a home, vehicle or business.
6. Persons being forced into a car or other vehicle. Cars moving slowly and without lights.
7. Someone removing license plates or gas from a parked car that you recognize is not theirs.

Remember, should you see some suspicious activity, call the police department or 911.

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THINK ABOUT THIS.....SIGNS!

RADIATOR SHOP: Best place in town to take a leak.

ELECTRICIAN SHOP: Let us remove your shorts.

MATERNITY SHOP: We are open on Labor Day.

NO SMOKING AREA: If we see you smoking, we will assume you are on fire and take appropriate action.

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An 'Amoosing' Word Find

"PERHAYPS" you've herd? June is Dairy Month! And this simply bovine word find is a Grade-A whey to celebrate.

From the list at bottom, we've wrangled all 24 cow-related words and turned them out in the field of scrambled letters below. Round them up again by connecting letters up, down, diagonally and backward.

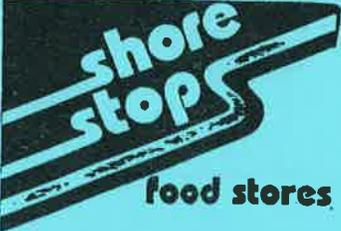
HOPE YOU HAVE A MOO--ING TIME!

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| CALF | HAY | MILK | UDDER |
| CREAM | HEIFER | PARLOR | WHEY |

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