From the President’s Desk

March is the time for the “changing of the guard” in Bridgeville, as our Municipal Election takes place on the first Saturday of the month. No election was held this year, as there was no contest for the Commission seats in the 4th and 5th Voting Districts. A new Commission President took the oath of office at the March 9th Commission meeting.

I would like to thank the residents of the Town for the opportunity to serve a 5th term as Commissioner of Bridgeville. I am also appreciative of the Commissioners for appointing me as the new Commission President.

Our outgoing Commission President, Mr. Joe Conaway, asked Pat Correll and myself to run with him for open Commission seats eight years ago. Since then we have seen many accomplishments and positive changes in the Town. The one thing that stands out in my mind concerning Joe’s presidency is that everything he did was in the best interest of the Town of Bridgeville. Thank you, Joe, for your service to the Town, the County and the State of Delaware. I know I will be seeking your advice in the future.

As an introduction to myself, I live at 204 South Main Street with my wife of 24 years, Sally Ann, our son, Chuck, and our little dog, Molly. If you would like to contact me, please feel free to call me at home and leave a message (302-337-7421).

As I take on the responsibility of Commission President, I would like to thank my employer of 44 years, Messick and Gray Construction Company, for allowing me to take time from work, as needed, to fulfill Commission duties. I also extend my condolences to the entire Messick family at the loss of a very special person, Thomas Harold Messick, who lost his battle with cancer on Sunday, March 29, 2009.

Please join me in welcoming our new Commissioner from the 4th District, Mike Collison. Mike was on the Commission for a short time in the late 1980’s, early ’90’s and recently he has served as the Chairman of the Planning and Zoning Commission. I feel confident he will be a valuable asset to the Commission. Welcome aboard, Mike.

Now that spring is here and the flowers, grass and trees are beginning to come to life, be sure to take some time to do your spring clean-up outdoors. While you’re at it, take a walk, ride a bicycle and walk your pets around our community. Get to know your neighbors and have a beautiful spring.

Bill Jefferson

UPCOMING BRIDGEVILLE EVENTS

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Minutes from the Monthly Commission Meetings

February 9, 2009

January Traffic Arrests: 75  Criminal Arrests: 15
Five building permits were issued in January bringing revenue of $1,269.50.
Five untagged vehicles were turned over to the Bridgeville Police for action.
Four water meters were installed and one water/sewer inspection was completed at Heritage Shores. Meters installed now total 533.
A damaged water line to the dewatering unit at the Wastewater Treatment Plant was repaired.
A cellular phone dialer was installed at the Heritage Shores pump station, which will call Public Works employees if there is a malfunction at the sewage pump station.
A new comminutor was installed at the Wastewater Treatment Plant influent wet well.
Installation was completed of the new geo-reactor and the unit was successfully placed back into service. A second geo-reactor has been ordered.
The Commission made a yearly $1,000 donation to the Woodbridge Student Uniform Assistance Fund.
The Bridgeville Economic and Development / Main Street Committee met in January to discuss economic issues in the downtown area.
No Loitering signs were installed on N. Main Street.
The Commission signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Sussex County which commits them to discuss intentions concerning lands of mutual concern. The Commission retains its authority concerning land use.
The Commission reappointed the CPA firm of Lank, Johnson & Tull as its accounting firm.
The Commission appointed Mrs. Anne Hallman and Ms. Kelly Davis to the Bridgeville Election Board.
The Commission adopted Ordinance A09-2 to update the Code Book concerning current water/sewer rates. No rates were changed with this Ordinance.
A Public Hearing was held to consider several Planning & Zoning requests. Billboards were approved for Jimmy’s Grille and the Heritage Shores developer, along with site plan approval for a new Walgreen’s drug store near the Route 13 / 404 intersection.

March 9, 2009

February Traffic Arrests: 74  Criminal Arrests: 18
Nine building permits were issued in February bringing revenue of $1,509.00. Two buildings were condemned.
Six untagged or inoperable vehicles were turned over to the Bridgeville Police for action.
Three water/sewer inspections were completed at Heritage Shores. One water meter was installed and a water/sewer inspection completed for a property on Second Street.
The 125,000 gallon elevated storage tank located behind Town Hall is scheduled for exterior painting this spring. This work is being performed under the current ten year maintenance contract with Corrosion Control.
Public Works Department employees attended continuing education classes at the Delaware Rural Water Conference.
Public Works employees received on-site training from Tieder Electrical Inc. for the electrical controls and meters related to the new spray irrigation system.
Bridgeville will again participate in the yearly mosquito spraying program through DNREC.
Heritage Shores Phase 1A streets were turned over to Town ownership and maintenance. This does not include all streets in Heritage Shores.
Shea Concrete replaced curbing and installed handicap ramps from the 2008 street project.
DNREC representative, Ms. Amber Moore, assisted the Public Works Department in completing the “Storm Water Plan” for the Town. This is a requirement of the new discharge permit.
Commissioner Collison and Town Manager Walls commended the Public Works Department for their quick and efficient snow removal during the recent storm and a Heritage Shores resident thanked the Town for plowing Heritage Shores streets that are not yet the Town’s responsibility. It was acknowledged as a very kind gesture.
Commissioner Collison resigned his seat and chairmanship of the Planning and Zoning Commission. Mr. William Atwood, a current member of Planning and Zoning, was appointed to serve as Chairman.
A Certificate of Resolution was adopted by the Commission excluding police officers from the Town’s Profit Sharing Plan, as they have recently signed with the state plan.
Finance Director Savage advised the Town’s Annual Court Appeals will take place on Saturday, March 28th from 1-2 PM at Town Hall.
Town Manager's Report

The Town, in coordination with the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), will be conducting a spring storm drain marking project, relating to the Chesapeake Bay Watershed, on Saturday, May 9th (rain date May 16th). DNREC's Sediment and Storm Water Program and Watershed Assessment Section will be working with volunteers to mark storm drains with medallions bearing the reminder, "No Dumping, Drains to Waterway." Drains are marked to remind community residents and businesses not to dump anything down the storm drains, including oil, trash, paint or other pollutants. The intent is to reduce storm water pollution discharging into the Chesapeake Bay. Volunteers from the Dublin Hill 4-H Club, led by Carla Killmon, and the Woodbridge High School Key Club, led by Kelli Duncan, will assist DNREC in the project.

DNREC's storm drain marking initiative was first spearheaded in 2007 in Lewes, where nearly 500 storm drains were marked by more than 65 volunteers. Other communities that have implemented this program include Milton, Georgetown and Wilmington's Southbridge community. Complete funding for the project will be provided by the Chesapeake Bay Implementation grant.

This is a great program that motivates community involvement and provides a positive and lasting reminder about protecting our vital watersheds.

Two new Ordinances were adopted by the Commissioners at their March 9th meeting. The Alarm Ordinance addresses excessive false alarms and the failure of property owners to make repairs to their alarm systems. This Ordinance will entitle businesses and homeowners three false alarms during a calendar year. 4-6 false alarms will incur a $150 fine; 7+ false alarms will incur a $250 fine.

The Historic Ordinance requires that structures within the Historic District be under closer scrutiny than structures in other parts of Town; however, it is not as restrictive as some Historic District Ordinances elsewhere. As with any other renovation, there are building permit requirements. The Planning and Zoning Commission would hold public hearings on proposed changes to homes within the District. Demolition would not be easy under this Ordinance, which adds a measure of protection for historic structures. Paint color and the interior of a historic structure are not regulated.

Both Ordinances are available for review at the Town office.

The March Commission meeting began with administering the Oath of Office to incumbent William Jefferson from District 5 and newly-elected Mike Collison from District 4. The following appointments were made for the coming year:

- William Jefferson: President of Commission
- Mike Collison: President Pro-Term
- Pat Correll: Secretary
- Bonnie Walls: Town Manager
- Jesse Savage: Finance Director - Assessor
- Dennis Schrader: Firm of Wilson, Halbrook & Bayard

After the Commission meeting, a reception was held to honor out-going President of eight years, Mr. Joseph T. Conaway. We appreciate Joe’s dedication and support to the community with many significant accomplishments being realized during his term of office. We all wish him the best in his future endeavors.

Bonnie Walls

From the Bridgeville Police Department

The Bridgeville Police Department would like to take this opportunity to inform citizens of steps they can take to protect themselves against criminal acts. As warmer weather approaches and brings increased foot traffic on the streets, keep your vehicle locked at all times and remove all aftermarket electronics and other items that could be easily stolen.

With the current economic times we are warning homeowners to be on the lookout for home improvement fraud. If a deal seems too good to be true, it is more than likely a scam. In addition to scams there are contractors working without licenses and insurance which could adversely affect the homeowner if work is done incorrectly or someone is injured on your property. Before you contract any work for your property, take a few moments to check that the contractor is licensed, insured and in good standing with the Better Business Bureau.

There are also numerous telephone scams in operation. We would suggest that you never provide personal information over the telephone. Instead, request that information be mailed to your residence.

If you see anything that you believe to be suspicious, or if you notice criminal acts in progress, please call the Bridgeville Police Department immediately at 337-8302 or dial 911.

If you have a concern about a police-related matter, please stop by the department or call us to discuss the matter.

Bridgeville Police Department  Telephone: (302) 337-8302  Fax: (302) 337-8359
Town News

Town of Bridgeville Annexation Referendum

Public Hearing
Bridgeville Fire Hall
Thursday, April 30
7 PM

Voting
Bridgeville Town Hall
Saturday, May 2
10 AM - 2 PM

- Every citizen of the Town age eighteen or older has one vote, provided he/she has registered on the "Books of Registered Voters" of the Town.
- Register at Town Hall during regular business hours.
  Deadline: April 24, 2009

Notice is Hereby Given that the Commissioners of the Town of Bridgeville will Consider the Following Properties for Annexation:

Bariglio Corporation
#1-31-15.00-38.00
67 acres north side of Rt.
404 adjacent to Royal Farms

Windsor Development, LLC
#1-31-10.00-81.05
2.97 acres north side of Antique Alley

Mr. & Mrs. Matt Davis
#1-31-10.08-4.00
16695 Adams Rd.
(Home on Church St.)

Dog Ordinance
The Town of Bridgeville adopted its Dog Ordinance approximately one year ago. Putting into action some aspects of the Ordinance has been deferred until July 1, 2009. Below is a list of those regulations that will be subject to violation in July.
- No dog may be tethered or chained outside on an owner's property.
- Except when leashed, all dogs outdoors must be securely confined in a locked kennel, pen or other secure enclosure that is suitable to prevent the entry of children and is designed to prevent the dog from escaping. All kennels must have a concrete pad. (Please check with Town Hall for kennel specs.)

Pool Owners
Pool meters will again be available from the Town Hall for those who are interested. The metered hose will allow you to fill your pool with water
- ONE TIME ONLY
- DURING THE SUMMER,
charging only for water, not for sewer. Pool meters must be returned within one week to avoid penalty.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
Grass Cutting Policy
1 Warning Only

Please be advised the Town will only give one warning concerning grass that is 8 inches or taller this year.
If the first grass cutting warning is not heeded, the Town will automatically cut the grass and the property owner will be charged a minimum of $75.00 for the grass cutting service, as well as a $250.00 administrative fee.
If you will be away for an extended period of time, please make arrangements for your grass to be cut in your absence.
There will be no exceptions.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection
Saturday, May 2  8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Jones Crossroads Landfill
28560 Landfill Lane, Georgetown

Even small amounts of household hazardous waste can cause big problems if not disposed of properly.
For Complete Information:
Citizen's Response Line  1-800-404-7080
Visit www.dswa.com
Town News

Community-Wide

Saturday, May 2
7:00 AM - ?

At Homes Throughout Town

Town Clean-Up Day
Saturday, May 9
Curbside items must be out by 6:00 AM
M-T Trash will only go down each street ONCE!

Curbside Pick-Up:
Furniture
Stoves
Household Trash
Limbs (4ft. bundles)
The following must have Freon removed:
Refrigerators
Freezers
Air Conditioners
Separate from other trash:
Paint, Stain, Etc.

Scrap Metal Container
Town Hall Parking Lot
Aluminum Siding  Bicycles
Window Frames  Stainless Steel
Barbecue Grills  Tire Rims, Etc.
Scrap Metal Only!

Large Tree Limbs
Accepted at Wastewater Treatment Plant Saturday morning
(Follow staff directions)

THESE ITEMS WILL NOT BE PICKED UP:
Rocks & Bricks  Batteries  Oil
Construction Materials  Dirt  Tires

Town Beautification
Spring is a great time for general outdoor clean-up and property improvement projects.
We have many outbuildings in Town with broken windows and in need of cosmetic or structural work.

Please bring these
Buildings up to Code!

New Faces on the Block
Welcome to our
new Homeowners!

Whistling Duck Drive:
The Patrick Lifriers
Canvasback Circle:
The Larry Sagers
Emily’s Pintail Drive:
The Robert Ferrys

Bridgeville Memorial Day Celebration
May 25, 2009
9:30 AM
Veterans Memorial
Bridgeville Cemetery

Join us in honoring our Veterans
Community Activities

Lions / Lioness Club News

Lions Club Show   The annual Lions Club Show on March 13th and 14th was well attended; we thank all those who helped and those who came to the show. This is one of the Lions’ major fundraisers which enables us to aid those in our community who are less fortunate.

Medical Equipment   As a reminder to all those in our community, the Lions Club maintains a medical equipment loan service. This service includes wheel chairs, electric hospital beds, walkers, canes, crutches, commode chairs and other related equipment. Items such as hospital beds would be delivered by Lions members and picked up when there is no longer a need. There is no cost for this medical equipment service. Mr. Charles Hawk is in charge of the program and can be reached at 337-8675.

Vision Screening   The Lions and Lioness recently completed an eye screening program for 80 pre-school children. Each child’s parents were notified of the results. For those with possible eye problems, it was recommended that a follow-up exam be made by an eye care professional.

Bridgeville Public Library

Storytime   begins its summer hiatus on April 29th. This popular program for 2 to 6 year-olds will resume in September.

Genealogy Program   Individual genealogy consultations will take place on Saturday, April 25, from 9-11 AM. Sign-ups are required; please call the Library at 337-7401.

Library Closing:   Monday, May 25

Friends of the Bridgeville Library

“For the Love of Books” Fundraiser   Thanks to all those who attended and/or supported this fundraiser in honor of retired teacher, Norman Reynolds. Mr. Reynolds was truly recognized, among other ways, with the return of numerous former students. The FBL raised approximately $25,000 toward construction costs.

Fundraising Continues   for the new library. Considering the sizable expense of the facility, only about $300,000 remains to be raised in order to open the doors in June. Debt-free Opportunities are available to name a part of the new library in honor of memory of a person or family. Contact Library Director Karen Johnson for details.

Visit Library Construction Pictures   http://www.flickr.com/photos/bridgeville/

Membership   The Friends’ goal is a membership of 150 by June 30th. We are well along the way to meet that goal and invite you to join your neighbors by becoming Library Friends. For as little as $10.00 per year, you can support your library! Membership forms are available at the Library and Town Hall.

Historical Society

House Survey Project   Members of the Bridgeville Historical Society have begun a major project—conducting a house survey of all homes in the Bridgeville Historic District. This project will take several years to complete and will require the cooperation of the residents of Bridgeville.

This survey will document the history of each building in regards to builder, owners, residents, renovations, additions, dates of construction and interesting stories associated with each structure. Outbuildings will also be included in this survey. Photographs and sketches will be collected and compiled to record architectural styles, floor plans and interesting features of each property.

The Society will be sending a survey form to all residents in the historic district with a request that owners/residents complete the forms to the best of their abilities. If you have any older photographs or any official documentation regarding the history or construction of your home, the Society will be asking for permission to make copies of those records for the survey. The Society is always interested in recording historical information residents may have about any building, event, or person in Town.

If you have any questions regarding this survey project, please contact: George H. and Jeanne Torbert (349-5554), Byron Lewis (337-8474), or Howard and Kay Sue Hardesty (337-8595).

Bridgeville Historical Society Museum Openings:   Beginning Sunday, May 3rd, the Society’s museum, the “Old Firehouse,” will be open from 1:00 - 4:00 PM on the first Sunday of each month until October 4th. The Museum is located at 102 William Street.

Special Museum Openings:   Free Delaware Day, Saturday, May 16 from 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Apple Scrapple Festival, Saturday, October 10 from 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

General Membership Meeting:   Thursday, May 21, 7:00 PM at Heritage Shores Clubhouse. New members are always welcome!
Community Activities

Kiwanis Club of Bridgeville News

Kiwanis Charter Night  The Kiwanis Club of Bridgeville celebrated 70 Years of Community Service during their Charter Night Program on March 16th. The local Kiwanis Club was organized in January 1939 with 29 charter members. They received their Charter from Kiwanis International in March 1939, having been sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Seaford.

In attendance were special guests from the Capital District, Delmarva Region and the local Division, as well as the Bridgeville Town Commissioners. President Bill Jefferson presented a Tribute from the Town for the club's 70 years of community service.

"Spring Into Health Community Walk"  By invitation from the Town Commissioners, many Kiwanians participated in the "Spring into Health Community Walk," held Saturday, April 4th at the Woodbridge Sports Complex.

Kiwanis / Lions Joint Meeting  On April 20th the Kiwanis Club of Bridgeville will host the Bridgeville Lions Club for a dinner meeting and program at the Union United Methodist Church. Every other year each club takes a turn to host this affair. This was organized several years ago to create a cooperative spirit between the clubs and thus establish good relationships and community service.

Kiwanis Chicken Barbecue  The Kiwanians begin operation of the Chicken Barbecue on Saturday, May 2nd and will continue every weekend through September. During the months of July and August, the barbecue will also be open every Friday.

The Kiwanis Club will continue to assist local organizations with their fundraising efforts. The Kiwanians' major emphasis is with youth of our area and the organizations that use the Chicken Barbecue have this same focus. The Kiwanians have been able to contribute over $30,000 to these groups in recent years. The Barbecue is located 4 miles west of Bridgeville on Seashore Highway. Come out and enjoy a Chicken Barbecue Platter; help support the Kiwanis Club and all of these local organizations.
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