From the President’s Desk

March is the time of year for the “changing of the guard” in Bridgeville, as our Municipal Election is scheduled for the first Saturday of the month. We congratulate Mrs. Sharon McDowell, our new Commissioner in District #5, and our returning Commissioner in District #4, Mr. Paul Kovack, Sr. These Commissioners will fulfill two-year terms for their voting districts. Voting Districts #1 (Jay Mervine), #2 (Pat Correll) and #3 (Lawrence Tassone) will be up for election in March 2014.

The Commission chooses its officers for the year at the March Commission meeting. Pat Correll was appointed Commission President, Jay Mervine — President Pro Tempore and Lawrence Tassone — Commission Secretary.

I want to take this opportunity to acknowledge our advertisers for The Journal Newsletter. The printing and mailing of this quarterly newsletter is made possible through the faithful support of the businesses and organizations found on pages 7 - 9 of this newsletter. Some are initiating their first ad with us and many have been with us for a number of years. Our first newsletter in this format was the Jan/Feb/Mar 1998 issue and seven of those first advertisers are still with us 15 years later! They are: A.C. Schultes, Davis, Bowen & Friedel, Inc.; Elvin Schrock & Sons, Inc.; McDowell’s Garage; News Print Shop; Scott’s Furniture, Inc.; and our local bank - PNC Bank (which has changed hands over the years, but has continued its advertisement.) We express our appreciation to them for their loyalty. Please take a close look at all of our sponsorship ads and patronize these businesses and organizations whenever possible.

I am pleased to report that Bridgeville’s Water Department was one of the 5 local towns which received an award from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for 2011. This award is granted to communities that adjust and achieve a fluoride level in drinking water that is optimal in the prevention of tooth decay for 12 consecutive months in a year. Community water fluoridation has been recognized by the CDC as one of ten great public health achievements of the 20th century. Bridgeville is proud to be recognized by the CDC.

Enjoy your Spring!

Pat Correll

UPCOMING BRIDGEVILLE EVENTS

Community-Wide Yard Sale
Saturday, May 4
7 AM-Throughout Town

21st Annual NALC Food Drive
Saturday, May 11
(Food Donations received at Post Office or placed by your Mailbox.)

Memorial Day Celebration
Saturday, May 27
Veterans Memorial, Town Cemetery
9:30 AM
Monthly Statistics

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Minutes from the Monthly Commission Meetings

January / February / March 2013

Private First Class John McQuown of the Bridgeville Police Department received a Life Saving Award from the National Association of Chiefs of Police and the American Police Hall of Fame at the January Commission meeting. In August 2012 PFC McQuown was dispatched to a structure fire at Elizabeth Cornish Landing and rescued an unconscious male from the smoke-filled building. Both were treated for smoke inhalation. PFC McQuown stated that any of the Bridgeville Police officers would have responded in the same way.

The Commission voted to continue its participation in the Sussex County Community Development Block Grant Program. The Town has received over $120,000 in grant monies for its residents over the past ten years to address housing rehabilitations and demolitions for residents with low to moderate incomes.

At the end of Senator Booth’s term of office in the state senate, he pledged $100,000 to Bridgeville to complete paving/storm drain projects in Bridgeville and the Town is presently in the planning stages of that project.

Bridgeville successfully annexed the property of the former Pep-Up gas station into Town limits. The vote was 175 in favor and 1 against, allowing the Wawa gas station/convenience store project to move forward.

The Commissioners donated $14,388 to the Bridgeville Volunteer Fire Company. This yearly donation is raised by collecting a fee of 1/4 of one percent from building permits for emergency services funding.

The Commission voted to continue receiving state mosquito spray services for 2013.

Mr. Rick Tull from the accounting firm of Lank, Johnson and Tull reported on the Town’s annual audit. He believes the financial statement reflects positively on the Town.

The Town is investigating a 50% grant from the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) to assist in funding a Bike Path connecting the Heritage Shores property to the area around the Bridgeville Public Library.

The future of the back entrance to Heritage Shores was discussed. It is considered a construction entrance only; however, there is interest in upgrading it to permanent status, if it is financially feasible.

The Town has hired a new part-time secretary in the Police Department, Ms. Robin Bohn. Her current work hours are Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

Following a Planning and Zoning Commission discussion and Public Hearing and a Town Commission discussion and Public Hearing, a change of zone was approved for the O’Leary property next to the Town Hall. The current R-1 zoning has been changed to Town Center (TC).

Five Bridgeville churches were approved for grease trap exemptions for their kitchens by the Town Commission. After inspection by Wastewater Superintendent Collins, it was determined the facilities could be exempted from the grease trap requirement, provided they continued to dispose of their grease appropriately.
Town Manager’s Report

If the first quarter of 2013 is any indication, the Town of Bridgeville is in for a very busy year. We are currently working on several important projects that will impact the Town for many years to come. Bid documents have been prepared for a paving project that includes a portion of Railroad Avenue and the entrance to the Wastewater Treatment Plant; the Town Hall parking lot will also be paved, which is long overdue. Now that Spring has arrived, we are eager to get to work.

Connected with the parking lot paving will be the removal of the recycling bins at Town Hall. The same recycling opportunities will be made available behind Goodwill on Route 13 in Bridgeville.

We welcome several additions to our Police Department. The Town has hired three new officers, Mr. John Cullen, Mr. Samuel Wilks and Mr. Justin Wechtenhiser. They are currently enrolled at the State Police Academy and should join the force as certified officers in the fall. We look forward to their arrival for a fully staffed Police Department. The Town has also hired Mrs. Robin Bohn as a part-time secretary for the Police Department. This will alleviate the clerical work of the officers and allow them to spend additional time in the community. Mrs. Bohn has a working background in the criminal justice system and the Town is fortunate to have her.

In closing, I join President Correll in congratulating Mrs. Sharon McDowell and Mr. Paul Kovack for winning their Commission seats. I would also like to thank the District #4 residents who turned out to vote in their district election.

Hopefully, the warm weather is here to stay. I encourage everyone to get outdoors and enjoy it.

Jesse Savage

From the Bridgeville Police Department

Summer Safety Tips

Tips for Parents:

• Provide a list of phone numbers of neighbors, family and friends that your child can call in an emergency. Make sure your child knows how to dial 911 and when it is appropriate to do so.
• Know the route your child will take to and from a given location. Remind your child never to take a shortcut or deviate from the agreed-upon route.
• Establish rules for using the Internet. Children should have adult supervision when online. Make sure your child knows to never give out personal information on the Internet.
• Require your child to check in with a parent before leaving the house and when returning home. Teach your child that there is safety in numbers and that it is best to travel with a group of friends when going places without an adult.
• Provide a bike helmet and require your child to wear it, as well as brightly-colored or reflective clothing when riding bicycles.

Tips for Homeowners:

• Keep doors in your home closed and locked, including your garage door. “An open door is an invitation.”
• Be a good neighbor and alert police to any unusual activity in your neighborhood.
• Plan for vacation by having your mail and newspapers stopped or by having a neighbor pick them up daily. Leave inside lights on timers to create the impression that your house is occupied. Be sure to set your alarm system. Have a lawn service or neighbor mow your lawn.
• Avoid home improvement scams and deception burglaries by taking a proactive approach. Be particularly alert to anyone in your neighborhood wanting to perform home repair and asking to gain entry into your home. Ask for identification and advise them you are going to call and get verification from their company before allowing them inside. If they are legitimate, they won’t mind the wait.

Robert J. Longo, Chief of Police

Telephone: (302) 337-8302 Fax: (302) 337-8359

“Working Together To Keep Our Families Safe”
Town News

Code Department
Spring has arrived and it is time for all residents to consider a Yard Clean-up

House Numbers
Many homeowners have not posted house numbers per Town Code. We must enforce this code for everyone's safety. Violators will be fined $100; a continuing violation will result in a $250 fine daily.

Most residents assume our Fire Company can find them in a 911 emergency; however, if they are out on another call, can another Town's ambulance or fire truck find you to assist you in your emergency?

Grass Cutting
The Town will only give one warning per year concerning grass that is 8 inches or taller. A $100 fine will be assessed for a second violation. If you will be out of Town for an extended period of time, please make arrangements for your grass to be cut in your absence. Grass clippings are not allowed in the street, as they clog the street sweeper.

Tree Trimming
In order to clean the streets at the curb line, the Town's street sweeper requires a height clearance of at least twelve (12) feet. There are many properties in Town with tree limbs that are below the clearance height and bushes that extend over the curb line.

Sidewalk Repairs
Please be advised: All sidewalks on your property are to be maintained by the property owner. The Town asks all residents to make necessary repairs for the safety of all Bridgeville residents.

Dog Owners
All dogs with pit bull characteristic must be registered at Town Hall.
Chaining dogs is prohibited.

Pool Meters
Available at Town Hall. This 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.

Residential Requirements
Mailbox: 3-inch light-reflective numbers/letters
Structure: 4-inch light-reflective numbers/letters
See the Code Enforcement Officer for more details.

Bridgeville Memorial Day Celebration
May 27, 2013
9:30 AM
Veterans Memorial
Bridgeville Cemetery

Join us in honoring our Veterans

Community-Wide
Yard Sale
Saturday, May 4
7:00 AM
At Homes Throughout Town

New Faces on the Block
Welcome to our new Homeowners!

Ruddy Duck Lane:
The Martin Brocks
The Anthony Denskis
The Howard Harman Jr.
Harlequin Loop:
Barbara Sherbert
Amanda’s Teal Drive:
The Robert Martineaus

Emily’s Pintail Drive:
The George Mimidis
The Daniel Semans
Blue Heron Court:
Susan Hyatt
Delaware Avenue:
Grayson Woods
Market Street:
Pet Realty, LLC
Town News

Prescription Drug Take Back Day

Saturday, April 27  10 AM - 2 PM
Bridgeville Fire Hall

More than seven million Americans currently abuse prescription drugs and each day, approximately 2,500 teens use prescription drugs to get high for the first time. Studies show that a majority of abused prescription drugs come from family and friends, including the home medicine cabinet.

The Drug Enforcement Agency wishes to address this vital public safety and health issue by conducting a Prescription Drug Take Back Day.

This provides a venue for persons to safely dispose of unwanted and unused prescription drugs. The Fire Company is partnering with the Bridgeville Police Department for this local event. Please check your home for unwanted, unused or expired prescription drugs and bring them to the Fire Hall on Saturday, April 27th.

Bridgeville Collection Station

Not everyone is aware that Bridgeville has a Delaware Solid Waste Authority (DSWA) drop-off center nearby. Collection Stations operate on a “pay-as-you-throw” basis, where the disposal fee for each bag of garbage or yard waste costs $1.00. To protect the safety of the operator and the users, no cash transactions take place on site; therefore, pre-paid tickets must be purchased in advance, which are available in $10.00 increments online at dswa.com or in person at regular DSWA facilities. They are also available at the Sussex County Administration Building in Georgetown. Tickets expire one year from the date of purchase.

The Bridgeville Collection station offer a convenient and relatively inexpensive option for disposing of household garbage/yard waste. Electronic goods recycling is also available during operating hours.

16539 Polk Road, Bridgeville
Wednesday & Saturday 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM
Follow Rt. 404 west out of Town and turn left on Polk Rd.

Stamp Out Hunger

Saturday, May 11
Donations Received at the Bridgeville Post Office
or leave donations by your Mailbox!

Household Hazardous Waste / Electronic Goods / Paper Shredding Event

Saturday, May 4 & Saturday, August 3

8 am - 4 pm

Household Hazardous Waste

Product containers:
"Warning"  "Hazardous"  "Poisonous"
"Flammable"  "Corrosive"  " Explosive"
I.E.: household cleaners, garden pesticides, nail polish, fluorescent bulbs, antifreeze, oil-based paints

No Latex Paint

Paper Shredding
Residents may bring up to 2 file boxes of paper for shredding. (medical/financial/legal/tax records, receipts) Papers with staples or paper clips are accepted.

Electronic Goods

Computers  Printers  CD players
Microwaves  Telephones  Televisions
Game Boys  Fax Machines  VCRs

Delaware Solid Waste Authority
Community Activities

Bridgeville Public Library Events

**Story Time**  *2-4 Year Olds - Tuesdays, 11 AM*  *May 22 last mtg.*  *4-6 Year Olds - Thursdays, 11 AM until September*

**Lap Sit**  3 Month Olds-2 Year Olds - Wednesdays, 10 AM

**Recent Reads**  3rd Saturday monthly, 11 AM, Luncheon served

**Family Nights**  6:30 - 8 PM  April 16/May 21/June 18/July 16

**Teen Programming**  Starting April 9 - Every other Tuesday 3-5 PM

**Summer Reading Program**  *“Dig into Reading” at your Library!*  Kick-Off June 11th at 11 AM with a picnic.

**“Astronomy for Everyone”**  May 14 at 7 PM. Award-winning astrophysicist Dr. Kevin Manning will present a program and, weather permitting, views through a powerful telescope outdoors.

**Genealogy Discussion Group**  3rd Wednesday monthly, 10:30 AM

**Kiwanis BBQ Fundraiser**  Please support the library and enjoy delicious Kiwanis Chicken BBQ Sat.-Sun. July 27 & 28.

**New Services**  Document Scanning / Notary Service

Please call the library for availability.

**Job Center @ Library**  April 29th, Noon-3 PM Resume Writing and Internet Job Searching. Requires pre-registration.

**Library Closings**  May 9, 10, 27 July 4, 27

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 302-337-7401**

Lions / Lioness Club News

**Lions Club Show**  The annual show on March 15th & 16th was a great success. We would like to thank those who helped in various ways to make this a great show. It is our largest fundraiser of the year and without the help of Lions Club friends, the show would not go on.

Thanks to All!

**Community Service Projects**  Club members recently installed a new roof on the T-Ball dugout in the Little League Park area.

The Leader Dog Conference/Dinner for the southern half of our Lions District was well attended by our Lions and Lioness. Donations for this worthy project were presented to the Leader Dog Program by Lions President, Eddy Parker and Lioness President, Hilda Donnelly.

An eye screening will be conducted at Laverty Lane in May for children. Any vision concerns found will be forwarded to their parents for follow-up.

**Friends of the Bridgeville Library Upcoming Programs**

**Storyteller Marie Gormley-Tarleton**  Marie will be presenting “Women of the Millennium” on Tuesday, May 14th at 7 PM.

There will be no program in June.

**Annual Meeting and Potluck Dinner**  Tuesday, July 16th at 6 PM

The above meetings will take place at the Library Meeting Room

Anyone interested in becoming a Friend of the Bridgeville Library can stop by the Library to pick up a membership form.

**Garbage/Recycling Services**

There will be no interruption of garbage & recycling services due to Memorial Day or July 4th.

Recycling services are provided bi-weekly and collection is as follows:

- April 12/26
- May 10/24
- June 7/21
- July 5/19

Bridgeville Historical Society

**Museum Openings**  The Old Fire House Museum will be open to the public on the following Sundays from 11:30 AM to 3:00 PM - May 5, June 2 and July 7, as well as every Tuesday morning from 9:00 AM - Noon.

**General Meeting**  May 8 - Covered-Dish/Program, 6:30 PM at St. Mary’s Parish Hall, Special Speaker: Tom Ryan sharing about “Delaware during the Civil War.”

**Next Project**  Cleaning tombstones of Civil War veterans in the Bridgeville Cemetery.

**New Members Welcome**  Our new year began April 1. We invite those interested in preserving and sharing the history of the northwest quadrant of Sussex County to become members of our organization.

- Membership Dues  $15 - Individual  $25 - Family  $75 - Patron  $500 - Life Membership

Please call 337-7600 or 337-8595 for a membership form.
Community Activities

Kiwanis Club of Bridgeville News

Kiwanis Prayer Breakfast  The Kiwanis Club will host its Annual Prayer Breakfast on Armed Forces Day, Saturday, May 18th, beginning at 8 AM at Union United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. Tickets are $8.00 each and are available from Corporate and Individual Table Sponsors. You can also call Ralph Scott III at 337-8274 for tickets, information and sponsorship opportunities.

George F. Hixson Fellow Award  The Kiwanis Club recently presented the 2013 George F. Hixson Fellow Award from the Kiwanis International Foundation to Bridgeville Kiwanian Garry Killmon. Garry is a director of the local club and secretary of the Bridgeville Kiwanis Foundation. As chairman of the K-Kids program at the Walker’s Mill Community, he and his dedicated volunteers have given over 413 hours to the program, providing numerous learning and service opportunities to the children. Congratulations to Garry Killmon.

Kiwanis Chicken Barbecue  Mark your calendar for another summer of famous Kiwanis barbecue chicken beginning the weekend of April 27th and 28th. The stand is located 4 miles west of Bridgeville on Seashore Highway (Route 404). The sale of this traditional delicious summertime favorite goes to benefit children and youth, community needs and the less fortunate.

Save the Date!

Bridgeville Health Walk
Saturday, May 11, 2013
New High School Campus Track
(When available, additional Information will be posted on the Town website: www.bridgeville.delaware.gov)
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   Household Hazardous Waste/Electronic
   Goods/Paper Shredding - Georgetown
   Landfill  8 AM - 4 PM
5 Historical Society Museum
   Open 11:30 AM-3 PM
8 Historical Society Dinner/Program  6:30 PM
9-10 Library Closed
11 Bridgeville Health Walk  High School Track
   NALC Food Drive
13 Monthly Commission Mtg. Town Hall 7 PM
14 *Astronomy for Everyone* Library Program
   7 PM
   Storyteller: Marie Gromley-Tarleton
   Library 7 PM
   
May
18 Kiwanis Prayer Breakfast  8 AM
   Celebrating Armed Forces Day
27 Town Memorial Day Celebration  9:30 AM
   Town Offices, Library & Woodbridge Schools Closed
June
   ** Kiwanis Chicken BBQ
   ** Open Sat. & Sun. in June
2 Woodbridge Senior Graduation
2 Historical Society Museum
   Open 11:30 AM-3 PM
6 Woodbridge Students’ Last Half-Day
10 Monthly Commission Mtg. Town Hall 7 PM
11 Summer Reading Program Kick-Off  11 AM
   “Dig Into Reading”
July
   ** Kiwanis Chicken BBQ
   ** Open Fri. - Sun. in July
4 4th of July  Town Office and Library Closed
7 Historical Society Museum
   Open 11:30 AM-3 PM
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27-28 Support the Library at the Kiwanis BBQ