



The date for Earth Day was chosen to appeal to college students in 1970, to fall between spring break and finals to help maximize participation. The movement behind Earth Day led to the creation of organizations such as the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)!

## 2026 Commissioners Sworn In

March's Commission meeting included our annual reorganization following the canceled 2026 Commission Election, during which four Commissioners were sworn in, and officers were elected. Bridgeville's last election was in 2018.

Congratulations to the following on their new terms and titles!

- District 5 - Darrynn Harris, President**
- District 4 - Robert Dutton**
- District 3 - John Tomeski, President pro tempore**
- District 2 - Sandra Richards**
- District 1 - Nadine Bravo, Secretary**



Election District maps are available on our website at [Bridgeville.delaware.gov](http://Bridgeville.delaware.gov) under "Info" and "Elections."



Pictured left to right - Sandra Richards (D1) John Tomeski (D3) Darrynn Harris (D5) Robert Dutton (D4)



## Emergency Services Funds

At the same meeting, the Commission voted to allocate 50% of the Emergency Services funds collected in 2025 to the Bridgeville Volunteer Fire Company. The total amount collected in 2025 came to \$81,714.98.

These funds are collected through building permit fees throughout the calendar year.

Since the program's inception in 2003, the fund has now contributed a total of \$764,901.18 to the Fire Company! The remaining 50% goes into a reserve fund for capital improvements for the Police Department.

For both agencies, these funds help cover the costs associated with growth and expansion needs in our community.



**BRIDGEVILLE'S TOWN WIDE YARD SALE**  
MAY 2, 2026 STARTS AT 7AM

## Important Dates

- April 13 - Commission Meeting**  
7 PM - Bridgeville Public Library
- April 21 - Planning and Zoning Meeting**  
6 PM - Bridgeville Public Library
- April 22 - Earth Day**
- April 27 - Water Bills Due - Disconnects for Non-Payment on April 29 (90 Days)**
- April 27 - Commission Workshop**  
5 PM - Bridgeville Public Library

Virtual Meeting Links and supporting documentation are always posted with each meeting agenda.

**FREE ADMITTANCE**  
**Home & Garden EXPO**  
Saturday, April 11, 2026  
9 am - 3 pm  
Heritage Shores Ballroom  
1 Heritage Shores Circle, Bridgeville, DE

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## Grass and Yard Maintenance

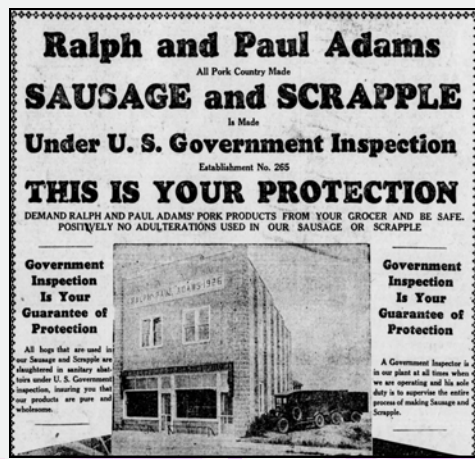
Now that Spring has officially sprung - Reminder of Chapter 90 of the Town Code - No landowner shall permit the unregulated growth of vegetation, including but not limited to weeds, grass, hedges, bushes, or shrubs, to be maintained on any property within the corporate limits of the Town of Bridgeville. No weeds, grass, or other ground cover vegetation shall exceed a height of eight inches at any time of the calendar year. No hedges, bushes, shrubs, trees, or other vegetation shall be permitted to grow in such a manner as to inhibit the free passage of or present a danger to pedestrians on any street, alleyway, sidewalk, or walkway. No weeds, grass, or other vegetation clippings, etc., shall be placed on any street, alleyway, passageway, sidewalk, or walkway. Violations of this Code will result in fines.



## Open Seats Available! Board of Adjustment

We currently have open seats on our Board of Adjustment. Board of Adjustment meetings are held only as needed and are usually scheduled during the day. The position serves a three-year term. This is a great opportunity to get involved in the workings of our community! If you are interested or have any questions regarding this position, please contact Town Hall. Applicants may submit their letter of interest to the Town Manager.

RAPA Scrapple celebrates 100 years in Bridgeville this year. The company was founded by brothers Ralph and Paul Adams in 1926. This advertisement from the Evening Journal in 1927 shows the original building. Today, the building has grown significantly, but elements of the original brick and sign are still visible from Railroad Avenue. RAPA was owned and operated by the Adams family until 1981, when it was purchased by the Jones Family. RAPA also produces Greensboro and Habbersett scrapple from the plant.



## Save the Date June 13

We are planning a Town event for June 13, 2026, so save the date! More information will come soon, but we are planning to incorporate our Memorial Bricks ceremony, with a little nod to history in the spirit of 250 events, and ending with a patriotic concert in the park! Food and other fun will, of course, be involved. We can't wait to share more details, coming soon!



## Bridgeville Public Library

- **Story Book Corner (all ages)** –Tuesdays @ 10 am with songs, stories, and rhymes about Spring with Ms. Hilary. April 7 will be held at Seaford Chick-Fil-A. No session on April 21.
- **Little Acorns Story Book Corner** –Wednesdays @ 9 am with Ms. Hilary and songs, rhymes, finger plays, and bounces for you to use at home with your young one. No session on April 22.
- **Spring Break Staycation @ the Library**– Join us in the library lounge, where we will have various games set up for you to play with friends and family, Monday, April 6th through Friday, April 10, during our regular hours. We will also have a “Make & Take” craft that you can complete at the library or take home. A light lunch will be provided at 1 pm.
- **Read to the L.E.A.P. Dogs, Oliver and Penny** –Tuesday, April 14 and April 28 @ 11am.
- **Library Learners League Homeschool Group**–Thursday, April 9 @ 2 pm. Staff from the Delaware Archives will be here to learn Delaware’s role in the Revolutionary War with a game “Road to Liberty”. Registration is required.
- **Doodle Bug Crafting Club**– for all ages on Saturday, April 11 @ 10 am for a creative raft based on STEAM. Registration is required.
- **FREE Gaming with Small Town Gaming on Saturday, April 11** from 10 am–2 pm. Enjoy playing your favorite video games. A free lunch is provided.
- **Family Fun Night** –Thursday, April 16 @ 6 pm with a Spring theme and games, crafts, and snacks. Registration is required.
- **Garden Tea Party**–Saturday, April 18 @ 4 pm–7 pm for the entire family to enjoy various teas, snacks, crafts, and games. Registration is required.
- **The 2026 Sussex County Children’s Book Festival** will be held at the Milton Library (121 Union St., Milton, DE 19968) on Saturday, May 2nd from 10 am–2 pm. It will be a free & fun-filled day of literacy, arts, education & community with meet and greet authors, vendors, food trucks, petting zoo, face painting, train rides, and more.
- **Teen Brush Club for Artists**–Wednesday, April 15 @ 3:30 pm (NEW time).

- **Twens Book Club**– Join Ms. Miranda for this fun interactive book club for ages 8–14 on Thursday, April 30 @ 3:30 pm. Registration is preferred.
- **Anime Club**– Join Ms. Hilary on Thursday, April 30 @ 4 pm to discuss your favorite Anime and Manga series, and discover new ones. You will watch anime together, vote on what to watch next, dive into the stories, discuss characters, plot twists, and everything in between. All Anime will be rated for ages 14 and under. For ages 10–17.
- **“Swing into Spring” Vendor event**– Saturday, April 18, from 9 am–1 pm. Over 20 vendors with free lemonade, door prizes every hour, Friends bake sale, and food for purchase from Hometown Harvest Food Trailer.
- **Gentle Yoga with Bonnie**– Wednesdays @ 6 pm through the month of April. Bring your own mat. FREE and open to the public.
- **Drums Alive! With PACE Your Life on Monday, April 6 @ 2 pm** for a fun cardio drumming class suitable for all abilities and free to attend.
- **Mahjong**– held on the 2nd and 4th Fridays from 3–5 pm. Registration requested.
- **Health 2GO Mobile Unit** will be in the parking lot on Tuesday, April 14 from 10 am until 3 pm.
- **BINGO with PACE Your Life on Tuesday, April 14 @ 3 pm.** Play at least 6 games of BINGO. Free to attend.
- **“Your Bridge to the World” Book Discussion**– Saturday, April 25, from 11 am–1 pm. We will discuss the book selection “The Discreet Hero” by Mario Vargas Llosa and enjoy a variety of Peruvian inspired cuisine. The book is available in regular print, and as an eBook on HOOPLA. Registration is required.
- **The library will be closed on Friday, April 3 and Saturday, April 4** for the Easter Holiday.

For all programming info, please visit our website or Facebook page for details.

To register for our events: Call 337-7401 ext. 101 or online: [delawarelibraries.libcal.com](http://delawarelibraries.libcal.com).

## Street Light Reporting

Ever notice a street light out? Or maybe it’s cycling on and off? Residents can report an issue at any time to Delmarva Power at [Delmarva.streetlightoutages.com](http://Delmarva.streetlightoutages.com). Doing so will provide you with a ticket with tracking information, including an update when the repair is completed. **We can also assist you with reporting these issues at Town Hall.** Call or email us, and provide the nearest property address or pole number. The pole number is usually two sets of five-digit numbers clearly marked with stickers, similar to address stickers, located on each pole.



## Contact Information

- **Town Hall:** P (302) 337-7135, F (302) 337-7817  
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Department, (302) 337-8302  
Email: [townofbridgeville@gmail.com](mailto:townofbridgeville@gmail.com)  
Website: [bridgeville.delaware.gov](http://bridgeville.delaware.gov)
- **Bridgeville Public Library:**  
P (302) 337-7401 ext. 101  
Email: [bridgeville.library@lib.de.us](mailto:bridgeville.library@lib.de.us)
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