



In 1914, Bridgeville was named "June Strawberry Capital of the Nation." At this time, strawberries were picked by hand. Pickers were paid at the rate of three cents per quart cup. Field hands got housing and firewood, vegetables, and ten dollars a week. As wages progressed, the growing of strawberries receded, and today this crop is much more minimal in Sussex County.



Concert in the Park, Memorial Brick Ceremony and Time Capsule

Join us on Saturday, June 13, 2026, from 4:00-8:00 PM - We are hosting a patriotic Concert in the Park featuring the Star Spangled Sweethearts!

The event will start with a brief Memorial Brick Ceremony - where we acknowledge and honor those who have contributed to the Memorial Brick program, which had been put on hold during the COVID-19 pandemic. Anyone who purchased bricks or benches during that time should have also received a direct invitation by mail. Once this batch is installed, we will reopen the program to the public. Our plans for the continued growth and construction of the park space next to Town Hall include an expanded walkway to accommodate many more bricks, so there will be plenty of room to participate!



Also, this is your chance to be a part of Bridgeville history - come sign our guest book for our official time capsule! Our 50-year time capsule will be on display. Businesses and organizations throughout town will also receive a direct invitation to contribute to the time capsule - so look out for an invitation with additional information by mail soon!

We will have MyTFine BBQ and The Wild Fizz food trailers on site, and this event will be the debut of our own custom, locally made, portable mini-golf course!

UD - Coastal Resilience Design Studio Event

The Town is working in partnership with the University of Delaware's Coastal Resilience Design Studio this summer. The Coastal Resilience Design Studio (CRDS) is a partnership between the Delaware Sea Grant College Program, the University of Delaware Sustainable Coastal Communities Initiative, and the University of Delaware Landscape Architecture Program. The purpose of this collaboration is to connect communities, students, not-for-profits, governmental entities, and professionals with the common goal of increasing the sustainability and resilience of Delaware's coastal communities - focusing on identifying hazards related to sea rise and storms that impact our area, and designing creative and sustainable solutions for the problems they bring.

Students from the program will begin the project by coming to our community on June 8, meeting with stakeholders, and touring the town. We will hold a kick-off community engagement event for one hour prior to the regularly scheduled Commission meeting on June 8, 2026, at the Bridgeville Public Library. Come out and participate - share your ideas and help be an integral part of our community's future! More information on the CRDS program and other municipalities they have worked with can be found on the University of Delaware's website. (It's a long link - you can also Google Search "University of Delaware CRDS Program"!)

<https://www.udel.edu/academics/colleges/ceoe/delaware-sea-grant/extension/resilient-communities-and-economies/crds/>



Important Dates

June 8 - Community Outreach Event - CRDS Program
6 PM - Bridgeville Public Library

June 8 - Commission Meeting
7 PM - Bridgeville Public Library

June 16 - Planning and Zoning Meeting
6 PM - Bridgeville Public Library

June 19 - Juneteenth - Town Hall Closed

June 21 - First Day of Summer, Father's Day

June 25 - Water Bills Due - Disconnects for Non-Payment on June 29 (90 Days)

June 29 - Commission Workshop
5 PM - Bridgeville Public Library

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



Grass and Yard Maintenance

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.

Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)

The Town of Bridgeville will hold a public hearing at the June 8, 2026, Commission meeting to provide information related to the Community Development Block Grant Program. Funding is available to homeowners for owner-occupied home repairs. The Town must have at least four properties to qualify for this housing rehabilitation program. Residents may attend the June hearing with questions or contact the Sussex County Community Development & Housing Division office directly at 302-855-7777. Applicants must certify they are the owner-occupant of the property, be unable to make the necessary improvements or secure the necessary credit, meet income guidelines, be current with taxes and utilities, have an insured or insurable home, and sign a non-interest-bearing lien.



Meter Tampering

We have had an increase in incidents involving landscaping/irrigation contractors tampering with meter pits, including turning water on and off within the meter pit itself, rather than using the irrigation control boxes. This has caused extensive issues and even damage to lids, meters, and service lines. Per Section 228-5 of the Bridgeville Town Code, "No unauthorized person shall maliciously, willfully or negligently break, damage, destroy, uncover, deface or tamper with any structure, appurtenance or equipment which is a part of the waterworks." This is a fineable offense.

More importantly – tampering with Public Water Systems is a federal crime under the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Act and can carry prison sentences and hefty fines. Tampering with any lines can cause contamination back into the drinking water supply, which is a danger to the health and safety of thousands of residents, and as such is taken very seriously. **Please help by preventing your landscaping/irrigation contractors from tampering with meter pits.**

Bridgeville Public Library

Summer Reading Program "Unearth A Story".

- **Jumpin' June Jubilee**– Saturday, June 6 from 10 am–2 pm– The Jumpin' June Jubilee will be held to kick off the Summer Reading Program and celebrate the 250th birthday of our country. The new location will be on the green between the Union Methodist Church and St. Mary's Episcopal Church. We will have a FREE hot dog meal for children, a coloring contest, summer reading registration, a petting zoo, historic displays, Cascading Carlos, a food vendor, a May Day pole, a Colonial Kids zone, a live concert with Barren Creek, a free patriotic bag per family, and more.
- **Starting Monday, June 1**, stop in the library to get your reading logs. Prizes are given for age groups: 0-4, 5-8, 9-12, 13-17, 18+. Log your hours on Beanstack for a chance to earn extra county-wide prizes.
- **Story Book Corner** (for all ages) –Tuesdays in June @ 10 am.
- **Little Acorns Music & Movement** –Wednesdays @ 9 am.
- **Kids Craft Days**– Wednesdays @ 10 am –June 3 –Dino Puppets; June 10– Build-a-Dino; June 17– Dino
- **Tween/Teen Tuesdays**–starting June 23 from 12– 3 pm–crafts, snacks, and fun activities for ages 10– 17.
- **NJ Snake Man**– Wednesday, June 17 @ 1 pm.
- **David Engel Dinosaur Show**– Thursday, June 18 @ 6:30 pm. DINOSAUR SAFARI with Professor Livingpebble, who will present a quasi-educational, wholly hilarious plunge into paleontology.

Other Library Programs

- **Read to the L.E.A.P. Dogs, Oliver and Penny** –Tuesday, June 9 and Tuesday, June 23 @ 11 am.
- **Library Learners League Homeschool Group**–Thursday, June 25 @ 2 pm. The Delaware Historical Society will present "Revolutionary Espionage". Registration is required.
- **Drums Alive!** With PACE Your Life on Monday, June 8, @ 2 pm.
- **Health 2GO Mobile Unit** will be in the parking lot on Tuesday, June 9, from 10 am until 3 pm.
- **BINGO with PACE Your Life** on Tuesday, June 9 @ 3 pm. Play at least 6 free games of BINGO.
- **"Your Bridge to the World" Book Discussion**– Saturday, June 27, from 11 am–1 pm as we discuss the book selection "The Most Beautiful Girl in Cuba" by Chanel Cleeton and enjoy a variety of Cuban-inspired cuisine.
- The library will be closed to the public on Friday, June 19, for the Juneteenth holiday. There will be a Juneteenth Celebration "Justice for All" from 10 am–1 pm at the library hosted by Cornerstone Community Center. It will be a morning of faith, unity, and inspiration with a breakfast and vendors.

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.

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Website: <https://bridgevillepubliclibrary.com>



Contact Information

- **Town Hall:** P (302) 337-7135, F (302) 337-7817

Open M-F 9AM – 4PM – For After Hours

Emergencies Please Call the Police

Department, (302) 337-8302

Email: townofbridgeville@gmail.com

Website: bridgeville.delaware.gov

- **Fire, Ambulance, Police:** 911
- State Police, Troop 5: P (302) 337-1090

- **Sussex County:** P (302) 855-7700

- **Bridgeville Public Library:**

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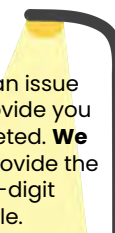
Street Light Reporting

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. 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.



Google Maps and Addressing Issues

Have you ever noticed an incorrect address using Google Maps? We can help with that! Sometimes Google is behind on new streets or has mislabelled property addresses. This can lead to incorrect deliveries and a variety of other inconveniences. Google has a reporting feature built into its mapping system that allows anyone to report this information – but if you are uncertain, let us know at Town Hall. We can submit the request and track the changes!



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