



YEADON BOROUGH COMMUNITY NEWS

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MESSAGE FROM YEADON BOROUGH COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Greetings Residents of Yeadon!

This newsletter edition marks our Council's twentieth month in office with significant changes in administration and financial management in our goal and commitment to serve you.

To date, we have moved the Borough forward with sound fiscal management through the consultant services of the Joseph Possenti Group. Our 2015 budget saw no tax increases, while maintaining the same level of municipal services. The following savings were achieved in renegotiated contract for services.

Selection of new trash collection vendor \$60,000 savings borough management administration, \$105,000 savings selection of Republic Bank, fees savings of \$8500. Selection of new utilities vendor, savings of \$3500. These savings net an overall budget savings of \$177,000+ this fiscal year.

Additionally, we have added new code enforcement staff to better meet the needs of increased building code compliance in the Borough. Moreover, we have realized a renewed enthusiasm in our community events.

The success of our Annual Flag Day and 4th of July celebrations. Special thanks to Councilwoman Learin Johnson and her leadership in these events and with the "Yeadon Stars" majorettes. Added to these achievements are a new Code of Conduct to govern proper decorum and respect in communication between council members and audience during Council meetings.

Further, we are extremely excited to announce the prospects of the Delaware County regional YMCA interest in locating a new facility here in Yeadon Borough! Two town meetings are scheduled for September 24th and October 3rd. Your suggestions and input is requested. See you there!

A special note of thanks to Councilor Dolores McCabe in her work with Mayor Hepkins and Police Chief Don Mollinox in Public Safety, and Councilor Nelva Wright invaluable work as Finance Committee Chair. Additional thanks to all Councilors and staff who worked to make positive changes and achievements in our community.

- Mrs. Sharon Council-Harris, President of Yeadon Borough Council

MESSAGE FROM YEADON BOROUGH MAYOR

Dear Yeadon,

Our new Governor Tom Wolf, has proposed a budget that for the first time, would increase funding across the state, while simultaneously cutting property taxes. I have been personally working with the Governor's Office to help propel this legislation forward. You found out more by attending the Mayor's Citizen's Forum held on Thursday, September 10 at Penn Wood High School Cyprus Campus Auditorium.

Please continue to seek out updates and information to support this historic breakthrough that would bring needed tax relief to our residents. We need to let our voices be heard that would ring throughout Harrisburg and across the Commonwealth.

- Reverend Rohan Hepkins, Mayor of Yeadon Borough



ALERT!!!!

Pope Francis will arrive on Saturday, September 26th and speak at Independence Hall before celebrating at the Festival of Families, a massive free party held on the Benjamin Franklin Parkway. On the afternoon of Sunday, September 27th, the pope will say a mass for hundreds of thousands of people on the Benjamin Franklin Parkway.

For more details SEPTA, road closures and resources visit www.co.delaware.pa.us/papalvisit15



NEWS & CURRENT EVENTS

PECO Energy and Aqua PA to restrict roads in Delaware County

Aqua Pennsylvania is restricting Lansdowne Avenue at Providence Road in Yeadon Borough, Delaware County for water main installation. Crews will work weekdays from 9:00 PM to 3:00 PM through **October 2nd**. Motorists are advised to allow extra time when traveling through these construction areas.

Motorists can check conditions on more than 40,000 roadway miles by visiting www.511PA.com. 511PA, which is free and available 24 hours a day, provides traffic delay warnings, weather forecasts, traffic speed information and access to more than 770 traffic cameras.

Scholarship established for fallen officer, fireman

The Mark A. Hudson Memorial Scholarship Fund was established for the Darby Borough police officer and volunteer firefighter with our Yeadon Borough Fire Department. If you wish to contribute, please make checks payable to and mail them to the: Mark A. Hudson Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o Sharon Savings Bank, 9 Chester Pike, Darby, PA 19023.

Senator Anthony H. Williams presents Mind, Body, Spirit Navigating Life After 55+ Expo

On Thursday, **September 17th**, State Senator Anthony H. Williams in partnership with Mercy Fitzgerald Hospital present Mind, Body, Spirit Navigating Life After 55+ Expo. Expo with feature free health screenings, workshops, exercise class and much more. Any questions, please contact Desaree Jones at 215-492-2980 or Ronda Liggins at 610-284-7335.

Will You or a Family Member Be Eligible for Medicare Soon?

APPRISE is a free health insurance counseling program designed to help older Pennsylvanians with Medicare. Call Glenda Radical at 484-494-3769 or Ronda

Liggins-McCoy at 610-284-7335 to schedule your appointment. Appointments are required!

Community Book Bag Giveaway Parade

Yeadon's own "Stars of Royal Excellence" will march in the Community Book Bag Giveaway Parade hosted by State Representative Margo Davidson. The event will be held on **Saturday, September 12th**, beginning at 1:30 PM. The parade route starts at the Nile Swim Club, ending on Crosley Ave. In Upper Darby. Come out and enjoy the festivities!

Halloween Haunted Hall

On **October 28th and 29th**, Yeadon Borough Hall will transform into the Halloween Haunted Hall. School ID is required for entry. Entry is free with a non-perishable item such as cereal, rice, pasta or canned good.

Veterans Day Luncheon

Join us at our annual Veteran's Day luncheon honoring our vets on Sunday, **November 8th**. From 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM. All veterans are FREE. Registration is required. General admission is \$20. To RSVP, contact Bonita Barnwell at 610-684-1606, ext. 110.

SAVE THE DATE

- **Borough Council Meetings** are held **monthly** on the **third Thursday** at **7:30 PM**
- Borough Council Caucus/Workshop Meeting **Sept 10, Oct 8, Nov 12**
- YEDC Meeting **Sept 15, Oct 20**
- Borough Council Legislative Meeting **Sept 17, Oct 15**
- NAACP Meeting **Sept 21, Oct 19, Nov 16**
- Cheyney Alumni Meeting **Sept 23, Oct 28**
- Yeadon Library Board Meeting **Sept 24, Oct 22**
- Block Captains Meeting **Sept 26, 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM**
- YMCA Townhall Meeting **Sept 24** at **7:00 PM, 2nd Floor**
- Holiday Tree Lighting **Dec 4**

All public meetings are held at the Yeadon Borough Hall in Council Chambers on the 3rd Floor. If any person who wishes to attend the meeting has a disability and/or requires auxiliary aid service or other accommodation to observe or participate in the proceedings please contact the Borough Secretary (610-284-1606) to discuss how those needs may be accommodated.

NEWS & CURRENT EVENTS

Yeadon NAACP to host Freedom Fund Luncheon

On Saturday, September 19th, from 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM at the Oaks Ballroom, the Yeadon Chapter of the NAACP will host a silent auction and celebrate members of our community who are committed to social justice and civic engagement in Yeadon. Yeadon Police Chief Donald Linoleum will be honored.

Tickets are \$50.00 for general admission; \$45.00 for seniors over 65 years. Checks can be made out to the Yeadon NAACP and mailed to P.O. Box 5514, Yeadon, PA. Tickets will also be available at the door. For more information contact Garry Core, NAACP Yeadon Chapter President, at 610-626-9773.

The Borough's Budget

The Borough's goal of a balanced and no-tax-increase budget for 2015 was met. There is a marginal budget surplus, notwithstanding a major commitment to our sewer and sanitation infrastructure, which is scheduled for replacements during 2015-2016. Meetings to address the 2016 budget are scheduled to begin later this month. We welcome residents to attend the budget meetings.

Stars of Royal Excellence give thanks

Yeadon Borough Council wishes to congratulate Councilwoman Learin Johnson and Coach Jenaya Smith for their tireless efforts in working with our youth. Within a year of combining programs, the newly formed "Stars of Royal Excellence" represented Yeadon well, earning a trophy during a recent competition. Kudos Councilwoman Johnson and Coach Smith!!!



Yeadon More Beautiful

Council approved the "Yeadon More Beautiful" project was created in June 2015. We aim to involve residents in the beautification of the front of homes to enhance the curb appeal. Two residents will receive a prize if their property is selected. To register, please forward a picture of your home including your lawn. A panel will vote on

the best lawns for summer and the best light displays for winter.

Please register by sending photographs along with your name, address and telephone number to Yeadon More Beautiful Committee, Yeadon Borough Hall, 600 Church Lane, Yeadon, PA 19050, C/O Councilwoman Learin Johnson or drop it off at the Borough's office.

Carnival Celebration at Community Park

Yeadon Borough celebrated its 1st Annual July 4th Celebration at Community Park in July. Fun was had by all including former Yeadon Mayor Jacqueline Mosley, Council President Sharon Council-Harris, and 90 years young resident, Mrs. Myrtle Johnson. Councilwoman Learin Johnson hosted the event over two weekends.



Volunteers of note included Larry Healy, Latoya Monroe, Judson Sumbler, Elihu Bey and Ricardo Bostic.



Yeadon Borough Council President Sharon Council-Harris at the July 4th Carnival Celebration at Community Park.

REMINDER
 Street Cleaning is Ongoing

REMINDER
 Leaf Collection Begins in October

WILLIAM PENN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Serving the Communities of Aldan, Colwyn, Darby, East Lansdowne, Lansdowne, and Yeadon

School Opening Information 2015-2016

Tuesday, September 8th First Day of School for Students in Grades 1-7 and Grades 9-12

Wednesday, September 9th First Day of School for Students in Grade 8

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday September 8th, 9th, & 10th 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM - Kindergarten Conferences

Friday, September 11th First Day of School for Kindergarten Students

School Registration Information
Registration Monday - Friday, 8:30 AM to 2:30 PM. By Appointment Only. For registration requirements, visit www.williampensd.org/registration. To schedule a an appointment, call 610-284-8005 ext. 1234.

School Hours for Students

Penn Wood High School (Grades 9-12)
7:30 AM to 2:05 PM

Penn Wood Middle School (Grades 7 and 8) 8:00 AM to 2:35 PM

Elementary Schools (Grades K-6) 8:30 AM to 3:05 PM

Back-to-School Nights

Tuesday, Sept. 15th
6:30pm – Colwyn Elementary
6:00pm – East Lansdowne Elementary
6:00pm – Park Lane Elementary
6:00pm – Walnut Street Elementary

Thursday, Sept. 17th
6:30pm – Aldan Elementary
6:30pm – Ardmore Avenue Elementary
6:00pm – Bell Avenue Elementary
6:00pm – Evans Elementary

Tuesday, September 22nd at 7:00 PM
Penn Wood High School – Cypress Street Campus

Wednesday, September 23rd at 7:00 PM
Penn Wood Middle School
(Back-to-School Nights continued)

Thursday, September 24, 2015 at 7:00 PM

Penn Wood High School – Green Avenue Campus



Yeadon Borough Mayor Rohan Hepkins, alongside school officials from five Delaware County school districts, recently called on the state legislature to pass a budget before the districts must consider scaling back plans for the school year. (Caitlin McCabe/Philadelphia Inquirer Staff Writer)

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SPECIAL ELECTION



Congratulations to Joanna McClinton who won a special election for the 191st Legislative District House of Representatives seat.

Electronic Sign

A new electronic display sign will be installed in Mid-September in front of the Borough Hall. Visit www.yeadonborough.com for more details and updates.

E-Waste Collection

When: Saturday, September 19th
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Where: Public Works Garage
Intersection of Baily Road & West Cobbs Creek Parkway at Kerr Field

What: Recycle your computers, printers, copiers, stereos, radios, calculators, fax machines, TVs, Phones, Tools, office equipment and other electronic devices.

Block Captains Registration

Sign up to be a block captain on September 26th from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM in Borough Hall. Contact Police Chief Donald Molineux at 610-623-1500 or dmolineux@yeadonborough.com for more details.

COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS WANT TO BUY, SELL OR Keep YOUR HOME?

What: Borough Council Vice President Nelva Wright and Borough Council, in partnership with Republican Bank and Clarifi, are hosting a mortgage and home-buying seminar to provide information for first time home buyers, selling your home and mortgage foreclosure.

When: September 22nd at 7:00 PM and October 17th at 11:00 AM

Where: Yeadon Borough Hall



The Stars of Royal Excellence Drill Team (pictured above) celebrated 21 years of changing and saving kids lives participated in a Yeadon's Flag Day celebration and a parade in North Philadelphia during the summer.



Charles Gibbs, Esq has been appointed Solicitor for Yeadon Borough. Gibbs is a partner with Green, Schafle & Gibbs and the first African American solicitor in Delaware County's history. We congratulate Charles on his accomplishment!!



The 2015 Yeadon Economic Development Corporation Community Health Fair featured info and demos from the area's finest health care and wellness providers. Pictured below is the health fair layout at Bell Avenue Elementary School.



2015 Yeadon Borough Flag Day & Naturalization Ceremony (above). The ceremony featured lineup of borough Mayor Rohan Hepkins, council Vice President Nelva Wright, Councilwoman Learnin Johnson, United States Citizenship and Immigration Services Section Chief Phillip Browndeis, Delaware County Council Chairman Mario Civera Jr. and state Sen. Anthony Williams, D-8, of Philadelphia.

Golf & Tennis Instruction

Yeadon resident Alice Payne has taught golf and tennis to neighbors throughout the years. On behalf of Yeadon residents, Council has secured discounts to golf at the Cobbs Creek Golf Club for the Spring & Summer of 2016. She will offer indoor tennis in the spring of 2016. Contact Ms. Payne for more details at 610-626-2970.

Borough Hall Rental

Yeadon Borough Hall and the first floor of the building is being renovated and is available for rental. Host a meeting, birthday party, luncheon or awards ceremony at our facility. We have a full service kitchen and space to accommodate 375 people. Contact Hall Rental Coordinator, Ricardo Bostic, at 610-284-3110, ext. 117 or rbostic@yeadonborough.com.



YEADON BOROUGH STAFF

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Hall Rentals Coordinator	Ricardo Bostic	610-284-3110 ext 117	rbostic@yeadonborough.com
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Borough Solicitor	Charles Gibbs	215-462 3330	cgibbs@greenlegalteam.com
Tax Collector	Laverne Johnson	610-622-6379	

YEADON BOROUGH MAYOR

Mayor Rohan Hepkins

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Special Note of Gratitude & Thanks

The Yeadon Borough Council would like to give a special note of thanks and recognition to Councilwoman Learin Johnson for her dedication, hard work and commitment to our Council and community.

Councilwoman Johnson works tirelessly to positively impact and improve the lives of our residents and the overall quality of life for those in our community.

We thank Councilwoman Johnson for being a fine example for our neighbors, we truly appreciate her!



Councilwoman
Learin Johnson



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Delaware County Office of Emergency Management has instituted a new emergency contact system, "**Delco Alert**," a community warning system that notifies residents of a major crisis or emergency. To receive communication from the Borough and County, residents are urged to opt in and can choose multiple ways to receive alerts.

- Home Phone () _____ - _____
- Work Phone () _____ - _____
- Cell Phone #1 () _____ - _____
- Cell Phone #2 () _____ - _____
- Email #1 _____ @ _____
- Email #2 _____ @ _____

Please check the appropriate box(es) to receive emergency notifications from Yeadon Borough and the Delaware County Office of Emergency Management. Return to Borough Hall or email to Larry Healy, lhealy@yeadonborough.com. In addition, you can use the "Delco Alert" link for information and to register for the ReadyNotifyPA system.