

Borough of Yeadon

NEWSLETTER

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Flag Day 2019: Parade, Entertainment, Food, Fireworks and More!

A Spectacular Day of Celebration for All

Flag Day 2018 was an awesome community event, showcasing the best of Yeadon and the best of its residents. The 2019 Flag Day Committee is reprising its role in the creation of another spectacular day of celebration. Flag Day is a celebration of the culmination of William T. Kerr's life-long goal to make Flag Day a National Holiday. Kerr, a Yeadon resident, became the national chairman of the American Flag Day Association in 1889 and served as its chairman for fifty years. He was present in 1949 as President Harry S. Truman signed the Act of Congress formally establishing the national observance of Flag Day on June 14.

The 70th Annual Flag Day will be celebrated on Saturday, June 8 this year. In the event of inclement weather, the celebration will be held on the following Saturday, June 15. The day will begin with the traditional parade down Church Lane. Spectators will gather along the parade route to cheer on neighbors, friends, elected officials and special guests. Along the way there will be the formal flag raising ceremony and then it's on to Kerr Field.

There will be activities for all ages at Kerr Field. For instance, children will be able to participate in face painting, contests, carnival games, arts and crafts. There will also be demonstrations, informational booths, exhibits, and vendors selling handcrafted items. In addition, there will be a stellar line up of live entertainment throughout the day. The celebration will culminate in the not-to-bemissed, awe-inspiring fireworks display at dusk. Admission is free and everyone is welcome.

No day of fun would be complete without food vendors of every kind. Hence, the Recreation Committee is seeking vendors of all

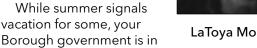
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From the Council President

A Season of Progress

We can finally put away our shovels and coats and sit outside and talk to our neighbors. Soon, we will hear the familiar sounds of children playing and the fireworks that burst over our Borough celebrating Flag Day. Spring is in the air!

full swing making sure that



LaToya Monroe

we are moving Yeadon forward. We've recently modernized our Borough ordinances and made them available online, we're in the process of hiring new police officers to keep our community safe, and we're making sure that the Borough's resources are being spent in a responsible manner by using technology to better manage responses to

concerns raised by Borough residents. In addition, I am proud that the Nile Swim Club will be open for community residents soon after the historic agreement between the School District, the Nile Swim Club

While summer signals vacation for some, your Borough government is in full swing making sure that we are moving Yeadon forward.

and the Borough. And as you can imagine, preparations for Flag Day are in FULL SWING for the biggest Flag Day celebration yet. I can't wait.

Recently, a neighbor of ours, Mr. Henry Tomah lost his life because of the reckless and careless conduct of people driving through our Borough. The Borough Police Department worked diligently to identify the people responsible for Mr. Tomah's death for which I am greatly appreciative. I would ask that all neighbors keep the Tomah family in your thoughts and prayers.

In Service, LaToya Monroe

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Police Department 610-623-1500 Street Violations, Parking Tickets, Abandoned Vehicles, Warrants

Fire Department 610-623-9642 Volunteering

Fire Marshal: ext. 114

Emergency Management 610-623-2392 Crisis, Disasters, Volunteers Resident Services

Public Works 610-623-3636 Bulk Trash Pick Up, Recycling, Streets & Public Improvements

Code Department 610-284-3110

Building Permits, Licenses & Inspections
Ordinances/Zoning

Recreation Department 610-284-1606 ext. 149 Community Programs, Youth Programs Senior Programs

Events 610-284-1606 ext. 117 Hall Rentals, Block Parties, Park Parties

Tax Collector Julianne James 610-622-6379 Real Estate Tax, Sewer & Refuse Bills

Yeadon Public Library 610-623-4090 librarydirector@yeadonborough.com yeadonlibrary@yeadonborough.com

Magisterial District Court 32-2-47 610-259-8848 The Honorable W. Keith Williams, II 60 West Marshall Road, Lansdowne, PA 19050 Small claims (up to \$12,000) Felony, misdemeanor, preliminary hearings Traffic violations

Borough Meeting Schedule

All meetings take place at Yeadon Borough Hall

Council Caucus Meeting

(second Thursday of each month in Council Chambers)
Thursday, June 13th at 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, September 12th at 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, October 10th at 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, November 14th at 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 12th at 7:00 p.m.

Council Legislative Meeting

(third Thursday of each month in Council Chambers)
Thursday, June 20th at 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, July 18th at 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, August 15th at 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, September 19th at 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, October 17th at 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, November 21st at 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, December 19th at 7:00 p.m.

Finance Committee Meeting

(Tuesdays the week of Caucus Meetings in the Executive Conference Room)
Tuesday, June 11th at 10:00 a.m.
Tuesday, July 9th at 10:00 a.m.
Tuesday, August 6th at 10:00 a.m.
Tuesday, September 10th at 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, October 8th at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, November 12th at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, December 10th at 10:00 a.m.

Public Safety Committee Meeting

(last Saturday of each month in

the Executive Conference Room)
Saturday, June 29th at 9:30 a.m.
Saturday, July 27th at 9:30 a.m.
Saturday, August 31st at 9:30 a.m.
Saturday, September 28th at 9:30 a.m.
Saturday, October 26th at 9:30 a.m.
Saturday, November 30th at 9:30 a.m.

Saturday, December 28th at 9:30 a.m.

Public Works and Code Committee Meeting

(second Tuesday of each month in the Executive Conference Room) Tuesday, June 11th at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 9th at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 13th at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, September 10th at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 8th at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 12th at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 10th at 6:00 p.m.

Recreation Committee Meeting

(second and fourth Tuesdays of each month in the Executive Conference Room)

Tuesday, June 11th and 25th at 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, July 9th and 23rd at 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, August 13th and 27th at 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 10th and 24th at 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 8th and 22nd at 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, November 12th and 26th at 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 10th and 24th at 7:00 p.m.

Library Board Meeting

(fourth Thursday of each month at the Yeadon Public Library)
Thursday, June 27th at 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, July 25th at 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, August 22nd at 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, September 26th at 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, October 24th at 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, November 28th at 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, December 26th at 7:00 p.m.

Please note: All committee meetings are subject to change. The Public Safety Committee meetings are now held the last Saturday of the month instead of the second Saturday. Please check our website at **yeadonborough.org** for updates.

Upcoming Events, Closings, and Notices



Yard Waste Drop Off at the Public Works Department

1115 Baily Road

Every second Friday of the month, beginning March 8, 2019 through October 11, 2019 Time: 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Residents may bring yard waste to the Public Works Garage for disposal.

Annual Flag Day Celebration

Saturday, June 8, 2019 at Kerr Field 1100-1112 Baily Road

There will be entertainment, games, prizes, food, informational tables and fireworks. The rain date is June 15, 2019.

Flea Market

Saturday, June 15, 2019 next to Citizens Bank in the parking lot at 735 Church Lane,

Camp at Camp Garrett

395 Bishop Hollow Road Newtown Square, PA 19703 Ages 6 to 15 June 17th to August 10th Contact the Recreation Department for more details at recreation@yeadonborough.com or 610-284-1606.

E-Waste Collection Event at the Public Works Department

1115 Baily Road Saturday, September 28, 2019 Time: 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Electrical and electronic devices, such as TVs, computer monitors, clocks, radios, etc. may be dropped off for collection.

Yeadon Community Day

September 2019

Halloween Haunted Hall October 28, 29, and 30, 2019

Veterans Program

November 9, 2019

Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony

December 6, 2019

Closings

The Borough will be closed on July 4th and September 2nd in observance of the holidays. The Borough will have limited staff on October 14th (Columbus Day).

Notices

Yeadon entered the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs News Communications Contests and received the following awards: first place honor for the website, second place honor for the newsletter, and a special recognition honor for the calendar. CONGRATULATIONS and a special THANK YOU to everyone involved!

More information regarding these events will be forthcoming. Please continue to check the website for updates at **yeadonborough.org**

From the Mayor's Desk

A Flag Day Retrospective

It was thirty-five years ago. I had just moved into Yeadon having lived here for a year. Then one Saturday in June, I suddenly heard a large noise. I heard sirens, bands, horns beeping, and a whole lot of celebratory commotion. It summoned me out of my house as I instinctively followed the loud activity. I found myself on the corner of Church Lane and MacDade Boulevard. It was a huge parade. The processional was coming north up Church Lane from Chester Avenue toward MacDade and beyond. There were fire trucks, police cars, and marching bands. There was even a cavalry of horse ridden cowboys who called themselves the black cavalry. It was awesome. I had never experienced anything like this before - and especially in a quiet residential neighborhood.

I would later come to understand that this was Flag Day, a yearly event in Yeadon Borough. I discovered that this was done year after year around June 14th. And what was amazing to me in retrospect, is that we will be now celebrating our 70th Annual Flag Day in Yeadon, as my first experience with this unique, distinct celebration happened for me in half of that time span - exactly 35 years ago now! This year, we will now be celebrating Flag



"My first Flag Day (in Yeadon) will always be memorable and exciting for me as I look back on it."

Day number 70. So my fellow Yeadonites, this is quite a retrospective for me, my wife, and family - as we have been Yeadonites for now over 35 years. Thus, my first Flag Day will always be memorable and exciting for me as I look back on it.

I came to understand over those intervening years, just how significant Flag Day is to Yeadon, as William T. Kerr was a Yeadonite who lobbied every American President from William McKinley to Harry S. Truman to make the

Flag be recognized with its own annual Day. So in 1949, Yeadonite Kerr was invited to the White House to finally witness this legislation signed into law, as Flag Day was now recognized as June 14 of each year in the United States. This started a big celebration from where this all started -- in Yeadon. And so, this forever catapulted Yeadon into the annals of American history as lending itself into being the actual founders of Flag Day. This is why this event has always loomed so large in Yeadon.

So on our 70th year of celebration, I hope that you will join us in taking part our annual parade on Saturday, June 8, 2019. Take part in marching with us at 10:00 am (along the same route that has been preserved over time), or come out to our aptly named Kerr Field at 11:00 am, as we kick-off our daylong festivities in a celebratory carnival type atmosphere. There will be much to see and do for everyone, as this has always been a hit with our kids and adults alike. Come out and experience a proud part of our past while enjoying a common bond of our future together. Flag Day is special, and it uniquely belongs to Yeadon. See ya out on June 8th!!

Mayor Rohan K. Hepkins

Recipe Roundup



Say Hello to Fun with Jell-O Flag Day Style

Here's a fun dessert to make with the family on Flag Day. These are sure to be a hit for your 4th of July Cookout! Parents will enjoy them as much as the kids. Nice, simple and refreshing!

PREP TIME: 20 MINUTES TOTAL TIME: 20 MINUTES

Ingredients:

- 2 small boxes of cherry Jell-O
- 2 small boxes berry blue Jell-O
- 1 can of sweetened condensed milk
- 6 envelopes of unflavored gelatin
- 4 ¾ cups boiling water (divided)
- ¼ cup cold water
- Whipped topping for garnish (optional)
- Sprinkles for garnish (optional)
- Plastic glasses or any glass will work

Instructions:

- 1. NOTE: This recipe makes enough to fill 36 mini glasses. You can divide the recipe in half, which will result in leftover milk.
- 2. In a small bowl, combine the cherry Jell-O, 2 envelopes gelatin and 2 cups boiling water, stir until Jell-O is dissolved.
- 3. Pour into glasses, filling about one-third full.
- 4. Place in fridge until set, about 20 minutes.
- 5. In a small bowl combine sweetened condensed milk and 1 cup boiling water, stir well.
- 5. In another small bowl, add cold water and sprinkle 2 envelopes of unflavored gelatin, set aside for 1 minute. Add ¾ cup boiling water and stir well. Add to milk mixture and stir.
- 7. Pour on top of cherry Jell-O, filling another third of the glass.
- 8. Place in fridge until set, about 20 minutes.
- 9. In a small bowl, combine berry blue Jell-O, 2 envelopes gelatin and 2 cups boiling water, stir until Jell-O is dissolved.
- 10. Pour into glasses, filling the remainder of the glass.
- 11. Place in fridge until set, about 20 minutes.
- 12. Garnish with whipped topping and sprinkles (For example, Cool Whip in a decorator bag with a giant round tip).

Litter Alert: Take the Yeadon Challenge

Let's Keep Our Neighborhoods Clean!

Dear Neighbors,

Winter is gone and summer is HERE! During the winter, I noticed trash blowing down the streets. You have probably noticed food, food containers, plastic bags, and dog feces throughout our borough too. We cannot allow this to continue. Let's make a concerted effort to keep Yeadon free of debris.

I ask that you join me in taking the Yeadon Challenge to keep our neighborhoods clean. This is everyone's responsibility. Please pick up any trash that you see or report it to the Code Department or Public Works.

Let's show our Yeadon Pride by respecting not only our property, but also the prop-



erty of others and public areas. As you participate in this effort, post #YeadonChallenge on social media outlets; including Yeadon's Facebook page, to show everyone that you take pride in your community. If you type Yeadon, PA in the search box on Facebook you will find the Yeadon page.

I grew up in in Philly where it was tradition to clean your steps, yard, and street on Saturday morning. I suggest that we start our own tradition here in Yeadon, by not only keeping our property clean, but by making sure all of Yeadon is litter free. Let's not forget this is everyone's responsibility and we should set an example for our children.

Thank you for your support.

Ronald Francis Vice President of Council

#YeadonChallenge #YeadonPride #LitterFreeYeadon



B & L Disposal is delivering new "Yeadon Recycles on Wednesday" magnets featuring a guide to single-bin recycling to all Yeadon residents.



From the Chief of Police

Operation House Call

Hey Yeadon Residents! Who remembers back in the day when you could call the doctor and he/she came to your home and made you feel better?

Well, I'm not a doctor, but I have an idea. I call it "Operation House Call". Here's what I'm thinking. Too often, the only time people have contact with police it's negative; because they are in trouble, are having a problem and need us to intervene, or they may be a victim of a crime or accident.

So here's what I'm offering you, the residents, of this town-that I call home too. Instead of coffee with a cop where you have to come to me, how about I make a house call to you when you want to voice a concern, get to meet me or say hello, have a question about po-

lice, or even think you might want to do a ride-a-long with me?

I am frequently on patrol, so why not give you access to your department that you might not be used to. So if you just want to talk, have a question, have a concern, are interested in a ride-a-long, anything, I want you to have a positive experience with us. This program I am offering you is unique to Yeadon, and just another way I work each day thinking outside the box.

On those days that I am available, I will post that Operation House Call is in effect via social media, in particular Twitter (@ChiefChachi_YPD and Nextdoor). Once you see that post, send me a private message with your address or phone, a good time to stop by, and I will respond back as soon as I get it, and stop by to meet you! Let's do some-



thing positive together, because I truly believe that together we can do great and positive things.

What do you think Yeadonites, are you ready for a house call?

Chief Anthony R. Paparo



HAVE A TIP? CONTACT US!

If you have a tip about a crime or any criminal activity in Yeadon, let us hear from you. If you have a tip about crime outside of Yeadon, you can tell us about that too. There are many ways you can give us a tip. We are always glad to hear from you.

Tip Line: 610-259-1228 E-mail: tips@yeadonpd.org Main Number: 610-623-1500 Fax: 610-623-3146

A Friendly Reminder

Do's and Don'ts of Driveway Parking

Public safety is not something that I take for granted. There are numerous occasions while patrolling that I observed vehicles parked blocking the rear alley of the homes on the block. This creates a potential for harm because emergency personnel such as fire, emergency management, and the police are unable to move through there.

Not only is there a safety issue, but the trash and recycling trucks cannot get through the driveway either. While I understand that parking is a problem since many residents have more than one vehicle, the safety hazard created cannot continue to exist. Safety outweighs inconvenience. This issue must be rectified immediately.

Consider this letter a friendly warning to please stop parking in the driveways and where signs are posted stating NO PARKING. You may park behind your home in the spot that backs up to your garage, as long as the vehicle does not impair vehicles moving through the driveway. I ask that you please take this warning seriously and follow this directive, because illegally parked vehicles will be towed, resulting in potential fines from citations and towing fees.

On another note, I have been asked about the curfew in Yeadon. Minors under the age of 18 shall not remain in or upon any street sidewalk, park, public building, place of amusement and entertainment or other public place between the hours of 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. Sunday evening to Friday morning, unless accompanied by his or her parent, guardian, or other adult person having care of custody of the juvenile. The same applies Friday evening to Sunday morning between the hours of 10:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

An exception exists if the juvenile is performing an emergency errand and/or legitimate business approved by his or her parent, guardian, or other adult person having care of custody of the juvenile.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to call my office at 610-623-7611. Please leave a message if I don't answer and I will return your call. Your safety and those of your children and neighbors are my utmost concern. Thank you for your attention and cooperation in this matter.

Stay safe, Chief Anthony R. Paparo

Summer News from the Public Works Department

TRASH & RECYCLING

Trash will be picked up twice per week beginning Monday, July 1, 2019 through Friday, August 30, 2019. Recycling will be picked up every Wednesday.

MONDAY Pick Up - Monday/Thursday TUESDAY Pick Up - Tuesday/Friday WEDNESDAY - Recycling THURSDAY Pick Up - Monday/Thursday FRIDAY Pick Up - Tuesday/Friday

SUMMER HOLIDAYS

Pickup scheduled for Thursday, July 4, will take place on Monday, July 8. Pickup scheduled for Monday, September 2 will take place Tuesday, September 3.

YARD WASTE DROP-OFF

From March 8, 2019 through October 11, 2019, every second Friday of the month, residents are able to bring yard waste to the Public Works Garage for disposal. The drop off hours will be from 8:00 am - noon and 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

ILLEGAL DISCHARGES

This spring many of you will be out cutting grass and cleaning up your properties. We would like you to remember the following: by law, nothing but rain water and melted snow can go into a storm drain.

Leaves, grass, bottles, cans, soap, paint, oil, deicing salt, and trash are all examples of illegal discharges into storm drains. Pollutants that enter our storm drain system are not treated and go directly into our local waterways resulting in degraded water quality. We ask everyone to be mindful and do their part in keeping our streets and waterways clean.

Dan Wright Superintendent of Public Works

YEADON BOROUGH PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

1115 Baily Road (across from Kerr Field) 610- 623-3636

SUMMER HOURS MAY 28 - AUG. 30: Mon-Fri, 6:00 am-3:00 pm

> REGULAR HOURS: Mon-Fri, 7:00 am-4:00 pm

Sewer Problem? CALL 911

Voting System Expo June 6 in Aston

The Delaware County Board of Elections and Delaware County Council are hosting a Voting System Expo on June 6, 2019 at the Aston Township Community Center located at 3270 Concord Road in Aston, PA 19014. Doors will be open to the public from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Attendees will be able to view the next generation of voting systems that have been certified for use in Pennsylvania, as well as have the opportunity to try out the machines.



Fire Department News

Fire Extinguishers for Residential Use

A portable fire extinguisher can be an important component of your home's fire safe preparedness, which should include fire-safe behaviors, working smoke alarms and a practical fire escape plan.

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Most importantly, homeowners must understand how and when to use a fire extinguisher. Improper use may result in spreading the fire, causing serious injury or death.

Fire needs fuel, oxygen and heat to burn. When used properly, a fire extinguisher applies an appropriate agent that will cool the burning fuel or remove the oxygen, so the fire cannot continue to burn.

Portable fire extinguishers are classified for use on certain classes of fire and rated for the relative extinguishing effectiveness. The classification and ratings are found on the label affixed to the extinguisher. For example, a fire extinguisher rated B or C is adequate for extinguishment of class A, B and C Fires.

One extinguisher per floor, including a B or C rated one for the garage, is recommended for

CLASS	TYPE OF FIRE	EXTINGUISHING AGENT
А	Ordinary Combustibles Wood, Paper	Water or Dry Chemical
В	Grease, Gas and Oils	Dry Chemical or Carbon Dioxide (CO2) NO WATER
С	Electrical Wires Burning	Dry Chemical or Carbon Dioxide (CO2) NO WATER

most homes. Extinguishers should be hung with the brackets supplied by the manufacturer or placed on an accessible shelf with the operating instructions facing outward.

Rules of Extinguishment

Most fires start small. If you feel confident that the decision to fight the fire will not result in additional risk to yourself or others, follow these rules for extinguishment:

- Call 911 and get everybody out of the building
- Stay near a door that can be used as an escape
- Stay low to avoid toxic smoke and fumes, as well as the extinguishing agent
- Pull the pin, holding the extinguisher upright

Aim at the base of the fire, approximately 20 feet away

Squeeze the handle

Sweep the nozzle from side to side

If the fire does not extinguish quickly or reignites, get out of the building, closing all doors behind you.

Once an extinguisher is used - even if only a short burst of extinguishing agent is discharged - it must be refilled or replaced.

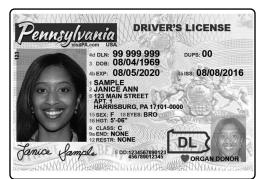
This is a Public Fire Safety Message from the Yeadon Fire Company.

Captain Matt Himes

REAL ID: What You Need to Know

Beginning October 1, 2020, Pennsylvanians will need a REAL ID-compliant driver's license, photo ID card, or another form of federally-acceptable identification (such as a valid passport or military ID) to board a domestic commercial flight or enter a federal building or military installation that requires ID.

REAL IDs are now available to Pennsylvanians who want them. To help decide if you need a REAL ID, and learn what documents you will need and steps you can take to get an optional REAL ID, visit the Pennsylvania REAL ID website at www.pa.gov/guides/real-id-pennsylvania



Historical Commission Update

Since 2015, the Yeadon Borough Historical Commission (YBHC) has been striving to encourage appreciation for Yeadon Borough's rich history while creating a means to honor and preserve it. Research conducted by YBHC has resulted in the acquisition of a significant amount of historical data and materials, with a small amount of it being on display at the Yeadon Public Library (YPL). Stop by the YPL to see the latest display that includes a tribute to Yeadon's first black police officer whom many still remember, Sgt. Thomas "Tommy" Jackson!

By June 2019, online presence will be enhanced when the YBHC website is launched and able to be viewed at yeadonhistoricalcommission.org. Until then, reports citing other accomplishments, activities and goals of the YBHC can be found on Yeadon Borough's website. To share memories or memorabilia, comment or ask questions, please email yeadonhistoricalcommission@gmail.com.

Reflections on the Hall

When writing articles about the Hall, I consider this the fun part of being the Event Coordinator for the Borough of Yeadon. This gives me the opportunity to learn about various cultures and to watch how different individuals navigate their way through organizing their events from beginning to end. The transformation is a fascinating process because the end results in a masterpiece and the Hall is often unrecognizable, all from the decorators' skills, talents, and visions.

We are fortunate to live in such a diverse community. I, for one, am learning a great deal about various cultures just in arranging events at the Hall. I am looking forward to learning a lot more, so please contact me anytime at (610) 284-1606, or send an email from the website at **yeadonborough.org** under Departments/Parks and Recreation/Borough Hall Rentals and click on Auditorium Rental Application Form to book the Hall for your events.

Ricardo Bostic Hall Event Coordinator

Recreation Department News

Shout out to Yeadon residents Devon Battle, Keith Barrett, Desmond Randall and Nate Randall for winning the 4x800 relay for Penn Wood High School at the Coaches Association track meet at Plymouth Whitemarsh High School on March 30th. As we say on the Penn Wood track team... "YO YEADON!"

In other news, Evans Elementary School held their Evans Cleanup on April 13th. Students, parents and volunteers took the time to clean the grounds around the school, spruce up the plants and do minor repairs in the school. The Philadelphia Water Department also held a cleanup along Cobbs Creek bordering Darby and Yeadon. Although the cleanup focused on Darby,

the volunteers cleaned the area around the Forest Creek Apartments (formerly Foxcroft Apartments), which is in Yeadon.

Yeadon cleanups occurred in both April and May this year, as the annual Yeadon Cleanup took place on Saturday, May 4, 2019. This year's cleanup was a partnership between the Darby Creek Valley Association (DCVA) and Mayor Hepkins' contacts at Comcast. Both groups provided gloves, trash bags, t-shirts and refreshments for the volunteers. DCVA also provided a dumpster for the project.

Coming up in June is Camp Garrett and Yeadon Borough's 11th year of working together to give youth between the ages of 6-15 a tremendous camping experience at the facility in Marple Newtown, PA. Camp will start on June 17th and run through August 10th. Camp Garrett is an American Camping Association certified camp. For more information, visit www.garrettwilliamson.org/campgarrett/.

Please call (610) 284-1606 Ext 149 or send an email to recreation@yeadonborough.com for more information on any of these activities or the Recreation Department.

Roy Hunter Recreation Director

Severe Weather Occurrences

Warnings from Emergency Management

As the calendar turns, the threats shift from winter hazards to springtime severe weather for Pennsylvania. Our severe weather season begins in April and peaks over the summer months before tapering off in August. Statewide on average, tornadoes are most prevalent in May, with hail and wind damage peaking in June and July. Regardless, severe weather can happen at any time of the year, and it is critical to ensure that you are prepared.

An average of 300 people are injured and 80 people are killed each year by lightning in the United States. To protect yourselves it is best to keep yourselves updated on the constant changes in the weather, because the weather can change with the blink of the eye. Please remember that a storm can be miles away even on a clear day, and lightning can travel many miles. If a warning is sounded, cease outdoor activities and seek shelter inside a building or hardtopped automobile. Avoid open areas, places near water, isolated tall trees, metal conductors, such as fences or wires, overhead wires or power lines and elevated ground. Lightning strikes may be rare, but they still happen, and the risk of serious injury or death is severe. So, please take thunderstorms seriously.

It is very rare to have a tornado in the area of

Pennsylvania, but we had one years ago. It touched down in Old City went across the Delaware River and into New Jersey. When a tornado watch occurs, you should get prepared for it because you may not have enough time to react. Taking suitable shelter, for instance, underground is the key, along with having supplies.

Another severe weather occurrence is a flash flood, a rapid flooding of low-lying areas: washes, rivers, dry lakes and basins. Flash floods are distinguished from regular floods by having a timescale of fewer than six hours between rainfall and the onset of flooding. Flash floods may be caused by heavy rain associated with a severe thunderstorm, a hurricane or a tropical storm. Flash floods may also occur after the collapse of a natural ice, debris dam or a manmade dam like the South Fork Dam, which flooded in Johnstown, PA in 1889.

Flash floods can occur in many other ways. For instance, flash flooding occurs when it rains rapidly on saturated soil or dry soil that has poor absorption ability. The runoff collects in gullies and streams, as they join to form larger volumes, a fast flowing front of water and debris is formed. Flash floods most often occur in normally dry areas that have recently received precipitation. However, flash floods may be seen anywhere

downstream from the source of the precipitation, even many miles from the source.

The United States National Weather Service gives the following advice in relation to flash floods, "Turn Around, Don't Drown." This agency recommends that people get out of the area of a flash flood, rather than trying to cross it. Many people tend to underestimate the dangers of flash floods. What makes flash floods most dangerous is their sudden nature and fast-moving water. A vehicle provides little to no protection against being swept away. More than half of the fatalities attributed to flash floods are people swept away in vehicles when trying to cross flooded intersections. As little as 2 feet (0.61 m) of water is enough to carry away most SUV-sized vehicles. The U.S. National Weather Service reported in 2005 that, using a national 30-year average, more people die yearly in floods (127 on average), than by lightning, tornadoes, or hurri-

Please adhere to the warnings given by federal agencies and emergency personnel, doing so just might save your life.

Rufus Stokes, Emergency Management Coordinator

Yeadon Public Library News

Message from the Director

We welcome you to come to the Yeadon Public Library (YPL), where everyone is encouraged to celebrate new ideas. We are no longer the quaint, quiet little library - we are vibrant and energized! Yeadon Borough residents discover this world when they walk through the door of the Library.

Patrons are checking a large number of items out of the Library, including books, CDs, magazines and passes to local museums. In addition to our ongoing programs, there are some new and exciting offerings. Some of the offerings for youth are: Chess Club, Girls Who Code, Story Hour, and the Weird Girls Program. Some of the offerings for adults are: Evening Readers Book Club, Morning Stretch, Sewing Classes and Yoga. Our Calligraphy Class and Writing Workshop are open to both youth and adults.

On June 1st from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., YPL will host our annual fundraiser, a 12 Hour Read-A-Thon. This year we will celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Coretta Scott King Book Awards. Our Friends of YPL will also be hosting their annual summer event, a bus trip to Reginald

F. Lewis Museum of Maryland African American History and Culture in Baltimore, MD on July 13th. Tickets are available at the Library.

This is not the end of YPL's impact on our community. Community groups use our public meeting rooms; we answer hundreds of reference questions; and provide access to 16 public computers. The Library hosts monthly constituent service days with State Representatives Margo Davidson and Joanna McClinton. We also have an exciting summer planned for children, adults and families. Our Summer Enrichment Program promises to be enjoyable and rewarding for the youth. There will be summer reading clubs for adults and children will once again be a major part of our summer.

Along with the opportunity to touch so many lives, comes the opportunity to question the status quo. I often ask myself, especially in a rapidly changing world of new technologies and information overload, "What makes YPL great?" YPL is fortunate to possess the essential ingredients - great patrons, great staff, great collections and a great COMMUNITY. I hope you

share my enthusiasm about the future of Yeadon Public Library. With your support, we will continue to inspire imaginations, satisfy curiosity and provide a safe comfortable place for all to visit.

Imagine the possibilities!

P.S. We will be undergoing some renovations this summer, thanks to the Keystone Grant acquired with the support of Yeadon Borough and our State Representatives. We ask you to be patient as we improve the facility.

Richard E. Ashby, Jr. Director, Yeadon Public Library

Yeadon Public Library Community Survey

Yeadon Public Library needs your help! We are working on a long-range plan to establish Library priorities for the next five years. Please assist us in planning the Library's future by taking a few moments to fill out our community survey. If you submit a completed survey by June 30, 2019, you will be entered in our raffle to win a prize.

Hard copies of the survey are available at Yeadon Public Library, Yeadon Borough Hall and Friendship Circle. The survey can also be completed by clicking on the survey link posted on our website at yeadonlibrary.org and scrolling approximately halfway down the webpage. Once all results have been collected and analyzed, the findings will be presented to the community, and the information will be used to guide Yeadon Public Library's planning for the next five years.

Your time and feedback is appreciated!

Sincerely, The Yeadon Public Library Staff and Board of Trustees

YTC CORNER

Happy Spring Yeadon Residents!

There seemed to be some confusion regarding the last article, which mentioned Lansdowne receiving sales tax credit for Yeadon purchases. Yeadon does not have a sales tax; however, purchases made by Yeadon residents are used for statistical purposes and consumer credit. As a result, it is in Yeadon's best interests that the seller knows the buyer resides in Yeadon and not Lansdowne.

On another note, thank you and congratulations to all who were able to take advantage of the 2% discount period for Yeadon Borough Taxes, which ended March 31, 2019.



If that date slipped by you, be encouraged. The face period, which is just a little bit more, is open until May 31st. Please mark your calendar for this May date as the 10% penalty period begins June1st 2019.

For your convenience, I will remain in the Mayor's office on the lower level until the Borough elevator repairs have been completed.

Julianne James, Yeadon Tax Collector

IN HONOR

Yeadon Police Clergy Remember Patrolman John McDowell

The Delaware County Police Memorial Event was held on May 8, 2019 in the Rose Tree Park at the Delaware County Police Memorial. Officer Robert Wellbrock carried a police cap in memory of Yeadon Patrolman John McDowell, whose line of duty death occurred on October 8, 1955. On that day, Patrolman McDowell suffered a fatal heart attack after being involved in a violent struggle with a suspect. He was a 16-year veteran who left behind a wife and daughter. Yeadon keeps him close to their hearts and appreciates his sacrifice.

Pictured left to right, Chaplain Jennifer Jackson, Chaplain Helen M.C. Jones, Ofc. Robert Wellbrock, Chaplain Karen Dixon, Chaplain Antoinette C. Truehart, and Chaplain Michele Mills.



From the Yeadon Borough Code Department

Key Issues for Spring and Summer Maintenance

At last it's summertime! We all are glad the weather will be changing for the better and we will be able to get out and enjoy the warm temperatures that will be coming soon. It's also that time when we start to do some cleaning. Most of us usually put things away for the winter and bring things out for the summer. This is the time that some start to organize their yards, and others clean out the attic, basement or closets to get rid of items that are no longer needed. Whatever we choose to do at this time, we must be mindful to do so in accordance with the Borough Code.

The following are a few issues that the Code Department deals with each year around this time to which the Codified Ordinances state:

1. LAWN ISSUES

Section 220-16 Exterior property area. Subsection (D) Lawn and vegetation care.

Your property area must be maintained free from grass, weeds or plant growth in excess of 10 inches (254 mm), which includes around fences, poles, signs and the sidewalk area.

Under the Code, all residents should be placing their trash out in receptacles (trash cans) and not trash bags.

2. TRASH ISSUES

Section 220-21 Rubbish Garbage and recyclables.

Subsection (D) Approved rubbish and garbage container.

An approved rubbish and garbage container (trash can) shall meet the following specification and shall be maintained as follows:

- 1. Must be a leak proof metal or plastic container of not more than thirty three (33) gallon capacity when filled does not weigh more than thirty pounds.
- 2. Shall be provided with close-fitting covers or lids for the storage of such material until disposed of properly.
- 3. Shall effectively prevent the entry of rain, snow, vermin and vectors therein.

There are concrete surfaces, sidewalks, walkways and driveways in the Borough that need to be repaired or replaced. The inspectors from the

Code Department will be notifying the residents of the needed repairs.

3. CONCRETE ISSUES

Section 220-16 Subsection (C) (1) Concrete surfaces.

Repairs shall be required for any concrete surface as follows:

(a) [1] Such surfaces pose a slip or tripping hazard.

(a) [3] If curbing has three (3) or more cracks in any 12 linear foot curb run.

Subsection (C) (2) Paving and or blacktop

(a) [1] Such surfaces pose a slip or tripping hazard.

(a) [2-6] Such surfaces have (3) or more cracks.

All properties are required by the Code to have a 4 inch house identification number on the front and back of the property just in case of a police, fire or medical emergency so the responders know where the correct property is located.

4. PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION ISSUES Section 220-18 Exterior Structure. Subsection 220-18 (C)

Buildings shall have approved address numbers placed in a position to be plainly legible and visible from the street or road fronting the property and from any common alley or public right of way servicing the rear of the property. The numbers shall contrast with their background. Address numbers shall be Arabic numerals or alphabet letters. Numbers shall be a minimum of 4 inch (102 mm) high with a minimum stroke width of 0.5 inch (12.7 mm) and must be plainly visible from the highway, street road or common alley.

Warmer weather results in more people being out and about, which includes some people walking their dogs. Any dog being walked must be cleaned up after immediately. Additionally, dogs are not allowed to be let out to "run at large."

5. ANIMAL DEFECATION

Section 220-23 Animal Defecation. Subsection (A) Accumulations of Animal Defecation and Odor. The owner shall prevent or remove any and all animal waste, feces or excretions on their property to eliminate an unhealthy condition for the owner and the neighborhood.

The Code Department will be monitoring the above referenced Ordinances as well as all the other Ordinances that have been adopted by the Borough. Our code inspectors are here to provide the residents and businesses with knowledge of what is in place within the Code to make everyone's lives easier. We are not here to cause any issues or problems, but to make sure that living in the Borough of Yeadon continues to be an enjoyable community to call home.

Rufus Stokes, Code Director

Flag Day

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types; direct sales, food vendors (food truck proprietors and caterers), vendors selling hand crafted items as well as specialty food items (baked goods, candy, coffees, teas, dip mixes, spices, etc.). The Committee is also seeking business, commercial and manufacturing vendors and exhibitors. Specialty entertainment is needed as well, including the following: musicians, magicians, clowns and face painters! The more,

the merrier, to make this day a truly memorable occasion.

The Recreation Committee is also in search of community members who would like to be part of the Flag Day Sub-committee. As we all know, Flag Day is the biggest celebration in our small borough and it gets bigger and better every year. We may be small, but we go BIG!

If you would like join the Flag Day team, or if you would like to participate as a vendor or exhibitor, please contact Yeadon Borough Councilor Ron Francis at 267-418-0459 or via email at rfrancis@yeadonborough.com.

William Penn School District News

Third Quarter Honor Roll

Yeadon Students Named to Penn Wood High School Honor Roll

Penn Wood High School Green Avenue Campus - 10, 11 & 12th Grade

Ajae Adams Iyanah Amin Jedidah Antwi London Artis Emmanuel Asante Jr Jessica Atinkah Davon Battle Raven Blair Ray Bond Jr Christabeile Bonsu Shaneik Buchanan Brandi Camp David Campbell Charlene Canning Naimah Carrington Troy Chambers Jr Laneya Collins Orlando Cooper Jr. **Taylor Davis** Cyanne Decimus Mariam Diop Oveiadesala Diva Maimouna Doumbouya Grace Dumas Teresa Dunlap Na'lym DuPree Aniyah Duren Martha Eliades Joshua Ellie Avery Fisher Fatima Fofanah Eli Giasco

Marquis Glass Sadiyah Goll Shaniyah Goll Jordan Griffin Jasmine Harris-Lee Rachel Holt Anyae Hooper Issah Ivey Monae Jackson Mekhylah Jefferson Christian Joe Malaysha Johnson Naeem Johnson Sanaa Johnson Jade Jordan Leonard Joseph Jr Aminata Kaikai Mark Kakari Momoh Kallon Alvscious Kamara Felix Kelechi-Nwaoqu Saleema Kessler Abraham Kiadll Madelyn Kieh Melvin Kieh Ikeia King Joseph Kpakah Daniel Kpodi Jr Maryan Kromah Joseph Luera Zahir Mackrey Vernado Matthews

Abu Mattia Vilma Matute Aguilar Pearl Mensah Victoria Monroe Magan Montgomery Kayleb Myricks Adji Nantoume Jamirah Oakes Gaudensiah Otieno Magaret Pessima Briana Pierce Ronaldo Pompey Shannae Poole Bria Pratt Desmond Randall Deja Ray Maria Santos Kadijatu Sesay Steven Siv Chyna Smith Morravy Soeung Madinia Sterling **Shannon Stewart** Ke'essen Thorn **Taylor Tinnin** Thien Truong Fafall Tsiseglo Jennifer Udeh Beyan Washington Jewel Williams Dayhatta Woodall Kahill Zaboor Jr.

Penn Wood High School Cypress Street Campus - 9th Grade Academy

Quincey Alsbrooks Jada Austin Joi Austin **Anothony Barnes** Mekyah Boggs Jaheara Brown Tanerah Brown Tyheerah Brown Tykerah Brown Jadyn Byrd-Mull Samyah Carroll Ashley-Kay Cephas Mary Elizabeth Churchill Al Hassane Coulibaly Brianna Cruz Malachi Darius Jamila Dennis Ciara Dent Fidel Dequeemani Mouhamadou Diop

Rakeem Dunston Jr Christopher Elliott Laila Farmer Stephen Flynn Zamir Ford-Eure Mekhi Franklin Wakary Gassama Tahmise Gosley Trinity Graves Maya Harper Jessica Hoard Josh Holder Tay'lana Johnson Ransom Cianni Jones Jennifer Kamara Kathy Keita Tysean Kempf Lydia Konteh Abass Koroma Jr Zihao Lin

Deja Martin Naziyah Mateen Iesha McFraline Nylla Miller Tasheen Odum Vania Omosemoje Michelle Owens Taniyah Pettey Makayla Ralls Jacob Santos George Shockley-Morgan Jr Saliece Solomon Yahirah Spencer Ciera Suragh Mikayla Taylor-Garmon Charlie Tong Quiozell Wilson Umahiya Yansaneh

Penn Wood High School Class of 2019

Three Yeadon students among Top 10







Valedictorian **Christabelle Bonsu** (left) will attend Villanova University and major in Biology and minor in English. **Charlene Canning** (center) is attending the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania; with a planned major in Legal Studies and Business Ethics. **Jessica Atinkah** (right) is attending The University of Pittsburgh/Greensburg where she plans to major in Biological Science.

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Phone Number: 610-623-7900 Fax Number: 610-284-2226

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1000 Bell Avenue, Yeadon, PA 19050 Phone Number: 610-284-6100 Fax Number: 610-284-2257

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