

Borough of Ephrata Newsletter

Ephrata Community Calendar of Events

Every "Third Friday's a Charm"
Ephrata Downtown Shops
Offer Something Special!
5:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Make-A-Wish Foundation®
Mother's Day Truck Convoy
Sunday, May 10th

Ephrata Night at the
Lancaster Barnstormers
Wednesday, May 27th
Game Time 7:05 PM

Hospital Day in the Park
Saturday, June 6th
7:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Borough Offices will be closed
Good Friday, April 10th &
Memorial Day, May 25th

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EPHRATA SELECTS BILL HARVEY AS NEW POLICE CHIEF

At its February Council Meeting Ephrata Borough Council announced the appointment of new Chief of Police William L. "Bill" Harvey who began his employment on February 23rd. Evident by his enthusiastic outlook of being the Borough's new Chief, Harvey, exudes an approachable quality that he lives by and believes is paramount in law enforcement.

As Ephrata's Chief of Police, Harvey states he "is most excited about meeting the people of the Ephrata community." As for the Police Department, Harvey states "it is an honor to join a group of highly trained professional officers and to contribute to the enhancement of providing and delivering the utmost in policing services." Chief Harvey is also eager for the Department to complete the Police Accreditation process which is an achievement that complies with state standards and an indication of professional excellence.



A native Virginian, from the County of Appomattox, Harvey is a veteran of the US Army Military Police Corps. With a BA in Criminology from St Leo University, the Chief is also a graduate of the Southern Police Institute the 103rd AOC at the University of Louisville (KY). Harvey served for over twenty-two years with the Savannah (GA) Police Department, serving in Field Operations, Investigations and Support Services, and completed his career as the Director of Training. While with the Savannah Police Department, Harvey received the Community Policing Award, and Meritorious Service Award along with other awards.

Since 2002 Harvey was the Chief of Police for the Lebanon City Police Department (PA). Serving on the Education & Training Conference Committee for the Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police Association, Chief Harvey also worked for six years with the Law Enforcement group in the South Central Pennsylvania Joint Terrorism Task Force and was the recipient of the Life Saving Award.

An Advisory Board Member and lecturer for the International Law Enforcement Educators and Trainers Association (ILEETA), Chief Harvey is also a Charter member of the Police Emerald Society of Southeast Georgia, which was formed in 1998 to emphasize and preserve in its members the heritage of their Gaelic culture. His professional memberships include International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), Police Executive Research Forum (PERF), Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police Association, and International Association of Law Enforcement Firearms Instructors (IALEFI).

Harvey and his wife Rita have two sons, a daughter-in-law and a granddaughter.

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Coming this Summer to Ephrata's Grater Park ~ Concerts by the Creek!

Junior Council Member Elle Sawyer Welcomes Opportunity to Serve

One doesn't need to talk long with Elle Sawyer, Ephrata Borough's new Junior Council Member, to see her enthusiasm for the community and her ability to be a positive influence for those younger than herself.

As a member of the Ephrata High School Junior Class, Elle is active in Student Council, serves on the Prom Committee, participates in her church youth group, plays piano and enjoys playing softball. With that on her plate, Elle also saw being a Junior Council member as a "good chance to represent the community and to speak out for the younger generation." "I just enjoy being active and doing community things," stated Sawyer. Recognizing that her involvement today may have an impact on the future, Elle believes that having the opportunity to have a voice in the community is important and encourages other people her age to "get involved even though we are young."



As for future endeavors, Sawyer looks forward to college and a career in the medical field. As a Junior Council member, Elle's term will extend into her senior year of high school until she graduates in 2010.

Understanding Residential Permit Requirements

Spring and summer projects are just around the corner. This year as you prepare your home repair or replacement plans for that deck, sidewalk or roof, please be aware of permit requirements. If you are unsure if your project will require a permit, contact the Borough of Ephrata Codes Department at 738-9202.

Permits issued under the PA Construction Code are not required for the following replacement items:

- ◆ Installation and replacement of a window, door, garage door, storm window or storm door in the same opening if the dimensions or framing of the original opening are not altered
- ◆ Replacement of existing roof material
- ◆ Replacement of existing siding

Permits are required for the following:

- ◆ Fences (any height)
- ◆ Public sidewalks and curb, new or replacement
- ◆ Enlarging driveways
- ◆ Installation of decks
- ◆ Home additions
- ◆ Accessory buildings such as, but not limited to, sheds, detached garages, gazebos

Count Down to Race Day!



Cyclists shown in years past, peddle on the fast track through the streets of downtown Ephrata during the *Tour de Ephrata*. This year come out to cheer on your favorite cyclist and experience the thrill of this fast-paced race during the 5th Annual *Tour de Ephrata*. Cyclists will maneuver fast speeds and tight corners with

amazing energy. Be sure to mark your calendar for Sunday April 26th from Noon to 5:00 PM and join the excitement in downtown Ephrata!

Garage & Yard Sale News

If you are planning a garage or yard sale in 2009, please remember to stop by the Borough Office at 124 South State Street to purchase a garage/yard sale permit.



The cost of the permit continues to be \$5.00 with a limit of two garage/yard sales per year for a maximum of two days per permit.

KIDS DEFENSE TRAINING COMES TO EPHRATA

The Ephrata Police Department is introducing the nationally recognized children's safety program **radKIDS** ("Resisting Aggression Defensively"), to the Ephrata Community. This educational program has been committed to providing education that enhances the ability of children and parents to utilize knowledge, skills, and power to protect themselves from aggression, violence and harm, specifically, defense against abduction.

The course is ten hours in length and includes five hours of classroom instruction and five hours of practical application. The curriculum topics include: Home, School and Vehicle Safety, Out and About Safety, Bullying, Realistic Defense Against Abduction, Good-Bad-Uncomfortable Touch and more.

Training is offered to all children that reside within Ephrata Borough and Ephrata Township that are between the ages of 8 to 12. The program will be taught by Ephrata Police Officer Brian Dell Isola who is a certified **radKIDS** Instructor.



Classes will be held at the Ephrata Recreation Center year-round on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 5:45 PM until 7:45 PM. There is a limited class size of ten students per session and registration is on a first-come basis. To register your child or for further information please contact Officer Dell Isola at the Ephrata Police Department at 738-9200 Ext. 250.

Headquartered in South Dennis, Massachusetts, community based **radKIDS** programs began in 1998 and are continually being offered throughout the United States and Canada. This local **radKIDS** program is sponsored by the Ephrata Lions Club.

EPHRATA COMMUNITY NIGHT AT THE BARNSTORMERS

Clipper Magazine Stadium is Lancaster County's ballpark, and the Barnstormers "Community Nights" are devoted to the fans in communities across Lancaster County who help make Barnstormers baseball so special. This Spring Ephrata's Night will be held on Wednesday, May 27th at 7:05 PM when the Barnstormers will host the Newark Bears.

More than just an "appreciation day," these nights are a chance for local organizations to take charge of the show and use the ballpark to honor their communities. Various community and service organizations are selling tickets to the game, and they will receive half of the proceeds of any tickets they sell. Churches, libraries, youth athletic teams, fire departments, service clubs and community centers are some of the many organizations that have benefited from the Barnstormers community nights program.



COME OUT & PLAY!

Through videos, slide shows, color guards, ceremonial first pitches, and did-you-know facts (just to name a few) all fans at Clipper Magazine Stadium experience the beauty and unique qualities of each town through the eyes of the people who live there. But more than that, each town night is the perfect way for neighbors to get together, catch up with old friends and make new ones.

Make plans through your local service organization to enjoy the community party at the Lancaster Barnstormers ballpark on May 27th where EVERYONE is invited!

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Borough Manager
Gary A. Nace

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William L. Harvey

Ephrata Borough Council meets for its Work Session on the first Monday each month at 7:00 PM and for its Regular Meeting on the second Monday each month at 7:30 PM at the Borough Hall, 124 South State Street.

Ephrata Borough Council

Daryl L. Horning	1st Ward	733-6226
Dale L. Hertzog	1st Ward	733-7741
Mary E. Schurr	2nd Ward	733-6411
Russell Shirker	2nd Ward	733-6853
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Wendy Perillo	3rd Ward	721-3177
Robert J. Good, President	4th Ward	733-2520
Victor E. Richard	4th Ward	733-8242
Mayor		
Ralph E. Mowen		733-6129

The Illusion Maker Returns



In January the Illusion Maker returned to the Ephrata School District to teach students in K-6 grades the importance of reducing, reusing and recycling. This year the program was based on "Who Wants To Be a Know It All?" Sponsored by the Borough of Ephrata through grant money earned through recycling endeavors, this program encourages students to be good stewards of the environment.

Battery Recycling

Please remember to recycle your household batteries. To recycle batteries stop by the Borough Office for a free orange battery bag. After the bag is full of batteries simply place the bag beside your recycling bin for collection. Please do not place the battery bag in your trash or recycling container.

Yard Waste Collection Begins in April

Yard waste collection begins Wednesday, April 1 and continues through Thursday, October 15. A \$2.00 tag for the collection of yard waste is required. With the purchase of each tag the Borough distributes a biodegradable bag. Tags are available for purchase at the Borough Business Office, 124 South State Street. Collection is the same day as recycling.

Tire & White Good Collection

Tires and large appliances weighing more than fifty pounds will be collected the same day as recycling during the week of May 4th. Extra service tags are required – tire tags are \$2.00 each and white good tags are \$20.00 each. Tags are available for purchase at the Borough Business Office, 124 South State Street.

Refuse & Recycling Holiday Reminder

Collection of refuse & recycling will be delayed one day during the week of Monday, May 25th due to the Memorial Day holiday.

Please keep trash and recycling containers at the side or rear of a building except at collection time

Smoke detectors are recommended for placement in each bedroom and on each level of your home