### November 2015

# Word from Wyoming

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## Wyoming's Annual Halloween Fall Festival—A Fun Treat!

Wyoming's Halloween Fall Festival went beautifully this year thanks to the help of many resident volunteers and the donations of several local businesses. We want to thank the following: Boy Scout Troop 24,



Louise Fair, Pam Haddick, Ron and Bobby Lawhon and Nicole from the Potter's House Church, Erika Reigle, Dale Rife, Larry Rife, Susan Savage, Dave and BJ Van Kavelaar, Georgette Williams, and Jimmy Williams and family.

Donations were made by:

- Hall's Family Restaurant: condiments and napkins
- La Ortalana Restaurant: pizza
- Witt Brothers Market: hot dogs and rolls
- •Jimmy Winchell: cash donation

Without the help of these residents and businesses, our Halloween Fall Festival would not have been as festive as it was. Thank you all!

#### It's Leaf-Raking Time

Fall is here and the leaves are doing just that—falling! Thank you to those who have raked your leaves and put them out with the yard waste.

Some of you, however, haven't raked, and the leaves are becoming a problem—they blow around, go into the streets, and many of them get stuck in the storm drains when it rains which causes the water to back up onto the streets. Please rake your leaves as soon as possible. You're paying for yard waste pickup so you might as well use it!

Simply put your leaves in a yard waste container or any other plastic trash can except for the trash and recycle bins. If you don't have any bins, you can purchase biodegradable bags at Lowe's or Home Depot. No plastic bags are allowed. Then, place the containers at the curb every other Tuesday. The next yard waste pickup is Tuesday, November 17th.

#### Calendar of Events:

- Town Council Meeting—Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 p.m.
- Planning & Zoning Meeting— Tuesday, December 8th @ 7:30 p.m.
- Camden-Wyoming Sewer & Water—Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup> @ 7 p.m. @ CWSWA Building
- Trash pickup every Friday (Because of Thanksgiving, trash will be picked up on Saturday, November 28th)
- Recycling every Tuesday; Bulk Pickup every Wednesday; Yard Waste: Tuesday, November 17<sup>th</sup> & December 1st

(All meetings are held at the Wyoming Town Annex, 10 S. Railroad Ave.)



#### Adopt-a-Family

Do you know a family in need this holiday season? Every year in lieu of

sending Christmas cards, the Town of Wyoming adopts a local family. We are now accepting applications for this year's Adopt-a-Family. If you or someone you know is in need this holiday season, please contact Town Hall at 302-697-2966.

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#### Message from Mayor Rife

November 11<sup>th</sup> is Veteran's Day when we honor and remember all of those who gave us the right to freedom. Please take a minute to say "thank you" to the veterans and their families for the many sacrifices they have endured. As some of you know, the military is very dear to me because my husband, Dad, uncle, father-in-law, and step-father all served during war time. As you enjoy your freedom today, remember to thank a vet.



Halloween was celebrated by the town at its annual Halloween Fall Festival on Saturday, October 31st. The weather was beautiful and lots of children and their families attended. Hot dogs, bottled water, pizza, candy, and prizes were available. I want to thank those who helped: Louise Fair; Pam Haddick; Pastor Ron Lawhon, his wife Bobbie, and their daughter, Nicole; Erika Reigle, Susan Savage; Dave & BJ Van Kavelaar; and Georgette Williams. A special thanks to those who donated: condiments & napkins from Halls Restaurant, 320 slices of pizza from La Ortolana Pizza, 256 hot dogs and rolls from Witt Brothers Market, and a \$50 donation from Jim Winchell.

November is <u>Diabetes Awareness Month</u>. Take some time to honor those men, woman, and children who battle Type 1 and Type 2 diabetes daily. Also, take time to educate yourself on the differences between the two types, and how to live a healthier lifestyle to prevent these diseases. At the Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting, the Wyoming Town Council voted to proclaim November as Diabetes Awareness Month. You can see a copy of the official proclamation on our website: www.wyoming.delaware.gov

In November we also celebrate <u>Thanksgiving</u>. Best wishes to you all for a very Happy Thanksgiving!

And as always, without all of you, this town would not be "The Best Little Town in Delaware."

Thank you,
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#### From Police Chief Willey

Happy Thanksgiving—I hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable one. With the November and December holidays, I want to remind you to stop by the police department and fill out a property check form before you go away. This allows us to periodically check your residence to make sure it doesn't get burglarized. Prior to your departure, we'd be happy to stop by and inform you of the things you can do to reduce the chance of your home being vandalized.

Along with the major holidays comes an increase in traffic on the roadways. In an attempt to reduce traffic and drunk driving accidents, extra officers will be on the roads. Over the last two years in November and December, pedestrian fatalities have accounted for almost 25% of the fatal accidents on the roads. Of these, about 75% are the result of pedestrian error and 38% are the result of speeding cars. So when you are walking at night, always carry a light and walk facing oncoming vehicles. Also, cross the road at a crosswalk. If there is no crosswalk, cross in a safe, well lit location where you are easily visible.

October was fairly quiet in town. However, we have had an increase in the number of domestic violence incidents. Just remember: it takes two to argue, and if you remove yourself from the argument, the other person won't have anyone with whom to argue. Step away and let things cool off. Then when everyone has calmed down, both parties can discuss the issue in a civil and calm manner.

I'd like to leave you with this quote from John Fitzgerald Kennedy:

As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them.

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