

April 2019

Word from Wyoming

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Sunrise Services

Several local churches will be holding their annual Sunrise Services at Wyoming Park on Easter Sunday, April 21, beginning at 6 a.m. The churches participating include the Wyoming United Methodist, Whatcoat United Methodist, Star Hill AME, Casa de Esperanza, and Camden Bible Fellowship. All are welcome to attend. Breakfast will be served immediately following the service at the Wyoming United Methodist located at 216 Wyoming Mill Road.

Chat with Council Members

Beginning on Saturday, April 13th, from 10 a.m. until Noon, a "Chat with Council Members" is scheduled at the Municipal Building, 1 N. Railroad Avenue. This event will occur the second Saturday of every month. This is an opportunity to just "chat" with Council Members. There will be no minutes taken, no motions made, no actions of Council. The purpose of this event is to have an "open discussion and dialog." Light refreshments and snacks will be provided.



2019 Wyoming Peach Festival

The 2019 Wyoming Peach Festival will be held on Saturday, August 3. The Peach Festival Committee is in the beginning stages of planning for another great year. Please consider volunteering to be a member of the committee. You can contact the committee via email at: wyoingpeachfestival@gmail.com or by phone: Jaci Stokes at 302-697-3587 or Donna Mason at 302-697-1033. The meetings are held the third Wednesday of the month in the Municipal Building at 1 N. Railroad Avenue. Upcoming meeting dates are April 17, May 15, June 19, and July 17.

Spring is Here... which means that our Code Enforcement Officer will soon be making his rounds

Calendar of Events:

- ◆ CWSWA Meeting, Tuesday, April 9 @ 7 p.m. @ CWSWA Bldg.
 - ◆ Peach Festival Meeting, Wed., April 17 @ 7 p.m.
 - ◆ Planning & Zoning Meeting, Wednesday, April 24 @ 6:30 p.m.
 - ◆ Town Council Reorganization Meeting, Tuesday, May 7 @ 6 p.m.
 - ◆ Town Council Meeting, Tuesday, May 7 @ 6:30 p.m.
- (Council meeting is moved from first Monday to first Tuesday of the month.)
- ◆ CWSWA Mtg., Tuesday, May 14 @ 7 p.m. @ CWSWA Bldg.
 - ◆ Trash pickup is every Friday.
 - ◆ Recycle pickup is every Tuesday.
 - ◆ Bulk pickup is every Wednesday.
 - ◆ Yard waste pickups are Tuesdays, April 9, 23, and May 7.

(All meetings are held at the Wyoming Municipal Building, 1 N. Railroad Ave.)

and looking for violations. The winter weather takes a toll on our properties, and it's sometimes difficult to get repairs done. Now that the nice weather is here, it's time

Over, please 

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to start deciding what needs to be done in the upcoming months, and ensuring that you have the proper permits. Attached to this newsletter is our Grass Ordinance #12-11, which is our number one violation each year. Please be sure to keep your grass and weeds properly groomed (under 8") so that you don't violate the town ordinance. If you receive a violation letter, contact us promptly so we can work together to rectify the situation.

Annual Fishing Derby. 

Mark your calendar! The Annual Wyoming Police Department Fishing Derby is scheduled for Saturday, June 15, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Wyoming Park on Third Street. The derby is for children 15 years of age and under who must be accompanied by a parent or other responsible adult. Registration will be held at the park the morning of the derby. Registrants will be divided into age groups at that time. Bottled water and snacks will be available, but be sure to bring a bagged lunch.

PFC Dan Creech of the Wyoming Police Dept. has organized the fishing derby since its inception and is looking for donations to help purchase the prizes. If you'd like to donate, please contact PFC Creech or town hall at 302-697-2966.

Question of the Month ?

What famous playwright was born and died in the month of April? (Hint: born in 1564; died in 1616.) Answer in next month's newsletter.

Here's the answer to last month's question:

Nothing is in it, But something is in it
Nobody is in it, But somebody is in it
If you have it, You and I are in it
What is it?

Answer: Dictionary

Fire Company Events

The Camden-Wyoming Fire Company and Auxiliary will be hosting the following events..... and are hoping you'll attend:

- * Thursday, April 11 from 5-9 p.m.: Spaghetti Dinner with all the fixings. Adults: \$8; Children under 10: \$5.

- * Sunday, April 14: Cash Bingo. Doors open at 1 p.m., and Bingo starts at 2 p.m.
- * Sunday, April 28: Quarter Auction. Doors open at 1 p.m. All-in-paddles: \$35 at the door or \$5 admission with first paddle-\$3 each additional paddle.

All events take place at the Camden-Wyoming Fire Company located at 200 E. Camden Wyoming Ave.



Appreciation Luncheon

The Camden-Wyoming Fire Department is hosting an appreciation luncheon for First Responders & Law Enforcement on Wed., April 24, from Noon-4 p.m. Free entry for First Responders; Children-\$5; and Adults-\$10. All proceeds go to the Delaware State Police Department, Camden Police Department, Wyoming Police Department, and the Dover Police Department. Walk-ins are welcomed but if possible, please RSVP to Jason Stewart at 302-382-9148 or Jason.stewart85@gmail.com.

Trash & Recycling

Waste removal isn't exactly an exciting subject but we need to give you some reminders. Recently, some residents have been putting building materials out with their trash or recycling, and our trash company WILL NOT take building materials, such as concrete blocks, boards, siding, shingles, cabinets, etc.

Also, it's important to use the proper bins. Only trash can be placed in the trash bin, and only recycling can be placed in the recycle bin. Yard waste must be placed in a yard waste bin or any other plastic container or biodegradable bags, which are available at Lowe's. Dirt is NOT considered yard waste. Hanging pots are NOT yard waste, only the plants in them. Branches can be bundled together and tied in manageable four-foot lengths. For those of you who have been doing this correctly, thank you. For new residents and any others who are not sure why your trash wasn't picked up on a given day, some of these issues could be the reason.



Thank you for complying.

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Wyoming Fun Facts???

When the railroad first arrived in 1856, how was the town referenced? Last month: When was Wyoming incorporated as a town by the Delaware General Assembly? March 20, 1869.

New and Improved!

Check out the new and improved Town of Wyoming website at wyoming.delaware.gov. You'll have one click access to the monthly *Word from Wyoming* newsletter, trash schedule, forms, and you'll be able to see the dates that the Wyoming Park Pavilion is reserved.



From Police Chief Willey

The Wyoming Police Dept. would like to wish everyone a HAPPY EASTER.

- The Wyoming Police Department, along with the Lighthouse Church and Deep Water Church, will be sponsoring an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 13th. at Wyoming Park. Children up to age 6 are invited at 11 a.m., and children 7-10 years old are invited at Noon. We look forward to seeing you there.
- The Wyoming Police Department is also in the process of creating a Facebook page. It should be available by the end of the month. There will be several items on it, so please check it out when it's finished.
- Our new officer, Cali Echeverri, is in the academy and doing well. It has been a fairly quiet month for the Wyoming Police Department. If there is anything you would like to bring to our attention, please feel free to contact us.
- I would like to leave you with this quote:

"It's about communication. It's about honesty. It's about treating people in the organization as deserving to know the facts. You don't try to give them half the story. You don't try to hide the story. You treat them as— as true equals, and you communicate and you communicate and communicate."

- Louis V. Gerstner, Jr., former CEO of IBM.

Message from Mayor Rife

Welcome April, the month of Easter, and the month of beautiful flowers and flowering trees. We must keep in mind that April showers bring May flowers. I'd like to wish you all a Happy Easter.

♦ New Office Staff Member:

We have hired a new person for the Town of Wyoming office. Her name is Audrey Lindale. If you are out and about, please stop by town hall and welcome her to our family.

♦ Wyoming Fishing Derby:

Patrolman First Class Dan Creech of the Wyoming Police Department will be hosting the 2019 Wyoming Fishing Derby on Saturday, June 15, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Wyoming Park. PFC Creech is collecting donations to fund this event. If you are interested in donating, please contact PFC Creech at 302-331-3888.

♦ Wyoming Elections:

The Town of Wyoming is holding its annual reorganizational meeting on Tuesday, May 7, at 6 p.m. Please come and show your support for all the elected officials of the great Town of Wyoming. The elected officers who will be sworn in at Town Hall are:

- ♦ Doug Denison - - Councilman
- ♦ Carlen Kenley - - Councilman

And, as always, please remember that my door is always open and my phone is available to all the distinguished citizens of the Town of Wyoming. If you have any questions or concerns, please call or email me. Without all of you, this town would not be "The Best Little Town in Delaware."

Thank you,
Mayor Dale Rife
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Sponsor: Mayor Dale Rife
First Reading: ___ 11/7/11 ___
Second Reading: _ 12/5/11 ___

ORDINANCE #12-11

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING OVERGROWN GRASS AND WEEDS IN THE TOWN OF WYOMING

WHEREAS, the Town of Wyoming is authorized under section 27 of its Town Charter to enact ordinances related to the sanitation, beauty, health, and safety of the public;

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Wyoming finds that overgrown grass and weeds are detrimental to the sanitation, beauty, health, and safety of the public;

BE IT HEREBY ENACTED by the Town Council of the Town of Wyoming, a majority thereof concurring in council duly met, that Ordinance #12-11 "An Ordinance Regulating Overgrown Grass and Weeds in the Town of Wyoming" be and hereby is enacted, as follows to wit:

Section 1. Unlawful to allow growth above certain height. It shall be unlawful for any person, group of persons, firm, association or corporation to permit any grass or weeds or other vegetation whatsoever other than edible vegetables, edible fruits, trees and flowers to grow higher than eight (8) inches from the ground on any lot or parcel of ground within the corporate limits of the town, owned by such person, group of persons, firm, association or corporation whether the lot or parcel of ground has or has not erected thereon improvements. Yards shall be kept free from trash and debris that interfere with mowing of the area.

Section 2. Unlawful to allow growth in sidewalks, walkways, other areas. It shall be unlawful for any person, group of persons, firm, association or corporation to permit any grass, weeds or other vegetation whatsoever to grow in any sidewalks, walkways, stairs, driveways, parking spaces and similar areas.

Section 3. Abatement of violation by town upon owner's failure; collection of costs. If the owner or responsible party for a lot or parcel of ground permits a violation to occur by failing to maintain said lot or parcel in accordance with the terms of this ordinance, the town shall give five days written notice once each calendar year (January 1 through December 31) that the town shall proceed, without further notice, to abate the violation each time the property is inspected and found to be in violation of this ordinance. The cost thereof, together with any fines and costs, shall constitute claim against the owner or owners of the lot or parcel of ground and may be collected as any other fine or cost is collected.

Section 4. Charge for mowing by town. When the town is required under this ordinance to mow lots or when the town is requested to mow any private property in the town, the following

Attest: Pamela B. Haddick
Town Clerk

So Certifies:
Frank Dale Ruff
Mayor

This shall certify that a copy of this Ordinance was posted at the Town Hall on
12/7, 2011.

12/7/11
Date

So Certifies:
Pamela B. Haddick

ATTACHMENT TO ORDINANCE #12-11

FEE SCHEDULE AS APPROVED AT WYOMING COUNCIL WORKSHOP AUGUST 29, 2015

Clean-up and/or mowing of property	\$150.00	per hour per person (minimum of 1 hour)
Administrative Fee per incident	\$50.00	
Rental Equipment Needed		Charges per cost to Town