



October 2020



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Annual Halloween Festival



The Town of Wyoming will be celebrating Halloween on Saturday, October 31st from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. The town's train platform will be decorated and candy will be given to children up to age 13 via candy slides in order to maintain social distancing. Unfortunately, no food or drinks will be served this year. If you'd like to donate candy or money for

the purchase of candy, please contact town hall.



If you decide to take your children trick or treating, we recommend practicing social distancing and wearing a mask when within six feet of others not in your household per the

governor's guidelines.

If you'd like to give candy to children on Halloween, we suggest decorating and leaving the candy in a container at the end of your driveway or sidewalk to avoid contact. Let's make this year's Halloween the best ever!



Calendar of Events:

Tuesday, Oct. 13, 6:30 p.m.—CWSWA Meeting

- Friday, Oct. 23, 6:30 p.m. —Board of Adjustments Public Hearing
- Wednesday, Oct. 28, 6:30 p.m.—Planning & Zoning Meeting, Camden-Wyoming Fire House
- Thursday, Oct. 29, 6:30 p.m.—Budget Workshop
- Saturday, Oct. 31, 5 p.m.-8 p.m.—Annual Halloween Festival
- Monday, Nov. 2, 6:30 p.m.—Town Council Meeting
- Yard Waste: Oct. 10 & Nov. 3. Bulk pickup is every Wednesday.



(All meetings will be held virtually. Please check the Town of Wyoming website for login information.)

Daylight Savings Time Ends



Please remember to turn your clocks back on Sunday, November 1st at 2 a.m. because that's when Daylight Savings Time ends and Standard Time begins! This is also a good time to change the batteries in your home's smoke detectors.



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Newsletter Delivery



The town's monthly newsletter, *Word from Wyoming*, will no longer be delivered to your home. The newsletter will be available online at our website: Wyoming.delaware.gov. Printed copies will be available at Wyoming Town Hall and some local businesses, such as Hall's Family Restaurant, Tre Sorelle Dolce and Brown's Tavern. You can also follow us on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/townofwyomingde>.

Wyoming Park Update



If you've been to Wyoming Park lately, you've seen that some changes are taking place. Demolition of the old bathrooms is complete, and construction of the new building will start the first week in October. The new pavilion is almost complete; some electricity needs to be added.

When you're at the park, please be careful of the construction areas and do not allow your children or pets to play in this area. If you see small flags throughout the park, please do not remove them. These will be necessary when electricity is restored to the park after construction.



Question of the Month

On October 26, 1825, this man-made waterway was opened to link the Hudson River and Lake Erie. The cost of this waterway totaled over \$7 million and took eight years to complete. What's its name?



Last month's question and answer:

On Sept. 5, 1774, this organization was called

to order for the first time. It was comprised of delegates from all 13 American colonies; it served as the governing body during the American Revolution from 1774 to 1789. What is this organization?

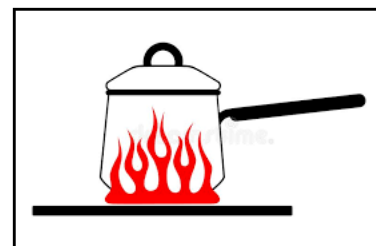
Answer: Continental Congress



FIRE PREVENTION

October is Fire Protection month and this year's campaign is "Serve Up Fire Safety in the Kitchen!" The campaign works to educate everyone about simple and important actions they can take to keep themselves and those around them safe.

- * Never leave cooking food unattended. When you are frying, grilling or broiling food, stay in the kitchen. If you have to leave, even for a short time, turn off the stove.
- * If you are simmering, baking, roasting, or boiling food, check it regularly. Remain in the home while food is cooking, and use a timer to remind you that you're cooking. You have to be alert when cooking. You won't be alert if you are sleepy, have taken medicine or drugs, or consumed alcohol which makes you drowsy.
- * Always keep an oven mitt and pan lid nearby when you're cooking. If a small grease fire starts, slide the lid over the pan to smother the flame. Turn off the burner, and leave the pan covered until it is completely cool.
- * Have a "kid-free zone" of at least three feet around the stove and areas where hot food or drink is prepared or carried.



Message from Police Chief Willey

The Wyoming Police Department is pleased to welcome three new employees; one administrative assistant and two new police officers.

Let's first meet Irma Figueroa, in her own words:



Hello, I would like to take this time to introduce myself. My name is Irma Figueroa, and I'm enrolled in the Modern Maturity Senior Employment Training Program. I have been in the Program since Nov. 2018. Since my enrollment in the program, I have had

experiences with several work sites.

My first site was at the Smyrna State Service where I was a receptionist. I trained there for six months, and then I was rotated to Delaware State University.

At Delaware State, I trained with Mrs. Lillie Crawford at the College of Business. There, I assisted in organizing summer camp programs for middle school students. I was also involved in setting up events for the entrepreneurship program. I enjoyed my training at Del State, and trained there for ten months. My training ended due to the Covid 19 pandemic which caused the University to close.

As of Sept. 8th, I have been training with Chief Willey at the Wyoming Police Department.

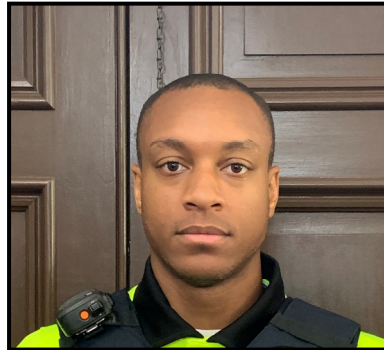
I'm looking forward to a new experience where I can learn as much as I can and be an asset to everyone with whom I work. I am very pleased to be here.

Our first new police officer is Sgt. Richard Baker who comes to the Wyoming Police Department with 12 year's of experience. He was graduated from the Delaware Police Academy in April, 2009. He's worked with other departments over



the years, and in other units such as Patrol, Criminal Investigations, K9, and has been involved in many community policing events.

In his leisure time, Sgt. Baker enjoys being with his family, camping and traveling. He is looking forward to community events and getting to know the residents of Wyoming.



Our second new police officer is Patrolman David Pridgen, III. Patrolman Pridgen was raised in Newark, NJ. He says that growing up in a challenged neighborhood riddled with crime and drug abuse made him realize that

he needed something productive to occupy his time—so he participated in sports. He's been playing basketball since eighth grade and played varsity basketball throughout high school. Patrolman Pridgen attended Delaware State University and earned a degree in Criminal Justice. Shortly after graduating Del State, he began teaching for the Capital School District as a long-term substitute teacher.

He says that once he was provided the great opportunity to join the Wyoming Police Department, he gladly accepted the position and is excited about starting his career here. Patrolman Pridgen is the proud father of his two-and-a-half year old daughter, Zora.

Welcome to all the new members of the Wyoming Police Department!



**Election Day is Tuesday,
November 3rd. Let your voice be
heard and VOTE, via mail or in
person. Your Vote Counts!**



LIGHT UP THE TOWN

Camden & Wyoming's Holiday Light Contest

Does your electric meter go crazy in the month
of December?

Would you consider your home the brightest in town?

Is your home the most festive around?

Get out and untangle those lights, string up that garland,
blow up those inflatables, hang those wreaths, and get your
home ready for Camden & Wyoming's first Annual Holiday
Light Contest!!

Entry Dates: November 1st thru November 30th
(home must be registered to participate)

Voting Opens December 5th

Voting Closes December 13th

Maps will be provided for vehicles to drive by and view your
holiday displays.

Prizes will be awarded for Best décor in Camden,
Best décor in Wyoming, and Best décor overall.

Prizes to be announced at a later date and winners to be
announced on Friday, December 18th

Call/email Town Hall for additional details
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