CHESWOLD CHATTER

ANNUAL CHESWOLD PRIDE DAY
Home of the Lenni Lenape

The Town Council and the Lenape Tribe of Delaware are working together to host the 1st, (ever), Annual Cheswold Pride Day.

The purpose of the "Day" will be to celebrate and appreciate the history of the Town of Cheswold and its connection to the Lenape Tribe of Delaware, who were among the first native Americans to contact the European Dutch, English and Swedish who came to this country.

The Town also has a long history of black American residents that migrated willingly and unwillingly from the South, before, during and after the Civil War.

So Cheswold has always been a multi-racial, multi-ethnic, multi-diverse, and multi-welcoming community in which to live.

Many communities in Kent County and throughout Delaware enjoy some type of annual recognition day celebration, but we could find no record of that ever occurring in Cheswold. So, some Council members and Town Staff along with a couple of residents decided that it is time to bring some recognition to Cheswold for some of its positive attributes and the Annual Cheswold Pride Day was born.

And please note that the expense of hosting the day is being funded entirely by donations from sponsors and Committee members.

The goal of the day is to provide the opportunity for residents from all over Cheswold to meet one another in a relaxed setting and atmosphere.

At the same time it will provide the opportunity to introduce some and remind others of the rich heritage of Cheswold.

We plan to do this by honoring a much respected baseball team of another era – the CHESWOLD TIGERS.

In addition, and just for fun, there will be games for the children, including native American games and dance; cars from the Cheswold Connection and FREE HOT DOGS & HAMBURGERS; WATER; SODA and PIG ROAST, as long as it lasts.

Just bring your own lawn chairs.

COME - JOIN US IN THE HISTORY & THE FUN!!!!

(See back cover for more information.)

3rd Quarter
Town Council
Meeting Dates

Working Together We Can Make It Work

TOWN COUNCIL MONTHLY MEETINGS
Monday, August 5, 2013
Monday, Sept. 3, 2013
Monday, October 7, 2013

All Town Council Monthly meetings start at 7:30 p.m
All Town Council Monthly meetings are held in the Cheswold Fire Hall

TOWN COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETINGS
Tuesday, Aug. 20, 2013
Tuesday, Sept. 17, 2013
Tuesday, Oct. 15, 2013

All Town Council Workshop meetings start at 6:00 pm.
All Town Council Workshop Meetings are held in the Cheswold Town Hall.

“We cannot solve problems by using the same kind of thinking we used when we created them.”

Albert Einstein

Call or drop off any birth, engagement, marriage or news you wish to share.
HEALTH ALERT!!!!!

Portions of this Alert are from WBOC 16:

“Recent heavy rains are expected to bring a bumper crop of mosquitoes to Delaware this summer.

Officials with the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, (DNREC), for Mosquito Control said on Tuesday, June 11, 2013, that the rain over the past week will leave lots of surface water in which mosquitoes can lay their eggs.

State and Town of Cheswold Officials are urging residents to eliminate as much standing water as possible from their properties. That means Drain:

- Gutters
- Birdbaths
- Rain Barrels
- Old Tires

Residents who wish to contact Mosquito Control at DNREC about spraying availability or to make a request for fogging should call 302-739-9902.

Just for Laughs “Dead Crows”

I heard that they found 200 dead crows near Topeka, Kansas, and there was concern that they may have died from Avian Flu.

They had a Bird Pathologist examine the remains of all the crows, and he confirmed the problem was definitely NOT Avian Flu, to the relief of everyone.

However, he determined that 98% of the crows had been killed by impact with trucks & only 2% were killed by impact with a car.

Kansas then hired an Ornithological Behaviorist to determine the disproportionate percentage for truck versus car kills.

The Ornithological Behaviorist determined the cause in short order.

When crows eat road kill, they always setup a lookout Crown in a nearby tree to warn of impending danger.

His conclusion was that all the lookout crows should say “Cah”, but none could say, “Truck”.

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NOISE & TRASH ORDINANCE PUBLIC HEARING

On Tuesday, June 18, 2013, the Town Council voted unanimously to hold a Public Hearing on Monday, August 5, 2013 at 7:00 p.m., at the Cheswold Fire Hall.

The recently reviewed Noise and Trash Ordinances will be open to residents for comment and feedback to the Council, before it takes a vote on implementing the Ordinances as part of Town law.

If you decide to attend the meeting, it is important to remember that the Council will not be responding to your comments, but only listening to your opinion or point of view as it relates to the Ordinances. Following is the purpose of the Ordinances:

GARBAGE, TRASH and RUBBISH ORDINANCE

“The purpose and intent of this Ordinance is to establish, limit and remove, the health threat to humans, domestic animals, wild life and the environment, by specifying rules, standards and penalties for the improper disposal of garbage, trash and rubbish.”

“NOISE CONTROL ORDINANCE”

“This Ordinance is enacted to protect, preserve and promote the health, safety, welfare, peace and quiet for the citizens of the Town of Cheswold through the reduction, control and prevention of noise. The intent of this Ordinance is to establish standards which will eliminate and reduce unnecessary noises which are physically harmful or otherwise detrimental to the enjoyment of life, property and maintenance of business.”

Once these Ordinances have been passed by the Town Council, they will be enforceable by the Cheswold Police Department and/or Code Enforcement Officers and violators will be subject to the applicable fines.

If you would like a copy of either Ordinance they may be obtained from the Town website at http://cheswold.delaware.gov or by requesting a draft copy from the Town Hall at no expense to residents.

REMEMBER: Ignorance of the Law is No Excuse
GED® TESTING CHANGING

Do you have your high school diploma? Have you always wanted to get by taking the GED® test, but never had the time?

Well, NOW IS THE TIME!

Why? Because the test is changing.

Why? This is what they’re saying:
"On January 2, 2014 GED® Testing Service will unveil a new assessment in all jurisdictions, (except Canada), that ensures the GED® testing program is no longer an endpoint for adults, but a springboard for more education, training and better training jobs."

What Does That Mean? It means that the tests will be a whole lot tougher to pass and take much longer to pass.

What Else Does It Mean? It means that a test that previously cost $35.00 will now cost $250.00.

What Else Will Change? The new tests will require you to be somewhat computer literate, because all tests will be conducted on and through the computer.

What Was Tested Before?: Well the current GED® tests the following:
- Language Arts - Reading
- Language Arts – Writing
- Mathematics
- Science
- Social Studies

What Will The New GED® Test? The new test will consist of:
- Argumentative Essays
- Writing Essays-English Grammar
- Earth Science
- Social Science
- Algebra2 – Advanced

In short, the new testing will be based more on theory and procedures – how you reached your conclusions and answers and less on the number of right and wrong answers.

If you wish to learn about GED® here’s some additional information:

Del Tech Comm.College
Ms. Amy Knight
302-857-1283
- GED Prep
- GED Practice Testing
- GED Official Testing

Prep and Practice Testing is also done at Polytech under the guidance of Ms. Betsy Jones
(302-697-4545).

Or you can go on-line at:
http://www.doe.k12.de.us
and search for “GED”

PREPARE FOR YOUR FUTURE - NOW

POLICE PAD

SUMMER & CHILDREN:
Summer is upon us and children are out of school for the next two months.

I would like to remind everyone that we need to pay special attention to the children on our streets and in our neighborhoods.

All parents are requested to remind their children that the streets in the community are not a place to hang out and congregate.

Please be considerate of local traffic and do not stand in the streets when vehicles are trying to pass.

Drivers have a responsibility to pay attention to pedestrians but pedestrians must also pay attention to vehicles.

NEW POLICE DEPARTMENT SERVICE:
We have started a new service in the Cheswold Police Department to provide home checks while you are away on vacation.

We call the service:
Vacation Check Request.
If you are going to be away on vacation, you may access the Town of Cheswold website at:
http://cheswold.delaware.gov
and click on the Police Department on the left hand side of the page. The resulting page will display Vacation Check Request on the left side of the page also. Click it and you may download the form and bring it to the Town of Cheswold Police Department; drop it at Town Hall or attach it in an e-mail and forward it to: cheswoldoffice@comast.net

Checks on your residence will be performed, time permitting, when officers of the Department are available.

If there is an emergency, we will contact you at the number your provide on your request.

This is a courtesy to the residents of the Town of Cheswold.

TWITTER:
We have also started a Twitter account @CheswoldPolice.
This is a great way to get fast breaking news and information from the Cheswold Police. It is very easy to use and set up on your smartphone or computer. So follow us @CheswoldPolice.

HAVE A SAFE & ENJOYABLE SUMMER!!!!

"We may not be able to prepare the future for our children, but we can at least prepare our children for the future."

Franklin Delano Roosevelt
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TOWN RESIDENTS COME MEET:
- TOWN HISTORY
- YOUR NEIGHBORS
- YOUR COUNCIL & STAFF
- AND LET'S HAVE FUN

SATURDAY, JULY 27, 2013
11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
TOWN HALL
691 MAIN STREET
CHESWOLD, DELAWARE

BRING YOUR OWN LAWN CHAIR

GAMES

LENAPE DRUMMERS and DANCERS

“FREE HOT DOGS & HAMBURGERS”