

Councilwoman Karen Chew

June 2019 Report

Website and Television Update: Please continue to refer to the website and the cable stations for information. There is a lot of information and updates posted on these media. Don't forget to follow us on both Twitter and Facebook use "@ChesilhurstBoro" for Twitter and "Chesilhurst Borough" on Facebook. Have you missed attending the monthly Council meetings? Do you miss the airings that occur Mondays at 7PM on Fios and Xfinity? Not to worry, you can watch the meetings anytime 24 hours a day 7 days a week. We have launched the Chesilhurst Borough Channel on YouTube. You can use the link on the website home page or search for the Chesilhurst Borough Channel on YouTube. Subscribe to the channel and never miss viewing another meeting again!

Continue to look for additional information at Borough Hall. There are many new flyers with important information posted on the bulletin board so stop by to see if there are answers to questions you may seek. Please see Ms. Rose before posting any flyers. Any community flyer not authorized will be removed.

Personnel Committee: There is nothing to report at this time.

Finance: There is nothing to report at this time.

Economic Development: I am persistently searching for businesses who are looking for the ideal location. If you or someone you know are looking to locate or relocate a business contact Borough Hall at 856-767-4153 X1010 and leave your contact information. We will contact you promptly to discuss your needs and how we can help you. You can also email me at Councilwoman.Karen.Chew@gmail.com.

Board of Health: For a public health or an environmental health emergency, the County Health Officer or his staff on-call is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week through the Camden County Communication Center at (856) 783-1333.

Community Resources

- If you or someone you know is in immediate danger or you need to report a crime, please call 9-1-1
- Poison control emergencies and information, please call 1-800-222-1222
- If you are calling for addictions information and referral, please contact Center for Family Services at 1-800-675-1127
- If you are considering suicide or are in crisis, please call 1-800-273-TALK
- For mental health assistance please call 1-866-202-HELP
- To report child abuse, call 1-800-422-4453 (1-800 4-A CHILD)
- To talk with a counselor about rape or sexual assault call 1-800-656-HOPE
- For basic needs, social services counseling for abuse or elder abuse please call 2-1-1

The U.S. Health & Human Services Department will help Hispanic families get basic health information to help prevent and manage chronic conditions, and refer you to local health providers and federally supported programs including the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP). For information, please call 1 (866) 783-2645.

The Camden County Department of Health & Human Services Bio-terrorism and Health Education Team recommend taking some simple steps to prepare for and respond to potential emergencies, including natural disasters and terrorist attacks. They ask individuals to do three key things:

1. **Get an emergency supply kit**
2. **Make a family/business emergency plan**
3. **Be informed about the different types of emergencies that could occur and their appropriate responses**

Camden County has an online resource called the “Camden County Resource Compass” (<https://camdencountyresourcecompass.org/program-search/>). This site is the first of its kind in the state and will provide residents with up to date access to social service providers throughout the county.

Para una salud pública o una emergencia de salud ambiental, el Oficial de Salud del Condado o su personal de guardia está disponible las 24 horas del día, los 7 días de la semana a través del Centro de Comunicación del Condado de Camden al (856) 783-1333.

El Departamento de Salud y Servicios Humanos ayudará a las familias hispanas a obtener información básica de salud para ayudar a prevenir y manejar enfermedades crónicas, y lo remitirá a proveedores de salud locales y programas apoyados por el gobierno federal, incluido el Programa Estatal de Seguro de Salud Infantil (SCHIP). Para más información, llame al 1 (866) 783-2645.

El equipo de educación sobre salud y bioterrorismo del Departamento de Salud y Servicios Humanos del Condado de Camden recomienda tomar algunos pasos simples para prepararse y responder ante posibles emergencias, incluidos desastres naturales y ataques terroristas. Les piden a las personas que hagan tres cosas clave:

Obtener un kit de suministros de emergencia

Hacer un plan de emergencia familiar / empresarial.

Ser informado sobre los diferentes tipos de emergencias que podrían ocurrir y sus respuestas apropiadas

El Condado de Camden tiene un recurso en línea llamado "Compás de recursos del Condado de Camden" (<https://camdencountyresourcecompass.org/program-search/>). Este sitio es el primero de su tipo en el estado y brindará a los residentes acceso actualizado a proveedores de servicios sociales en todo el condado.

Veterans Affairs: The cleanup of the Elm Ave Cemetery has begun. Flags were placed on the identified graves of Military members. The cleanup will take place June 29th from 9am to noon. Bring your yard supplies, bug spray and dress to prevent bites from mosquitoes and ticks. Water will be supplied.

Honorably discharged veterans residing in Camden County may apply for a Veteran Vending License. There is no charge for this service. You must apply in person to the Clerk’s Office. Please bring your DD-214 discharge papers and proof of Camden County residency.

A reminder to our Veterans; Camden County Veterans are encouraged to apply for the Camden County Korean War Service Medal or Camden County Military Service Medal. Please check their website to

eligibility information and the on-line application. The direct link is found here:
<http://www.camdencounty.com/service/veterans-affairs/application-for-medal/>

Historical Committee: Councilwoman Alwan and I attended the meeting on May 14th at the Community Center Library. We discussed a few points such as the purpose and focus of the Committee and how to gather and preserve the past and future history in our town. The meetings are scheduled for the second Tuesday of the month at 7PM at the Community Center Library. All residents are encouraged to attend and be a part of this Committee.

Our Town: Continue to refer to the Public Events Calendar found on the website and the FYI bulletin board in the Borough Hall for information in and around our Community.

All residents are encouraged to volunteer to be a part of any Social committee in our Borough. Contact Borough Hall and leave your name, number and area of interest. The Committee liaison will return your call. Committees include, Rent Control, Chesilhurst Day, International Day, Chesilhurst Events, Hispanic Heritage, Black History Celebration, Youth and Senior Citizens. We invite you to share your ideas, expertise and willingness to help present the events held in our Borough.

Do you have some noteworthy news you would like to share? I am still looking for information to post in the "Our Town" segment of my report. If you have information you would like to share regarding appointments, promotions, graduations, honors, births, etc. please email me at Councilwoman.Karen.Chew@gmail.com. We would be happy to share your great news. As a reminder if you have a community event that you would like posted on the website or cable station, please send the information to me no later than two weeks in advance for publication.

Respectfully submitted,
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