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Community Vaccination Center Closing

We have received notification from WellSpan that the Adams County Community Vaccination Center at the Department of Emergency Services will be ceasing operations on July 1 due to the decrease in demand. Vaccinations will still be available at other WellSpan locations and at other vaccination participants.

The Board would again like to applaud the collaboration between Adams County and WellSpan to make the Adams County CVC both timely, efficient, and convenient. We heard nothing but positive comments regarding the venue and service provided. Special recognition goes out to DES Director Warren Bladen, Adams County Manager Steve Nevada, Solicitor Molly Mudd, the Adams



County Security Department,
the Adams County Sheriff's Office, and
Building/Maintenance for their key roles in facilitating
and managing this critical community facility.

Thank you to WellSpan for your partnership that greatly benefited many residents of Adams County! If you haven't been vaccinated - please consider getting vaccinated! For vaccination information contact WellSpan at www.mywellspan.org or by calling The WellSpan COVID Hotline at 855-851-3641.

Amended Policy for Entering County Facilities

Following CDC protocol, applicable to both staff and public, persons that have been vaccinated are not required to wear a mask. Persons that have not been vaccinated are still required to wear a mask. Temperature checks for public and staff have ceased. Signage indicates this policy to visitors entering the building.

Appointments are no longer required to visit county offices - with the exceptions being the District Attorney and the Sheriff's Office. Public viewing of court proceedings is still limited to virtual viewing at the Human Services Building by contacting the Court Administrator at 717-337-9846 at least 24 hours prior to the hearing.

Primary Election Re-cap

The May 18th Primary Election is in the books and we are happy to report the process in Adams County was generally seamless. The total voter turnout was 28.68% from a registered voter pool of 70,268. Absentee/Mail-in ballots applied for and mailed out was 6,371 and the total returned was 5,049. Unlike the much larger Presidential General Election, the Elections office, supplemented by other county staff, was able to process all ballots on election day. A shout out to our Elections Staff for the extra effort put in to assure the election went smoothly.

Anyone wishing to serve our community and run for a Judge of Elections, or sign up as a poll worker, are urged to contact the Adams County Voter Registration & Elections office at 717-337-9832.

New PA State Assessor's Association President

Adams County Chief Assessor Susan Miller has been named the President of the Assessors' Association of Pennsylvania at the Spring PA County Assessor's Conference. We want to thank and recognize Susan for her professional achievement and the recognition by her peers. Congratulations Susan!



Congratulations

Adams County Wellness

Adams County staff is ready to “step it up” with some friendly competition. HR is proud to announce that 68 employees have signed up for the 2021 Team Step Challenge beginning Monday, June 7th. The challenge runs for 8 weeks and the winning team members will receive a voucher redeemable at Dick’s Sporting Goods for \$99.99 for a new pair of walking shoes. Stay tuned for the results and encourage your co-workers to “step it up”. For more information contact Deputy HR Director Danette Laughman.



The End

There is nothing that symbolizes the beginning of summer like The Annual Gettysburg Memorial Day Parade and Hollabaugh’s Strawberry Festival Weekend. Even though there was no band participation this year, it was great to see the parade march by to the National Cemetery and the large crowd that lined the streets to watch. Fresh, tasty, Adams County Strawberries are back. This Saturday & Sunday enjoy everything strawberry at Hollabaugh’s Annual Strawberry Festival from 12-4:30. Also, a reminder that the Gettysburg 100 Night Of Taps began on Memorial Day. To kick off the summer Taps will be sounded every evening at 7PM at the Soldiers National Monument in the Gettysburg National Cemetery to honor our nation’s veterans.

The Gettysburg Retail Merchants Association presents *First Friday* today. Shops and restaurants provide many promotions and specials on First Friday. Get on the bus and leave the driving to professionals for *Destination Gettysburg’s Pour Tour* this evening. The Beer Tour departs Friday at 5PM and features 3 area breweries. Beer Tour cost is \$35. Call 717-334-6296. The *2021 Gettysburg Farmers Market* offers delicious produce from 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. on Saturday behind the Transit Station off Carlisle Street.

Hooray! *The Majestic Theater*, *The Totem Pole Playhouse* and *The Gettysburg Community Theater* are turning their lights back on after going dark for the past year. The Majestic is featuring a summer classic series of productions. Call 717-337-8200 or gettysburgmajestic.org for production calendar. The Totem Pole Playhouse will feature several outdoor theater productions featuring classic music on weekends + an outdoor movie series. Bring your lawn chair and enjoy the cool mountain air while tapping your feet and singing along. Go to totempoleplayhouse.org. At 7PM this evening, The Gettysburg Community Theater invites you to enjoy *Beatrice Arthur: Astral Dame*. Emmy & Tony award winner and Bea Arthur impersonator Jason B. Schmidt takes the stage for this one person show that promises to be very entertaining. For a schedule of this summer’s events go to gettysburgcommunitytheater.org.

I am happy to report there will be a *July 4 celebration in Gettysburg*. Join the Gettysburg Area Community for a community celebration of America’s Independence with fireworks, music, and food trucks at the Gettysburg Recreation Park. The event is from 6 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Fireworks begin at 9:20pm. The event is free, but VIP Parking will be offered at \$6. Thanks to Destination Gettysburg, GARA & the Rotary Club of Gettysburg for making this event possible!

There will also be a *Gettysburg 138TH Anniversary Reenactment & Living History* at the historic Daniel Lady farm on July 3 & 4. Go to www.gbpa.org for tickets and information.

No matter what you do get out there and experience all the historical, recreational, agricultural, natural, and cultural opportunities that beautiful Adams County has to offer!