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Two Upcoming Commissioner Meeting Time Changes

The Adams County Commissioners Public Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, July 13, 2022, has been rescheduled to Wednesday, July 20th, beginning at 9:00AM in the Historic Courtroom. The first public meeting for the month of August has been moved from Wednesday, August 10 to Thursday, August 11th starting at 1:30 p.m. in the Historic Courtroom. Both of these changes will be advertised and posted on the Adams County website.

Courthouse Breakroom Renovations Coming Soon

The downstairs breakroom may have been brand spanking new when the "New Courthouse" was built approximately 45 years ago (according to Paula), but it has seen very little love since then. Knowing that a comfortable attractive breakroom is a "quality of workplace issue" for staff, the Commissioners have decided to renovate and upgrade the same space to make it more attractive and appealing, while maintaining function and serviceability. The renovation will include pleasing paint colors, an attractive mural, new sink, ice maker, microwave, fridge, counters, table and counter seating with high back chairs and other improvements. We also hope to upgrade the vending machines. The commissioners would like to thank Larry Steinour & Paul Lloyd, (B&M), Michelle, (HR) and Steve Nevada, (County Manager) for providing the renovation suggestion, evaluation, and recommendations to the commissioners for this improvement to happen. We hope you enjoy the renovated space!

Application Deadline for "Giving Spree" Closing June 27

The Adams County Community Foundation Giving Spree provides remarkable benefits to our community. The event will be held on November 3 this year. Adams County non-profits are encouraged to participate - but must apply by June 27. The details and application are available at www.ACCF-GivingSpree.org

Adams County Email/Website Transitioning

The Information Technology Department has identified a target month for the transition of the Adams County email system & Adams County website from adamscounty.us to adamscountypa.gov.

The scheduled month for this cutover will be September 2022. As we get closer to September, a specific date will be identified and communicated. Both the County website and email system will be transitioned at the same time to adamscountypa.gov when the time comes.

Adult Correction Facility Receives Superior Audit

Warden Katy Heilman is proud to announce the results of the most recent National Commission on Correctional Health Care Report (NCCHS) from our most recent audit, which occurred on May 2 & 3, 2022. There are a total of 39 essential standards reviewed by the NCCHC in these audits. There are 37 that are applicable to our facility. We received a perfect score (100%), indicating we were fully compliant during the prior 3-year audit period in all 37 standards. The full report will identify what each standard is, and the subcomponents. It will also show what standards are not applicable to our facility. This was our Health Service Administrator, Tammy Eckenrode's, first NCCHC. Congratulations to our prison administration and staff for this outstanding performance evaluation!

America 250 PA Invites Citizens to Join "National PA Day"

July 20th is National Pennsylvania Day and to celebrate, America 250PA will be designating this day as an annual day of service, staffing food banks across the Commonwealth.

Thanks to nearly 250 Pennsylvanians helping Pennsylvanians last year, volunteers packed over 8,000 boxes

of food for friends and neighbors in need. With your help, AmericaPA250 plans to grow this volunteer effort each year, leading up to the semiquincentennial in 2026.

Pennsylvania Day, America250PA's largest annual volunteer effort, is made pos-

sible through a partnership with Feeding Pennsylvania and the generous spon-

sorship of Natural Food Group. While Feeding Pennsylvania works to ensure that our Pennsylvania food banks are abundantly stocked, they are in need of volun-

teers to help package boxes to be distributed in communities across PA.

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This July 20th, consider #JoinUs at one of the 12 participating food banks near you. If you are able to volunteer a few hours of your time this Pennsylva-▶ nia Day, please find your nearest food bank and complete the Volunteer Form at: https://forms.gle/f6zggTRfnFRW8CwX7. Please sign up prior to June 26th in order to guarantee your t-shirt size.

It's time for Pick-Your-Your-Own Fruit in Adams County! It all starts with strawberries, sweet cherries that are in now, then sour cherries, then peaches and then apples + numerous other fruits and vegetables. Pick your own is great family activity, educates young ones on local ag and where food comes from, supports our farms and is fresh and delicious. So, get out there and pick some delicious Adams County fruits and vegetables.

Join the Seminary Ridge Museum & Education staff for special Sunset At The Seminary walking tours examining different aspects of Seminary Ridge before, during, and after the Battle of Gettysburg. Tours are this evening, Friday, July 29 & Friday, August 26. Tours are free with a donation appreciated. Call 717-339-1300.

Gettysburg Tours Pour-Tour Shuttle Mystery Tour departs this evening at a time and place to be announced - because it is a mystery tour. There will be 3 yet to be revealed mysterious stops - because a mystery tour is thirsty work and demands hydration to solve the mystery. Contact Gettysburg Battlefield Tours at 717-334-6296.

Experience a Living History Encampment at the Children's Interactive Museum on Saturday/Sunday June 25/26, at the Children of 1863 interactive children's history museum with the living historians of Officers for the Union and Ladies for the Union. Also, from 8-9PM there will be a Living History Candlelight Talk. The living history outside activities are free and open to the public and there is a charge for adults to view the inside exhibits. From June 24-26, from 10AM-3PM, the historic Spangler Farm on Blacksmith Shop Road is hosting Summer at the Spangler Farm. Get an interpreted insider view of the historic farmstead that was a significant Union Hospital. Call 877-874-2478 or go to www.GettysburgFoundation.org for both events.

Saturday is South Mountain Partnership Day at the Adams County Farmers Market on N. Stratton Street. Enjoy the market and celebrate the importance of this partnership for our region.

As many locals know the Gettysburg Ministerium holds outdoor worship services at the National Park Service (NPS) Amphitheater every Sunday weather permitting at 8:00AM. A different local minister provides the service each Sunday. They started this month and are held thru Labor Day. My parents were regular attendees in the summer, and having worked many weekends for the NPS, I can attest that it is a popular event for visitors and locals.

The 159TH Battle of Gettysburg Anniversary Reenactment kicks off at the historic Daniel Lady Farm on July 2nd. The history filed 2-day event will feature battle reenactments, artillery and calvary demonstrations, living history programs, a living history village, civil war sutlers, and tours of the house and barn that were occupied and was the launching point for General Johnson's divisional assault on Culps Hill. The house and barn later became a Confederate Field Hospital. Go to www.gbpa.org for tickets and information. Admission \$5 higher at gate!

The Confederates Take The Shriver House on Saturday for the 23 RD Annual event, July 2nd from 5-9PM. The event features civilians caught in the crossfire. Adult \$15 and Children \$12. Go to www.shriverhouse.org for details.

On July 4TH, A Gettysburg Fourth takes place for the 2nd consecutive year at the Gettysburg Recreation Park on Long Lane. The event begins at 3PM with fireworks at 9:20PM. There will be food trucks, spirits vendors, and bands. The fireworks are sponsored by Destination Gettysburg, Onsite parking is first come first served for \$6. Thanks to Gettysburg Rotary for sponsoring this event. With no fireman's carnival last year, this event was a well-attended community event in its inaugural year, and a large crowd is anticipated again this year with no fireman's carnival slated.

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!

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