

Councilwoman Karen Chew

September - October 2019 Report

I attended the Camden County Freeholder Meeting on Aug 15 at the Bud Duble Center on Cooper Folly Rd. There was a lot of information provided and it is encouraged that members of the community attend to find out about the work that is being done by our Freeholders. I also attended the Candlelight Vigil held in remembrance of overdose victims Aug 27 at Timber Creek Park. This event is held annually and the focus is to make the community aware of this epidemic and provide information about where and how to get help. Plans to erect a permanent memorial was revealed.

Website and Television Update: Thank you for your patience during the delay in updating the Chesilhurst Borough Channel on YouTube. The change in our meeting schedule has caused delays in uploading the videos. 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: Although I have nothing to report from this committee we want to extend our welcome to the new members of the Borough staff. We wish you much success.

Finance: Information regarding EV and CNG trash trucks has been received and forwarded to Mr. Pointer for review and consideration.

Economic Development: We want to welcome our latest merchant, Cheesy Grill located on the White Horse Pike at the former Brother Bear site. Thank you for choosing Chesilhurst as your top location. We are looking forward to your opening and wish you much success. 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: This is National Preparedness Month. FEMA suggest four steps to prepare for a disaster: Get a kit to include medications for your family and pets, make a plan, be informed and get involved. They have provided a quick sheet of basic information you need to know to make sure you are ready for emergencies. The quick sheet can be found on their website.

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.

We held the Health Screening Fair on **Friday September 27th 1pm to 3pm** at the Community Center on Edwards Ave. The free health screens and risk assessments were provided by a registered nurse and

health educators from Camden County Human Services Agency and NJ CEED, Cancer Education Early Detection, at Virtua Hospital. Mark your calendar for the next event tentatively scheduled for Nov 7th and remember Chesilhurst is healthy when you are.

This health report is translated into Spanish. Look for my link on the Borough's website. Mi informe de salud está en español en www.chesilhurstgov.net

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.

Celebramos la Feria de Exámenes de Salud el viernes 27 de septiembre de 1pm a 3pm en el Centro Comunitario en la Avenida Edwards. Las evaluaciones gratuitas de salud y las evaluaciones de riesgos fueron proporcionadas por una enfermera registrada y educadores de salud de la Agencia de Servicios Humanos del Condado de Camden y NJ CEED, Detección temprana de educación sobre el cáncer, en el Hospital Virtua. Marque su calendario para el próximo evento programado tentativamente para el 7 de noviembre y recuerde que Chesilhurst está sano cuando usted lo está.

Veterans Affairs: The Office of Veterans Affairs can assistance on veterans claims and benefits, discharge upgrading, PTSD, disability compensation, burial allowances, home loan guarantees, VA pension, and referral services for health care and prescription drugs. Please call with any veterans assistance questions or to schedule a meeting with a service officer. For more information about the Office of Veterans Affairs, call 856-374-5801.

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: 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: The Camden County One-Stop Career Center has a new address. They are now located at
101 Woodcrest Rd Suite 127
Cherry Hill NJ

To serve all your employment needs: 856-549-0600

Services offered:

JOB SEARCH ASSISTANCE

- Individual Employment Plans
- Job Leads and Recruitments
- Resume and Interview Help
- Jersey Job Club
- Veterans Services

TOOLS TO UPDATE YOUR SKILLS

- Training Grants
- Literacy Instruction
- Career Counseling
- Youth Services
- Computer Access

SUPPORTIVE SERVICES

- Unemployment Insurance
- Vocational Rehabilitation
- Case Management
- Workforce Development

There has been a rise in the number of individuals and families who have decided to make Chesilhurst their home. We warmly welcome you to the Community. If you have questions feel free to contact Borough Hall at 856-767-4153. The offices are open Monday through Thursday, except major holidays, from 9am to 2pm.

I volunteered at the Freedom Summer Camp as a STEAM Innovation Lab instructor. To show support for National Night Out and celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Apollo 11's lunar mission the campers showed off their technology projects during the evening of fun. The Elementary campers launched their bottle rockets they worked on during their lessons on aeronautics. The Middle campers gave visitors the opportunity to try out the game controls they created using simple materials. The Senior campers studied robotic programming and showed off skills learned by completing a challenge course. Awesome job to all the campers for a job well done.

Mother Earth will be performing and hosting a dinner and a play at the Community Center on October 19th from 2pm to 5pm. Information can be found on the Events calendar found on the Borough website. You can purchase tickets from Ms. Pressley at the Mother Earth meeting which meets Thursdays at Grant AME Church from noon to 2pm.

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 Seniors. 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? 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. If you have a

community event that you would like posted on the website or cable station, send the information to me no later than two weeks in advance for publication.

Respectfully submitted,
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