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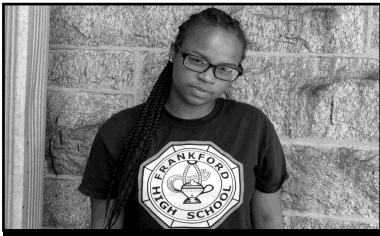
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Happening Around Frankford



Kids of all ages had a great time on July 16th at Reclaiming the Community day.



Nadira Johnson will be a senior at Frankford High this year.



SEPTA construction wakes up the residents of the Meadow House every morning

Civics, PSA

Northwood Civic

By Joe Krause

Thanks to Lieutenant Cannon from the 15th district for attending the Northwood Civic Assoc. meeting July 19th on a minute's notice. He came to the meeting prepared with the crime stats for our area and explained what was being done to combat these problems.

There were residents in attendance who were recently burglarized and told their stories; and hinted on why they may have been targeted. Open and/or unsecured windows seem to have been a factor in many of these burglaries, leading one to believe these are crimes of oppor- Frankford NAC tunity.

Keep our homes secure and work with neighbors through phone, text, 4114 Torresdale Avenue - They and email to notify each other of were approved. The only thing that anything you notice.

value of everyone's property and investment in our area. These fences destroy a neighborhood's character and other people's home values.

I am working with a couple places to get great deals on home surveillance systems so they can be affordable to everyone, as well as The next meeting of the Frankmotion lighting. I will be creating a survey to see who would be interested, this information will help me negotiate the best cost.

The next meeting of the Northwood Civic Association will be on August 16th at 7 PM at St. James By Bob Smiley Lutheran Church.

By Christine DeJesus

At the Frankford NAC Zoning meeting on July 14th:

they were seeking was a variance

bors, we're simply preserving the to represent her. Ms. Patel will armed robberies in Northwood in be in to see us in August. I know both John (Wissinoming Civic) and myself have talked to her regarding their inability to clearly define what their plans are for the building.

> ford NAC Zoning board will be held on August 11th at 7 PM at the Second Baptist Church at 1801 Meadow Street.

PSA1 Meeting

The first question asked of Lt. Duane Gordon at the 15th District PSA1 meeting on June 23rd was The issue of being denied a block about the string of homicides and aggravated assaults in the area of Bridge Street from Torresdale Avenue to Charles Street. Lt. Gordon could not comment about the details of the investigation except to say that there are leads that are being investigated.

Ronald Ryan will be doing future Town Watch trainings at Frankford Forward meetings. Dates and times to be announced. Stephen Bowne has been forming a town watch within that group and 20 members have already been result of higher priorities being trained.

Allen Leppert made a presentation on the Civilian Police Academy which allows civilians to learn police??? more about police work by attending a multi week course at the police academy. It is 2 hours per week for 13 weeks beginning on September 7th. For further infor- and don't make yourself a tarmation, contact Allen

through the Gazette gil@frankfordgazette.com.

A Margaret Street resident comby police of parking and extreme easy target. noise violations in that area.

Joe Krause raised the issue of two

June. Residents want a dedicated patrol in that area. Lt. Gordon said this is an issue for Tactical who will then put out plain clothes cops into the area. Krause was not entirely satisfied with that response.

Lt. Gordon spoke about the problem of making arrests only to see the suspects out on bail the next day. He says citizens have to monitor what the judges do after the arrest is made in order to see how the system works. Judges are elected officials.

PSA1 meeting held on July 14th at Aria Hospital at 7 PM was earlier than usual in the month and had to be rescheduled due to the Democratic National Convention being held at the end of the month.

party permit came up early and took up a lot of the discussion. Residents on block that have been identified as a nuisance block can be denied a permit by the District Captain. This can happen even after they have paid for the permit and put money on the bounce houses and organized the event. Lt. Gordon recommends contacting Captain Luca directly since it is his

Complaints about 911 calls that find no response by police are the addressed at the same time. Illegal parking is not going to be answered ahead of an aggravated assault. Doesn't that mean we need more

Gordon says many crimes are crimes of opportunity so do your part personally to prevent crime get. Lock your doors and windows at and don't walk down the street holding your iPhone out for the first guy coming along to grab it plained about lack of enforcement and run. Don't make yourself an

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4114 Torresdale Avenue from Google Street view.

Other things discussed were aban- than 4 feet. They already had apdoned homes and what we're doing proval for the combined OPA acto get these places fixed and sold. Illegal fences in the neighborhood were discussed, as I have gotten 1640 Church Street- Was dozens of calls in the past 2 weeks. All the ones reported to me were forwarded to 311 and L&I to let them handle it. If the fences remain we will discuss a civil action.

We're not trying to be bad neigh-

on the fence because it was higher counts on the lots.

continued. Property owner failed to appear.

5520 Harbison Avenue – The case was delayed because the client hired a different lawyer

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Participants at Frankford Forward meeting have already had Town Watch training and Gordon would like to add more participants from other blocks to be trained.

Residents expressed concern about the Democratic Party convention taking police away from Frankdepartment is using overtime to add manpower to the convention while maintaining police presence. He did say that the recent attacks on police have had the effect of reducing the available patrols since officers have been patrolling 2 to a car. We do not We need to follow up with SEPTA continue.

Bridesburg resident asked about enforcement of the No Trucks ordinance on Richmond Street recently put into effect. Gordon referred him to Officer Crosson the Community Relations officer.

The next PSA1 meeting will be held on August 25th at 7 PM at The next meeting of the Frankford Aria Hospital.

By Bob Smiley

Frankford Civic

President Pete Specos returned to the Civic for the first time since his illness and lead the meeting on July 7th.

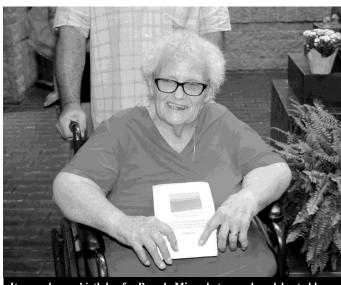
There were block party discussions Gordon reported that the about who can have them, why are some denied and that there are some having them without permits. Some residents organize a block party and then people on the block do not move their cars. Can they be ticketed? There is a process but it required another permit and fee.

know how long that will need to regarding the need for them to cooperate in keeping the area around the El stops clean. They do it in other neighborhoods but not in Frankford.

> Residents on Trenton Avenue had a block party and got cooperation from Rep. Dawkins office to paint the wall on the street that day. Home Depot donated the paint.

Civic Association will be held on August 4th at 7 PM at St. Mark's Church at 4442 Frankford Avenue.

Happy Birthday, Brenda



It was a happy birthday for Brenda Miranda too as she celebrated her birthday at the St. Joachim's feast day Mass on July 23rd. We are blessed to have her and her family in the parish.

Frankford Old Head Game and Cookout

Saturday, August 20, 2016

Our 12th Year Celebration!!!

(Ike and Kat Events)



Location: Ditman and Wakeling Street

Time: 9:00 a.m. until the Cops Put us Out!

PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN GRILL, FOOD AND BEVERAGES, TABLES, CHAIRS, ETC. IF YOU DON'T BRING IT, YOU WON'T HAVE IT-

(GET YOUR SPOT EARLY)

Live Band and Frankford DJs Incorporated (Dr. Diesel-CEO)

HOUSE OF W.I.N.. INC BACK2SCHOOL DRIVE

August 27. 2016 (Rain date August 28, 2016)

12 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Whitehall Housing Projects

1820 Foulkrod St. Philadelphia. PA (First Parking Lot)

There will be Free Food. **Giveaways. School Supplies** and a Raffle

(WHILE SUPPLIES LAST)

We are in need of school supplies. If you would like to donate to this worthy cause, for more information contact **Caroline Payton** 267-266-2310

Bonita Ortiz 215-776-6865

Crystal Lloyd 267-970-8806

Denise **Jenkins** 215-275-8030

Giving Hearts!

By Pat Smiley



The Morgan Stanley Founda- Stanley whose heart is in our tion is supported by each of Frankford community, thank the departments within Morgan you for all that you do! We also Stanley. The Foundation has thank Morgan Stanley for acgiven Keep the Faith in Frank- knowledging your efforts with ford much needed donations their generous donations to over the past two years which Keep the Faith in Frankford! go directly to helping us feed those in need through the Northeast Committee on the Homeless' Dining with Dignity Program that operates at St. Mark's Church.

We have prepared served over 500 people a hot meal and and have sent them home with dinner bags because of these donations.

There are very good people in our community who don't need accolades nor do they want them. They genuinely care for others and do the right thing. Morgan Stanley does that, too! They encourage their employees to get involved in their communities and they support their efforts with matching grants and additional monies.

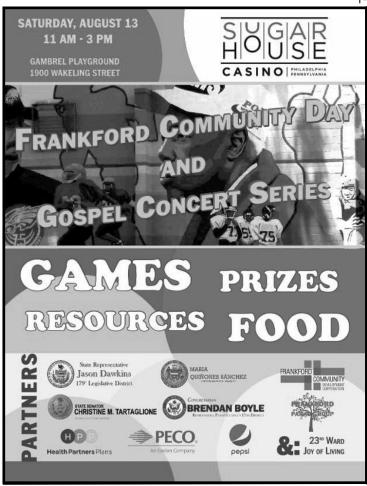
To our unsung hero at Morgan

Keep the Faith in Frankford partnered with The Historical Society of Frankford and the Grand Army of the Republic to do three Step Into History Tours this season.

We enjoyed doing them and from all accounts, those who joined us enjoyed them as well. Many thanks to Dr. Andy Waskie of the GAR and Jim Young of the HSF and your staffs for preserving our history. We thank all for your interest and participation and we hope to see even more of you this fall!

Pictured below are the tour participants at the Wilmerton House, also known as the Worrell-Winter House, one of the oldest houses in Philadelphia.





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Great Awakenings Café

(Cheltenham and Horrocks) 1466 E. Cheltenham Avenue Tuesday and Wednesdays: 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.



Congratulations to the graduates of 2016—McIlvain Preschool



PastorTasha Campbell, Bishop Dionne Butts, Lt. Cannon, Pastor Richard Smith and Pastor Larry Fowler at the Reclaiming the

Services at Second Baptist Church of Frankford

Rev. Darrell R. Bradsbery, Pastor 1801 Meadow Street

Wednesday Prayer Service/Bible Class 7:00 PM Sunday School 9:30 AM Sunday Worship Service 10:45 AM Third Sunday Baptism Fourth Sunday Communion Visit the Frankford Gazette
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Kids from the Frankford Boys and Girls club took a trip to Diggerland USA this month

Frankford High Class of 66 Reunion

The 1966 class of Frankford High School is planning our 50-year reunion, so please SAVE THE DATE! The reunion will be held the evening of SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2016 at The Buck Hotel, 1200 Buck Road, Feasterville-Trevose, PA 19053.

The cocktail hour begins at 6:00 p.m., with dinner served at 7:00 p.m. There will be a dj with dancing until 11:00 p.m. and a cash bar throughout the event. We are so looking forward to reuniting with old friends from a very special time in our lives. There will be lots of time for good conversation, great music and fun.

The admission prices are \$75.00 per person if your reservation is received by August 1 and \$85.00 per person if your reservation is received after that. Reservation requests received after October 1 will be honored if space is available.

If you are in contact with any former teachers and want to have one or more join us at the reunion, you are welcome to sponsor them. Please add his/her/their name(s) to your registration form and include their admission price in your total check.

Please visit our reunion website at: http://fhsclassof66reunion.org to register and find out who is coming and see if you can help us find some fellow classmates.

Questions? Please call Janet (Hall) Pratowski, 215-368-3858.



By Richard W. Johnson

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otected this Country with their Lives—— So we can enjoy ours.

 \bigwedge Army \bigwedge Air Force \bigwedge Navy \bigvee Marines \bigvee Coast Guard \bigvee National Guard \bigvee

Name

Branch

Wayne Hunt, Air Force Bill Jackson, Army Edward Jackson*, Army Kevin Jackson, Army William Jackson, Army Kenny James*, Army Leonard James, Army William James*, Army Mike Jennings*, Army Andrew Johnson*, Army James Johnson*, Army Phillip Johnson*, Army Richard D. Johnson, Navy Richard W. Johnson, Army Russell Johnson, Army Samuel Johnson*, Navy Wallace Johnson, Army Brenda Jones, Army Corey Jones*, Army Justin Jones, Army

Veteran of the Month



Gregory L. Lewis

Name

Branch

Willie Jones*, Army Tom Keane, Army Edward Keith, Army Richard Kennedy, Army Martin King, Navy Darrly Lampkin, Marines Jamie Lampkin, Army William Lampkin*, Army Adolph Lang, Marines Floyd Lang, Marines James Lang, Marines Clarence E. Lewis*, Army Donald Lewis, Army Gary Lewis*, Army Gregory Lewis, Army Guy D. Lewis, Army Henry Lewis*, Army Keff Lewis, Navy Nathan Lewis, Army Paul Lewis*, Army

*Veteran is deceased

By Richard W. Johnson

Gregory L. Lewis was born on August 19th, 1947 in the Frankford section of Philadelphia. He was educated in the Philadelphia School System at Smedley Elementary, Harding Junior High and Frankford High School.

Gregory, at a young age, became a member of the AME (African Methodist Episcopal Church) where he now is now a member and an usher.

Gregory joined the U.S. Army in 1966 and was sent to Fort Jackson, South Carolina for his basic training. Gregory was assigned overseas to Germany where he finished his term of service. He received numerous Awards and was promoted to the rank of E-4 (Specialist Fourth Class) and was honorably discharged in 1969.

Gregory was employed at Star Sprinkler Company then later was employed at the Northwood nursing home. He is a faithful member of his church and also a great supporter of various community events when needed. He is also a member of American Legion Post 224 and a Junior Elk member.

He loves traveling, hunting, Fishing and loves family gatherings. He also has a great passion for men's fashion and would be known as a fashion innovator.

Gregory, we thank you for your service.

Coming Up in Frankford

Live Music - Each Saturday time to answer your computer and food 7pm - 10pm - - Great Awaken- questions. Space will be limited. ings Cafe, 1466 E Cheltenham

Rotary Club of Frankford Tuesday Northeast. Each 12:15pm - 1:30pm - Cannstatter Volkfest Verein, 9130 Academy Road - Call 215 332-0121 For more information

Keep the Faith in Frankford at 4:30 p.m. Meeting - Each Wednesday 6:30pm - 8pm - St. Marks, 4442 Frankford ave.

Children's Story and Craft Hour - Each Thursday 10am -11am - Great Awakenings Cafe, 1466 E Cheltenham Ave. Ages 2 to 5

Live Acoustic Music Every Thursday - Thu, June 30, 8pm -11pm, The Original Chickie and owski - COMMANDER WILL Pete's Frankford Ave. and Robbins Street - Featuring phenomenal local talent Great late night Happy Hour Mike Dougherty

Extended Time with our Digital Resource Specialist - Tue, August 2, 10am – 12pm, Frankford Branch, 4634 Frankford Ave. - Do you need more time on a computer to type a paper, write e-mails, search for and apply for jobs? Join us every first Tuesday for extended, two-hour computer sessions. Our Digital Resource Specialist will be available at this

Wii with Vince - Wed, August Neighborhood Library, Frankford Avenue - Come play your favorite Wii games with Mr. Vince. For school-aged kids. Fourth Wednesday of the month

Meeting - Thu, August 4, 7pm - 8pm, St Mark's Church Frankford, 4442 Frankford Avenue

August 7, 12pm - 5pm, 4278 Griscom Street - Presenta-CUSHING: DAREDEVIL HE-RO OF THE CIVIL WAR

www.mikedoughertyproductions. August 8, 6:00pm - 7:15pm, St. August 22, 6:00pm - 7:15pm -Marks, 4442 Frankford Ave.

> Neighborhood Advisory Comtist Church, 1801 Meadow St.

cert Series - Sat August 13, at 4:30 p.m. 11am - 3pm, Gambrel Playground, Ditman and Wakeling PSA1 Meeting - Thu, August

Northwood Civic Association DENI **Meeting -** Tue, August 16, 7pm 8pm, St. James Lutheran 4634 Pratt Street

Public Meeting About Remedial Work at the Former Frankford Arsenal - Thu, August 18, 6pm - 7pm, Lloyd C. Wilson Jr. Frankford Civic Association American Legion Post 224, 2006 time, followed by a brief presentation then followed by a Q and A session where the project man-Grand Army of the Republic ager will answer questions spe-Former Frankford Arsenal.

tion at 1:30 PM: Jamie Malan- 12th Annual Frankford Old-9am - 6pm, Gambrel Playground, 1900 Wakeling St

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Streets - Games, prizes, resources 25, 7pm - 8pm, Aria Hospital,

4900 Frankford Ave.

PARK & PLAY-GROUND COMMUNITY DAY - Sat, August 27, 9am -3, 4:30pm - 5:30pm, Frankford Church, at Castor Avenue and 3pm, Deni Park, 1381 Ruan St. -There will be City Agencies, Music, Face Painting, Backpacks, School Supplies and much, much more!!

> Back 2 School Drive - Sat, August 27, 12pm - 4pm, 1820 Foulkrod St.- House of W.I.N. Orthodox Street - Open house Inc. Free food, giveaways, school supplies and a raffle while supplies last. Rain date August 28th.

Senior Breakfast - Tue, August Museum Open House - Sun, cific to the remedial work at the 30, 8am - 10am, Aria Health, Frankford - 2nd floor cafeteria -Aria will provide our community seniors with monthly, insightful head Game - Sat, August 20, tips and information on issues that are directly affecting you and your health. Breakfast will be provided free of charge. To Frankford Forward - Mon, Frankford Forward - Mon, reserve your seat call 1-877-808-2742 and then press 2.

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Sunday Morning Bible Study: 9:00am **10:00AM Main WORSHIP SERVICE**

Campbell AME Church

1657 Kinsey Street Church Office: 215-288-2748 Email: campbella.m.e.frankford@gmail.com

Services at Faith Assembly of God 1926 Margaret St

Sunday 11 A.M. and 6:30 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M.

Friday 7:30 P.M.

St. James Lutheran Church Castor Ave. at Pratt St.

It's Time For Church

Christ Fellowship Christian Church

Pastor Ronald W. Gayle Sr

1639 Harrison St. Phila Pa. 19124

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Wednesday Bible Study @ 6:00 P.M.

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John 3:16



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