

# The Frankford Gazette



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## Police Officers Making Friends



I've seen this quite a few times but just happened to snap a picture one evening in June as this 15th District officer stopped to say hello to these boys as they played on the sidewalk on Margaret Street.

# Remembering Elsie (Mrs. Sis) McMillon



By Kat Hardy

July 9th was a Frankford icon's birthday. She started the Frankford Chargers Cheerleaders and they are still a very classy group of young ladies.

She always played a very large part in St. Thomas Church, trying to keep it going. (SHE LOVED HER CHURCH)

She had 5 kids of her own but

was always a mom friend to many young people here in our village!!!

She was always a Fillmore Place mother to all the Fillmore Place kids and she still lights up my life, even from the heavens.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY MOM. REST WELL. YOU ARE LOVED AND MISSED SOOOOOO MUCH.

(IT'S WHAT WE DO WHILE WE ARE HERE THAT WILL BE REMEMBERED!!!!)



Elsie (Mrs. Sis) McMillon



Lenny Jaynes

Keep your kids off the street. Come on out and meet the coaches and the kids at the Philadelphia Express track team.



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## Northwood Park Food Truck Festival

The plans are coming together for our Northwood Park Food Truck Festival on August 17th from Noon to 7 PM.



We have 12 food trucks confirmed and several Northwood businesses sponsoring items for our event. We are still in need of more sponsors, donations and volunteers.

We will have all kinds of free activities for all ages. Come prepared to eat, eat and more eating. Get your face painted or paint a portrait. Bring your loved ones and friends, meet us at Northwood Park for a fun filled day of all kinds of activities.

Northwood Park is at 4700 Northwood Street.



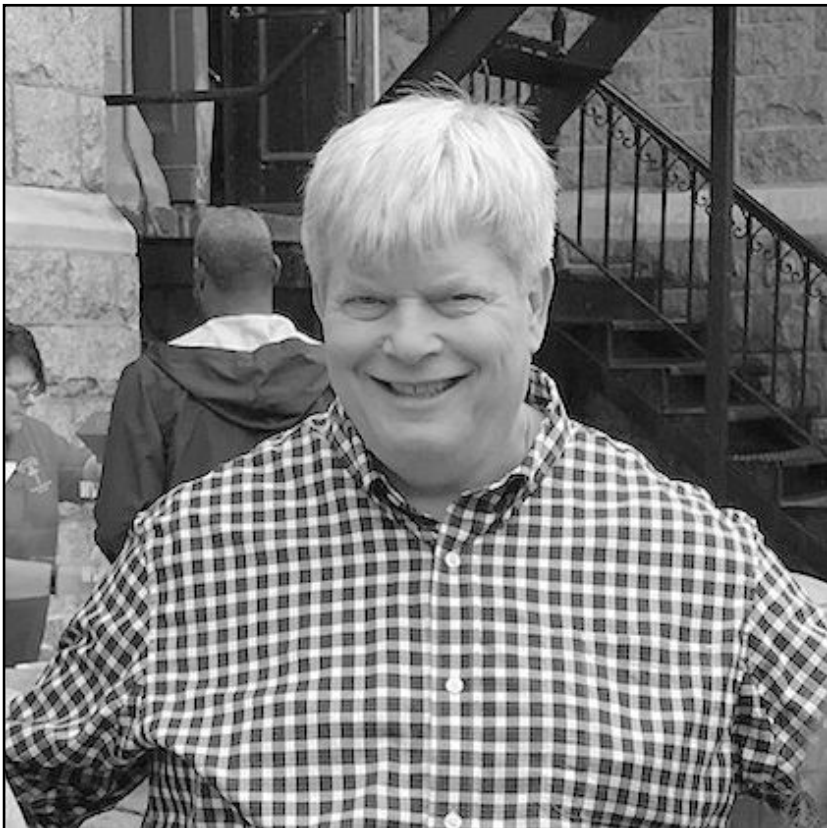
## Veteran of the Month: Jon Clodfelter

**Jon Clodfelter** proudly proclaims himself a son of the Ozark Mountains in Missouri and an adopted son of Frankford. He enlisted in the Army in March of 1976 when he was 21 years old because of a belief that every citizen in our country has a responsibility to the greater good. He saw the Army as a way of doing that.

His Army career as an Intelligence Analyst took him to a wide range of assignments at various command levels in Germany, Italy, Turkey, and at several different posts in the United States, such as Ft. Knox, KY, Ft. Bragg, NC, Ft. Huachuca, AZ, Presidio of Monterey, CA, the Pentagon, and Bolling Air Force Base, Washington, DC.

During those years of service in the Army he used the time to self-educate for his undergraduate degree. All his credits came while studying part time at a half dozen different institutions as he traveled around in the military. His military career included:

- Recognition for social and cultural awareness along with language skills.
- Deployment several times with the 7th Special Forces Group, the 1st Infantry Division, and the Southern European Task Force.
- Decoration several times, though he is most proud of being the recipient of the National Défense Medal because his career was highlighted primarily by Cold War Intelligence service.



In May of 1992 he took a post-Gulf War early retirement from the Army and chose a new path and received his Master's Degree of Divinity from Virginia Theological Seminary in Washington, DC. He later served as chaplain at Thompson children's home serving all the state of North Carolina focused primarily on helping sexual abuse victims.

In 2002, he joined St. Mark's Church in Frankford as the 11<sup>th</sup> Rector. I first met Jon at an event in 2011 for a Frankford Gazette story. I walked in from Frankford Avenue along the walkway on the north side and as I got up to the door of the church, bumped into a smiling guy, wearing overalls, I think and carrying a hammer. I thought he had to be the maintenance guy. That was Jon.

A guy with a hammer is not too far off the mark with Jon Clodfelter. He tries to be a fixer whenever possible, a listener all the time and a healer when it is called for.

He continues to serve the community of Frankford and a wider collection of folks linked to St. Mark's in the same way that he served his country in the Army.

He and his wife, Alice, have four adult children and three grandchildren. Jon enjoys making his home life interesting.

## Jon Clodfelter, Thank You for Your Service!!!



## Community Garden Update

By Rev. Donald McKinnie



Here are a few garden pictures from the last couple of weeks.



God is blessing our garden to grow nicely! We've had plenty of kale (which is super good for you, btw) and even got the chance to share a freshly picked kale salad together. Eating food you've planted and picked yourself is quite satisfying!



The garden was organized by the Mizpah Seventh Day Adventist Church in Frankford and is located at Paul and and Unity Streets.

*Congratulations to our friends at the  
Second Baptist Church of Frankford  
on their  
150th Anniversary*

By Nashid Edwards

I remember back in the 70's, Myself, Nathan Robinson, Mark Brown, 46 & SweatCakes used to travel across the city, hitting playgrounds in order to play basketball. We did this four days a week during the summer months.

When we said "next", people wanted to play us because we were from another neighborhood. Of course, we would win at least 4 straight games which made us in their eyes a team to beat.

My point is that today you cannot travel around the city without the fear of being shot at. We did this during the gang war days because the court was a safe haven for ballers. It's no longer.

I ask Almighty God to help in today's battle of senseless gun violence.



**Let our youth play.**

There were no cases heard in July by the Frankford NAC zoning committee. The next zoning meeting will be held on August 8th at 7 PM at Second Baptist Church, 1801 Meadow Street.

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## TOT REC Program 2019-2020

Boys and Girls—Program runs: September to May  
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**By Grace Alone & Frankford Memorial UMC  
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*I LOVE YOU MORE*

I love you for more reasons then you could understand,  
from the bottom of your feet to the fingers on your hand.  
It's when you listen when I talk and you tell me you understand.  
I love you for more reasons then you will understand.

The way you sway when you walk, your smile from cheek to  
cheek.

yes- I love you more then you understand.  
The way you run on the beach as you kick the sand,  
I love you more then you will ever understand.

By  
LENNY JAYNES

**St. Thomas United Methodist Church**

4701 Tackawanna street  
Rev. Carlos M. Carrero, Sr.  
Sunday morning bible school 10 AM  
Morning worship 11 AM  
215 744-2738

**Word of Faith Evangelistic Church**

Pastor Siretta Humphrey  
Bishopn Stephen Humphrey  
1400 Orthodox Street  
267-248-0017

Weekly Services:  
Sundays, Praise & Worship Services 11am  
Wednesdays, Pray & Bible Study

**FRANKFORD  
FINAL FRIDAY**

Join us for another great final Friday  
in Frankford Pause Park!

On the last Friday of every month, we'll be  
celebrating all things Frankford by bringing  
you fun, free community events that feature  
local food and craft vendors.

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# Coming Up in Frankford

**Frankford Civic Association Meeting** - Thu, August 1, 7pm, St Mark's Church Frankford, 4442 Frankford Avenue

**Grand Army of the Republic Museum Open House** - Sun, August 4, 12:00pm – 3:30pm, 4278 Griscom Street - Presentation at 1:30 PM: HISTORIAN AND AUTHOR JENNIFER MURRAY WILL PRESENT A PROGRAM ON THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF MAJOR GENERAL GEORGE G. MEADE

**Friends of Overington Park** - Tue, August 6, 7pm, Friends Meeting House, 1500 Orthodox Street - The group maintains and supports Overington Park at Orthodox and Leiper Streets. This park has been resurrected and now hosts events almost every month of the year but it can't do it without your active participation. New members needed. Join us the first Tuesday of the month. We meet In the Park from May to September.

**Neighborhood Advisory Zoning Committee Meeting** - Thu, August 8, 7pm, Second Baptist Church of Frankford, 1801 Meadow St.

**Recovery Café** - Fri, August 9, 7pm – 9pm, St Mark's Church

Frankford, 4442 Frankford Ave. - Every 2nd Fri of every month. St Mark's Church, Frankford hosts a Recovery Cafe. This Coffeehouse Event to celebrate and encourage those in recovery as well as those who support them. This free event is complete with live music, dessert fare, and positive uplifting fellowship. [Doors open at 6:30]

**15th Police District PSA1 Meeting** - Thu, August 15, 7pm, Jefferson Frankford Hospital, 4900 Frankford Ave.

**Northwood Civic Association Meeting** - Tue, August 20, 7pm, Simpson. Recreation Center, 1010 Arrott St.

**Police District Advisory Community Meeting** - Mon, August 26, 7pm, 2900 St Vincent St.

**Frankford Final Friday** - Friday, August 30, 6:00 – 8:00pm, Monthly on the fourth Friday, until Nov 22, 2019, Frankford Pause Park 4673 Paul St - Frankford Final Fridays! We'll be repping local talent with Frankford-based food trucks and craft vendors. Stop by, hang out, and enjoy all the great things that Frankford has to offer!

## Summer programming at The Frankford Library

### School Age

#### Frankford Lego Playtime

1st and 3rd Mondays at 4:00 p.m.  
June 3, 17, July 1, 15

#### Frankford's Movie Night

2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 4:00 p.m.  
June 12, 26, July 10, 24

#### Game Night w/Mr. Vince

3rd Wednesdays at 4:30p  
June 19, July 17, August 21

### Teens

#### Teen Thursdays

Thursdays at 3pm  
June 13 (CodeNames) 20 (Mystery in the Library) 27 (Robot Challenge)  
July 11 (Bring Your Own Book) 18 (Mindful Reminders) 25 (Origami)  
August 1 (Blokus)

### Adults

#### FRK Fitness

4th Mondays at 5:30p  
June 24, July 22, August 26

#### Computer Assistance w/DRS

Resume Help: June 4, July 2, Aug 6 (1st Tues) 12p-1p  
Job search/Apps: June 11, July 9, Aug 13 (2nd Tues) 12p-1p  
E-Gadget Help: June 18, Jul 26, Aug 20 (3rd Tues) 12p-1p  
Internet/Email: June 25, Jul 23, Aug 27 (4th Tues) 12p-1p

#### Laptop Open Lab w/DRS

June 5 (5p-6:30p), 19 (12p-2p)  
Jul 3 (5p-6:30p), 17 (12p-1p)  
Aug 7 (5p-6:30p: Intro to PowerPoint), 21 (12p-1p)

Services at  
St. Mark's Episcopal Church  
4442 Frankford Ave.

10:30 AM Main WORSHIP SERVICE

Northeast Baptist Church  
4744 Tackawanna Street

Service at 11:00 AM Sunday

### Padre Pio Prayer Center

Chapel corner of Griscom and Church Sts.  
Mass 730 AM Tues, Wed, Thurs  
Mass: 700 PM Monday and Wednesday  
Mass: Saturday 800 AM (Spanish)

Chapel open for private prayer Monday through Friday from 7 to 9 PM

Campbell AME Church  
1657 Kinsey Street

Church Office: 215-288-2748

Email: campbella.m.e.frankford@gmail.com

### Relevance Community Church

5185 Castor Ave.

215-743-1828

RelevancePhilly@gmail.com

Sunday Contemporary Service 10 am

Youth Ministry (1st-12th grade)

Fridays, 6 pm—8:30 pm

Addictions Meeting

Tuesdays, 7-8 pm

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.



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