



# OUR TOWN



## City Administrator's Message

As the always busy summer draws to a close, many of us look forward to our fall and winter routines. But before I totally succumb to the routines of the fall I want to give a few last reflections of the summer and give a few thank yous along the way.

At the end of June, the city held a crime prevention forum. Being discouraged by the turnout, the city and the Sheriff's Office volunteer Jim Lepin could have walked away from the effort. However, after strategizing how to proceed to increase involvement in preventing crime in Harrisburg, Mr. Jim Lepin and City Councilor Kim Downey have energized our citizens to form a few new neighborhood watch groups and setup a wonderful forum on an Active Shooter scenario at our schools later this month. THANK YOU Jim Lepin and Kim Downey!

We had a terrific 4th of July celebration again this year. I have never seen more people in our downtown after a parade than I saw this year, and of course the fireworks were amazing! THANK YOU members of the Harrisburg Festival and Events Association and Harrisburg Fire & Rescue!

In early August, the city was host to the Harvest Festival with a super tractor and truck pull. This year was the most successful year since the festival has been revived. THANK YOU members of the Harrisburg Harvest Festival Association.

Lastly, for each of the activities and events listed above a special thank you goes out to our city staff who do a mountain of work to ensure everything runs smoothly and is safe. THANK YOU to all of the city's employees!

-Brian Latta, City Administrator

### Crime Prevention Forum

Don't miss the September forum where the Sheriff's Office and the School Superintendent will discuss the response plan to an active shooter scenario at the Harrisburg schools. You will also be updated on the recent crime activities in the city and be encouraged to participate in neighborhood watch. Join with us in preventing crime in your neighborhood!



### Eagle Mania!

Join the Harrisburg Booster Club in supporting Harrisburg school athletes on Friday, Sept. 9, 2016. Enjoy good BBQ and company, win door prizes and bid in the silent auction. Be sure to stay for the football game. GO EAGLES!!!!

### Blood Drive



American Red Cross

*Together, we can save a life*

Come support the American Red Cross and donate blood. The blood drive is **Friday, September 23rd at 12:30 pm to 5:30 pm** at the Harrisburg Christian Church, Fellowship Hall, 601 Smith Street.

To schedule an appointment, visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and enter sponsor code: harrisburgchristian, or call 1-800-733-2767.

# OUR TOWN (CONTINUED)

## Harrisburg's 150th Birthday!

We're about a month and a half away from the City's 150th Birthday, and we want you to come and celebrate with us! Mark your calendars now for October 22nd and 23rd. We'll be celebrating in style with a parade, interactive history displays and exhibits, a time capsule burial, food, music, contests, a giant birthday cake and more.

We hope you'll come and join us in celebrating your hometown's history!



## HART Co-Op Preschool

The HART Community Center Inc. Parent Co-op Preschool has openings. Classes for 3 year olds are Tuesday and Thursday from 9 am - 11:30, and 4-5 year olds are Monday and Wednesday from 9 am - 12:00 pm. Cost is based on parents income, and volunteering 2 times per month is required. Contact the HART Community Center 541-995-7700 for more information.

## Water System Flushing

The City's Public Works crew will be flushing the water system on **September 13th - 15th**.

Please be advised that during the flushing you may experience low water pressure. It is also a best practice to flush out your water heater, other water using appliances and faucets soon after flushing is complete in your area to remove any sediments in your home water system. Finally, it is a good idea to refrain from washing whites or light colored clothing on all flushing days, or if you have not flushed out your home's water system.

## City Calendar - September

- 6th - Personnel Committee, 6:00 pm
- 6th - Government Committee, 6:30 pm
- 8th - Crime Prevention Forum, 6:30 pm (at HHS Library)
- 13-15th - Citywide Water System Flushing**
- 14th - City Council, 6 pm
- 20th - Planning Commission, 7 pm
- 28th - City Council Work Session, 6 pm

All meetings are located at City Hall, 120 Smith Street, unless noted otherwise. Agendas for all meetings are typically available one week prior to the scheduled meeting, and can be viewed electronically from the City's website:

[www.ci.harrisburg.or.us/meetings](http://www.ci.harrisburg.or.us/meetings).



## Awana Program

### starting at Life Bible Church

Life Bible Church is beginning their second year of Awana for children ages 2 through 5th grade! They will meet every Wednesday evening beginning September 14, 6:30 pm to 8:15 pm.

Awana is a children's program that reaches kids where they're at and walks alongside them in their faith journey. It gives kids from every background and cultural setting a place to belong, build confidence and grow! Awana establishes a welcoming, supportive environment where kids learn how a personal relationship with Jesus affects their everyday lives. Come join in for some fun and active games, Scripture-rich learning, and making new friends!

