



April 2020

WATT'S NEW?



Monday, April 15th is Patriots Day



History and meaning of Patriots' Day

The battles of Lexington and Concord that took place in Massachusetts on 19 April 1775, marked the first conflicts of the American Revolution which ultimately led to America's independence from Great Britain. On the night of 18 April 1775, a large unit of British soldiers marched from Boston to Concord, intent on destroying a cache of weapons that had been collected by the American colonists. Famously, Paul Revere and other riders alerted the colonial Minutemen of the plan, who then moved to intercept the British. Nobody can say for definite who fired those first shots on Lexington green, but the battle was the first organized resistance by the American forces. Buoyed by their superior numbers, the British then moved on from Lexington to Concord, where they were surprised by a counterattack from the colonists, forcing the Redcoats to retreat to Boston. The fighting on that day spurred on the colonists who now knew they could take on the military might of the British. The American War for Independence raged on until 1783, when the victorious colonies formally won their independence from Great Britain.

- Zodiac signs for April are Aries, March 21 to April 19 and Taurus, April 20 to May 20.
- The daisy, which symbolizes innocence and the sweet pea are the flowers for the month.
- The diamond is the birthstone for the month of April.



Happy Easter - April 12

What happened to the Easter Bunny when he misbehaved at School? He was eggspelled!!!

How many Easter eggs can you put in an empty basket?
Only one, -after that it's not empty!!!

Why did the Easter egg hide?
Because he was a little chicken!!!



Where does the Easter Bunny go when he needs a new tail?
To a re-tail store!!!

How can you tell which rabbits are the oldest in the group?
Just look for the gray hares!!!

What do you call a line of rabbits jumping backwards?
A receding hare-line!!!

Where does the Easter Bunny like to eat? IHOP!!!

Why won't Easter eggs go out at night?
They don't want to get beat up!!!

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The Chester Municipal Electric Light Department is pleased to inform our rate payers that the price of Energy on your light bills has gone down by a penny. You will notice this cost savings in the current bill. In addition the PCA (Power Cost Adjustment) rate has stayed the same for months. CMELD strives to continue to do its best for our customers. Please stay safe in these difficult times

From the Office of Town Clerk:

The census 2020 form you are getting in the mail has nothing to do with the street census that is sent out each January by this office. This is the census that the government sends out every (10) ten years which determines the number of representatives we have in Congress. This Census data also helps with a wide range of programs such as School Funding, Mass Health, Medicare, & Medicaid-Fuel Assistance-Road Assistance. It is easy to fill out and I don't have the code sent to you the confidential. We stand to lose approximately \$2300.00 per person that fails to return the completed form.

DOG TAGS- We got new software to put all information concerning your pet in the computer. I am trying to reach everyone by the phone numbers I have to verify all the information. The dog tags are in and hopefully we will be able to reach everyone and get the information updated. Check when your rabies vaccination is due.

The CMELD office is working to alleviate all customer concerns. At this time, CMELD has decided to cease sending residential shut-off notices until the state of emergency is lifted or when the Department of Public Utilities decides we can resume. We are encouraging all customers involved in a hardship to get on a payment plan. Please call the office at 413-354-7811 to set one up.

It has come to our attention that around the world, people have re-lit their holiday lights to raise everyone's spirits. The Town of Chester will join in. Hoping that as you drive by the Town Green and see the Holiday Tree lit, it will bring a smile to your face.



April Showers Bring May Flowers



Please
Stay
Safe

PLEASE!!! PLEASE!!! PLEASE!!! SIGN UP

Chester's Emergency Management team would like to remind everyone to take advantage of the ALERT system and sign up through the town website. www.townofchester.net Sign-up is easy, it only takes a few minutes and will help ensure you get information quick and timely.

If you need assistance getting signed-up, please reach out to the Police Department.

THIS IS SO IMPORTANT



4/18/2020
Thank your Lineman
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National Lineman Appreciation Day is a time to express our utmost appreciation to the great men and women that work so hard for us every day. It's our honor to celebrate the hard work, innovation, and dedication of Electrical Lineworkers.