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***What's New***

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THANK YOU & BEST WISHES
CHIEF DEPUTY KEVIN MILLER

***March 17th Special Election For
State Representative***

In the Special Election to fill the position of State Representative in the 193RD District, 19 Precincts with 26,472 registered voters, chose Republican Cathy Wallen to fill the remainder of Torren Ecker's term through 2026. 5,830 total ballots were cast with 3,751 cast at the polls and 2,079 mailed in. Thus, voter turnout was only 22.02%. Wallen received 3,639 votes with opponent Democrat Todd Crawley receiving 2,171 votes. The seat will be on the May 19TH Primary Election ballot where it is anticipated both candidates could meet again to run for the new 2-year term.

Opioid Fund Settlement Grant Application Re-Opens

The next application cycle (2nd round) for the Adams County Opioid Settlement Funds Grant Program begins April 1, 2026, and runs through June 12, 2026. If your organization supports evidence-based and community driven initiatives for opioid prevention, treatment and recovery services, you may be eligible to receive these awards if you meet specific criteria. In the first round 7 applicants were awarded a total of \$1.2M. Questions from potential applicants regarding the program can be directed to acosf@adamscountypa.gov or by contacting the Adams County Planning Office at 717-337-9824.

Data Use Agreement Enhances County Emergency Services

A primary responsibility of County government is the health, safety and welfare of residents! At Wednesday's public meeting, the Board approved signing a data use agreement with York County. This Agreement allows the Department of Emergency Services in each County to share Computer-Aided Dispatch (CAD) data and systems to enhance emergency response coordination across county boundaries, improve situational awareness for mutual aid responses, support joint training and quality assurance initiatives, and enable data-driven analysis for emergency service improvements. The Term of the Agreement is three (3) years and commences on the date of last signature. There is no additional cost to the County.



Policy Keeping Pace With Artificial Intelligence

It seems that Artificial Intelligence is a contemporary topic that is popping up everywhere. Like many things – it is both a blessing and a curse. To try and stay with or ahead of the Artificial Intelligence curve, the Board recently adopted an Adams County Interim Artificial Intelligence (AI) Use Policy at a recent public meeting. The purpose of the policy is to provide operational guidelines and procedures for the use of AI technologies by Adams County employees, elected officials, contractors and other users of County technology resources, including rules for data protection, permitted and prohibited uses, and employee responsibilities. This Interim Policy is effective March 18, 2026, and shall remain in effect until amended or replaced by a permanent AI Governance Policy.

Human Services Building Culvert Replacement

As you enter the Adams County Human Services Parking Lot, you do so over a large concrete culvert pipe that carries the small stream under the roadway. Unfortunately, that culvert pipe needs repair and significantly impacts ingress/egress to the building. At the March 18 public meeting the Board awarded the Human Services Building Culvert Replacement project to JDI Site Solutions, LLC, of Aspers, Pennsylvania totaling \$119,865.42. As a result of a duly advertised public bidding process, eight (8) proposals were received and carefully reviewed by the County.

JDI was determined to be the lowest responsible bidder for Alternate 1, which minimizes business interruption costs to the County and requires performance of the project over the Memorial Day Holiday weekend. Alternate 1 was determined by the County to be the preferred option, as it will cause the least disruption to County and Court operations at the HSB location.

with thanks and best wishes

Thank You & Best Wishes Chief Deputy Kevin Miller

At the March 18 public meeting, the Commissioners recognized Adams County Chief Deputy Sheriff Kevin Miller for his 20-years of service to the citizens of Adams County. Kevin is retiring on April 2nd. At the meeting former Chief Deputy Dave Allison and Sheriff Josh Fitting both commended Miller for the knowledge, consistency, commitment and stability he brought to the department.

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Kevin was always willing to impart his experience and knowledge with others. It was a pleasure to work with Kevin! On behalf of the Adams County Board of Commissioners, Kevin, we wish you well and thank you for your 20 years of service to the residents of Adams County!

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- **Physical Fitness Task Force 3-Mile Walk:** Saturday 9:30. Walk from Sachs Bridge to Eisenhower Farm and back. A speaker will meet the group outside the house to share some history. Meet at Sachs Bridge.
- **Apple Core Band:** Saturday, March 28, Bendersville Fire Company. Show begins at 1:30 with food available at 12:00. Free admission.

- **Community Easter Egg Hunt:** Gettysburg Church of the Brethren, Biglerville Road. Saturday, March 28, 10AM.



- **Date Night On The Rails:** Gettysburg Railroad. This evening at 6:30. For adults 21 and over. 90-minute round trip with food and live onboard music by Nich Mich. Alcohol available for purchase. Packages from \$27-70. gettysburgrailway.com
- **GNMP Winter Lecture Series:** Learn about the historic last reunion of Civil War soldiers at Gettysburg. This Saturday, GNMP Visitor Center, 1:30-2:30. Free!
- **U.S. Army Chorus:** Sunday. Lutheran Seminary Chapel 4PM. Free!
- **29th Annual United Way Purse Auction:** Next Friday 5-10. Presented by United Way of Adams County. Liberty Mountain Resort. Benefits United Ways Ready To Learn Program & Adams County Independent Living. Go to uwadams.org for ticket and event information.
- **Author Book Signing:** Saturday, April 1, 7:30-8:30PM. Adams County Historical Society. Jeff Shaara, Susan Eisenhower and Kris White.
- **Gettysburg Film Festival:** April 2-4. Living history encampments, book signings, special film screenings and historical lectures. Visit gettysburgfilmfestival.org for times and locations.
- **Waging The War Of Independence:** Friday, April 3. 2:30-4:30. Gettysburg Area High School. Featuring Ken Burns, Rick Atkinson & General Stanley McChrystal. Includes lectures, conversations and screenings. A George Washington lecture follows at 7PM. gettysburgfilmfestival.org
- **LCAC Annual Art Auction Opening Reception:** Friday, April 3rd at the Adams County Arts Council at 6PM. preserveadams.org/artauction for details.

