



**MAYOR'S REPORT  
TO THE COUNCIL AND CITIZENS OF GREENCASTLE  
PRESENTED: 02 August 2021**

**Traffic Congestion; East Baltimore Street @ Eastern Avenue:** Borough Manager Emilee Little and I recently met with Dunkin owner Telak Patel who was very cooperative regarding traffic mitigation at the subject intersection. The business has begun using outdoor ordering by tablet during the busy hours and working on better delineating the turn in lane off of Eastern Avenue so additional vehicle queuing may be clearly marked.

**Coffee with a cop and police activities:** Chief Phillippy and I had planned a public Coffee with a Cop program prior to COVID. We are now on track with such a program later this month. I appreciate the diligence of our police officers during very challenging times in this Nation. Some days you may go from call to call then catch up on necessary paper-work. Some rather extensive criminal investigations are currently in progress. THANK-YOU for keeping us safe 24/7.

**September 11 programs:** I am working on programs to commemorate the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary on the attack of the United States of America. Additional information will be publicly announced in the near future. We should never forget what happened on this day.

**Successful Sidewalk Days in Greencastle:** It was exciting to see so many folks out July 9 & 10 for the 54<sup>th</sup> annual event. A special thanks to the Chamber of Commerce, the merchants, visitors, fire-police, Greencastle Police Department and Public Works employees for keeping us safe.

**Vietnam Veterans' presentations held on 24 July 2021:** I was honored to present 18 Mayoral Citations to Vietnam Veterans at commemoration ceremonies held at the American Legion picnic grounds, sponsored by the American Legion Post 373. The accompanying photos includes Gold Star Wife Cindy Stancliff presented the Vietnam Service pin to Army Nurse Wendy Tomczak. Lt. Tomczak served at three medical facilities in Vietnam.



**Movie nights at Jerome King Playground:** Over two hundred citizens and three dogs recently attended movie night at the playground bandshell. A special thanks to the playground's volunteer board of directors and business sponsors for hosting this Summer event. The next movie night will be August 16.

**Community updates:** The start of school is just around the corner as August has arrived. School will begin in a little over two weeks. Motorists should be and remain alert to pedestrians and school buses traveling our streets as the PD will be actively enforcing the Pa. Vehicle Code.

It so disappoints me to observe motorists texting while driving and the lack of turn-signal use. Please keep your vehicles locked along with your garages and out-buildings as a preventative measure.

A special congratulations to the G-A 11 and 12 year old team for finishing second in the entire Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in little league baseball. Their exceptional play all season makes G-A PROUD. A special thanks to Conyngham Borough citizens and surrounding townships for your hospitality shown to our players, coaches, and families during the tournament. Again, congratulations to our home team for a successful little league season!



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