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This Newsletter is brought to you by the Hillsborough Township Committee:

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Due to anticipated inclement weather, the **Howl-O-Ween Dog Parade** scheduled for tomorrow, October 27th, at Ann Van Middlesworth Park has been cancelled.



Truck or Treat scheduled for tomorrow, October 27th, at the Triangle Sports Complex has been cancelled.



The Auten Road site will be open tomorrow, 10/27/18 from 7:00 am to 3:00 pm RAIN OR SHINE for residents with tickets for the final **Clean Up Day** of the year.

Township News

Township and County Officials Unveil Plaque at Mountainview Park

Somerset County Freeholder Director Patrick Scaglione, Freeholder Mark Caliguire, Mayor Gloria McCauley, Committeeman Frank DelCore, Committeeman Carl Suraci, Committeeman Shawn Lipani, Township Administrator Anthony Ferrera, and Township Clerk Pamela Borek joined county Somerset Park Commission President Bill Crosby, Park Commissioner Scott Ross, Park Commissioner Helen Haines,

interim Parks Director Geoffrey Soriano and former Somerset County Parks Director Ray Brown in unveiling a plaque at Mountain View Park in Hillsborough on Oct. 25.



Hillsborough Township Committee Supports "Night of Conversation"

The deadly disease of addiction is prevalent in our society, with untold suffering in grief, lost productivity, health care costs, various family burdens and crime.

On January 9, 2017, in New Jersey, legislation was signed into law, designating one night as a "Night of Conversation" to encourage conversation and public discourse about drugs and alcohol addiction.



Hillsborough/Millstone Municipal Alliance Celebrates Red Ribbon Week!

Red Ribbon Week is celebrated in October every year and the campaign supports the continuing tradition of displaying red ribbons as a symbol of intolerance toward the use of drugs and underage drinking.



Jr. Raiders Recognized for Academic Achievement

On Monday, October 15th, the Hillsborough Jr. Raiders held a ceremony at the municipal building to honor their highest achieving student-athletes. Each marking period, the Jr Raiders organization holds a ceremony and presents certificates to their students in grades 5 through 8 who have achieved straight A's.



<u>Hillsborough Township Relaunches HBA</u> Website

The Hillsborough Business Association (HBA) officially relaunched the HBA website with new and enhanced features. One of the many new features is that the Hillsborough business community will have an opportunity to promote all they have to offer on www.hillsboroughbusiness.org to both Hillsborough residents and visitors



Sunnyside Gifts Opens in Hillsborough

On Wednesday, October 24, 2018 a ribbon-cutting ceremony was held at Sunnyside Gifts in Hillsborough to celebrate the recent grand opening. Mayor Gloria McCauley was joined by David Kois, Business Advocate, the business owners Dave and Shannon Winters, and family and friends.



<u>Halloween Curfew in Effect October 30th -</u> November 1st From 10PM - 6AM

Hillsborough Police Chief Darren Powell reminds residents of his concern for the safety of all those who participate in Halloween festivities.



Township Events

Operation Take Back

Saturday, October 27, 2018 10 am - 2 pm @ Municipal Building



Adopt a Family

Help Feed A Needy Family This Thanksgiving

Donations due by November 17th



Hillsborough The Good Life

Season 4 - Episode 1

Watch Now!



Township Job Line

Hillsborough Township is currently looking to fill the following position:

- School Crossing Guard, Part Time
- · Building Maintenance, Part Time



 Part Time Office Assistant/Floater in Administration/Clerk's Office

More Information | Download an Application

Department Updates

Building Department

Electrical Problems?

Engineering Department

Beekman Lane Update

<u>Finance</u> <u>Department</u>

Health Department

Rabies Update

If you are experiencing electrical problems in your home, make sure to call a **Licensed Electrician** to take a look. A qualified individual assessing the issue, and receiving the necessary Electrical Inspections from the Building Department can help ensure the proper safety of installation or repairs. According to the National Fire Protection Association, between 2010-2014 there were 45,210 reported fires involving electrical malfunctions.

The Engineering Department would like to advise the public that the Beekman Lane rehabilitation project has commenced and should be completed within in the next 2 weeks, weather permitting. The project included the upgrade of handicap ramps and storm drainage inlets. Traffic delays may be experienced during the time of the paving operation.

The 2018 Added/Omitted/Rollback tax bills were mailed last week. This billing is in addition to the tax bills mailed in September, and is due on or before November 1st as well. If your taxes are paid through your mortgage, your lender has been notified as well.

The Hillsborough Health Department would like to remind residents that the deadly rabies virus is present in wildlife in New Jersey and it can be passed to cats, dogs, and humans. Most often, rabies is found in raccoons, foxes, bats, skunks, and sometimes groundhogs in New Jersey. A fox in Hillsborough just recently was tested and found to have rabies. It is spread to people or pets usually through bites but can sometimes be passed by scratches and open cut exposure to infective saliva.

Hillsborough will have a free rabies vaccination clinic in January please be sure to visit the health department website at www.hillsborough-nj.org. Check out the "Animal Alley" Section. Any New Jersey resident may attend any free rabies clinic in New Jersey.

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Power Outage and Other Safety Information

In the event you experience a loss of power, please contact your power company directly and report the outage.

JCP&L: 888-544-4877 | PSE&G: 800-436-7734

- Do not touch or attempt to move downed lines
- Do not operate generators inside your residence nor your garage; use only outdoors

- If using candles, please ensure they are not placed by any flammable material. Lit candles should remain attended at all times. Please extinguish candles when leaving the room.
- If using space heaters, ensure they are placed in a safe location away from any flammable materials and walls.

For more JCP&L information, click <u>here</u>
For more PSE&G information, click <u>here</u>
Click <u>here</u> for information on PSE&G's mobile site

Floods and Flash Floods

On average, more people are killed by flooding than by any other single severe weather hazard, including tornadoes, lightning, and hurricanes. Most of these deaths occur at night, when it is more difficult to recognize flood dangers, and when people are trapped in vehicles. Do you and your family know what to do in case of a flood?

Remember:

- DO NOT drive onto a flooded roadway.
- DO NOT go around barriers.
- DO NOT drive through flowing water. If you approach a roadway
 that is flooded, TURN AROUND DON'T DROWN. It takes just
 12 inches of rushing water to carry away a small car, while 2 feet
 of rushing water can carry away most vehicles. It is NEVER safe
 to drive or walk into flood waters.

Drive with extreme caution if roads are even just wet or it is raining. You can lose control of your vehicle if hydroplaning occurs, which is when a layer of water builds up between your tires and the road, causing there to be no direct contact between your vehicle and the road.

- Be Cautious of the Following:
- · Broken or leaking gas lines
- Flooded electrical circuits
- Submerged furnaces or electrical appliances
- Flammable or explosive materials coming from upstream.

Additional Precautions:

- Before floodwaters crest, turn off the main power switch if you think the electrical circuits are going to be underwater. Never Touch The Switch While You Are Wet Or Standing In Water. Do not turn the electrical system back on until it has been inspected by an electrician.
- Know what a river height forecast means for your property especially how far your property is above or below expected flood levels.
- Know where to go in case of flooding. Remember that you must seek higher ground as quickly as possible, on foot if necessary.

For a flood safety checklist from the American Red Cross, click here

Public Works

Saturday, October 27th is Shake Your Mailbox day Each winter, mailboxes are damaged during winter maintenance operations. In most cases, the snow plow does not actually hit the mailbox, but the force of snow thrown from the roadway is enough to knock down a loose or weakened mailbox. Damage to posts and receptacles can often be prevented by proper routine maintenance. If you can shake your mailbox, it probably needs maintenance.

Take time now (in the fall) to make any repairs needed so your mailbox will be strong enough to survive the winter. Proper maintenance may help to prevent damage that results in delayed mail delivery.

Leaf Program Information

Hillsborough Township provides both a <u>Leaf Pick Up</u> and a <u>Drop Off</u> <u>Program</u>, which runs from November 1st through the end of December, drop off is at the Auten Road Facility. The purpose of this program is to assist residents with the removal of fallen leaves.

Check the Public Works page on the Township website for updates to the **Leaf Pickup Schedule**.

Recreation

Final reminder to register for the 2018-2019 Winter In-Town Recreation Basketball League. While the deadline has passed, simply call the recreation office as there are currently a handful of spots remaining.

Social Services

Stuff the Bus & Adopt a Family

Hillsborough Township Social Services Community Assistance Network has partnered with the Hillsborough PBA once again participating in **Stuff the Bus**. Stuff the Bus is a one day Food Drive on Saturday, November 17th from 9 am until 2 pm at the Hillsborough ShopRite.

The Social Services department also asks you to please consider Adopting a family for the Holidays.

Township Clerk

Mail in Ballots

Applications for mail-in-ballots are available online at http://www.co.somerset.nj.us/CountyClerkElectionDivo or at the County Clerk's Office, located in the lobby of the county Administration Building at 20 Grove St., Somerville.



Completed mail-in ballots can be mailed to the Somerset County Election Board, P.O. Box 3000, Somerville, NJ 08876. Ballots also can be dropped off at the Election Board, located next to the County Clerk's Office in the County Administration Building . Mail-In ballots can be returned in person until the polls close at 8 p.m. on election night. Ballots that are postmarked by Election Day and received by the Election Board within 48 hours after the polls close also will be accepted.

Important Dates

Sample ballots will be mailed to all registered voters about a week before the election.

Digital copies are available on the Clerk's website.

October 30 - Deadline to apply for a Mail-In Ballot by Mail for General Election (not less than 7 days prior to election).

November 5 – by 3:00 p.m. Deadline for In-Person <u>Mail-In Ballot Applications</u> for General Election (up to 3:00 p.m. on the day before election) N.J.S.A. 19:63-3

Where do I Vote?

November 6 - Election Day 2018

How to Find Your Polling Location

Before you head to the polls on November 6th, check your sample ballot to see where you vote. Can't find your sample ballot? Use this online <u>Polling</u> Place Locator



Library

SCLSNJ's 3rd Annual Book Lovers Tea

On November 3rd from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., the Somerset County Library System of New Jersey (SCLSNJ) will host the 3rd annual Book Lovers Tea at the Hillsborough branch, located at 379 South Branch Road in Hillsborough. Library customers will spend the afternoon savoring tempting sweets, learning about books, Shakespeare's kitchen, and feasting in the Renaissance. Food historian Francine Segan will give a talk on fanciful foods, intriguing table manners, etiquette, and unusual dining customs during Elizabethan times. Segan is the author of "Dolce: Italy's Sweets" and "Pasta Modern: New and Inspired Recipes From Italy."

Local Author Day at the SCLSNJ Hillsborough Library branch on Saturday, November 10th from 1-4 p.m. Program Rooms A&B

Meet local authors and learn more about their craft and inspiration. Over 25 writers of adult, young adult and children's books will be in attendance. Author readings, book signings, and books to purchase will be available throughout the afternoon.

Explore the concept of fake news with the Somerset County Library System of New Jersey (SCLSNJ) this winter.

Boards & Commissions

Municipal Alliance

Upcoming Events

Substance Abuse Prevention Parent Education Program

Thursday, November 1st 7-8 pm

Hillsborough Middle School Media Center

Night of Conversation

An interactive discussion to prevent drug use and promote mental health.

Wednesday, November 14th 7-8:30 pm Hillsborough Municipal Building

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Important Dates

November 1st	Planning Board	Canceled
November 7th	Board of Adjustment	7:30 pm
November 8th	Planning Board	7:30 pm
November 20th	Township Committee Meeting	7:30 pm

All Boards & Commissions Meeting Dates | Community Events | Library Events

News You Can Use

Hillsborough VFW Youth Scholarship Programs

Hillsborough Memorial VFW Post # 8371 Commander Tom Cellilli announces the Post is now accepting entries to the Voice of Democracy and Patriots Pen national essay competitions.

Download Entry Forms:

- Patriot's Pen
- Voice of Democracy

Read More



Join Us In Supporting Our Troops Overseas!



On Saturday evening, November 17th at 6:30 pm, the Hillsborough Chapter of UNICO will host their annual "Night of Comedy" fundraiser dinner to be held at the Raritan Valley Country Club in Bridgewater, NJ. UNICO (www.unico.org) is the largest national Italian-American service organization, which engages in charitable works, supports higher education, and performs patriotic deeds.

Proceeds from this event's gift auction will benefit Operation Shoebox New Jersey. Founded in 2005, Operation Shoebox New Jersey is an all-volunteer grassroots organization dedicated to collecting donated supplies and shipping care packages to U.S. troops based in Iraq, Afghanistan and other Middle East countries. To date, with the generous support of the community, Operation Shoebox has shipped more the 120,000 packages to military personnel abroad.



Download a Donation Form

Rotary Club of Hillsborough Organizes Community Event at YMCA to Pack Holiday Gifts for Troops Abroad

A caring message and a few simple pleasures from home can make a big difference to our service men and women serving abroad. That is the underlying mission of Operation Shoebox, a Hillsborough-based, non-profit organization dedicated to providing our troops serving abroad with their favorite snacks and toiletries. The Rotary Club of Hillsborough is proud to support their mission for the seventh year running with the Club's annual holiday packing event, scheduled for Saturday, December 1, from 10:30 AM to 2 PM, at the Hillsborough YMCA (19 East Mountain Road, Hillsborough, NJ). Members of the community are invited to participate in this special event to assemble the gift packages.

Read More

Community Events

Visit the <u>Community Events Calendar Page</u> on the Hillsborough Township Website to see what's happening around town or to post your event

Click on flyers for more information

Princeton Skating Club Open House

October 27th 11:15 am - 1:15 pm Princeton Day School

Subway Fundraiser for the Hillsborough High School Competition Cheerleaders

October 28th 12 pm - 6 pm Subway of Hillsborough

Veteran Mental Health Webinar

November 1st 12:30 to 1:15 pm

More Info

Bill Turner & Blue Smoke Band Concert

November 3rd 7 - 9 pm Harlingen Reformed Church

Bridgeway Wellness Fair

November 8th 10 am - 1 pm Bridgeway Care and Rehabilitation Center

Local Author Day

November 10th 1 - 4 pm Hillsborough Library

Vendor Fair

November 14th 6:30 - 9 pm St. Joseph's Church

Flapjack Fundraiser for Central Jersey Lightning Softball

November 17th 8 am - 10 am Applebee's

"Serious Songs" - Baritone and Piano

November 18h 4 pm - 6 pm Hillsborough Reformed Church

HHS Band Clothing Drive

November 17th 10 am 12 pm Hillsborough High School Front Entrance

Annual Craft Fair at the Princeton Elks

December 9th 12 pm - 4 pm 354 Route 518 Skillman

Operation Shoebox Packing Event

December 1st 10:30 am - 2 pm Hillsborough YMCA

On Sale! New ARIS/HMS 2018-2019
Discount Card - Save Money at Local
Businesses & Support Hillsborough
Students

If you would like to purchase a ARIS/HMS Discount Card, email laura@brightsoftware.com for details, or visit Super Sundaes ice cream shop (near the Post Office).



Somerset County News

Senior Centers Announce November Activities

Polling Locations Now Online

November Recycling Calendar: First Saturday & E-Waste Drop-offs

County Clerk Extends Office Hours for Mail-in Ballots

Adopt-A-Family Program to Aid Needy Residents

'Project Warm Your Heart' to Collect Winter Clothing for Kids

MUNICIPAL BUILDING EVENING OFFICE HOURS

CLERK'S OFFICE 2nd & 4th Tuesdays until 7pm BUILDING DEPARTMENT Tuesdays until 7pm

Press Releases Events Calendar Meeting Dates

Online Payments & Tax Notices

Recreation Activities Guide

Hillsborough Township | Somerset County | State of New Jersey
Hillsborough Business Association
Hillsborough Parks & Recreation | Sustainable Hillsborough
Hillsborough Schools | Hillsborough Public Library

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