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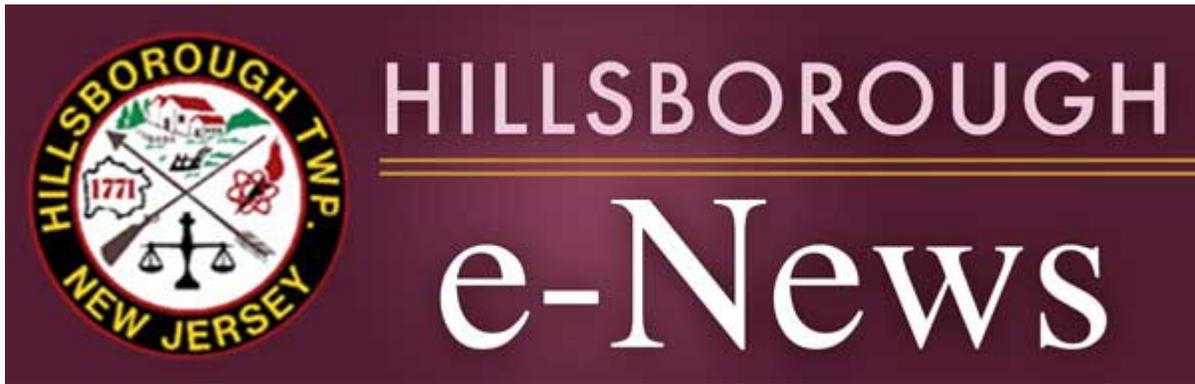
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This Newsletter is brought to you by the Hillsborough Township Committee:

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**The Mayor and Township Committee Wish All Residents a Happy Thanksgiving**

In observance of Thanksgiving, Municipal Offices will be Closed Thursday, November 22nd and Friday, November 23rd.

The Hillsborough Library will close at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, November 21st and will be closed Thursday, November 22nd. The Library will be open Friday, November 23rd 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.



**Road Closure**

River Road, near Orchard Drive, will be closed at 7 pm on November 26th until 6 am on November 27th and again at 7 pm on November 27th until 6 am on November 28th.

**Township News**

**HHS Pride of Hillsborough Raider Marching Band Celebrates Successful Season**

The Pride of Hillsborough Raider Marching Band competed at the US Bands Mid-Atlantic Regional competition on November 3, 2018, placing first in Preliminaries with a score of 97.4 and receiving the Caption Awards of Best Music and Best Overall Effect. The band advanced to Finals and scored first place with a score of 98.2125 and received Caption Awards for Best Music, Best Overall Effect and Best Percussion. They placed second overall at the State Championships winning Best Music and the Esprit de Corps Award for the highest music score of the competition.



**Township Committee Acknowledges World Stroke Day**

Strokes are the leading cause of serious long-term disability and the fifth leading cause of death in the United States, killing about 130,000 people nationwide and 3,400 citizens of New Jersey each year.

Between 2012 and 2030 total direct annual stroke-related medical costs are expected to increase from \$71.55 billion to \$184.13 billion and overall, total annual costs are projected to increase to \$240.67 billion by 2030, an increase of 129 percent.



**Christmas Tree Lighting to be Held on Friday November 30th.**

**Celebrate the Holiday Season with Festive Township Activities.**

Hillsborough Township will kick off the Holiday Season on Friday, November 30th with the annual lighting of the Township Christmas Tree.

The festivities will begin at 6 pm and will include train rides (weather permitting) from 6-8 pm, an ice sculpture demonstration, and a surprise visit from Elsa, Anna, and Olaf of Disney's Frozen.

Santa will arrive courtesy of the Flagtown Fire Department at 7 pm to help light the Christmas tree. Hot cocoa, cookies, and candy canes will be provided, while supplies last, compliments of the Hillsborough Township Recreation Department. DJ Lou will perform outside around fire barrels to help warm the atmosphere, alongside two live performances from Flair Dance Academy and Triangle Dance Academy prior to the tree being lit.



**Friday November 30, 2018 @ 6 pm**

**Hillsborough Municipal Complex**

**Mike Merdinger Memorial Trails Dedication Saturday, December 1 @ 11:00 am – 29 East Mountain Road**

On Saturday, December 1st, the trails at 29 East Mountain Road will be dedicated to long time Flagtown resident, Michael Merdinger. The ceremony naming the area as Mike Merdinger Memorial Trails will be held at 11am.



**Saturday December 1, 2018 @ 11 am**

**29 East Mountain Rd.**

Mr. Merdinger served Hillsborough Township as a dedicated civil servant and held many key positions within the community. He served on the Township Committee in 1979 and again in 1981 through 1984 and served as the Township's Mayor in 1984. Throughout the years, he also held the positions of Township Administrator and Acting Township Clerk.

## Turkey Basics: Safe Cooking

Many variables can affect the roasting time of a whole turkey:

- A partially frozen turkey requires longer cooking.
- A stuffed turkey takes longer to cook.
- The oven may heat food unevenly.
- Temperature of the oven may be inaccurate.
- Dark roasting pans cook faster than shiny metals.
- The depth and size of the pan can reduce heat circulation to all areas of the turkey.
- The use of a foil tent for the entire time can slow cooking.
- Use of the roasting pan's lid speeds cooking.
- An oven cooking bag can accelerate cooking time.
- The rack position can have an effect on even cooking and heat circulation.
- A turkey or its pan may be too large for the oven, thus blocking heat circulation.



## Hillsborough The Good Life

### Season 4 - Episode 1

Watch Now!



## News You Can Use

### Protect Yourself or Your Business From Fraud

#### "Protecting Your Business From Fraud"

Join Affinity Federal Credit Union on Thursday, November 27th for a free, informative seminar.

#### Join us to learn:

- Latest network vulnerabilities and how to counter them.
- Cyber Threat Intelligence and Security Awareness
- How should you store information
- How to protect you and your business from becoming victims



#### KEEP YOUR PROFITS IN YOUR POCKETS

There are many different types of fraud that could affect small business owners.

#### Join us to learn:

- Latest network vulnerabilities and how to counter them
- Cyber Threat Intelligence and Security Awareness
- How should you store information
- How to protect you and your business from becoming victims

Speaker:  
Jim Wilcox  
Affinity Operational Risk, Risk Administration  
Affinity Federal Credit Union

Tuesday, November 27, 2018  
5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Affinity Federal Credit Union  
375 Route 206  
Hillsborough, NJ 08844

Space is limited - reserve your spot today! This seminar event is complimentary to all.

R.S.V.P. at <http://fraudseminarhillsborough.eventbrite.com>

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## 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](#)

On Saturday, December 15, 2018 at 12:00 PM, Wreaths Across America will be at Sacred Heart Cemetery - Hillsborough to Remember and Honor our veterans through the laying of Remembrance wreaths on the graves of our country's fallen heroes and the act of saying the name of each and every veteran aloud.

Please help our location lay wreaths at as many graves as possible by visiting the [Wreaths Across America Website](#) and clicking the red "Sponsor" button. Or, if you would like to volunteer to participate in the wreath laying ceremony, please click the "Volunteer" button, and don't forget to click the "Invite" button to invite your friends and family to join you.

Thank you so much for supporting Sacred Heart Cemetery - Hillsborough and Wreaths Across America!



## Department Updates

### Building Department

#### *Winterize Your Home*

Autumn is here and Winter is just around the corner. Don't wait until it is too late to start winterizing your home. When water inside pipes freeze, it causes pressure inside the pipe, and when the pressure get too high, the pipe ruptures. We recommend to insulate pipes in crawl spaces to create warmth. Also, If you are planning on leaving for an extended period of time, do not shut your heat off completely.

### Engineering

#### *Engineering Inspections in the Winter Months*

The Engineering Department reminds residents that site inspections cannot be conducted if the area to be inspected is snow covered.

If additions, pole barns, garages, driveways, in ground swimming pools etc. are in the process of being constructed and a resident needs a final Engineering site inspection for certificate of occupancy it is recommended that the site work be completed before it becomes snow covered.

If the inspection needs to be delayed until spring, the Engineering Department requires that a cash escrow be submitted and a temporary certificate of occupancy be issued until the site work can be verified.

Once the site work is verified, the cash escrow can be returned and a permanent certificate of occupancy can be issued.

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## **Finance Department**

### ***Dog License Renewal***

The Finance Department will begin mailing out 2019 Dog License renewals in mid-December. Payments for these renewals cannot be made until January 2nd. Pet owners are reminded that, in order to renew your dog's license, their rabies vaccine must be valid through October 2019. Please watch the Township website for the date and time of the 2019 annual rabies clinic.

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## **Health Department**

### ***November is Diabetes Awareness Month***

General Diabetes is a type of disease that is caused by problems with the hormone insulin. Insulin is in charge of controlling sugar levels in the body. Normally, an organ in the body releases insulin to help your body store the sugar from the food. Under diabetic conditions, the organ produces very little or no insulin and causes the body to malfunction. Another cause could be that the receptors in body cells do not recognize insulin. Approximately 30 million children and adults have diabetes in the United States.

Uncontrolled diabetes can cause many complications due to the high blood glucose, poor circulation, and damaged organs. The skin may take longer to heal, and feet can develop ulcers and infections. The eyes can be affected by early blindness. Kidneys may malfunction. Stroke and heart attack occur more often in diabetics as well. Nerves may also be affected and may be painful.

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## **Police**

During the Thanksgiving holiday weekend, the Hillsborough Police Department will be deploying supplemental patrols targeting impaired driving and other moving violations. Drivers are reminded to use public transportation, use a designated driver, or use one of the many paid services that are available.

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## **Public Works**

### ***Leaf Program Information***

Hillsborough Township provides both a [Leaf Pick Up](#) and a [Drop Off Program](#), which runs from November 1st through the end of December. The Drop Off program is located at the Auten Road Facility. The purpose of this program is to assist residents with the removal of fallen leaves.

The Public Works Department urges residents to follow the instructions pertaining to the Leaf Collection Program posted on their website. It is against Township ordinance to place leaves in the street, and with the early arrival of winter weather, leaves piled in the street made snow removal extremely difficult. Plow drivers were not able to distinguish snow piles from leaf piles and inevitably the leaves were pushed all over the roadway and into the storm drains. Crews have now returned to the task of picking up leaves and will continue until all of the piles are removed.

Check the Public Works page on the Township website for updates to the [Leaf Pickup Schedule](#) and for information on how to prepare your leaves.

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## **Social Services**

### ***C.A.N. Provides Assistance for Families in Need***

As the holidays quickly approach, many residents are planning gatherings for family and friends. While this should bring joy to those planning for the holidays, it can also increase stress for those who are already struggling to provide groceries for their family.

## ***During the Holiday Season***

In an effort to help reduce some of the stress from holiday planning, the Hillsborough Community Assistance Network (CAN) was able to provide Holiday meals for those residents in need. One of the features of CAN's program is the ability of the recipient to redeem a voucher at a local grocery store and choose a turkey, ham or lasagna, based on the wishes of the family.

The meals provided were made possible through the teamwork of multiple local residents and organizations. This included many donations from individuals, and larger donations from local organizations throughout the community.

Many of these donations enabled the participants to gain valuable community service hours for organizing, delivering and sorting the items received.

## **Township Job Line**



**Hillsborough Township is currently looking to fill the following position:**

- Building Maintenance, Part Time

[More Information](#) | [Download an Application](#)

## **Important Dates**

November 29th	Planning Board Business Meeting	<b>7:30 pm</b>
December 5th	Board of Adjustment Meeting	<b>7:30 pm</b>
December 6th	Planning Board Meeting	<b>7:30 pm</b>
December 13th	Planning Board Meeting	<b>7:30 pm</b>
December 11th	Township Committee Meeting	<b>7:30 pm</b>
December 18th	Township Committee Meeting	<b>7:30 pm</b>

[All Boards & Commissions Meeting Dates](#) | [Community Events](#) | [Library Events](#)

## **Community Events**

Visit the [Community Events Calendar Page](#) on the Hillsborough Township Website to see what's happening around town or to post your event

Click on flyers for more information

### **Jr. Raiders 3rd Annual Turkey Bowl**

November 22nd  
visit [jrraiders.org](http://jrraiders.org) to register

### **Walk, Bike Hike Somerset County**

November 29th  
20 Grove Street, Somerville



### Operation Shoebox Packing Event

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

### Annual Craft Fair at the Princeton Elks

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

### Mid-Winter: the feasts and festivals of December

December 9th  
3 pm - 4:30 pm  
Church of Saint Charles Borromeo, 47 Skillman Road, Skillman NJ

### 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](mailto:laura@brightsoftware.com) for details, or visit Super Sundaes ice cream shop (near the Post Office).

ARIS/HMS DISCOUNT CARD 2018-2019			
\$10.00 *MUST PRESENT CARD AT TIME OF PURCHASE*			
Non-Transferable/Cannot Be Combined With Other Offers - <a href="http://www.hillsga.us">www.hillsga.us</a> Expires Sept. 30, 2019			
<b>BRIGGSVILLE 550 HILL ROAD</b> \$5 off any \$25+ food purchase for yourself or family \$10 off any \$50+ food purchase for yourself or family \$15 off any \$75+ food purchase for yourself or family \$20 off any \$100+ food purchase for yourself or family	<b>AMERICAL AUTO &amp; TIRE</b> \$10 off any \$50+ purchase of tires \$15 off any \$75+ purchase of tires \$20 off any \$100+ purchase of tires	<b>ANGEL'S PIZZERIA</b> \$5 off any \$15+ pizza \$10 off any \$30+ pizza \$15 off any \$45+ pizza	<b>8 &amp; C CLOSET</b> 10% off \$10+ clothing purchase 15% off \$20+ clothing purchase 20% off \$30+ clothing purchase
<b>BAIRD CLOUTIER</b> 20% off any \$20+ purchase of clothing 25% off any \$30+ purchase of clothing 30% off any \$40+ purchase of clothing	<b>BIG BANG HOME CENTER</b> 10% off any \$50+ purchase of home improvement items 15% off any \$75+ purchase of home improvement items 20% off any \$100+ purchase of home improvement items	<b>BOUNCE &amp; BOUNCE</b> \$5 off any \$15+ purchase of bounce house rental \$10 off any \$30+ purchase of bounce house rental \$15 off any \$45+ purchase of bounce house rental	<b>CAFE BRIO</b> \$5 off any \$15+ coffee purchase \$10 off any \$30+ coffee purchase \$15 off any \$45+ coffee purchase
<b>CHINA MOON</b> \$5 off any \$15+ purchase of Chinese food \$10 off any \$30+ purchase of Chinese food \$15 off any \$45+ purchase of Chinese food	<b>COLDWATER CATERING</b> \$5 off any \$15+ purchase of catering \$10 off any \$30+ purchase of catering \$15 off any \$45+ purchase of catering	<b>COLDWATER CAFE &amp; BEEF</b> \$5 off any \$15+ purchase of food \$10 off any \$30+ purchase of food \$15 off any \$45+ purchase of food	<b>COOPER'S</b> \$5 off any \$15+ purchase of clothing \$10 off any \$30+ purchase of clothing \$15 off any \$45+ purchase of clothing
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<b>IMPACT TRAINING</b> \$5 off any \$15+ purchase of fitness equipment \$10 off any \$30+ purchase of fitness equipment \$15 off any \$45+ purchase of fitness equipment	<b>JAMES PALACE</b> \$5 off any \$15+ purchase of food \$10 off any \$30+ purchase of food \$15 off any \$45+ purchase of food	<b>JUST SUBS</b> \$5 off any \$15+ purchase of subs \$10 off any \$30+ purchase of subs \$15 off any \$45+ purchase of subs	<b>KLING STUBBINS</b> \$5 off any \$15+ purchase of clothing \$10 off any \$30+ purchase of clothing \$15 off any \$45+ purchase of clothing
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2nd & 4th Tuesdays until 7pm

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Tuesdays until 7pm

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