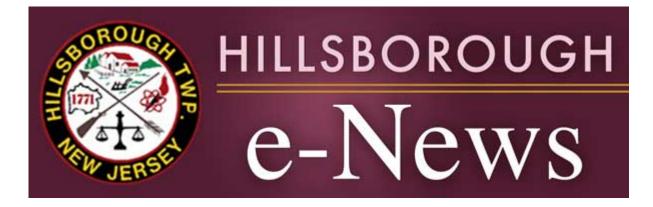


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# One of the Best Places to Live in America



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

Mayor Frank DelCore

Deputy Mayor Doug Tomson

Committeewoman Olivia Holmes Committeeman Shawn Lipani Committeewoman Gloria McCauley

# **Road Paving & Closures**

• Alternating Traffic at Route 206 and Mountain View Road, this evening, Friday, July 12th beginning at 9:30 pm until 7 am. Expect delays.



# **Township News**

# Tax Rate Reduced in Township's 2019 Adopted Municipal Budget

# \$397,655 Taxpayer Savings

Hillsborough Township adopted the 2019 municipal budget at Tuesday's Township Committee meeting, with a tax reduction and a taxpayer savings of \$397,655.

"As indicated during the introduction of the budget, this is the result of our team's continued fiscal responsibility regarding municipal operations," stated Mayor Frank DelCore. The Finance team is comprised of the Mayor Frank



DelCore, Committeeman Shawn Lipani, Administrator Anthony Ferrera and CFO Nancy Costa.

# Lieutenant McMahon named as Sixth Chief of Police for Hillsborough Township

Twenty-two year Veteran of the Force Promoted

Hillsborough Police Department's Lieutenant Michael Mc Mahon was named Chief of Police, effective August 1, 2019, for the Township of Hillsborough, at Tuesday's Township Committee meeting. An official swearing-in will be held at the August 13th Committee meeting.

# Mayor Addresses Funding Fight Over Major Trucking Route in Town on CBS News

Mayor Frank DelCore calls on Governor Murphy to release funding for public safety.

Read More: <u>Bateman Calls on Murphy to Release Funding for Critical</u> <u>Public Safety Project in Hillsborough</u>

# Hillsborough Remembers Former Mayor Gwiazdowski

At the start of the July 9th Township Committee Meeting, Mayor DelCore requested a moment of silence for longtime resident and former Mayor Tony Gwiazdowski, who passed away at the beginning of July. Mr. Gwiazdowski served on the Township Committee from 2002-2004 and was Mayor in 2003. During his term as Hillsborough Mayor, he received the County/Municipal Open Space Partnership Award.

# Hometown Hero Joann McVey Honored for Saving Lives

The Mayor and Township Committee recognized Hillsborough resident Joann McVey at the July 9th Township Committee Meeting for her bravery in saving 9 individuals from a devastating fire on December 30, 2018.

# 2nd Annual Coffee with a Cop Community Policing Event at Starbucks, July 23rd

Hillsborough Township Police Department will host their 2nd Annual "Coffee with a Cop" on Tuesday, July 23rd with a rain date of July 24th, from 4 pm until 6 pm at the Hillsborough Starbucks.

# Township Collecting Scenic Photos for the "2020 Hillsborough Calendar"











Individuals interested in submitting photographs for consideration for the 2020 calendar can email their high resolution image, along with a photo release form, to the Township Clerk at <u>pborek@hillsborough-nj.org</u>. The photo release form can be found on the Township website at <u>www.hillsborough-nj.org</u>. The calendar has limited spaces for photographs so there is no guarantee every one submitted will be used.

# <u>Clean Up & Brush Drop Off Program Registration</u> <u>Available Online</u>

Hillsborough Residents Only Questions? Contact DPW 908-369-3950 dpw@hillsborough-nj.org

**Register Now** 





Please Note: You will receive your membership card at the gate at your first scheduled clean up date.

# **Township Jobline**

Hillsborough Township is currently looking to fill the following positions:

- <u>Executive Administrative</u> <u>Assistant to the Mayor,</u> <u>Administrator and Township</u> <u>Committee</u>
- <u>Electrical Inspector</u>





Hillsborough The Good Life

Season 4 - Episode 3

Watch Now!



# **Department Updates**

<u>Building</u>	Construction season is upon us! Make sure to obtain all prior approvals before submitting permit applications to the Building Department. Once you receive your Construction Permit, it is important to get all of your Inspections. Permits will remain open until all Final Inspections have passed. This is important to remember, especially when selling your home!
Business Advocate	Registration for Hillsborough Restaurateurs is now open to participate
Dusiness Auvocate	in the 2nd Annual <b>Hillsborough Restaurant Week</b> beginning on Tuesday, August 20th running through Sunday, August 25th. Go to
Restaurant Week	Hillsboroughbusiness.org and click Restaurant Week to register.
Hillsborough Harvest	Calling all Hillsborough Farmers! Hillsborough Township has created <b>Hillsborough Harvest</b> , a campaign promoting the value of Hillsborough farms and local products. Participating farms will be featured on the Hillsborough Harvest page at <u>Hillsboroughbusiness.org</u> where they can advertise their local products and events for free. Please contact David Kois, Business Advocate / Sustainability Director at (908) 369-4313, Ext 7106 or <u>dkois@hillsborough-nj.org</u> to participate.
Shop Hillsborough	On June 29th representatives from Hillsborough Township manned a table at the Family Fun Music Fest to support local businesses participating in the Shop Hillsborough Reward Program. Homeowners, renters and visitors were encouraged to sign up for this free program and participants were reminded to present their Shop Hillsborough Card to participating merchants at the time of purchase to receive property tax credits applied to their property tax bill. Participants need not be Hillsborough taxpayers as there is an option to receive a rebate check in lieu of a tax credit.
	For more information about the Shop HIIIsborough Reward Program visit our website at <u>www.hillsborough-nj.org</u>
<u>Engineering</u>	The Engineering Department has been advised by Public Service Electric & Gas Co. that they will be trimming trees as part of the vegetation management work. In order to maintain electric service to consumers throughout New Jersey, proper tree clearing from power lines is necessary. PSE&G will trim all trees under the major power lines running throughout the Township. According to the notice, any tree over 3 feet in height in the wire zone will be removed. Vegetation in the major wire zones will be managed to promote grasses and low growing plants. Davey Tree Expert Co. Inc. will be the private contractor working for PSE&G.

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The 201	.9 3rd quarter estimate	ed tax bills will be m	nailed the week of July
15th. If	you earned a Shop	Hillsborough credi	t, the amount due for
August	Lst will reflect a reduction	on for the credits ea	arned in the past year.

Health

home....

Food Safety at

Finance

It is the season for barbeques, weddings, family gatherings and fun! Unless food is handled safely, you may become sick from a foodborne illness, and that is NOT fun. Every year, thousands of people become ill from food that they eat, prepared by themselves, a family member, or a friend. Certain people are more vulnerable to foodborne illnesses. Pregnant women, young children, the elderly, and those who are immune compromised by chronic disease treatments and health conditions, are the most at risk for serious illness. By following a few safe food handling steps, you can greatly reduce your risk of becoming ill from the food prepared at home.

Depending upon the specific foodborne illness, you may experience symptoms within one hour, or within a week or more. Usually, diarrhea, vomiting, nausea, abdominal cramps, are experienced, but the specific microorganism will cause some or all, or other symptoms. A laboratory test taken by your physician will give more clues. Please see your doctor and drink water to hydrate, if you experience these symptoms, and call the health department when possible.

There are several ways to reduce your risk of foodborne illness. They involve preventing cross contamination, observing proper cooking temperatures, hot holding temperatures, and cold holding temperatures, as well as practicing safe thawing of frozen food.

Please be advised that dog licensing is required by NJ law and by local Dog Licenses ordinance. Hillsborough requires annual dog license registration. We will continue to conduct a canvass for unlicensed dogs.

> Please license your dogs immediately for 2019, and avoid a fine. See the website and go to "How do I?" or go to "Animal Alley" under the Health Department.

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# Are You Register Ready?

The New Jersey Office of Emergency Management offers a free, confidential registry designed to help emergency responders locate and safely evacuate those with special needs in the event of a major disaster. If you, or someone you know, finds it difficult to get to safety during an emergency because of a physical or cognitive limitation, language barrier or

lack of transportation, visit www.registerready.nj.gov and register today!



# Police

Police Chief Darren Powell would like to remind residents and drivers in and around Hillsborough that distracted driving is against the law. The Hillsborough Township Police Department is participating in a distracted driving campaign for the months of July and August, in an effort to raise awareness and decrease driver distraction through a combination of enforcement and education.

Distracted driving kills. The friends, family, and neighbors of the thousands of people killed nationwide each year in distracted driving

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crashes will tell you it is a very serious safety problem. The nearly half a				
million people injured each year will agree. Distracted driving is a				
dangerous epidemic on New Jersey's roadways, being cited as a major				
contributing factor in nearly 800,000 motor vehicle crashes in the state				
from 2012 to 2016. Nationwide 3,166 people were killed in distracted				
driving crashes in 2017 alone.				

## Public Works

The Public Works Department would like to remind everyone that the rainy weather has some of the basin and roadside mowing behind schedule. Thank you for your patience as we are closer to catching up with these tasks.

## Recreation

ATTENTION HILLSBOROUGH SENIORS!!! Are you looking for something to do this summer? Then join our J.O.Y. (Just Older Youth) Camp. You will be enjoying a free breakfast every morning courtesy of Hillsborough Rotary Club followed by a trip to a local venue (see flyer for details). We have limited space so act fast!!! For more info on the



camp please call our office at (908) 369-4832.

**Fall Soccer** Registration for the 2019 Fall Soccer Season is now open! We offer leagues for children ages 3 to grade 12. All games are held on Saturdays at various soccer fields in town. NEW this season, Hillsborough Parks & Recreation is proud to announce a partnership with Apex Sports & Events beginning this Fall which will provide select age groups an opportunity to train & scrimmage on turf fields. Register today to guarantee your child's enrollment in our league! The registration deadline is August 16th. As always coaches are needed for all age groups and leagues. Please consider volunteering your time to be a head or assistant coach.

*Girls Softball* New this year we are excited to offer a Girls Fall Softball league. Fall Softball is open to all girls entering 1st through 8th grade. The fall season will consist of 1 practice a week and 1 game a week for an easy, fun and low key experience. Practices begin the week of September 9th and opening day is on Saturday, September 14th. Registration is now open on our website hillsboroughnjrecreation.org Register today to guarantee your child's enrollment in our league! The registration deadline is August 29th. Coaches are always needed for all age groups and leagues. Please consider volunteering your time to be a head or assistant coach. We hope to see you on the field this Fall!

**Softball Expo** To celebrate the sport of softball, the Hillsborough Recreation Department will be sponsoring "Why Softball?" a Softball Expo Event run by Katie Rygiel as part of her Girl Scout Gold Award. The "Why Softball?" Expo will be held at Ann Van Middlesworth Park on Saturday, August 10th from 9 am - 1 pm. The Expo will feature fun activities to teach about the sport of softball and the benefits of continuing to play. Katie Rygiel plays for the Hillsborough High School Varsity Team and Top Gun 18 U Gold Fastpitch, and coaches and players from both organizations will be helping to run stations that day. Please note, there will be skills taught at the camp, but it is NOT a true softball skills camp. This expo will showcase the sport and share activities to encourage involvement in softball. The expo is free and advanced registration is required and can be done on our website <u>hillsboroughnjrecreation.org</u>

# Social Services

The Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP) promotes nutritional health among New Jersey's senior citizens by providing them

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with locally grown fresh fruits, vegetables, and herbs. Participants in the SFMNP must be at least sixty years old and meet the Federal Income

Guideline requirements: Hillsborough seniors who believe they are eligible to participate in the SFMNP, you should contact The Hillsborough Community Assistance Network to inquire.

# <u>Municipal Alliance</u>

FREE Police Youth Week program from **July 15 - 19, 2019** for Somerset County high school students. Please click the attached flyer for more information.

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# <u>Library</u> <u>Diversity Entrepreneurship, A Business Panel</u> <u>Discussion</u>

Take the Summer Reading Challenge - Somerset County Libraries and Businesses Partner to Promote Literacy County-Wide

Friends of the Library Summer Blowout Book Sale Going On Now!

# **News You Can Use**

# **Rotary Club News**

The Rotary Club of Hillsborough will once again provide local businesses with multiple opportunities to showcase their services and connect directly with customers at its 12th annual Rotary Fair, scheduled this year for August 13 - 17. Over 15,000 attendees of all ages from Hillsborough and surrounding communities are expected during the 5-day event held at the Hillsborough Promenade, 315 Route 206 (adjacent to the Lowe's parking lot).



For more information on the upcoming Hillsborough Rotary Fair or how to participate as a sign sponsor or tent vendor, please contact Ken Genco at 908-229-5045, <u>kgenco@att.net</u>, or Anthony Franchini at 908-334-9304, <u>anthony.franchini@td.com</u>.

# <u>Seeking 2019 Miss Hillsborough UNICO</u> Scholarship Opportunity

The Hillsborough Chapter of UNICO is seeking a young woman to represent the township's Italian-American community in the John Basilone Parade and sponsored events from July 2019 – June 2020. Upon completion of her duties, Miss UNICO will be awarded a scholarship.



# Census 2020 Jobs

Earn extra income while helping your community. The U.S. Census Bureau is recruiting thousands of people across the country to assist with the 2020 census count. They are hiring for a variety of temporary jobs, including census takers, recruiting assistants, office staff and supervisory staff. Eligible candidates must be at least 18 years of age, have a valid Social Security number and be a US Citizen. Visit their website at 2020census.gov/jobs for more information and to apply.



**Important Dates** 

July 17th	Board of Adjustment Meeting	7:00 pm
July 25th	Planning Board Business Meeting	7:30 pm

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

# **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

## Hillsborough Community Night at the Patriots

July 13 TD Bank Ballpark, Somerset, NJ

## Wildlife Explorers Summer STEAM Program

July 15-26 Duke Farms

## HHS Band Car Wash Fundraiser

July 20 Hillsborough Elementary School 9 am - 3pm

# **PFA National Golf Tournament**

August 7-9

# **HHS Golf Team Golf Outing**

August 9 Royce Brook

## Hillsborough Rotary Fair

August 13-17

# **Somerset County News**

Free Document Shredding for Somerset County Residents

Seeking Public Input for Somerset County Preservation Plan

**Teamwork Leads to TOD Project** 

Senior Centers Offer Free Case Management Services

Entries Sought for Senior Art Exhibit

Farmers Market Vouchers Available to Eligible Residents

MUNICIPAL BUILDING EVENING OFFICE HOURS

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

BUILDING DEPARTMENT Tuesdays until 7pm

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**Recreation Activities Guide** 

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