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# **Township News**



# Mayor Frank DelCore to Host a Town Hall Informational Session on Affordable Housing

Thursday, April 18th, 6 pm - 8 pm

Mayor Frank DelCore announces a Town Hall Public Information Session regarding New Jersey State mandates relative to Affordable Housing. The session is scheduled to be held on Thursday, April 18th at 6 pm at the Peter J. Biondi Municipal Building.

In an effort to educate the public on the topic of affordable housing and the corresponding impact on municipalities, the following parties will be present to provide information and answer questions related to the State mandates and future plans:

Mayor Frank DelCore
Deputy Mayor Doug Tomson
Assemblywoman Holly Schepisi
Jennifer Beahm of Leon S. Avakian, LLC
Eric M. Bernstein of Bernstein and Associates, LLC

# Auten Road "Soup-er" Bowl

Auten Road Intermediate School fifth grade Team 5J, led by Mrs. Lyons and Mr. Augello, and Team 5K, led by Mrs. Corlis and Mrs. Andreski, participated in the Fifth Annual Soup-er Bowl soup collection.

The Soup-er Bowl is a challenge between the teams to collect the most cans of food to donate to the Hillsborough Township Food

Pantry. Over 100 students participated.



## **April is Autism Awareness Month**

Autism, a pervasive developmental disorder that manifests itself and affects the social, learning, and behavioral skills of those affected by it, is currently estimated to affect 1 in 68 children nationally. In fact, rates are highest in New Jersey where the diagnosis rate for a child with an Autism Spectrum Disorder rose to 1 in 34 occurrences.

Autism is said to affect boys four and a half times more than girls and knows no racial, ethnic or social boundaries. Neither income, lifestyle, nor education has an effect on autism occurrences.



# Hillsborough Township Joins Wyland Foundation for Water Conservation

Hillsborough Township Mayor Frank Delore is joining mayors across the country in asking residents to make a long-term commitment to manage water resources more wisely by taking part in the annual Wyland National Mayor's Challenge for Water Conservation. The annual challenge is a non-profit national community service campaign that encourages leaders to inspire their residents to make a series of simple pledges to use water more efficiently, reduce pollution, and save energy.

"Water conservation is critical for a sustainable future and Hillsborough remains dedicated to supportive efforts for further education and awareness to initiatives such as this," stated Mayor Frank DelCore.



# **Anthony Foord Memorial Bench Dedication**

Saturday, May 4, 2019 @ 10:00 am Municipal Soccer Fields

On Saturday, May 4th, a memorial bench at the Municipal Soccer Fields will be dedicated to long time Hillsborough resident, Anthony "Tony" Foord. The ceremony naming the bench will be held on Saturday, May 4th at 10 am.

Mr. Foord immigrated from England in 1961 and brought his love for the game of soccer. To quote his family, "he enjoyed playing, coaching, refereeing and managing all things soccer".

# **ADOPT A HIGHWAY**

The Hillsborough-Millstone Municipal Alliance, also known as BoroAWARE, partnered with the NJ Adopt-A-Highway litter

future

removal program to clean up a one mile stretch of Route 206 in Hillsborough. Volunteers from the Municipal Alliance took to the roadway, not only to clean up litter, but to bring awareness to the drug and alcohol prevention programs provided by the Alliance and their partners. On Saturday April 6th, travelers on Route 206 may have seen the NJDOT signature Alliance signs at the beginning and end of the mile where the clean up takes place in the spring and fall. Alliance members volunteered to complete the roadside clean up.



# **Shop Hillsborough**

New improvements are being made to the Shop Hillsborough Program to make it even easier for shoppers to earn tax credits or cash rebates.

Forgot your card? Not a problem, just tell the participating merchant your phone number.

See how quickly your rewards add up by checking the balance in your account at <a href="https://www.propertytaxcard.com">www.propertytaxcard.com</a>.

Visit <u>www.hillsboroughbusiness.org</u> for announcements.

Shop Hillsborough
Reward Program

Shop at a variety of merchants

Shop at a variety of crebate check!

Support Support our local merchants

**April Deals** 

# **Just Released!**

# Hillsborough The Good Life

Season 4 - Episode 3

Watch Now!



## Hillsborough Library Announces Boro Bingo

The Hillsborough Branch of the Somerset County Library System is excited to announce Boro Bingo.

This fun bingo board encourages the community to learn a bit more about some of the services and, or programs offered through both Hillsborough Township and the Library. Bingo Boards and instructions are being distributed through the Library and can be found on the counters of the various departments throughout the municipal building.



#### Take the Pledge to Drive Less You Could Win a Prize

Do you like a challenge? Join RideWise Inc.'s Drive Less Somerset Challenge. RideWise is an independent non-profit organization that is dedicated to promoting and advocating for transportation choices that are efficient, safe, and sustainable.

The Drive Less Somerset Challenge is easy and free! The object is to try sustainable ways to travel and reduce solo driving. Any trip for work or pleasure that replaces solo driving counts!

Points are awarded for telecommuting, carpooling, vanpooling, biking, walking and transit trips. Participate as an individual, a group, or employer. Start by taking the pledge. Create an account. Then starting on June 1st, track your trips.

Tracking your trips will earn you points for weekly prizes, which will be awarded for top participation by travel category and miles.

Individuals participating who track their trips in Drive Less Somerset have the chance to win weekly prizes based on the most point logged per week in different categories. The individual who logs the most trip points by June 30th will be named the 2019 Grand Challenge Champion and win a Tesla Weekend Experience in a Model 3.



WISE

Register as an employer and compete against other worksites in Somerset County to become the 2019 Drive Less Somerset Employer Champion.

## Notice: Hillsborough Bus Service Schedule Change

Effective April 29, 2019 Suburban Transit's Line 200 Hillsborough-New York City Commuter Bus Service will have a new schedule. Monday through Thursday service will be reduced from four buses to three and Friday will be reduced from 4 buses to two. Suburban Transit has informed the Township that it remains committed to serving Hillsborough Township and will add more buses if demand increases. Suburban Transit has provided express non-stop service to New York City since October 2016. Tickets can be purchased (cash or credit card) at the park & ride at Hillsborough Promenade during morning commute hours or online at <a href="https://www.coachusa.com/commuter-wiz">https://www.coachusa.com/commuter-wiz</a>



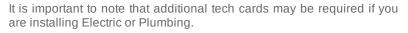
# **Department Updates**

# **Building**

If you are planning on installing a deck this year, there are a few things you need to know.



- Your first step is to visit the Hillsborough Zoning Department to obtain a Zoning permit.
- Before submitting to the Building Department, pickup the handout for deck installations and read it through carefully.
- The Building Department application will require the following documents
  - Zoning Approval
  - · Permit application folder
  - Building Subcode Technical section (tech card)



If you have hired a builder, include a copy of the Home Improvement license.

2 copies of plans are required (plan requirements/details are in the Deck Handout).



In New Jersey, only Home Owners and Design Professionals (i.e - Architect or Engineer) are allowed to draw these plans. Your contractor is not permitted to draw the plans.

## **Engineering**

The Engineering Department would like to advise residents that as a result of the natural topography of land natural stormwater run-off from higher elevations is allowed to drain through lower properties. Typically, this run-off is diverted around homes through swales along property lines

However, please keep in mind that residents are not permitted to block natural runoff but may re-route swales or water flow to protect their property without creating adverse impact to the adjoining neighboring properties.

If the Engineering Department is contacted about an issue, the department may review and possibly contact the affected parties of potential issues with a letter. The department does not have the authority to issue fines, violations or take court actions. In such cases, any unresolved disputes between homeowners are civil matters and should be handled as a private legal matter.

If an adverse condition is created, it is recommended that the neighbors work together for an amicable solution.

### **Finance**

The first payment by the State of New Jersey for the Homestead Benefit has been received and applied to your May taxes. You will be receiving a small pink bill in the mail this week which reflects the new amount due for your 2nd quarter taxes. If your taxes are paid by your mortgage company, they have been notified as well.

#### Health

The Health Department would like to recognize April as Sexually Transmitted Diseases Awareness Month.

The Federal Centers for Disease Control (CDC) has designated April as Sexually Transmitted Diseases Awareness Month.

This is due to the surging increase in the numbers of STDs every year since 2013. Half of all 20 million newly diagnosed infections are in people ages 15 to 24, and it is important for these young people, as well as everyone else, to protect their health. The first step is to understand that these diseases, if left untreated, can result in serious health issues that include infertility, acquiring HIV, acquiring the resistant form of Gonorrhea, and babies born with Syphilis. The STD caused by Human Papilloma Virus (HPV), can cause cancer as well.

HPV can now be prevented by getting vaccinated. Some other infections can be prevented by using condoms. Abstinence is the only sure way to prevent STDs. Those who are sexually active, should be tested regularly. Speak to your doctor about testing, and for free and low cost testing, please call Zufall Health in Somerville 908-526-2335. Please see the Health Dept. website for links to the CDC website for more information.

April is also Sexual Assault Awareness Month. The Health Department would like to recognize Zufall Health in Somerville, NJ for their Sexual Assault Prevention and Recovery Services, Survivor accompaniment to the police station, court and counseling services. Their hotline number is 908-526-7444.

The Green Living and Wellness Fair will be held on Saturday, June 1st in conjunction with the YMCA Annual Hillsborough Hop. Mark your calendars to save the date. More information will be coming soon.

#### **OEM**

Just a reminder - Spring is the time when planting and excavating begins. It is important to remember that Call Before You Dig is the law. A center has been established to triage requests - they are open 7 days a week, 24 hours a day. The phone number to call is 811 or 1-800-272-1000.

### **Police**

There will be a FREE Personal Safety program for high school seniors offered at the Somerset County Public Safety Center (Police Academy section) There are two dates available: Monday, April 29th and Wednesday, May 22nd. Both dates are from 6 - 9 pm. Pre-registration is required and parents/guardians are welcome to attend. Please see Friday's enews for more information.

Additionally, the Somerset County Association of Chiefs of Police is sponsoring its annual free five (5) day Police Youth Week program from July 15-19, 2019. This program for Somerset County high school students is also coordinated by the Somerset County Police Academy. For receive more information about the Police Youth Week program visit the County website or see details in Friday's enews.

### **Public Works**

It's that time of year again - seedlings will be available on April 27th at the Auten Road Facility - through the NJ Tree Recovery Campaign.

Senior Curbside Clean Up tickets are available at the Public Works Yard between 8 and 2pm Monday through Friday. They are also available through the Social Services Dept. during Senior Chapter meetings. For more information on the Clean Up programs please visit the Public Works Pages on the Township Website.



#### Recreation

Spring has sprung and our Recreation Department has a variety of programs available to our residents of all ages. Here's a small sampling of our exciting programs this spring. We are offering Parent and Me Squirts on Saturday afternoons. Get out on the field with your 2 - 3 year old and play games and activities.

Does your child like to run? Are they in 3rd - 6th grade? If so have them join the Hillsborough Running Club. We will meet weekly on Thursdays to go over the fundamental mechanics of running.

Finally don't forget about our 6th Annual Run Around the Park Fun Run held on Sunday April 28th. The cost is \$25 for adults and \$20 for children under 12. See our website <a href="https://hillsboroughnjrecreation.org">hillsboroughnjrecreation.org</a> for more details and to register for any programs.

Want to keep your kids active this summer? Send them to the Parks and Recreation Summer Camp. Our camps run from June 24th through August 16th for children aged 5-13. We also offer Tiny Camp for 4 and 5 year olds who have not finished Kindergarten. Registration is open and more details can be found on the Parks and Recreation website.

## **Social Services**

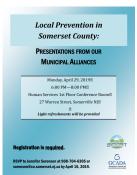
Foothill Acres Nursing Home is looking for performers for "Hillsborough's Got Talent". Auditions will be held through April 30th. Please contact the Social Services Department for more details.



# **Tax Assessor**

The New Jersey Division of Taxation has announced that the first credit due for the 2016 Homestead Benefit will be released next month. For those eligible property owners, the credit will be applied to your 2nd quarter tax payment. Once the information has been received in our Tax Office, you will receive a revised May Tax Bill, which will reflect the reduced amount due on May 1st.

# **Municipal Alliance**



There will be a Municipal Alliance roundtable discussion on Monday, April 29 at 6:00 PM in Somerville . Several Municipal Alliances will be doing brief presentations highlighting one of their favorite programs, followed by brief group discussions. Dinner will be provided, and please RSVP to Jennifer Sorensen - sorensen@co.somerset.nj.us - by April 15th. Please indicate dietary restrictions.



The Police Academy is operated by the Someout County Processor's Office in cooperation with the Someout County Shelff of Office and the Someout County Societies of Christ of Societies County Shelff of Office and the Someout County Societies County Societies of Office County Societies of Shelff of Office County Societies County

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

# News You Can Use

#### **Girl Scout Cookies On Sale Now!**

Girl Scout cookies will be sold throughout Hillsborough, on weekends through Sunday, April 14th. Come support our town's Girl Scouts, and enjoy your old cookie favorites.

store locations and times of sales



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Weekends starting
Friday, March 15th through Sunday, April Min
Come support our town's Girl Scouls,
Times and locations at the following link
http://www.girlkoous.org/en/cookles/cookles.html/108844

# Rotary Club of Hillsborough Annual Easter Egg Hunt Scheduled for 10:30 AM, Saturday, April 20th

The Annual Rotary Club of Hillsborough Easter Egg Hunt, a Hillsborough tradition for the past 18 years, will be held this year on Saturday, April 20, beginning at 10:30 AM at the Youth Athletic Complex on Triangle Road (Between Auten and South Triangle Roads). The event activities and snacks are open to Hillsborough residents only.



# Rotary Club of Hillsborough Hosts Vegas-Style Casino Night Scheduled for Saturday, June 15th

On Saturday, June 15th, The Rotary Club of Hillsborough will host a very special Vegas-style Casino Night. The event will be held at the Royce Brook Golf Club at 201 Hamilton Road, Hillsborough, from 7-11 PM. All funds raised will go to the Rotary Club of Hillsborough Foundation which supports local charitable and educational initiatives.

### WALK, BIKE, HIKE PLAN

The Walk, Bike, Hike Somerset County: Connecting Vibrant Communities Plan will help create an integrated network of multi-use trails, paths, and bicycle infrastructure that serve a variety of transportation needs by connecting all users to opportunities, services, and destinations in the region. This plan supports the development of a network of bicycle and pedestrian facilities, trails, and greenways across Somerset County that will improve access to education, employment, and quality of life opportunities for residents, workers, and visitors. This study is being funded by the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority (NJTPA).



# <u>Tech Dependency: How it Impacts</u> <u>Children, Families and Predatory Behavior</u>

Learn how technology forces children, parents and professionals to deal with subjects they are totally unprepared for. As a NJ State Police trained Sex Abuse Investigator, John Kriger will show you how our children are potentially being "groomed" and steps needed to be safer in this wild world of the internet. See how an innocent web search or gaming session can yield contact with pornography and predators. Better understand how late elementary students are flirting through sexting, and how this can produce life altering results. Ask questions and get answers. See the apps, sites and patterns of use you need to be concerned about. A great professional development session!"





Join us as we honor New Jersey heroes who are strengthening the foundation and supporting the growth of Red Cross services in our communities. Enjoy an evening with friends and colleagues over delicious cocktails and cuisine, live music and dancing, and a fabulous auction.

We Are Proud to Honor:

**BMW** 

William W. Augustine Award Recipient Edward J. Susco Quinn Award Recipient

The organizers of the Stay Strong Michael Blood Drive:

Michelle Clark

Nicole DiMaggio

Melissa Fitzgerald

Rosalinda Rubio-Williams

Marguerite White

Bob Clancy Culture of Caring Award for Biomedical Services

Thursday, May 9, 2019

6:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

The Westin Governor Morris

Morristown, NJ

For more information, please contact Aimee Alven at

(609) 819-2093 or

aimee.alven@redcross.org

Register

# Raritan Headwaters Seeks Volunteers for Annual Stream Cleanup

Below are sites in the Hillsborough area with links for registration and the exact location.

Site 14: Three Bridges
Site 16: Neshanic Station
Site 18: Old York Road
Site 35: Darby Tract

Site 38: North Branch Church

Site 44: Basilone Park



## **AARP Offers Free Tax Preparation Help**

AARP Foundation <u>Tax-Aide</u> offers free, individualized tax preparation for low-to moderate-income taxpayers - especially those 50 and older - at nearly 5,000 locations nationwide. Find a location near you by searching below. Before visiting a Tax-Aide site, please note:

- You will need to bring your important documents to the site. Access the complete list.
- Federal Tax assistance is available at all locations. State tax assistance is available at all locations in your state for in-state residents, and may be available to out-of-state residents in select neighboring states. Please contact sites in your neighboring state to confirm availability.
- Site hours are subject to change on a weekly basis.
   Therefore, please check again the day before you plan to go to the site.



Free Preparation of federal and state income tax returns plus help filling out PTR-1 and PTR-2 forms will be provided from February 1 thru April 15th.

# For appointment call: 908-541-5710

6 sites in Somerset County Hillsborough site is Somerset Emergency Training Academy (SEMTA) 402 Roycefield Rd

All ages and income levels are welcome, however special attention will be given to seniors.

Volunteers are trained and certified in cooperation with the IRS and the New Jersey Department of Taxation.

# **Important Dates**

April 23rd Township Committee Meeting 7:30 pm

April 25th Planning Board Business Meeting 7:30 pm

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

### **Annual Rotary Easter Egg Hunt**

April 20th 10:30 am Youth Athletic Comlex, Triangle Road

#### **Comedy Night for a Cause**

April 27th 6:30 pm Princeton Elks

## **Navigating Youth Angst**

April 28th 2-4 pm 158 W High Street Somerville

### Hillsborough UNICO Golf Outing 2019

May 3rd Hillsborough Golf & Country Club Download Sponsor Form

#### **Pet Adoption and Awareness Day**

May 4th 10 AM - 1 PM Hillsborough Municipal Building

## Join the Force Against Lung Cancer

May 4th 8:30 AM Duke Island Park



#### Hillsborough Community Night at the Patriots

July 13 TD Bank Ballpark, Somerset, NJ

#### Wildlife Explorers Summer STEAM Program

July 15-26 Duke Farms

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

If you would like to purchase an ARIS/HMS Discount Card, email <a href="mailto:laura@brightsoftware.com">laura@brightsoftware.com</a> 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*				
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	BIG BANG MUSIC CENTER 422 Rouse 206 514-6080 5% off restrictions apply	BOUNTIFUL GARDENS Across from Days Inn 526-500 bourshigardener; com 92% off non-disc. items Mon-Thurs	CAFÉ BRIO Next to CVS 292-4616 10% off Menu literas cafebrioni com Phomotons excluded	CHECKEN HOLELER 220 Transpe Rd 369-5777 Buy Spt Buffalo Hinga dj Hag Price & Get S Free or 10% off any
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# **Somerset County News**

Register For 'Take Control of Your Health' Free Workshop Invest in Your Health, It's Worth It

Community Project Ideas Sought! Deadline is April 30

**Help Protect Your Family from Rabies** 

Nominees Sought for 'Profiles of Positive Aging' Recognition

**Help Us Honor Our County's Centenarians** 

Senior Center Offers Free Falls-Prevention Program

Applications Being Accepted for Youth Leadership Somerset Deadline is May 15

<u>Seeking Public Input at Second Meeting for Walk, Bike, Hike Study Keeping</u> Vibrant Communities Connected and Informed

**Chess Club Youth Square Off With Freeholder Levine** 

April Recycling Calendar: First Saturday, E-waste, Household Hazardous Waste

Nine Outstanding Women Are Honored

**Celebrate Autism Awareness Month Take Part in Bubbles 4 Autism!** 

MUNICIPAL BUILDING EVENING OFFICE HOURS

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

BUILDING DEPARTMENT Tuesdays until 7pm

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Online Payments & Tax Notices

Recreation Activities Guide

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Hillsborough Business Association
Hillsborough Parks & Recreation | Sustainable Hillsborough
Hillsborough Schools | Hillsborough Public Library

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