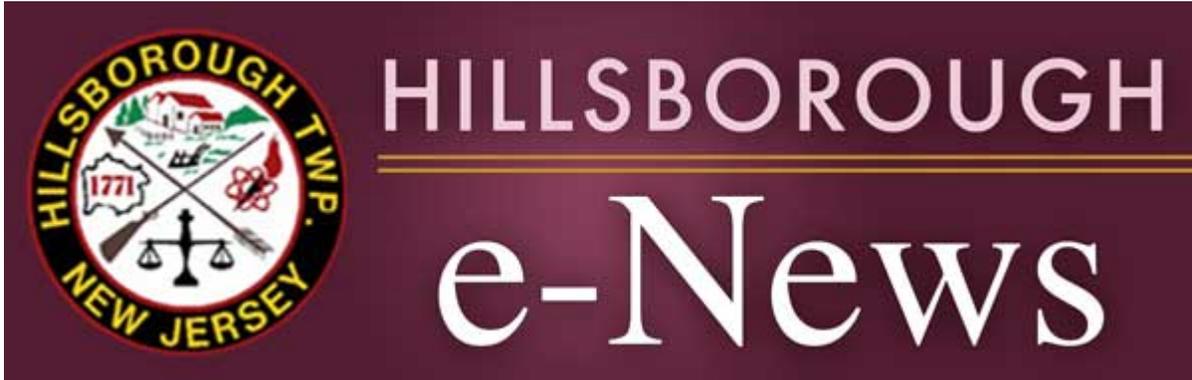


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## Township News



### Road Construction Update

On Monday, May 20th at the intersection of Route 206 and New Amwell Road there will be a lane shift beginning at 8 pm until approximately 2 am on Tuesday, May 21st. Please exercise caution through the area and expect delays.

### Township Honors "Teachers of the Year"

At the May 14th Township Committee Meeting, Mayor Frank DelCore and the Township Committee honored Mary Ellen Davies, Gina Kay, Nancy Patrick and Jennifer Tuller for being recognized as "2019 Teacher of The Year" in their respective schools.



### National Police Week

In 1962, President Kennedy proclaimed May 15th as National Peace Officers Memorial Day, and the calendar week in which May 15th falls, as National Police Week.

The members of the Hillsborough Township Police Department play an important role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the citizens of our community, protecting them against violence or disorder, and protecting the innocent against deception and the weak against oppression or intimidation.



## [Retired Navy Captain Timothy J. Jordan Will Serve as 2019 Memorial Day Grand Marshal](#)

Mayor Frank DelCore announced that Hillsborough resident Timothy J. Jordan, a 30 year Navy Veteran, will lead Hillsborough's 2019 Memorial Day Commemoration Ceremonies on May 25th.

"It is always an honor to commemorate Memorial Day and having one of our Hillsborough resident veterans serve as the Grand Marshal, as well as having all of the Hillsborough Veterans lead the parade makes the event that much more special." said Mayor DelCore during his announcement. "There is no group more appropriate to lead us in paying tribute to those who made the ultimate sacrifice in the service of the nation, than our military veterans."

### [14th Annual Salute to Veterans Breakfast](#)

All Township veterans are invited to participate in the Salute to Veterans breakfast, followed by the parade and Garden of Honor ceremony. Veterans can register for the breakfast by calling the Recreation Department or visiting the Parks and Recreation website and follow the "Register for Activities" link on their homepage.

The breakfast begins at 8:00 am and will be held on May 25th rain or shine. The parade begins at 10:30 am and, as in years past, will be lead by the veterans and widows of veterans. The garden of honor ceremony will immediately follow the parade. Rain date for both the parade and ceremony will be Sunday, May 26th





### [Hillsborough Township's 2019 Independence Day Celebration, Music Fest and Fireworks Set for Saturday, June 29th](#)

Mayor Frank DelCore announced at Tuesday's meeting that the Hillsborough Independence Day Fireworks Celebration will be held on Saturday, June 29th.

"We are pleased to announce the combination of the Fireworks Celebration with the Hillsborough Music Fest this year," added Mayor DelCore.

- This years celebration will feature:
- Fireworks
- Food Tent
- Free inflatable amusements available from 5pm to 8pm
- Free Dunk Tank
- Pay to Play Boardwalk Games
- DJ and live performances for musical entertainment from 5pm to 9pm



### **Pet Adoption Day**

On Saturday, May 4th, girl scouts Kristen Caruso and Carly Schwarz representing Girl Scout Troop 60576 hosted a Pet Adoption Day at the Municipal Building. The girls, as Silver Award candidates, were given the challenge of finding a project that was meaningful to them while giving back to the community. Since both Carly and Kristen are animal lovers, holding a Pet Adoption Day seemed like the obvious choice. Not only did they raise awareness for pets in need, but collected supplies to be donated to a local animal shelter and helped find several pets their forever homes.

Mayor Frank DelCore, Deputy Mayor Doug Tomson, Committeewoman Gloria McCauley, Committeewoman Olivia Holmes and Township Clerk Pamela Borek all stopped by the event to show the Silver Award Candidates their support.



Saturday, June 1st

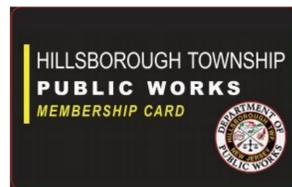
Hillsborough Hop 5k

Green Living and Wellness Fair

[Register for the Hop](#)

**[Clean Up & Brush Drop Off Program](#)**  
**[Registration Available Online](#)**

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.

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Find participating businesses and discover monthly deals.

Reward Cards are available at the Hillsborough Township Administrative Office  
[www.hillsboroughbusiness.org](http://www.hillsboroughbusiness.org)

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Hillsborough The Good Life

Season 4 - Episode 3

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## Department Updates

### **Building**

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!

### **Clerk**

The County Clerk reminds voters that they can apply for a mail-in ballot for the June 4 primary election. In addition to regular weekday hours of 8:15 a.m. to 4 p.m., the County Clerk's office will have extended hours to accommodate those who want to pick up a ballot in person. Visit the County website for more details or contact Somerset County Clerk at (908) 231-7013 or [CountyClerk@co.somerset.nj.us](mailto:CountyClerk@co.somerset.nj.us).

### **Engineering**

The left turn lane modification to the Triangle/Auten Road traffic signal is underway. The new poles and heads were installed recently and the wiring and electrical connections are being worked on at this time.

Once the wiring is completed and the poles and heads are aligned properly the new signal will be operational and the old poles removed. The rainy weather is not cooperating but if all goes right the new signal should be operational by next week.

### **Finance**

The last day to pay taxes without interest was Friday May 10th. Please contact the tax office if you need to make a payment so they can provide you with the correct amount.

### **Health**

As one of Somerset County's premier road races, Hillsborough YMCA's 5K Hop brings families and the community together in a fun race that encourages everyone to strive for and reach a personal fitness goal.

### ***Green Living and Wellness Fair***

On June 1st, the Hillsborough YMCA will sponsor the 17th Hillsborough Hop 5K, which will kick-off "Healthy Hillsborough", a day to celebrate healthy living in the community. Once again, the race will begin at the Hillsborough YMCA and end at the Hillsborough Municipal Building, where the Green Living and Wellness Fair will take place. Don't miss out on this community event.

### ***Free Skin Cancer Screenings***

In addition, Dr. Robert Ilowite of the Dermatology Center in Hillsborough will provide skin cancer screenings from 8 am to 11 am during the fair. Skin cancer is the most common type of cancer, and early detection can lead to effective treatment. To register, please call the Health Department at 908-369-5652. You will need to provide your name, address, and phone number, and whether you would like only a specific mole or mark checked, or if you would like an upper body, lower body, or whole body check. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the Health Department.

### ***Measles Update***

Over 800 people in 23 states have been affected by measles this year. Most of those cases have been in the New York metro area, in very close proximity to Hillsborough. In order to prevent the spread of measles, and to protect our vulnerable population, anyone who is exposed to measles may be quarantined for several weeks if they do not have proof of vaccination or immunity.

Please be ready. Have your vaccination records handy. If you don't know whether or not you were vaccinated, or if you have immunity from having the disease, please talk to your doctor about getting vaccinated, boosted, or having a blood test to prove immunity. The vaccination

has been studied thoroughly for many years, and it is over 90% effective ( 2 vaccines are 97% effective). Please help to protect yourself and your community. Be ready.

For more details about measles, please see the NJ Department of Health website: [www.state.nj.us/health/cd/topics/measles.shtml](http://www.state.nj.us/health/cd/topics/measles.shtml).

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## **OEM**

### **Flood water and Flash Floods - Reminder to residents - Turn Around - Don't Drown**

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.
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## **Police**

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 more information visit the [Somerset County website](#).

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## **Public Works**

Road improvement preparations are underway. Riverside Drive from Clawson Avenue to River Road will be having tree work completed to remove diseased Ash trees. This will ensure this type of work will not have to take place after the road has been improved.

Registration is available online for the town clean up program. Please visit the Hillsborough website under the Public Works link for more information.

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## **Recreation**

The Recreation Department is excited to announce a new program. Children currently in grades first through eighth can travel to Legend Equestrian in Hillsborough each day to learn about HORSES! Learn about safety on and around horses, barn management, basic anatomy, different horse breeds, grooming, saddle types, tack and harness, and different styles of riding. Practice horsemanship basics and learn about hippo-therapy, an exciting branch of physical therapy. Participants will also enjoy all the other camp activities like a variety of games, arts and crafts. More details can be found on the Parks and Recreation website [hillsboroughnjrecreation.org](http://hillsboroughnjrecreation.org) under the Summer Sports Camp page.

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## ***Community Connections***

The Hillsborough Township Parks and Recreation Department is pleased to announce two events to be held in conjunction with the Community Connections class at Hillsborough High School. The events, both of which will be held in June, will be led by students from the Community Connections class, a service-learning course designed to empower students to facilitate progressive change within their

community through partnership with local government and private businesses.

Field Day, a free event for all current HHS students, will be held on Tuesday, June 4th, from 3:30-5:30PM at Ann Van Middlesworth Park. Field Day 2019 will offer a variety of games for students to participate in such as HR Derby, volleyball, spikeball, and many more.

The second event, which is scheduled for Saturday night, June 8th, will be a Movie in the Park, featuring Despicable Me. Sign-in will take place from 7-8pm with the movie following shortly after the sun sets. This event is also scheduled to take place at Ann Van Middlesworth Park and will be \$5 per person.

Rain date for both events will be the following days and pre-registration is required for both through [Community Pass](#). Registration is currently open!

## Municipal Alliance



FREE Personal Safety program for high school seniors will be offered on **Wednesday, May 22nd** from 6 - 9 pm at the Somerset County Public Safety Center (Police Academy section). Pre-registration is required and parents/guardians are welcome to attend.

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

## Library

The Somerset County Library System of New Jersey's (SCLSNJ) Staff Development Day is Wednesday, May 22. All SCLSNJ branches will be closed.

## News You Can Use

### [Hillsborough Volunteer Fire Company #3 to hold 20th Annual Golf Outing Monday June 10th 2019 - Sponsorship Opportunities Available](#)

### [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.

### [Take the Pledge to Drive in Less in June You Could Win a Prize](#)

Join RideWise Inc.'s Drive Less Somerset Challenge and explore sustainable ways to travel and reduce solo driving. Points are awarded for telecommuting, carpooling, vanpooling, biking, walking, and transit trips. Participate as an individual, group, or employer. Start by taking the pledge. Create an account. Then starting on June 1st, track your trips.

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

Register as an individual for the chance to win weekly prizes based on the most points 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.

RideWise Inc. is an independent non-profit organization that is dedicated to promoting and advocating for transportation choices that are efficient, safe, and sustainable.

## Hillsborough YMCA Hosted Baby Shower for Expectant Moms in Need

Just in time for Mother's Day, Hillsborough YMCA, a branch of Somerset County and Plainfield YMCA, hosted a baby shower for moms-to-be from the Pregnancy Resource Center, Raritan, on April 28th.

The shower was held at Hillsborough YMCA. Attendees donated and collected hundreds of much-needed baby items, including bibs, diapers, and clothing for the resource center, which works to help women in crisis pregnancies. Local branches of AIG and Comcast ran on-site collection drives that were presented to volunteers at the shower. The items were given at no cost to families in need.

Guests enjoyed traditional baby shower games and activities. They decorated colorful baby bibs, made no-sew blankets and sorted bags of baby clothes. Food was provided by local dining establishments Weis Market and BAM Desserts.

The shower was organized by Hillsborough YMCA's Togetherhood® committee, which is the Y's volunteer-led service program that addresses community needs. Over 20 volunteers of all ages participated to help make the event a success.

As a charitable organization, Somerset County and Plainfield YMCA's cause is to strengthen the community and work to deliver mission-driven programs and events that inspire people of all ages, support overall health and well-being, and provide opportunities to give back.

For more information on Hillsborough YMCA and services provided, visit [somersetcountyyymca.org](http://somersetcountyyymca.org).

## [Hillsborough Music Festival 2019](#)

This year's festival will take place jointly with Hillsborough Township's annual fireworks event on June 29th. Hillsborough 2019 Family Fun & Music Fest will be held at Auten Road School starting at 5:00 p.m. followed by the Township's fabulous fireworks display after dark!

[Performer Sign Up](#)

[Volunteer Sign Up](#)

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Parking and shuttle bus are conveniently located at Hillsborough High School, starting at 4:30 p.m. Enjoy music, food, kids activities, and a great selection of vendors!

## Important Dates

May 23rd	Planning Board Business Meeting	7:30 pm
May 28th	Township Committee 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

## HBL Cornhole Tournament

May 18th  
3pm  
The Landing

## Suicide Prevention

May 28th  
7pm  
Hillsborough YMCA

## Summer Concert Series at Avalon

May 22nd  
6pm-8pm  
Avalon Assisted Living - 393 Amwell Road

## 14th Annual Salute to Veterans Breakfast and Memorial Day Parade

May 25th  
Beginning at 8am  
Municipal Complex

## Social-Emotional & Mental Health Awareness

May 31st  
6pm - 8pm  
Woods Road Firehouse

## Horseback Riding Camps

Beginning July 8th  
Register at [hillsboroughnjrecreation.org](http://hillsboroughnjrecreation.org)

## Hillsborough Community Night at the Patriots

July 13  
TD Bank Ballpark, Somerset, NJ

## Hillsborough Rotary Vegas Casino Night

June 15th  
7pm - 11pm  
Royce Brook Golf Club

## Wildlife Explorers Summer STEAM Program

July 15-26  
Duke Farms

**Hillsborough Rotary Fair**

August 13-17

## Somerset County News

[Somerset County Adopts 2019 Budget](#)

[May is Mental Health Awareness Month!](#)

[Single Senior Women's Group Seeks Members](#)

[Extended Hours to Pick Up Mail-in Ballots for Primary](#)

[Excellence in the Arts Award Winners Announced](#)

[Register For 'Take Control of Your Health' Free Workshop Invest in Your Health, It's Worth It](#)

### MUNICIPAL BUILDING EVENING OFFICE HOURS

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

BUILDING DEPARTMENT  
Tuesdays until 7pm

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