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Click to see a list of performers and vendors

In the event of inclement weather, please check the Hillsborough
Township Website for updates

Municipal Offices and Library will be closed on Thursday, July 4th in Observance of Independence Day

Road Paving & Closures

 Woodfern Road at the Raritan River Bridge will be closed for repair for approximately 3 weeks. Please plan accordingly and follow the posted detour.



Township News

Michelle Klink Named Sunnymead Elementary School's Teacher of the Year

Michelle Klink, a fourth grade teacher at Sunnymead Elementary School, has received the honor of being named Sunnymead Elementary School's Teacher of the Year for 2019 because of her outstanding level of talent and commitment to the Hillsborough School District.



<u>Loydes Lewis Named Woodfern Elementary School's</u> Teacher of the Year

Loydes Lewis, a Spanish teacher at Woodfern Elementary School, has received the honor of being named Woodfern Elementary School's Teacher of the Year for 2019 because of her outstanding level of talent and commitment to the Hillsborough School District.



Hillsborough Township Placed #1 in New Jersey in 30,000 to 99,999 population category and 31st in Nationwide Challenge

The results are in for the Wyland 8th annual National Mayor's Campaign for Water Conservation. Hillsborough Township entered the competition for the first time and finished 31st out of 550+ towns and cities across the U.S. and 1st in New Jersey in the 30,000 to 99,999 population category. The campaign encouraged residents to make a series of pledges to use water more efficiently, reduce pollution, and save energy.







SAFETY TIPS:

- · Always follow the directions located on the
- packaging

 All fireworks are for outdoor use only, never use indoors
- Always wear eye protection when using
- Never light more than one firework at a time Never point a firework towards anyone or
- any part of your body · Keep fireworks and novelty devices in a
- safe, secure location when not in use · Never use fireworks when under the
- influence of alcohol or drugs Always keep an approved fire extinguisher nearby during a display
- Never try to relight or handle malfunctioning
- Douse malfunctioning and spent devices with water before discarding to prevent a fire

ONLY GROUND-BASED SPARKLING DEVICES & NOVELTIES ARE LEGAL IN NEW JERSEY



- Sparklers burn at temperatures of about 2,000 F
- It is illegal for anyone under the age of 16 to buy or use sparking devices in New Jersey
- In 2013, there were 8 deaths and 11,400 reported injuries in the U.S. related to fireworks. Sparklers accounted for 31% of these injuries, and many of these injuries were to people under the age of 18





Township to Collect Scenic Photos for the "2020 Hillsborough Calendar"

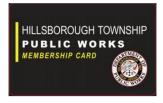
Individuals interested in submitting photographs for consideration for the 2020 calendar can email their high resolution image, along with a photo release form, to the Township Clerk at pborek@hillsborough-nj.org. The photo release form can be found on the Township website at www.hillsborough-nj.org.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



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.



Shop Local and Receive Discounts

The Shop Hillsborough Property Tax Reward Card Program Combines Saving and Shopping.

Simply present your Shop Hillsborough Card to a participating merchant at the time of purchase and a property credit will be applied to your property tax bill or receive an annual rebate check as a renter or visitor.

Find participating businesses and discover monthly deals



Register Your Card Today!

Register your Shop Hillsborough Card at www.propertutaxcard.com using the ID Number and Pin from the back of your card

Reward Cards are available at the Hillsborough Township Administrative Office www.hillsboroughbusiness.org

Hillsborough The Good Life Season 4 - Episode 3

Watch Now!



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!

Business Advocate

Registration Now Open for Restaurant Week and Hillsborough Harvest Registration for Hillsborough Restaurateurs is now open to participate in the second annual **Hillsborough Restaurant Week** beginning on Tuesday, August 20th running through Sunday, August 25th. Go to **Hillsboroughbusiness.org** and click on Restaurant Week to register.

Calling all Hillsborough Farmers! Hillsborough Township has created Hillsborough Harvest, a campaign promoting the value of Hillsborough farms and local products. Participating farms will be featured on the Hillsborough Harvest page on Hillsboroughbusiness.org 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 dkois@hillsborough-nj.org to participate.

Hillsborough Township Launches New Online Tool to Support Local Business Growth

New Online Assistant will Allow Entrepreneurs, Businesses and Investors Access to Critical Market Research and Guidance in One Easy Location

Hillsborough Township is pleased to team with award-winning technology firm Localintel to launch the Hillsborough Business & Investment Assistant that will provide businesses, entrepreneurs and investors with online information and advice in an easy to use format in both English and Spanish.

Visit the Hillsborough **Business & Investment Assistant**.

Engineering

If you live in a new development you know there is construction activity around you. New developments are nice but along with the new home is construction equipment, materials, dust noise, mud, etc.

The Engineering Department makes every effort to keep this construction activity away from the occupied homes, but new home construction does have all the nuisance activities as listed.

The Township ordinances require construction activity be limited from 7am to 7pm Monday through Saturday. There should be no construction

activity on Sundays except for private homeowners. If any resident sees construction activity past these hours they should bring it to the attention of the Engineering Department or the Police Department.

Finance

The 2018-2019 Shop Hillsborough credits have been applied to the 3rd quarter property taxes. This year, there were 520 properties that received these credits for a total of \$12,258.91. Property owners will see their credit when the 3rd quarter tax bills are mailed in early July.

Health

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, boostered, 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.

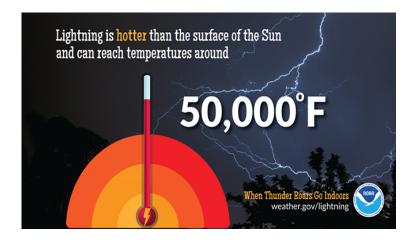
For more details about measles, please see the NJ Department of Health website: www.state.nj.us/health/cd/topics/measles.shtml.

Dog Licenses

Please be advised that dog licensing is required by NJ law and by local 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.

OEM



Police

Social Security Administration Scam

Scam artists go to great lengths in an attempt to obtain your personal information. Below is a link from the Social Security Administration regarding one of the current scams:

https://oig.ssa.gov/newsroom/news-releases/may17-advisory

Never provide your contact information to the caller. Ask for a call back number. Do not automatically enter your information into the key pad. Only provide such information on a call that you initiate with the respective agency.

To report a possible Social Security scam, visit the website below: https://oig.ssa.gov/newsroom/scam-awarenes

Never leave a child unattended in a car

Never leave a child unattended in a car. Not even for a minute. Always lock your car and secure the keys so that your kids can't get to them. Warn your children about playing in and around cars.

Left alone in a vehicle, even for a short time, a child is in danger of:

- Abduction.
- Injury.
- Dehydration.
- Death.

If reported to the Police you will be referred to the Department of Child Protection and Permanency and may face criminal charges.

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.

Public Works managers were out meeting with Branchburg Township DPW officials this past week regarding the upcoming high performance chipseal road surface treatment program. Branchburg is having their program begin now and it has been a help to have good neighbors as they offer their advice on how to make the program as successful as it can be.

Preparations for Hillsborough's surface treatment program will begin within the next month.

Recreation

Community Connections

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 <a href="https://doi.org/10.1016/j.che/https://doi.org/10.1016/j.che

Attention Hillsborough Residents 60 & Over. Looking for something fun to do this summer, look no further!

Come join some of Hillsborough's most youthful residents in a fun filled week of activities and trips at the 2019 J.O.Y (Just Older Youth) camp.



During the week of July 22-25 join us for a light breakfast followed by activities each day such as bocce tournaments, barbecues, movies and much more! Registration begins on Friday, June 14th and can be done at the Recreation Office.

Social Services

Christmas In July

Take a break from the heat, and join us as we celebrate a fun filled day in the spirit of the Holidays. Bridgeway Senior Healthcare will be hosting our first Christmas in July with lunch, games and presents. Free admission, but you must register no later than July 8 in the Social Services Office.

Municipal Alliance

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



Library

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

<u>Friends of the Library Summer Blowout Book Sale Going</u>
On Now!

All SCLSNJ branches will be closed on Thursday, July 4th.

News You Can Use

Carrier Clinic president introduces the world to designing a healing mental health campus



Hackensack Meridian Health Carrier Clinic President Donald J. Parker addressed the European Healthcare Design Congress in London on the topic of "Designing a Healing Mental Health Campus to Create an Accessible Continuum of Compassionate Care" during the June 17-19 symposium entitled "Blurring the Boundaries – Designing Place-Based Health Systems." The conference was sponsored by the Royal Conference of Physicians.

<u>Polish Falcons of America (PFA) will hold their</u> 2019 National Golf Tournament

Polish Falcons of America (PFA) will hold their 2019 National Golf Tournament on August 7-9 in Hillsborough, N.J. Play will take place at Quail Brook Golf Course (quailbrookgolf.com) and Green Knoll Golf Course (greenknollgolf.com). Dinner with entertainment will be provided on Wednesday and Thursday evenings at The Polanka (140 Falcon Road, Hillsborough). A banquet will be held on Friday evening.

Important Dates

July 9th	Township Committee Meeting	7:30 pm
July 11th	Planning Board Meeting	7:30 pm
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

Horseback Riding Camps

Beginning July 8th Register at <u>hillsboroughnjrecreation.org</u>

Hillsborough Community Night at the Patriots

July 13 TD Bank Ballpark, Somerset, NJ

Wildlife Explorers Summer STEAM Program

July 15-26 Duke Farms

PFA National Golf Tournament

August 7-9

Hillsborough Rotary Fair

August 13-17

Somerset County News

Farmers Market Vouchers Available to Eligible Residents

Bring Food Donations to Ballpark on June 30

July Recycling Calendar

History Partnership Program Grant Workshops July 15

Division of Transportation to Hold Public Hearing

Watch for Those Orange Curbing Hunger Bags It's the 25th Annual Food Drive, Donate and Help Kick Hunger to the Curb

Senior Wellness Center to Offer Free Fall-Prevention Workshop

Senior Centers Announce July Activities

Local Arts Program Grant Workshop

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

STAY CONNECTED



