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

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**Committeeman Greg Burchette** 

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### **Judge Richardson Retires After 10 Years of Service**

The Honorable John Richardson, a Judge with the Hillsborough Township Municipal Court, is retiring after ten years of dedicated service.

Judge Richardson attended Dartmouth College and Rutgers University School of Law. He presided as a Somerset County Superior Court Judge from 1999 to 2002.

In addition to sitting on the bench in Hillsborough, he served as the Judge of Watchung, North Plainfield, Green Brook and South Bound Brook.

Judge Richardson has been married to his wife June for 54 years and has a daughter and a son.

The Township Committee does hereby express our gratitude for all of the hard work and dedication of Judge John Richardson in the Hillsborough Township Municipal Court.

The Township Committee, along with his numerous coworkers, and the citizens of Hillsborough Township thank Judge Richardson for his valuable service to Hillsborough Township, and we wish him well in all of his future endeavors.



Pictured: Committeeman Frank DelCore, Committeeman Carl Suraci, Judge John Richardson, Deputy Mayor Doug Tomson and Committeeman Greg Burchette

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### Hillsborough Recognizes April as Autism Awareness Month

Autism is a Pervasive Developmental Disorder that manifests itself and affects the social, learning, and behavioral skills of those affected by it.

Autism is currently estimated to affect 1 in 68 children nationally, with rates being highest in New Jersey where the diagnosis rate for a child with an autism spectrum disorder in New Jersey has increased to 1 in 36.

Autism is said to affect boys four and a half times more than girls and knows no racial, ethnic or social boundaries, and neither income, lifestyle, nor education affects the occurrence.

A single specific cause of autism is not known, but current research links it to biological or neurological differences in the brain, as well as environmental assaults and neurotoxins.

Accurate, early diagnosis and the resulting appropriate education and medical intentions are vital to the growth and development of the individual.

Those with Autism need equal access to education, employment opportunities, community-based housing, family services, coaching and support, and medical treatment.

Organizations and individuals such as Autism New Jersey, Autism Speaks, Hillsborough Board of Education's Special Services Department, Hillsborough Department of Parks & Recreation, Hillsborough Police Department, Hillsborough Rotary Club, Hillsborough Unico, Hillsborough Volunteer Fire Companies No.1, No. 2, and No. 3, Legend Equestrian, Mission Cognition, Neshanic Fire Company, Norz Hill Farm, Organization for Autism Research (OAR), Office of Emergency Management (OEM), Somerset County Sheriff's Office, Somerset County Special Olympics and Somerset County Therapeutic Recreation enhance awareness throughout our community by providing quality care, support or services to individuals diagnosed with Autism.

The Township Committee declares April as National Autism Awareness Month and vows to continue to support programs dedicated to Hillsborough's special needs community.



Pictured: Deputy Mayor Doug Tomson, Committeeman Carl Suraci, Committeeman Greg Burchette, Township Administrator Anthony Ferrera, OEM Director John Sheridan, Police Chief Darren Powell, with representatives from Autism New Jersey, Autism Speaks, Hillsborough Board of Education Special Services, Hillsborough Volunteer Fire Companies, Organization for Autism Research, Legend Equestrian, Mission Cognition, and Norz Hill Farm

### **April is Alcohol Awareness Month**

Alcohol is the most commonly used addictive substance in the United States with one in every

12 adults (17.6 million people) suffering from alcohol abuse or dependence. An estimated 90,000 people die each year from excessive use of alcohol such as: drinking and driving crashes, falls, fires, alcohol - related homicides and suicides and other accidents.

More than half of all adults have a family history of alcoholism or problem drinking and more than 10% of children live in a household where at least one parent is dependent on or has abused alcohol.

Young people aged 12-20 years old drink 11% of all alcohol consumed in the United States with 90% of this being binge drinking. People who begin drinking before age 15 are five times more likely to develop alcohol dependence than those who begin drinking at age 21.

Alcohol related problems cost America \$224 billion (\$746 per person) in lost productivity, absenteeism, healthcare costs, crime and family related problems.

Kids who have conversations with their parents and learn a lot about the dangers of alcohol and drug use are 50 percent less likely to use alcohol and drugs than those who don't have such conversations.

The Hillsborough/Millstone Municipal Alliance envisions having our local community understand that alcohol use and abuse is a chronic condition that can be successfully prevented and treated. The Municipal Alliance is a committee of volunteers who work tirelessly

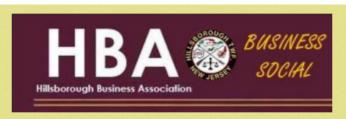


Pictured: Committeeman Frank DelCore, District Life Skills Coordinator Minda Maggio, Jane Staats and Deputy Mayor Doug Tomson

to provide programs focusing on education and prevention for all members of the community.

We hereby join the National Council On Alcoholism and Drug Dependence, Inc. (NCADD) in proclaiming April 2018 as Alcohol Awareness Month in Hillsborough Township.

We call upon all Hillsborough citizens, parents, governmental agencies, public and private institutions, businesses, and schools in Hillsborough Township to support the efforts that will reduce stigma, increase community awareness and increase support for individuals and families coping with alcoholism. Through these efforts, together, we can provide "Help for Today, Hope for Tomorrow" for those in our community who are facing challenges with alcohol use and abuse.



# When Thursday, April 19, 2018 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM EDT Add to Calendar Where

The Landing 311 Amwell Rd. Hillsborough, NJ 08844



**Driving Directions** 

Contact
David Kols
Hillsborough Business Association
908-369-4313, Ext 7106
dkols@hillsborough-nj.org

Register Now!

**Submit Payment** 

### **HBA Spring 2018 Business Social**



Exchange business cards, build connections, increase your visibility, and develop relations that will grow your business

### FEATURED PRESENTATION:

Affinity Credit Hillsborough Rewards Credit Card & Shop Hillsborough Card





The Hillsborough Economic & Business Development Commission (EBDC) will host an evening networking event at The Landing in Hillsborough on Thursday, April 19, 2018 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. **Previous HBA events have sold out, don't miss this one.** The price of admission is \$15 and includes passed hors d'oeuvres and food stations served buffet style. A cash bar will be available. Click on the link to register. Once registered you will receive an email will be sent with a link to make the payment.

Online registration and payment is required No payment accepted at the door Tickets are non-refundable





# SAVE THE DATE

JUNE 2, 2018 8:00AM -11:00AM

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LOCAL BUSINESSES PRESENTING INFORMATION
DISPLAYS AND DEMONSTRATIONS
AT THE MUNICIPAL COMPLEX
EVENT OCCURS RAIN OR SHINE

Click on image below to watch latest episode of "Hillsborough The Good Life!"



### **Department Updates**

### Building Department

Building Permit Open Until all Inspections Passed When taking out a building permit, please remember the permit will remain open until all final inspections have been passed. The Building Department recommends saving all of the permit documents for your personal records. If you need to schedule inspections or would like to find out if you have any open Permits for your property, please contact the Building Department.

### **Business Advocate**

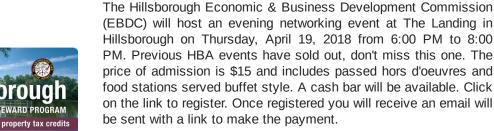
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# Get more information Register Now!

### **Engineering**

Property owners are responsible for maintenance and upkeep of their storm water facilities

The Engineering Department reminds property owners (mainly businesses and homeowner associations) that they are responsible for maintenance and upkeep of their storm water facilities (i.e. detention basins, catch basins, piping etc.) Lack of maintenance will cause additional flooding to adjoining properties. In addition, per Township Ordinance, all property owners with private storm water facilities are required to submit a report to the Engineering Department each year certifying that storm water facilities are maintained and operating as designed.

### **Finance**

Hillsborough Township Recognized as Exceptional in its Commitment to Safety in the Workplace Due to the diligence of the Township employees, the Central Jersey Joint Insurance Fund has recognized Hillsborough Township as "Exceptional" in its commitment to safety in the workplace for 2017 and has awarded the Township \$5,000 to be used to promote safety in the workplace in 2018. In the first 3 months of 2018, there have been no lost time work injuries to any Township employee. These are great accomplishments - thanks to all of the municipal employees for their continued commitment to providing a safe work environment!

### Health

Get Ready For Spring Be Animal Aware Spring is finally here! During this season, the Health Department receives many animal bite reports and wildlife complaints, including attacks on people and pets by rabid wildlife. It is important that residents avoid contact with wild or stray animals, and it is important that pets be currently vaccinated against rabies. Rabies is a fatal disease.

Avoid attracting wildlife, rats, and mice to your home. Avoid feeding wildlife, even birds. If you do have bird feeders, clean the dropped seeds off the ground daily, if possible. Avoid feeding pets outdoors. Once wildlife and vermin take up residence on your property, they are difficult to get rid of. Do not feed pets outdoors.

If you have an infestation problem, an expert should be contacted to remove the vermin to protect pets from poisons, and to prevent animals from dying behind walls and causing odors. Please note that there are laws that prevent the relocation of wildlife. If you trap an animal, you will not be able to relocate the animal elsewhere. You will need to contact a wildlife expert to come and take the animal to a refuge. You could also be bitten or scratched and require the rabies postexposure treatment.

Be sure that all pets and farm animals are currently vaccinated against rabies. If your dog or cat is bitten or scratched by a wild animal, and your pet does have a current rabies vaccination, it still may need a booster vaccination to stop the virus.

Dog Licensing is a state law. Hillsborough's annual dog license canvassing program will begin soon with Animal Control Officers canvassing the Township for unlicensed dogs. If your dog is not licensed, you will be fined!

Prevent dog bites - talk to your veterinarian about training if your dog is fearful, overly protective, or aggressive.

Visit " <u>Animal Alley</u>" under the health department on the township website at <u>www.hillsborough-nj.org</u> for information about rabies, dog licensing, preventing dog bites, and other animal issues.

### **Police**

Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety With the anticipated arrival of Spring weather, motorists should be prepared to encounter an increase in pedestrian and bicycle traffic on the roadways. Motorists must stop for pedestrians in crosswalks. Pedestrians must use crosswalks to cross the street and should always walk facing traffic. Bicyclists should wear brightly colored clothing and must use lights if riding during hours of darkness. Pedestrian and bicycle safety is a shared responsibility. The Police Department has received a Pedestrian Safety Grant and will be conducting enforcement and educational patrols targeting pedestrian and bicycle violations.

### **Public Works**

NJ Tree Recovery Campaign

Free Seedlings to be Distributed to Residents on Saturday, April 28th In 2012 Superstorm Sandy left many communities with dead and damaged trees. The New Jersey Tree Recovery campaign is a partnership between the Arbor Day Foundation and the NJ State Forestry Service that focuses on providing trees to homeowners and communities who lost their urban canopy in the wake of Hurricane Sandy.

As reported by the Arbor Day Foundation, more than 332,982 trees have been distributed to date and many more are still needed. Hillsborough Township has partnered with these organizations to provide our residents with seedlings to replant missing trees.

On April 28th between 7am and 3pm, Hillsborough Township Department of Public Works will distribute 6" - 24" high bare root tree seedlings to residents at our Auten Road Facility. Each resident can receive up to 5 seedlings. Quantities are limited and distributed on a first come, first served basis. You do not need to be registered for the annual clean up program in order to obtain the seedlings. Hillsborough residents will be required to show proof of residency upon entering the site.

Annual Clean Up Program Tickets Now Available

### **More Information**

The Hillsborough Township Department of Public Works has begun distributing tickets for the Annual Clean Up Program. This year, for the first time, tickets can be obtained online, as well as in person. For more information, visit the Public Works Department's <u>Annual Clean Up Program Instructions Page</u>.

### Recreation



#### **Run Around the Park**

**Sunday, April 22nd,** the Parks & Recreation will be holding the annual Run Around the Park which goes through Ann Van Middlesworth and Woodfield Park. Registration is still open!

### **Memorial Day Parade & Veterans Breakfast**

**Saturday, May 26th**, the Township will be hosting the Veterans Breakfast and Memorial Day Parade followed by the Garden of Honor Ceremony. The parade is scheduled to begin at 10:30AM.

### Library

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#### Mayor's eNewsletter: Issue 2018-15 - April 13, 2018



The Somerset County Library System of New Jersey's (SCLSNJ) new Director of Public Services Christopher "Chris" Korenowsky began working in public libraries when he was 15 years old.

"I don't know anything else besides libraries, I don't remember a childhood or a life without the public library," explained Korenowsky. "I saw this posting and I knew this was my dream job. I've been looking for a position that is exactly this, a position that would really play to my strengths and would allow these same strengths to become an asset to the library I am serving. I want to be on the floor, in the branch, working with customers, and focusing on public service management."

Korenowsky will join the System as their newest public services director beginning April 16. Korenowsky, a graduate of Kent State University with his Master of Information Management and Library Sciences and Ohio State University with his Bachelor of Arts in English Literature, will replace W. Keith McCoy who is retiring after over 40 years of library service.

"I found Mr. Christopher Korenowsky to be extremely forthright and unequivocal in his responses to our inquiries; but more importantly, he convincingly imparted a positive and refreshing outlook that was underscored with an undeniable sense of confidence and authority," said Library commission personnel committee member Dr. Anthony T. Suriano. "He is experienced, knowledgeable, and indeed approachable. I am certain that he will make a noteworthy contribution to the Somerset County Library's ongoing and concerted efforts to perfect the services that it offers its patrons."

#### **Read More**

# **Township Job Line**

### Hillsborough Township is currently looking to fill the following positions:

- Full Time Police Officers
- Multi-Licensed UCC Inspector, Full Time
- · Building Maintenance Part time





### News You Can Use

# Rock Steady Boxing Hillsborough encourages and empowers people living with Parkinson's Disease to Fight Back

This April, Rock Steady Boxing Hillsborough, located at 315 US 206, Hillsborough will join millions in observing Parkinson's Awareness Month. Parkinson's, a progressive disorder of the nervous system, affects the ability to walk, talk, balance, and move. Rock Steady Boxing Hillsborough gives hope to those living with Parkinson's by offering a non-contact, boxing-inspired fitness routine that has proven to dramatically improve their quality of life.

Rock Steady Boxing Hillsborough is holding a free Open House during this annual observance

on Sunday, April 15 from 12-3 at their location at the CKO Kickboxing gym, (adjacent to Kohl's) to promote awareness and education about Parkinson's. Multiple activities will be available including dance, yoga, music, as well as boxing demos with our Rock Steady Boxing Hillsborough members. People at any stage of Parkinson's and their family, friends, and caregivers are welcome to attend, as well as anyone interested in volunteering for the program. Qualifications for



RSBH volunteers include a big heart, an eagerness to make a difference in the life of someone with Parkinson's Disease, an ability to assist fighters with balance, and a commitment to a 90-minute session at least one day a week.

**Read More** 



### Olympian Joetta Clark Diggs to Offer "Determined to Reach Your Destiny" Speed, Agility and Track Camp

D2RYD focuses on developing athletes regardless of their sport. Under the guidance of Olympians, Certified, USATF Level and Renowned Coaches. This camp helps its participants maximize their talent. All that we ask is that the campers bring a positive attitude and a willingness to try something different.

17 Years Later: Where are the campers of 'D2RYD' now?

For applications visit:

<u>Joettapoortsandbeyond.com</u>

or call (484) 851-3148





### **Important Dates**

### **Meeting Dates**

April 24, 2018 Township Committee Meeting 7:30 pm

April 26, 2018 Planning Board Business Meeting Canceled

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

### **HHS Band Clothing Drive**

Saturday April 14, 2018 10 am - 12 pm Hillsborough High School



# Music of Sinatra and the American Song Book

Saturday April 21, 2018 7 pm - 9:30 pm Hillsborough Municipal Building

### **Spring Reins of Life Comedy Night**

Saturday April 21, 2018 5:30 pm Flemington Elks Lodge



### Run Around the Park

Sunday April 22nd 8 am Ann Van Middlesworth Park



### Gently Used Clothing &Toy Sale

Saturday April 28th 8 am - 2 pm Christian Nurturing Center 715 Amwell Road

#### **Foothill Acres Health Fair**

Thursday May 3rd 12- 3 pm Foothill Acres Rehabilitation & Nursing Center 39 East Mountain Road



### **Steps Together Blood Drive**

Wednesday April 25th 2-7 pm Woods Road Firehouse

#### Flower Sale

May 11th 3pm-8pm May 12th 9am -2pm Neshanic Volunteer Fire Company

### Mindfulness and Medidation

May 8th 11:30 am - 1:30 pm 2303 Tudor Court

# Wildlife Explorer Program at Duke Farms

July 10-14 (ages 8-10) July 23-27 (ages 11-13)

### **School News & Updates**

### **Fashion Show Raises Funds for Project Graduation**

The Hillsborough Project Graduation held its Annual Fashion Show fundraiser on Saturday, March 24 at Hillsborough High School. Over 300 people attended the international-themed event with over 50 Hillsborough student models and many student and parent volunteers.

The event began with a local restaurant Food Tasting where attendees sampled a variety of entrees and desserts including shrimp cocktails, dumplings, pasta, meatballs, spanakopita, fried tacos, pulled pork, cupcakes, cookies and more. The funds raised will help pay for the Project Graduation event held for the graduating seniors on June 19, the night of graduation. This is a free night for all graduating

Hillsborough seniors. It's a drug and alcohol-free event, providing a safe and fun-filled alternative to "party hopping" and keeping the graduating students safe. Last year, 80% of the senior class attended for free. The only requirement is signing up!

Additionally, a warm thank you to our community leaders Michele Sarik, Robin Kimmelman and Donna Hands along with their committee leads such as Maria Marnell, Renee DelCore, Sharon DellaFera, Lisa Gulla, Amy Brandwein and Hedily Wendover. In charge of the fashions and hair for the evening were Susan Pristas, Illyse Tynan and Melissa Dunigan.

Furthermore, another thanks to our community sponsors; they donated time, food, beverages, dresses, hair styling and make-up applications: Ama Pizzeria, Angelos, Applebees, Blue Sheep Bakery, Cafe Picasso, Chicken Holiday, Costco, Culinary Creations, Dunkin' Donuts, The Falafel House, Jumbo Palace, La Costenita, Lenny's, The Landing, Mariana's, Mexican Family Restaurant, QuickStop, Roman Gourmet, ShopRite, Sodexo, Star Diner, Tender Lovin' Grill, The Landing, Wegman's, Weis Market, Dante Zeller Tuxedo, Agape Bridal, Isabelle's Bridal, KiKi D's, Trendz, Ultimate Fashions, Lord and Taylor, Adam and Eve Salon, Beyond the Fringe, Hair Plus, Legends and Renaissance.

Contact Robin Kimmelman at <a href="mailto:rkimmelman@yahoo.com">rkimmelman@yahoo.com</a> and Donna Hands at <a href="mailto:dmchands@aol.com">dmchands@aol.com</a> if you would like more information, would like to volunteer or purchase ShopRite gifts cards which help pay for the final Project Graduation event for the Hillsborough High School seniors. The gift cards are dollar for dollar.

Featured here are the HHS Senior Boys who modeled and volunteered at the Fashion Show.





### **More Information**

### ARIS/HMS Discount Card 2017-2018 - Now Only \$5!!

ARIS/HMS 2017-2018 Discount Cards available for \$5.00 each, with all proceeds going to ARIS and HMS school programs and staff grants. The card includes reusable discounts from 34 local businesses including ShopRite's \$4.00 off \$100.00 purchase, McDonald's, Super



Sundaes, Lenny's, Philly Pretzel, Revival Barbershop, Olympia Sports and many more!! Discounts are valid through 9/30/18. Special Promotion: Buy 5 cards, get 1 card free!

To purchase a discount card, please email <a href="wenholt@aol.com">wenholt@aol.com</a> or stop by Super Sundaes (near the Post Office) and pick one up.

## **Somerset County News**

### **Applications Being Accepted for Youth Leadership Somerset**

### Deadline is May 16

<u>Youth Leadership Somerset</u>, a leadership development program for Somerset County youth entering grades 9-12, is accepting applications for the 2018-2019 program year, which runs September through May. Classes are held one Saturday per month for approximately four to six hours. The application deadline is **Monday, May 16**.

"Somerset County is dedicated to investing in our youth and leaders of tomorrow," said Freeholder Director Patrick Scaglione, liaison to the youth leadership program. "The Youth Leadership Somerset program helps students expand their critical thinking, collaboration and communications skills. Participants will be introduced to community leaders and challenged to explore current issues that impact their communities."

The application is available on the county website - <u>Youth Leadership Somerset Application 2018</u> . Students are asked to complete the online application and upload one letter of recommendation. The

application should be submitted by 11:59 p.m. on May 16.

Candidates will be selected in June. Those accepted to the program will receive a full scholarship to ensure that financial status is not a barrier.

#### **Read More**

# Addiction, Domestic Violence & Child Abuse - What's the Correlation? Find out on April 18

Commission on Child Abuse & Missing Children Forum & 2018 Richard Voorhees Award Presentation

Are people who experience and/or witness domestic violence more likely to become addicted to substances? In families that experience substance abuse, is there a better chance that domestic violence will come into play?

Learn about the correlation between addiction, domestic violence and child abuse at the Somerset County Commission on Child Abuse & Missing Children's annual spring forum on Wednesday, April 18. The program will be held from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Somerville Elks Lodge 1068, located at 375 Union Ave.

The conference fee, which includes two and a half continuing education hours, is \$40. Registration, networking and a full breakfast will be available at 8:30 a.m. Checks should be payable to "Friends of Somerset County Youth."

Seating is limited and registration is requested by Monday, April 16. To register, contact Gretchen Craig, county Office of Youth Services, at (908) 704-6333 or <a href="mailto:gcraig@co.somerset.nj.us">gcraig@co.somerset.nj.us</a>.

### **Read More**

MUNICIPAL BUILDING EVENING OFFICE HOURS

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

HEALTH DEPARTMENT 2nd Tuesday until 7pm (starting in May)

> BUILDING DEPARTMENT Tuesdays until 7pm

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