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

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The intersection of New Amwell Road and Auten Road will be closed to all vehicular traffic on Monday, July 30th, from 5 am to approximately 9 am for paving. Follow the posted detour routes and allow for additional travel time.

Eagle Scout Jacob Miller Honored by Mayor and Township Committee

Jacob Dylan Miller, a Senior at Hillsborough High School and a member of Boy Scout Troop 186, has recently earned the rank of Eagle Scout.

Jacob's Eagle Scout Project consisted of restoring the planting islands at Mary Mother of God Church. Jacob removed dead trees, planted rose bushes, ornamental grasses, black eyed Susans and mulched the areas. The project took a total of 230 hours with the help of 33 volunteers.

Jacob served as Quartermaster and Senior Patrol Leader. He is a member of the Order of the Arrow, is an active member of the youth group at Mary Mother of God, and an honor roll student.

Jacob serves as an example to the youth of Hillsborough Township through his strong leadership and community service, and we are very proud that he is a member of our community.

The Township Committee extends our sincere congratulations to Jacob Dylan Miller for having achieved the status of Eagle Scout, an honor for both him and for those who guided him, with best wishes for a bright future.



Pictured: Mayor Gloria McCauley, Jacob Miller with his parents and Deputy Mayor Doug Tomson

Hillsborough Holds Active Shooter Drill

In a collaborative effort between the Hillsborough Township Police Department, the Office of Emergency Management, Hillsborough Bureau of Fire Safety, Hillsborough Township Volunteer Fire Departments, RWJ-EMS and Hillsborough Township Board of Education, an active shooter drill was conducted at Auten Road Intermediate school on Wednesday, July 18th. The goal of the training exercise was to prepare first responders and employees in the event an active shooter should enter the school. State Police, Somerset County Prosecutors Office, and New Jersey State Fire Marshals also participated in the exercise.



Victim being carried out



HTPD carrying out drill



Participants from Somerset County Youth Police Week

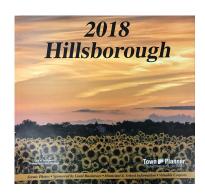


Hillsborough Township Office of Emergency Management Command Bus

Last Call to Submit Photos for the "2019 Town Calendar"

"The Township is pleased to be working with Town Planner Calendar to produce a 2019 color printed calendar which will be mailed out to every residence in Hillsborough, at no cost to our taxpayers," announced Mayor Gloria McCauley at a recent Township Committee meeting.

"The printing of the calendar is funded through the various advertisements contained within the calendar," added Mayor McCauley.



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Rotary Fair/Business Showcase to Begin Second Decade as Hillsborough Tradition

The week-long Rotary Fair/Business Showcase, scheduled for Tuesday, August 14 – Sunday, August 19, at the Hillsborough Promenade, 315 Route 206, begins its second decade of operation under Rotary leadership this summer. Attendance has averaged 15,000 annually, making it one of Hillsborough's most popular and enduring community events. Once again, a dizzying array of thrill rides, games, food, vendor displays and a special fireworks show are planned.

"The Fair is a perennial favorite for our residents," commented Greg Burchette, president of the



Rotary Club of Hillsborough, "but it is also our most important fundraiser, allowing us to help support a wide range of charitable organizations and causes throughout the year."

The Rotary Fair features 21 amusement rides by Majestic Midway Amusements, games by Paladin Amusements, a DJ, a wide selection of food, various displays by area vendors and a petting zoo. Featured rides include the Himalayan, Bumper Cars, Ring of Fire, Super Shot, Sizzler, Zipper, Carousel, Kite Flyer and many more. This year, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday will be pay-one-price (\$30) wristband nights. All proceeds raised at the fair are returned to the community as contributions to local community service organizations.

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Join the Hillsborough Music Festival!

The Hillsborough Music Festival is returning to the Hillsborough Promenade (in the field next to Lowe's) on Saturday, August 4, 2018. As in previous years, the 2018 festival is free to the public and co-sponsored by Allegra School of Music and Arts and Hillsborough Township. The HMF will feature outstanding and diverse local bands, solo artists, great food, vendors, and children's activities. Since 2010, the festival has raised funds for youth suicide prevention through outreach, education, and mental health awareness programs. This is a family-friendly outdoor festival dedicated to saving the lives of our children. We invite local businesses, sponsors, and community members who want to join this festival to add their time and resources to support this great day.

Be an HMF Volunteer

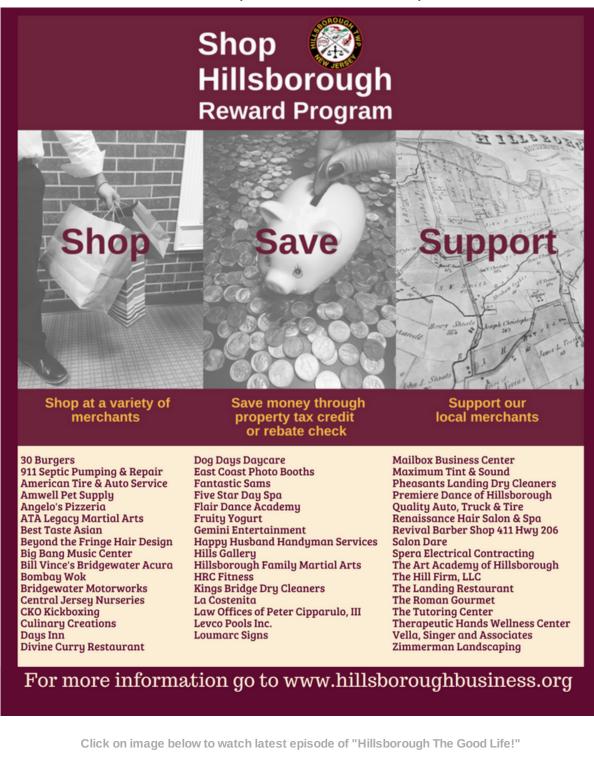
Adults and kids, gain experience and service hours! There are ample opportunities to get involved, both before the festival and on the day of the event. Sign up using our online form, and we will connect you with the tasks that suit your skills and schedule!

For more information on how to donate, be a vendor, perform, and volunteer, go to http://hillsboroughmusicfestival.org

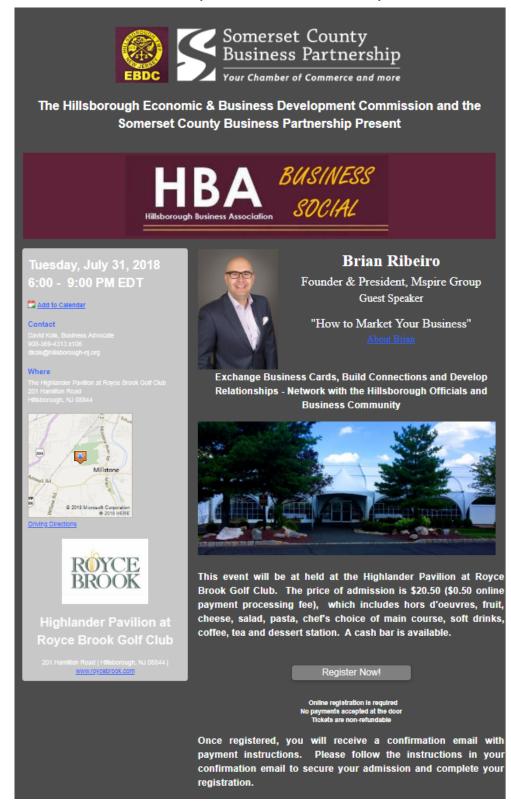


Watch video to see who will be performing at the 2018 Hillsborough Music Festival

Add your voice, send HMF your video statements, click here







Click on image above to view full size and for registration information

Department Updates

Building Department With summer here, it is the peak of the construction season. Don't forget, 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!

Closing Out Permits

Engineering	Summer has arrived and many homeowners may want to improve their property by adding or removing soil.
Soil Permit Ordinance	The Engineering Department is advising residents to be cautious about accepting soil for their property. Some have accepted soil from locations which could possibly contain debris, rubble or other contaminants. In one case, a resident accepted "free" soil which ended up being contaminated material. The homeowner had to pay to have the soil removed and afterwards learned the soil was from a construction site. The free soil turned out to be a very expensive undertaking. It is recommended you purchase soil from an approved soil supplier or make sure they are certified by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Agency.
	 Hillsborough Township has a Soil Permit Ordinance designed to protect residents against such occurrences. It prohibits the importation of soil without first obtaining approval from the Engineering Department. If the soil is from an unknown source lab testing of the soil will be necessary. If you are thinking of improving your property, before you either remove or accept soil, dirt or other fill material, be sure to contact the Engineering Department to advise and obtain the proper permit. The Hillsborough Engineering Office can be reached at 908-369-4460. Following the proper procedures can save residents from significant costs associated with removal of contaminated soil as well as preventing penalties.
Finance 3rd Quarter Estimated Tax Bills	The 3rd Quarter estimated taxes were mailed on July 11th. These bills only reflect the amount due for the 3rd quarter until the Township receives the certified tax rate from the county. If you earned a Shop Hillsborough credit, this bill will reflect that reduction. Please be aware the estimated tax bill is a single sheet that is pink and white, and that payment is due no later than August 10th.
Health Recall Information	Recently, the Health Department was informed that there were 2 recalls of commonly consumed food products that residents should be aware of. Recalled items include certain types of Ritz Crackers, and certain types of Pepperidge Farms Goldfish Crackers. Residents can check the link to the Food and Drug Administration website on the Hillsborough Township website under the Health Department: <u>www.hillsborough- nj.org</u> . Please go to "Departments", "Health Department" and you will see "Food and Drug Recalls" listed on the left side. This site takes you to the FDA website for further information.
Public Works	The Central Jersey Stream Team is organizing a lower end of the South Branch River clean up on July 22. Anyone interested in helping the team that day should contact Jens Reidel at the Central Jersey Stream Team Facebook page, where you will find more details on the event as they become available. The Public Works Department will be picking up the trash that is accumulated from this event.
	We are hard at work repairing road issues, storm drains and roadside mowing. We are also removing hazardous trees that can have a potential impact on public safety.
	Coupons are still available for the Township Clean Up. Please visit the Public Works page on the township website to apply for a coupon online.

Recreation



2018 Summer Activities Guide

Hillsborough Township's Annual Fishing Derby and Family Camp Out - Friday, August 3rd

"Bring your family and tent for the annual Family Camp Out and don't forget to pack the fishing poles for the David L. Thomas, Sr. Memorial



Fishing Derby," announced Committeeman Frank DelCore at Tuesday's Township Committee meeting.

The Township's Fishing Derby and Camp Out are set for Friday, August 3rd, at the Ann Van Middlesworth Park.

This year's Family Camp Out will include a glow-in-the-dark night hike and a movie under the stars. The Fishing Derby will be open to children ages 14 years and younger. Kids are encouraged to come out, cast a line, and try and catch the biggest fish!

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Boards & Commissions

Municipal Alliance

Somerset County Department of Human Services is seeking input from individuals who have sought treatment for substance abuse.

YOUR FEEDBACK IS REQUESTED:

Somerset County Substance Use Disorders Services Survey One survey is for Somerset County **adults** who have sought substance use disorder treatment; the other survey is **for parents** of individuals who sought treatment. The questionnaires are available in English and in Spanish. Click on the links below to complete the corresponding surveys.

ENGLISH PARENT SURVEY

SPANISH PARENT SURVEY

ENGLISH ADULT SURVEY

SPANISH ADULT SURVEY

This survey will close on August 6th. If you have any questions or concerns feel free to contact the Somerset County Department of Human Services

Township Job Line

Hillsborough Township is currently looking to fill the following positions:

- Building Maintenance, Part Time
- Registered Environmental Health
 Specialist Hillsborough Township Health
 Department



Registered Environmental Health Specialist (REHS)

News You Can Use

Firefighters Support Girl Scout Cookie Distribution Day 2018

Girl Scouts in Hillsborough delivered more than 34,600 boxes of cookies to hungry customers in town and around the country. In addition, more than 1,800 boxes were donated to military personnel through Operation Jersey Cares.

This year, as in many prior years, Hillsborough Fire Company No. 2 offered Girl Scouts the use of the Route 206 Firehouse to support the massive undertaking, clearing out their trucks and equipment on March 17th to make room for more than 2,400 cases of cookies, all staged and organized for pickup by dedicated Troop Leaders and Troop Cookie Managers.

On cookie distribution day, cars roll through the two bays of the firehouse every few minutes for more than three hours in a well-orchestrated and incredibly efficient assembly while Girl Scouts and Hillsborough High School Honor Society students, friends and colleagues load car after car and verify distribution paperwork.

Girl Scout Volunteer Cookie Team Leads, Dana Shapiro, Nancy Giordano, Pat Szary and Michelle Tomenchok coordinated the cookie sale across all 70 Hillsborough troops, which culminated in Cookie Distribution Day.

"Given March weather is always a bit unpredictable, the firehouse is the perfect spot for Cookie Distribution Day since it is covered and has the drive through lanes. The use of the firehouse is a critical part of the entire process," said Ms. Shapiro, "and we are so appreciative of the firemen and their support of our efforts."

The firemen really make Girl Scouts feel welcome and there is a real sense of sharing community resources," said Ms. Giordano. "Girl Scout cookies are a 100 year tradition, and an opportunity for young girls to learn important business skills. We enjoy helping the troops learn how to work hard and earn money that they can put toward their troop activities."

Girl Scouts, in Hillsborough, is an active and busy organization with more than 500 school-aged girls participating and several hundred adult volunteers coordinating activities and leading troops. Girl Scouts start in kindergarten and continue through high school.

If you would like more information on Girl Scouts and how girls can get involved, check out the website at <u>www.borogirlscouts.org</u>.



Pictured: Girl Scouts Sally Szary, Isabelle Tomenchok and Ashley Tomenchok showing thanks by presenting a gift of Girl Scout cookies to the members of Firehouse No.2

Senior Corner

Somerset County Senior Centers Announce August Activities

The senior centers operated by the Somerset County Office on Aging & Disability Services announce the August program schedule. All programs begin at 11 a.m. unless otherwise listed.

All Somerset County-operated Senior Centers offer a nutritionally balanced lunch, Monday through Friday, for a suggested donation of \$2.50, for anyone age 60 and above. Menu choices include a hot meat-based or meatless entrée or a cold meat-based or meatless boxed lunch. Please make reservations prior to 10 a.m. the previous business day. Why not invite a friend or neighbor to join you for lunch! As an additional suggestion, why not come earlier in the day and enjoy one of the center's many programs.

View August Hillsborough Senior Center Schedule

Important Dates

July 26, 2018	Planning Board Business Meeting	Canceled
August 14, 2018	Township Committee Meeting	7:30 pm

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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

Cheaper by the Dozen

Somerset Valley Players July 20 - August 5

Sense & Scents-Ability

Saturday, August 4 11 am - 2 pm Fragrance & Sensory Garden Colonial Park Gardens

Hillsborough Rotary Fair

August 14-19 Field Adjacent to Hillsborough Promenade (Lowe's)



Take your feet to the streets and enjoy the day with family & friends along the scenic D&R Canal Sunday, August 12th

You asked and we made it happen! On Sunday August 12th, Canal Road will be closed to vehicular traffic between Griggstown & Rocky Hill from 10 am to 4 pm. Bring your family and friends, pack water and a snack and stroll leisurely or ride your bicycle down traffic and noise-free Canal Road to view historic homes from the street. For a change of pace, you can choose to get closer to nature and take the scenic route back to Griggstown along the canal path.

This event is made possible by the Millstone Valley Scenic Byway, Franklin Township and the Franklin Township Police Department. To learn more about Millstone Valley Scenic Byway, visit their <u>website</u>. For a more detailed history of the Millstone Scenic Byway check out Linda Barth's book entitled *"The Millstone Valley Through Time"*.

Somerset County News

Somerset County August Recycling Calendar: 'First Saturday' & E-Waste Drop-Offs

'First Saturday of the Month' Drop-off in Bridgewater Aug. 4

• August 4th from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Somerset County Recycling Center, located at 40 Polhemus Lane, Bridgewater 08807.

Electronic Waste Drop Off

• Saturday drop-offs: August 4th, September 8th (due to the Labor Day holiday), October 6th, November 3rd, and December 1st from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the South County Public Works Garage, 410 Roycefield Road, Hillsborough 08844.

• Weekday drop-offs: Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the North County Public Works Facility - Building B - 411 Chimney Rock Road, north of Route 22, Bridgewater 08807 and the South County Public Works Garage, 410 Roycefield Road, Hillsborough 08844.

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Wanted: 'Project First Class' Donations

The Somerset County Commission on the Status of Women is collecting school supplies through August 3rd as part of "Project First Class." Children of families served by the Food Bank Network and other nonprofits in Somerset County will benefit from the donations.

NEW school supplies – such as notebooks, three-ring binders (1½ to 3 inches), pencil cases that fit inside binders, paper, glue sticks, safety scissors, index cards, highlighters, markers, pens, pencils and crayons – will be accepted along with new or gently-used backpacks.

"Many families are struggling to make ends meet, and for them, school supplies are unaffordable," said Freeholder Patricia Walsh, commission liaison. "We hope that individuals, organizations and businesses once again will support Project First Class and help these children get a good start in school this fall."

Donations may be dropped off to the Somerset County Freeholders' Office on the third floor of the county administration building at 20 Grove St., Somerville, now through Friday, August 3rd. The office is open weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Free parking is available in the adjacent Bernie Field Parking Deck off East High Street.

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MUNICIPAL BUILDING EVENING OFFICE HOURS

CLERK'S OFFICE 2nd & 4th Tuesdays until 7pm (June, July & August 2nd Tuesday Only)

> HEALTH DEPARTMENT 2nd Tuesday until 7pm

BUILDING DEPARTMENT Tuesdays until 7pm

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