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The Lyman Street Bridge on River Road going into Raritan Borough will be closed Saturday 9/22 from 10 am - 12 pm for the Basilone 5k Run. Please seek alternate route.

Township News

<u>Hillsborough Township Says Goodbye to</u> <u>Fritz (K9 Officer Raider)</u>

Fritz, who was known around Hillsborough Township as Officer Raider, was Hillsborough Township's first K9 Officer. He assumed his service role with the Township in 2008 and proudly served the residents and visitors of Hillsborough Township until his retirement in 2014.



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Eagle Scout Aidan Szabo Honored with Proclamation

Aidan Szabo, a Junior at Hillsborough High School and a member of Boy Scout Troop 186, has recently earned the rank of Eagle Scout

Aidan's Eagle Scout Project consisted of building and installing 14 Stations of the Cross at St. Matthias Church and mounting donated plaques.

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Mayor Proclaims September as Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month

By proclaiming September 2018 as Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month, we call attention to a disease that affects women across our county, state, and country, with the American Cancer Society estimating that 14,070 American women are projected to lose their lives to Ovarian Cancer this year.



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Second Annual Overdose Awareness Day

On August 30th, Hillsborough Township was the host for Somerset County's 2nd Annual Overdose Awareness Day to remember and honor those loved ones lost to addiction. Pastor Tim Wolf moderated the evening that was kicked off by Somerset County Freeholder Deputy Director Brian Levine. Somerset County Prosecutor Michael Robertson spoke regarding various statistics and then the remaining panel shared their personal stories of how addiction and overdose impacted their lives.



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Hillsborough Township, Somerset County Freeholders Along with APEX to Break Ground for New Sports Complex

Somerset County Freeholders, Hillsborough Township officials and the project developer will be joined by local sports teams and families as they break ground THURSDAY, SEPT. 27, at 6 P.M. for the Apex Sports & Events Complex.

Participants will gather at the eastern end of Mountain View Park, located immediately adjacent to the Apex property off Mountain View Road.

The Board of Freeholders has authorized a property swap with developer and township resident Gregg Wilke, enabling him to build the sports complex next to the county-owned park in exchange for turning

over 19.5 acres of land he owns on nearby Hillsborough Road. The site will become part of the county's farmland preservation program.

Read More about Apex



Township Scheduled to Conduct Missing Child Drill Training

Hillsborough Township Director of the Office of Emergency Management, John Sheridan advised that there will be an Emergency Services Training Drill on Wednesday, September 26th at Duke Farms, beginning at 4:30 p.m until approximately 9:00 p.m. There will be numerous emergency vehicles present at the property during that time and residents are reminded that this is only a training exercise.

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<u>Hillsborough Rewards Credit Card Program</u> Accepting Grant Applications



Non-Profit Groups Serving Youth and Seniors Invited to Apply. Deadline is September 28th.

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Resident Spotlight

Hillsborough Students "Coaching to Contribute" to Benefit Indian Villages

Hillsborough High School seniors Rohan Singh and Ritik Gupta have recently shipped over one thousand pounds of donated traditional Indian clothing to various locations in India through their nonprofit organization, Coaching to Contribute. To pursue this initiative, the pair partnered with the shipping company, Universal Relocations, and nonprofit organizations Pathshala and Sevatirth, both of which are located in Vadodara, India. A portion of the donations were also sent to J.S.M. Public School located in northern India. The clothing was distributed to numerous people in need, ranging from young children,



as young as five years old, to widowed women in their late sixties. Ritik and Rohan plan to continue sending these shipments and hope to soon broaden the scope of their organization's influence.

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Township Events

Fifth Annual Hillsborough Township Senior Olympics

Wednesday, September 26, 2018



Laugh Out Loud and Uncover New Opportunities to Enhance Your Business

Tuesday, October 16, 2018



Meet the Municipal Alliance

Wednesday, October 17, 2018



Watch latest episode of "Hillsborough The Good Life!"

Season 3 - Episode 6



Department Updates

Building Department

The Building Department is now offering narrower windows for inspections times. Inspections can be scheduled in the morning (8 am -12 pm) or afternoon (11 am - 3 pm).

Business Advocate

Tickets are now on sale for the next HBA Business Social, which will be held on Tuesday, October 16th from 6 to 9 pm at the brand new Camp DeWitt Conference Center.

The event will feature comedy entertainment by a top headliner at the Borgata Casino, John "Gemini" Lombardi. Additionally, 21st Century Librarian Catherine DeBerry will talking about how the business community can access over \$85,000 worth of business resources. The price of admission is \$15.50 and includes food provided by Catered Affair. A cash bar will be available. Go to Hillsboroughbusiness.org to purchase tickets.

Engineering Department

Road and Sidewalk Repairs The Engineering Department would like to share with residents that the Township maintains over 530 lane miles of roadways and 115 miles of sidewalks. To put that in perspective, the distance from New Jersey to Maine is approximately 500 miles.

The Engineering Department notes that all reports of potholes, and poor road and sidewalk conditions need to be brought to the attention of the Public Works Department, not the Engineering Department. If a roadway is not scheduled for full repaving, repairs can be completed by the Public Works Department until a road is fully repaved. The Engineering

Department does not schedule maintenance repairs. The Engineering Department, along with the Public Works Department, ranks full road repaving based on traffic volume, type of road and conditions.

If roadways are approved for funding by the Township Committee for repaving, the Engineering Department will then administer the bidding process and inspection of the repaving. Also, full repaving falls under Federal and State mandates that storm water drainage inlets and handicap sidewalk ramps be retrofitted to the latest standards. These retrofits are a very costly part of the repaving project and drives up the total repaving costs.

Finance Department

Final 2018 tax bills were mailed earlier this week. If you were eligible for a 2015 Homestead Benefit, your 4th quarter bill will reflect that reduction. This tax bill mailing will also include billing for the 1st and 2nd quarter of 2019.

Health Department

Get Ready For Flu Season The Center for Disease Control recommends that everyone age 6 months of age and over be vaccinated against the flu. In New Jersey, children ages 6 months to 59 months in public or private preschool must be vaccinated against the flu. Young children and the elderly, as well as those with chronic conditions and those with weakened immune systems are most vulnerable to serious complications from the flu.

Walgreens will be offering 2 clinics for individuals aged 12 and up at the Hillsborough Municipal Building on October 2nd and October 16th from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

Please see the <u>Get Read For Flu Season</u> page on the Health Department website for information on the insurances accepted and the cost without insurance, as well as other ways to help prevent the flu, and how to care for family members with flu.

Office of Emergency Management

Somerset County C.E.R.T. October Training

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) is an all-hazard, all-risk training program designed to teach you how to protect yourself, your family, your neighbors and community during a disaster situation. CERT training promotes a partnering effort between emergency services and the people in the communities they serve.

Registration Form | Hold Harmless Form

Recreation

The Fall Brochure is now available online. Click below to view.

New this Fall:

- Acrylic Painting
- Adult Fitness Bootcamp
- Coding for Kids
- Youth Softball Skills Clinics



Tax Assessor

Farmland inspections will continue to be performed by the Tax Assesor and staff during the month of September. The staff will be walking the

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Farmland Inspections in Progress

entire property measuring areas and observing the farmland activity. The inspections are required by the State Division of Taxation to determine if a property still qualifies for farmland assessment. Each qualified farmland property is inspected once every three years.

Township Clerk

Upcoming Poll Worker Classes for new workers Somerset County Board of Elections is looking for registered voters to serve as poll workers on Election days. Training is provided prior to every Election and poll workers are paid \$200 per Election.

*** FALL CLASSES FOR NEW WORKERS***

September 27 - 10 AM to noon at the 4H Center on 310 Milltown Rd, Bridgewater 08807

October 24 - 6 PM to 8PM at 40 N. Bridge St., Somerville, NJ 08876 Call 908-231-7086 to sign up

More Information | Download an Application | 908-231-7086

Library

The Somerset County Library System of New Jersey Launches Passport Services

<u>Dial-In to Hear a Story from an SCLSNJ Librarian When You're on the Go, Right Before Bed, or Anytime You Need a Literary Pick-Me-Up</u>

Township Job Line

Hillsborough Township is currently looking to fill the following position:

- Building Maintenance, Part Time
- Part Time Office Assistant/Floater Administration/Clerk's Office

More Information | Download an Application

Important Dates

September 25th Township Committee Meeting 7:30 pm

September 27th Planning Board Business Meeting Canceled

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

OAR Comedy Night

September 22nd 6 pm Raritan Valley Country Club

Cancer Callout

September 29th

Free Family Fun Day at the Farm

September 29th 11 am - 2 pm 585 Montgomery Rd, Hillsborough

Art Show - Artists of the Millstone Valley

September 29th & 30th Hillsborough Reformed Church at Millstone

Beez Foundation Rubber Duck Race

September 30th 12 -6 pm Boyd Park, New Brunswick

Steeplechase Distance Walk/Run

September 30th 8 am 301 Amsterdam Drive

Rock n Brews BBQ for Gigi's Playhouse

September 30th 2 pm - 7 pm Stage House Tavern

Princeton Skating Club Open House

October 14th 1 pm - 3 pm October 27th 11:15 am - 1:15 pm Princeton Day School

Annual Craft Fair at the Princeton Elks

November 3rd 7 - 9 pm Harlingen Reformed Church

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December 9th 12 pm - 4 pm 354 Route 518 Skillman On Sale! New ARIS/HMS 2018-2019
Discount Card - Save Money at Local
Businesses & Support Hillsborough
Students

If you would like to purchase a ARIS/HMS Discount Card, email laura@brightsoftware.com for details, or visit Super Sundaes ice cream shop (near the Post Office).



Somerset County News

Local Clinics Offer Flu Shots

Local Arts Program Grant Applications Due Oct. 24

October Recycling Calendar: 'First Saturday and E-Waste Drop-Offs

Volunteers Needed for Fall Leaf Clean-up

Free DisABILITY Services Fair - Oct. 6

Sheriff's Office Hosts Rx Drive-Thru Drop-off Sept. 22

Next Free Document-Shredding Event - Sept. 22

Farmers Market Vouchers Are Available Until Sept. 28

MUNICIPAL BUILDING EVENING OFFICE HOURS

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

HEALTH DEPARTMENT 2nd Tuesday 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

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