

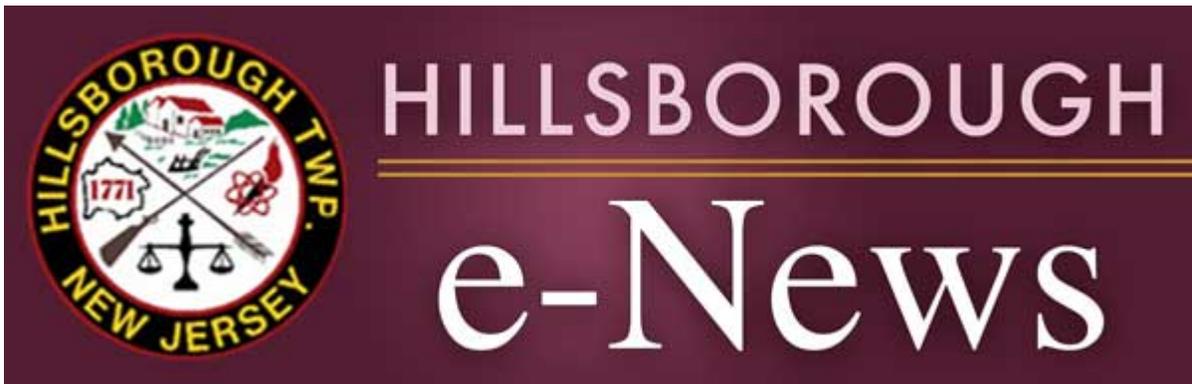
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This Newsletter is brought to you by the Hillsborough Township Committee:

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Township News

[Father Sean Honored With Proclamation](#)

Father Sean Broderick, a Spiritan Father for 53 years retired on October 31, 2018 after 14 years of dedicated service to Mary Mother of God Parish.

Father Sean was born and raised in the Republic of Ireland and ordained a Holy Ghost priest for the missions in Africa. He returned to Ireland after 20 years to be an educator and later became President of Rockwell College in Tipperary.



[HTPD Donates PBA Hockey Jersey](#)

During the December 11th Township Committee Meeting, Officer Chris Giraldi from the

Hillsborough Township Police Department presented the Township with a commemorative hockey shirt from the NJ State PBA's Hockey Team. The team sells these shirts as fundraisers for the many causes they support and PBA #205 wanted to thank the Township for partnering with them on the local fundraising events. The shirt has number 205 on the front representing the local PBA and "Boro" on the back of the shirt for Hillsborough Township.



[Senior Chapter A Swears in New Officers](#)

On January 3rd, 2019 Hillsborough Senior Citizens Chapter A held their annual swearing-in ceremony to officially install three new trustees. Township Clerk Pamela Borek conducted the swearing-in ceremony for the following new trustees for 2019-20: Dale Caswell, Linda Merriam-Kuc and Barbara Zielsdorff. Welcome and best of luck to Chapter "A" in the new year!



[Ann Van Middlesworth Park Improvement Completed](#)

"Hillsborough Township takes great pride in our parks system. We are pleased to share with you the latest improvements to Ann Van Middlesworth Park," announced Mayor Frank DeCore.

A sidewalk has been added between Woodfield Estates residential development and Ann Van Middlesworth Park. Residents can now safely walk into the park. In addition, the original metal fence has been replaced with a new retention wall and trees have been planted making the area beautifully landscaped. A mulched picnic area overlooks a small stream next to our basketball courts for residents to enjoy.



[Hillsborough Township to Host Blood Drive on January 17th](#)

"Hillsborough Township is partnering with Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital Somerset and hosting a Blood Drive," announced Deputy Mayor Doug Tomson, Liaison to the Board of Health. The Blood Drive will take place on Thursday, January 17th from 2pm to 7:30pm at the Peter J. Biondi Municipal Building located at 379 South Branch Road. All donors will receive a free T-shirt.

All types are welcome!
Please donate blood!



Blood Drive
Thursday, January 17th 2:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Hillsborough Township Municipal Building
Free T-shirt for all donors!
Register online at www.RWJUHDonorClub.org

Donors must be 16 years old (with parental consent) weigh at least 110 lbs. (120 lbs. if age 16), eat and drink well before donation and bring photo ID. For questions about eligibility, call 908-885-2526.

Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital Somerset | RWJ Barnabas University Hospital Somerset

Reminder to All Residents: Parking Prohibited on Snow Covered Roads Clear Snow and Ice from Vehicles Before Operating

Committeewoman Gloria McCauley, Liaison to Public Safety would like to remind all residents, of the prohibition of parking on snow covered roads. "Township Code Chapter 143-21 prohibits parking on snow covered roads. When snow is anticipated, use off street parking as an alternative. Vehicles are subject to summonses and the potential of being towed at the owner's expense," reported Committeewoman McCauley.

Hillsborough Community Night at the NJ Devils vs. Philadelphia Flyers Game on Friday, March 1st

Hillsborough Township will participate in the 5th Annual Hillsborough Community Night at the New Jersey Devils' Friday, March 1st game against the Philadelphia Flyers.



This year the Township and PBA #205 are partnering for an even bigger community event.

The Shop Hillsborough Reward Program combines saving and shopping. Present your Shop Hillsborough Reward Card to a participating merchant at the time of purchase and a property credit will automatically be applied to your property tax bill. Not a property owner? Join the program to receive an annual rebate check.

Shop Hillsborough Reward Program



Shop Shop at a variety of merchants
Save Save money through property tax credit or rebate check
Support Support our local merchants

If you don't have a card, pick one up in the Administration Office in the Municipal Building Monday through Friday from 8 am to 4:30 pm

January Deals of the Month

Recycle Your Christmas Tree

The Somerset County Park Commission will accept Christmas trees from December 26, 2018 through January 31, 2019 at Colonial Park, Parking Lot F, in Somerset or North Branch Park, at the lighted baseball field, next to field #1, 355 Milltown Road, in Bridgewater.



For more information about Christmas tree recycling, all 732-873-2459, ext. 21.

Hillsborough The Good Life

Season 4 - Episode 1

Watch Now!



Department Updates

Building Department

The Building Department is pleased to announce an amnesty program, which will run until January 31, 2019. This program will excuse residents and business owners from getting penalized for having open permits, having previous work done without permits, failing to obtain a Certificate of Occupancy and/or have an expired Temporary Certificate of Occupancy. If you visit the Building Department within this allotted time frame, we will assist you with gaining compliance for your projects. Permit fees will still be applicable but, again, you will not be penalized for noncompliance.

Business Advocate

A new year and a new opportunity for the Hillsborough Businesses to promote themselves. We encourage the Hillsborough Business Community visit the newly updated HBA website, www.hillsboroughbusiness.org, to update their business profiles on the Hillsborough Township Business Finder. A new feature for businesses include posting their events on HBA Calendar.

In other news, improvements are being made to the Shop Hillsborough Program. Fincredit the administrator of the program is upgrading the system by replacing terminals with android devices, which will allow merchants to scan a QR code.

Please visit www.hillsboroughbusiness.org for directions to download your cards QR code onto your smartphone or physically attach to your card. Additionally, merchants will also be able to input your registered phone number or card ID. The new system is totally paperless, therefore a receipt will be sent to your registered email address. Remember, you can always check your balance in your account at www.propertytaxcard.com

Engineering

Did you know that there are 530 lane miles of roadways and 115 miles of sidewalks that are maintained by Hillsborough Township? To put that into perspective the amount of infrastructure is the same distance as a trip from NJ to South Carolina!

The Engineering Department works with the Public Works Department to identify roads that require repairs. To report a pothole please notify the Department of Public Works at 908-369-3950.

Finance Department

2019 dog license renewals are now being mailed out. Renewals can be paid in person in the Finance Office, by mail, or by using the online system beginning January 7th. Your dog's rabies vaccine must be valid through October 2019 in order to renew. To avoid a late fee, renew your dog license by March 1st.

Health Department

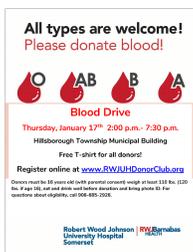
Radon Kits

January is Radon Awareness Month - free Radon Test Kits are still available. The local health departments in Somerset County (Greater Somerset Public Health Partnership) have agreed to designate January as Radon Action Month. Radon is a colorless, odorless gas that can be emitted from naturally occurring rocks and soil that contain uranium and radon. The Hillsborough Health Department will continue to distribute free radon test kits to Hillsborough Township residents on a first come, first served basis. Residents can call the Health Department at 908-369-5652 or stop in the Health Department between 8:30 am and 4:00 pm to get a kit. Please see further information on the health website.



Free Rabies Vaccination Clinic

Annual Free Rabies Vaccination Clinic to be held on Saturday, January 26th at the Hillsborough Township Department of Public Works Yard located at 21 East Mountain Road. No pre-registration is necessary. Dogs must be leashed and cats are required to be in a secure carrier.



The winter months are among the most difficult for collecting blood. People are busy with holiday preparations and celebrations, then the first months of the new year tend to bring ice and snow, making it difficult for donors to travel to the hospital to donate. Even if the weather is agreeable, we're in the midst of cold and flu season.

Regardless of these challenges, the need for blood continues on a daily basis. Patients receiving cancer treatments, accident victims and new mothers are among the groups in need of blood and blood components. Our hospital serves your community, so the person receiving the donated blood might be a neighbor.

Police

The Hillsborough Township police reminds residents, as we approach winter, that NJ law requires all snow and ice to be removed from vehicle's hood, windows and roof before driving. For your safety, drive slow & adjust your speed for the changing road conditions and increase your following distance from other vehicles. Give snowplows and sander vehicles plenty of room to work. Don't tailgate and try not to pass them as their field of vision is restricted - you may see them but they don't always see you!

Also just a reminder that Township Code Chapter 143-21 prohibits parking on snow covered roads. When snow is anticipated, use off street parking as an alternative. Vehicles are subject to summonses and the potential of being towed at the owner's expense.

Public Works

The Township Leaf Collection Program has concluded. The entire town received two passes at a minimum. Roughly ten thousand cubic yards of leaves were vacuumed throughout the town. Local farmers accepted the leaves to use as a soil amendment for their crops.

Public Works is actively engaged in filling potholes around the township. As a common practice the higher speed roads will receive the first attention for safety reasons.

Please visit the township website for valuable information regarding online coupons for the Township Clean up Program. Residents will be

Recreation

Registration is currently ongoing for ALL winter programs. Spring Girls Softball leagues and Spring Soccer leagues are also open for registration. Don't miss out on the fun. Register today!

Registration Open

Technology

Beware of Suspicious email appearing to be from Township

Earlier this week, a HBA member received a suspicious email that appeared to be an official Township communication. The email in question was not created, nor sanctioned by the Township and/or the Hillsborough Business Association. If you have received or do receive a similar suspicious email in the future, delete the email. Do not click on any links or logos in the email.



Library

[SCLSNJ Offers Popular DIY and Crafting How-To Digital Resource](#)

Township Job Line



Hillsborough Township is currently looking to fill the following position:

- Building Maintenance, Part Time

[More Information](#) | [Download an Application](#)

Important Dates

January 10th	Planning Board Reorganization Meeting	7:00 pm
January 10th	Planning Board Regular Meeting	7:30 pm
January 22nd	Township Committee Meeting	7:30 pm
January 24th	Planning Board Business Meeting	7:30 pm

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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

HHS Band Clothing Drive

January 12th
10 am - 12 pm

Hillsborough high School

The Complete College Process for High School Parents

January 16th
7 pm
Hillsborough Library

Hillsborough High School Project Graduation Dress Sale

January 26th
9 am - 1 pm
Hillsborough High School Atrium



Christian Nurturing Center Preschool Open House

January 26th
9:30 am - noon
715 Amwell Road

Cupid's Chase 5k

February 9th
8 am
Duke Island Park

5th Annual "i have a Voice" Gala

March 30th
6 pm - 11 pm
Bridgewater Marriott

On Sale! New ARIS/HMS 2018-2019 Discount Card - Save Money at Local Businesses & Support Hillsborough Students

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

ARIS/HMS DISCOUNT CARD 2018-2019				
\$10.00 *MUST PRESENT CARD AT TIME OF PURCHASE*				
Non-Transferable/Cannot Be Combined With Other Offers - www.hillsexpress.com Expires Sept. 30, 2019				
BOUTIQUE OF HILLSBOROUGH \$1 off any \$10 or more purchase of any clothing item. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items. Excludes gift certificates.	AMMILL AUTO & TIRE \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any tires. Excludes service, oil changes, and other services. Excludes sale items.	PAZZO'S \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.	B & C LINEN \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.	
BAKEL BROS 2 for \$10.00 or more of any \$10.00 or more purchase of any breads, pastries, and desserts. Excludes gift certificates.	BIG BANG BROS \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.	COURTESY \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.	CAFE BRIO \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.	CHERRY HOLLEY \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.
CHINA MOON \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.	CLUBBERRY \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.	COLEMAN \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.	COOPER'S \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.	THE DAVE WIN \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.
DYNE CURRENCY \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.	DUNN DONUTS \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.	FRUITY \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.	HILLSBOROUGH \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.	VILLAGE CHOCOLATE \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.
IMACT TRAINING \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.	JAMIE PALACE \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.	JUST SUBS \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.	SHED PETER OF HILLSBOROUGH \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.	SHANE OF HILLSBOROUGH \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.
LENN'S \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.	MAISON MARTIN MARGIELA \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.	MONROE'S \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.	WORKWORLD \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.	WORLD OF WOODS \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.
REXEL \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.	ROBERT SHIP \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.	ROCKY \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.	SUPER SUNDAES \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.	TRENT'S \$10 off any \$100 or more purchase of any clothing items. Excludes shoes, accessories, and alterations. Excludes sale items.

Somerset County News

[Deadline Extended for Outstanding Women Nominations](#)

[Free Document Shredding for Somerset County Residents - January 19th](#)

[Donations for Homeless Adults Collected Thru Jan. 18](#)

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

BUILDING DEPARTMENT
Tuesdays until 7pm

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