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

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## **Township News**



# Three Dukes Football Teams Honored for Winning Seasons

At the March 13th Township Committee Meeting, the Mayor and Township Committee recognized three Hillsborough Dukes Football Teams for their successful season due to hard work, dedication, commitment to the sport and to those principles of good sportsmanship, teamwork, and academic achievement.

#### **Dukes Junior Pee Wee**

The Dukes Junior Pee Wee Football Team finished their season with a 6-3 record, were Jersey Valley Conference Champions and advanced to the Pop Warner Eastern Regional rounds.

The 2018 Hillsborough Dukes Junior Pee Wee Football Team consisted of the following young athletes: Isaiah Alimecco, Peter Anderson, Jacob Bogoski, Noah Bogoski, Matthew Deville, James Esposito, Quinn Hayden, William Hayes, Kevin Jones, Cooper Karsay, Shaan Lodhia, Joshua Malek, Logan McDermid, Tyler Pirog, Evan Puleio, Jason Strachan, Alex Trochimiuk, David Yacka, and Alex Zysk.



#### **Dukes Pee Wee**

The Dukes Pee Wee Football Team were the Pop Warner Jersey Valley Conference Champions and won the Eastern Regional Football Championship in the qualifier round and placed in the top 8 in the Eastern Regional second round.

The 2018 Hillsborough Dukes Pee Wee Football Team consisted of the following young athletes: Julian Brunelle, Dylan Downey, Zion Grant, James Grohe, Cole Hayden, Jesse McCrea, Heath Miller, Mitch Miller, Viktor Nedeski, Tyler Oram, Jamel Powell, Lianny Sanchez, Zachary Schick, Peter Sorbera, Jake Susan, Luc Vanraes, and Alexander Wildgoose.



#### **Dukes Junior Varsity**

The Dukes Junior Varsity Team was the Pop Warner Jersey Valley Conference Champions with a 33-6 win against the Port Reading Golden Saints. They earned two wins in the Pop Warner Eastern Region Division 3 playoffs and advanced to the finals of the Pop Warner Eastern Region Playoffs.

The 2018 Hillsborough Dukes Junior Varsity Football Team consisted of the following young athletes: Brandon Amoafo, Joseph Biviano, Nathan Downey, Jimmy Conover, Devin Gonzalez, Zion Harrison, Antione Hinton, Kyle Kolans, Justin LeBron, Billy Meszaros, Donovan Miller, Jack Moran, Jack O'Donnell, Anthony Panatieri, Brady Post, Logan Press, Jackson Roberts, Michael Schmelzer, Luke Scott, Noah Simplice, Chris Spinelli, and Doug Toth.



#### Hillsborough Rewards Credit Card Program Accepting Grant Applications

Hillsborough Based Non-Profit Groups Serving Youth and Seniors Invited to Apply - Deadline is April 1st

"The Hillsborough Township Credit Card Advisory Committee will be accepting grant applications beginning March 4th for the first round of grants for 2019," announced Mayor Frank DelCore.

"Applications will be made available on the Township website ( <a href="www.hillsborough-nj.org">www.hillsborough-nj.org</a>) or can be picked up in the Administration Office for any Township based non-profit, senior or youth organizations to apply for grants up to \$2,000 funded through the Hillsborough Rewards Credit Card Program," continued Mayor DelCore.

#### First Shredding Event of 2019 to be held on March 30th

Each year, Somerset County offers residents a free documentshredding program at various locations around the county.

This year's kick-off shredding event will be held on March 30th at the Somerset County Public Works South County Facility at 410 Roycefield Road in Hillsborough.

Shredding events are held on 10 Saturdays through the "Operation Secure Shred" program, rain or shine. All shredding events are held from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., or until the trucks are filled to capacity, at which time they leave and the event is over for the day.

The 2019 Operation Secure Shred program will run from March 30, 2019 to November 9, 2019.

# Hillsborough Business Association To Host a Night of Networking

**April 11, 2019** 

Registration Now Open Limited Space Available

Register Now

#### <u>Public Invited to March 26 Presentation on Gateway</u> <u>Project</u>

One-Seat Ride to NYC is a Top Priority

CRANFORD, NJ – The Raritan Valley Rail Coalition, a rail-advocacy group representing 1.7 million residents in four counties along NJ Transit's Raritan Valley Line, will sponsor a free presentation on the Gateway Project beginning at 7 p.m., Tuesday, March 26, at the Cranford Community Center.



#### **Shop Hillsborough**

New improvements are being made to the Shop Hillsborough Program to make it even easier for shoppers to earn tax credits or cash rebates.

Forgot your card? Not a problem, just tell the participating merchant your phone number.

See how quickly your rewards add up by checking the balance in your account at <a href="https://www.propertytaxcard.com">www.propertytaxcard.com</a>.

Visit <u>www.hillsboroughbusiness.org</u> for future announcements.



**March Deals** 

#### Just Released!

Hillsborough The Good Life

Season 4 - Episode 3

Watch Now!



## **Department Updates**



If you are experiencing electrical problems in your home, make sure to call a Licensed Electrician to take a look. A qualified individual assessing the issue and receiving the necessary Electrical Inspections

from the Building Department can help ensure the proper safety of installation or repairs. According to the Nation Fire Protection Association, between 2010-2014 there were 45,210 reported fires involving electrical malfunctions.

#### **Business Advocate**

Night of Networking Registration is now open - for the the HBA and Affinity Federal Credit Union will host a joint networking event - April 11th.

#### **Engineering**

Due to the extreme weather conditions experienced the past few weeks, many potholes are developing on roadways throughout the state. Our Public Works Department is working hard to address the potholes Hillsborough residents are reporting on our roads.

As a reminder, please direct your reports to our Public Works Department so they can assure the pothole concern is addressed.

#### Finance Department

Tax Assessment Cards have been mailed. If you need additional information about taxes paid or would like a recap of the property taxes paid in 2018, please contact the Finance/Tax Collector's Office and they will be happy to mail or email you the information.

#### **Health Department**

The Health Department reminds us that March is Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month. Colorectal Cancer is cancer of the large intestine (colon) and rectum. It is the second most deadly cancer in men and women behind lung cancer. Colorectal cancer can develop over time and with early detection can be cured. When abnormal growths called polyps are removed early enough, they will not develop into invasive cancer.

Although some people can get colorectal cancer at a younger age, a risk factor for this cancer is being over age 50. Therefore, the American Cancer Society recommends that all men and women age 50 and over get screened for colorectal cancer. Heredity can also put you at risk, so if someone in your family developed this cancer, you may be at a higher risk. Other predisposing risk factors can be found in the online links found in the Health Department website under "disease prevention".

For those on Medicaid or without medical insurance, the Zufall Health Center, a Federally Qualified Health Center, located at 71 4th Street in Somerville offers cancer screening tests for reduced cost or free. Their phone number is 908-526-2335.

#### **OEM**

Spring is the time when planting and excavating begins. It is important to remember that Call Before You Dig is the law. A center has been established to triage requests - they are open 7 days a week, 24 hours a day. The phone number to call is 811 or 1-800-272-1000.

#### **Public Works**

Coupons for the Senior Curbside pick up are available at the Department of Public Works from 8 am to 2 pm or in the Social Services Department between am to 4:30 pm until the end of March, 2019.

Registration for the Drop off Program at our Auten Road site will be available online soon.

The Public Works Department thanks all of the residents that moved their vehicles to their driveways and garages during the past snow event. This allows for more efficient plowing operations when everyone works together during the storm. If your mailbox was damaged during the snowstorm please call the Department of Public Works for information or visit the township website under the Public Works link.

#### Recreation

Spring has sprung and our Recreation Department has a variety of programs available to our residents of all ages. Here's a small sampling of our exciting programs this spring. We are offering Parent and Me Squirts on Saturday afternoons. Get out on the field with your 2 - 3 year old and play games and activities. Adults looking to get in shape and enjoy the spring weather can sign up for our Let's Shape Up program that will be held at Ann Van Middlesworth Park on Wednesday mornings. Does your child like to run? Are they in 3rd - 6th grade? If so have them join the Hillsborough Running Club. We will meet weekly on Thursdays to go over the fundamental mechanics of running. Maybe sports isn't your thing, we have a Coding for Kids program for grades 3 -8. Children will learn about the importance of Coding in our modern world during this 8 week course. Finally don't forget about our 6th Annual Run Around the Park Fun Run held on Sunday April 28th. The cost is \$25 for adults and \$20 for children under 12. Register by March get your free T-Shirt. See our hillsboroughnirecreation.org for more details and to register for any programs.

Want to keep your kids active this summer? Send them to the Parks and Recreation Summer Camp. Our camps run from June 24th through August 16th for children aged 5-13. We also offer Tiny Camp for 4 and 5 year olds who have not finished Kindergarten. Registration is open and more details can be found on the Parks and Recreation website.

#### **Social Services**

Hillsborough's Got Talent event. Calling all talented Seniors - singers, dancers, magicians, animal acts and other talents.

#### Tax Assessor/ Finance

The New Jersey Division of Taxation has announced that the first credit due for the 2016 Homestead Benefit will be released next month. For those eligible property owners, the credit will be applied to your 2nd quarter tax payment. Once the information has been received in our Tax Office, you will receive a revised May Tax Bill, which will reflect the reduced amount due on May 1st.

#### Sustainable Hillsborough



# Rain Garden Survey Focuses on increasing adoption of Green Infrastructure practices that help reduce flooding and clean water

A reminder that the rain garden survey focusing on increasing adoption of green infrastructure practices that help reduce flooding and clean water is still open. Participants who complete the survey will receive a chance for a random drawing for a \$50 gift certificate to a local Hillsborough restaurant, The Landing restaurant. To take the survey, an email will be sent out to Hillsborough Township e-News subscribers or visit www.sustainablehillsborough.com.

#### **Library**

Last month, the Hillsborough Library held the second annual Soup-er Bowl. Over 70 patrons attended the event and enjoyed a variety of soups from Hillsborough Chefs who shared tips on how to make the ultimate comfort food, home made soup. Restaurants featured included, Culinary Creations, Divine Curry, Hillsborough Star Diner, Petrock's Bar & Grille and Tender Lovin Grill.

#### News You Can Use

#### Raritan Headwaters Seeks Volunteers for Annual Stream Cleanup

Below are sites in the Hillsborough area with links for registration and the exact location.

Site 14: Three Bridges
Site 16: Neshanic Station
Site 18: Old York Road
Site 35: Darby Tract

Site 38: North Branch Church

Site 44: Basilone Park



#### **AARP Offers Free Tax Preparation Help**

AARP Foundation <u>Tax-Aide</u> offers free, individualized tax preparation for low-to moderate-income taxpayers - especially those 50 and older - at nearly 5,000 locations nationwide. Find a location near you by searching below. Before visiting a Tax-Aide site, please note:

- You will need to bring your important documents to the site. Access the complete list.
- Federal Tax assistance is available at all locations.
   State tax assistance is available at all locations in your state for in-state residents, and may be available to out-of-state residents in select neighboring states.
   Please contact sites in your neighboring state to confirm availability.
- Site hours are subject to change on a weekly basis.
   Therefore, please check again the day before you plan to go to the site.



Free Preparation of federal and state income tax returns plus help filling out PTR-1 and PTR-2 forms will be provided from February 1 thru April 15th.

### For appointment call: 908-541-5710

6 sites in Somerset County

Hillsborough site is Somerset Emergency Training Academy
(SEMTA) 402 Roycefield Rd

All ages and income levels are welcome, however special attention will be given to seniors.

Volunteers are trained and certified in cooperation with the IRS and the New Jersey Department of Taxation.

### **Important Dates**

March 26th Township Committee Meeting 8:00 pm

March 28th 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

Steps Together - Trivia Night

March 23rd 6 pm Woods Road Firehouse

#### Swing into Spring Dinner

March 23rd 6 pm - 10 pm Polish American Citizens Club, 29 Kline Blvd, Whitehouse Station

#### **Rock Steady Boxing for Parkinson's**

March 24th 1-2:30 pm CKO Kickboxing

#### 6th Annual 5K Race to Wellness

March 30th 9 am - 11 am Duke Island Park, Bridgewater, NJ

#### **Electronics Recycling Fundraiser**

March 30th 9 am - 1 pm Woods Road School

#### **Tribute to Johnny Cash**

March 30th 7 pm - 11 pm Manville-Hillsborough Elks

#### 5th Annual "i have a Voice" Gala

March 30th 6 pm - 11 pm Bridgewater Marriott

#### The Learning Experience Open House

March 30th 10 am - 12 pm The Learning Experience

# HHS Orchestra performance with Mark Wood

April 6th 7 pm HHS Auditorium

#### Gently Used Children's Clothing Sale

April 6th 8 am - 1 pm







Christian Nurturing Center

#### Easter Bunny Pancake Breakfast Hillsborough Baseball League

April 6th 8 am 10 am Applebee's Hillsborough - <u>buy tickets</u>

#### Raritan Valley Habitat Youth Rainbow Run 5k

April 7th 9 am White Oak Park- 220 Baird Road Branchburg,

# Open House at Wallace House & Old Dutch Parsonage

April 7th 1 pm - 4 pm 71 Somerset St, Somervlle



April 7th 8 am - 10 am Hillsborough Applebee's

#### Hillsborough UNICO Golf Outing 2019

May 3rd Hillsborough Golf & Country Club **Download Sponsor Form** 

# Wildlife Explorers Summer STEAM Program

July 15-26 Duke Farms

#### 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 <a href="mailto:laura@brightsoftware.com">laura@brightsoftware.com</a> for details, or visit Super Sundaes ice cream shop (near the Post Office).



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# **Somerset County News**

Montgomery Senior Wellness Center Offers Free CPR Classes Learn CPR for Life

<u>Impact Tech Dependency Has on Children, Families & Emp; Predatory Behavior Register by April 10</u>

Parental Incarceration and the Impact on Family

<u>Volunteers Sought at Senior Centers - Give a Few Hours of Time and Make an Impact Forever</u>

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

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