

Tuesday, October 20, 2020

The Mayor's eNews is currently being published twice a week on Tuesday and Thursday. COVID-19 case information is updated on the Township [website](#) daily, Monday through Friday.

Traffic Advisory

- Camplain Road will be closed from Sunnymead Road to Route 206, between 7 am and 4 pm daily
- On-going alternating traffic on New Amwell Road

Please follow posted detours and exercise caution while traveling through the area. Expect delays.

Township News

Hillsborough Township Provides Continued Guidance Regarding Building Operations during COVID-19 Despite Lack of Cooperation from the Somerset County Library System of NJ

Somerset County Library System of New Jersey operates a branch at 379 South Branch Road, which is in the Peter J. Biondi, Hillsborough Township Municipal Building. What is unique about the SCLSNJ-HB is that this branch is a tenant within the Township's Municipal Building. [Read more.](#)

Township Committee Recognizes K9 Officer Marco as He Retires

On Friday, October 16th, K9 Officer Marco, a Belgian Malinois, retired from the Hillsborough Police Department after serving the community for 9 years. Marco was generously donated to the Township by Dr. Caesar DePaço and Deanna Padovani-DePaço in 2013. [Read More](#)



Hillsborough Police "National Take Back Initiative" on October 24th

The Hillsborough Township Police Department is once again participating in the "National Take Back Initiative", a program from the Drug Enforcement Administration, for residents to safely dispose of their unused, unwanted, or expired household medicine. If you have household medicine that you wish to dispose of, please come to the Police Department Lobby, which is in the back of the Municipal Complex, on Saturday, October 24th between 10 am and 2 pm.

Hillsborough Township's 3rd Annual Restaurant Week - A Savory Success

Despite COVID-19 restrictions delaying the Township's 3rd Annual Restaurant Week, the event provided a boost to businesses and the community. Hillsborough's Restaurant Week has become a tradition that restaurant owners and patrons look forward to each year. Early on in the COVID crisis, there was talk of canceling Restaurant Week altogether, but after careful consideration, it was decided that going forward with the much anticipated event would provide residents an opportunity to show their support and appreciation to local eateries while giving restaurant owners the avenue to showcase their best dishes. [Read more.](#)

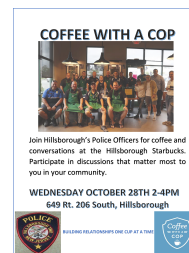
[Hillsborough Township Next Fall Flea Market to be Held on October 24th](#)

The next Fall Flea Market will be held this Saturday, **October 24th**, at the Willow Road Complex from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm. Click [here](#) to register for a space at the event.



[Hillsborough Township Police Department Holding Annual "Coffee With A Cop" Event on Wednesday, October 28th](#)

Hillsborough's Police Officers will hold its annual "Coffee With A Cop" event on Wednesday, October 28th, from 2pm to 4pm, at the Hillsborough Starbucks. Join them for coffee and and participate in conversations about things that matter most to you in your community. [Read more.](#)



[Join Mayor Doug Tomson for the 5th Podcast Episode - Preparing for the Unpredictable Pandemic of 2020](#)

Click the icons to link to the Official Podcasts of Hillsborough Township.



[Mark Your Calendars for Hillsborough Recreation's Halloween Events](#)

[Children's Halloween Party at Norz Hill Farm on October 29th](#)

Pre-registration is required by noon on October 29th at www.hillsboroughrecreation.org.



[Howl-O-Ween Dog Parade and Costume Contest on October 31st](#)

Registration will begin at 8:30 am and the parade will start at 9:00am by the Pavilion.



[Trunk or Treat on October 31st](#)

Registration is required for both options by Friday October 23rd at www.hillsboroughnjrecreation.org.



[Littercon 2020](#)

Are you ready for Littercon 2020? What? Littercon? What is Littercon?? Littercon is a festive community event where people come together (socially distanced) to pick up litter in preparation for the Holidays. [Read More](#)



[Hillsborough/Millstone Municipal Alliance](#)

- [Virtual Substance Abuse Parent Education Program](#)
- The Alliance invites all visitors to the Municipal Building and the Library at 379 South Branch Road to check out the display cases on the way into the Library. In partnership with the Hillsborough branch of the SCLSNJ, the cases are all set for Red Ribbon.



Mayors Wellness



Nutrition Dialogue on Cancer Prevention on Tuesday October 27th from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm

This program, run in collaboration with Rutgers Cancer Institute of New Jersey, will educate participants on how to reduce cancer risk through healthy eating and physical activity. [To register.](#)

Nutrition for Colorectal Health Workshop on Thursday November 5th from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

A conversation with a Q&A session on nutrition and colorectal health. Dr. Miral Grandhi, Assistant Professor of Surgery, at Rutgers Cancer Institute of NJ will provide an overview on colorectal cancer screening, prevention and surgical intervention. Michelle Jansen, MS, MAT, a Community Cancer Control Specialist at Rutgers Cancer Institute of New Jersey will talk about how to promote your colorectal health through nutrition. [To register.](#)

Hillsborough Economic and Business Development Commission (EBDC) Recognizes National Women's Small Business Month

Spotlight On Hillarie Scannelli of IMPACT Training

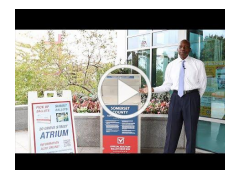
The EBDC has invited all Hillsborough women business owners in the Hillsborough Business Association (HBA) to share a few details of their business by completing a questionnaire. These business owners' responses will be released on the Hillsborough Business Association Facebook page and the Township's website. Additionally, during October will feature weekly "Q&A Profiles" of successful female business owners in Hillsborough. This week's spotlight is on Hillarie Scannelli of IMPACT Training. [Read more.](#)



2020 General Election

Somerset County Board of Elections - Your Vote is Secure

For questions and concerns, you may visit the Somerset County Board of Elections [website](#)



Somerset County Opens Atrium for In-Person Registration, Ballot Submission and Requests

2020 NJ Voter Information Portal website Vote.NJ.Gov



For additional information about the election, go to the [Voting Information page](#) on the Township website.



HBA
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Department Updates

Please visit the Township website at www.hillsborough-nj.org for all Departmental Updates

Building

- Reminder - please include your email address on your permit applications. Our automated system will send you updates on your permit status and will let you know when it is ready to be paid for.

Engineering - Correction from October 13th:

- All roads on the Township's 2020 repaving program have been completed except for Camplain Road, which was held off due to the PSE&G gas line replacement project.
- PSE&G is installing new gas lines on portions of Camplain Road, Triangle Road, South Triangle Road, New Amwell Road, Meadowbrook Drive and adjoining roads, and Lynn Court. These upgrades are mainly due to the upcoming, proposed widening of Route 206. The new gas lines along Route 206 will be larger in size allowing higher pressures on side roads and PSE&G decided to upgrade the other roads early this year to meet safety standards.
- The Township roads that were repaved a few years ago will be repaved by PSE&G depending on trenching and damage to the road, at no cost to the Township. The repaving of the Meadowbrook Drive area roads will be a shared cost by PSE&G and Township since PSE&G will only disturb half the road. Repaving of all roads will begin next year to allow our Engineering team to assess the settlement of the trenches.

Finance

- Anyone who has not received their 2020 final/2021 preliminary tax bill should contact the Finance office to receive a copy. The next tax payment is due on November 1st, with a 10 calendar day grace period.

Parks and Recreation

- Register for the [NEW Fall Basketball Leagues](#)
- The 2020-2021 Fall / Winter Activities Guide is available [on-line](#)

Public Works

- Department is finalizing roadside mower routes and other vegetation management as we are getting closer to the November Leaf Program
- Reminder to make sure your mailbox is in good solid condition

Social Services

- Curbing Hunger, Inc., the Somerset County Board of Chosen Freeholders, and the Food Bank Network of Somerset County are sponsoring the 26th annual Curbing Hunger Month food drive to help alleviate the increase in need being experienced by local food banks due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Township Employment Opportunities

- [Full Time Planning and Zoning Clerk](#)
- [Part Time Office Assistant / Floater](#)
- [Part Time Systems Administrator Assistant - Hillsborough Police Department](#)
- [Part Time Information Technology Assistant](#)
- [Part Time Building Maintenance](#)

[Visit the Hillsborough Township Website to apply.](#)

Community Bulletin Board

[For All Meetings and Events Visit our Township Calendar](#)



[Somerset Safe Coalition Provides Narcan Training Resources](#)



[Hillsborough Digital Photographic Society Holds On-line Exhibit](#)



[2020 Guidelines for Halloween](#)



[Webinar: You Are the Help Until Help Arrives](#)

Life-threatening emergencies can happen fast and emergency responders aren't always nearby. Learn five simple steps that may save a life. October 29 or November 5



Upcoming Events

10/28/2020	Coffee With a Cop
10/29/2020	Webinar: You are the Help Until Help Arrives
10/31/2020	Mobile Halloween Parade - The Learning Experience
11/5/2020	Webinar: You are the Help Until Help Arrives
11/14/2020	Littercon 2020
11/21/2020	Stuff the Bus Food Drive

Scholarship Opportunities

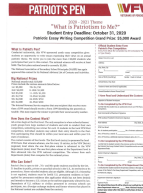
[VFW 2020-2021 Voice of Democracy Scholarship](#)

Deadline is **October 31st**



[VFW 2020-2021 Patriots Pen Annual Youth Essay Competition](#)

Deadline is **October 31st**



Somerset County News

[Somerset County Communications Online Resident Survey](#)

Somerset County is gathering feedback from residents about their communications and community outreach. This survey will guide their strategies going forward. [To take survey.](#)

[Somerset County Board of Chosen Freeholders Sponsors 11th Annual Adopt A Family for a Thanksgiving Dinner](#)

[Somerset County Library System of NJ \(SCLSNJ\) News and Event](#)

- [Therapy Dog, Local Story May Help Somerset County Children Improve Self-Esteem, Happiness During Virtual Library Program](#)



COVID-19 Community Resources

- [COVID-19 Drive-Thru Testing at RVCC Being Held on October 22nd](#)
- A list of COVID-19 Resources can be found on the [Township website COVID-19 Information Page](#).
- If you are a Hillsborough resident and have tested positive for Coronavirus / COVID-19, please contact the Health Department at 908-369-5652.
- COVID-19 information on [Underlying Conditions](#) and [NJ Contact Tracing](#)

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