#### Wednesday, August 11, 2021





All COVID-19 resources and case information can be found on the <u>Township COVID-19 page</u>.

The Mayor's eNews is published weekly on Wednesdays.

#### Adeline Eick Sworn in As Mayor and Police Chief for the Day





On Wednesday, August 4th, Mayor Lipani and Police Chief MacMahon had the honor of sharing their duties with 3-year old Adeline Eick as she was sworn in as Mayor for the Day and Police Chief for the Day.

Adeline, who had brain surgery on June 15th, suffers from a rare disorder called Constitutional Mismatch Repair Deficiency Syndrome (CMMRD) that leads to brain and other cancers in children.

In addition to taking the Oath of Office as both Mayor and Police Chief for the Day, Adeline also met Freddy, Hillsborough Township's recently



retired K9, and learned how to work the sirens and lights in a police vehicle. Township employees also presented Adeline's mom and dad with cards and letters of motivation, support and encouragement. A special thanks to Crown Trophy for donating Adeline's personalized gavel.

With or without her Kaptain Cleanup cape, Adeline is a Hillsborough hero!

#### Click here to learn more about Adeline's story.



#### **Purple Heart Ceremony**

On Saturday, August 7th, Deputy Mayor DelCore and Committeewoman Erickson attended the Purple Heart Ceremony, located at the Purple Heart Monument in the Garden of Honor.

The Purple Heart, the most recognized medal of the armed forces, is awarded to those serving in the armed forces that are injured or killed while serving in combat. It



was originally introduced by George Washington as the Badge of Military Merit in 1782 and is the oldest military award given to U.S. military members.

A Purple Heart Monument was dedicated to the Township at the first Purple Heart Ceremony on behalf of Chapter 27 of the Military Order of the Purple Heart. The first annual ceremony was held at the Township in 2012.

Pictured: Committeewoman Erickson, Deputy Mayor DelCore with Purple Heart Recipients

#### Fishing Derby & Family Campout

More than 200 campers and anglers joined together as one community under the stars at Ann Van Middlesworth Park (AVM), last Friday for the 15th Annual Campout and Memorial Fishing Derby.

The evening's festivities began with the fishing derby, followed by a dinner consisting of hot dogs and hamburgers and concluded with the movie "The Incredibles" on the big screen.

Congratulations to the 2021 Fishing Derby Winners!

1st place: Merrick Brogan: 1 pound bass 2nd place: Angel Nikitczuk: 12 oz. fish 3rd place: Shawn Hendricks: 9oz. fish

Pictured: Mayor Lipani and Merrick Brogan



## Super Sundaes Makes a "Sweet" Donation

Super Sundaes owner, Jayne Mochnacz, is shown here with pantry items donated by loyal customers as part of their participation in Super Sundae's National Ice Cream Day celebration. Patrons were treated to a "cool" discount when they brought a much needed food pantry item to Super Sundaes. The Hillsborough Township Community Assistance Network (C.A.N.) would like to thank Super Sundaes and all who participated.



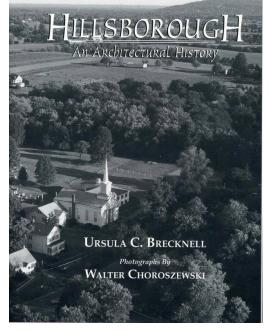
#### Hillsborough High School ESY Students Help Other Students In Need

Mr. Bernhard's Hillsborough High School Extended School Year class ran a supply drive during the summer education session. The class helped collect and organize school supplies that were delivered to the Hillsborough Food Bank for distribution to families in need. A huge thank you to the ESY staff, students, and families for making the supply drive successful.



## Hillsborough: An Architectural History

Hillsborough Township is happy to announce that we have vintage copies of "Hillsborough: An Architectural History" available for purchase. Each copy offers a collection of interesting architectural history of our beautiful township. Originally offered to the public in 1996, this celebration of the architectural styles, chosen by the residents, provides fascinating pictures and insider information on Hillsborough's prized landmarks. Different expressions of settlement, growth, and maturity of Hillsborough during the 200 year time period of 1700-1900 are shown. This hardcover book offers almost 300 pages of interesting history. Books are on sale at a price of \$20 each, so stop by the Clerk's Office and get yours today!



## Announcing the Hillsborough Scarecrow Festival!

As we continue to celebrate Hillsborough Township's 250th Anniversary, we'd like to invite residents, businesses and organizations to participate in the Township's first-ever Scarecrow Festival! Participants can create scarecrows that depict historic people and famous characters or they can go the traditional route. All entries are welcome as long as they are family-friendly and homemade.

Click to register



#### Scargerow FESTIVAL

Scarecrows in 'Boro!

As we continue to celebrate Hillsborough Township's 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary please join us this Pall as we host the all-new Searcow Festul. For three fun-filled weeks, scarcerows will grace the grassy knoll & winding pathway beside the Rain Garden at the Municipal Complex. Some will be inspired by famous characters, some will be humorous, some might even scare youbut all of them will be carefully handmade and contributed by Hillsborough Twp. Residents, Businesses and Organizations!

#### nspiration for your creation: traditional-Pay homage to the scarecrows that have been scareng crows? From formers? Helds for central its in this scareng crows? From formers? Helds for central its in this the scare of the scare of the scare of the scares formers of the scare of the scares of the scares. A scare of the scare of the scares of the scares, the scares of the scare of the scares of the scares. Character - Create a scarecrow interpretation of your scores looks to movie character human, animal or himmetabe. If gure, Disney character, superhero or villain Please direct any questions to Erica via email enzo@ hillboroughpl.org

#### Scarecrow Festival October 1<sup>st</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup>

Registration oper to all residents, local businesses and Groups

Register between 8/10 - 9/10

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#### Please Do Not Feed Feral Cats

The Mandatory Cat Vaccination Ordinance was developed when rabies entered the community. It is written to prevent people from feeding strays and increasing the population of stray, uncared for cats and cats that are not vaccinated against rabies. Nobody should be feeding animals outside and leaving food. Any food, even pet food should be removed from the area immediately after feeding. It is best to feed pets indoors.



If Animal Control Solutions (ACS) is called to assess a cat situation, it is important to note that if a person has been feeding a cat outside, and the cat is used to being fed there, then it is considered to be the caller's cat, in accordance with the Mandatory Cat Vaccination Ordinance.

To make a complaint or to request information regarding feral cats, please contact the

Hillsborough Township Health Department. Please don't report a feral cat situation on Facebook as the Health Department and ACS aren't monitoring social media for complaints.

#### HTPD Advises Against Fraud

Recently there has been a rise in the number of frauds reported to the police department. There are new and innovative scams that are appearing every day. To help keep you from becoming a victim we have listed some helpful tips to safeguard your finances.



- Never give out your bank account information to an unknown caller, including credit card numbers.
- The Hillsborough Police Department and Chief McMahon do not solicit donations by Phone.
- Gift cards of any kind are valueless once the activation code is shared.
- A reputable company or government agency would not require a payment through a gift card.
- Don't give an unknown caller access codes to your computer. He does not work for Microsoft.
- The misuse of the English language through emails or verbal communication could be a red flag.
- Be aware of any opportunity where you are required to pay a small sum now for a larger future prize.
- Unknown callers requesting large sums of immediate cash should raise concern.
- Is a loved one arrested or involved in an accident and a stranger is requesting money? This is most likely a fraud. Verify this request through a second party: police, loved one.
- Be aware of false website links sent through fraudulent emails. Examine the address of the sender to verify it is correct.

If you have any concerns as to whether something could be fraudulent activity, call the police department, we can help to clarify the situation and protect your money at the same time.

#### Fall Soccer & Softball Registration Deadline is August 14th

We are currently taking registrations for our Co-Ed Fall Soccer for boys and girls ages 3 through Grade 12. All games are held on Saturdays at various soccer fields in town with the older divisions at the Iron Peak turf fields.

We are also taking registrations for our Fall



Girls Softball Leagues. No experience, no problem! Girls softball is open to all girls in Kindergarten through 8th grade. It's time to dust off your cleats and get ready for some softball. <u>Visit the Parks and Recreation website</u> for more details on our soccer and softball programs. Sign up today to guarantee a spot in our league as teams can hit max capacity before the registration deadline of August 14th.

Volunteer coaches are needed for all age groups for both soccer and softball. Please consider volunteering your time to be a head or assistant coach. Make a difference...be a coach.

#### Calling All Hillsborough Veterans!

Calling all Hillsborough Veterans -- on Saturday, September 18th, Hillsborough will be hosting its 250th Celebration parade kicking off at 10am sharp. All interested Veterans will be provided a shuttle the morning of the parade, and leaving from the main entrance of the Municipal Building at 9:30am. We invite all Hillsborough Veterans interested in participating in the parade to register by calling the Hillsborough Parks &



Recreation office at 908-369-4832 or registering online via Communitypass.

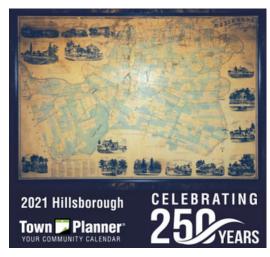
## HillsboroughBusinessAssociation's4thAnnualRestaurant Week

Registration for Hillsborough Restaurateurs is now open to participate in the 4th annual Hillsborough Restaurant Week beginning on Tuesday, September 28th, running through Sunday, October 3rd. Participating Hillsborough restaurants will have an opportunity to promote their own creative masterpieces to be enjoyed by foodies from Hillsborough and beyond. Go to hillsboroughbusiness.org to register. <section-header><section-header><text><text><text>

## Photos Needed for Township Calendar

We are beginning to work on the 2022 color printed calendar and are pleased to once again partner with Town Planner to produce it. As always, the printing of the calendar comes at no cost to Hillsborough taxpayers. It is funded through the advertisements contained within the calendar.

Township calendars are generally mailed out in December and include schedules, community event reminders, important dates, and phone numbers for the coming



year. As with previous calendars, it will also showcase photographs featuring Hillsborough Township's landscape and scenery that are submitted by residents.

Individuals interested in submitting photographs for consideration for the 2022 calendar can email their high resolution image, along with a photo release form, to the Township Clerk at pborek@hillsborough-nj.org. The photo release form can be found on the Township website at hillsborough-nj.org. The calendar has limited spaces for photographs so there is no guarantee every one submitted will be used.

Advertising opportunities are also available in the calendar and are being handled directly through Town Planner. For more information regarding advertising, please contact Jim O'Dowd at 973-650-2736 or jimodowd@townplanner.com.

#### **Operation Secure Shred - August 14**

Help guard against identity theft by bringing personal documents to Operation Secure Shred. Residents can take advantage of a **FREE**, easy and secure way to get rid of personal documents on **Saturday, Aug. 14**, at the Somerset County Public Works Garage (South County Facility), located at410 Roycefield Road, Hillsborough, NJ 08844, from 9 a.m. to **1 p.m.**, or until the trucks are filled to capacity. The event will occur rain or shine.



Residents should be prepared to unload their items. Staff will be available to assist residents if necessary. Residents must also be prepared to present a current driver's license, valid lease, tax bill or any other bill that shows proof of a Somerset County address. Pre-registration is not required. Businesses and commercial vehicles are **NOT** allowed.

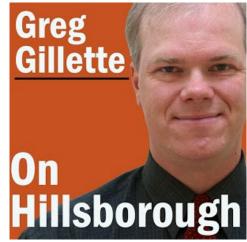
Participants can bring up to six boxes, containers or bags of documents per visit, but they will be required to take back their receptacles. Staples and paperclips do not have to be removed However, junk mail, magazines and newspapers will **NOT** be accepted.

For more information about Operation Secure Shred, contact the Somerset County Public Works Department at 908-203-6018 or email <u>publicworks@co.somerset.nj.us</u>.

#### Gillette Caps Local History Blog with Year-Long Hillsborough 250th Anniversary Project

After fourteen years and more than one thousand articles, award-winning local history blog Gillette on Hillsborough is closing up shop. The blog, written by longtime Hillsborough resident Greg Gillette, began on June 7, 2007 and featured its final entry on June 7, 2021. Gillette will continue to engage with readers through his popular Facebook Page also called Gillette on Hillsborough.

Click here for full press release



## Mayors Wellness Campaign Put your community in motion.

## Hillsborough Township

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PROUD TO BE

#### there is no health without mental health

Operation Helping Hand - New mobile unit to help fight addiction!

Help is on the way for Somerset County residents battling substance use addiction and mental health issues. Somerset County Prosecutor Michael Robertson unveiled a new mobile van that will roll up, by appointment, 24 hours a day, directly to residents' homes and businesses to offer help.



"The goal of this vehicle is simply to visit those that are in need," said Robertson at a press conference on Tuesday morning. "There are often times people who are reluctant, maybe ashamed, embarrassed, by what they are dealing with and are hesitant to come to resources that are available in the county. So we thought what better way to serve them than to go to them."

#### More information

#### **Action 4 ACEs**

Actions 4 ACEs is a NJ statewide initiative to build awareness about adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) and the role adults can play in reducing the impact of trauma and helping children heal. ACEs stands for adverse childhood experiences. These are stressful or traumatic events that occur



before the age of 18. ACEs are common, and include events such as parental separation, experiencing violence, abuse, or neglect, or having a loved one attempt or die by suicide. Adverse community events such as poverty and discrimination can further compound the effects of ACEs.

#### More information

## 1st Annual Larry Smith, Sr Memorial 3 on 3

SKETBALL Tournament

## AUGUST 14TH 4-10PM

AT ANN VAN MIDDLESWORTH PARK 17 PLEASANT VIEW ROAD, HILLSBOROUGH, NJ

DIVISIONS: MIDDLE SCHOOL - 12 - 14 YEAR OLDS HIGH SCHOOL - 15 -17 YEAR OLDS 18 AND OLDER

#### RAIN DATE: AUGUST 21ST



REGISTER BY: AUGUST 5TH REGISTRATION FEE: \$60 PER TEAM ONLY 8 TEAMS IN EACH DIVISION 3-GAME GUARANTEE EACH PARTICIPANT RECEIVES T-SHIRT CHAMPIONS WIN TROPHIES



ALL PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT THE LARRY SMITH SR MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Scan the QR Code to register or visit the link below

https://form.jotform.com/HoopHeavenGeorgia/LarrySmithMemorialTournament

FOR MORE INFO: CALL JAMES: (908) 458-7310 OR EMAIL LARRYSMITHMEMORIAL@GMAIL.COM



## **EVENING OF LAUGHTER!** Join us Friday, September 17, 2021

Contact your Hillsborough UNICO Rep for tickets!



COMEDIAN GEMINI from the Borgata Casino and Caroline's on Broadway!

JIMMY SHUBERT 2014 Finalest on Last Comic Standing! With A Special Guest Performance by the Winner of the NJ Cornedy Festival Contest!

KEVIN ISRAEL Cohost of the Comedy Point Radio Show!

Sponsored by Hillsborough UNICO!

## Dinner-Show Special Only \$65! A portion of the proceeds will benefit Community Options of Hillsborough!

DOORS OPEN @ 6 PM | COCKTAILS @ 6:30 PM DINNER @ 7 PM | SHOW TO FOLLOW Tickets can be purchased @ www.hillsboroughunico.org Royce Brook Golf Club

201 Hamilton Rd, Hillsborough Township, NJ Call (908) 823-4647 for more information!



#### EMPOWER SOMERSET & HILLSBOROUGH/MILLSTONE MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE

# BRIDGE TO SUCCESS!

8 WEEKLY SESSIONS FOR YOUNG ADULTS 18-24 YEARS OLD Virtual meetings free!

\$25 AMAZON E-GIFT CARD AND CLASS CREDITS/COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS FOR COMPLETING PROGRAM

LEARN STRESS MANAGEMENT AND PROBLEM SOLVING



PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

TUE<mark>SDAYS</mark>, SEPT. 21-NOV. 9 **3PM** OR 7PM SESSION





Hillsborough Township currently has the following open positions:

- Part Time Building Maintenance Person
- Part Time Office Assistant/Floater
- Zoning Official

The Township of Hillsborough is an equal opportunity employer. Forward an <u>employment</u> <u>application</u>, cover letter, resume, and 3 references, to Sarah Brake: <u>sbrake@hillsborough-nj.org</u>

#### More News from Hillsborough Township

- Final Approval Needed to Close Out Pool Permits
- Updates from DPW
- Reminders to Prevent Rabies
- Dangerous Dead Trees
- 4th Quarter Tax Bills
- Interpreters Available
- Road Paving Updates
- Radon Kits Available

Visit the <u>News & Media</u> page and individual department pages on the <u>Township</u> <u>website</u> for all updates

## GET YOUR <u>FREE</u> COVID VACCINE AT OUR WALK-IN CLINIC!

#### WHERE

Hillsborough Municipal Building 379 So. Branch Rd. Hillsborough

#### WHEN

Thursday, August 19th from 10am to 12pm

#### HOW

Register in advance at <u>https://covidvaccine.nj.gov/</u> OR just show up!

#### WHAT

We will be giving the ONE shot Johnson & Johnson vaccine

#### WHO

The clinic is open to anyone age 18 or older

#### CONTACT

Call 908-369-5652 or email us at vpgrant@hillsborough-nj.com



#### Call 2-1-1 to schedule a free ride.

#### OTHER INFO

- You do <u>NOT</u> need: - ID or documentation - Health insurance
- Money (it's free!)
- An appt: just walk in!

No impact on immigration status.

If you are homebound, please call 908-231-7155 to register for a home visit.

#### **COVID-19 Infomation**

#### Frequently Asked Questions about the COVID-19 Vaccine

Register online via the <u>NJ COVID-19 Vaccine Registration System</u>. If you do not have a computer, call the COVID Vaccine Hotline at 855-568-0545.

If you have questions about the vaccine, please visit: <u>https://covid19.nj.gov/pages/vaccine</u>

**Hillsborough Township Social Services Department: 908-369-3880** Assistance is available for Hillsborough Senior Citizens who are unable to register for the Covid vaccine because they do not have a computer. Transportation to and from vaccine appointments is also available.

Somerset County COVID Hotline: (908) 231-7155

#### NJ Senior COVID Hotline (75 plus): 856-249-7007

Providing scheduling support, predominantly through dedicated appointments, to ensure 75+ seniors are able to access appointments

Somerset County Office on Aging: 908-704-6346

Covid Connect Helpline: 833-223-0011 For Mental Health and Substance Abuse Issues

**COVID-19 Funeral Assistance Available** 

**Covid Connect Health Line** 

#### **COVID Vaccination Survey**

In an effort to better determine the needs of our community, the Health Department is asking for your assistance in providing valuable information with regards to you Covid-19 vaccination. The information you provide will be kept confidential. It will assist the Health Department in planning how best to provide vaccinations for those still waiting for appointments and those that are unable to visit vaccine sites. Please take a few minutes to assist us in gathering the needed information.

Take the Survey

### **Upcoming Meetings and Events**

Next two weeks at a glance in Hillsborough Township:

August 13, 2021 9:00 am Hillsborough-Millstone Municipal Alliance

August 14, 2021 9:30 am - 1:00 pm Operation Secure Shred

August 17, 2021 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm Rotary Fair

August 18, 2021 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm Rotary Fair

August 19, 2021 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm Rotary Fair

August 20, 2021 6:00 pm - 11:00 pm Rotary Fair

August 21, 2021 6:00 pm - 11:00 pm Rotary Fair

August 28, 2021 9:30 am - 1:00 pm Operation Secure Shred

Visit the **Township Calendar** for all Meetings and Events



Somerset County Library System <u>News</u> and <u>Events</u>



#### **Somerset County Press Releases**

Latest News from Somerset County:

**Somerset County Division of Transportation to Hold Virtual Public Hearing on Aug. 18** The meeting will be held via Zoom on Aug. 18 at 10:30 a.m.

Nominations Sought for 2021 Excellence in the Arts Awards

The county Cultural & Heritage Commission is accepting nominations for it Excellence in the Arts Awards. The deadline is Friday. Aug. 20.

Somerset County Cultural & Heritage Accepting Grant Funding Applications for Local Arts Programs

Free technical assistance workshops are available via Zoom.

**Career-Related Services Available Through One-Stop Career Centers** There are many career development resources available to job seekers.

**Somerset County Accepting Applications for Emergency Housing Voucher Program** Applicants must earn 50% or less of the Area Median Income.

Visit the <u>Somerset County Website</u> for all news articles



