

Lebanon Township News

Spring 2008



March, April, May

2008 Township Committee

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*Note from Committeeman
Frank Morrison:
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Bunnvale Library Receives Community Beautification Award from the Community Garden Club of Hunterdon County

Did you stop by the Bunnvale Library this summer and notice the lovely gardens? The Community Garden Club of Hunterdon County thought it was one of the most outstanding gardens of the area, and honored it with the **Community Beautification Award** at the Hunterdon County 4H Fair in August. The garden is now dormant for the winter, but drop by next spring and see the deer resistant perennials and shrubs in bloom. (The garden is pictured on the next page.)

A new garden was also installed in front of the Police Station this year. The former 55 foot long patch of weeds was turned into an attractive display of ornamental grasses, cannas and flowering perennials. The Walk of Remembrance and borders around the Municipal Building were also planted with many flowering perennials for constant seasonal bloom. The reconstructed gazebo is now a wonderful place to have lunch or just sit and appreciate the view.

With the increase of events at Memorial Park, the Diana Laul Children's Garden has become a favorite place for children and parents to watch the butterflies weaving in and out of the colorful and scented plants. Now in its third year, the garden is lush and always in bloom.

Four young redbud trees were installed on the grounds of the Memorial Park in memory of Lewis Wyman this fall. You won't be able to miss these lovely trees next spring when they burst out in a vivid display of deep pink blossoms. Their heart shaped leaves make them a perfect tree to remind us of a loved one. Our thanks go to the friends of the Wyman family for donating these trees, and the young men of the Mountainview Correctional Facility who planted them. Without their help and strength much of the heavy work done at the Park and the Municipal Building could not have been accomplished.

One of the most spectacular 9-11 Memorials is in Lebanon Township's Memorial Park. More trees, shrubs and flowering perennials were added this year to complete the serenity of the setting. Under the direction of Georgia Cudina, the young men of the Voorhees Residential Home and their horticulturalist, the Woodland Walk is now complete. You can wander through the woods from the 9-11 Memorial to the road, and take in the beauty of the forest. It will take years for the native plants to establish, but given time they will flourish.

The herb garden at the Museum on Musconetcong River Road was a riot of color and scent this summer. Next time you stop by for one of their instructional classes or craft displays, you must visit the herb garden as well.

This year was a busy one for the Garden Manager. All five gardens were given constant care and attention. Residents walking by as I worked in the garden commented on their beauty. Over 150 new plants, mostly donations, were installed to beautify Lebanon Township's gardens. I sincerely hope that next spring, when all five gardens begin to bloom, you will stop by and enjoy the scenery.

Thank you to Sandy Phelps, Lebanon Township Garden Manager!

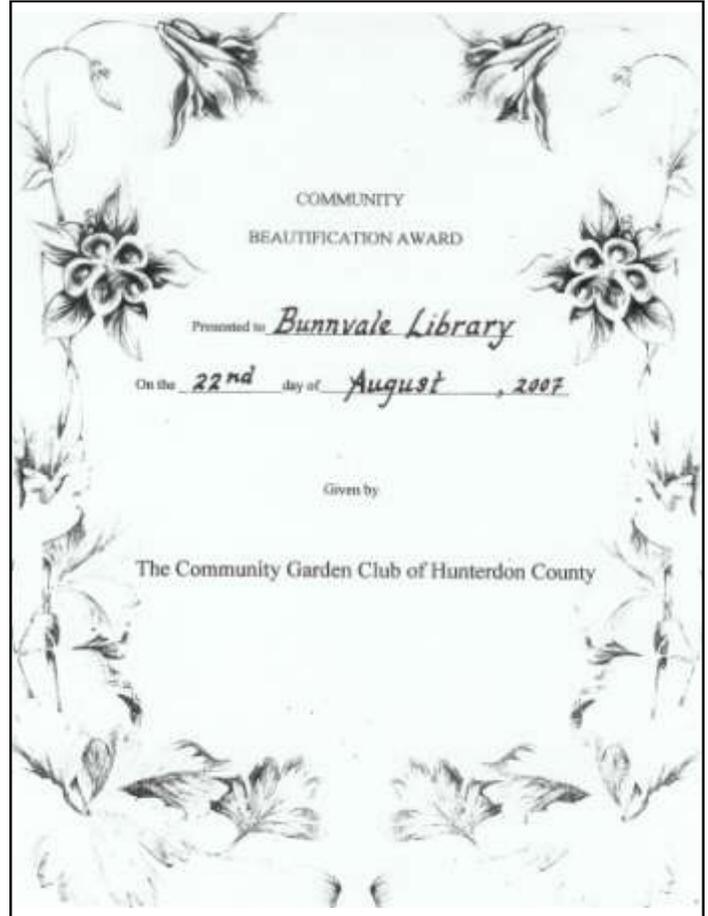
Bunnvale Library

Springtime at the Bunnvale Library

Welcome in spring by visiting the Bunnvale Library's Rambo Memorial Cabinet to see Eva Burrell's Easter Bonnet Hat collection from the 1940's and vintage Easter Greeting Cards. In April, the library will display rugs from the Hunterdon Rug Hooking Guild. In May, Sharon Deerfield will display her homemade soaps and hand dyed knitted items. The library is always looking for interesting collections for their Ann Rambo Memorial Display Cabinet. Please let Marie, Joan or Ada know if you have a collection to share.

Sign-ups for the spring session of preschool story time will begin in March. The first story time will be on Friday, April 4, at 1:00 PM. Please come into the library to sign-up. Story time lasts for about 35 minutes. Stories are read and then they are followed by a craft. Children should be 3 1/2 to 5 years old. Enrollment is limited to ten.

Remember that you can now request items on-line at home from anywhere in the Hunterdon County Library system and the items can be delivered to the Bunnvale Library for convenient pick-up. Library hours are Wednesday from 1:00 - 8:00 PM, and Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM.



Bunnvale Library receives the Community Beautification Award from The Community Garden Club of Hunterdon County. See page 1 for related article.

Police

New Patrolman

The Police Department recently hired Patrolman Michael Thomsen to fill the vacancy left by Chief Schell's retirement. Michael graduated from Fairleigh Dickinson University with a BA in Sociology and is a recent graduate of the Somerset County Police Academy.

Junior Police Academy

Applications for this year's Junior Police Academy will soon be distributed to 6th and 7th grade students at Woodglen School. If your child is a resident of Lebanon Township and does not attend Woodglen School, but wishes to attend the Academy, please contact the Police Department for an application. To attend the Academy, your child must currently be in the equivalent of 6th or 7th grade.



The Bunnvale Library garden in full bloom this past summer.

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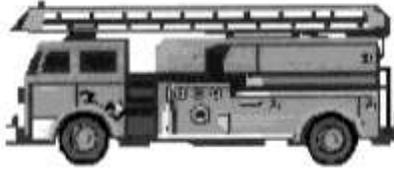
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Captain #1 - Ed Schaffer	19-80	
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Lieutenant #2 - Joe Pezzuti	19-92	
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2007 Annual Fund Drive

The Fund Drive Committee would like to thank you for your support during our 2007 Fund Drive. While we understand that a dollar never seems to go as far as we would like it to, every donation counts. Thank you again for your support, and remember, we are there for you!!!

Look for our upcoming 50/50 raffle this spring.

Thank you again,
Fund Drive Committee

May 11th is Mother's Day!!!!

Question: What does every mom want on Mother's day?
Answer: Breakfast, without having to cook or clean up.

The Fire Department will be holding our Pancake Breakfast on Mother's Day, May 11th. Please join us and bring Mom!

Fire Fighters Needed

If you would like to learn more about helping your community by joining the Fire Department, please call Steve Bisbee at (908) 537-4454 or email smbisbee@comcast.net. We would love to hear from you.

Pancake Breakfast

The Lebanon Township Fire Department has been holding Pancake Breakfasts for over thirty years. This great tradition is held from 8:00 AM to Noon every second Sunday from October until June, at Station One on Anthony Road. The cost is \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children under 10. All money raised supports the Lebanon Township Fire Department.

Directions to Station One on Anthony Road:

- From the A&P in Califon, follow Sliker Road until it turns into Anthony Road (bear left onto Anthony). Follow Anthony Road. Watch for signs; the Fire House will be on the left.
- From Point Mountain or Route 31, take Musconetcong River Road (Route 645) to Hollow Road. At the top of the hill, turn right onto Anthony Road. Watch for signs; the Fire House will be on the left.
- From the Municipal Building or Hill Road, follow Red Mill Road to Newport Road. Make a right onto Newport and follow to the end (just past the Road Department Building). Turn left onto Anthony Road. Watch for signs; the Fire House will be on the left.

- If you get lost call (908) 537-2838.



Lebanon Township VFD Station 1
143 Anthony Road
Glen Gardner, NJ 08826
(908) 537-2838

Lebanon Township VFD Station 2
532 West Hill Road
Glen Gardner, NJ 08826
(908) 638-4550
(908) 638-4008 Fax

First Aid Squad

At the Brink of Death: Recognize and Respond to a Drug Overdose

Do you know what an overdose looks like? What you don't know could be the difference between life and death for someone, maybe a loved one.

Overdoses have been in the paper a lot, most recently with the death of Heath Ledger. But, if someone you cared for had overdosed, would you know they were in trouble? In the newspapers, friends or family report hearing the deceased snoring. Unfortunately, it is a scenario that members of the squad have come to find all too familiar.

Did you know that "snoring" is a sign of imminent death in an overdose? It occurs when the central nervous system is no longer functioning properly and the person loses control of their airway. If you know someone has consumed alcohol or other drugs and you think they are sleeping it off, try waking them up. If you cannot wake them, even after taking your knuckles and rubbing them firmly against their breastbone, it's time to call 9-1-1.

As the body tries to save essential organs, specifically the heart and brain, it will siphon blood from other parts of the body to feed these organs. Initially, the body constricts the blood vessels to the limbs. The limbs will appear bluish and have a lace-like mottled appearance. The body will continue to shut down systems and the mottled appearance will spread. The lack of blood causes the tissue to die and toxins to build up. If not treated in time, the shock will be irreversible.

Not all drugs are created equal. While narcotics can be counteracted if caught in time, cyclobenzaprine (a muscle relaxant) can cause permanent heart damage if taken in large quantities. Benzodiazepines (found in sedatives) also cause heart damage, as well as most "uppers." Paracetamol (Tylenol) in large quantities will cause liver damage. It is possibly one of the worst over-the-counter drugs to overdose on.

Alcohol is one of the most abused drugs, yet many people don't think of alcohol as a drug. This can be a fatal mistake. As alcohol is metabolized it uses up the bodies glucose. The more alcohol, the more glucose it consumes. Glucose is the fuel the brain uses to function. Without it, the brain will slowly stop functioning and start shutting down. Glucose levels can reach dangerous lows and the victim can fall into a hypoglycemic coma and eventually die.

Most importantly, never try to handle an overdose by yourself. Urban myths abound when dealing with an overdose. Instead of giving someone who is drunk, coffee, give them fruit juice. It will restore some of their glucose. Never cool down an overdose victim. The only thing putting someone in a cold shower or packing them with ice will do is delay getting them help and possibly make them hypothermic. Do your friend or family

member a favor and get help as quickly as possible by dialing 9-1-1.

Finally, use your common sense. When in doubt, call 9-1-1. We promise to never pass judgment and to always treat our patients and their families with respect and compassion. We have lost too many young people to drug abuse in this community. Join the squad in taking a stand against drug abuse by educating yourself in its signs and symptoms. If you have any questions, please contact us at www.19Rescue.org.

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New Price!

\$563,500!



305 Meiers Lane, Lebanon Twsp.

59 Bunnvale Road, Lebanon Twsp.

Circa 1850's Bank Home on 1.5+ acres with many original features throughout including a large native fieldstone fireplace, beam ceilings, pine floors, jersey winder staircase and "Keeping Room" kitchen. Lovely New England type setting with stone walls, barn & mature trees. Absolutely charming!

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Environmental and Open Space Commission (EOS)

Our Own Wild and Scenic River

By Ken LaPensee, Environmental and Open Space Commission Member

When we in New Jersey hear about the National Park Service's designation "Wild and Scenic River", I imagine that most of us picture Maine's Allagash River or the headwaters of the Missouri in the Rocky Mountains. It will probably come as a surprise to most state residents, including residents of Lebanon Township, to learn that 24 miles of the 42-mile length of our own Musconetcong River, which delimits the northwestern boundaries of the township as well as Hunterdon and Morris Counties, was awarded the Wild and Scenic River designation on December 22, 2006. The Wild and Scenic designation applies to the entire stretch of river flowing past Lebanon Township, as well as to substantial sections of the river both upstream and downstream.

The awarding of this designation recognizes what many of us who have walked the trails of the Musconetcong Mountain Reservation alongside the river, waded into its waters for fishing, or traveled the river by kayak or canoe, have long felt in our hearts. This major tributary to the Delaware provides an often dramatically bucolic contrast to nearby suburban landscapes in our region, just 50 miles from the New York and Philadelphia metropolitan regions. In the words of the National Park Service, "With many of its tributaries being trout production streams, the Musconetcong River is one of the finest fishing streams in New Jersey. At periods of higher flows, the river is also an excellent paddling river. There are miles of hiking trails, particularly in the upper end of the corridor at Allamuchy-Stevens and Point Mountain State Parks."

The Wild and Scenic designation was won in large part due to a formal study involving the Musconetcong Advisor Committee with the assistance of the National Park Service, which was reported in *The Musconetcong River Management Plan* (April, 2003). The study report is available in PDF format at a link on the National Park Service website (<http://www.nps.gov/nero/river/muskie.htm>).

Beyond recognizing the Musconetcong's beauty and ecological value, the Wild and Scenic designation facilitates a range of natural preservation measures and activities that can benefit from the support of Township residents. These activities are described in detail in the river management plan, which recommends five goals for the maintenance and improvement of the Musconetcong River Corridor, its tributaries and watershed, and surrounding natural, cultural and recreational resources. The management plan's goals are:

- Encourage recreational use that is compatible with the preservation of natural and cultural qualities of the river corridor while respecting private property
- Preserve and protect the character of archaeological sites and historic structures, districts, sites and landscapes in the river

- Preserve farmland and open space within the river corridor and the watershed
- Preserve, protect, restore and enhance the outstanding natural resources in the river corridor and the watershed, including rare and endangered species, forests, steep slopes, floodplains, headwaters and wetlands
- Maintain existing water quality in the Musconetcong River and its tributaries and improve where possible.

These goals can only be met with cooperation between all levels of government, individual landowners and non-governmental organizations, with local municipalities playing a key role in implementing planned actions.

To view more photos and read additional information about the Musconetcong River, go to www.lebanontownship.net and click on the Environmental and Open Space Commission link.



View of the bridge over the Musconetcong River at Point Mountain State Park.

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Environmental and Open Space Commission (continued)

Community Well-testing Day

Have you had your well tested lately? Did you know that the Hunterdon County Health Department recommends that residents test their well-water annually? We know you are busy, so Lebanon Township has a convenient, low-cost solution for you! The Lebanon Township Environmental and Open Space Commission (EOS) sponsors a Community Well-testing Day every year through our partnership with the South Branch Watershed Association (SBWA). And it's easy to participate!

Water sampling kits will be on sale on **Saturday, May 3**, in the Municipal Building parking lot, from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM sharp. You can drop off your completed water kit at the municipal building on **Monday, May 5** from 7:00 AM to 10:00 AM (sharp); a member of the Lebanon Township EOS will be available to transport the kits down to the lab pick-up point at the SBWA. The water testing is performed by Garden State Laboratories (a New Jersey certified laboratory). All test results are reported directly and confidentially to you, the resident.

Basic kits are \$50 and include a fecal coliform and nitrate test. Additional tests are available for the following additional fees:

Lead	\$25.00
Iron	\$15.00
Manganese	\$15.00
Arsenic	\$35.00
Volatile Organics:	\$90.00
Pesticides:	\$130.00

Checks are to be made out to the South Branch Watershed Association. Cash is acceptable, but please bring exact change as we will not be carrying extra cash.

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A Guide to Healthy Habits for Cleaner Water

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Stormwater pollution is one of New Jersey's greatest threats to clean and plentiful water, and that's why we're all doing something about it.

By sharing the responsibility and making small, easy changes in our daily lives, we can keep common pollutants out of stormwater. It all adds up to cleaner water, and it saves the high cost of cleaning up once it's dirty.

As part of New Jersey's initiative to keep our water clean and plentiful and to meet federal requirements, many municipalities and other public agencies including colleges and military bases must adopt ordinances or other rules prohibiting various activities that contribute to stormwater pollution. Breaking these rules can result in fines or other penalties.



As a resident, business, or other member of the New Jersey community, it is important to know these easy things you can do every day to protect our water.

Limit your use of fertilizers and pesticides

- Do a soil test to see if you need a fertilizer.
- Do not apply fertilizers if heavy rain is predicted.
- Look into alternatives for pesticides.
- Maintain a small lawn and keep the rest of your property or yard in a natural state with trees and other native vegetation that requires little or no fertilizer.
- If you use fertilizers and pesticides, follow the instructions on the label on how to correctly apply it.



Make sure you properly store or discard any unused portions.

Properly use and dispose of hazardous products

- Hazardous products include some household or commercial cleaning products, lawn and garden care products, motor oil, antifreeze, and paints.
- Do not pour any hazardous products down a storm drain because storm drains are usually connected to local waterbodies and the water is not treated.

- If you have hazardous products in your home or workplace, make sure you store or dispose of them properly. Read the label for guidance.
- Use natural or less toxic alternatives when possible.
- Recycle used motor oil.
- Contact your municipality, county or facility management office for the locations of hazardous-waste disposal facilities.



Keep pollution out of storm drains

- Municipalities and many other public agencies are required to mark certain storm drain inlets with messages reminding people that storm drains are connected to local waterbodies.
- Do not let sewage or other wastes flow into a stormwater system.

Clean up after your pet

- Many municipalities and public agencies must enact and enforce local pet-waste rules.
- An example is requiring pet owners or their keepers to pick up and properly dispose of pet waste dropped on public or other people's property.
- Make sure you know your town's or agency's requirements and comply with them. It's the law. And remember to:
 - Use newspaper, bags or pooper-scoopers to pick up wastes.
 - Dispose of the wrapped pet waste in the trash or unwrapped in a toilet.
 - Never discard pet waste in a storm drain.

Don't feed wildlife

- Do not feed wildlife, such as ducks and geese, in public areas.
- Many municipalities and other public agencies must enact and enforce a rule that prohibits wildlife feeding in these areas.



Don't litter

- Place litter in trash receptacles.
- Recycle. Recycle. Recycle.
- Participate in community cleanups.

Dispose of yard waste properly

- Keep leaves and grass out of storm drains.
- If your municipality or agency has yard waste collection rules, follow them.
- Use leaves and grass clippings as a resource for compost.
- Use a mulching mower that recycles grass clippings into the lawn.



Contact information

For more information on stormwater related topics, visit www.njstormwater.org or www.nonpointsource.org

Additional information is also available at U. S. Environmental Protection Agency Web sites www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater or www.epa.gov/nps

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Historians

A Look back at our Heritage ... By Ralph Lomerson Lebanon Township Historian

This article comes from the High Bridge Gazette, of August 13, 1925

New High Power Line in Operation

New Jersey Power & Light Company Opens 110,000 Volt Electric Line

SUB-STATION AT LEBANON TOWNSHIP

The first 110,000 volt electric transmission line in the State of New Jersey was placed in operation by The New Jersey Power & Light Company last week when current was switched into the super power line between Holland and Lebanon Township.

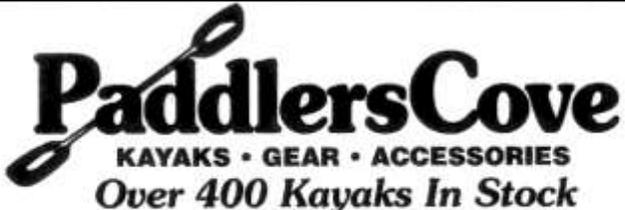
Additional power required by residential and industrial customers of this company is now being supplied over this new line, which provides another and stronger connection with the remainder of the Pennsylvania-New Jersey Super Power System. Large Generating stations at Easton and Reading, Pa., and a powerful new base load station on the Susquehanna River, near Harrisburg, Pa., are now connected directly to the New Jersey system by 110,000 volt lines.

The Holland-Lebanon Township section is the newest link in a continuous chain of super-power lines and generating stations extending about 250 miles across Pennsylvania and New Jersey. This system forms a vast reservoir of electric power, providing a practically unlimited supply from which the connected companies, including The New Jersey Power & Light Company, can draw as required by their customers needs. In case of interruption from one station, the power is available from a number of others. The entire system is included in the Boston-Washington zone of the official Super Power Survey of the United States Government.

High steel towers and steel-reinforced aluminum cable, built to withstand almost any weather condition, carry a double-current line from the Delaware River, at Holland, to the sub-station in Lebanon Township. There are 97 towers averaging about one-fifth mile apart, although the longest span, not far east of Holland, is nearly one-half mile. The cost of the 17 mile line was more than \$200,000 and an additional \$50,000 was expended to increase the capacity of the Lebanon Township sub-station to 5,000 k. w. At this sub-station, which is advantageously situated for supplying Flemington and Lambertville, the power is transformed to lower and switched into the New Jersey system for distribution.

Construction of the Holland-Lebanon Township line was started late last year and pushed rapidly to completion in spite of adverse conditions for outdoor construction last winter. The last mile of cable was strung on the steel towers into Lebanon Township about the first of August, and arrangements were made to put the line into immediate action. While rated as a 110,000 volt line, it actually is operated at 114,000 volts. The line is expected to be in daily operation, augmenting the supply from the Dover power station. The New Jersey Power & Light Company's system includes about 200 miles of high tension transmission lines and 450 miles of distribution lines.

The Sub-station mentioned above, was located on the west side of Route 31, where the small brick building is located. All transformers were in the fenced-in area. There was nothing on the east side of Route 31. The land on that side was purchased later. Even though electric power came to Lebanon Township in 1925, it wasn't until 1933 that the line was extended to the Spruce Run area. My parents home, which was located on Lomerson Lane, was the last house on the line. Whenever a thunder storm came through, and lightning struck nearby, a ball of fire would explode from a plug receptacle. The power line was installed along Sanitarium Road, then Mt. Kipp Road, then toward the Spruce Run Church, and onto the homestead.




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Deanna Kinney
Assistant Curator

FEED BAGS

Eva Burrell lends us for your enjoyment & reminiscing - feed bags. A collection that fed and clothed America. Bags holding flour, sugar, corn meal, chicken feed and more, turned into sheets for the bed and undies for the kids. A must see.

March 1 thru April 29

PICTURES AROUND TOWN

Our resident historian and chairman of our historical committee, Ralph Lomerson, shares with Lebanon township residents and surrounding area folks, historical pictures of our area. Stop by and enjoy the view.

May 3 thru June 28

ADULT SCHOOL HOUSE CRAFTS

We're excited this year about our craft line-up. Lamp shades, cut & pierced with Joan & Deanna, penny rugs & colonial pocket with Cindy, fairy houses with April, whimsical pin cushions with Arminda -WOW! Call for more information, watch for our flyer and sign up - It's fun!

April & May

1870 SCHOOL DAYS

March, April and May bring bus loads of 2nd, 3rd and 4th graders to our schoolhouse museum to enjoy a day in 1870. Stop by and see the boys & girls at work.

March, April & May

ALL WELCOME FREE

The museum is supported by the Township of Lebanon under the guidance of the Township Historians and the general operating grants of the Hunterdon County Cultural and Heritage Commission.

Hours: Tuesday & Thursday 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM, Saturday 1:00 - 5:00 PM

Recreation

Easter Egg Hunt **Saturday, March 15**

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, March 15 at 2:00 PM at Memorial Park. The rain date is Sunday, March 16. Games, the Egg Hunt and a Visit with the Easter Bunny will be available for children from pre-school through 6th grade. Prizes will be awarded to the children who find the "special" eggs. Children should bring a basket or bag to hold their eggs.



The Egg Hunt begins promptly at 2:00 PM – please plan on arriving early! In the event of inclement weather, please check the Township web site at www.lebanontownship.net for rescheduling information.

Memorial Park

From the Memorial Park Committee ...

The bathrooms at Memorial Park were, unfortunately, vandalized in December. The bathrooms are locked from November 1st through April 1st. If anyone sees anyone in the bathrooms during this time, please contact the Police Department immediately.

The following items are on the Parks Committee's goal list for this year:

- Revamp the walking paths around the Park to complete the loop which once existed before some of the other improvements were made.
- Install storm drains to prevent future eroding of the parking lot.
- Complete guard rails, once the storm drains are installed.
- Install pavers from the driveway to the pavilion.

We have also scheduled work days on April 5th and 19th.

Recycling

Computer/Electronics Recycling - May 10 (including room air-conditioners and fluorescent tubes/bulbs)

A computer/electronics recycling day is scheduled for Saturday, May 10 between 9:00 AM and 12:00 noon. Computers and other electronic equipment (stereos, TVs, DVD players, VCRs, Fax machines, scanners, keyboards and mice, monitors, printers, speakers, wire, small appliances, etc.) will be accepted behind the First Aid Squad Building and the Municipal Building on Hill Road. New items being recycled this year include room air-conditioners and fluorescent tubes/bulbs. Please call Jan Gibas at (908) 638-4784 or email jangibas@comcast.net for more information. **No large appliances, please.**

Spring Litter Cleanup - April 19 and 20

The spring litter cleanup is scheduled for April 19 and 20. Residents are encouraged to pick up litter along any road frontage. Bottles and cans should be recycled and any remaining litter can be left bagged along the road for the Road Department. Bags can be picked up at the recycling depot on April 19 or you can use your own trash bags. Please contact Jan Gibas at (908) 638-4784 or email jangibas@comcast.net if you have any questions.

Township Depot Continues

The Township Recycling Depot is held on the **third Saturday of each month** from 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM behind the First Aid Squad and Municipal Buildings, 530 West Hill Road. Containers (aluminum, bi-metal, glass, and #1 and #2 plastics) can be commingled. Cardboard, newspapers and junk mail/magazines should be bundled and tied separately. Household batteries can also be dropped off. Please observe the rules - we're getting a lot of plastic that is not #1 or #2.

Household Hazardous Waste Cleanup Day - March 8

The Hunterdon County Utilities Authority (HCUA) will hold a hazardous waste cleanup day on Saturday, March 8 from 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM at the Hunterdon County Complex, 314 Route 12 East, Flemington. They will accept up to 10 gallons or 80 lbs. of the following: latex paint, oil based paint, paint thinner, asbestos pipe wrap, varnish/stains, insecticides, pesticides, gasoline, herbicides, pool chemicals, aerosol cans, kerosene, gas/oil mix, photographic chemicals, battery acid, drain cleaner, mercury, fuel oil/sludge, diesel fuel, fluorescent tubes, smoke alarms, fire extinguishers, thermostats and acetylene cylinders. Consolidate latex paints and oil based paints, keeping them type separated, to make full cans. Wrap fluorescent tubes in newspaper or put back in original sleeve. Asbestos pipe wrap should be dampened and

double wrapped in plastic. They will accept with no quantity limit: used motor oil, anti-freeze, and automotive and household batteries. They will not accept empty containers, radioactive materials, explosives, air conditioners, pentachlorophenol, PCBs, silvex, solid waste, tires, electronics, propane tanks and helium tanks. Empty dry containers with the lids off can be disposed of with regular garbage or recycled with tin and bi-metal at the Hunterdon County Transfer Station.

For more information, contact HCUA at (908) 788-1110 or by email at hcuac@co.hunterdon.nj.us or check their web site at <http://co.hunterdon.nj.us/depts/miscinfo/cleanup.htm>.

Electronics Collection Day - March 29

The Hunterdon County Utilities Authority (HCUA) will hold an electronics collection day on Saturday, March 29 from 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM at the Hunterdon County Library Complex, State Route 12, Flemington. They will accept up to 10 items containing electronic circuit boards such as: computers, monitors, speakers, televisions, VCRs, DVD & CD players, fax machines, stereo equipment, radios, cellular & cordless telephones.

For more information, contact HCUA at (908) 788-1110 or by email at hcuac@co.hunterdon.nj.us or check their web site at <http://co.hunterdon.nj.us/depts/swr/specialcleanup.htm>.



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Community News

Food Drive for the Open Cupboard Food Pantry Continues

Last fall, in response to seriously low supplies at the Open Cupboard Food Pantry, the Glen Gardner General Store organized a Food Drive. Because the drive was such a great success, yielding hundreds of pounds of food and sundry items, the General Store has decided to continue it through August, 2008.

The Food Pantry is located at 81 West Main Street in High Bridge and also includes a thrift shop run by, never enough, neighborhood volunteers. All of the proceeds from the thrift shop go to the Food Pantry. Although people have been very generous with thrift shop donations, there remains a huge demand for food and paper goods. Donations of non-perishables, canned foods, and paper goods are needed *all year round* to maintain an even flow of assistance to clients.

Donations may be brought directly to the Food Pantry or may be dropped off at the Glen Gardner General Store at 58 Main Street, Glen Gardner. Please contact Shelly Baluta at (908) 537-2319 for additional information.

Thank you all for your kind efforts. Many of our neighbors will benefit from your generosity.



Happy Face Offers Scholarship for 2008/09 School Year

Happy Face Nursery School is offering a financially need-based scholarship for a four year old student for the 2008/09 school year. The child must be four years of age by October 1, 2008. The scholarship will cover tuition for one year, registration, and incidental fees for the recipient. Applications, including 2007 1040 tax forms, must be received no later than April 15. For additional information, please call (908) 832-7510.

HAPPY FACE NURSERY SCHOOL
(908) 832-7510

Enrolling for the 2008-2009 School Year

- 2 ½ Year Old Program
- 3 Year Old Programs
- 4 Year Old Programs
- Fab 5's Program
- Lunch Bunches
- Extended 4 & 5 Year Old Program



New 4-year-old Scholarship

2008 Library Book Sale Scheduled

Friends of the Hunterdon County Library will hold their 12th Annual Used Book Sale of over 150,000 items on Saturday, April 26 and Sunday April 27 at the National Guard Armory on Route 12 in Flemington. Saturday hours are 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Sunday hours are 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. All proceeds benefit the Hunterdon County Library system.

Books are divided into fiction and nonfiction categories. Prices are \$2 for hardcover and large paperback books, \$0.50 for small paperback books. There is free onsite parking. Overflow parking will be at the Headquarters Library (1/2 mile east of Armory) with continuous free shuttle service provided during sale hours. For your safety, no strollers, carriages or wagons will be allowed and parking along Route 12 will be prohibited.

Donate your clean, boxed (preferred) Hardback Books, Paperback Books, Children's Books, Large Print Books, DVDs, Videos, CDs, Cassettes, LPs, and Books on Tape or CD. The Friends cannot accept badly worn, soiled, torn or mildewed books. They also cannot accept encyclopedias, outdated business/computer books, Reader's Digest Condensed Books, textbooks, former library books, catalogs or magazines.

Bring donations to one of the following Saturday Book Collections between 9:30 AM and 3:00 PM: March 15 at North County Branch, Halstead St., Clinton; March 22 at National Guard Armory, Route 12, Flemington; March 29 at Hunterdon County Fairgrounds, Route 179, Ringoes; April 5 at North County Branch, Halstead St., Clinton; and April 12 at National Guard Armory, Route 12, Flemington.

Volunteers are needed and welcome to help sort books into categories in advance of the book sale. Volunteers also are needed for the days of the book sale. To volunteer or for more information, please contact Jackie Cady at (908) 284-9898 or email fohclfriends@gmail.com or visit our website at www.hclibrary.us (click on Friends).



International MOMS Club®
High Bridge/Glen Gardner Chapter

General Meetings
DATE: 1st Wednesday of each month

Website: www.momsclubhbqg.com
Email: momsclubhbqg@yahoo.com

For meeting and membership information, please contact:
Colleen Ansbach, VP Membership (908) 832-7392 or
colleen.ansbach@gmail.com

Hearts of Hope Day to Benefit the Hunterdon Learning Center

The Califon United Methodist Church will hold their 2nd annual Hearts of Hope Day on Sunday, April 27 from 1:00 - 6:00 PM at the church and in downtown Califon. The rain date is Sunday, May 4. All proceeds will go to the Hunterdon Learning Center on Hoffman's Crossing Road in Lebanon Township. The event will include music, food, artists and other vendors. For additional information, to participate or reserve a vendor table, please contact Ella Rue at (908) 500-6925 or email ellarue@earthlink.net.

Hunterdon Helpline's Friendly Visitor Program

The Friendly Visitor Program focuses on identifying and meeting the socialization needs of the elderly in the community. The program provides companionship to socially isolated and homebound seniors. Studies have confirmed that continuing social interaction helps maintain quality of healthy living in the aging community.

The Friendly Visitor Program recruits volunteers, who care about the elderly, and are willing to share a bit of their time to make a difference in the lives of a senior, who may be housebound, lonely, or in need of companionship. Volunteers should be good listeners, patient, and available for weekly visits with a senior. The hour-long visit is usually in the senior's home and may be a chat, a walk, reading, playing cards, or some other mutually agreed upon activity.

We recommend a dedicated commitment to the program. Orientation interview, training and the coordinator provide ongoing support.

We are also looking for seniors who would like to have someone visit him/her one hour a week.

Please contact 2-1-1 for further information.

Interest Free Loans Available to Hunterdon County Residents for College Studies

The Hunterdon County Board of Agriculture administers the Clifford E and Melda C Snyder Scholarship Loan Fund. Mrs. Snyder was a teacher and her husband, Clifford was a farmer and leader in the agricultural community for many years. Mrs. Snyder continued the family interest in agriculture until her death in 1987. The Loan Fund was established under the terms of her will to make interest free loans to students pursuing careers in agriculture and related fields such as agricultural research, food science and veterinary medicine. The minimum loan is \$2,000 per year. There is no set maximum loan amount.

Applicants must be high school graduates who resided in Hunterdon County for at least five years immediately prior to graduation. Recipients may be enrolled in a two or four-year college or a vocational/technical institute anywhere in or outside the United States.

The Hunterdon County Board of Agriculture accepts applications and makes the loan awards. Since 1998, the Board has awarded \$322,500 to thirty-eight students. The Bank of America Trust Department administers the Fund. Loan repayment begins after students have completed their course of study.

Applications are due by April 30, 2008 to be considered for loans for the school year beginning September, 2008. Applications are available by writing to: Snyder Scholarship Fund, Hunterdon County Board of Agriculture, PO Box 2327, Flemington, NJ 08822 or by calling Mr. John Hargreaves, Executive Director at (908) 534-9236 or Judy Conard, Secretary at (908) 782-5473.

Walk & Craft Fair to Benefit Cancer Patients

Friends of Suzanne will sponsor their 3rd Annual Walking with Friends Cancer Walk & Craft Fair on Saturday, March 29 at Commons Park in High Bridge. Registration for the walk will begin at 8:30 AM with the walk beginning at 10:00 AM. The craft fair will run from 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Vendor spaces are available for \$25.00 per vendor. Vendors must bring their own table and chairs. All ages are welcome with no minimum donation required.

All proceeds from the walk and vendor fees will benefit Kearsten Higgins of Clinton, Michael Hafke of High Bridge and the Pay Their Way program at Hunterdon Regional Cancer Center. For additional information, please visit www.friendsofsuzanne.com or email info@friendsofsuzanne.com.



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Township Directory

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE			
Mayor – George Piazza	Relocation Assistance, North Hunterdon Court	(908) 638-1104	
Deputy Mayor – Ed Post	Standing Committees, COAH, Open Space	(908) 832-6930	
Frank Morrison	Police, Fire, Rescue	(908) 832-5263	
Patricia Schriver	Administration, Finance	(908) 832-7066	
Jay D. Weeks	Public Works	(908) 832-7155	
MEETINGS			
Meetings held at the Municipal Building unless otherwise specified			
Township Committee	7:00 PM 1st & 3rd Wed		
Board of Health	6:30 PM 1st Wed as needed		
Planning Board	7:00 PM 3rd Tues (1st if needed)		
Board of Adjustment	7:30 PM 4th Wed		
Environmental and Open Space Commission	7:00 PM 1st Mon		
Park Committee	7:30 PM 2nd Mon		
Agricultural Advisory Board	7:00 PM 2nd Mon		
Recreation Commission	7:00 PM 1st Thurs		
Library Committee	7:30 PM 2nd Wed at the Library		
Historians	7:30 PM 1st Thurs at the Museum		
FIRE – POLICE – FIRST AID			
Police Emergency		911	
Police Dispatch	(908) 638-8515		
Chief, Chris Mattson	(908) 638-8516		
First Aid Squad Emergency		911	
Squad Captain, Ken Ader	(908) 638-0549		
Bookings, Kyle Anastasio	(908) 303-9416		
Fire Department Emergency		911	
Chief, Jay Harkins	(908) 638-8116		
Fire Official, Gary Apgar	(908) 537-6670		
Burning Permits, Bob Dove	(908) 689-7771		
Office of Emergency Management			
Coordinator, Warren Gabriel	(732) 921-0764		
North Hunterdon Municipal Court		(908) 735-7775	
SCHOOLS			
Valley View School	Grades K – 4	(908) 832-2175	
Woodglen School	Grades 5 – 8	(908) 638-4111	
Voorhees High School	Grades 9 – 12	(908) 638-6116	
TOWNSHIP CONTACTS			
Township Clerk, Registrar of Vital Statistics	Karen Sandorse	(908) 638-8523 x11	
Deputy Clerk, Dog Licensing Agent, Deputy Registrar	Kimberly Jacobus	(908) 638-8523 x10	
Tax Collector	Mary Hyland	(908) 638-8523 x15	Hours: Mon & Wed 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM
Treasurer	Julia Gambert	(908) 638-8523 x19	Hours: Wed & Fri 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM
Assessor	Mary Mastro	(908) 638-8523 x17	Hours: Tues & Wed 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM and by appointment
Planning Board Clerk & Board of Adjustment Secretary	Gail Glashoff	(908) 638-8523 x22	
Zoning Officer	John Flemming	(908) 638-8523 x20	Hours: Mon & Fri 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Lost Dogs	Judy Dunlap	(908) 537-2678	
Hunterdon Humane Animal Shelter		(908) 996-2525	
Department of Public Works	Paul R. Jones	(908) 537-2850	
Library Committee & Memorial Park Committee	Art Gerlich, Chair	(908) 638-4331	
Recreation Commission	Karen Newman	(908) 638-4332	
Memorial Garden	Eva Burrell	(908) 537-2424	
Recycling Committee	Jan Gibas	(908) 638-4784	
Webmaster & Newsletter	Karen Newman	(908) 638-4332	Email information to karennewman@embarqmail.com
Bunnvale Library		(908) 638-8884	Hours: Wed 1:00 – 8:00 PM, Thurs – Sat 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Township of Lebanon Museum at New Hampton		(908) 537-6464	Hours: Tues & Thurs 9:30 AM – 5:00 PM, Sat 1:00 – 5:00 PM
Hunterdon County Transfer Station		(908) 236-9088	
Hunterdon County Board of Health		(908) 788-1351	
Construction Office, Christy Hoffman Farm, 108 Rt 512, Califon, NJ 07830		(908) 832-5552	Hours: Mon – Fri 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM
For scheduling use of the Municipal Building Meeting Rooms or reserving the Memorial Park pavilion or fields, contact the Municipal Building at 638-8523 x10.			

TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON

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Calendar		
<u>March</u>	<u>April</u>	<u>May</u>
8 - Household Hazardous Waste Cleanup	13 - Fire Department Pancake Breakfast	1 - Deadline for Summer Newsletter
9 - Fire Department Pancake Breakfast	19 - Recycling	3 - Well-testing Day
15 - Easter Egg Hunt (Rain Date the 16th)	19 & 20 - Spring Litter Cleanup	10 - Computer/Electronics Recycling
15 - Recycling	26 & 27 - Friends of the Hunterdon County Library Booksale	11 - Fire Department Pancake Breakfast Happy Mother's Day!
29 - Electronics Collection Day	27 - Hearts of Hope Day (Rain Date May 4)	17 - Recycling
29 - Walking with Friends Cancer Walk		

Newsletter Notes

Publishing Schedule			Advertising Costs	
Winter	Dec, Jan, Feb	Deadline for input Nov 1	Business Card: \$25.00 Quarter Page: \$40.00	Half Page: \$80.00
Spring	Mar, Apr, May	Deadline for input Feb 1		Full Page: \$150.00
Summer	Jun, Jul, Aug	Deadline for input May 1	All advertisements should include a check made payable to Lebanon Township.	
Fall	Sep, Oct, Nov	Deadline for input Aug 1		

Please email items to Karen Newman at karennewman@embarqmail.com (include NEWSLETTER in the subject line) or mail to: Lebanon Township Municipal Building, 530 West Hill Road, Glen Gardner, NJ 08826, Attn: Newsletter.

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