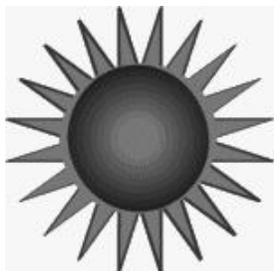


Lebanon Township News

Summer 2012



June, July, August

Last day for
Voorhees High
School is
Friday, June 8

Last day for
Valley View and
Woodglen Schools is
Thursday, June 14

Congratulations to all
of Lebanon
Township's 2012
Graduates!

Municipal Building
530 West Hill Road
(908) 638-8523

Hours:
Monday – Friday
8:00 AM – 4:30 PM

Education

Lebanon Township School District Says a Fond Farewell

Lebanon Township School District's Superintendent, Mrs. Judith Burd, will retire this June after having served 39 years in the district.

Mrs. Burd began teaching Basic Skills at Valley View Elementary in 1974. She taught 3rd grade from 1975 to 1979. She then became a special education teacher, and taught a resource room class for the perceptually impaired from 1979 to 1994. She also taught Latin to 6th graders. From 1994 to 1996, Mrs. Burd taught 7th grade language arts. She became principal of Woodglen Middle School in 1996, and served in that position until 2003. Mrs. Burd became superintendent of Lebanon Township School District in 2003.

We are greatly indebted to Mrs. Burd for her dedication and wonderful contributions to the Lebanon Township School District during her extensive years of service. She will be greatly missed.

News from the Lebanon Township Education Foundation

Hundred Squared Wrap-Up

The final tally from the 2011-2012 Hundred Squared Campaign was \$9,385. These funds, donated by more than 70 families in the community, enabled the LTEF to donate \$12,000 to the Lebanon Township Board of Education earlier this year. These monies were used to:

- purchase 12 iPads and a cart for the 7th and 8th grade classes at Woodglen Middle School,
- purchase an interactive projector for the 2nd grade classes at Valley View Elementary School,
- contribute \$1,500 toward the Woodglen Recreation project to improve outdoor fitness and recreation facilities at Woodglen.

A plaque recognizing all Hundred Squared donors is on display at Woodglen Middle School. Thank you for your generous support!

2012 Cabin Fever

This year's annual Cabin Fever fundraiser, **The LTEF Sports Lounge**, entertained close to 100 attendees with music, food, dancing, and an amazing silent auction. In addition, the event provided a forum for the presentation of the 2012 LTEF Excellence Awards, which recognize excellence in education and community service. The education award winners were Marilyn El-Zahr, 2nd grade teacher at Valley View School, and Diane Sinclair, art teacher at Woodglen School. The community service winner was Warren Gabriel for his work with the volunteer fire department. The event raised approximately \$6,000 in support of the LTEF's Woodglen Recreation Project and other endeavors.

Cinco de Mayo 5K a Success

The LTEF celebrated its first annual Cinco de Mayo 5K race, 1 mile walk, and kids' fun run on May 6 at Memorial Park. About 60 people registered for the 5K and 1 mile walk and another 40 kids participated in the fun run. Congratulations to the winners in the following

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categories: Overall male: Brent Ruge, 20:53; Overall female: Jessica Avallone, 27:27; 10 and under male: Christian Beard, 26:02; 10 and under female: Emily Sell, 27:33; 11-19: Allison Aprile, 27:33; 20-29: Patrick Kablis, 25:51; 30-39: Frank Hickman, 23:00; 40-49: Jason Beard, 26:22; 50+: Kevin Glover, 24:06.

The event was supported by St. Luke's Orthopaedic Specialists, Custom Alloy, and a number of other local corporate sponsors. All kids who participated in the fun run were recognized during the schools' morning announcements.

sectarian institution governed by a Board of Trustees. The same ideas, philosophy, perseverance, motivation, teacher dedication, and family involvement that started Happy Face Nursery School in 1973, are what keep it going today.

Happy Face is currently accepting registrations for the 2012-2013 school year. We offer a flexible range of preschool programs in the mornings and afternoons for children aged 2.5 - 5+ years. We now offer full day preschool options as well. Highlights of our program include programs for 2.5 year olds (who do NOT have to be potty trained), 3 year olds, 4 year olds, and a special program called the Fab Fives. The Fab Fives is designed for children who need an extra year before starting kindergarten or for children already in a public kindergarten, who'd like to extend their day of fun and learning.

We also offer The Happy Face PREPpy (PREschool Enrichment Program). This is an extended day enrichment program for students in the 4AM and Fab5AM programs on Mondays and Wednesdays. PREPpy students will bring their own lunch and stay for an extended day of Science, Math, and Sign Language enrichment and fun!

Lunch bunch, available Monday-Thursday, is available for all students aged 3 and up who can stay an extra hour or come an hour early from 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM. The children have lunch together and then play with friends. Lunch Bunch is teacher supervised with emphasis on table manners and positive interactions. Additional fees apply and available space is limited.

For additional information or to arrange a visit, call (908) 832-7510, email us at info@happyfacenurseryschool.com or visit our website at www.happyfacenurseryschool.com. Come home to Happy Face!

Jon Slusher Journalism Scholarship Foundation to Provide Journalism Scholarships to Voorhees Graduates

Califon resident, Jon Slusher, passed away in 2010 from brain cancer. Jon was the editor of The Hunterdon Review and an avid runner.

Jon's family is in the process of establishing the Jon Slusher Journalism Scholarship Foundation, which will provide journalism scholarships in Jon's memory to students at Jon's alma mater, Voorhees High School. The first scholarship will be awarded this spring.

The family's vision is to fund the foundation through the Bridge-to-Bridge 5K run, which takes place in Califon each October. Recently, the Slusher family has requested that the 5K run be renamed the Fleet Feet Jon Slusher Memorial Scholarships Run. A portion of the proceeds from the run would be deposited into

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Pictured above, among others, are LTEF's Cinco de Mayo 5K 10 and under winners Christian Beard and Emily Sell.



Local Girls Scouts passed out water and directed runners on the course during the 5K.

Happy Face Highlights

Happy Face Nursery School has been educating local children since 1973. It is a New Jersey State Certified, non-profit, non-

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the foundation and used to fund scholarships. Additional money from the foundation would be used for the annual 5K run expenses and the remainder would be awarded to the Califon EMS squad.

This year's run will be held on Sunday, October 7 at 1:00 PM. Runners will follow River Road from Califon to Hoffmann's Crossing Road in Lebanon Township, and then loop back up to the Columbia Trail to finish at the train station in Califon. The course is USATF certified, flat, fast, and scenic! Details regarding registration will be made available as we get closer to the run date.

News from the North Hunterdon-Voorhees Regional High School District

- The Board of Education has approved a budget for the 2012-2013 school year that will **not** raise the local tax levy. This budget has received final approval from the Executive County Superintendent. As the Board of Education voted to move school elections to coincide with the November general election, a public vote on the budget is not required unless the local tax levy increases by more than 2%. Information on the 2012-2013 budget can be found at <http://www.nhvweb.net/index.php/boe-district-services/budget/>.
 - * The list of open seats on the North Hunterdon-Voorhees Board of Education for next year is also listed on this webpage. Board member elections will be included on the ballot on November 6, 2012. Nominating petitions from those interested in being a Board member must be submitted to the Hunterdon County Clerk's Office by 4:00 PM on June 5, 2012.
 - As part of its new accountability system developed through flexibility from No Child Left Behind, the New Jersey Department of Education has created a list of schools that are lowest performing, in need of improvement, and highest performing across the state. **Both North Hunterdon and Voorhees High Schools are the only schools in Hunterdon County to be included on the list of the**
- **Highest Performing schools in the state.** This is a great recognition for the high school district. The full list of schools can be found at <http://www.state.nj.us/education/news/2012/0411rac.htm>.
 - The Voorhees High School Wrestling Team once again sponsored "Pinning 4 a Purpose", which gives wrestlers the opportunity to give back to a charitable organization in the local community. Wrestlers obtain pledges for each pin they achieve throughout the season and then at the end of the season, the total pledge count multiplied by number of pins is donated. This year, the wrestlers raised \$6,100 for the Special Olympics of Hunterdon County. In the two years of this fundraising program, the Voorhees Wrestling Team has donated \$10,700 to the Special Olympics.
 - In the 2012 National Merit Scholarship Competition, one senior from Voorhees High School was named as a Finalist and 4 seniors were named as Commended Students in the competition. Students were chosen based on their scores from the 2010 Preliminary SAT (PSAT) or National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test exam. Commended Students place among the top 5% of the 1.5 million students who entered the competition by taking either exam. Finalists have the opportunity to receive a \$2,500 scholarship.
 - * Congratulations to Jake Szymczak of Lebanon Township, who was named a Commended Student!
 - The high school district has partnered with UMB CardPartner to launch a VISA® Platinum Rewards Credit Card Program. There are two card designs, one representing each high school. Once a person applies for and activates his/her North Hunterdon-Voorhees Regional High School District VISA®, the district will receive \$50 as well as a percent from all purchases charged to the card. Cardholders will earn one reward point for every dollar spent. For more information or to apply for a credit card, please visit <http://www.nhvweb.net/?p=1480>.
 - The 2012 Voorhees High School Graduation Ceremony will be held on Friday, June 8 beginning at 5:00 PM.

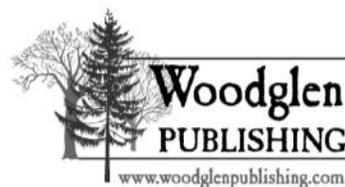


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Memorial Park

Vandalism at the Park

The Lebanon Township Memorial Park is a beautiful park for our community to enjoy. It is maintained by a group of volunteers who take great pride in our community. Recently, the restrooms at Memorial Park were vandalized. While we were able to clean up the mess inside the restrooms, we did have some repairs outside. It is unfortunate that this happened. As a result of this incident, the Park Committee has decided to install security cameras outside the restrooms. Hopefully, this will deter any further vandalism surrounding the restrooms. Please speak to your children about respecting our park and community. If you see any vandalism occurring at the park, please contact the Lebanon Township Police Department.

Park Committee Considers Building a Dog Park

The Park Committee is considering building a dog park at Memorial Park. We are interested in getting community feedback about the project to see if there is community interest

in a dog park and if it would be a worthwhile endeavor. The dog park would be a fenced in area where community members would be allowed to let their dogs run off leash while under owner supervision. Common sense and practical rules would apply. These rules would be determined by the Park Committee and would address safety and dog owner responsibility. Please share any comments or thoughts on this matter by emailing ldogparksurvey@gmail.com.

SAVE THE DATE!

Day in the Park

Saturday, September 8

(Rain Date: Sunday, September 9)

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT LEBANON TOWNSHIP MEMORIAL PARK

SUNDAY IN THE PARK *Car Show*

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MEMORIAL PARK**
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CALIFON, NJ 07830

www.sundayinthepark.net

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Raindate:
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2012
Time:
9 am - 3 pm

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| B. Antiques ('49 & earlier) | I. Stock Mopar (1950 & up) | P. Mustang |
| C. Ford Muscle | J. Stock Trucks | Q. Camaro/Firebird |
| D. GM Muscle | K. Custom Trucks | R. Motorcycles |
| E. Mopar Muscle | L. Street Rods | S. Shelby |
| F. Stock Chevy | M. Custom Cars | T. Tractor |
| G. Stock Ford (1950 & up) | N. Foreign/European | |

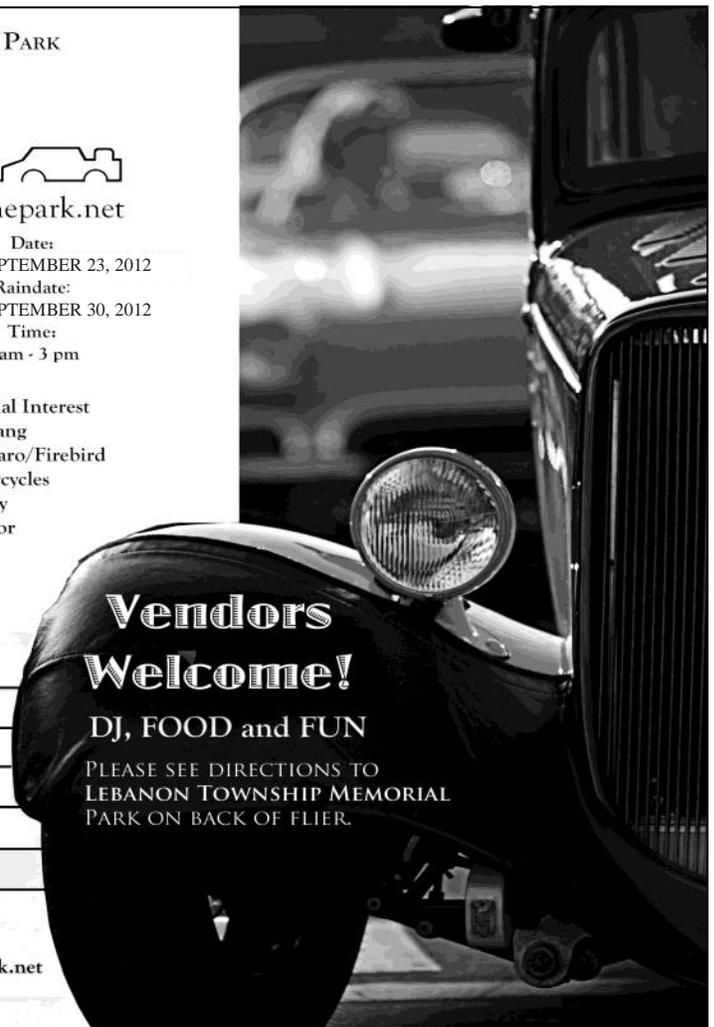
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DAY OF SHOW - \$15.00 SPECTATORS \$2

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MODEL:	CLASS:
SPECS:	OPTIONS:

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or email us: info@sundayinthepark.net



Environmental & Open Space Commission

Sustainable Jersey

Lebanon Township has always been an advocate of land, natural resource, and wildlife preservation, as well as outdoor education and recycling programs, but now is its chance to prove just how sustainable it can be. On April 4, a resolution was passed by the township committee to register Lebanon Township for the Sustainable Jersey Municipal Certification Program. Sustainable Jersey is a certification program for municipalities in New Jersey that want to go green, save money, and take steps to sustain their quality of life over the long term. It provides tools, training and financial incentives to support and reward communities as they pursue sustainability programs. The New Jersey State League of Municipalities, the College of New Jersey, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, and the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities all share the responsibility for creating and managing the Sustainable Jersey Program.

Approximately 60% of the towns in New Jersey are registered or certified for the program, including neighboring towns such as Califon, Hampton, Mansfield, Hackettstown, High Bridge, and Washington. Residents increasingly want to live in towns that are doing their part for the environment. The Sustainable Jersey actions cover a wide range of topic areas focusing on people, prosperity and the planet. Lebanon Township has the opportunity to begin its journey towards sustainability by setting a precedent for its residents. It can do this by establishing various ordinances, programs and plans, and policies and procedures as set forth by the Sustainable Jersey program, as well as performing energy efficient retrofits and renovations of facilities. There is even talk of solar installations and a community garden. By becoming a Sustainable Jersey certified town, our municipality will become aligned with our community's values while saving our resources as well as nature's.

DEP Offers Tips on Reducing Conflicts and Encounters with Bears During Active Spring Period

Black bears have emerged from winter dens throughout the state and are entering their most active period of the year in search of food and mates, which makes encounters with humans in populated areas more likely. To reduce the risk of potential encounters, New Jersey residents, particularly those living in "bear country" in northwestern New Jersey, are advised to take a few simple precautions.



You can reduce the risk of interactions with bears by taking a few common sense steps," said Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Commissioner Bob Martin. "Most important, do not feed bears, either intentionally or unintentionally. Bears that learn to associate food with people, and their homes and living areas, can turn into nuisance bears that regularly forage in neighborhoods looking for easy sources of food. The result is sometimes troubling bear-human encounters."

It is illegal to intentionally feed black bears in New Jersey and punishable by a fine of up to \$1,000 per offense. But the more common problem is unintentional bear feeding by homeowners who unknowingly make household trash, pet foods and other food sources easily available for bears to find and eat.

"Securing your trash and taking care to eliminate obvious sources of food for bears, such as bird feeders or food residues left in outdoor barbecue grills, is the best method to keep bears from being attracted to your home or property," said David Chanda, director of the State Division of Fish and Wildlife.

The bear population in New Jersey has grown in recent years with bears sighted in all 21 counties, and bear-human encounters are occurring more frequently in places outside of traditional bear country, including more heavily populated suburban areas of the state.

To deal with that issue, a New Jersey Comprehensive Black Bear Management Policy was developed by the state's Fish and Game Council and approved by Commissioner Martin. That policy emphasizes managing black bears through research and monitoring, non-lethal and lethal control of problem bears, public education on co-existing with bears, and includes an annual controlled hunt.

DEP wildlife experts stress that a black bear passing through a residential area should not be considered a problem, as long as it is behaving normally and not posing a threat. They offer the following tips to minimize conflicts with bears this spring:

- Use certified bear-resistant garbage containers if possible. Otherwise, store all garbage in containers with tight-fitting lids and place them along the inside walls of your garage, or in the basement, a sturdy shed or other secure area.
- Wash garbage containers frequently with a disinfectant solution to remove odors. Put out garbage on collection day, not the night before.
- Avoid feeding birds when bears are active. If you choose to feed birds, do so during daylight hours only and bring feeders indoors at night. Suspend birdfeeders from a free-hanging wire, making sure they are at least 10 feet off the ground. Clean up spilled seeds and shells daily.

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- Immediately remove all uneaten food and food bowls used by pets fed outdoors.
- Clean outdoor grills and utensils to remove food and grease residue to minimize odors. Store grills securely.
- Do not place meat or any sweet foods in compost piles.
- Remove fruit or nuts that fall from trees in your yard.
- Properly installed electric fencing is an effective way of protecting crops, beehives and livestock.
- If you encounter a bear remain calm and do not run. Make sure the bear has an escape route. Avoid direct eye contact, back up slowly and speak with a low, assertive voice.

Report bear damage, nuisance behavior or aggressive bears to the Wildlife Control Unit of the DEP's Division of Fish and Wildlife at (908) 735-8793. During evenings and weekends, residents should call their local police department or the DEP Hotline at (877) WARN-DEP.

To learn more about New Jersey's black bears and ways to avoid problems with them, visit www.njfishandwildlife.com/bearinfo.htm.

Recreation Commission

Movie Night at the Park

Hosted by the Lebanon Township
Recreation Commission

Enjoy a free summer evening at
Memorial Park with your family & friends

Friday, June 29
8:00 PM

Bring your favorite movie snack, chair and/or blanket

Bunnvale Library



News from the Library ...

Ready for summer? Come browse the latest books, videos and magazines for gardening, organizing, cooking, exercising and fashion tips. For the more ambitious, if seeking a *new* or -ahem, graduates! – *first* employer, feel free to utilize all media options on our shelves as well as online job hunting services. And don't overlook the first rule of a job search: contacts! You never know who you may run into at your neighborhood library. Above all, come on in for a cheerful welcome and take a break from the heat.

The Anne Rambo display cabinet offers a great summer rotation of collectibles and hand-worked items. For June, **Deb Barends** and **Dar Hosta** will display **Books & Journals** made from **recycled materials**. Perennial favorite **Breyer Horses** from **Caley Drake** will have an encore appearance this July. In August, **Ben Drake** will share his **Lego** creations.

We plan to continue the traditional Summer Story Time and Crafts in July, as well as the popular, self-managed Adult Summer Reading Program. Information on all events will be available shortly.

If you want to use the library for a group or a tutoring/study session, please check with the librarians regarding time and availability of the facility. We happily welcome all patrons, but there are times we may have something planned, e.g., StoryTime, that may conflict with an individual's request. Keep in mind all of our space is open; there are no areas for private meetings or dedicated "quiet" time.

Bunnvale Library offers a diverse collection of fiction, nonfiction, audiobooks, DVDs, periodicals, reference materials, wireless and internet access, copy and fax machines. We have a book sale cart and a paperback exchange. Let us know of any special requests, suggestions, or recommendations so we can better serve you.

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KID'S SCHOOLHOUSE CRAFTS 2012

HOURS: 10:00 AM to Noon

7 (and must be in 2nd grade) to 12 Years of Age

Parents: Please register your child only for the classes they will be attending. A \$5.00 fee for each craft (per child) will be charged to help cover cost of materials. No spot will be reserved without fees paid. Always wear old clothes. This is open to Lebanon Township residents only.

A DOOR FOR A FAIRY

Tuesday, August 7 or Thursday, August 9

You must believe in woodland creatures - give your fairy a door and maybe you will catch a glimpse of him or her. You must look quick! Wear old clothes for painting and decorating. Limit 12 - 15 students per class.

FLAGS TO FLY

Tuesday, August 14 or Thursday, August 16

Transferring designs to fabric and decorating with fabric crayons - ironing too! Make a special flag for a special occasion maybe! Limit 12 - 15 students per class.

BIRD ON A STICK

Tuesday, August 21 or Thursday, August 23

Do you know you can sew paper? Have fun with us - sewing, painting and making a bird. Makes a great centerpiece - Fun - old clothes of course. Limit 12 - 15 students per class.

CANDLES, CANDLES

Tuesday, August 28 or Thursday, August 30

Dipping candles has become one of the favorite olde tyme crafts. Once again, we will offer you this fun (but in the 1800's a very necessary chore) activity. Limit 12 - 15 students per class.

PLEASE KEEP THE TOP SECTION FOR DATES AND TIME

Each parent agrees to accept responsibility for any accident occurring either during or as a result of accomplishing their crafts. The participants further agree that neither the Township of Lebanon or the Museum will be held responsible or accountable in any way for personal injury occurring in or upon the premises. I hereby certify that I have read the stipulation above and agree unconditionally to the conditions herein as a prerequisite to participation in the craft classes.

Child's Name	Parent's Name
Address	Circle class attending:
Phone #	August 7
Age	August 14
Craft Fee(s) Enclosed: \$ _____	August 21
	August 28
	August 9
	August 16
	August 23
	August 30

Snacks and drinks served at each class. * Bingo - if we have time, we will play Bingo. It's fun! You always wear old clothes to craft classes as you might get glue, paint or snacks on them - but you know that! Sign up - it's fun!

Historians

A Brief History of the Old Swack Church *by Nina Savoia, Historian*

The ruin of a stone structure on Anthony Road is locally known as the Old Swack Church. Other names used for this structure include the Mount Tamarack Church, because of the tamarack trees that populated the woods in the 1800's, and the Mount Bethel Church. The correct name of the church that once stood there is the Mount Bethel Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Its founder and first pastor was Lambert Swackhammer, born in 1805 near Middle Valley, NJ. As a young man, Mr. Swackhammer lived near Cooperstown, NY, due to his parents move, and entered the seminary at Hartwick. After studying there for a few years he became a school teacher. After his marriage, he returned to Hartwick Seminary and graduated in 1831. A few days later, he was licensed to preach by the Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of New York.

There was a period of much strife over doctrinal differences in Lutherans in New York which led Swackhammer to withdraw from the Ministerium in 1833. In 1836, he introduced a resolution sharply condemning slavery, but the majority of the delegates felt that this was more political than doctrinal and did not concern the church. He was rebuffed and he and three of his associates withdrew from Hartwick Synod.

In September 1843, he returned to New Jersey but was refused as a replacement to Reverend Pohlman at German Town (now Long Valley) by the New York Ministerium. He promptly set out to establish a new church. Along with friends Moore Castner, Daniel Sliker and Amos Smith, he undertook the construction of a fieldstone church on a half-acre ground on Anthony Road. The building of the church was an arduous task at that time, collecting stone and cutting wood, and was plastered both inside and out as was the fashion of the day. It was completed in the spring of 1844. The Mount Bethel church was immediately admitted to the Franckean Synod and was the only church in New Jersey listed in its register. It was first mentioned in the Synod minutes in June 1844.

Reverend Swackhammer and his family lived in a log cabin two or three hundred yards east of the church. He remained there only seven years and in 1850 accepted a call to the Lutheran Church in Bern, NY.

Moore Castner, who originally donated the land for the church, assumed possession of it after Reverend Swackhammer's departure. The church was used from 1844 until 1896 when it fell into disrepair.

Today the remaining stone walls of the church, as well as the cemetery, stand in ruins, overrun by poison ivy and a variety of trees. The Lebanon Township Historians erected a sign to designate the site.

Read more about this history in [Lebanon Township, 200 Years](#). The book is available for purchase at the Lebanon Township Museum and the Municipal Building.

Summer is coming - no more pencils, no more books...

What did your family do during the summer in the "Olden Days"?

Did you go on the Ferris wheel and eat funnel cake at the Califon or High Bridge Firemen's Fairs? Did you boat at Butler Park or eat your fill at a farmer's picnic?

Did you go to a family reunion, play baseball or jump through a sprinkler? Did you go to the Summer Recreation programs at the local schools, or swim or fish on the Musconetcong River?

What did your family enter in the County Fair or did you watch an exciting and loud race at the Flemington Speedway? How about visiting the Circle H Ranch? (okay, maybe we don't want to know about a visit to the ranch).

If you have thoughts or pictures you would like to share about your summer activities, we would love to hear from you. Please email us at LebanonTownHistSoc@gmail.com or drop by the Museum.

Pottery Sale

The Township of Lebanon Historians have 18th century reproduction pottery for sale at the Museum. The pottery is embellished with a rendering of the Museum at New Hampton and is gray and blue stoneware. Various pieces are available, with more to come. Pieces currently available are: Quart Crock \$20; Tile or Trivet \$10; Half Gallon Crock \$30. The pottery makes a great gift or remembrance of our township. Call us at (908) 537-6464 or stop in the museum to buy or place an order.

Historical Inventory of Township Buildings and Houses

You may recall from the last newsletter that the Hunterdon County Cultural & Heritage Commission has asked the Lebanon Township Historians to participate in a historical inventory of all houses and buildings in Lebanon Township which date from 1900 or earlier. We were asked to take pictures of 250 houses and buildings.

The picture taking is coming along. People have been very nice and are telling some interesting stories about their homes. One home was built during the Civil War and added on to a few times from sales of their peach orchard. We heard that stucco

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was added to the outside of stone homes to make the houses look richer. One house built about 1787 is located in an area with homes built around the 1980's. Thanks for sharing.

When visiting your home, the Historians will have a letter verifying their identification. We ask for your graciousness during our endeavor.

If you have thoughts or pictures you would like to share about your historical home, we would love to hear from you. Please email us at LebanonTownHistSoc@gmail.com or drop by the Museum.

Belsnickle Craft Show Bus Trip

A bus trip to the Belsnickle Craft Show in Boyertown, PA is planned for Friday, November 23, 2012. The trip is being sponsored by the Historical Society of Boyertown. Please contact the Museum at (908) 537-6464 for additional information.

Police Department

Notice to all Lebanon Township Residents and Business Owners:

If you have an alarm system and have not registered or updated it with the Police Department, please stop by headquarters or call for a registration form. There is a one-time fee of \$10.00.

We are currently updating our business listing. If you are a business owner, and have not contacted us recently with an updated listing, please call us at (908) 638-8516. We will send you a form which you can complete and return with your updated information.

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- ♦ Great seasonal views of the distant mountains
- ♦ Bring your horses to this peaceful lot

8 Spring Mountain Road, Offered at \$280,000



- ♦ Sprawling Ranch Home with 4 bedrooms, 2½ baths
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- ♦ Living room with fireplace and built ins
- ♦ Bedroom with separate entrance & updated bath
- ♦ Private, peaceful location near stores and schools.

Additional Active Listings by Sharon Groben



Lebanon Township
Offered at \$349,900



Tewksbury Township
Offered at \$874,900



Clinton Township
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 Tewksbury Twp. Offered at \$499,900	 Branchburg Twp. Offered at \$210,000	 Readington Twp. Offered at \$474,999	 Lebanon Twp. Offered at \$299,900	 High Bridge Boro Offered at \$344,900	 Franklin Twp. SOLD \$330,000
 Readington Twp. SOLD \$499,000	 Washington Twp. SOLD \$275,000	 Clinton Township SOLD \$560,000	 Harding Township SOLD \$2,410,000	 Califon Boro SOLD \$372,000	 Readington Twp. SOLD \$425,000
 Tewksbury Twp. SOLD \$532,500	 Lebanon Township SOLD \$260,000	 Lebanon Township SOLD \$442,000	 Califon Boro SOLD \$334,750	 Bridgewater Twp. SOLD \$350,000	 Mansfield Twp. SOLD \$392,500



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Recycling

Recycling News

Not only is recycling the right thing to do, it is also the law in New Jersey. Hunterdon County and Lebanon Township work together to try to make recycling convenient. Please check the recycling page of the Hunterdon County website, www.co.hunterdon.nj.us/recycling.htm, for information about special county hazardous waste and electronics recycling events. Lebanon Township generally has an electronics recycling event the second Saturday in May.



For residential recycling, materials are accepted at each of the following locations:

1. The township recycling depots on the third Saturday of each month between 8:30 and 11:30 AM behind the Municipal Building.
2. The county residential recycling program at the Transfer Station in Annandale. The hours at the transfer station are 7:00 AM to 4:30 PM Monday through Friday and 7:00 AM to 1:00 PM on Saturday.

ITEMS ACCEPTED FOR RECYCLING:

- **Aluminum cans:** Only empty beverage cans will be accepted. Other aluminum items WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
- **Cardboard, chipboard & brown paper bags:** Corrugated, chipboard (boxboard) and brown paper bags will be accepted. Cardboard should be tied or placed in another cardboard container (box). Cardboard with food or food residue WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
- **Glass bottles and jars:** Food and beverage container glass with rings and caps removed will be accepted. All containers MUST be emptied and rinsed. Cups, drinking glasses, dishes, ovenware, window glass, lead crystal TV tubes, light bulbs, mirrors or any other type of glass product WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
- **Hard covered books**
- **Junk mail & office paper:** Un-shredded junk mail and office paper will be accepted. Junk mail and office paper should be tied or placed in a cardboard container (box). Shredded or bagged junk mail and office paper WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
- **Newspaper:** Newspaper tied with string or twine will be accepted. Newspaper bound in tape or other materials WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
- **Paperback books**
- **Plastics bottles # 1-7:** Plastic bottles # 1-7 that originally contained liquids are accepted. All containers MUST be emptied and rinsed.
- **Telephone books**
- **Tin and bi-metal cans:** Are accepted if all food and other residue has been removed. Labels do not have to be removed.

Electronics / Computer Recycling

A computer / electronics recycling event will be held on **Saturday, June 16** from 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM behind the Municipal Building at 530 West Hill Road.

Accepted items include cables, cell phones, computer monitors, copiers, CPUs, CRTs, DVD players, fax machines, keyboards, laptops, modems, old computers, printers, radios, scanners, stereo equipment, telephones, terminals, televisions, VCRs, and VHS players. Hard drives will be shredded at an Advance Recovery facility in Newark, NJ. No large appliances or items containing CFCs will be accepted.

For additional information, please contact Joann Fascenelli at (908) 638-6964 or email treasurer@lbtpw.org.

County Hazardous Waste Collection Day

The next Hunterdon County Utilities Authority Household Hazardous Waste collection will be held **Saturday, July 14** from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM, rain or shine. The collection will be held at the Hunterdon County Library Complex, 314 State Route 12, Flemington. A list of acceptable items as well as directions to the complex can be found on the Hunterdon County Utilities Authority website at <http://co.hunterdon.nj.us/solidwaste/cleanup.htm>.



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Community News

Adventures on Promise Island

Califon United Methodist Church Vacation Bible School 2012
Monday, June 25 - Wednesday, June 27
6:00 to 8:00 PM
For children ages 3 to 10 years old

Come explore Promise Island at Califon United Methodist Church, 15 River Road, Califon. Here on Promise Island, kids will discover God's lifesaving love! They'll discover that God promises to *be with us*, to *care about us*, to *give us what we need*, to *save us*, and to *answer us*!

All registered children and their families are invited to join us for our Vacation Bible School Kick-off Family BBQ following our 11:00 AM Worship Service on Sunday, June 24.

For registration information or volunteer opportunities, contact Janine at (908) 832-8944 or email jnrascenzo@comcast.net.



Website Offers Hunterdon Bicycle Tourism Info

Hunterdon County is a premier destination for cyclists of all ages and skill levels. Those looking for great rides need to look no further than www.bikehunterdon.org, a comprehensive website developed by HART Commuter Information Services, a private, non-profit organization dedicated to promoting sustainable transportation such as bicycling.

Visitors to the site will find a full description of rides including the popular Delaware & Raritan Tow Path, Last Covered Bridge, and Round Valley Roundabout routes, as well as the Columbia Trail, and most recently added, the Landsdown Trail ride. A quick click on any of the route descriptions opens a full color photo gallery of what cyclists may see along the ride. An interactive Google map feature allows potential riders to view amenities along the routes including restaurants, bed and breakfast and other lodging, as well as points of interest. A full list of all local bicycle shops as well as where to rent a bicycle is also included. There is even a section to allow cyclists to leave feedback of their experience bicycling in Hunterdon.

"BikeHunterdon.org is an opportunity for us to offer prospective visitors to Hunterdon County the information they may need to choose Hunterdon for their next bicycle destination", says Tara Shepherd, HART executive director. Visit www.bikehunterdon.org today.

NORWESCAP Child and Family Resource Services Offers a Variety of Programs for the Community

NORWESCAP Child and Family Resource Services offers a variety of programs to assist the Hunterdon County community. Our goal is to support families seeking childcare that is both high quality and affordable. We can connect them with child care centers throughout the county. Parents can receive a listing of centers that is convenient to either home or work. We also maintain a listing of registered family child care providers. These individuals offer childcare in their home. Many children thrive in this setting that offers care in a familiar home setting, for smaller groups of children.

Among the other services we provide are the following:

- FREE childcare referrals
- administration of the NJCK subsidy program to assist parents in paying for childcare
- workshops for parents on child development and parenting issues
- training for individuals interested in becoming registered Family Childcare Providers

We also offer professional development opportunities for individuals working in early childhood education. This enhances the credentials of the local childcare community, which in turn benefits the young children in their care.

Conveniently located at 84 Park Ave., Suite 104-E, Flemington, we are open daily from 8:00-4:30 and walk-ins are always welcome. For more information, contact Lisa Woods at (908) 782-8183 or visit our website at norwescap.org and click on Children's Services.

Support the Open Cupboard Food Pantry

With the help of the community, the Open Cupboard Food Pantry in Clinton distributes 10-12 thousand pounds of food and other grocery items every month to the needy of northern Hunterdon County. As the cost of food and gas continues to rise, many more people are seeking assistance, especially large families and seniors on fixed incomes. The Pantry gratefully accepts all donations of food, personal care items, and cleaning supplies, in addition to monetary donations and supermarket gift cards. Currently the most needed items are: vegetable soup, canned pears, peaches, oranges, and pineapple, applesauce, ziti, pasta sauce, tuna, canned beef stew, canned chili, sugar, coffee, 100% apple juice, toilet paper, and laundry detergent. Proceeds from the Pantry's Thrift Shop, along with monetary donations, are used to pay the bills for the Pantry and to purchase needed groceries such as milk, eggs, cheese, meat, and fish. For more information about donating or seeking assistance, please call (908) 730-7320.

Township Directory

<u>TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE</u>		<u>FIRE - POLICE - EMS</u>	
Tom McKee - Liaison to Standing Committees, COAH; Open Space Coordinator	(908) 638-5020	Police Emergency	911
Ronald Milkowski, Deputy Mayor - Liaison to Public Works, Highlands	(908) 537-4132	Police Dispatch	(908) 638-8515
Frank Morrison - Liaison to Police, Fire and Rescue	(908) 832-5263	Chief, Chris Mattson	(908) 638-8516
Patricia Schriver - Liaison to Administration and Finance, Grants	(908) 832-7066	Office Manager, Kathy Goracy	(908) 638-8516
Brian Wunder, Mayor - Relocation Assistance Officer; Liaison to the Municipal Court of North Hunterdon, Legal Matters, Local School District	(908) 832-2042	Emergency Medical Services	911
		Fire Department Emergency	911

<u>MEETINGS</u>	
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 1st Tues
Board of Adjustment	7:30 PM 4th Wed
Environmental and Open Space Commission	7:00 PM 3rd 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

Chief, Ed Schaffer	(908) 537-2838
Fire Official, Gary Apgar	(908) 537-6670
Open Burn Fire Permit (Andover Forestry Off.)	(973) 786-6350
Office of Emergency Management	
Coordinator, Warren Gabriel	(732) 921-0764
Municipal Court of North Hunterdon	(908) 735-7775
Hunterdon County Board of Health	(908) 788-1351

<u>SCHOOLS</u>		
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

<u>TOWNSHIP CONTACTS</u>			
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: 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	
Recycling Coordinator	Joann Fascenelli	(908) 638-8523 x19	
Zoning Officer	John Flemming	(908) 638-8523 x20	Hours: Mon & Wed 1:00 PM-4:00 PM
Lost Dogs	Judy Dunlap	(908) 537-2678	
Hunterdon Humane Animal Shelter		(908) 996-2525	
Department of Public Works	Warren Gabriel	(908) 537-2850	
Library Committee	Art Gerlich, Chair	(908) 638-4331	
Recreation Commission	Kristin Petrik	(908) 638-3590	
Memorial Garden	Eva Burrell	(908) 537-2424	
Environmental & Open Space Commission	Warren Newman	(908) 638-4332	
Webmaster & Newsletter	Karen Newman	(908) 638-4332	Email information to karennewman@embarqmail.com
Bunnvale Library		(908) 638-8884	Hours: Wed 1:00-8:00, Thurs & Fri 9:00-5:00, Sat 9:00-2:00
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	
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.

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Calendar

<u>June</u>	<u>July</u>	<u>August</u>
8 - Last Day for Voorhees HS	14 - County Hazardous Waste Collection	1 - Deadline for Fall Newsletter
10 - Fire Department Pancake Breakfast	21 - Recycling	18 - Recycling
14 - Last Day for VV & WG Schools		
16 - Recycling		
16 - Electronics/Computer Recycling		
29 - Movie Night at Memorial Park		

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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