

# Lebanon Township News

Winter 2021/2022



December, January,  
February

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Best wishes  
to all for a  
very happy  
holiday season  
and a healthy  
and happy  
New Year!

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

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

## *Recreation & Historians*

A large, stylized illustration of Santa Claus with a white beard, wearing a red hat with a white pom-pom, set against a dark background with white stars.

LEBANON TOWNSHIP  
**VISIT WITH SANTA**  
AND ANNUAL TREE LIGHTING  
**DECEMBER 5th 4:30-6:30PM**  
LEBANON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING - 530 WEST HILL ROAD

*Come celebrate this tradition with friends and neighbors!  
This joyful night features a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus, music and merrymaking.  
The tree is lit at dusk. Bring your letters for Santa and camera!  
Please bring a non-perishable food item for donation to the  
North Hunterdon Food Pantry.*

SPONSORED BY THE RECREATION COMMISSION AND HISTORIANS COMMITTEE

At the bottom of the poster, there are two stylized Christmas trees, each decorated with lights and ornaments, and several wrapped gifts placed at their base.

# Recreation

## Halloween Madness 2021

Many organizations and individuals helped orchestrate Halloween Madness 2021 and we couldn't have done it without their help. Thank you Officer Alan Goracy and Gary Apgar for directing traffic. Thanks to Police Chief Jason Crouce and Patrolmen Adrian LaRowe and Hayden Lechner for judging the costume parade and car decorating contests, which were no easy tasks with the incredible creativity by our community. Thank you Fire Chief David Sulpy and the Lebanon Township Fire Department and EMS crew for assisting with parking cars and keeping our children safe. Thanks to all who participated in the

Friends of Memorial Park 50/50 raffle, resident Lori Ciculya was thrilled to win and the proceeds will benefit Memorial Park. The North Hunterdon Food Pantry was grateful for your donations of dry goods, thank you for sharing with your neighbors in need.

Each year you blow us away with your amazing car decorations and creative costumes, thank you for bringing so much spirit and energy to the event! Coming together and helping give the children (and adults!) priceless memories of growing up in our community is what we're all about.



## Museum



### News from the Museum ...

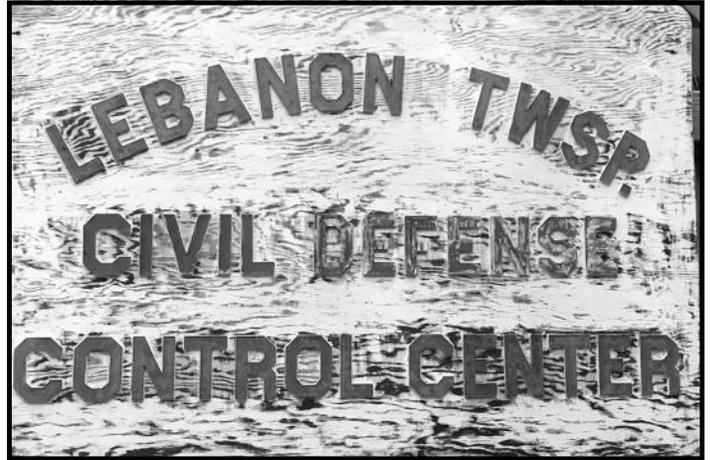
Looking for a gift for a new neighbor, a long-time resident or a homesick college student? Lebanon Township pottery, books and ornaments, including the brand-new 2021 keepsake ornament featuring an original painting of the museum by Lebanon Township artist William Martin, are available. Proceeds from these sales support historic preservation efforts within the township.

To stay informed of upcoming exhibits and events, please send a request to join the email list to [museum@lebtwp.net](mailto:museum@lebtwp.net) or follow Friends of Lebanon Township Museum on Facebook.

The museum is located in the former New Hampton school house at 57 Musconetcong River Road. It is open on Tuesdays from 9:00 am - 3:30 pm, Thursdays from 1:00 - 8:00 pm and Saturdays from 10:00 am - 3:30 pm. Admission is always free.



## Historians



Who recalls the Lebanon Township Civil Defense Control Center? In this newspaper article from the 1970s, the sign is seen hanging on the side of the old Woodglen schoolhouse on East Hill Road. According to the late Ralph Lomerson, Township Historian, the headquarters for the Civil Defense Corp was the one room schoolhouse until the Municipal Building was constructed. Do you have memories of the Civil Defense Center? If so, please email [historians@lebtwp.net](mailto:historians@lebtwp.net), we'd love to hear your stories! Many thanks to Josh and Karen Rich for helping preserve Lebanon Township history by donating this sign.

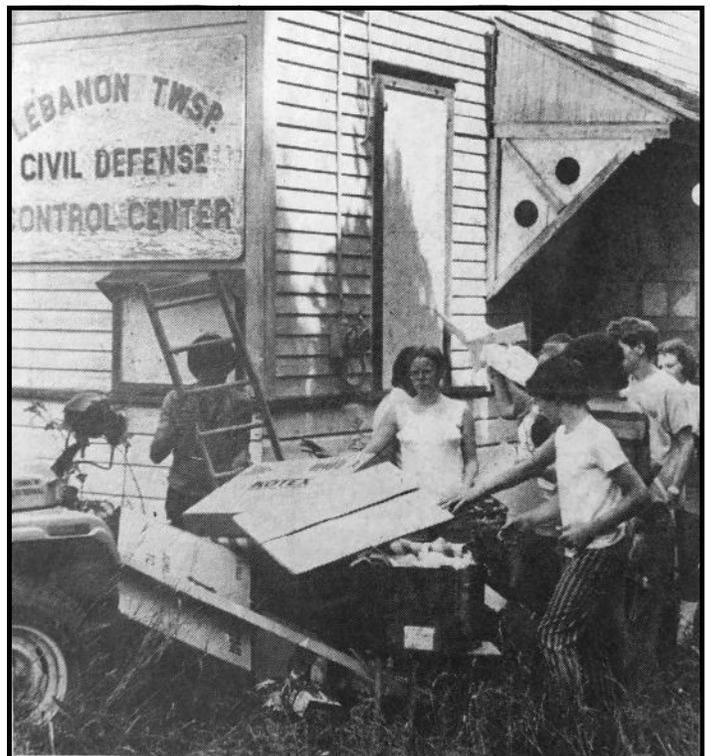


Photo by Liz Foerst  
**PILE UP THE JUNK** and get the new Lebanon Township teen center ready for occupancy is the motto for these young adults enrolled in the township's first summer recreation program. Throughout the summer, the teenagers intend to spruce up the old Civil Defense building on Hill Road, mixing work with playing tennis, swimming and hiking along Lockwood Gorge. "It will take a lot of work, but it will be worth it," says 14 year-old Pat Vitale.

# Historians



Who remembers ice skating on the pond behind the Municipal Building? The days are getting colder and winter's coming. Time to sharpen up those old skates! This great photo is from 1980. Photographs like these that preserve a memory, a place and time, give us a glimpse of what our community was once like.

The Historians are working to create a digital archive of material including photos, newspaper clippings, documents, family trees, etc. If you have material depicting life in Lebanon Township, please contact the Historians at [historians@lebtwp.net](mailto:historians@lebtwp.net).



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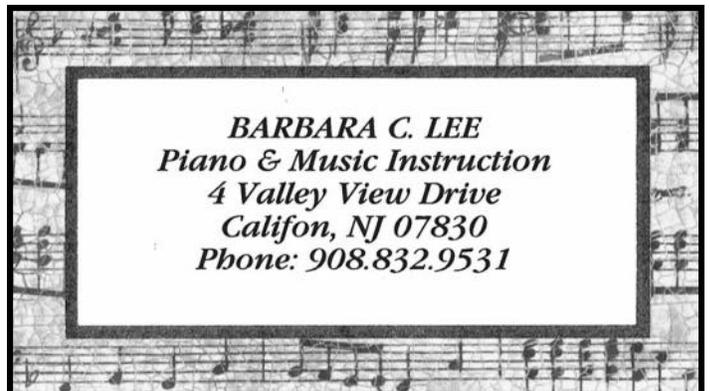


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## *Environmental & Open Space Commission*

### **Snailpocalypse Hits Lebanon Township!**

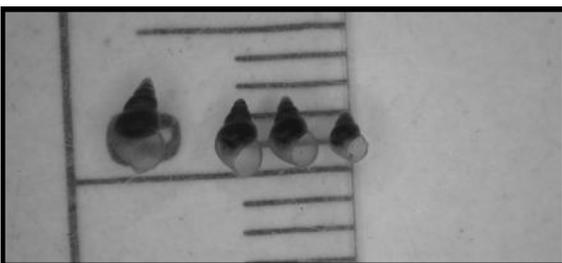
*By Nancy Lawler, Environmental & Open Space  
Commission*

A few months ago, the Musconetcong Watershed Association (MWA) reached out to us with some dismaying news: the New Zealand Mudsnail (NZM) was found in the river at the New Hampton Road bridge in Lebanon Township; they were posting warnings to anglers there. Lebanon Township residents can help limit the spread of this tiny, destructive, invasive species by encouraging fellow anglers and boaters to clean their gear.

Despite being only ¼" long, NZM is a serious threat to our local wildlife - particularly trout. The snails produce up to 230 offspring per year through cloning - that's about 40 million in 3 years from one snail! They outcompete native snails and aquatic insects that feed fish (bats, dragonflies, and birds eat these insects too!). And NZM are extremely tough--they can survive out of water for over a month by closing their *operculum*, the tiny "trap door" that seals their shell. When eaten, this same "trap door" stays closed--they pass through the guts of predatory fish and birds whole and unharmed--providing no nutrition. In infested streams, trout gobble them up quickly, and lose weight over a short period of time.

NZM has no known control yet, but because it attaches to anything, it can move between streams by hitchhiking on the soles of waders, fishing gear, water shoes and boats. Experts agree that cleaning debris and mud from gear with a stiff brush before leaving the river bank will slow or prevent the snail from spreading. Some say 409 spray is effective after scrubbing, but use with extreme caution as it can damage gear. Never use it near waterways as it can harm wildlife.

While there are several invasive species causing problems to our ecology and economy statewide, New Jersey is one of only four states without an Invasive Species Management Plan. That makes it hard to coordinate a response to problem species like NZM because there is no one to request assistance from at the state level. Lebanon Township will be working with the Musconetcong River Management Council to determine what can be done at the local level to encourage the state to prioritize invasive species threats. For more information go to [www.musconetcong.org](http://www.musconetcong.org).



*New Zealand Mudsnail found in the Musconetcong at New Hampton Bridge*

## *From the Deputy Clerk*



### **ATTENTION DOG OWNERS - NEW FEES**

#### **2022 Dog License Renewals Due by January 31, 2022**

State Statute requires owners of all dogs seven months of age or older to annually apply to the licensing clerk of the municipality in which he or she resides for a dog license. In order for the license to be issued, the owner must present proof that a licensed veterinarian has vaccinated the dog against rabies and that the duration of immunity from that vaccination extends through at least ten months of the twelve-month licensing period. An exemption to the rabies inoculation requirement shall be granted if the owner presents written certification from a licensed veterinarian that the dog cannot be vaccinated due to a medical condition or course of therapy.

#### **Please renew your dog's 2022 license in January to avoid the late fee!**

LICENSE FEES: unaltered dog - \$15; altered dog - \$12

LATE REGISTRATION FEE: February 1 - an additional \$25 late fee per dog.

**From February 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022**, the fee for renewal is \$40 for an unaltered dog or \$37 for an altered dog.

Make checks payable to Lebanon Township Dog Account or LTDA.

If you have recently moved to the Township or have adopted a new dog, the application for licensing your new addition can be found on the Township's website ([lebanontownship.net](http://lebanontownship.net) under Department - Clerk) or you may come to the Municipal Building, Monday - Friday, 8:00 - 11:00 am or 1:00 - 4:30 pm to register your dog. Please bring a current rabies certificate, the certificate if they are spayed or neutered and payment by cash or check. Sorry we do not accept credit or debit cards.

If you need more information or have any questions, please call Kim at (908) 638-8523 x102 or email [deputyclerk@lebtwp.net](mailto:deputyclerk@lebtwp.net).

# SELLING LEBANON TOWNSHIP IS WHAT I DO!



**SHARON GROBEN #1 AGENT AGAIN IN 2020\***

**Lebanon Township's Top Agent 9 Years in a Row**

**Realtor®/Sales Associate, Lebanon Township Resident**

*NJ Realtors® Circle of Excellence Award, Silver, 2020*

★★★ *FIVE STAR Real Estate Agent Awarded Again for 2021* ★★★

***Thinking of Buying or Selling? Call Sharon!***

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**Visit SharonGroben.com to view all the listings on the Garden State MLS**

## SEE WHAT MY CLIENTS ARE SAYING

Buying and selling is a journey, she told us at our first meeting. Sharon is the best tour guide you will ever find for this trip! We simultaneously bought and sold with Sharon in Hunterdon County, and both transactions were as smooth as can be imagined. Yes, there were ups and downs, but her personal style, relaxed demeanor, and experienced skill set educated, advised, and guided us throughout the process. Her recommended resources created a team that an outsider of the group, though in real estate, referred to as the "Dream Team". It showed. Sharon is positive and measured; neutral when appropriate, vocal when necessary. She is honest and transparent. She is local, knowledgeable, kind, engaged, available and flexible, tireless, dedicated, connected, known and respected among her peers. She is a savvy communicator and negotiator. Sharon's strengths are anchored in her personality and in-person communication style. In an age of reliance on detached remote and digital media, she mixes both electronic and in-person, but shines in person. Anyone looking for a realtor in this crazy real estate market will be lucky to have Sharon on their team. We feel that we made a friend in the process, and will be forever grateful to her. Thank you, Sharon! ~ Doug & Amy

Our experience with Sharon was exceptional. You won't go wrong selecting her to sell your home. After many years of seeing her name on signs and through flyers/postcards, she sold the house across the street and when we needed to put ours on the market, we didn't hesitate to reach out. She was: attentive, assertive, diligent, responsive, helpful, informative, professional and more! The house didn't make it easy - offers, withdrawn offers, inspection challenges -- but she was committed to selling our house, for the best price, with the best terms and then helped guide us through the process and ultimately through closing. Her directness and feedback helped us present the house in the best way to get the best offer possible. Even though we no longer live in the area, we have family and friends who are and we will resoundingly recommend her when they are ready to sell. ~ Laura

## NOW IS THE BEST TIME TO SELL!

**HOME VALUES ARE UP & HOMES ARE SELLING QUICKLY! HOMES IN OUR TOWN ARE GETTING MULTIPLE OFFERS! DON'T WAIT TO SELL!**

**WANT TO KNOW WHAT YOUR HOME IS WORTH?**

**CALL SHARON AT 908-303-9385 FOR A FREE CONFIDENTIAL MARKET ANALYSIS.**



\*in Lebanon Township for Dollar Volume &/or Individual Properties Sold in 2012-2020. This representation is based in whole or in part on data supplied by the Garden State Multiple Listing Service, LLC ("GSMLS"). GSMLS does not guarantee nor is in any way responsible for its accuracy. Data accurate as of 11/1/2021. Data maintained by GSMLS may not reflect all real estate activity in the market. If your home is currently listed with another broker, this is not intended as a solicitation of that listing.

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# SHARON GROBEN #1 AGENT IN LEBANON TOWNSHIP PRESENTS... *A Lebanon Township Showcase of Homes*



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1900 Colonial is a great blend of historic charm & modern convenience. Open 1.61 acre lot w barn & fields. Renovated kitchen w granite counters & stainless steel appliances. Spacious living room w wood flooring & bump out bay window. Formal dining room w decorative fireplace. Updated full bath w ceramic tile & tub shower. Separate building has a private office w vaulted ceiling, decorative fireplace, wood floors & storage room making it a great option for a recreation room or guest room. Trex deck. Paver Patio w pergola.



**JUST SOLD**

**5 Fawn Ridge Road**  
**Sold Price - \$890,000**



**JUST SOLD**

**26 Spruce Run Road**  
**Sold Price - \$375,000**



**UNDER CONTRACT**

**37 Forge Hill Road**  
**List Price - \$799,900**



**UNDER CONTRACT**

**910 Ravine Road**  
**List Price - \$650,000**



**UNDER CONTRACT**

**4 Summit Drive**  
**List Price - \$399,900**



**SOLD 2021**

**18 Elk Ridge Road**  
**Sold Price - \$1,200,000**



**SOLD 2021**

**901 Ravine Road**  
**Sold Price - \$870,000**



**SOLD 2021**

**464 County Road 513**  
**Sold Price - \$715,000**



**SOLD 2021**

**4 Mountain Brook Lane**  
**Sold Price - \$699,900**



**SOLD 2021**

**756 Backhus Estate Road**  
**Sold Price - \$686,000**



**SOLD 2021**

**299 Rocky Run Road**  
**Sold Price - \$550,000**



**SOLD 2021**

**443 Little Brook Road**  
**Sold Price - \$540,000**



**SOLD 2021**

**616 E Hill Road**  
**Sold Price - \$468,000**



**SOLD 2021**

**339 Turkey Top Road**  
**Sold Price - \$422,500**



**SOLD 2021**

**38 Bunnvale Road**  
**Sold Price - \$370,000**

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Contact Sharon directly on her cell at 908-303-9385 for a Free, Confidential Market Analysis.

**PUT LEBANON TOWNSHIP'S #1 AGENT\* TO WORK FOR YOU!**



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# Recycling

## Recycling has Changed

Lebanon Township will no longer be holding the monthly Recycling Depot in the parking lot behind the Municipal Building. Instead, a recycling dumpster has been placed in the rear parking lot of the Municipal Building closest to the former Rescue Squad building and is available for residents to drop off their recyclable materials at any time. The dumpster will be emptied on a weekly basis.

Please understand that it is **extremely important** that materials placed in the dumpster, are actually recyclable. The service provider scrutinizes the contents of the dumpster; if there are too many non-recyclable materials, none of the material will be recycled and will instead be sent to a landfill.

Please refer to the information below to determine whether or not something can be placed in the recycling dumpster. Detailed information is also available at <https://recyclingsimplified.com/recycling-basics/>.

**DO Recycle these Items:**

- Glass bottles or jars with lids attached
- Plastic bottles or jugs with lids attached
- Metal cans
- Flattened cardboard
- Non-mixed paper – remove bubble wrap from padded envelopes and plastic windows from paper envelopes

**DON'T Recycle these Items:**

- Plastic bags of any kind
- Items which are wet
- Items which contain food or food residue, including pizza boxes with grease residue
- Bubble wrap or Styrofoam
- Unattached lids – they are too small – instead, attach them to the bottle or jug they came from



## 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.



The Hunterdon County Residential Recycling Program is held at the Hunterdon County Transfer Station/Recycling Depot, 10 Petticoat Lane, Annandale. The Transfer Station is open Monday - Friday, 7:00 AM to 4:30 PM and Saturday, 7:00 AM to 12:45 PM. Please check their website for COVID-19 related closures.

**ITEMS ACCEPTED FOR RECYCLING AT THE TRANSFER STATION:**

- **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 have been removed. Labels do not have to be removed.

Please check the recycling page of the Hunterdon County website, [www.co.hunterdon.nj.us/recycling.html](http://www.co.hunterdon.nj.us/recycling.html), for information about special county hazardous waste and electronics recycling events.

# Recycling

## HUNTERDON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE CLEANUP DAY

**WHEN:** Saturday, December 11, 2021  
Saturday, March 5, 2022

**WHERE:** Hunterdon County Route 12 (Library) Complex, 314 State Route 12 East, Flemington  
(Directions on Back)

**WHO:** Hunterdon County Residents, Small Businesses, and Farmers

**HOURS:** 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (Rain or Shine)

**WE WILL ACCEPT UP TO 10 GALLONS OR 80 POUNDS OF THE FOLLOWING (at no charge):**

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|--------------------|------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| Thermostats        | 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  |
| Fire Extinguishers |                        | <b>Latex Paint**</b> |                    |

**EXCESS QUANTITIES WILL BE CHARGED**  
\$3.00 per liquid gallon or \$2.00 per solid pound

\*Consolidate oil-based paint to make full cans.

**\*\* ONLY UP TO 5 GALLONS OF LATEX PAINT WILL BE ACCEPTED\*\***  
**NO LATEX PAINT AFTER THE DECEMBER EVENT**

**WE WILL ACCEPT WITH NO QUANTITY LIMIT:**

Used Motor Oil Automotive Batteries Anti-Freeze

**Containers will not be returned!**

**WE WILL NOT ACCEPT:**

- |                   |                       |                      |                  |                      |
|-------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| Empty Containers  | Radioactive Materials | Explosives           | Air Conditioners | Commercial Cylinders |
| Pentachlorophenol | PCB's                 | Silvex               | Solid Waste      | Medical Waste        |
| Tires             | Electronics           | (20lb) Propane Tanks |                  | Helium Tanks         |

**and UNKNOWN, UNMARKED OR UNIDENTIFIED MATERIALS**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**

**BY TELEPHONE:** (908) 788-1351

**BY FAX:** (908) 782-7510

**BY e-mail:** health@co.hunterdon.nj.us

**BY MAIL:** Hunterdon County Health Department

Solid Waste & Recycling Services

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## Education



### Lebanon Township PTA Membership

The Lebanon Township PTA (LTPTA) serves both Valley View (preK-4) and Woodglen (5-8) Schools. Our mission is to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children. *By supporting the LTPTA, you are supporting your school, your children and your community.*

We have nearly 200 LTPTA members and counting. **THANK YOU!** Any local resident, at least 18 years of age or older, with an interest in supporting our schools, whether you have school-aged children or not, is welcome to join the PTA. Your membership is the strength and foundation of our organization. When you become a member of our PTA you are joining other parents, teachers and staff to help our schools provide a quality education and positive learning environment for our children. By becoming a PTA member, you can connect with other parents, learn about important news and upcoming events, and have a voice in the programs we support. Dues are \$10 annually and you can register and pay online by accessing the "Join The PTA Now!" link on our website at <https://www.lebtwppta.org/>. A portion of your membership dues also supports the National PTA and the New Jersey State PTA, which create policies that support the educational needs of children and promote family engagement and strong partnerships between schools and the communities they serve. No one should be excluded from the LTPTA on the basis of finances. If you are unable to join or renew your membership due to financial hardship, please reach out to Christine Gorton, LTPTA President, at [president@lebtwppta.org](mailto:president@lebtwppta.org) or Mary Edling, LTPTA Membership Secretary at [secretary.membership@lebtwppta.org](mailto:secretary.membership@lebtwppta.org).

In addition to joining the LTPTA, please consider participating on or chairing a committee. We currently have a few openings for committee chairs! Please visit us on the web at <https://www.lebtwppta.org/> for more information.

Throughout the year, we raise money through membership, fundraising and donations. To find out about upcoming events and fundraisers, like us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/LTPTA> or visit us on the web at <https://www.lebtwppta.org/>.

The LTPTA holds at least three General Membership meetings

throughout the school year. All are welcome to attend (only members can vote). Once the date and time for our next public meeting is confirmed, it will be posted on our website <https://www.lebtwppta.org/> and our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/LTPTA>. Please join us!

### Invest in Your Child

The LTPTA raises money through membership, fundraising, and donations. Funding is necessary to provide a safe and effective learning experience for our school community. Therefore, the **LTPTA is continuing the *Invest in Your Child* fundraising campaign.** This campaign will allow the LTPTA to implement new strategies to support learning, social/emotional health, and family engagement throughout the year.

The best part...

- 100% of your *Invest in Your Child* donation will benefit the LTPTA community
- You don't have to buy anything you don't want or need
- Donations are tax-deductible

With each membership and suggested \$25 donation to the *Invest in Your Child* campaign, you can help the LTPTA reach our \$6,000 goal which puts us in a stronger position to positively impact our children's school experience during an adjustment year. We understand families may be experiencing financial hardship and this is not intended to be a burden. We welcome any and all contributions.

To support our fundraiser, please visit <https://www.lebtwppta.org/>. We also invite you to like and follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/LTPTA/>. For more information, please contact us at [info@lebtwppta.org](mailto:info@lebtwppta.org).

### Got Box Tops? Scan and clip to support our schools!

THANK YOU for supporting our schools 10 cents at a time! Box Tops for

Education (BTFE) are a great way to help support the LTPTA with products you are already buying. For more information on Box Tops, including a list of participating products, go to <https://www.BTFE.com>. Be sure to sign up as a member (it's free!) so you can check out our school's earnings and get access to coupons and bonus offers.

The Box Tops mobile app uses state-of-the-art technology to scan your store receipt, find participating products, and instantly add Box Tops to your school's earnings online. Download the app today! If you discover a traditional Box Tops clip on a product, you can still clip it and send it to school. **Every valid**

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## Education

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**Box Tops clip is still worth 10¢ for your school.** Make sure each one you turn in has a clearly visible product acronym and expiration date.

Register your Shop Rite Price Plus card at <https://www.shopriformyschool.com/> for even more earnings! There is no fee to join or participate. The Bonus Box Tops earned from your purchases are automatically credited to our schools. ShopRite for My School is a year-round program and your earnings never expire.

If you shop for groceries online, you can submit your digital receipts from select retailers to earn Box Tops for your school. Forward your email receipt to [receipts@boxtops4education.com](mailto:receipts@boxtops4education.com) using the same email that's associated with your BTFE account. If your receipt contains participating products, Box Tops will be credited within one business day.

### AmazonSmile

If you shop on Amazon, please use AmazonSmile and select "21266 Lebanon Twp Elem PTA". Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the charitable organization of your choice. AmazonSmile is the same Amazon you know. Same products, same prices, same service.

### Executive Board Members Wanted!

Some of the LTPTA Executive Board members' terms are expiring at the end of this school year. We will be looking to fill the following positions for the 2022-2023 school year:

- Recording Secretary
- Vice President I (Volunteer Coordinator for Valley View)
- Vice President II (Fundraising)
- Vice President III (Volunteer Coordinator for Woodglen)

If you are interested, or know someone who is, please reach out to Christine Gorton at [president@lebtwppta.org](mailto:president@lebtwppta.org) or come to our next General Membership meeting.

### Thank you to our Founders!

February 17th is National PTA Founders Day, in which we celebrate the 100+ year history of child advocacy by PTA leaders. Did you know... after just a few months of planning and advertising, Alice McLellan Birney and Phoebe Apperson Hearst along with over 2000 others met in Washington D.C. on February 17, 1897, to attend the first convocation of the National Congress of Mothers. Their mission was to eliminate threats that endangered children. By 1917, more than 35 chartered state congresses had formed. In 1970, the National Congress of Parents and Teachers and the National Congress of Colored Parents and Teachers (founded by Selena Sloan Butler) merged to form the current National Parent Teacher Association.

On this day we take a moment to celebrate the legacy and work of our founders, Alice McLellan Birney, Phoebe Apperson Hearst, and Selena Sloan Butler, to better the lives of every child in education, health and safety. It is a time to reflect and take pride in our achievements, and renew our commitment to be a:

- powerful voice for all children;
- relevant resource for parents; and,
- strong advocate for public education.

Our founders represented women of imagination and courage. They had a simple idea - to improve the lives and future of all children. They understood the power of individual action, worked beyond the accepted barriers of their day, and took action to change the world for all children.

Thank you for supporting the LTPTA!



## FROM THE LEBANON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT ...

### Substitutes Needed

The Lebanon Township School District is looking for substitute teachers, paraprofessionals and nurses for Valley View and Woodglen Schools. Substitutes are paid at \$100 per day. If you are interested, please contact the Lebanon Township Board of Education at (908) 638-4521.

### Kindergarten

If you have a child eligible for 2022-2023 kindergarten at Valley View School, please fill out all New Student Registration documents located on our website at [www.lebtwpk8.org](http://www.lebtwpk8.org) under District Forms. Valley View kindergarten is a full day program. Children must be five years old by October 1, 2022. If you have any questions, call our office at (908) 832-2175 or email [sunkel@lebtwpk8.org](mailto:sunkel@lebtwpk8.org). New Student Registration is due by March 1, 2022.

### Preschool

The Lebanon Township School District offers a preschool program for children ages 3 and 4. There are a limited number of spaces given out by a lottery drawing. The lottery drawing for the 2022-2023 preschool will be held at the February 2022 Board of Education Meeting.

Please fill out all New Student Registration as well as the Preschool Application/Agreement located on our website at [www.lebtwpk8.org](http://www.lebtwpk8.org) under District Forms. If you have any questions call our office at (908) 832-2175 or email [sunkel@lebtwpk8.org](mailto:sunkel@lebtwpk8.org). The deadline for Preschool enrollment is February 1, 2022.

# Bunnvale Library



## News from the Library ...

Bunnvale Library is open to the public and we are **STILL DOING CURBSIDE PICKUP!**

All individuals should continue to wear a mask in indoor public places, regardless of vaccination status!

The **Anne Rambo Curio Cabinet** has been a staple at the library since the late 1980s. Patrons have been displaying their crafts, collectibles, talents and hobbies for over 30 years. If anyone has anything they would like to display in the cabinet, please call or stop by the library. The display changes monthly. There are months available for 2022.

In December, Mary Gaydick will feature her Snowmen Collection. For January, there will be an artistic display of Decorated Wine Bottles presented by Isha Goyal. Nature Photos, compliments of Eileen Lebida, will be showcased in February.

**The Knitting and Crocheting Club** meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesday each month.

The **Book Club** meets the 4th Wednesday of each month at Bunnvale Library at 7:00 pm. The Book Club will not meet in December. For January, *A Fall of Marigolds* by Susan Meissner will be discussed. February's selection is *Little Fires Everywhere* by Celeste Ng. New patrons are always welcome.

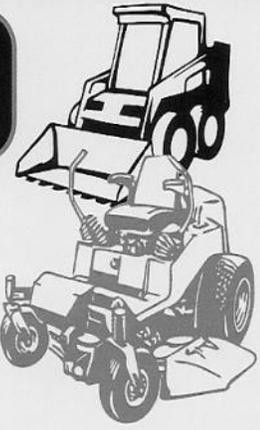
At this time the Library is not accepting any donations.

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# Community News

## Lebanon Township Road Word Search



This word search is #3 of 4 puzzles and contains 50 of the almost 200 roads in Lebanon Township, NJ. There are 3 other puzzles that contain the remaining road names. The 50 roads in this puzzle are listed below. The road names do not contain the qualifiers of Road, Circle, Street, Way, Place, Lane, Trail, or Court. There are no punctuation or spaces in the names here, for example HOFFMAN'S CROSSING ROAD is HOFFMANS CROSSING. The answers can run in either direction vertically, horizontally, or diagonally. The completed puzzle is found later in this newsletter. Good Luck!

- NEWPORT NICOLETERRACE NONGAHAQUEE
- NORTH OAKHILL OBSERVATORY OLDFARM
- OLDREADINGBURG OLDTURNPIKE ONAHIL
- ORCHARDSTREETEAST ORCHARDSTREETWEST
- PEACHVIEW PENWELL PERCY PERRYVILLE
- PHEASANT PINEBLUFF PINERIDGE PINESTONE
- PLEASANTGROVE POINTMOUNTAIN POLT POPLAR
- PORTCOLDENCHANGEWATER
- PRIMROSEPATHRAVINE PULASKI RARITANRIVER
- RAVINE REDMILL RIMMELE ROCKWOOD
- ROCKYRUN ROCKYTOP ROLLINGHILLS
- ROSEWOOD ROUNTREE ROUTE513 ROUTE628
- ROUTE645 SAFARI SANITORIUM SASSAFRASS
- SCHWABE SHADY SHARRER SHODDYMILL
- SKINNER SKYTOP SLIKER

## Spruce Run Lutheran Church

442 West Hill Road  
Glen Gardner, NJ 08826

<https://www.sprucerunlutheran.com>

Grace and peace neighbors! Spruce Run Lutheran would like to invite you to three upcoming worship services.

**On December 21 at 7:00 pm**, we will be holding a Longest Night service. This is an Advent/Christmas themed service done in a "minor key," so to speak, acknowledging that the Holiday season is hard for a lot of people. This is especially true for folks going through new firsts, for example the first Thanksgiving without a parent or the first Christmas without a spouse. I hope this service will be a time and place where you can find a spiritual space to grieve and to just *be* as you are!

**On December 24 at 4:30 and 7:00 pm**, we will be holding two Christmas Eve services, celebrating Jesus' birth.

**On January 6 at 7:00 pm**, we'll be holding an Epiphany service, celebrating that Jesus Christ's saving identity was revealed to the three wise men and is in the process of being revealed to the whole world.

We hope to see you soon!

Peace,  
Pastor Chris

## The Changewater United Methodist Church

**"WELCOMES YOU"**

Sunday Worship Service 9:00 AM

There is no Sunday School at this time  
Children under 6 years of age will be provided a Busy Bag

**Christmas Eve Candlelight Service**  
December 24, 2021  
7:00 PM

*Pastor Sam Choi: 1-973-590-4465*

**Check out our website at:**  
<http://www.changewaterumchurch.org>  
Watch for updates and snow closings

**180 Musconetcong River Road  
Lebanon Township**

## Community News

### CENTRAL JERSEY HOUSING RESOURCE CENTER

#### *FREE Counseling programs*

Central Jersey Housing Resource Center (CJHRC) is the only HUD certified housing counseling agency serving Hunterdon County residents with FREE programs and services for rental, pre-purchase, financial literacy, post purchase and foreclosure counseling. Counselors provide these beneficial services through individual counseling (phone/virtual meeting), online programs or virtual webinars. We have 4 full-time bilingual (Spanish) counselors, as well as a contract with an interpreter service so there is never a language barrier. Upcoming FREE programs include:

**Financial Literacy** - Are you living paycheck to paycheck? Do you have funds when an emergency arises, like COVID? Have you been turned down for a loan or credit card? If you answered yes to any or all of those questions, you should register for CJHRC's FREE Financial Literacy virtual webinar. We will be offering our next FREE Financial Literacy Webinar on February 24, 2022 from 5:30 - 8:00 pm. You can register by going to our website at <https://cjhrc.org> and clicking on the Virtual Counseling Programs tab which will bring you to a Financial Literacy Workshop link. Participants must click on the link to register. Participants will learn about fair housing and their rights, budgeting, tracking expenses, credit scoring, how to dispute errors on a credit report, way to obtain savings, and more. Participants are also offered a FREE tri-merge credit report after signing an authorization form and can review it with a counselor. Contact CJHRC at (908) 446-0037 if you want to sign up for this webinar and start working on your goal of becoming financially stable for 2022.

**Savings Match** - This special match program allows very low, low, and moderate income households to save for a specific, program approved, short term goal. *Approved applicants must open a dedicated savings account and be able to save \$25 per month for twelve (12) months. CJHRC will provide matching funds to those approved for the program at a rate of 3:1 up to a maximum of \$900.* Participation in the savings match is limited. Applications are accepted on a first come first served basis. The above Financial Literacy webinar is a pre-requisite for this program. All counseling is done via the phone or virtual meeting. For more information, call (908) 446-0036 or visit our website at <https://cjhrc.org>.

Be sure to like us on Facebook (Central Jersey Housing Resource Center) or follow us on Instagram ([cjhrc\\_housing](#)) to get important housing announcements, resources and information. For instance, New Jersey is working on creating a homeowner assistance program if you are behind on your mortgage and have a COVID hardship. CJHRC will post when this program is available on our social media accounts.

CJHRC's staff provide FREE counseling services for financial literacy, pre- and post-purchase, rental, mortgage default/foreclosure, Fair Housing issues/questions and homeless counseling. Contact a CJHRC Counselor at (908) 446-0036. Please visit our website at <https://cjhrc.org> and click on the Housing Resource Center tab to view resources.

### North Hunterdon Food Pantry

If you need assistance feeding your family, the North Hunterdon Food Pantry can help.

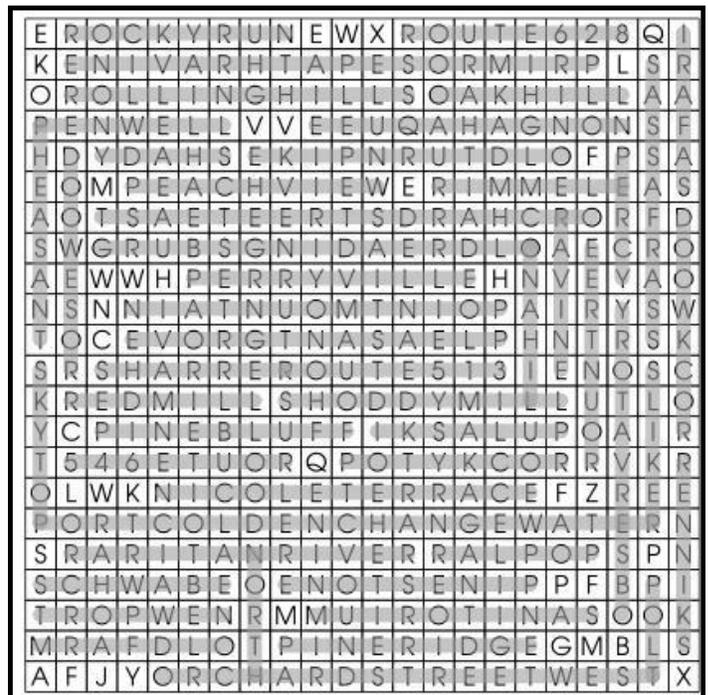
The pantry will be distributing food on  
**December 9** from 9:00 am to Noon.

Special Christmas distribution will be  
**December 20** from 10:00 am to Noon.

We are located at:  
200 Sanatorium Road, Building #24, Glen Gardner

For additional information or our next scheduled distribution, please call (908) 537-4824, option #2.  
Leave a message or visit us the second Thursday of each month at the pantry.

### Answers to Road Word Search



# Bridget Woodell

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## Winter 2021

I thought I would take a different approach on the news letter and talk a little about myself. I have lived in Lebanon Township since 1998 and have raised my 3 children here. I've had my real estate license since 2010 and in 2014 I decided to take the leap and leave the corporate world to become a full-time agent. Within the first year I was a top agent and I continue to grow. I trusted my intuition and because of that I have found happiness and success.

2021 has been a year of change and growth not just with my business, but my family as well. I am excited to say that my daughter Morgan and my son Michael are pursuing this career along side me. My son Josh has become a successful contractor who I use quite often with my clients. Proud mom and I am looking forward to seeing their success!

*Wishing You a Magical and Blissful Holiday along with a Prosperous New Year!*

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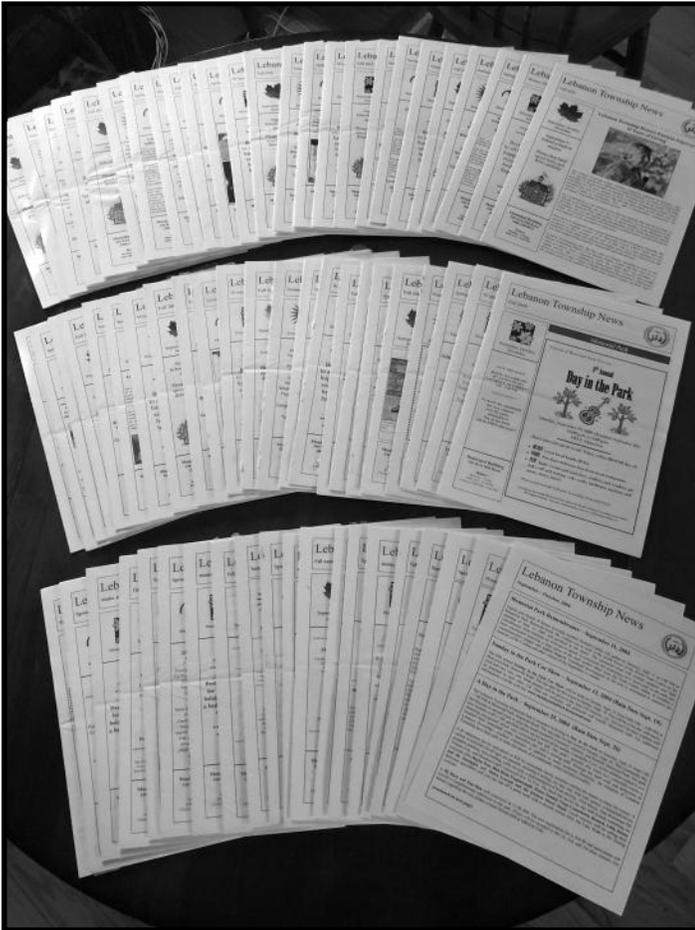
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## *From the Editor*



it - you help take some of the financial burden of producing the newsletter off the tax payers and in return I hope we've helped you grow your businesses by sharing your services with the community; Cornerstone Print & Imaging, for the great job they do producing and distributing the final product; Township Clerk Karen Sandorse, for providing backup for me when I've been approached with "questionable" submissions; my proofreader and husband, Warren Newman, for all the late nights he's spent reading with a red pen in hand; and, the many residents who submit articles and photographs they think will be of interest to their neighbors. I truly could not have done this for this long without all of you.

At this point, I'm not sure what will become of the newsletter, but I do look forward to reading, instead of writing, about many more Easter Egg Hunts, Days in the Park, and Visits with Santa along with all the other happenings in the township. My best wishes to whomever that may be.

Karen Newman  
Township resident and former Newsletter Editor

### **And this will be my last ...**

After 17 years of what started as a small side gig to help me get through the few years when I left full time work to stay home to care for my three young kids, I've decided that this newsletter will be my last.

I'm not sure when the Lebanon Township Newsletter began, but I do know that it was a pet project of Pat Schriver for many years. It was hard to be a resident of the township during the 40 years Pat lived here and not know her. She served on the Township Committee for 33 years, serving six terms as mayor, and was one of the visionaries for the development of Memorial Park. When I first started editing the newsletter, Pat would send me copies of newsletters from other towns with notes on them that said, "Maybe we could do something like this?", or "I like this one ... think about it." She was always looking for ways to make things better and the newsletter was no exception.

My sincere thanks to: our committee, commission and board volunteers who regularly submit articles - I put it all together, but you're the ones who provide the content, without which we wouldn't have a newsletter; our advertisers, many of whom have been advertising in this newsletter longer than I've been editing



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Mike Schmidt, Mayor	(908) 638-8523 x501	<a href="mailto:schmidt@lebtwp.net">schmidt@lebtwp.net</a>

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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 1st Mon
Park Committee	7:00 PM 2nd Mon
Agricultural Advisory Board	7:00 PM 2nd Mon
Recreation Commission	7:30 PM 1st Thurs
Library Committee	7:30 PM 2nd Wed at the Library
Historians	7:00 PM 2nd Thurs at the Museum

<b>FIRE - POLICE - EMS</b>	
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<b>Police</b>	
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Open Burn Fire Permit (Andover Forestry Office)	(973) 786-6350
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Coordinator, Joseph Maurizio	(908) 310-8122

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Woodglen School	Grades 5 – 8	(908) 638-4111
Voorhees High School	Grades 9 –12	(908) 638-6116

<b>TOWNSHIP CONTACTS</b>			
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Animal Control	Police	(908) 638-8523 x203	
Bunnvale Library		(908) 638-8523 x401	Hours: Wed 1:00 - 8:00 PM, Thurs & Fri 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM, Sat 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Township of Lebanon Museum		(908) 638-8523 x405	Hours: Tues 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM, Thurs 1:00 - 8:00 PM, Sat 10:00 AM - 3:30 PM
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## *Calendar*

<u>December</u>	<u>January</u>	<u>February</u>
4 - Museum Holiday Open House		1 - Deadline for Spring Newsletter
5 - Visit with Santa and Annual Tree Lighting		
11 - County Household Hazardous Waste Cleanup Day		

## *Newsletter Notes*

Publishing Schedule			Advertising Costs	
Winter	Dec, Jan, Feb	Deadline for input Nov 1	Business Card: \$25.00	Half Page: \$80.00
Spring	Mar, Apr, May	Deadline for input Feb 1	Quarter Page: \$40.00	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 [kjnewman115@gmail.com](mailto:kjnewman115@gmail.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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