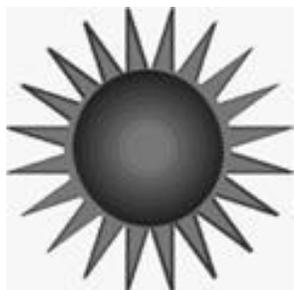


Lebanon Township News

Summer 2019



June, July, August

Last day for
Voorhees High
School is
Wednesday, June 12

Last day for
Valley View and
Woodglen Schools is
Tuesday, June 18

Congratulations to all
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Township's 2019
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Monday – Friday
8:00 AM – 4:30 PM

Recreation Commission

FREE! SUMMER 9 11 20 21 MORNINGS AT MEMORIAL PARK MINI-CAMPS

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JULY 17 SCIENCE, MUSIC & CULINARY FUN
with Happy Face Nursery School

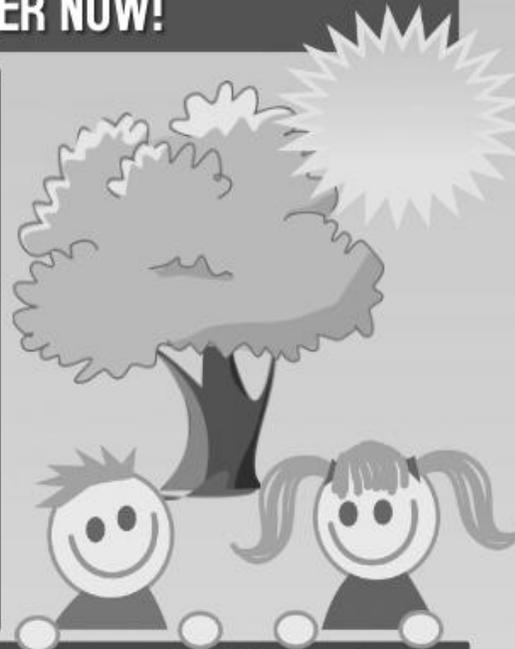
JULY 24 EARTH DAY ADVENTURE
with Spruce Run Preschool

JULY 31 WATER PLAY & FIRE TRUCKS
with Ginger Tree Preschool & LTVFD

AUG 7 NATURE WALK & REPTILES
with the Hunterdon County Parks

AUG 14 SOCCER & FIELD HOCKEY
with the LTAA

AUG 21 NATURE SCAVENGER HUNT
with Whitmore CCC



Register for one or all of our fun mini-camps offered this summer!
Meet new neighbors and give your kids the chance to play and socialize!
Open to Lebanon Township residents. Camp is 9AM-11AM. Activities will be geared
towards children age 6 and under but older siblings are welcome.
Parents must stay with their child. Email Recreation@lebtwp.net to sign up.

Sponsored by the Lebanon Township Recreation Commission

Recreation Commission

Easter Egg Hunt Delights Lebanon Township Kids

The weather held up on Sunday, April 14 for the annual Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by the Recreation Commission. This tradition has been a staple springtime event for many decades. Two years ago the Recreation Commission collaborated with the Lebanon Township Environmental Commission to come up with a more sustainable way to host our annual Easter Egg hunt.

Instead of purchasing the traditional plastic eggs, we found a company that developed a more eco-friendly option. The Eco Eggs are made from plants, 100% renewable content (versus petroleum based plastic) and are fully compostable after use. They are made from non-toxic, durable, plant based plastic. The Commission also "recycles" and collects the eggs year after year and volunteers refill them with treats and prizes prior to the event. With one simple switch, we were able to be more mindful of what we consume while still creating a joyful, fun and "eggciting" experience for our kids! This year hundreds of children enjoyed the mad dash to collect as many eggs as they could. Older children participated in a nature scavenger hunt, fanning out throughout the park. Afterwards, the playground was full of life and the sound of happy little ones laughing and enjoying the company of one another. For more information on events and programs sponsored by the Recreation Commission, visit www.lebanontownship.net.



Adults and Kids Learn About the Owls of Hunterdon County

On March 13, the Recreation Commission, in collaboration with the Hunterdon County Park Services, offered a free hands-on lecture on the owls of Hunterdon County. Adults and children learned about these nocturnal birds of prey and their fascinating hunting techniques. Then, they had the opportunity to dissect their own owl pellet, discovering bones and fur. They were able to identify what prey their owl had eaten by comparing the bones they found using identification charts.



For more information on the Recreation Commission and the programs and events offered, visit www.lebanontownship.net.



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Recreation Commission

Recreation Commission Vacancy

The Lebanon Township Recreation Commission is looking to fill a vacancy this year. Our team is comprised of community members dedicated to creating and implementing fun activities and programs for children and adults in Lebanon Township. No experience necessary! If you are interested in learning more about what the position entails, please email Recreation@lebtwp.net.

Environmental & Open Space Commission

Tick Time!

As you roam about the woods this summer, hopefully wearing long pants and a shirt sprayed with permethrin to keep the deer ticks at bay, keep an eye out for a tick that looks like a smaller, plain-looking version of a dog tick - it may be the newly-arrived Asian longhorned tick. Its United States debut was in Hunterdon County and it has since been identified throughout Central New Jersey and other states infesting livestock, pets, wildlife, and people.

Because this tick does not need a mate to reproduce, one individual can create a population of ticks that can eventually infest a single animal with so many ticks the animal could die from blood loss. The good news is, while these ticks are known to carry a multitude of tick-borne diseases in other countries, none of the tick samples collected in the United States have tested positive for any disease. They also don't carry Lyme disease.

If you find one of these ticks, or find an animal covered in ticks, place a tick in a sealable (i.e. Ziploc) sandwich bag, confirm the ID at <https://www.nj.gov/agriculture/divisions/ah/>, and report it to 1-833-NEW-TICK.



SUMMER MOVIES IN THE PARK & CAMP OUT!

SAVE THE DATES!
JUNE 14 - THE GREATEST SHOWMAN
JULY 12 - GOONIES

New this year! Our July movie will include a camp out. Pop up a tent and enjoy the summer night under the stars with your family and friends. Enjoy this one of a kind event full of activities for everyone!

Sponsored by the Lebanon Township Recreation Commission

Two Califon Car Shows Coming Up!

To Benefit the Califon Veterans Memorial

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Saturday, June 15, 2019 • 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Registration starts at 8:00 AM

Rain Date Sunday, June 16, 2019

Califon Island Park, Bank Street, Califon, NJ

Music by DJ DUG ♦ Food Trucks ♦ T-Shirts / Hats \$15.00

5th Annual Califon Classic Car Show

Saturday, September 7, 2019 • 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Registration starts at 8:00 AM

Rain Date Sunday, September 8, 2019

Califon Island Park, Bank Street, Califon, NJ

Music by DJ DUG ♦ Food Trucks ♦ T-Shirts / Hats \$15.00

Contact: Bruce Morrow - Call 862-219-2911 or 908-832-0418

www.califoncarshow.org

califoncarshow@gmail.com

Police Department

Junior Police Academy

The Lebanon Township Police Department is planning on hosting a Junior Police Academy this summer for Lebanon Township children going into grades 7-9. The Academy will run from Monday, July 8, through Friday, July 12. Additional information will be distributed through Woodglen School, or you may call the police department at (908) 638-8516.

Environmental & Open Space Commission

Litter Free Lebanon Township 2019 **Maria Naccarato, EOSC Volunteer**

The annual litter clean up is about taking care of our community, and we have been so fortunate for the people who have joined us to help keep Lebanon Township a beautiful place to live. Over the years, the program has involved hundreds of volunteers who have cleaned thousands of pounds of litter from our roads, streams, rivers, and parks. None of this would be possible without those volunteers.

The dedication of our neighbors, many of whom help year after

year, is a testament to the high regard they place on their community. We owe thanks to a long list of individuals and families, to members of Cub Scout Pack 92, multiple township Girl Scout Troops, church groups, and Deborah Szmaida and many of the 6th grade Woodglen School students. The care you have shown for your neighborhood benefits all the people who live here and shows real community spirit. Our heartfelt thanks to all who participated!

To view a map of the roads that were cleaned, please visit this link: https://www.scribblemaps.com/maps/view/2019_Lebanon_Township_Litter_Clean_Up/2019LitterCleanUp. Red lines indicate the adopted roads.





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780 Backhus Estate Road

**List Price
\$525,000**

**4 Bedrooms,
2 Full, 1 Half Bath**

JumpVisualTours.com/268683

Updated Custom for sale by the original owners/designers. Perfectly nestled on a private 3 acre property in the desirable Backhus Estates neighborhood. This home features a 2-story foyer. French doors open to the living room. An elegant formal dining room with a butler's pantry. Renovated gourmet kitchen with center island, granite counters, abundant maple cabinetry, new stainless steel appliances & pantry. Breakfast room with sliders to rear deck & patio. Cathedral ceiling great room with stunning floor to ceiling stone fireplace. Spacious tray ceiling master bedroom suite with bump out bay window seat & walk-in organized closets. Lavish master bath with jetted tub & stall shower. Big bedrooms with great closet space. Huge bonus rec room has a studio area w sink. Private 1st floor office. Energy efficient with 5-zone heating. 10 ft ceilings on 1st floor. Coveted neighborhood.



109 Sliker Rd.

**List Price
\$520,000**

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3 Full, 2 Half Baths**

JumpVisualTours.com/271651

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SOLD 2019, LISTED & SOLD in 2018 by Sharon Groben



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**67 Red Mill Road
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SOLD!

**33 Woodland Heights Cir
SOLD Price \$759,900**



Sharon Listed & Found the Buyer

SOLD!

**113 Forest Drive
SOLD Price \$521,000**



SOLD!

**83 Mt Kipp Road
SOLD Price \$515,000**



SOLD!

**167 Buffalo Hollow Rd
SOLD Price \$478,000**



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SOLD Price \$427,500**



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SOLD!

**317 Jeffrey Lane
SOLD Price \$399,900**



SOLD!

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SOLD Price \$360,000**



SOLD!

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SOLD Price \$80,000**

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Museum

News from the Museum ...



The Lebanon Township Museum staff is extremely honored to be hosting *The Stars and Stripes: Fabric of the American Spirit™*

from June 13 to July 13. This exclusive exhibit will be on loan from the collection of renowned Author and Historian J. Richard Pierce.

This exhibit traces the evolution of the American flag and brings to life the personal and historical accounts that speak to the character of our nation. From 1777 until 1912, no laws were enacted governing the arrangement of stars on the flag. This resulted in varying designs and configuration of stars which reflect the spirit of a changing American symbol that emerged over the course of our history.

The exhibition includes flags with handwritten inscriptions and stamped overprints, as well as many found with personal letters and notes. Relating these stories through the prism of the American flag is what makes the exhibit such an impressive repository of the American experience.

See this amazing collection during regular museum hours. Mark your calendars for these very special exhibit-related events:

Thursday, June 13 - Exhibit Opening Reception including light refreshments and a lecture by the Collector entitled *Evolution of the American Flag*. J. Richard Pierce will lead us on a journey from June 14, 1777 (now celebrated as Flag Day) when the Continental Congress passed the Flag Act through the years to our current 13 stripe, 50 star flag which has served under 12 Presidents and is now the oldest flag in our Nation's history. Reception begins at 6:00 pm; lecture begins at 7:00 pm.

Saturday, June 15 from 1:00 pm - Community Flag Day Celebration! Visit the exhibit inside the Museum while outside in the yard, we celebrate the 70th Anniversary of President Truman designating June 14 as National Flag Day.

Enter our Apple Pie Baking Contest and hand-crank your own ice cream! There will be crafts and surprises all day. Contest details will be on the website soon.

Do you have any **vintage circus memorabilia** that you'd be willing to lend to an upcoming exhibit? If so please contact Curator Gina Sampaio at (908) 537-6464 or email museum@lebtwp.net.

To see photos and videos from our **March 16 ribbon cutting ceremony** with Congressman Tom Malinowski or to read more

about J. Richard Pierce and his collection of flags, please visit our website at <http://www.lebanontownship.net/services/museum.aspx>.

We will be accepting donations year-round for the veterans at **Veterans Haven North**. Next time you come to the Museum, bring a donation if you are able! We are currently collecting:

- Men's Socks: XL (fits shoe size 12-14) ONLY
- Laundry Detergent Pods
- Men's Flip Flops sizes L, XL
- Art Supplies (easels, paints, canvases, paintbrushes, sketch pads, colored pencils, etc.)

If you would like to be added to the Museum's mailing list, have ideas for collaborations, or would like to volunteer at the Museum, please email us at museum@lebtwp.net.

The Museum is open on Tuesdays from 9:00 am - 3:30 pm, Thursdays from 1:00 - 8:00 pm and Saturdays from 11:00 am - 4:30 pm. Pottery, books, ornaments, and note cards featuring a watercolor of the Museum by local artist William Martin are available to purchase.



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Historians

A Spy in Our Midst? David Overaker, Historian

An American Communist Party member and soviet spy, who later turned and became the US government's principal witness in the investigation of Alger Hiss for espionage in 1948-1950, lived briefly with his wife Esther in a barn right here in Lebanon Township.

The year was 1932. Whittaker Chambers was working in New York City as editor of *The New Masses* magazine, a literary monthly published by the American Communist Party. In June he was summoned to a private meeting with a Comrade Bedacht, member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party and head of the International Workers Order, a Communist fraternal benefit society. Unbeknownst to Whittaker at the time, Max Bedacht was also the Party's secret link with Soviet military intelligence. Bedacht wanted Whittaker to do "underground work"; acceptance would require leaving *The New Masses* and leaving the "open" Communist Party. An answer was required by the following morning. Whittaker recounts taking the train home that evening in his bestselling autobiography "Witness" (Chapter 5 "Underground - The First Apparatus"):

Home was then a wild lonely farm, six miles from Glen Gardner, in Hunterdon County, in western New Jersey. My wife and I had moved there early in the cold spring of 1932. The move was more like a flight than a move. [...]

At that point, two friends, two left-wing intellectuals, who owned a farm near Glen Gardner, proposed that my wife and I should go out and remodel their barn as a house, where we could then live rent free¹.

Whittaker's friends were Franklin and Delafied (Della) Day Spier. Franklin Spier was founder of a New York City firm specializing in advertising for book publishers; he and Della were well known figures in Manhattan's vibrant bohemian community of Marxist intellectuals². The Spiers purchased the farm at 40 Red Mill Road in 1930 with the home and barn in a state of disrepair. They owned the property until 1939 and made some key renovations which are chronicled in photographs that remain with the house today.

The barn had not been used for years. It was weathered, windowless, drafty, but its frame was solid. It stood between a dirt road, where few cars passed, and a little brook, which could not be seen under its ferns. Behind rose a densely wooded mountainside³. My wife and I had almost no money. We did not care. We set to work to lay floors out of old lumber and to raise walls of field stone. In our spare time we planted gardens. Few periods of our life have been so happy. All around us, in the earliest spring, the benzoin⁴ bushes put out their little yellow flowers on bare branches and filled the air with searching sweetness. Behind us, the brook gurgled, and all day the thrushes filled the mountainside with their flutings.⁵

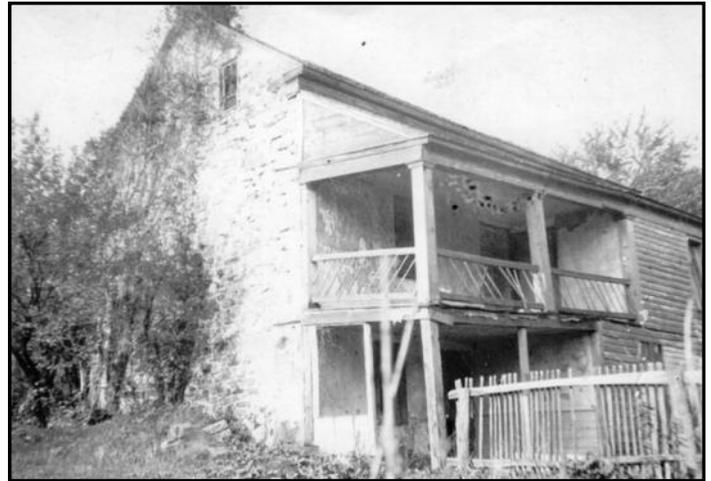


Photo above of the house at 40 Red Mill Road when the Spiers purchased the farm in 1930. Inscription on the back: "*As it was in the beginning*" (The house was built by George Fritts (son of Frederick, Jr) and the first homesteader Frederick Huff in 1817, date stone inscribed 'F+H 1817'. Frederick was son of ? and Susana Huff of Lebanon Township. Frederick had sisters Catharine Huff and Christiana Ankerman.)



Photo above view circa 1930 from the front of the house showing the barn across the street. The barn has since been demolished. On the left: Franklin Spier's brother-in-law Harry Harman. On the right: Local worker Bill Grube setting the well pump. Inscription on the back: "*Harry Harman (visiting with Doris), Bill Grube. This shows a shed across the road & outhouse in back*"

Sometimes, at sundown, we would walk to the edge of a hill from which we could see out across a valley, its farms and a village. One evening we reached the rim of the lookout, and the village with its white-spired church lay toylike and sun-touched below us. It had rained. The air was a pure ocean. Suddenly, there floated up to us through it from far below, the voices of hundreds of robins chanting together. The sound, floating in the air, seemed to have no connection with the earth, so that we stood silently side by side, listening to it, until the sun set and even the height where we stood grew dark. [...]

Glen Gardner was too far from New York for me to

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Historians

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commute every day, and ... I usually stayed [with] Communist friends, My wife ... spent the days in endless activity and one of the joys of homecoming was to see how much she had accomplished in the barn and the gardens while I was gone. [...] I would take the short cut across the mountain and walk the six miles to the station⁶. This walk appalled our friends. But like our other hardships, we regarded it as something that a Communist takes in his stride.

My wife used to walk part of the way with me. The short cut ran through a great apple orchard that in April was heavy with bloom and humming with bees. Sometimes, as we climbed through the woods, deer, that we had not seen until they broke before us, would swim across fallen trees, and blend with the shadows and the stillness.

On arriving home that night, Whittaker told his wife about the decision before him. While he wasn't sure what "underground work" meant, he felt a sense of duty to the cause. His wife pleaded with him not to accept the offer.

The next morning Whittaker reluctantly declined the offer, but was given no choice but to accept; thus started a six year life of aliases, covert operations, and shadowy meetings within a web of interconnected underground cells in New York City and Washington DC whose activities were directed at providing intelligence to the Soviets and placing covert communists into various strategic offices of the US Government to advance policy. Following instructions to rent an apartment in New York City, Whittaker and Esther sadly abandoned their beloved barn leaving only their furniture behind.

By 1938, Whittaker's faith in communism was waning. He was disturbed by Stalin's Great Purge in the Soviet Union and became fearful for his own life as disillusioned fellow spies had mysteriously died or disappeared. He deserted and went into hiding, taking a package of source documents to use as a "life preserver" if the Soviets came after him. With the pact of neutrality between Nazi Germany and the Soviet Union in 1939, Whittaker turned anti-communist and revealed a list of current and former federal government employees as spies to the Assistant Secretary of State. He came out of hiding to join the staff of Time magazine and soon rose through the 1940's to

become senior editor. Meanwhile, both the FBI and the House Un-American Activities Committee (HUAC) were conducting investigations of subversive communist activities and soviet espionage.

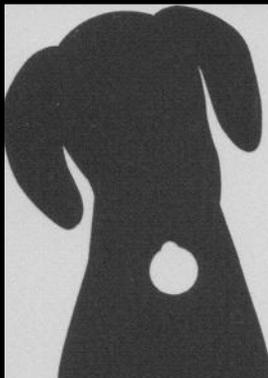
When Whittaker was called to testify before HUAC in 1948, he named Alger Hiss as a member of the underground communist "Ware Group" while working at the State Department in the 1930's. When pressed for evidence, he provided the documents he had hidden inside a pumpkin on his Maryland farm. The "Pumpkin Papers" included microfilm images of State Department materials, including notes in Hiss' own handwriting. Alger Hiss was found guilty of perjury for falsely testifying to a grand jury that he had never given documents to Whittaker Chambers. The evidence confirmed that Alger Hiss had engaged in espionage, but he could not be indicted on that charge since the statute of limitations had run out.

Published in 1952, "Witness" was both autobiography and an analysis of the communist ideology and the threat it posed to America. Soon afterwards, Whittaker took a job as senior editor at the National Review until 1959. He died in 1961.

President Ronald Reagan posthumously awarded Chambers the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1984 for his contribution to "the century's epic struggle between freedom and totalitarianism".

- *Special thanks to Sam Walmer of Chester for his inspiration and gift of a first edition of "Witness".*

1. Whittaker Chambers. *Witness* (New York: Random House, 1952), p. 277.
2. Sam Tanenhaus. *Whittaker Chambers: A Biography* (New York: Random House, 1997), p. 74.
3. The "mountainside" is the south side of the valley of Red Mill Road; Hill Road is at the top.
4. *Lindera Benzoin*, common name Spicebush, is a shrub in the Laurel family native to eastern North America. It remains widespread on the property today.
5. *Witness*, p. 277-278.
6. From Red Mill Road crossing through the farms and woods up to Hill Road, then following Hill Road to Glen Gardner train station. The distance is closer to 3 miles.



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Historians

THE LEBANON TOWNSHIP HISTORIANS PRESENT

HISTORICAL HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MUSCONETCONG RIVER

SUNDAY, JUNE 23RD

3PM-5PM

LEBANON TOWNSHIP MEMORIAL PARK

The Musconetcong watershed has been a great place to live for the last 13,000 years. The watershed's water, land, and habitat resources made it a great place to be when the glaciers of the last ice age retreated and are what make it a great place for farming and outdoor recreation today. Join Alan Hunt, PhD, and Executive Director of the Musconetcong Watershed Association to hear about its fascinating history.

Questions? Email historians@lebtwp.net for more information

The Lebanon Township Historians present the history of *the Red Mill Race Preserve*

In the autumn of 2017, the remnants of a mill along the Spruce Run on Red Mill Road were torn down to create the Red Mill Race Preserve. The land included four lots of just over 9 acres. It was turned over to the control of Lebanon Township and renamed The Red Mill Race Preserve. The name signifies the yet existing mill race, millstones and the memories of the old mill that stood there for over 100 years. Join the Dempsey family as they recount stories of the mill, the old house and the beautiful spot along the Spruce Run which they called home for so many years.

Sunday, July 21st

3PM-5PM

Lebanon Township Memorial Park

Questions? Please email historians@lebtwp.net

YOU'RE INVITED

June 24, 2019



Hosted by



On Monday, June 24th The Sekula Invitational will be held at High Bridge Hills Golf Club. The golf outing is held to honor the life and memory of Jonathan Sekula. Jonathan was a local resident & 1998 graduate of Voorhees High School. Proceeds from the golf outing benefit the Jonathan Sekula Memorial Fund, which was established by his family to provide support to others primarily within the community in the form of scholarships and other awards.

12:30pm Tee Off
4 Person Scramble
\$139 Registration

Includes:
Golf, Prizes, Lunch
& Pig Roast Dinner!

For tournament registration & donation information please visit highbridgehills.com or call 908.638.5055.

Bunnvale Library

From the Library ...

The **Book Club** meets the fourth Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Library. We will be reading *Pachinko* by Min Jin Lee for June, *Ragtime* by E.L. Doctorow for July, and *Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil* by John Berendt for August. Please call the library for more information.



The Knitting and Crocheting Club meets on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the library. Novice and experienced knitters and crocheters are welcome to join.

The Ann Rambo Curio Cabinet will feature Carla Bigg's collection of American Heritage dishes for June, Maria Naccarato's Comic Book collection for July, and August will feature Disney World memorabilia displayed by Christine Delorenzo.

The Hunterdon County Library will again have a **Summer Reading Program** in July on Thursdays. Please contact the library for exact dates and to register.

Bunnvale Library accepts books, especially **children's** books, movies, audios, and music donations that are gently used - NO MOLD OR WATER DAMAGED BOOKS. Donations of **current fiction and non-fiction books** would be a welcomed addition to our inventory. Please do not put donations in book drop or leave outside when we are not open. The Library does **NOT** accept text books, **outdated** medical and business books (**nothing older than 2017**), encyclopedias, or magazines. Please call first before donating any of the above items.

SAVE THE DATE: Bunnvale Library will be celebrating its 40th Anniversary on October 19, 2019. Details to follow in the next newsletter.

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Education



Help us help the school!!

THE LTPTA IN ACTION {2018-2019}

Programs Supported

- Staff Appreciation
- Box Tops for Education
- Week of RESPECT

Events Sponsored

- Kindergarten Orientation
- Back to School Night
- Book Fairs
- Holiday Shop
- Theater Week
- Cultural Arts
- Author Visits
- 7th & 8th grade dances
- Fourth Grade Farewell
- 8th Grade Dinner Dance
- Open Gyms
- Family Fun Nights
- Talent Show

Services & Supplies

- Scholarships
- Library Grants
- School Fundraising Efforts



The Lebanon Township PTA would like to extend a very heartfelt thanks to all of our 2018-2019 school year members and volunteers. The PTA had an outstanding year bringing lots of new opportunities and exciting events to our students and their families. We couldn't do that without support from our local community.

The LTPTA needs you! Dedicated teachers, staff, and **PARENTS** help make Lebanon Township Schools great! Join us – it's rewarding, it's important, it's even fun!

- ✓ I want Lebanon Township Schools to be the best in New Jersey.
- ✓ I want my child to have a great school year – to learn and to have fun!
- ✓ I want to help decide how PTA fundraising moneys are spent.
- ✓ I want all the students at Lebanon Township Schools to be successful.

If the above statements are true, then “help us help the school.” Parent involvement is critical for a successful school, so volunteer as a PTA Committee Chair or Executive Board Officer for 2019-2020. There are jobs that take no more than a couple hours a month, some that are seasonal, and a few that require a routine commitment. Please contact LTPTA President Julie Weldon at info@lebtwppta.org for more information.

Get a jump on the 2019-2020 school year and renew your PTA membership now. As early as July 1 you can pay your dues for the upcoming school year. 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. 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 at our new MemberHub site <https://lebtwppta.memberhub.store>.

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



Got Box Tops? Send them into school! THANK YOU for supporting our schools 10 cents at a time! Our 2018-2019 Box Tops for Education earnings totaled \$1,027.10. This is a great way to help fund PTA programs with products you are already buying. Just look for the pink Box Tops logo on hundreds of grocery store products. Collection boxes are available for your convenience at the

Municipal Building, Bunnvale Library, Valley View School, and Woodglen School. For more information on Box Tops, including a list of participating products, go to 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.

Thank you for supporting the LTPTA!

RUN INTO SUMMER
 Lebanon Township Education Foundation 8th Annual

5K
RUN / WALK

JUNE 2 at 9AM
CALIFON

\$25 | **\$50**

FOR INDIVIDUALS
 BEFORE MAY 17
 (\$30 AFTER)

FOR FAMILIES
 BEFORE MAY 17
 (\$75 AFTER)



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 Lunch Bunch & Stay and Play for all ages

NOW ENROLLING!

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.html, for information about special county hazardous waste and electronics recycling events.



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

1. The township recycling depot 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 have been removed. Labels do not have to be removed.

Community News

**PASTOR SARAH INVITES YOU
To
"EAT GREET AND PLAY"**

A Fun Night

AT THE CHANGEWATER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**Saturday, May 18, 2019
5:00 - 7:30 PM**

DINNER IS ON US

Pizza, Hoagies, pretzel dogs, veggies, chips, dips, and more

BINGO FOR THE KIDS

BRING YOUR FAMILY and FRIENDS
(AND MAYBE A BOARD GAME TO SHARE)

MEET YOUR NEIGHBORS, RELAX, AND CHAT

THE ANNUAL STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

**Sunday, June 9, 2019
12:00 - 5:30 PM**

Great picnic style foods
BBQ & hot dogs, baked beans, potato & macaroni salads,
plus "The Works" (strawberries, cake and ice cream)

Rain or Shine

180 Musconetcong River Road
Lebanon Township

Parsonage Phone: (908) 840-4752

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Beautiful Beast of Hunterdon 15K

With picturesque landscape, a fully stocked stream-fed pond, and postcard worthy views, this 47 acre slice of Hunterdon heaven can't be kept secret anymore! And thanks to the Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission (HESC), it doesn't have to be!

In the summer of 2017, in conjunction with BaseCamp 31, a not-for-profit with a mission of community health, the Beautiful Beast 15k was born to bring together people who enjoy the trails of Hunterdon County, and are passionate about relying on their health and fitness to make a difference! With a course that takes in the sounds of the Columbia trail, the serene setting of Ken Lockwood Gorge, and provides participants with views that would make any nature photographer green with envy, our goal in producing this event is to challenge the status quo, celebrate the beauty of our area while supporting HESC's efforts to raise much needed funds to support environmental and animal science programs. There's just one catch...to get to the finish line, it's a BEAST of a climb up Hoffman's Crossing a hill fit for any King (or Queen)! And so, if you're ready to soak in some Hunterdon County beauty, challenge yourself, and make a difference, join us (walkers and runners welcome) on June 8 for Hunterdon's most beautiful race! Event details at www.beautifulbeast15k.org.



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Township Directory

| TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE | | |
|---------------------------|----------------|--|
| Beverly Koehler | (908) 537-2946 | koehler@lebtwp.net |
| Marc Laul, Deputy Mayor | | laul@lebtwp.net |
| Tom McKee | (908) 638-5020 | mckee@lebtwp.net |
| Mike Schmidt, Mayor | (908) 537-9496 | schmidt@lebtwp.net |
| Brian Wunder | (908) 832-2042 | wunder@lebtwp.net |

| MEETINGS | |
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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 |

| FIRE - POLICE - EMS | |
|---|----------------|
| Police Emergency | 911 |
| Police Dispatch | (908) 638-8515 |
| Chief, Jack Gale | (908) 638-8516 |
| Office Manager, Kathy Goracy | (908) 638-8516 |
| Emergency Medical Services | 911 |
| Fire Department Emergency | 911 |
| Chief, James Crampton | (908) 638-4550 |
| Fire Official, Gary Apgar | (908) 638-8523 |
| Open Burn Fire Permit (Andover Forestry Off.) | (973) 786-6350 |
| Office of Emergency Management | |
| Coordinator, Joseph Maurizio | (908) 310-8122 |
| Tewksbury Township Municipal Court | (908) 832-7684 |
| Hunterdon County Board of Health | (908) 788-1351 |

| 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 | Email: clerk@lebtwp.net |
| Deputy Clerk, Dog Licensing Agent, Deputy Registrar | Kimberly Jacobus | (908) 638-8523 x10 | Email: deputyclerk@lebtwp.net |
| Tax Collector | Mary Hyland | (908) 638-8523 x15 | Hours: Wed & Fri 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM |
| Tax Assessor | Erica Brandmaier | (908) 638-8523 x17 | 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month, from 5:30 - 8:30 PM, and by appointment. Email: assessor@lebtwp.net |
| Planning Board Clerk & Board of Adjustment Secretary | Gail Glashoff | (908) 638-8523 x22 | Email: Planning@lebtwp.net |
| Recycling Coordinator | Joann Fascenelli | (908) 638-8523 x19 | |
| Zoning Officer | John Flemming | (908) 638-8523 x20 | Hours: Mon & Wed 1:00 - 4:00 PM |
| Animal Control | Police | (908) 638-8515 | |
| Department of Public Works | Warren Gabriel | (908) 537-2850 | Email: dpw@lebtwp.net |
| Recreation Commission | Maria Naccarato | | Email: recreation@lebtwp.net |
| EOS Commission / Green Team | Adam Duckworth | | Email: ltenv@lebtwp.net / LTGreenTeam@gmail.com |
| Webmaster & Newsletter | Karen Newman | | Email: kjnewman115@gmail.com |
| Bunnvale Library | | (908) 638-8884 | 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) 537-6464 | Hours: Tues 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM, Thurs 1:00 - 8:00 PM, Sat 11:00 AM - 4:30 PM |
| 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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| <i>Calendar</i> | | |
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| <u>June</u> | <u>July</u> | <u>August</u> |
| 14 - Movie in the Park | 12 - Movie in the Park | 1 - Deadline for Fall Newsletter |
| 15 - Recycling | 20 - Recycling | 17 - Recycling |
| 23 - Historical Highlights of the Musconetcong River | 21 - History of the Red Mill Race Preserve | |
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| <i>Newsletter Notes</i> | | |
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| Publishing Schedule | | Advertising Costs |
| Winter | Dec, Jan, Feb | Deadline for input Nov 1 |
| Spring | Mar, Apr, May | Deadline for input Feb 1 |
| Summer | Jun, Jul, Aug | Deadline for input May 1 |
| Fall | Sep, Oct, Nov | Deadline for input Aug 1 |
| | | Business Card: \$25.00 |
| | | Quarter Page: \$40.00 |
| | | Half Page: \$80.00 |
| | | Full Page: \$150.00 |
| All advertisements should include a check made payable to Lebanon Township. | | |
| Please email items to Karen Newman at 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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