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**Summer 2008**  
**July- September**

## A Message from the Township Committee

We hope your summer is off to a good start. Over the next few months, you will start to see more improvements around town.

- **New Sidewalks on North Main Street:** In July, the Township will be laying 1000 feet of sidewalk on North Main Street where either no sidewalk exists or the existing sidewalk is in need of replacement. The work is expected to cost about \$50,000 and will be paid for with a federal Community Development Block Grant.

- **New Sidewalk on Municipal Drive:** In August, the Township will add over 3000 feet of sidewalks to connect Little Bobby's Run to the Ashbrook School along Municipal Drive. The project will also add crosswalks on Municipal Drive. The project will cost \$226,000 and will be paid for with a NJ Safe Routes to School Grant.

- **New Playground Equipment:** Late this summer, the Public Works Department will begin replacing some of the aging park equipment at the Freeman Park and adding some new equipment at the Glenwood Park.

- **Glenwood Repaving:** In September, we expect to award a \$750,000 contract to repave Glenwood Road and surrounding courts. The project will also include some curb and sidewalk repairs and tree removal. The project will be paid for over several years with a state transportation improvement grant.

Additionally, we will continue to work on improving the development entrances. The Township has partnered with a few local landscapers to provide free maintenance of the development entrances in exchange for a sign recognizing their work. To date, most of the entrances have been cleaned up. We have a couple more entrances to find landscaping partners to volunteer to clean up. In May, we approved a redevelopment plan for three areas on Route 38. The plan seeks to replace the outdated, run down businesses and vacant lots on Route 38 between the Bypass and Madison Avenue, with newer retail commercial business and transportation improvements. The goals of the Redevelopment Plan are to help spur economic growth and improve the tax base. Redevelopment is a slow and drawn out process that will take years to come to fruition. The adoption of a formal redevelopment plan is a big step in the direction of revitalizing this long neglected commercial corridor.

If you have any issues or concerns around town, please feel free to let us know. Finally, we wish you a safe and enjoyable summer season.

*Pat Delany*, Mayor  
*Mike Mansdoerfer*, Deputy Mayor  
*Buddy Miller*  
*Beverly Marinelli*  
*Jim Conway*



### **NEW MAILBOX**

Lumberton Township will be eliminating the use of our PO Box. We will be placing a mailbox at the Municipal Complex. For future mailings please address to:

**Lumberton Township**  
**35 Municipal Drive**  
**Lumberton, NJ 08048**



### **FREEMAN MEMORIAL**

On Saturday May 10<sup>th</sup> the Lumberton Garden Club under the direction of Chairwoman Master Gardner Susan Stabb and her husband Larry Stabb redesigned and planted numerous new shrubs and perennials at the

Freeman Memorial located at the corner of Bobby's Run Blvd. and Westminster Dr. Helping with the project in addition to the Stabbs were Cyndie & Mike Motyczka and their sons Kris & Mike, Sharon Gassaway and her son Benjamin, Meghann Risell, Gloria Kraft, Terry Jackson, Roseanne Russo & Kelly Carnall. Lumberton Township Committee graciously thanks the Lumberton Garden Club for the magnificent job they did! This job was done without any taxpayer money. This is one of several projects the Garden Club has completed with the Beautification Fund money. Past projects include the landscaping in front of the Municipal Building, the wall and the landscaping at the Village Green sign and the decoration of the Gazebo downtown. Some other Garden Club members who have helped with these projects in the past were Barb Tait, Amy Pitchnick & Doris Rodriguez. If you are interested in joining the Garden Club, please contact Susan Stabb at [susanstabb@msn.com](mailto:susanstabb@msn.com)

**CONSTRUCTION**

Please be aware that any and all work done to your home without permits is subject to a mandatory penalty as stated in the New Jersey State Building Code. Please check with the Lumberton Township Construction Office before proceeding with any proposed work. Also be aware that if you are trying to sell your home, any work done without permits will need to be brought into compliance and will most likely slow down your real estate transaction until complete. You should also be mindful that the State of New Jersey now requires that anyone doing work at your home and charging a fee must hold a State license to perform such work. Any questions can be directed to the Lumberton Township Construction Office at 609-267-3217 ext. 133 or ext. 132.

**RECYCLING & PUBLIC WORKS**

**Brush**

Brush is considered to be branched two inches to ten inches in diameter. Anything larger than ten inches must be cut into sections weighing no more than fifty pounds.

Brush shall be stacked neatly near the edge of the roadway with the cut ends all facing in one direction. **NO CROSS PILING!** The DPW will compile a list of addresses and dispatch a truck when time is available to collect the brush, usually weekly. Wood larger than ten inches in diameter, tree twigs, hedge trimmings and similar materials not meeting the definition of brush, shall be cut a length not to exceed four feet and securely tied in bundles which will be collected on the

scheduled Bulk Trash Collection Day. Material that can not be bundled shall be placed in suitable receptacles. Brush resulting from normal property maintenance or storm damage will be collected by the Township. The DPW will compile a list of addresses and dispatch a truck to collect the brush. Brush resulting from a lot clearing for any purpose shall be the responsibility of the property owner. **The Township shall not be obligated to collect any materials left in a manner not in full compliance with the regulations provided herein.** Any questions please call the Public Works Department at 609-267-3217 ext. 143. Remember no brush during bulk week and thorns and/or briars are **not** brush.

We will be receiving new recycling containers from the County late August. They will be 96 gallon lidded receptacles on wheels- similar to your trash cans. This will allow for automated pick up. Please check the website for updates.

**POLICE NEWS**



**POLICE ASSISTANCE:**  
EMERGENCIES 9-1-1  
NON-EMERGENCIES 267-8300  
ADMINISTRATION 267-1111



**ALERT!!!** Coyotes have been seen in the vicinity of Livingston and Crispin Roads. Residents are urged to call 911 **immediately** if you see a coyote in your area.

Please visit: [http://www.njfishandwildlife.com/coyote\\_info.htm](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com/coyote_info.htm) for more information about coyotes and what you can do to safeguard your home.

**JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> CELEBRATIONS:** The sale and use of fireworks is against the law in the state of New Jersey (N.J.S.A. 21.3-1 et seq. Explosives and Fireworks Chapter 3. Sale and Public Display). A listing of legal fireworks displays can usually be found in the entertainment section of your local paper. Be safe not sorry!



**FARM FAIR PARKING PERMITS:** The Farm Fair will be coming to the Village Green on **July 23<sup>rd</sup> thru the 26<sup>th</sup>**. Lumberton residents who require temporary parking permits due to altered traffic patterns on their streets are encouraged

to obtain these at Police Headquarters as soon as possible after July 1. If you need information regarding the Farm Fair, please direct your questions to the Burlington County Farm Fair Office at 609-267-2881.



**YOUTH ACADEMY:** Our 1<sup>st</sup> annual academy was such a success that this year the Lumberton Police Department will be conducting two separate sessions. A Youth Academy for children in grades 5 through 8 provided July 7 - 11 and August 4 - 8 choose the week that's best for you. The Leadership Academy for children in grades 9 through 12 will be held August 18 - 22. Each weekly session has a fee of \$125.00. Each session will include criminal investigation, drill and fitness and a K-9 demonstration. Participants will be provided a uniform consisting of shorts, a shirt and a hat. Applications can be picked up at the Lumberton Police Department or you may obtain one by calling our School Resource Officer, Carilee Simone, at 609-265-0123 ext. 3301. Applications must be turned in by June 15, 2008.



**PUBLIC HEALTH & YOUR PET**

Many people associate ticks with the warm weather- beware of this assumption. Ticks are around all year especially with the mild winters we have been experiencing. In 2007, according to the Center of Disease Control, 5,565 people in NJ were diagnosed with Lyme disease. That number has doubled since 2005. Dogs are 50 times more likely to come in contact with ticks affected with Lyme or another tick borne disease. Dogs and cats both carry ticks from your yard into your house. It is important to check your pets and family daily for ticks and remove any tick promptly with a pair of tweezers. I urge you to keep your pet on a monthly preventative for ticks. Contact your veterinarian and ask them what product they would recommend. Keeping your pets tick free will help to keep ticks away from your family.

-----Courtesy of Lisa Aumiller, DVM



**COMMUNITY FORESTRY MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Lumberton Township held its first Arbor Day celebration on April 27, 2008. The Garden Club and numerous residents helped celebrate the planting of our 5 new shade trees donated by Richard May Tree Service. Each resident was able to take a home a

white pine seedling to plant on their own. The Mayor spoke about some of the widespread benefits that trees have. Lumberton is currently working on a Community Forestry Management Plan which will make the Township eligible for grant monies, that will allow Lumberton to maintain and care for our current wooded area as well as planting new trees around town. The state encourages volunteer participation in the Community Forestry Management Plan, Lumberton would like to invite any resident interested in joining the Shade Tree Commission to contact Stephanie Yurko at 609-267-3217 ext. 103 or email [syurko@lumbertontwp.com](mailto:syurko@lumbertontwp.com).

**STORMWATER MANAGEMENT**

Fertilizers help plants grow by adding nutrients to the soil. Pesticides (including herbicides) are any toxic substances used to kill insects, animals or plants. If fertilizers or pesticides are improperly applied, they can wash off your lawn or garden into storm drains and directly to our lakes, rivers, and the ocean. These chemicals can contaminate your drinking water, as well as kill fish wildlife and plants. Too much fertilizer washing into a lake can cause algae to bloom in lakes, which will affect swimming, fishing and boating.

**YOU CAN HELP!!**

- Test your soil at your County's Rutgers Cooperative Research and Extension office or by a self-test kit.
- Use natural slow-release nitrogen, or low phosphorus fertilizers.
- Look into natural alternatives to fertilizers and pesticides, such as integrated pest management (IPM)
- If you need to use fertilizers or pesticides, follow the instructions on the label on how to correctly apply.
- Do not apply fertilizers or pesticides before it rains. This will not allow the fertilizer or pesticide to penetrate through the soil
- Use drought-resistant native plants in gardens; they require less fertilizer and less water.
- Use a mulching mower instead of bagging grass clippings.

Please visit [www.cleanwaterNJ.org](http://www.cleanwaterNJ.org) for more information regarding Stormwater Management.

**HOLIDAYS**

The Township Offices will be closed on the following dates:

- July 4- Independence Day
- September 3- Labor Day

**2007 HOMESTEAD REBATE**

The deadline for senior and disabled homeowners to file their 2007 homestead rebate has been extended from June 2, 2008

to August 15, 2008. the deadline for filing 2007 Senior Freeze (Property Tax Reimbursement) applications has also been extended to August 15 from the original June 2 due date. Because of the time needed to process both the homeowner rebate and Senior Freeze applications, eligible applicants who file applications for either of these benefits after the original June 2 deadline may not receive their checks in the initial mailings. The Senior Freeze checks are currently scheduled to be mailed mid-July and the homestead rebate checks for senior and disabled homeowners are currently scheduled to be mailed in early August. Checks for applicants who file between June 2<sup>nd</sup> and August 15<sup>th</sup> will be issued as quickly as possible. For questions regarding your homestead rebate please call 1-888-238-1233. For questions regarding the Tax Reimbursement Program please call 1-800-882-6597.



**FIRE COMPANY**

The Lumberton Fire Company wants to thank everyone for their support during our 2008 Fund Drive and remember it is never too late to send us a donation. We also ask if you are interested in becoming a Firefighter, Fire Police Officer, or a member of the Ladies Auxiliary to please contact us. If you have a son or daughter between the ages of 16 to 18 years old, the Fire Company has a Junior Firefighter Program.

We always want to remind everyone who has a fire emergency to call 9-1-1, get out, stay out, have a preplanned meeting place, and make sure your house number is visible from the street.

We ask everyone to check your CO and smoke detectors and regularly change batteries twice a year. If you know of someone who does not have a working smoke detector please contact the Fire Company and we will make sure they receive one free of charge.



**LUMBERTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

The Lumberton Historical Society will hold a car show on July 19<sup>th</sup> from 8:30am-3pm at the Lumberton Municipal Complex, 35 Municipal Drive. We are in need of vendors, if you are interested it is a \$25.00 fee, \$300.00 to be a sponsor of the car show. All cars are welcome! The pre-registration fee is \$15; it will be \$20 to register the day of

event. There will be music, games of chance and trophies. Rain date will be July 20, 2008. For more information please contact Lou Trefz, 609-267-8869 or Ruth Lewis, 609-267-6647. The profits from this show will be used to renovate the Gaun Building. Bring your family and friends. The LHS will not hold meetings in July or August; the next scheduled meeting will be the third Thursday in September. Meetings begin at 7:30pm. The Historical Society has pie plates, notepaper & Afghans for sale. Call Elaine Fillius at 609-267-4354 for more information.

Relax and enjoy the warmth and beauty of our distinctive afghan. Made of 100% pre-washed cotton, it's sure to find a special place in your home.

The Historical Village of Lumberton Afghan is offered exclusively by the Lumberton Historical Society and is available for only \$45 at

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**RECREATION NEWS!!**

Maryann Regn, Recreation Director  
 Email: [recreation@lumbertontwp.com](mailto:recreation@lumbertontwp.com)

**Recreation Commission** - The Board of Recreation Commissioners is a seven member board appointed by the Mayor and Governing Body that plans, coordinates, and directs recreation activities, programs and special events for Lumberton Township. The purpose of the board is to assist and advise the Governing Body in all parks and recreation matters as established by the Administrative code of the Township of Lumberton. The Board always welcomes public input. Comments regarding current and future activities are encouraged. To share your ideas, contact the Recreation Office at 267-3217 ext 150 or plan to attend a Board meeting. The Board meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the court room at the Municipal Complex.

**Commission Members**

Orlando Vidal, Chair, Cathy Lanahan, Vice Chair, Robert Morton, Finance Chair, William Curtin, Donna Paolin, Mike Petty, Les Risell

**Bus Trips**



**Broadway Show**-Fee: \$115 per person Bus trip to NYC to see "Chicago" on Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>. Check our website for departure and

arrival times from the township building. Fee includes transportation, orchestra seating, and cast member Q&A after the show.

### **Senior s-Fee:** \$75 per person

Bus trip to Hunterdon Hills Playhouse to see "My Three Angels" on Wednesday, September 24. Fee includes transportation, reserved seating, and a full course luncheon prior to the show. This is a full day trip. Bus will depart from the Twp. building at approximately 9:30 am and return at approximately 5:00 pm.

### **Youth & Adult Golf Program**

Instruction for children and adults will be held on weekday evenings at Springfield Golf Center. Programs and clinics run throughout the summer.

Children (ages 6-17) and adults of all skill levels are encouraged to participate. Clubs will be provided. Dates, times, and fees are available on our website.



### **Golf Program**-Instructor: Ed Witzcak

Fee: \$55/resident; \$65/non-resident

This instructional, 4 day program, Monday – Thursday (Friday is a rain date). Junior Program for 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grades and Adult Program



(HS age, adults, seniors).

Classes are at the Golden Pheasant Golf Course July 28<sup>th</sup> – July 31<sup>st</sup> at 9:00-10:35 am or 6:30-7:45 pm The program includes: golf etiquette, putting, chipping and driving. This program is open to the first 10 registrants. Registration forms are available at the Municipal Building during business hours. Fee: \$55/resident; \$65/non-resident

### **Chess Summer Camp** - Silver Knights

Chess Co. is offering full and half day camps. Full day camp schedule is 9:00-4:00 and cost is \$300. Half day camp is from 9:00-12:00 or 1:00-4:00 and cost is \$175. Camps will be held in the Twp. Community room from 7/28-8/1. Instructors include a two-time U.S. Open champion and the current state champions of AZ and PA. Program is available for grades 1st thru 12th, all skill levels are welcome. Each camper will receive a t-shirt and tournament-style chess set.

### **Lumberton All-Sport Speed & Conditioning Camp**

Fee: \$125.00

Improve your quickness and agility in all sports! Camps will be offered July 7-10th or July 14-17<sup>th</sup> from 8:30am until 10:30am for ages 6 to 17 years.

Children will be grouped by age.

**Mad Science Camp**- Fee: \$140/resident \$150/non-resident. Space the Next Mission will introduce kids to the building of flying machines. This program will start Aug. 4

thru Aug. 8 from 9:00-12:00pm in the community room. This program is open to children entering K-5<sup>th</sup>.

### **Fall Outdoor Soccer**

Fee: \$60 resident \$70 non-resident

This program is open to children who are entering K-8<sup>th</sup> grades in the 2008-2009 school year. Practices will begin in August. Games will be in September and October. There will be a mandatory assessment for all players, except those entering Kindergarten the beginning of June

### **Boy's Youth Basketball**

Fee: \$60/resident \$70/non-resident K thru 8<sup>th</sup> grades.

Forms will be available in August.

### **Girl's Youth Basketball**

Fee: \$60/resident \$70/non-resident K thru 8<sup>th</sup> grades.

Forms will be available in August.

### **Youth or Adult Yoga Pilates**

Fee - \$ 60/resident \$70 non residents

This 8 week program will begin in September. Work on balance, flexibility, breathing, muscle, mental tension, and self awareness. The youth program will be from 6:00 – 6:55 and the adult program from 7 – 8. This program will be held in the F.L. Wather School.

### **Fall Cardio Kickboxing**-Instructor: Wen

Miller Fee: \$60 resident/\$70 non resident.

You'll kick, punch and groove the calories away in this action-packed, super fun, super safe and effective cardiovascular workout. This 8-week program will be held in the Bobby's Run School gym every Monday and Wednesday evening from 7:00pm-8:00pm starting in September. The program is open to teenagers (high school) through adults.

Please bring exercise mat or towel for some awesome abs work.

### **Tumblin' Tots** - Fee: \$60/resident; \$70/non-

resident. Fitness program for children ages 2-5. This 6 week program will be held Wednesday mornings starting in July, in the court room. Program emphasizes movement, exercise, games, cooperation, and listening.

### **Glamour Club** -Fee: \$95/resident \$105/non-

resident This 5 week program is offered to girls ages 6-11, starting July 12<sup>th</sup>. Classes will be held on Saturday afternoons in the community room from 12:30-3:00pm. This program will include social graces, proper etiquette, diet and nutrition, hair and nails, basic modeling, and photo shoot.

### **Pony Share Pony Grooming, Riding & Horsemanship Program**

Fee: \$215/resident; \$225/ non-resident



August 18<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>, Village Green Park 4:30pm until 6:00pm. Open to 7-11 year old children. This unique program provides an exciting and inexpensive introduction to the wonderful world of equines in a fun-filled, non-threatening atmosphere. Pony Share uses ponies and cobs, smaller and easier to handle than their larger equine counterparts. Some of the horsemanship matters covered include: Safety on and around the horses, Basic anatomy, Equine senses & body language. Grooming, the tack & harness, driving the miniature horse, English & western riding, barn management & careers in the industry. Participants also get to shortly drive or ride their charges 3 to 4 times during each session. This program enhances team work and self esteem while helping develop a genuine appreciation and respect for the animals. Course materials are provided. A winner by many furlongs, this class tends to book early.

### **American Red Cross Babysitting Class**

Information available on our website soon.

### **Community Day**

Community Day will be held on Saturday,

October 4<sup>th</sup> from 1pm-

4pm at the **Municipal**

**Complex on Municipal**

**Drive.** Rain date will be

on Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>. Lumberton

businesses are welcome to set up a table, free of charge, to promote their business. We will have games, some rides and live demonstrations, food, roaming characters, face painters, and much more. If you are interested in performing, setting up a table, sponsoring entertainment or volunteering, please call the Recreation Department at 267-3217 or visit our web site for more information and a form to complete.



### **1<sup>st</sup> Annual Jump Jam**

Stop and see competitive races with radio remote controlled cars and trucks at our first Annual Jump Jam, Saturday August 16<sup>th</sup> from 10am until 7pm. See the website for more details.

### **Movie Night in the Park**

Movies start at dusk at the Village Green. All movies are rated PG or G. In the event of rain the movies will be held the following Thursday. Check the township recreation phone for direction 609-267-3217 ext. 104

July 17- Charlotte's Web

July 31- Nanny McPhee

*Please check the website for program updates*

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