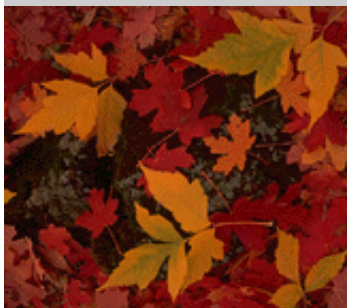


FALL 2008

OCTOBER-DECEMBER



LINKING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER

# LUMBERTON LINK

## Mayor & Committee

Over the past few months, the Township has been very busy working on several infrastructure projects, continuing to spur redevelopment along the Route 38 corridor, and fighting the State's new low income housing taxes and mandate. We can confidently say that we are making good and steady progress on the first two. The third is going to be a struggle, but we will continue to fight.

### Infrastructure Improvements

**~Glenwood Road Reconstruction~** Several weeks ago, the Township started the Glenwood Road Reconstruction project. This project includes rebuilding the underlying road foundation, resurfacing and some curb and apron replacement. The project is being paid for with a NJDOT grant received over five years. The project is expected to be completed by the end of the year.

**~New Sidewalks on North Main Street~** In July, the Township completed replacing and laying a combined 750 feet of new sidewalk on North Main Street. The project was paid for with a federal grant.

**~New Playground Equipment~** This past summer, the Township replaced some of the outdated playground equipment at the Freeman Park & Village Green as well as installing some new tot elements at the Glenwood Park. The new equipment now conforms with all current safety standards.

**~Safe Routes to School~** Shovels should hit the ground shortly to

install 3,000 linear feet of sidewalks along Municipal Drive to the Ashbrook School along with cross walks on Municipal Drive. The project is expected to be completed by the end of the year.

**~Municipal Parking Lot~** The Township selected the winning bids to replace the landscaping and to re-grade and pave the municipal parking lot at the corner of Main and Landing Street. The project is expected to be completed by the end of the year.

### Redevelopment

This past summer, we approved a request for proposal for the Redevelopment Plan for three sites along Route 38. We expect to receive numerous proposals this fall and select the best plans for the area. The overall goal of the redevelopment plan is to jump start the overhaul of several long neglected areas along Route 38 to attract quality of life enhancing businesses, create economic growth, and increase the tax base.

### COAH

Before the NJ Legislature adjourned in June, they approved and the governor signed into law changes to the State's rules on low income housing also known as the Council on Affordable Housing (COAH). Additionally, the Council on Affordable Housing changed a number of their rules to increase municipal obligations to provide low income housing. These new rules hit towns with lots of open space, like Lumberton, especially

hard. The rules are deliberately complex, but the long and the short of it is the that under the new rules, Lumberton will be required to build and pay for, through higher property taxes, almost 400 new low income housing units between now and 2018. In May, Mayor Delany went to Trenton to challenge COAH's math. COAH reviewed, but discounted most of our objections leaving Lumberton's burden substantively unchanged. In July, Lumberton Township joined a lawsuit by the NJ League of Municipalities challenging the new low income housing rules. We will continue to fight this unrealistic and property intensive unfunded mandate until its final resolution at the NJ Supreme Court.

Finally, on September 1, Police Chief Marc Sano retired after serving 28 years with the Lumberton Police Department. Marc has served as our Chief since January 2006. He has done an outstanding job as Chief, and Lumberton is a better place because of his efforts and service. We personally thank Chief Sano for his years of service to Lumberton and wish him the best of luck in his future endeavors.

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

## Police



Effective September 1st the Township Committee appointed Lt. Jeff Smith as Officer in Charge of the Lumberton Township Police Department.

### Back to School

School is back in session and many students walk or ride their bicycles to school so please drive cautiously.

Lumberton Police will be sponsoring an **Alex's Lemonade Stand** during the Community Day Events. Alex's Lemonade Stand donations assist in the cure for childhood cancer. Donations will be accepted the day of the event or you may send a donation in advance to Lumberton Police c/o Sgt. Ed Begolly,

35 Municipal Drive., Lumberton, NJ 08048. Checks should be made payable to Lumberton FOP #201, write Alex's Lemonade in memo. Questions can be directed to Sgt. Begolly at 609-267-1111 ext. 306.

The Lumberton Township Crime Prevention Unit would like to remind residents and business owners of the following programs that are available to them.

### Commercial & Residential

**Security Surveys:** The Crime Prevention Unit will conduct an in-depth on-site examination of your home or business and its surrounding property. The survey is conducted to identify deficiencies or security risks, to define the

protection needed, and to make recommendations in order to reduce the opportunity for criminal activity to be successful. To schedule a survey of your property contact Corporal J. McHugh or Patrolman S. Cittadini at 609-267-1111.

### Operation I.D.

Operation I.D. is a property-marking program that has been successful in reducing or eliminating burglary and theft in communities. The program is based on the premise that items that are difficult for a thief to sell are less likely to be stolen. It is easy to join Operation I.D. and costs you nothing but a little time. **First:** Borrow an engraving tool and obtain an inventory form from the Police Department. **Second:** List valuables on the form and engrave your driver's

## Police (continued)

**Second:** List valuables on the form and engrave your driver's license number on all property.  
**Third:** Display Operation I.D. stickers on your doors and windows to warn potential thieves that all items have been marked for identification by Law Enforcement Agencies. The stickers are given out upon return of the engraver. All materials for this program can be obtained from the Lumberton Township Police Department Crime Prevention Unit.

### Neighborhood Watch

Neighborhood Watch is a well-organized group

of citizens that encourages residents to become more aware of their surroundings and to act as the 'eyes and ears' of the Police Department. There are several watch groups already established in Lumberton. For information or assistance with starting a Neighborhood Watch in your neighborhood contact Corporal J. McHugh or Patrolman S. Cittadini at 609-267-1111.

### Holiday Gifts Needed

Once again the Lumberton Police Department will be gathering donated gifts for the underprivileged. These gifts consist of toys for infants and

adults. For your convenience drop boxes will be placed at participating Lumberton Stores around the last week of November. You may also bring donated gifts directly to the Police Department. Thank you.



Don't forget to change your clocks  
November 2!

## Fire Company

The Lumberton Fire Company would like to thank everyone who supported our annual fund drive.

Join the Lumberton Fire Company on October 6th for our Annual Golf Tournament which will be held at the Golden Pheasant Golf Course.

We would also like to remind everyone to change your batteries in your smoke detectors and CO detectors when you change your clock.



## Emergency Squad

We have added a new element to our Emergency Medical Services: Station 139 Bike Team. We will be using the Bike Team for special venues such as Farm Fair, car shows, Lumberton Community Day and any other standby assignment where we need to respond quickly with first aid equipment until the ambulance can arrive. We would like to thank the following individuals and organizations that responded to our request for sponsorship. Your response has made this project become a reality.



- Mrs. Beverly Marinelli
- Dr. Larry Sabel
- DADZ
- Wal\*Mart
- T.C. Irons Agency

THANK YOU!

Again we are asking for volunteers to become EMT's. Please call 609-261-1828 for an application and we will return your call.

## Historical Society

The following Historical Society members volunteered to plant, weed and water the flowers at the gazebo this summer: Lee Brent, Matt, Trish, Nicole & Matthe Davis, Elaine, John & Christopher Jardine, Pat Collom, Ruth Lewis, Terry Trefz, Beth Alfaro, Elaine Fillius, Doris Priest, and Rae Fortner. Thank you for all your efforts.

Our regular monthly meeting will be held at the Ridgeway A. Gaun Building 602 Main Street, on Thursday October 16th & November 20th at 7:30pm. All are welcome.

The museum is open the third Saturday of the month from 10am-noon, or by appointment.

We are going to have a Holiday House Tour on December 13th from 5pm-9pm.

If you would like to show your home please contact Doris Priest at 609-267-4067 by November 1st. Advance tickets \$10 Day of tour \$15.

Also on December 13th at 10am we will host a cookie walk sale, preordered poinsettia sale,

Chinese Auction and sale of our afghans, pie plates, notecards and miniature buildings. Please call Elaine Fillius for more information at 609-267-4354



## Public Works & Recycling

Please remember that the Recycling Drop Off Center located on Chestnut Street is for can, bottles and paper only, your bulk trash items are still collected on the first and third Saturday of every month at the Public Works Garage on Municipal Drive. Certain items such as large household appliances will require a white goods sticker for disposal, these stickers may be purchased at the Municipal Building for \$10 each. Other household hazardous waste will also be accepted for bulk drop off including, latex and oil based paints, antifreeze, batteries, driveway sealers, aerosol paint, fluorescent lights & ballasts. Tires and propane tanks are also accepted but will require an appropriate disposal sticker. If you are disposing of tires please remember to remove the rim.

**The Public Works Garage will be open on the following dates from 7:30am to 1:30pm: October 4, October 18, November 1, November 15, December 6 and December 20. Curbside bulk pickup will be the weeks of October 6, November 3, and December 1. Please place your bulk items out on your regular trash day.**

Lumberton Township will be receiving 1000 new recycling containers. These carts will be for all your paper and cardboard only, they are substantially larger than the buckets we are currently using for bottles and cans. The new carts will be in 96 and 64 gallon sizes. The lids will keep your paper dry and neat and prevent blowing papers on windy days, the wheels allow for more convenience taking your cart to the curb. We are expecting to have these carts in use by mid October. Information will be updated on the website.

For Public Works questions please call 609-267-3217 ext. 143 or email: [publicworks@lumbertontwp.com](mailto:publicworks@lumbertontwp.com)  
For Recycling questions please call 609-267-3217 ext. 103 or email: [syruko@lumbertontwp.com](mailto:syruko@lumbertontwp.com)





**Credit card** use is now available. You can either download the form and submit it with your registration form or you are welcome to come in to the Township Building to pay using your credit card.

**Community Day** will be held on Saturday October 4th from 1pm-4pm at the Municipal Complex located on Municipal Drive. Rain date will be Sunday October 5th. 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 609-267-3217 ext. 104 or visit the website for more information and a form to complete.

**Prince Tennis Demo Day** will be held on October 18th from 1:30pm-3:30pm at the Village Green. Come out and try the new Prince line of racquets and receive some tennis tips and give-away items.

**Hunterdon Hills Playhouse Bus Trip** is scheduled for Friday October 17, 2008 to see "My Three Angels". Fee is \$75, which includes transportation, admission to the playhouse and a full course luncheon. We will depart from the Township Building at 9:30am and return at 5pm. A minimum of 40 people is needed to run the trip.

**Chess Lessons** will be held in the Community Room on Monday evenings for 10 weeks beginning October 6th from 6:30pm-7:30pm. The fee for this program is \$100 for residents and \$110 for non-residents. This program is open to children in kindergarten-eighth grade. Silver Knights Chess Company teaches chess to players of all ages and skill levels. Instructional lessons are given to beginners, and more advanced strategy and competition will be available for experienced players. A minimum number of registrants will be required for classes to be held.

**Volunteers & Coaches Needed.** Any parents wanting to assist with pre season clinics or coaching during the regular season should contact the Recreation Department. Please contact the Recreation Department for tryout information.

**NEW Preseason (September-October) Basketball Clinic** offers fall sessions for boys and girls in grades k-8. Weekly clinic sessions are designed to develop and reinforce fundamental skills. Clinics will run for four weeks from the end of September thru October and last 90 minutes per session. This is a great way to prepare for the regular season. There is a \$20 fee for this program. Dates & times will be announced on the website.

**Youth Basketball** will be offered for boys, kindergarten-eighth grade, and girls, kindergarten-eighth grade. \$60 for residents, \$70 for non-residents. Check website for date & time of assessments.

**Recreation Basketball** will provide boys and girls with an environment where they can learn the

fundamentals of the game and develop their skill while still having fun.

**Boys Recreation Basketball Regular Season (late October-January) Grades K-2 NEW** Developmental clinic sessions in lieu of league games. 90 minute station clinics once a week with scrimmage games. **Grades 3-4** will have an instructional league which will consist of modified rules and instructional format designed to introduce the concept of team basketball (i.e. man-to-man defense within 3 point line, limited violations & equal playing time). **Grades 5-6** will operate under modified rules designed to reinforce the concept of team basketball (i.e. half court man-to-man defense, full court press last 2 minutes of each half & equal playing time). **Grades 7-8** will operate under official high school rules and regulations while providing equal playing time for all players. Depending on interest and availability we will be introducing the opportunity for Select Team(s) to represent Lumberton Township in competitive basketball leagues like JKMB & SJBL. Tryouts will be in September through early October, dates and times will be available soon.

**Girls Recreational Basketball Regular Season (late October-January) Grades K-1 NEW** Developmental clinic sessions in lieu of league games. 90 minute station clinics once a week with scrimmage games. **Grade 2-3** will have an instructional league which will consist of modified rules and instructional format designed to introduce the concept of team basketball; equal playing time for all players. **Grades 4-8** will operate under modified rules designed to reinforce the concept of team basketball (i.e. half court man-to-man defense, half court press last 2 minutes of each half & equal playing time). Grade separations will be based on participation. Depending on interest and availability we will be introducing the opportunity for Select Team(s) to represent Lumberton Township in competitive basketball leagues like ICBL. Tryouts will be in September through early October, dates and times will be available soon.

**Youth or Adult Yoga Pilates** will begin on Thursday September 11th. This eight week program will work on balance, flexibility, breathing, muscle mental tension and self awareness. The youth program will be from 6pm-6:55pm and the adult program will be from 7pm-8pm. This program will be held at the F.L. Walther School. \$55 for residents, \$65 non-residents.

**Fall Cardio Kickboxing** will be held in the Bobby's Run School gym every Monday and Wednesday evening from 7pm-8pm beginning on September 15th. You'll kick, punch and groove the calories away in this action-packed, super fun, super safe and effective cardiovascular workout taught by Wen Miller. This program is open to teenagers (high school) through adults. Please bring exercise mat or towel for some awesome abs work. You may register up to two weeks after the start of the program. \$65 for residents, \$70 for non-residents.

**NEW Abrakadoodle Art** is an art education program that will be offered to children from 20 months old to 12 years of age. Three different classes will be offered depending on age. All classes will run on Thursdays for five weeks beginning on October 9th at the Township Building. \$65 for residents, \$75 for non-residents. Check the website for detailed class descriptions, times etc. \*This program was part of our 2008 Summer Recreation Camp.

**Tumblin' Tots** will run on Friday mornings beginning October 17 in the Township Court Room. This six week fitness program is for ages 2-5. Class time is 9:30am-10:15am. \$60 for resident, \$70 non-resident.

**Adult Men's Basketball** will be held on Tuesday evenings starting in November and running until the end of March at the Lumberton Middle School gym from 7:30pm-9:00pm. There is a \$35 fee for this program. Supervised pick-up games only.

**NEW Softball Preseason Clinic** will be made available to girls in grades K-8. Clinic will be held indoors in late fall/early winter to prepare for the spring season. All fundamentals such as hitting, throwing, fielding etc. will be covered. The website will be updated when dates, times & fees become available.

**Youth Indoor Soccer** is an eight week program open to children currently in grades K-8. Most games are Friday evenings and Saturday mornings after the December holidays. Soccer assessments will be held around the middle of November for all players except kindergarten. \$60 for residents, \$70 non-residents.

**Women's Indoor Soccer** will run from January through May. Games will be played on Friday evenings from 7:30pm-9:00pm at Lumberton Middle School. \$35 for residents, \$45 for non-residents.

**Lumberton Recreation's Halloween Party** is open to all Lumberton children. It will be held at the F.L. Walther School from 1m-3pm on Saturday October 18th. Volunteers are needed. Please come dressed in your costume. There will be music, some games & lots of fun. We need help Friday night from 6:30pm-7:30pm to decorate. Teens are welcome and highly encouraged. Contact the Recreation Department for more information.

**Senior Citizens Holiday Party** will be on Sunday December 7th. Come join us in the Bobby's Run Cafeteria from 1pm-4pm. There will be entertainment and door prizes, food and fun for all. Call 609-267-3217 ext. 104 to reserve your spot.

**Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony** will be held Sunday December 7th from 6pm-7pm at the Lumberton Township Municipal Building. Entertainment, singing & light refreshments will be offered. Our annual star award will be placed on the tree. If you would like to nominate someone please contact the Recreation Department.

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Columbus Day
- **November 11-**  
Veterans Day
- **November 27 & 28-**  
Thanksgiving
- **December 24 & 25-**  
Christmas

Don't forget to vote!



Election Day is November 4th.  
Check our website for your  
polling location.