

## Editorial

It is the first day of Standard Time, and I'm watching the darkness settle in although it's not yet 5:00. The deer are out for their evening meal. Evidently no one told them to change their clocks.

The idea of moving time to maximize daylight hours was first discussed by Benjamin Franklin, although Daylight Savings Time wasn't adopted until World War I. Imagine if we could play with time whenever we'd like—extending the activities that we enjoy, and shortening those that try our patience. In the absence of such “magic,” my goal each year is to work with our community to accomplish as much as we can since time is short and moves on regardless of whether we use it wisely.

As we say goodbye to 2015, I want to thank Mayor Roger Locandro and Committeeman Ken Novak for their service to the Township. The New Year will bring a new Committee and new challenges, and we all need to work together to make sure our time counts.

From the Township Committee, Employees, and Volunteers, wishing you Happy Holidays, Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year!

—Susan Lockwood, Editor



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## General Election Results

At the November 3, 2015 General Election, voters elected Sam Thompson and Alan Johnson to fill three year positions on the Township Committee.

## Volunteers Needed!

Delaware Township needs your help! While elected officials and Township employees are the most visible face of Town government, volunteers staff numerous committees that help guide the important decisions that affect the present and future of Delaware Township. The promotion of land preservation, review of various applications, and the shape, size, and scope of community activities are greatly affected by the volunteer services of Township residents. The community of Delaware Township is dependent upon the interests, talents, and expertise of its individuals.

If you would like to volunteer, now is the time to express your interest. Citizen boards include: Agricultural Advisory Committee, Board of Adjustment, Board of Health, Environmental Commission, Flood Hazard Mitigation Committee, Historical Advisory Committee, Open Space Committee, Pipeline Subcommittee, Planning Board, Quarry Compliance Committee, Recreation Commission, and the Shade Tree Commission. The Newsletter is also looking for volunteers. In addition, the Delaware Township Fire Company is constantly on the lookout for help.

Please visit the Township website at [www.DelawareTwpNJ.org](http://www.DelawareTwpNJ.org). There are descriptions of the various boards along with current members and minutes listed under the “Government” tab. There is also a link to the volunteer form near the end of the “News and Announcements” column.

The completed forms should be mailed by December 10th to Judy Allen, PO Box 500, Sergeantsville NJ 08557 or hand delivered to the Town Hall as soon as possible so they may be brought to the attention of the Township Committee for appointments in December with terms starting in January.

## Meet Your Neighbor: Fred Brill

By Mary Coffey

Near Rosemont lives a charming, self-effacing man, nearly 91 years old, who has lived a dangerous, dramatic and blessed life. Fred Brill was born in Gdansk, a free state created after World War I out of what we now know as Poland. His father had an import-export business representing Italian shipping lines in the city of Gdynia. The family lived in Warsaw until 1939, when the Germans marched into Poland.

Because of his father's Italian connections, his family left Poland for Italy, but soon left and traveled through Yugoslavia, Greece, and Turkey to the Near East. Once there, Fred and his brother Richard joined the Free Polish Army, which became part of the British 8<sup>th</sup> Army and later part of the US 5th Army. After the African campaign, they traveled with British convoys from Egypt to Italy. January 1944 saw the first Battle of Monte Casino, centered on a large heavily-fortified monastery on the road to Rome. Fred was wounded at Monte Casino and again in a battle near Bologna, each time recovering and going back to his regiment.

After the war, Fred stayed in Italy, attending the University of Bologna, and later the London School of Economics. Although he hoped to take over his father's business, returning to Poland was not an option once it became a Communist country. In 1949, after graduating with a degree in Harbor Administration, he came to the US. Here, through a quirk of fate, he met Polish refugees in New York City. While taking a long walk through Central Park, he realized he was lost, but heard people nearby speaking Polish. He asked them for directions to the nearest subway. They were from Warsaw. As they talked, he realized they'd met before in Warsaw, in 1939, when he helped the family climb out of a bombed-out window after a German attack. One of their relatives had also served with him in the Free Polish Army. He was invited to dinner at their home, where he met, fell in love with and married the woman's daughter. They were married for 61 years.

Fred worked in New York City for 61 years with steamship lines and airlines for charters to and from Europe. He worked for KLM Airlines which specialized in the transportation of show horses. He was part of the team that developed portable horse box stalls for airplanes.

At that time, he lived in Cedar Grove, NJ with his wife, and pre-teen daughter Irene who was "horse-crazy." At the stable where Irene took riding lessons, Fred met a Polish Cavalry officer and they became close friends. Fred bought a horse for his daughter and eventually one for himself.

The family moved from Cedar Grove to Harbourton where they had five horses. "This was my horse

"Bernie," Fred said proudly, displaying a picture of a sweet-faced but very large animal. "He was 18 hands tall." They later had Thoroughbreds and Morgans. When one of their mares lost her brother to a sudden illness, knowing that horses need company, they "borrowed" goats to keep the mare company. The mare went through a series of goats and lived to be 29.

Fred and family lived in Harbourton for 18 years before moving to Delaware Township in 2002. In addition to daughter Irene, Fred now has eight great-grandchildren.

In addition to wedding photos, Fred has photos from the archives of an Italian newspaper of himself in Italy sitting in a jeep during WWII at Monte Casino. He states, "It's famous over there; something all the kids learn about in Italy; like Washington Crossing the Delaware here." He has been to several reunions of his regiment. "The British, Polish, and Canadian armies are looking for us," he says. "Now, there aren't many of us left, just four or five guys. But I am very proud of it; that I did my share." He is part of history and we thank him and all war Veterans for their service.

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## PennEast Pipeline Update

Since the last newsletter, despite the countless letters and documents filed by townships, citizens, and organizations along the entire route of the PennEast pipeline throughout the pre-application process, PennEast moved ahead and submitted on September 24, 2015 an official application to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to build the pipeline. With that submittal, the next phase of the FERC process began. Interested and concerned parties had until the end of October to file for "intervenor" status. An intervenor is someone afforded "standing" for potential future appeals of various FERC decisions. Delaware Township filed for intervenor status as did other townships, Hunterdon County, State organizations, concerned citizens, interest groups and individuals throughout New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

The next part of the process is the finalization of Resource Reports and the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement based on those reports. The Township commented extensively on the draft Resource Reports and intends to re-review and re-submit its comments and concerns since summaries by PennEast in response to comments continue to be generic, incomplete and misrepresent what was submitted. FERC continues to accept comments from anyone interested in participating in the process. If you have questions or concerns, you can contact a member of the Township's Pipeline Subcommittee, or the Delaware Township Citizens Against the Pipeline (DTCAP) at [www.dtcap.org](http://www.dtcap.org).

## 2015 Volunteer of the Year: Kathleen Katz

**K**athy and her husband Michael moved to Delaware Township in 1994. It took a mountain of rock, namely, the Lambertville Quarry, to get Kathy engaged in Township affairs. Following protracted litigation between the Township and Trap Rock Industries, Kathy became the Chairperson of the newly formed Quarry Compliance Committee in 2007 and has served in the capacity since then.

Subsequently, Kathy became involved in many Township activities. She joined the Planning Board in 2008, and has served as its Vice Chairperson since 2009. She also serves on several Planning Board subcommittees.

In 2010, Kathy joined the Environmental Commission where she serves as the Liaison with the Planning Board. One of her tasks on the Commission is the organization and operation of the Township's popular well testing program.

Kathy shares her knowledge and expertise as the need arises. When the PennEast Pipeline Company announced its proposal to construct a pipeline in Delaware Township and elsewhere in New Jersey, the Township Committee formed the Delaware Township Pipeline Subcommittee, and Kathy agreed to chair it. She immersed herself in the application and review process and with the Pipeline Subcommittee has spent countless hours pouring over the application process and submissions by PennEast. Under her guidance, they have drafted and recommended to the Township Committee several letters that have been approved and sent to Penn-East and FERC.

They say if you want something done, ask a busy and engaged person. For Delaware Township, that person is Kathy Katz.

## Use of Dilts Farm Park

**U**se of the Dilts Farm Park fields and pavilion by any organized recreational team or group and for any type of party, picnic or other celebration requires submission of an application for Use of the Dilts Farm Park facilities. League teams must provide proof of insurance and name Delaware Township as an Additional Insured.

The Use of Facilities forms for Residents and for Non-Residents are on the Township's website and include the maintenance fee and deposit amounts. Contact Judy Allen at the Township Building well in advance of your activity to schedule your use or event. 609-397-3240 Ext. 205.

## Employee of the Year: Cindy Hooven

**E**mployee of the Year, Cindy Hooven, was hired as the Joint Municipal Court Administrator in January 2000, serving both Delaware and East Amwell Townships. Cindy is uniquely both a Delaware Township and an East Amwell Township employee. She and her husband Ralph are long time Delaware Township residents.

Many residents do not see Cindy at work given her specialized duties and the court's location in Ringoes, but she is a valuable asset to our Community. She has been serving as the Court Administrator for the past fifteen years. Several years ago, Stockton Borough joined the court system and more recently, Franklin Township joined as well.

Each year the Superior Court of New Jersey conducts a detailed inspection of court functions, including administrative procedures, office practices, facility and security conformance stands, and in-depth analysis of financial records. There are also unscheduled in-court visitations.

The State's Administrative Specialist sends a report and notes the many areas where the Court excels. He repeatedly commends Ms. Hooven for her ability to effectively manage the responsibilities as the Municipal Court Administrator, particularly in view of the fact that she is the only full-time court employee. The Township receives glowing compliments about Ms. Hooven's performance in her Administrator capacity.

According to Police Chief Chris Cane, managing four municipalities with thousands of motor vehicle summonses and criminal complaints is a daunting task at best, yet Cindy's professionalism and attentiveness to detail is unmatched. Delaware Township says "thank you" to Cindy and chose her as this year's Employee of the year.

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## Attention Landlords and Tenants

**I**f you are a residential landlord in Delaware Township, you are required to register your rental property every year with the Township by filing a Landlord and Tenant Registration Statement.

It is a very simple form available on the Township's website, [www.DelawareTwpNJ.org](http://www.DelawareTwpNJ.org). Under the "Government" heading go to "Forms, Permits and Licenses" then to "Office of the Clerk." Click on the Registration form. Tenants – you can call the Township Building to see whether your landlord is registered.

## 2015 Open Space Report

Delaware Township continues to actively participate for the preservation of farmland and other open space property with the New Jersey and Hunterdon County agricultural preservation programs, the State Green Acres program, the US Department of Agriculture (USDA), and various non-profit land preservation groups, like the NJ Conservation Foundation (NJCF). In 2014, the Township spent over \$139,000 in Open Space funds to preserve the 22-acre Cyktor Farm and 42-acre Lovenberg Farm, but was able to recoup \$86,000 of those costs this year from the Hunterdon County Open Space grant to municipalities. Also in 2014, in cooperation with the State Agriculture Development Committee (SADC) and the USDA's Farm and Ranchlands Protection Program, the Township preserved the 72-acre Copeland Farm without using any Township Open Space funds except for minimal costs for the appraisals and survey.

In 2015, Delaware Township preserved the 35-acre Yard Farm, again with the cooperation of the SADC, the NJCF, and the USDA, at no substantial cost to the Township.

Looking forward to next year, the Township is negotiating to preserve an additional 60-acres of agricultural land in the Sand Brook area, as well as two pending Green Acres projects: a 12-acre parcel near Rosemont, and 64-acre tract near Dilt's Park.

The Township's Open Space Committee continues to strive to use Township Open Space funds wisely by seeking a wide variety of other funding partners and options in every preservation package that it considers.

If you have questions about land preservation, or wish to inquire about preserving land, please feel free to contact the Township Open Space Coordinator, James Borders, at 609-397-9112.

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## Home Heating Assistance

**LIHEAP:** The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) is designed to help low-income families and individuals meet home heating and medically necessary cooling costs. This year the application period is through April 30, 2016. The amount of the LIHEAP heating benefit is determined by income, household size, fuel type, and heating region. Information about the program and on income limits is available at [www.state.nj.us/dca/divisions/dhcr/index.shtml](http://www.state.nj.us/dca/divisions/dhcr/index.shtml) Click on Energy Assistance Programs.

To apply for LIHEAP, contact 1-800-510-3102 or call the Hunterdon County Division of Senior Services for an application at 908-788-1361.

## Free Rabies Clinic: Dec. 5

The Township Board of Health is sponsoring a free rabies clinic on Saturday, December 5th from 10:00 a.m. to Noon at the Township Garage located at 816 Sergeantsville Road (Rt. 523). Pets must be in a carrier or on a leash. If you cannot attend the December 5th Clinic, contact the Hunterdon County Health Department at 908-788- 1351 or visit <http://www.co.hunterdon.nj.us/health/rabiesclinics.html> to learn about free clinics offered by other municipalities. You will be mailed the required proof of vaccination to attach to your Delaware Township license application.

Rabies vaccinations cannot expire before November 1, 2016 in order to obtain a 2016 license.

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## Animal Licensing

All dogs and cats must be licensed no later than February 28, 2016 in order to avoid late fees. There are two separate forms: one for dogs and one for cats. Please fill out the appropriate form(s) and attach the pet's rabies certificate to the application. Make sure you include a phone number on the application in case there is a question.

Make a copy of the form(s) and mail it along with your check for the appropriate amount to: P.O. Box 101 Sergeantsville, NJ 08557 or drop it off at the Police Station (816 Sergeantsville Rd) between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, or you may use the drop box outside the door. Applications also can be found on the Township website, [www.delawaretpnj.org/forms.html](http://www.delawaretpnj.org/forms.html), at the Police station (8am to 3pm), and at the Rabies Clinic on December 5, 10a.m. - Noon at the Township Garage.

Licensing time is January 1st through February 28th. Any application received or post marked after February 28th will be returned and a late fee will be charged.

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## Sergeantsville Inn Update

The Sergeantsville Inn is tentatively scheduled to reopen on December 15th. We join the community in wishing the Clyde's well as they gear back up to reopen this historic landmark.

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## All Organizations

Call the Township Building if you would like your Township organization's calendar of activities published in "News from the Bridge."

Dog Licensing Form for Year \_\_\_\_\_  
Licenses are Renewed each January

After January 1<sup>st</sup> and not before, please return form, fee and proof of current rabies vaccination from a veterinarian or rabies clinic (Not last years license form) per State Regulation N.J.S.A. 4:19-15.5

\$8.00 per spayed or neutered dog  
\$11.00 per unspayed/non-neutered dog

Delaware Township Animal Licensing  
Attr: Deanna Higgins  
P.O. Box 101  
Sergeantsville, NJ 08557  
(609) 483-2665 ext 201  
New Dog \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_  
Check payable to: Delaware Township or exact cash.

**\*\*Rabies Vaccination CAN NOT EXPIRE BEFORE 11/1 or your forms and payment will be sent back to you\*\***  
Application is considered incomplete (a late fee may apply, see below)

DOG'S OWNER NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY/STATE/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Must Provide Street Address, No. P.O. Boxes STREET LOCATION \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_ CELL # \_\_\_\_\_

DOGS NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ SEX \_\_\_\_\_ HAIR \_\_\_\_\_ DOG'S AGE \_\_\_\_\_  
(short, med, long)

SPAYED/NEUTERED? \_\_\_\_\_ YES / \_\_\_\_\_ NO  
Microchip ID # \_\_\_\_\_

COLOR/MARKINGS \_\_\_\_\_ BREED \_\_\_\_\_

RABIES EXPIRATION: ATTACH RABIES CERTIFICATE (Cannot Expire Before 11/1/CURRENT YEAR)\*\*

DOGS NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ SEX \_\_\_\_\_ HAIR \_\_\_\_\_ DOG'S AGE \_\_\_\_\_  
(short, med, long)

SPAYED/NEUTERED? \_\_\_\_\_ YES / \_\_\_\_\_ NO  
Microchip ID # \_\_\_\_\_

COLOR/MARKINGS \_\_\_\_\_ BREED \_\_\_\_\_

RABIES EXPIRATION: ATTACH RABIES CERTIFICATE (Cannot Expire Before 11/1/CURRENT YEAR)\*\*

Beginning March 1<sup>st</sup> (current year), please include an additional \$30.00 late fee PER DOG (Ordinance #2005-26BH) Only exact cash or check is accepted as payment. If proof of rabies is not included or expires before Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> of licensing period, the application is considered incomplete and your form and payment will be sent back to you. Pet owners are responsible for knowing when their pets' rabies vaccinations expire.

Please call me or list the names of pets you **NO LONGER** own \_\_\_\_\_ Thank you,

WARNING: Applications received by or sent to Township officials are subject to the Open Public Records Act (OPRA)

PLEASE SEPARATE DOG AND CAT FORMS PRIOR TO SUBMITTING

Cat Licensing Form for Year \_\_\_\_\_  
Licenses are Renewed each January

After January 1<sup>st</sup> and not before, please return form, fee and proof of current rabies vaccination from a veterinarian or rabies clinic (Not last years license form) per State Regulation N.J.S.A. 4:19-15.5

DO NOT PUT MORE THAN ONE CAT ON A LINE

Delaware Township Animal Licensing  
Attr: Deanna Higgins  
P.O. Box 101  
Sergeantsville, NJ 08557  
(609) 483-2665 ext 201  
New Cat \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_  
Check payable to: Delaware Township or exact cash.

**\*\*Rabies Vaccination MUST not expire before Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> (current year) or your forms and payment will be sent back to you\*\***  
Application is considered incomplete (a late fee may apply, see below)

CAT'S OWNER NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY/STATE/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Must Provide Street Address, No. P.O. Boxes STREET LOCATION \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_ CELL # \_\_\_\_\_

CAT'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_ SEX \_\_\_\_\_ SPAYED/NEUTERED? \_\_\_\_\_ YES / \_\_\_\_\_ NO  
Microchip ID # \_\_\_\_\_

HAIR \_\_\_\_\_ BREED \_\_\_\_\_ COLOR \_\_\_\_\_  
(short, med, long)

RABIES EXPIRATION: ATTACH RABIES CERTIFICATE (Cannot Expire Before 11/1/CURRENT YEAR)\*\*

CAT'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_ SEX \_\_\_\_\_ SPAYED/NEUTERED? \_\_\_\_\_ YES / \_\_\_\_\_ NO  
Microchip ID # \_\_\_\_\_

HAIR \_\_\_\_\_ BREED \_\_\_\_\_ COLOR \_\_\_\_\_  
(short, med, long)

RABIES EXPIRATION: ATTACH RABIES CERTIFICATE (Cannot Expire Before 11/1/CURRENT YEAR)\*\*

Beginning March 1<sup>st</sup> (current year), FEE IS \$17.00 (\$10.00 LATE FEE - \$7.00 License fee) (Ordinance #2005-26BH) Only exact cash or check is accepted as payment. If proof of rabies is not included or expires before November 1<sup>st</sup> of licensing period, the application is considered incomplete and your form and payment will be sent back to you. Pet owners are responsible for knowing when their pets' rabies vaccinations expire.

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## Community Calendar

**Dec. 5:** Free Rabies Clinic for Cats and Dogs from 10 a.m. to Noon at Township Garage on Rt. 523 Bring pets on leash or in carriers.

**Dec. 13,14:** Holiday Decorating Contest 6pm to 9pm

**Dec. 20:** Breakfast at SVFC 7:30 a.m. to Noon

**Dec. 24:** Township Offices Close at Noon

**Dec. 25:** Township Offices Closed

**Dec. 31:** Township Offices Close at Noon

**Jan. 1:** Happy New Year! Township Offices Closed

**Jan. 4:** Township Committee Reorganization 6:30pm

— All are welcome.

**Jan. 18:** Martin Luther King Holiday – Township Offices Closed

**Feb. 14:** Valentine's Day

**Feb. 15:** Presidents' Day – Township Offices Closed

**Feb. 29:** Leap Day!

**Township Committee:** 7:30 p.m. Mondays 12/14, 12/28, Reorganization TBA; Mondays, 1/11, 1/25, 2/8; 2/29; 3/14

**Planning Board:** 7:30 p.m. on Tuesdays 12/1, 1/5, 2/2, and 3/1

**Board of Health:** 7:30 p.m. on Mondays 12/7, 1/4, 2/1, and 3/7

**Board of Adjustment:** 7:30 p.m. on Thursdays 12/10, 1/14, 2/11, and 3/10

**Recreation Commission:** 7:00 p.m. on Monday 12/14 – Holiday Decorating Road Trip; 7:30 p.m. on Mondays 1/4, 2/1, and 3/7

**Environmental Commission:** 7:30 p.m. on Wednesdays 12/16, 1/20, 2/17, and 3/16

**Open Space Committee:** 7:30 p.m. on Mondays 12/21, 1/18, 2/15, and 3/21

**D.T.M.U.A.:** 7:30 p.m. on Thurs. 12/3, 1/7, 2/4, and 3/3

**Agricultural Advisory Committee:** 7:00 p.m. on Tuesdays 12/1, 1/5, 2/2, and 3/1

**Historic Advisory Committee:** 7:30 p.m. on Wednesdays 12/9, 1/13, 2/10, and 3/9

**Shade Tree Commission:** 7:00 p.m. on Thursdays 12/17, 1/28, 2/25, and 3/24

**Newsletter Committee:** 6:45 p.m. on Monday Jan. 11  
Other Committees meet as needed – see Website for notice of meetings.

### VFW Post #8390

Meetings held the last Wednesday of each month at the Delaware Township Municipal Building at 7:00 p.m. New members are welcome. Call Commander Charles Pierman at 609-397-2075.

### Breakfast at Sergeantsville Volunteer Fire Co.

Members of the Sergeantsville Volunteer Fire Co. are serving a home-cooked breakfast on Sunday, December 20th from 7:30 a.m. to 12 Noon. Santa will be there too, so bring your children and your camera! The menu includes eggs (easy or scrambled), bacon, sausage, French toast, pancakes (regular or blueberry), toast, medallion home fries, orange juice and coffee. Your food will be served to your table. Prices: Adults \$8, Children 5-10 \$4, under 5 free. \$1 Senior Discount (65 and over). Plate refill for only \$3. Look for more dates in 2016.

### Senior Citizens

Membership information? Call President Sandra Krahling at 609-397-0145. All Delaware Township residents 60 years of age or older are welcome. Meetings:

**Dec. 2:** 12 p.m. Free Christmas Party and entertainment at the Sergeantsville Volunteer Fire Co. for members with dues paid up and who attended 3+ meetings. To make your reservation call Dorothy Kurzenberger at 908-782-0635 or Dorothy Gilde at 609-397-2097.

No Meetings January and February

**March 2, 2016:** At Sergeantsville Volunteer Fire Co. Potluck Luncheon at 12 noon.

### Yoga Classes for Seniors

The Hunterdon County Division of Senior Services offers two Yoga classes at the Delaware Township Municipal Building on Monday mornings at 9:30 a.m. and at 11 a.m. Wear comfortable clothes and bring a yoga mat. Beginners are especially welcome! \$3 per session. Call Kim Karsh to register at 908-996-3548.

### Delaware Township Historical Society

For information about the Delaware Township Historical Society and its scheduled meetings and activities call Marilyn Cummings at 609-397-5363.

### Hunterdon Central Regional High School

The Board of Education meets at 7 p.m. in the IMC/Library at 84 Rt. 31, Flemington, NJ on December 21, 2015, January 4, 2016 (Includes reorganization), January 25, February 22, and March 21 (budget introduction).

**All meetings are at Town Hall unless otherwise noted.**

## Recreation Commission Activities

### Active Recreational Opportunities

**I**t's not too late to join the group of residents who are playing basketball and volleyball.

Adult and teen recreational activities continue at Delaware Township School. Thank you to the Delaware Township Board of Education for scheduling time for these activities. Play began in October and will continue through March. New players welcome!

When school is closed due to inclement weather, early dismissals or holidays, the facilities are not available during these dates and times. Dates may be changed or deleted due to the scheduling of the facilities for school functions.

NOTE: The Adult women's basketball program has been cancelled due to lack of participation.

**Adult men's basketball** on Tuesday and Thursday nights, 7 to 10:00 p.m. at the DTS cafeteria.

**Adult coed volleyball** on Wednesday nights, 7:30 to 10:00 p.m. at DTS cafeteria.

**Teen coed basketball and/or volleyball** on Friday nights, 7 to 9 p.m. at DTS cafeteria.

## Delaware Township School Activities

### Kindergarten Registration

**K**indergarten registration for Delaware Township children who will be five years old on or before October 1, 2016 will be held at Delaware Township School on February 19th. Please contact School Secretary Britian Moore at DTS at 397-3179, Ext. 402 to receive a registration packet.

**Dec. 15:** Board of Education 7:30 p.m. DTS Performing Arts Room

**Dec. 23:** 1:30 p.m. dismissal

**Dec. 24-Jan. 1:** Winter recess – School closed

**Jan. 4:** Classes resume

**Jan. 5:** Board of Education Reorganization 7:30 p.m. DTS Performing Arts Room

2016 Meeting Schedule to be Determined

**Jan. 18:** Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – School closed

**Feb. 12:** 1:30 p.m. dismissal – In-Service

**Feb. 15:** Presidents' Day – School Closed

**March 18:** Early Dismissal – Conferences/In-Service

## Church Corner

### Sergeantsville United Methodist Church

**Parent's Night Out:** Friday, December 11th – 5:30 to 9 p.m. – Open to children age 4 to 6th grade. Start or finish your Christmas shopping or enjoy a quiet kid-free dinner. Pizza will be served. There will also be a seasonal movie with snack, games. Each child will make a Christmas gift to bring home with them. There is a \$20 suggested donation for the first child and \$10 for additional siblings. The money will be used on pizza and craft supplies for the evening. Please pre-register your child(ren) by Monday, December 7th by calling (609) 548-9169 or emailing Jessica\_Stenstrom@yahoo.com.

**Advent Worship:** Choose from two services – 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. The 9 a.m. service is smaller, with Communion celebrated weekly. The 11 a.m. service has a choir, nursery, and Sunday School.

**Blue Christmas Service:** December 20 at 5 p.m. – Christmas isn't an easy season for everyone. Perhaps you are grieving the loss of a loved one, struggling with an illness or loss of job. Join us in a safe place and come exactly as you are. A light soup supper will follow the service.

**Christmas Eve Worship:** Traditional Candlelight Worship Service with Communion – 11 p.m.

### Youth Programs

**Club 3:16:** An hour packed with fun and surprises for children age 4 to 6th grade. We meet on Thursday afternoons from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. All are welcome.

**Ignite:** Our monthly middle and high school gathering, meeting on the first and third Fridays (but not Dec. 18 due to church mission trip) from 7:30 to 9 p.m. for snack, fun and games. Everyone is welcome.

For additional information, contact Pastor Jessica by email at Jessica\_Stenstrom@yahoo.com or phone 609-397-2333, or visit [www.sergeantsvilleumc.com](http://www.sergeantsvilleumc.com) or on Facebook. You are also welcome to join us in worship at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. every Sunday. Our 11 a.m. service has a Sunday School program during the school year.

### Amwell Church of the Brethren

**Dec. 24th:** Christmas Eve Service 7 p.m.

**Dec. 31st:** Watch night service 8:00 p.m. to Midnight. Fun, food, fellowship, and pray in the New Year.

**Amwell Youth Group:** Friday Nights 7:00 p.m. Kindergarten to Young Adults welcome. Special events are always being planned!

**Bible Study:** Wednesday Nights 7:00 p.m. Join us as we study the Book of Matthew.

**Sunday School** at 10:00 a.m.

**Worship Service** at 10:45 a.m.

For more information call 609-397-4842.

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## Holiday Decorating Contest

**J**udging for those who pre-register for this year's Delaware Township Holiday Decorating Contest will be held on Sunday, December 13th and Monday, December 14th.

If you would like to be included in this year's competition, you must register your house no later than December 10th by emailing [deltwprec@gmail.com](mailto:deltwprec@gmail.com) or call 609-397-3848. Once registered, please remember to have your lights turned on BOTH NIGHTS (December 13 and 14) from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. so that your house décor can be judged. Prizes will be awarded to the best-decorated houses!

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## Pre-School Open House

**D**elaware Township School will host a Pre-School Open House on February 12th. Come learn about this special program for pre-schoolers.

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## In Search of Hidden Cemeteries

**I**s there a family cemetery on your property? The Historic Advisory Committee at its October meeting, talked with Bob Leith from the Hunterdon County Historical Society Cemetery Committee. The Cemetery Committee's charge is to identify and map all the cemeteries in the County.

Thus far, they identified 170 cemeteries. The reason for identifying cemeteries is that they can be founts of historical information. Further, especially for family cemeteries, as family members pass away or move away, the cemeteries may be lost, forgotten and dug up or developed if no one remembers where they are located.

The Historical Society is mapping the cemeteries using GIS in hopes of protecting them, or at a minimum making sure that someone knows where they are before they are accidentally destroyed. If you have a cemetery on your property that you want to add to this project, contact Bob Leith at [Bobleith@comcast.net](mailto:Bobleith@comcast.net).

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## Snow Removal

**A**Township ordinance prohibits the placement of snow on roads. When you plow or shovel snow, please keep it off Township, County and State roads. It creates additional hazards for motorists and pedestrians. Also – please keep your garbage cans and recycling cans off of the road cartway when the Road Department is plowing. Thank you!