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Keeping Our Residents Informed

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Upper Deerfield Township Committee Reorganizes for 2011

James P. Crilley was selected as Mayor and Bruce T. Peterson was selected to serve as Deputy Mayor for 2011, at the Reorganization Meeting of the Township Committee in January.

John Daddario and Bruce Peterson were re-elected

to the Township Committee at the November election. They were sworn-in at the reorganization meeting in January to serve another three year term on the Committee. John "Terry" O'Neill, Sr. and Scott Smith complete the Township Committee for 2011.

Upper Deerfield Twp Public School District 2011-12 Budget Overview

The Local Tax Levy

1. There will be **NO TAX INCREASE** with the proposed general fund tax levy of \$6,133,850.

Revenues

2. The 2011-12 budget received an overall increase of \$47,590 in State Aid which includes additional mandated costs for Charter School tuition and the SDA's Assessment for Debt Service payment.

Expenditures

3. The district is obligated to support contracted salaries. It must also provide for increases in health and dental benefits, PERS pension contributions, Unemployment Trust Fund payments, special education placements, student transportation, energy and utility costs, and insurance coverages. It is also

required to ensure a safe and healthy environment for our students and staff through preventative maintenance plans and contracted professionals.

4. There are no Capital Outlay projects proposed in the budget.

5. Not all current staff will be renewed for the 2011-12 school year.

Balancing the Budget

6. The budget includes a non-recurring revenue source in the amount of \$140,000 from the Maintenance Reserve account.

7. The budget also includes a second non-recurring revenue source in the amount of \$209,000 from the Education Jobs fund.

2011 Budget Introduced

The Township Committee introduced the 2011 budget at their March meeting. The budget once again does not require a local property tax. However, with past reductions in State Aid it is becoming extremely difficult to provide services without a local tax. The Township Committee is making every effort to live within its financial means by monitoring departmental spending, analyzing services provided and reviewing shared services opportunities.

Since 2008, State Aid has been reduced significantly, with the amount of Aid being reduced by nearly \$560,000. Due to the reduction in State Aid and loss of tax abatement revenues a local tax in the future is inevitable.

The 2011 budget is available to review on line at www.upperdeerfield.com. The public hearing on the budget is Thursday, April 21, 2011 at 7 pm in the Municipal Building.

Preschool and Kindergarten Registration May 18 & 25

Seabrook School will hold Preschool and Kindergarten registration by appointment only on Wednesday, May 18th and Wednesday, May 25th. Children who will enter Preschool for the 2011-12 school year must be 4 years of age on or before October 1, 2011. Children who will enter Kindergarten must be 5 years of age on or before October 1, 2011.

All students entering school for the first time will be required to have a physical examination by his/her family doctor, birth certificate, immunization information and proof of residency. A physical form will be provided for your doctor to complete. You may contact the Seabrook School to request or pick up an enrollment packet and schedule your appointment. Contact the school nurse, Ilda Trefheway, at 455-2267 ext. 4204 for more information.

Community Day - Family Fun Set For Saturday - April 30th

Upper Deerfield will be celebrating its annual Community Day on Saturday, April 30, 2011 from 10-4 pm, with a rain date on May 1st from 12 - 4 pm. Come join us for a day of family fun with music, food, rides, information displays, crafts and tours of Seabrook Brothers and Sons, Centerton Nursery, Historic Churches and Seabrook Educational and Cultural Museum!!!!

Businesses and organizations may participate in the activities by becoming a craft or business vendor, setting up an information booth or selling food. If your organization wishes to participate, please contact Cindy Kakoda at 856-455-3121 or Roy Spoltore at the

Municipal Building at 856-451-3811. For food vendor information, contact Carole Kinkade at 856-455-5735.

Application forms for vendor space are available at the Municipal Building or on the Township website www.upperdeerfield.com.

Confirmed activities include performances by the Woodruff School Band, the Minyo Dancers, the Hoh Daiko Drummers, Inflatable Rides, Pony Rides, Petting Zoo, Costume Characters and Professional Mascots "Swoop", and "Rocky Bluewinkle".

Many other activities are planned, check the website for updates.

Hope to see you there!



ROAD PAVING NOTICES

Seabrook West Village Roads to be Repaved

The repaving of First, Second, Third, Fourth, Central and West End Avenues in West Village of Seabrook including installation of new storm water drainage will begin in May or June. The road improvements are being completed through a \$500,000 Small Cities Facilities Grant from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs along with a \$170,000 grant through the State of New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund. The project is estimated to cost \$650,000 to complete.

Martin, Lewis and Davis Roads to be Paved with Grant

The Township has received approval for a grant request from the New Jersey Department of Transportation to repave Martin, Lewis and Davis Roads. The \$180,000 grant to overlay these Township Roads is provided through the State of New Jersey Transportation Trust Grant. It is anticipated that the roads will be paved at the end of 2011.

LEAF COLLECTION IS FINISHED

Township Leaf Collection has concluded until October. Township residents may bring any remaining leaves to the Convenience Center and dispose of them in the grass and leaf container.

Business Summit:

'Saving Money in a Tight Economy' Set For May 18

The Township Committee and the Township Economic Development Committee will hold a business program on May 18th from 6 to 8 pm at the Township Senior Center for local businesses. The program will feature presentations on smart ways to save money on essential business functions such as: How deregulated electric markets might save you 5-15% on your electric costs; How alternative phone plans might save you 10-50% on your current bills; and How the rapidly evolving world of social media might multiply the reach and effectiveness of your current marketing efforts. Each presentation will provide an overview of the changing nature of today's market relative to these key business activities. Local business owners will then share their experiences to demonstrate that these alternatives can work for you as well.

Stay tuned. Program details will be mailed to Township businesses and posted on the Township website, www.upperdeerfield.com.

New Construction Official/Building Inspector Appointed to Construction Code Office

There have been some changes within the Construction Code Office. A new Construction Official/Building Inspector has been appointed by the Upper Deerfield Township Committee. Jeryl "Jerrri" Goff has been in the construction business for 39 years and has been inspecting for over 13 years. She is the first woman to be appointed to these positions in Cumberland County and Salem County.

The Construction Office is open from 8:30 AM until 4:30 PM. in the Municipal Building. The Construction Official is in the office on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 8:30 AM until 1:30 PM.

Just a reminder, with the warmer weather approaching, many people may be thinking about construction projects, (pools, decks, sheds, etc.) Please call the office or stop in with your questions. It is always a good idea to contact the office to see if a permit is needed. We are here to guide you all the way through the process from zoning to completion. 856-451-9591.

**Convenience Center
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**The Convenience Center is open
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Convenience Center stickers are available at the
Municipal Building; 1325 Highway 77, Seabrook,
NJ 08302, Monday – Friday 8:30 – 4:30 or you may
register online at
www.upperdeerfield.com.

ONLINE CONVENIENCE

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Township Offers Online Tax and Utility Payments

The Township of Upper Deerfield will be offering the convenience of making Tax and Utility payments online by mid-April. There is a link on the front page of the Township's website that will allow payments to be processed.

There will be a user fee of \$1.05 for each electronic check and a fee of \$3.95 for each Visa Debit Transaction with this service. All other Debit/Credit Card transactions will have a user fee of 2.95% (percent) of the transaction.

Read Township Ordinances Online

The Township of Upper Deerfield now has all of the Township Ordinances available online. On the Township's home page, click on the Ordinance icon and then click on the heading for "Electronic Copy of Ordinances".

REMINDER FROM YOUR DOG REGISTRAR:



2011 Dog License: Township Regulations require all dogs 7 months or older, or having a permanent set of teeth, must be licensed each year.

License Fees: Spayed / Neutered **\$10.00**
Non-Spayed / Non-Neutered..... **\$13.00**

Late Fee after April 30, 2011 is an extra \$10.00

The state requires that the rabies shot be valid for 10 months out of the current year. If your dog's renewal rabies shot occurs after April 30th, please bring a note from the Veterinarian stating that the pet's shot was not due until this date and the late fee will be waived for medical reasons.

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Township Revaluation Scheduled For 2011

Upper Deerfield Township is about to undergo a revaluation of the real estate within the municipality. Such a revaluation is a mass appraisal of all real property within the Township's borders. It is performed by an independent professional appraisal or revaluation firm. The properties will be revalued at their "current" value. In Upper Deerfield Township, this will be as of October 1, 2011 and those values, once confirmed, will become effective in 2012. By doing this, the municipality seeks to shift the tax burden evenly across the properties, based on new tax assessments resulting from the current true values.

Revaluation firms used for this process must meet certain qualification requirements of the New Jersey Division of Taxation in order to be approved by a municipality. In Upper Deerfield Township's case, the municipality has selected Vital Communications, Inc.

The valuations of properties must be done in accordance with state law - N.J.S.A. 54:4-1 et seq. If a property is under construction (either new construction, or additions or remodeling) then the selected appraiser must determine the extent of completion as well as the value. If the land is assessed as farmland, a valuation will be made based on its value as farmland and then a separate one based on the highest and best use to which the land may be used. Revaluation firms will also value exempt properties as if they were fully taxable.

For every property, the revaluation appraiser will create a property record card which contains specific information about the physical attributes of the property (e.g. dimensions, age, condition of any buildings, etc.) and other information which may be of assistance to the appraiser (existing appraisals, recent sales, rent amounts, etc.). The card

is created with information obtained based on an actual inspection of the individual premises. If entry into the premises is not possible after repeated tries, the valuation will be an estimated one. Once the valuations are made and the proposed valuation supplied to the taxpayer, each taxpayer will be provided with an opportunity to attend an individual informal review of the value proposed with representatives of the company performing the revaluation. At that time, the revaluation firm may consider revisions to their proposed valuation based on input from the taxpayer.

Once the revaluation is completed and new property assessments are made by the tax assessor, a new municipal tax rate will be determined and taxpayers will then know to what extent, if any, their taxes will adjust as a result of their new assessment. For more information contact the Municipal Building at 451-3811.

Home Rehabilitation Grants Help Residents

Upper Deerfield Township will be applying for a grant to help income-qualified homeowners repair their homes. Upper Deerfield Township is accepting new applications from homeowners who would like to take advantage of the rehabilitation program.

The home rehabilitation program will provide assistance up to \$25,000 to help with home repairs including windows, roofs, floors, heating systems, insulation, woodwork, plumbing and similar work to remedy serious home deficiencies. Half of the assistance provided converts to a grant in six years. The other half is only paid back (without interest) when the homeowner sells the home.

Anyone interested in being included on the waiting list should contact Amy Colaneri at the Upper Deerfield Township Municipal Building at 451-3811 ext 133.



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Congratulations John

John Mossbrooks was selected as fireman of the year by Seabrook Fire Company and received a plaque from Fire Chief Douglas Mehaffey.

Seabrook Water Treatment Facility Nearing Completion

The construction of the new Seabrook Water Treatment Facility, at the corner of Parsonage and 77, is nearing completion with an anticipated operational date of May 2011. The Seabrook Treatment Facility includes a building for radionuclide treatment, a building to complete the treatment of the water, a new water well and the system will be tied into the water tower in Seabrook.

This \$3.3 million dollar Seabrook Water Treatment Facility was made possible through a grant of \$1,000,000 million dollars with the balance through a low interest 40-year fixed loan from the United States Department of Agriculture.



Edgar Joyce Senior Center members took a trip to visit the Seabrook Educational and Cultural Center and learned many interesting historic facts about our area.

2011 Township Water Rates To Be Revised

The Township is nearing completion on the state and court mandated improvements at the Love Lane and Seabrook Water Treatment Facilities. The improvements cost \$5.83 million, with the Township receiving \$1.653 million in grants and \$4.18 million of low interest loans over 40 years from the USDA. The annual water budget needs to be increased to account for the new operating expenses associated with the mandated improvements. Long term debt payments will add \$170,000 per year and the handling and monitoring of the radionuclide treatment will cost \$202,000 per year.

With the added operating costs, water rates need to be increased. The water rates for Love Lane water customers have not been modified since their inception in 1996. Once the revised rates are finalized a public hearing will be held on the proposed water rates at the Municipal Building.



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The Edgar Joyce Senior Center has made it through the winter! Our classes have been full and we welcomed a new class, jewelry making. There have been some beautiful pieces made. The Harry Garrison Memorial Pinochle Tournament was won by George Hobson in January.

• **On Monday, May 2, 2011, the Center will host the annual Open House.** On display will be samples of the many different things we learn and do. You can also try our beginners yoga class designed especially for seniors. It's easy and fun. Of course there will also be plenty of snacks and friendly faces at the Open House on May 2, 2011, from 10:00-3:00 PM. Hope to see you there.



The Center provides speakers and programs on most every topic that are asked for, to keep our seniors very informed. These activities are listed in our brochure which can be sent to you. Call 451-5649 to be added to our mailing list.

In March the Center once again partnered with Remsterville Learning Center, when the children came and put on the play "A Very Hungry Caterpillar".



Note from Kim: I used to have a handle on life.... but it broke.



Seabrook Education and Cultural Center Offers Postcards

John Hoffman, an avid antiques collector has provided SECC with a supply of old Seabrook Farms postcards. The postcards were produced by Connelly-Moy Photographers and depict an aerial view of Seabrook, NJ, with the familiar plant smokestack and barracks-type housing. The back of the card states, "Home of Seabrook Farms and Snow Crop frozen vegetables, prepared foods and fruits. The world's largest integrated farming-freezing operation". The postcards may be purchased at the SECC in the Municipal Building for \$1.00.

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Southern Pine Beetle

Dendroctonus frontalis

The southern pine beetle is a destructive pine pest found from the United States, through Mexico, and into South America. Southern pine beetles attack most species of pines, but in New Jersey the beetle prefers dense, unmanaged stands of pitch pine. These trees, stressed by drought, disease or soil compaction, become vulnerable to southern pine beetle attacks. Without intervention, southern pine beetle can spread rapidly, affecting thousands of trees. From 1973-77, an outbreak of southern pine beetle in the southern states killed enough trees to build 266,272 two-thousand square-foot homes.

Successive days of extreme temperatures of cold (below 0 °) or eat (above 95 °) can reduce populations.

When southern pine beetles attack a tree, the tree's needles turn yellow, then red, and within as little as a month, may become brown. Often an outbreak goes undetected until multiple trees are infected and begin to change color.

Beetle monitoring

New Jersey foresters monitor beetle populations in the spring with traps baited with pheromones and pine turpentine. Pheromones are chemicals produced naturally by female beetles to attract males. Turpentine mimics the scent of stressed or wounded trees. Foresters

send trap contents to the US Forest Service who identify southern pine beetles and their predator, checkered beetles. The US Forest Service reports the ratio of southern pine beetle to checkered beetle to New Jersey foresters. With this information, foresters predict the severity of upcoming infestations.

Population Control

In one summer, the population of southern pine beetle can increase tenfold, infesting pine trees up to 50 feet per day.

Often foresters spot dying trees affected by southern pine beetle while conducting an aerial survey. The foresters inspect the site from the ground for telltale signs of southern pine beetle such as pitch tubes, "S" shaped galleries under the bark and exit holes. To control populations, foresters first cut a 40'-70' buffer strip around the affected area. Then the foresters chip trees or spray them with insecticide.

Outbreak prevention

Often crowded, dense stands of trees become susceptible to southern pine beetle and other insects and diseases. To maintain vigor, foresters perform periodical thinnings, which improve growth and health of the forest.

STOP THE SPREAD

- Thin pine stands to maintain vigor and minimize mortality
- Don't transport infested trees
- Chip infested trees



Pitch tubes where beetles entered trees



Dense forest affected by southern pine beetle



S-shaped galleries behind the bark



Exit holes



Pheromone trap



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2011 Tax Payments Due:
February 1
May 1
August 1
November 1

SENIOR CENTER

Phone: 856-451-5649
Fax: 856-451-5684

Director
Kim Hemple-Miletta

Nurse
Karen Elwell

Senior Advisory Committee
Clara Caine
Herman Evans
John Melchiorre

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Tuesday, Friday & Saturday
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November through March • 8 am to 4 pm

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Eugene Stoms, Chief

FIRE COMPANY 2

Seabrook
90 Foster Road
Seabrook, NJ 08302
856-451-2937

Doug Mehaffey, Chief

FIRE COMPANY 3

Carlls Corner
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856-455-6566

Mike Dyer, Chief

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE

10 Hoover Drive
Seabrook, NJ 08302
856-455-2779

Chad Ott, Chief



TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

Meetings are held at 7:00 P.M.
in the Municipal Building,
1325 Highway 77, Seabrook, NJ
Phone: 856-451-3811
Fax: 856-451-1379

2011 MEETING DATES

January 6 & 20
February 3 & 17
March 3 & 17
April 7 & 21
May 5 & 19
June 2 & 16
July 7 & 21
August 4 & 18
September 1 & 15
October 6 & 20
November 3 & 17
December 1, 15 & 29

The year end meeting on
December 29, 2011 will be at 3:00 P.M.
January 5, 2012
Reorganization

Mayor

James P. Crilley

Deputy Mayor

Bruce Peterson

Committeeman

John L. Daddario

Committeeman

Scott Smith

Committeeman

John T. O'Neill, Sr.

Solicitor

Theodore E. Baker

Engineer

Brian Murphy

Clerk/Administrator

Roy J. Spoltore

REDEVELOPMENT ENTITY MEETINGS

All Meetings begin at 7:30 PM
in the Municipal Court Room

2011 MEETING DATES

January 20
February 17
March 17
April 21
May 19
June 16
July 21
August 18
September 15
October 20
November 17
December 15

January 19, 2012
Reorganization

Chairman

James P. Crilley

Vice Chairman

Bruce Peterson

Committee Members

John L. Daddario
John T. O'Neill, Sr.
Scott Smith

Solicitor

Theodore Baker

Engineer

Brian Murphy





PLANNING BOARD

Meetings are held at 7:00 P.M. at the Municipal Building, 1325 Highway 77, Seabrook, NJ

2011 MEETING DATES

January	10 & 19
February	23 & 28
March	14 & 21
April	11 & 18
May	9 & 16
June	13 & 20
July	11
August	8
September	12 & 19
October	12 & 17
November	14 & 21
December	12
Re-Organization Meeting January 9, 2012	

Board Members

Chairperson

Bruno A, Basile

Vice-Chairperson

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Russell Vanella
Edward Fleetwood, Jr.
Pauline Smith
Ernest Dooley Holt
John T. O'Neill, Sr.
Scott Smith
Eugene Stoms

Alternates

Jack Waeslik
Robert Whitesall
Louis Bramante
Anthony Buono

Secretary

Vicki Vagnarelli
vvagnarelli@upperdeerfield.com

Solicitor

Theodore H. Ritter
Matthew Ritter

Planner

Randy Scheule

Engineer

Robert DuBois

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

Meetings are held at 7:00 P.M. at the Municipal Building, 1325 Highway 77, Seabrook, NJ

2011 MEETING DATES

January	25
March	22
May	24
July	26
September	27
November	22
Re-Organization Meeting January 24, 2012	

Commission Members

Chairperson

Edward Overdevest

Vice-Chairperson

David M. Trout

Treasurer

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Brent Hankins
Leigh Marcello
Dr. John McGlynn
Russell Vanella

Secretary

Terry Stiles

Economic Development Consultant

Cumberland Development Corp
Tony Stanzione, Exec. Director



ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Meetings are held at 7:00 P.M. at the Municipal Building, 1325 Highway 77, Seabrook, NJ

2011 MEETING DATES

January.....	6
February.....	2
March.....	2
April.....	6
May.....	4
June.....	1
July.....	6
August.....	3
September.....	7
October.....	5
November.....	2
December.....	7
Re-Organization Meeting January 4, 2012	

Commission Members

Chairman

Blake Maloney

Vice-Chairperson

Sandy Morrissey
Eileen Clark
Ernest Dooley Holt
Kenneth Lavine
Lynn Maun
Steven Smith

Alternates

Caroline Owens
Whitney King

Secretary

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COMMUNITY PRIDE AND RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Meetings are held at 7:00 P.M. at the Municipal Building, 1325 Highway 77, Seabrook, NJ

2011 MEETING DATES

September	7
October	5
October.....	26

Committee Members

Herman Evans, Jr.
Kathy King
Belford Miller, Jr.
Ted Oniszczuk
Frank Tyler

AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY

Meetings are held at 7:30 P.M. at the Municipal Building, 1325 Highway 77, Seabrook, NJ

2011 MEETING DATES

TBA

Members

Don McCracken
James Johnson
Steven Smith
James Crilley
Bruce Peterson

Advisors

Ed Overdevest
Don Johnson
David Ackley



RECREATION COMMISSION

Meetings are held at 7:00 P.M. at the Little League Complex, 56 Hoover Road, Seabrook, NJ

2011 MEETING DATES

January	3
February	7
March	7
April	4
May	2
June	6
September	6
October	3
November	7

Re-Organization Meeting
January 2, 2012

Commission Members

Chairperson

Kenneth Lavine

Theresa Branch
Dennis Casper
Dennis Mooney
Kim Hemple-Miletta
John Rogers
Wayne Whipple

Alternates

Michael Large

Secretary - Maci Horner



HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Meetings are held at 7:00 P.M. at the Municipal Building, 1325 Highway 77, Seabrook, NJ

2011 MEETING DATES

January	11
February	8
March	8
April	12 & 26
May	10
September	13
October	11
November	15

Re-Organization Meeting
January 10, 2012

Commission Members

Chairperson

Marion Moore

Herman Evans, Jr.
Cindy Kakoda
Carole Kincaid
George Moore
Ronald Moore
Sharon Yoshida

Secretary

Cindy Kakoda



2011 MUNICIPAL COURT SESSIONS

January	4	10	18	24
February	7			
March	2	14	21	
April	5	11	18	
May	2	9	16	
June	6	13	20	
July	5	11	18	
August	1	8	15	
September	6	12	19	
October	3	11	17	
November	7	14	21	
December	5	12	19	

All sessions are held at 2:00 PM.

Municipal Court Judge

A. Paul Kienzle

Court Administrator

Patricia Adams

Deputy Court Administrator

Karen Crackovich

Municipal Prosecutor

Edward Duffy

Public Defender

Stephen Kernan

Annual Upper Deerfield Township Community Day

Support this local event by attending a day of community fun!
This year's event will be held Saturday, April 30, 2011





Upper Deerfield School District K-8

Superintendent
Peter Koza, ED.D

Business Administrator
Bruce Harbinson

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Upper Deerfield School District
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Board of Education Members

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Vice President
Joan McGill

Members
Jerry Benfer
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Mark Evans
Michelle Mooney
Karen Ramseur
Stephen Wilchensky

The Board of Education meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. The public is invited to attend these meetings.

Township Committee Representative
John L. Daddario



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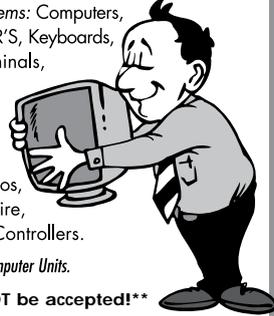
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Important Dates for Upper Deerfield Township School District

With the arrival of spring, our school district is springing into action. Each school in the District will be hosting their annual Open House according to the following schedule: Elizabeth Moore School was on March 30; Charles F. Seabrook School on April 18; and Woodruff School on April 19. Each Open House will begin at 7:00 PM.

Other important items include the following:

- Report Cards will be issued on April 13.
- Schools will be closed for Easter/Spring Break on April 21 through April 26.
- Annual School Election will be held on **April 27**.
- NJ ASK testing for students in grades 3 through 8 - test dates for grades 6, 7, and 8 will be May 3 through May 6 and grades 3, 4, and 5 will be May 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13.

The Annual School Election held on **April 27** will include a vote on the school district budget. A budget for the 2011-2012 school year has been introduced by the Upper Deerfield Township Board of Education. The budget being put forth includes no tax increase for the township residents.

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Cumberland Regional Fresh Seminar Program

To better support our students during this critical transition year, we assembled a committee of administrators, teachers and parents to research successful mentor/transition programs that are research based and data driven. After a year of research, analysis and planning, we have developed a mentor/transition program titled the "Freshman Seminar Course." While enrolled in this course, a select group of students are learning critical study skills, organizational skills and character traits that are vital for academic success. Community involvement is also being interwoven throughout the course. Student participation in the various clubs and activities that are offered at Cumberland Regional has been continuously encouraged and supported throughout the semester. The committee established a rigorous identification process to select Senior Mentors who have displayed honesty, integrity and leadership and have been strong role models for the freshmen in this course. In each classroom, five freshmen have been assigned to a Senior Mentor, who provides academic and social support on a daily basis.

The Freshman Seminar and Senior Mentoring programs have had a successful beginning to the semester filled with exciting experiences and new activities. In September, they worked on multiple team-building exercises, trust activities and organizational strategies to help them throughout their courses. During the month of October, Senior Mentors were paired with small groups of freshmen to further aide in their success. The mentors hold weekly conferences with their freshmen, check to see that they are using their passbooks daily and also check their lockers and notebooks to make sure they are staying organized. Two of the most rewarding experiences are the Red Ribbon Week power point presentations and the Hometown Heroes project. For Red Ribbon Week, the students researched the effects of drugs and alcohol and created 5-8 minute PowerPoint presentations. The students learned a lot about drugs and alcohol, but they also learned about team work and public speaking. In January the students participated in the *Hometown Heroes* project, which provided our freshmen and mentors an opportunity to select a hero in their community, interview him/her, and discover their path to success. Based on the information collected in the interview process, the students created a PowerPoint presentation on their hero. They also created a portfolio comprised of the essays the students wrote, pictures taken, and the PowerPoint, which was presented at a small reception (with refreshments) in our Media Center. Another valuable resource that the freshmen are learning a lot from is the book, "The Seven Habits of Highly Effective Teens," by Sean Covey. The students plan weekly goals, practice the importance of living proactive lives and learn responsibility. Students have written mission statements, performed skits dealing with peer pressure and have created action plans for the second part of the semester.



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Teaching Strategies...

On February 2nd, Dan Feigelson, a literacy consultant and published author who specializes in all aspects of reading and writing workshop presented a day-long seminar to teachers at the Moore School. Teachers had the opportunity to work together on developing and enhancing strategies for teaching writing in the Writer's Workshop format. Feigelson who has worked extensively in New York City schools as a principal, teacher, staff developer, curriculum writer, and local superintendent demonstrated how Writer's Workshop is the ideal format to teach, assess and enhance writing for all students.

Through a combination of hands-on writing activities, looking at student work, demonstrating and developing mini-lessons, and learning how to focus writing conferences with individual students, participants came away from this rich day with a full repertoire of new teaching strategies to add rigor to their writing instruction.

Here's to Your Health...

February 4th, during Wear Red Day, we learned about the importance of taking care of our health from the American Heart Association. We collected donations from the staff in order to help with the number one killer in women.

February was dental health month, and we celebrated good oral hygiene with an assembly presented by dental hygienist, Diana Venuti. She had a lot of helpful information and toothbrushes to share.

Moore School Embraces Smartboard Technology...

Some 4th grade classes in the Elizabeth F. Moore School are currently reading the book, *Samantha Hansen Has Rocks in Her Head*, written by Nancy Viau. The Moore School was lucky to have Ms. Viau as our guest author last year. The book includes a detailed description of the Grand Canyon, and thanks to our Smartboards, the students have been able to experience the view up close and personal, without leaving the classroom. It was a fantastic way to add to our studies of the Southwestern states. Samantha's love of rock collecting also added to our Earth Science unit in a very personal way.

Mrs. Hatcher and Mrs. Ford's 5th grade class designed their own ads for a product. This lesson served as an introduction to persuasive writing.

Students were introduced to techniques that are used to endorse products. The techniques introduced were image, sensory appeal, savings, celebrity endorsement, and comparison to name a few. Students viewed actual commercials through the Smartboard and identified the technique being used. Students were given the option to choose a product or create one and then use the techniques learned to create an ad to sell their product. The ads were created on large poster board. The students enjoyed the project and identified with the power of persuasion.

Mrs. Miranda and Ms. Magyar's fifth grade students used the 5th grade laptops to research biomes in Science. The kids were grouped together and assigned a topic; they were responsible for researching facts, creating a PowerPoint presentation, and writing questions for a student generated worksheet and quiz. The groups presented the Biome projects using the class Smartboard; allowing the whole class to see and interact with each slideshow. The children enjoyed the opportunity to be the "teacher" during their lesson.

Mrs. Nicosia-Jones' class completed a classic fiction unit for Charles Dickens, *A Christmas Carol*. The class participated in literature circles, classroom activities, and discussions that celebrated this well loved holiday tale. As a culminating activity the class enjoyed the Muppet version of the movie on their Smartboard.

Mr. Weist's class has had a great year so far infusing technology into his lessons. They have created PowerPoint presentations, conducted internet based research projects in Science on ecosystems and biomes, and have been using the Smartboard in all of their lessons throughout the year. In math, they are exploring fractions.

An Eye on Literacy...

In celebration of Dr. Seuss' birthday students at the Moore School met together and shared silent sustained reading time in the hallowed halls of the Great Elizabeth F. Moore School. Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss!



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April 2011

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17	18 02:00 PM Municipal Court	19	20	21 07:00 PM Township Committee	22 Good Friday Municipal Building Closed	23
24 Easter	25	26 02:00 PM Municipal Court 07:00 PM Historical Committee	27	28	29	30 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Community Day

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May 2011

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March 2nd was 'wacky hat Wednesday' and Dr. Seuss' birthday. On Thursday, students learned about Theodore Geisel, also known as Dr. Seuss. The fourth annual **Evening of Reading** community event was hosted Thursday evening at the Seabrook School. Almost ninety students came back to school with their families to listen to wonderful books, learn about how and why reading aloud to children supports literacy learning, and get free books to read at home. The cel-



Children enjoy being read to by C.F. Seabrook School Principal during Dr. Seuss Celebration.

bration of reading and books culminated on Friday, March 4th after a month-long reading challenge for each student to read ten books or more and build the 'Bee a Good Reader' beehive along the main hallway walls. Students read over 1,200 books in those four weeks and the beehive currently wraps along and down two halls. Some teachers decorated their doors based on their favorite books and the Seabrook library hosted 'Royal Readers' who read to classes each day. The final event was when everyone in the school came out in the hallways, sat along the walls with their books, and read for 15 minutes at the end of the day!

As you can see—Seabrook School students know, the more you read, the more you'll succeed and the more you know, the more places you'll go!



Cole Everingham, Nicholas Dagostino and Eddie Fleetwood prepare for their roles as Tin Man, Lion and Scarecrow in "The Wizard of Oz".

The Wizard of Oz Concert Set For April 18

Second and Third Grade A.C.E. Music students in the C.F. Seabrook School are getting ready for their Spring Open House Concert on Monday, April 18, at 7:00 PM. Students will be performing a Choral revue, "The Wizard of Oz." This will include various selections from the musical. In addition, Art students in Grades Kindergarten through Third Grade will join in on the fun, creating "Wizard of Oz" themed projects to be displayed that evening in the hallways. Students are looking forward to this evening of fun.

Woodruff School Participates in Cumberland County Government Day

On Tuesday, March 22, a select number of students from Woodruff Middle School were showcased in a county wide event. In celebration of National County Government Month, a maximum of five students from surrounding sending districts can be considered for selection as County Government Day participants. This April, Woodruff School might have the honor of being represented by eight students from Mr. Frio's eighth grade U.S. History class in the 9th Annual Cumberland County Government Day. The program is sponsored by The Cumberland County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Cumberland County 4-H Youth Development Program. This full day event is loaded with activities that partner students with county government employees. The event encourages participants to extend classroom learning through performance-based experiences. The day concludes with a unique opportunity for one special student: the selected student will attend and speak before a freeholder meeting at the County Court House in Bridgeton on March 22 at 6:00 PM. Woodruff pride will ride sky high as our future county leaders will showcase their talents at this local event!

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Moore School literacy prepares for the second annual Beach Party Book Swap. This is a day for the students to swap an old book for a new/different book. The day of the event (March 15th), they come with their books and beach towels. After they get their new book, they go and read it on their beach towel. Beach music is in the background and refreshments are served.

Moore School is looking forward to meeting this year's guest author, New Jersey native, Lisa Funair Willever, on March 22nd. The 4th and 5th grade students are reading her book, Passport to the Garden State. It's the third installment in the Nicky Fifth series. The book has a wealth of information about New Jersey and is presented in a fun and interesting way. It is a great learning tool to enhance the 4th grade New Jersey Social Studies curriculum. Ms. Berrios, the Moore School principal, as always, is supporting our efforts in reading, by making it possible for each child to own an autographed copy of the book the author will be presenting.

Moore School Boat Builders...

The sound of students building can be heard throughout the hallways on Mondays after school. Our boat building project is well on its way. We are very excited about the success and

anticipate the project being finished on schedule. This multi-dimensional learning project has enriched our students and taught not only the skills, but the importance of commitment. We have 18 students who have pledged their commitment to the project's demands. Students realize the ultimate success is highly dependent on their efforts. Students were assigned to either the blue or gold team. We will have two completed sailboats this spring. We hope to launch the boats in the near future. Bay Shore Discovery Project has made this possible for us. They will provide life jackets and the support of additional staff to maintain safety. We couldn't be more proud of the efforts of our students.



Kindergarten Happenings

Spring is in the air and the Kindergarten classes at C.F. Seabrook School are ready to hop into warmer weather! It has been a long and action-packed winter and we are looking forward to the warm weather and being able to get outside and take pleasure in the fresh air!

The winter started in December, when we traveled across the world observing different celebrations and of course ended the month with a Winter Holiday Party. Most classes started their vacation by watching *The Polar Express* and enjoying a pajama party. Some classes even had a pancake breakfast, and some celebrated with their 3rd grade book buddies. Some of our Kindergarten classes enjoyed other fun activities like Gingerbread House Making and Christmas Tree Decorating parties. Overall, it was a very fun and exciting, and of course, busy month!

Returning to school after winter break is always a special time for our Kindergartners. There is a big growth in our students after the excitement of the holidays dies down. This year was no exception, as the students returned ready to learn! We celebrated the New Year and the arrival of winter, especially since there was snow on the ground! We studied Martin Luther King and winter animals and continued our journey of literacy with immersing our students in Writing Workshop and Guided Reading.

Closing out the winter was the frenzied month of February! We studied Groundhog's Day and were excited when the Groundhog predicted a shorter winter. However, we weren't disappointed when we had several snow days! During February, we also studied Valentine's Day, President's Day and Dental Health. We had a Valentine's Day party and also celebrated the 100th Day of School with an entire day of exciting activities on February 15th. Snow was falling and temperatures were bitter cold in February, and we were stuck inside for most of the month, however, as March arrives we are hoping for warmer weather! We will have a week long of Dr. Seuss activities and celebrate the arrival of spring, St. Patrick's Day and Plants.

The school year is flying by which makes sense, because they say "time flies when you're having fun". Our students are reading and writing every day, and learning how to become "life long learners". We are very proud of all their accomplishments to this point, and are looking forward to a successful rest of the school year!

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First Grade

Thrilling, Exhilarating, Stimulating, Electrifying...these are just a small sample of the vocabulary words that our First Graders have acquired during our Interactive Read Aloud sessions. Our Language

Arts block has been packed full of engaging literature as well as students' original writing. This has enabled the entire staff to watch them grow into the fantastic readers and writers they have become today.

Our little authors have been busy working and publishing several genres of study including: personal narratives, expository pieces, small moment narratives and soon to come... how to books, fairy tales and poetry. They have been perfecting the craft by working with good beginnings, adding details, using adjectives, adverbs, transitional words and writing compound sentences.

Our growing Math whizzes are becoming more fluent with addition and subtraction facts, learning to tell time, counting money, creating and solving word problems. In addition, they are playing an array of games and using various manipulatives to support their skills in math.

In addition to the everyday curriculum, the first grade Ace Academics students have been busy working with each first grade teacher creating hands-on projects and technology based presentations.

We have continued to learn a lot about Community Service since creating buttons for the Upper Deerfield Township Veteran's Day Parade. They have been raising money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society (Pennies for Patients), Multiple Sclerosis (MS Read-a-Thon) and the fight against heart disease (Jump Rope for Heart).

March was the final month for our first graders to participate in the Pizza Hut "Book It!" reading incentive program. Once again, it has been a HUGE success. We have had a great number of students reading in and out of the classroom to meet the monthly reading goal. The students who have participated each month will be rewarded with a party at the end of the school year.

Have no fear; first grade has not been all work and no play. The Seabrook students have been able to take part in many school-wide activities; including our yearly Evening of Reading event, Read-Across-America/Dr. Seuss Week, as well as celebrating the 100th day of school. Many holidays have been celebrated as a grade level. The November Feast was a day to sample traditional foods from the First Thanksgiving as well as gain insight into Native American and Pilgrim life. The month of December allowed all the students in first grade to visit each teacher/classroom in first grade while participating in the inaugural "Deck the First Grade Halls" day of learning.

First graders enjoyed witnessing one of their favorite stories, Click Clack Moo come to life at the TD Bank Arts Centre in Washington Township. There are still more adventures on the horizon as we travel to Storybook Land this May and participate in the Seabrook Fun and Fitness Day in June.

The first graders are looking forward to showing off their hard work at our Spring

Open House on April 18th. Our first graders have had a wonderful year and are eagerly looking forward to more adventures to come in second grade.

Second Grade Ace Academics: Natives, New Places and Neptune

The field of education brings change year after year. One significant change was to our Ace Academics Program. The grade level teachers were now going to be the instructors. With the help of administration and accommodating colleagues, a schedule was created, and in late October, the program was launched. Each grade level teacher would have a set amount of time to instruct her gifted students.

October and November would be Mrs. Dyer's time of instruction. Her students took an in depth look at the lives of Native Americans. Mrs. Dyer and the children first looked at the Natives by region. They discovered that different parts of the county yielded different resources. December, January and February was Mrs. Hoban's time of instruction. She decided to do a Flat Stanley Project for her instructional focus. The book *Flat Stanley* was written by Jeff Brown. The students brainstormed possible places to send their flat selves. The students chose California, Florida, North Carolina, and Mexico. The kids researched important facts about their state/country and sent their flat selves to those special places. Upon Flat Self's return, the students presented their facts and pictures of the place Flat Self visited. It was fun to track the places Flat visited – the students had a wonderful learning experience.

March, April, and May is when Mrs. Lancetta is instructing the program. Her students are currently studying our solar system. Each student will research a planet, and then construct a diorama of that planet. The students will utilize public speaking skills and present his/her finding with their peers. This unit of study is currently underway and the students are attaining a wealth of knowledge.

June brings the close of the school year and the culmination of the Ace Academic



Ethan Rio, Jaionni Jordan, Connor Callahan and Jovany Hernandez from Miss Reuter's Kindergarten Class. Celebrating the 100th Day of School with their 100 year old portraits.

program. This is when Mrs. Reuter will be instructing the students. She plans to incorporate the knowledge attained from our visit to the Philadelphia Zoo and infuse it into the ace program.

This program provided and continues to provide an exciting learning experience for both teacher and student. During this time the teacher and student get to know each other and focus on the child's academic strength, allowing the student to flex his/her academic independence.

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Third Grade News

The Seabrook School third grade teachers and the Literacy Coach have the opportunity to participate in a practice called "Reading Workshop." This is considered as "Best Practice." This is the second year that the teachers have implemented this framework. Each student has a Reader's Notebook where he/she can monitor how many books they are reading and the various genres. Students are comparing and contrasting texts, as well as famous authors. As the teacher teaches the mini-lesson, an anchor chart is created with the students, which is posted in the classroom as a reference. The classrooms have a library with a wide range of genres such as historical fiction, realistic fiction, biographies, traditional literature, mystery, and poetry.

During the literacy block, students are reading independently, engaging in word study activities, responding about their reading in a journal, and meeting with the teacher in differentiated reading groups. While responding in the Reader's Notebook, the students are to include Higher Level thinking. Not only are they suppose to summarize the book, the student is to bring life experiences and provide examples of comparing and contrasting the two. The students anxiously wait for their teachers' responses to their letters! The third graders are engaging in higher level thinking by learning to dissect the literary elements of their favorite authors.



*Ty Mercado, Brad Clark, Bianca Ricciuti and Emyra Palmer in Miss Reuter's Kindergarten Class Gingerbread House Making Party. *Special thanks to the Smith family from Rudolphi's Bakery in Bridgeton, NJ for donating all supplies and their expertise!**