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UPPER DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE REORGANIZES

John Daddario and Bruce Peterson who were re-elected to the Township Committee in the November election, were sworn-in to serve another three-year term on the Township Committee at the reorganization meeting on January 2nd. James P. Crilley was selected to serve as Mayor and John T. O'Neill, Sr. was selected to serve as Deputy Mayor for 2020. Scott Smith is the other member of the Township Committee for 2020.

During Mayor Crilley's comments at reorganization, he listed the various grants the Township received in 2019. He mentioned how shared service agreements are providing significant financial savings for all the municipalities involved, including the CS Regional Court that now consists of nine participating municipalities and the Township Construction Office which provides services to seven municipalities.

The Mayor stated that new commercial development is occurring, such as Fresenius Kidney Care, Pebbles reopening as Gordmans and DaVita Kidney Care. Also, Mavis Discount Tire has been approved by the Planning Board to begin construction on Pearl Street.

In addition, all of the Township Committeemen recognized the important role that volunteers play in the success of the Township, noting that the Township has some of the finest volunteers, boards and committees.



John Daddario, left and Bruce Peterson, right get sworn in to serve another three-year term on the Township Committee.

Municipal Building Temporarily Closed to Public

Due to the current COVID-19 pandemic, the municipal building is closed to the public. Staff is in the offices during business hours – Please call:

Administrative Offices – 856-451-3811

Tax Office - 856-451-3148

Construction Office – 856-455-9591

CS Regional Court – 856-455-8722

See page 5 for how to save a trip to the municipal building.

COMMUNITY DAY CANCELLED FOR 2020

The Upper Deerfield Community Day was cancelled in keeping with New Jersey State efforts to keep our community healthy and safe from the COVID-19 virus.

Seabrook School Kindergarten And Preschool Registration

Seabrook School will hold early registration for Preschool and Kindergarten registration by appointment only on Wednesday, May 13th and Wednesday, May 20th between the hours of 8 A.M. - 10A.M.

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DROP BOX INSTALLED AT MUNICIPAL BUILDING

A Drop Box has been installed by the rear entrance of the Municipal Building for payments and documents. Please do not deposit CASH in the Drop Box. The Township is not responsible for Cash payments put in the Drop Box.

Payments for taxes, water and sewer bills can be paid online at the Township website – www.upperdeerfield.com.

All payments can be mailed to Upper Deerfield Township, 1325 Highway 77, Seabrook, NJ 08302.



CENSUS 2020

The census counts every person living in the United States as of April 1st every 10 years. The 2020 Census is underway and more households across America are responding every day. Over 70 million households have responded to date, representing over 48% of all households in America.

If you don't respond to the notice or if you didn't receive a notice, you will be contacted by phone or in person by a census worker. The Census Bureau temporarily suspended 2020 Census field data collection activities in March. Steps are already being taken to reactivate field offices beginning June 1, 2020, in preparation for the resumption of field data collection operations as quickly as possible following June 1.

For more information on the census see pages 14 & 15.

Estimated Tax Bills For Third Quarter

The Cumberland County Board of Taxation will not be able to certify the 2020 general property tax rates for municipalities in a timely basis within the county due to the health pandemic.

The Township Tax Collector, in consultation with the Chief Financial Officer, will compute an estimated tax levy in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:4-66.3, within the permissive range for the 2020 tax levy. The Township will then send the estimated tax bills for the third quarter at the end of June with payments due August 1st.

Once the property tax rates are certified by the County, the actual tax bills for 2020 will be sent out later in the third quarter with any necessary adjustments for the third quarter payment being made to the fourth quarter payment.

New Jersey Homestead Benefit

The NJ Homestead Benefit in the past has been credited to the May 1st quarter property tax bill for those residents who filed and were eligible. The State has postponed the date that the Homestead Benefit will be credited this year. The Township will send out a revised property tax bill to those residents who received the tax credit as soon as the Township receives the report from the State.

REMINDERS from the HOUSING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT

PHONE: 856-455-9591

SMOKE and CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS

Install new batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.

HOUSE NUMBERS

For 911 purposes, place your house number on your house or on a 4 x 4 post in front of your house. This is very important for Emergency Services to find your house in case of an emergency.

YARD CLEAN-UP

With spring time around the corner, it's time to begin yard clean-up. This includes cutting the lawn and removing trash, leaves, brush, tires and untagged motor vehicles.

PERMITS

Any new construction or improvements to your property such as a house, garage, swimming pool, room addition, deck, porch, shed, etc. will require permits from the Zoning and Construction Offices.

REGISTRATION OF RENTAL UNITS

Ordinance No. 297, adopted in 1988, requires the annual registration of all rental properties in the Township. The owner of any building within the Township of Upper Deerfield containing rental properties, regardless of use (residential, commercial or industrial) shall annually be required to register the premises with the Office of Housing at the Township Municipal Building, 1325 Highway 77, Seabrook, N.J. 08302. Taxes must be current and all registrations must be completed on or before April 30, 2020.

REGISTRATION FEE \$ 45.00 per rental unit.

Failure to do so shall result in a fine or late fee of \$45.00 per rental property if received after April 30, 2020. Should you have any questions regarding the above subject matter, please contact the Office of Housing at 856-455-9591.

Construction Code Corner

The Construction Code Office in Upper Deerfield provides construction office services to Upper Deerfield, Deerfield, Fairfield, Greenwich, Hopewell and Stow Creek Townships and Shiloh Borough. Our staff and professionals are striving to provide the best service to all the residents of these communities.

Our staff consists of the following individuals:

Construction Code Official	Teresa Warburton
Office Manager	Teresa Warburton
Building Sub code/Inspector	Richard Saunders
Electrical Sub code/Inspector	Stacy Davis
Plumbing Sub code/Inspector	John Lamanteer
Fire Sub code/Inspector	Teresa Warburton
Fire Inspector	Chuck Hughes
Elevator Sub code/Inspector	Al Arcinese
Office Assistant	Karen Stratoti
Technical Assistant	Anna Ellis
Technical Assistant	Donna Metzger

Please don't hesitate to call our office (856-455-9591) with any questions or concerns about construction or projects you may be planning. Our staff is here to help and guide you through the process. Office hours are Monday through Friday from 8:30 - 4:30, inspections are conducted on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

SWIMMING POOLS - POOL SEASON

Property Tax Reimbursement (Senior Freeze) Program

The Senior Freeze Program reimburses eligible senior citizens and disabled persons for property tax increases on their principal residence. To qualify, you must meet all the eligibility requirements for each year from the base year through the application year (the current application year is 2019).

Note: Any changes to the eligibility requirements (i.e., Income Limits) and benefit amounts for 2019 will not be finalized until the completion of the State Budget that must be adopted by July 1, 2020.

2019 Senior Freeze Applications

Applications are typically mailed to the last address you filed with. Allow several weeks for mailing. If you did not receive your booklet by March 1, contact the States Customer Service Center for assistance. For more information about the State program, please call 1-800-882-6597.

The US Postal Service does not forward application booklets.

ONLINE TAX AND UTILITY PAYMENTS

MAKE YOUR PAYMENTS ONLINE

The Township of Upper Deerfield offers the convenience of making Tax and Utility payments online by going to www.upperdeerfield.com. Click on the "Pay Taxes & Utility Bills" link on the home page of the Township's website that will allow payments to be processed.

There is 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 have a user fee of 2.95 % (percent) of the transaction.

Taxes are due:

February 1st
May 1st
August 1st (New bill)
November 1st

Tax Collector Hours are
Mon.- Fri. 8:30 am - 4:00 pm.

Seabrook School Kindergarten And Preschool Registration

Registration Continued from page 1

Children who will enter Preschool for the 2020-21 school years must be 4 years of age on or before October 1, 2020. Children who will enter Kindergarten must be 5 years of age on or before October 1, 2020.

All students entering school for the first time will be required to have a physical examination by his/her family doctor, original birth certificate, immunization information and two proofs 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 Tretheway, at 455-2267 ext. 4203 for more information. Appointments must be made for each child to be registered.

Sunset Lake Roads Repaved

Sunset Lake Road, Dogwood Drive and Holly Lane were repaved in July 2018 utilizing a \$207,000 grant from the NJ Dept. of Transportation plus the Township included over \$200,000 dollars from the Township's Capital Improvement Fund for road improvements.

West Sunset Pine Drive, North Park Drive, Smith Drive, Pamela Drive, Shady Dell Lane, Glamour Drive, Rempfer Road and Cheryl Terrace were repaved in the summer of 2019 utilizing a \$296,000 grant from the NJ Dept. of Transportation, plus the Township will be including over \$250,000 dollars from the Township's Capital Improvement Fund for road improvements.

A Message From Your Dog Registrar

JUST A FRIENDLY REMINDER

Register your dog if you have not done so already for the current year.

All dogs 7 months or older, or having a permanent set of teeth must be licensed.

The state requires that a rabies shot be valid for the first 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.

License Fees: Spayed / Neutered..... \$20.00
Non-Spayed / Non-Neutered..... \$23.00

LATE FEE AFTER APRIL 30TH IS AN EXTRA \$10.00.

The Late Fee has been temporarily suspended until the County Health Department can complete the 2020 Free Rabies Clinics. The County Rabies Clinics will take place once the COVID-19 health emergency orders have been lifted.

Please let us know if your dog has passed away by calling 856-451-3811 or send an email to info@upperdeerfield.com.

Assessor's Office Information

The Following Forms are Available in the Assessor's Office:

Petition of Appeal

- Form P.T.D. - Property Tax Deduction Claim (Senior Citizen, Disabled Person, or Surviving Spouse)
- Form V.S.S. - Property Tax Deduction Claim (Veteran or Surviving Spouse / Domestic Partner of Veteran or Service Person)
- Form D.V.S.S.E. - Claim for Property Tax Exemption of Disabled Veteran
- Form F.S. - Further Statement of Organization Claiming Property Tax Exemption
- Form I.S. - Initial Statement of Organization Claiming Property Tax Exemption
- Form FA-1 - Farmland Assessment Application

Important Dates!

- **January 10th** – Tax List Filed with the County Board of Taxation
- **February 1st** – Notice of Assessment Postcards Mailed to All Property Owners
- **April 1st** – Petition of Appeal Due to the County Board of Taxation
- **July 1st** – Farmland Applications to be Mailed to Existing Farmland Properties
- **August 1st** – Farmland Assessment Application Due to the Assessor
- **October 1st** – Added Assessments List Filed with the County Board of Taxation
- **November 1st** – Initial and Further Exemption Applications Due to the Assessor
- **December 31st** – Property Tax Deduction Claim Due to the Assessor

Please contact **Brian P. Rosenberger, CTA** with any questions you may have. **Office Hours:** Thursday (8:30 am – 4:30 pm)
brosenberger@upperdeerfield.com, Phone: (856) 451-3148
Fax: (856) 451-1379

County Rabies Clinics Have Been Postponed

To safeguard the community during the current public health situation surrounding COVID19, the County Health Department has postponed the remainder of their rabies clinics until further notice. The County Health Department will post the new dates when it is determined to be safe to hold this activity. Information updates can be found on their Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/CCDOH> or their website www.CCDOH.org.

Dogs Are Not Permitted to Run At Large

No dog, shall run or be permitted by its owner to run upon any public street, sidewalk, thoroughfare, park, playground, school yard or in any of the public places of the municipality or upon any private property without the prior consent of the owner. Any person or persons found guilty of violating the provisions of this article shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$500 or by imprisonment in the Cumberland County Jail for a term not exceeding 90 days, or both.

Andrea Penny, Tax Collector, Retiring in July



Andrea Penny, Tax Collector, is taking this opportunity to announce her retirement scheduled for July 31, 2020. Andrea said she "would like to take the time to thank the Mayor, Committee, Co-workers & residents for the last 16 plus years of service. Without all of you I couldn't have gotten through the good times as well as the bad times. You all will be greatly missed and I will always be grateful."

Andrea began her employment with the Township, in April of 2003, as the Township Tax Collector. She began her career in the public sector in September of 1995 and received her State issued Tax Collector certificate in 2001. Besides serving as the Township Tax Collector, Andrea also serves as a Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics. Both positions require a State certification that is renewed every two years providing the individual obtains sufficient continuing education credits to remain certified. Andrea lives in Moorestown and loves to travel.

Providing Public Service is a blessing for the individuals and for the community which benefits from their knowledge, dedication and experiences. The Township Committee, on behalf of our residents, offers to Andrea Penny their congratulations on her retirement and thanks for her service to the Township and extends their best wishes to Andrea in her future endeavors.

Edgar Joyce Senior Center News

2019 ended with an amazing Holiday party, full of presents, games and great food. Even Elvis was in the building!!! Special Thank you to the following local business owners for gift certificate donations : Big John's Pizza, The Golden Pigeon, Bridgeton Family Diner, Salon Millennium of Vineland and our professional chair masseuse and foot reflexologist Carol and Cathy.

The Center is off to a great start to 2020. Our members are enjoying an exercise program called SAIL (Staying Active and Independent for Life) to help with balance and exercise yoga. We also have pinochle, bingo, puzzles, Swedish weave, board games and a full library. More importantly, the center is a great place to make new friends and have lively conversation in a relaxed atmosphere next to the fireplace.

Lunch is provided by the Cumberland County Nutrition Program on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. You do not need to participate in the lunch program in order to come to the center. Educational speakers are planned throughout the year, along with parties and entertainment. We are always looking for new crafting volunteers to share their knowledge with our eager to learn members. If you've never been to our center, please consider stopping by. We are located right behind the municipal building. The only 2 requirements are that you're 60 years or older and like to have fun!!! Hope to see you soon!

The Center is temporarily closed until the current health pandemic permits the reopening.

Sherrie Dixon- Director

2020 Road Project

Engineering is currently being done to repave Roberts Avenue, Charles Avenue, Pleasant Drive, Merlin Drive and Woodmont Circle in 2020. The Township received Transportation Trust Grants from NJDOT in the amount of \$255,070 in 2020 and \$251,164 in 2019 for the road projects. The Township will provide any additional funding for the project from the Township's Capital Improvement Fund for road improvements.

It is anticipated that the project will go out for bids by late summer with the roads being repaved in the Fall.

Remove Grass Clippings from Streets

We appreciate residents mowing their lawns, but we do request that when you clean up after mowing that you also clean the clippings out of the streets. When grass clippings are left in the streets and the next rain comes, the clippings will be washed down the drain and can cause the storm drains to get clogged.

Not only does this activity have a degrading effect on our water quality, but also the buildup of grass clippings, sediment, leaves and other debris can cause problems to the storm sewer systems resulting in tax dollars being spent on repairs and cleaning.

The primary purpose of storm drains is to carry rainwater away from developed areas to prevent flooding. Grass clippings contain phosphorus, the nutrient that turns lakes green with algae! Storm drains are not connected to the sanitary sewer systems and treatment plants, so whatever enters the catch basins goes untreated and may eventually enter creeks, streams, rivers and lakes!

Proper disposal of your yard debris is a simple yet significant way to help reduce storm water pollution. Please sweep or blow the grass clippings back on the lawn after mowing.

Off-Road Vehicles Must Abide By Township Ordinance

No person shall operate an off-road vehicle (ATV, dirtbike, etc.) on any private property or public property within the Township, unless such person has in the operator's possession written permission, signed by the property owner, authorizing the operation of such off-road vehicle on the property. Such written permission shall be exhibited to any law enforcement officer upon request.

The penalty for a violation of this ordinance shall be a fine of not less than \$250, nor more than \$1,000, and/or imprisonment in the County Jail for a term not to exceed 90 days. The Municipal Court shall also have the power to order that restitution be paid to the landowner for any damage proven to be caused by any violator of this chapter. Any off-road vehicle found by any law enforcement officer to be in use in violation of this chapter shall be impounded until the disposition of any charges under this chapter and the payment of all fines and costs resulting therefrom.

SAVE THE TRIP TO TOWN HALL

The Municipal Building is closed to the public to reduce the spread of the Coronavirus. Offices are still staffed. These services below can be accomplished without making the trip to the Municipal Building.

A Drop Box has been installed at the rear of the Municipal Building for payments and documents.

Service You May Need	How You Can Accomplish Without Visiting Town Hall
Code Enforcement Issues	Please call (856) 455-9591 or email mdisalvatore@upperdeerfield.com Any emergencies should be reported to the State Police by calling 9-1-1.
Construction Office	Click on "Public Records" on the homepage and then click on "Construction Permits" to download permit forms. For more information call (856) 455-9591 or email twarburton@upperdeerfield.com
Clerk's Office -Bingo and Raffle License -Dog Licenses	Contact the municipal clerk at (856) 451-3811 or email info@upperdeerfield.com for more information.
Court - CS Regional	Currently Court has been suspended until Sunday, April 26. New court dates will be issued if you have court during the suspension period. Please call (856) 455-8722 Traffic tickets that don't require a court appearance and traffic time payments can be paid online during the following time periods at WWW.NJMCDIRECT.COM
Elections -Voter Registration Application -Vote By Mail Application	Information and forms can be obtained at https://nj.gov/state/elections/voter-registration.shtml and scroll down to Cumberland County for specific forms. The municipal clerk can also fax, mail, or email you the required forms. Please call (856) 451-3811 or email rspoltore@upperdeerfield.com for more information or questions
Housing Office Rental Registration CO Transfer Permits	Mail in your rental registrations to: 1325 Highway 77, Seabrook, NJ 08302. For more information call (856) 455-9591 or email twarburton@upperdeerfield.com
Planning Board/Land Use Board	Mail your applications with appropriate fees to: 1325 Highway 77, Seabrook, NJ 08302 Planning Board Questions: vvagnarelli@upperdeerfield.com or call 856-451-3811
Tax Assessor's Office -Address Change Form -Assessment Appeals -Discussion About Assessments	Please call (856) 451-3811 for the tax assessor on Thursdays, 9 am to 4 pm or email brosenberger@upperdeerfield.com
Tax Collector's Office (paying your taxes or utility bill)	Visit www.upperdeerfield.com . Click on the "Pay Taxes & Utility Bills" link on the homepage. You can also drop your payment in our dropbox located at the back entrance of town hall (black mail box). Tax or utility payments can be mailed to 1325 Highway 77, Seabrook, NJ 08302.
Vital Records - Marriage License or Death Records	Email acolaneri@upperdeerfield.com or call Amy at 856-451-3811
Zoning Applications	Mail in your applications with appropriate fees to: 1325 Highway 77, Seabrook, NJ 08302 Phone: 856-455-9591 Zoning Questions: mdisalvatore@upperdeerfield.com

Most forms are available on the Township website homepage www.upperdeerfield.com. Click on "Public Records" for most documents or go the individual department's page. Call 856-451-3811 or email info@upperdeerfield.com
As of 4/12/2020

Affordable Housing Plan

Upper Deerfield Township's Fair Share Plan, Housing Element and implementing ordinances were approved by the NJ Superior Court. The approval grants the Township a Judgment of Compliance and Repose as to its Third Round Obligations including its Gap Obligation (1999-2015), and its Prospective Need Obligation (2015-2025) pursuant to the Court approved Settlement Agreement entered into between the Township and Fair Share Housing Center dated February 13, 2019.

The Upper Deerfield Township's Judgment of Compliance and Repose shall remain in effect for ten (10) years beginning on July 2, 2015 and ending on July 2, 2025, and during this 10-year period the Township will have immunity from all Mount Laurel lawsuits, including, but not limited to, Builders Remedy lawsuits.

2020 Township Budget

The Township Committee introduced the 2020 budget at their meeting on March 19th. A Public Hearing on the budget was held on Thursday April 16th in Township Municipal Building, 1325 Highway 77, Seabrook.

The Township budget as introduced is located on the Township website, www.upperdeerfield.com.

This year's local government tax rate will increase by one cent. The increase is due to the need to increase capital improvement expenditures in order to purchase a new ambulance, playground equipment and continue to improve local roads. The Township pays for all general budget expenditures in the year of purchase and does not have any general budget bonding debt. The local government tax is the only tax the Township Committee has any authority to control.

The Township Tax Collector collects all of the taxes due for the County, Upper Deerfield School, Upper Deerfield's portion of the Cumberland Regional School and the Township government. The money collected is then distributed to each of the governmental entities.

This is how your tax dollars were distributed last year for every \$100 dollars paid: County Government received \$38.46, Upper Deerfield Schools received \$38.21, Cumberland Regional received \$18.37 and the Township received \$4.96 to operate the local government.

Display 911 Numbers for Emergency Vehicles

In order to allow state police, fire and ambulance personnel to locate your residence in the case of an emergency, the Township has required all buildings in the Township to post the 911 number assigned to them. The owner of the property should put the numbers on a six foot, four by four inch post that extends at least forty inches above the ground on the house side edge of the driveway. The numbers are to be placed two inches from the top of the post and on two sides of the post so that emergency vehicles can see the numbers traveling in either direction along the roadway. Reflective numbers are available free of charge at the municipal building in the construction office. If a resident needs help installing the post, please contact one of the local fire companies and they will assist you. Before you dig, call 1-800-272-1000 to locate any potential underground utilities. Please allow three working days for the company to mark out the locations of any utilities.

Animal Control Says License Your Dog For It's Safety

Upper Deerfield Township has contracted with Shore Animal Control for our animal control needs. If your animal is missing or you have questions, please contact **800-351-1822**. You will have to leave a message, but the agent that is assigned to this area will call you back shortly.

Licensing Your Dog Could Save Their Life!

A dog license simply means that a newly adopted dog is registered within the state where they live. It isn't just the law—it can help save a pet's life too. New Jersey requires dog owners to register their dog. In order to obtain a license, the only requirement is that the animal be up-to-date on their rabies vaccinations.

A license tag helps animal control and shelters quickly identify your dog and get them back to you safely. If your dog is found wandering the streets, they can be identified by their license number. Dogs that are licensed tend to be kept at the shelter a shorter period than unlicensed dogs.

Free Trip Home for your Dog

A current license can also help your pet avoid a traumatizing trip to the shelter, saving both time and resources. Locally, if a pet is lost and

an animal control officer finds it and sees the license information, they may take it back to the house instead of a shelter. So there's no reason for the animal to be taken out of the neighborhood and placed in a cage if they know who it belongs to and they can just take it home again.

License Cost is Less Than the Fine

If a municipal official finds your dog without a license, you could end up paying a court fine of up to \$250 if you do not license the dog!

Licensing Proves Your Dog is Safe

A dog cannot be licensed unless it is properly vaccinated. Animal control or a Good Samaritan will be much more likely to want to handle and care for your missing pup if they know that it is healthy and sans rabies.

Dog owners can download the license application at www.upperdeerfield.com and return it to the Municipal Building.

For information on licensing your pet, call the Municipal Building.

Help Our Pollinators: Create A Pollinator-Friendly Garden

Do you enjoy eating fresh-from-the-tree fruit grown right here in Cumberland County? You can help make sure there's an abundant harvest. Find a sunny spot in your yard or community garden and plant flowers to help feed the bees that work long hours pollinating our trees and vegetables. To create a pollinator-friendly garden, follow these seven tips from the Honeybee Conservancy:

1. Rethink Your Lawn.

Replace part of the grass in your front lawn with flowering plants, which provide food and habitat for honey bees, bumble bees, solitary bees, butterflies and other pollinators.

2. Select single flower tops for your bee garden.

Choose flowers like daisies and marigolds, rather than double flower tops such as double impatiens. Double headed flowers look showy but produce much less nectar and make it more difficult for bees to access pollen.

3. Skip the highly hybridized plants.

These have been bred not to seed and thus produce very little pollen for bees.

4. Plant for blooms year-round.

Plant at least three different types of flowers in your bee garden to ensure blooms through as many seasons as possible. This will provide bees and other pollinators with a constant source of food. For example:

- Spring: Crocus, hyacinth, borage, calendula and wild lilac provide spring blooms with lots of pollen.
- Summer: Bees feast on bee balm, cosmos, echinacea, snapdragons, foxglove and hosta in the summer.
- Fall: Zinnias, sedum, asters, witch hazel and goldenrod are late bloomers.

5. Build homes for native bees.

For native bees that burrow, leave a sunny patch of the garden uncultivated. Some native bees need access to the soil surface for nesting. For wood- and stem-nesting bees, include piles of branches, hollow reeds or nesting blocks made out of untreated wood. Mason bees need a source of water and mud, and many kinds of bees are attracted to weedy, untended hedgerows.

6. Use only natural pesticides and fertilizers.

Avoid using herbicides or pesticides in the bee garden. They not only can be toxic to bees but also are not good for the children or adults who visit your garden. Ladybugs, spiders, and praying mantises will naturally keep pest populations in check.

7. Bees get thirsty too!

Bees need a place to get fresh, clean water. Fill a shallow container of water with pebbles or twigs for the bees to land on while drinking. Make sure to maintain the container full of fresh water so the bees will know that they can return to the same spot every day in your bee garden.

Replacing the Seabrook Water Tower

The Township has submitted an application to the NJ Environmental Infrastructure Trust Program to replace the Seabrook Water Tower that was constructed in the 1940's. Inspection studies show that there are short and long term financial upgrades facing the 70 plus year old water tower that necessitated the Township Committee to look into grant and loan programs to replace the aging water tower.

The estimated replacement cost is around two million dollars. The new water tower will continue to provide storage for existing commercial and residential customers in the Seabrook area.

Home Rehabilitation Grants

Upper Deerfield Township has received \$112,700 in grant funding for 2020, 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. Applications are available from the Small Cities Home Rehabilitation Grant Coordinator Amy Colaneri, at 451-3811 ext. 133.

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 paid back (without interest) when the homeowner sells the home.

Assistance is limited to homeowners who had 2019 household incomes below the following ceilings.

1 PERSON	\$37,700	5 PERSONS	\$58,200
2 PERSONS	\$43,100	6 PERSONS	\$62,500
3 PERSONS	\$48,500	7 PERSONS	\$66,800
4 PERSONS	\$53,850	8 PERSONS	\$71,100

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 for an appointment to discuss their home rehab needs. You will need to provide your most current tax return, home insurance policy and a deed to the property. Applicants will be qualified on a "first come, first served" basis.

Trap-Neuter-Vaccinate-Return Programs Are Proven Effective

The population of feral cats has been increasing in the Township and there are no facilities in the Township or the County of Cumberland to address issues created by feral cats. It is recognized that the practice of trapping and euthanizing feral cats is not effective in reducing their numbers.

A goal of Trap-Neuter-Vaccinate-Return (TNVR) Programs is to decrease the number of cats in the environment and thereby reduce feral cat population. Programs for the managed care of feral cat colonies that include trapping, neutering, vaccinating and returning such cats to their habitats have proven to be effective in reducing the number of feral cats and is more humane than trapping and euthanizing.

TNVR programs are beneficial to communities and the public health because cats in managed colonies are vaccinated against rabies, which has positive public consequences, and are spayed or neutered, thereby controlling the population. The Township Committee deemed it in the public interest to amend its ordinances to allow caregivers to meet these stated goals in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Township Ordinance to sponsor cat colonies.

Individuals or organized groups may apply to the Township to serve as colony TNVR program sponsors or caregivers. Any person or entity so applying shall comply with the requirements of the Township Ordinance. For more information contact the municipal building for a copy of the TVNR ordinance.

Shop Local Businesses

Amid the global COVID-19 pandemic, we must band together and care for those around us. While caring for our families, colleagues and neighbors, we can't forget to care for our local business owners.

These small business owners are our neighbors and friends and employ thousands of area residents. Their economic health is OUR economic health.

Remember our local businesses are the backbone of our community. Even though some of our small business owners had no other choice but to close their doors, we can still help. Purchase gift cards from local businesses to be used at a later date or still shop with them if they are open but operating under restrictions. Shop online with local businesses if they offer the service. Purchase take-out food from local retail food establishments and consider providing a larger tip if they are delivering.

Together, we can keep the businesses that enrich our neighborhoods alive during these unprecedented times.

Support Local Food Banks

The Township is thankful for the work being done by local non-profits and faith-based communities in helping meet the needs of those in our area facing food shortages due to the effects of the pandemic. Consider making a donation, if you have the ability, to support a local organization and/or church who are providing food for those who are out of jobs or are homeless. Contact your church for the organization(s) they support or consider assisting one of the following local food banks or food kitchens:

- Bethany Grace Community Church
- Bethany Seventh-Day Adventist
- Bridgeton Salvation Army
- Bridgeton Senior Caring & Thrift
- Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church
- St. Vincent DePaul Society (Holy Cross Parish)
- M25 Initiative
- Bridgeton Code Blue
- Bridgeton Assembly of God
- First Wesleyan Church
- Union Baptist Temple
- Trinity AME Church

Thank you Healthcare and First Responders

The Township offers their gratitude to all of the healthcare, hospital workers, EMT's, police and firefighters who are involved in helping fight COVID-19.

The first responders and medical personnel on the front-lines of this pandemic inspire us, as they work tirelessly and relentlessly to care for others in our community and throughout the nation. We appreciate their dedication during this difficult time as they work around the clock to deliver life-saving care.

We also would like to acknowledge and thank all of the essential employees who are working to provide services for our community that have not been shut down during these challenging times caused by the pandemic.

Public Works Contact Info

If any resident or business has a question or concern for the public works department, please contact Chad Ott at 856-455-2779, ext. 3441.



Top left photo: At a workshop sponsored by the Upper Deerfield Township Environmental Commission, Vicki Vagnarelli and her daughter, Alicia, prepare a rain barrel that will save rainwater from the roof so it can be used in the garden or yard. At right is Zach Nickerson of the American Littoral Society, which co-sponsored the event.

Top right photo: The completed rain barrel features creative decoration, showing how a rain barrel helps conserve water.

The Township anticipates receiving state funding for their 2020 Clean Communities Program in late spring. A portion of the grant funds will enable the Township to donate funds for approved volunteer groups such as Cub Scouts, Boy and/or Girl Scouts, church, school or civic groups and other similar organized groups. If the funding is granted, the Township will have "Clean Up" Days throughout the year which will allow the approved volunteer group to pick up litter on selected streets within Upper Deerfield. Vests, gloves and trash bags will be provided to the groups and cleanups are limited to one time per group per year and the club must be in the Township. To inquire about receiving a donation for your volunteer group, contact Amy Colaneri at 856-451-3811 or acolaneri@upperdeerfield.com.

The Seabrook Educational and Cultural Center

The Seabrook Educational and Cultural Center (SECC) is dedicated to telling the history of Seabrook Farms, a modest nineteenth century New Jersey truck farm based in Upper Deerfield Township, Cumberland County, that became, by the mid-twentieth century, one of the largest industrialized agricultural businesses in the Garden State's history. With the support of a grant from the New Jersey Council for the Humanities, the SECC has begun the process of updating and rethinking the critical focus of its museum, online presence, and cultural and educational programming. While still in the very early stages, our hope is that the SECC can better position itself – locally, nationally, and internationally – to share the important history of Seabrook Farms, which seems more relevant than ever.

Seabrook Farms began by selling fresh produce to local markets, added canned goods in the early twentieth century, and pioneered the processing of frozen vegetables in the nineteen-thirties. In 1934 Seabrook Farms was the site of what was then the largest agricultural labor strike in American history – an event that pitted deputized KKK members against a predominantly African American and Italian immigrant workforce. By the Second World War, Seabrook Farms employed 6,000 laborers in its fields, factories, and trucking fleet, and served a major supplier to the U.S. military. Faced with recurring labor shortages, Seabrook Farms would recruit more than 2,500 Japanese Americans who, after their forced removal from the West Coast and internment in camps, became eligible for parole to government-approved employers. Following the war's end, Seabrook Farms added Eastern European Displaced Persons from occupied Germany to its workforce, as well as Japanese Peruvians interned by the U.S. as enemy aliens and facing deportation to Japan. Seabrook Farms was also a leading destination for guestworkers from Barbados and Jamaica, and for migrant farm laborers from the U.S. South and Appalachia and, by the 1950s, Puerto Rico. Founded in 1913 by C.F. Seabrook, a man described as the "Henry Ford of Agriculture," Seabrook Farms was also famous for its technical and scientific contributions to the growth of industrialized agriculture, and for its political and social prominence as a company town in southern New Jersey.

We're excited to think about how this layered and complex history can be made accessible to new audiences in a more dynamic fashion. We need your thoughts on how the SECC can do this. Send comments to: seabrookhistory@gmail.com

The public is invited to tour the museum. Additional information on Seabrook Farms' history can also be found online, on the New Jersey Digital Highway website at: https://njdigitalhighway.org/exhibits/seabrook_farms and on the SECC's website at <http://seabrookeducation.org/>.



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Andrea Penny

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Brian Rosenberger

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February 1

May 1

August 1

November 1

SENIOR CENTER

Phone: 856-451-5649

Fax: 856-451-5684

Director

Sherrie Dixon

Nurse

Dorothy Haydak

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Veronica Gutowski

Mary Ann Kenelia

Virginia Lamanteer

Anthony Lamanteer

Yasuye Kato

CONVENIENCE CENTER

Phone: 856-451-3811

STREETS & RECREATION

Phone: 856-451-9405

Chad Ott

WATER & SEWER UTILITY

Phone: 856-451-3811

John Hoogendorn

OPEN: Tuesday, Friday & Saturday

March through November • 8 am to 5 pm

November through March • 8 am to 4 pm

IN CASE OF FIRE OR AMBULANCE CALL 911

FIRE COMPANY 1

Deerfield Street

1538 Highway 77

Deerfield Street, NJ 08313

856-451-8425

Lynn Mooneyham, Chief

FIRE COMPANY 2

Seabrook

90 Foster Road

Seabrook, NJ 08302

856-451-2937

Jeremy Warburton, Chief

FIRE COMPANY 3

Carlls Corner

69 Cornwell Drive

Bridgeton, NJ 08302

856-455-6566

Mike Dyer, Chief

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE

10 Hoover Road

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

2020 MEETING DATES

January	2 & 16
February.....	6 & 20
March.....	5 & 19
April.....	2 & 16
May.....	7 & 21
June.....	4 & 18
July.....	16
August.....	6 & 20
September	3 & 17
October.....	1 & 15
November	5 & 19
December	3, 17 & 30

The year end meeting on
December 30, 2020 - 3:00 P.M.

Reorganization Meeting
January 7, 2021

Mayor

James P. Crilley

Deputy Mayor

John T. O'Neill, Sr.

Committeeman

John L. Daddario

Bruce T. Peterson

Scott R. Smith

Solicitor

Rocco Tedesco, Esq.

Engineer

Brian Murphy, PE

Clerk/Administrator

Roy J. Spoltore

Treasurer

Ruth A. Moynihan

CFO

Amy Colaneri

REDEVELOPMENT ENTITY MEETINGS

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

2020 MEETING DATES

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

Reorganization Meeting

January 21, 2021

RECREATION COMMISSION - TRIBUTE BENCH

Honoring a loved one through a donation of a park bench is a thoughtful way to recognize and pay tribute to family and friends. The Upper Deerfield Township Recreation Commission provides the opportunity for members of the community to donate these within the Township's Recreational area which includes: Cohansey Soccer, Cumberland Upper Deerfield Midget Football League, North Cumberland Basketball, North Cumberland Little League, and the Walking Trail.

The cost for a bench is \$300 and is tax-deductible. Your bench will include a secured plaque with the wording that you submitted on the application. The Township of Upper Deerfield will not be responsible for maintaining your park bench if it is damaged or vandalized.

Once you submit your order, please allow for eight weeks for delivery and installation. Contact Amy Colaneri for more information at 856-451-3811 or acolaneri@upperdeerfield.com.





PLANNING BOARD

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

2020 MEETING DATES

January	13 & 22
February	10 & 19
March	9 & 16
April.....	13 & 20
May	11 & 18
June	8 & 15
July	13
August	10
September	14 & 21
October	14 & 19
November	9 & 16
December	14
Reorganization Meeting, Jan. 10, 2021	

Board Members

Chairperson - Edward Overdevest
Vice-Chairperson - Russell Vanella

Members

Scott Smith, Laura Hayes,
John T. O'Neill, Sr., Jack Waselik,
Joseph Spoltore, Anthony Buono and
Anthony Lamanteer

Alternates

Ken Jackson, Wayne Sabota,
William Taylor and Brent Bodine

Engineer - J. Michael Fralinger

Planner - Randy Scheule

Solicitor

Theodore H. Ritter, Matthew Ritter

Secretary - Vicki Vagnarelli
vagnarelli@upperdeerfield.com

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

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

2020 MEETING DATES

January.....	28
March	24
May	26
July	28
September	22
November.....	24
Reorganization Meeting, Jan. 26, 2021	

Commission Members

Chairperson

David M. Trout

Vice-Chairperson

Dr. John McGlynn

Treasurer

Joe Stanger

Members

Chris Jespersen
Edward Overdevest
Bruce Riley
Bruce Vittorini

Secretary

Terry Stiles

Economic Development Consultant

Cumberland Development Corp
Tony Stanzione, Exec. Director
856-451-4200
tony@cdcncj.com

Twp. Committee Representative

James P. Crilley

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

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

2020 MEETING DATES

January	8
February	5
March	4
April	1
May	6
June	3
July	1
August	5
September	2
October	7
November	4
December	2
Reorganization Meeting, Jan. 6, 2021	

Commission Members

Chairman

Joe Lacotte

Vice-Chairperson

Lynn Maun

Members

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Jack Waselik, Sandy Morrissey
and William Ziefle

Alternates

Steve Smith & Patricia McAllister

Secretary

Karen Stratoti
kstratoti@upperdeerfield.com

Twp. Committee Representatives

John T. O'Neill, Sr. & Bruce Peterson

VETERANS DAY CEREMONY

November 7, 2020 at 10 A.M.

HELP STOP LITTERING IN UPPER DEERFIELD

If you see someone littering
on our roads, contact the
Cumberland County Health Department
at **856-327-7602** to report the
following information:

- * Date and Time
- * License Plate Number
- * Vehicle Make and Color
- * Location



COMMUNITY DAY - YEARS OF FAMILY FUN

24-Hour Bridgeton State Police Tip Line For Non-Emergencies

Residents are reminded to dial 911 for all emergencies. However, the Bridgeton State Police Station has established a 24-hour tip line which will serve as an open link for the community to provide **NON-EMERGENT**, anonymous information regarding crime, suspicious activity, etc. to the Bridgeton Station. The tip line number is 856-451-6034 and all community members are encouraged to utilize this line to provide any information whatsoever which could aid in criminal investigations. The information is being submitted anonymously and no bit of information is too small. The Bridgeton State Police Station thanks you for your time and assistance.

The State Police reminds local residents to remain vigilant in reporting suspicious activity (persons or vehicles that are out of place). They urge residents to keep their home and vehicle doors locked in order to deter thefts/burglaries and suggest if it is financially feasible to consider installing an alarm system and/or a camera security system in their residence.



RECREATION COMMISSION

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

2020 MEETING DATES

January	6
February	3
March	2
April	6
May	4
June	1
September	14
October	5
November	2

Reorganization Meeting
January 4, 2021

Commission Members

Chairperson

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Theresa Branch

Al Beverly

Amy Colaneri

George Taylor III

Earl Rennie

Carmen Pino

Alternates

Dante Rieti

Secretary - Amy Colaneri

Honorary Member

John Rogers

Twp. Committee Representative

John Daddario

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

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

2020 MEETING DATES

January	14
February	11
March	10
April	7 & 21
May	12
September	8
October	13 & 27

Reorganization Meeting
January 12, 2021

Committee Members

Chairperson

Carol Kinkade

Herman Evans, Jr.

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Cindy Kakoda

Marion Moore

George Moore

Ronald Moore

Alternates

Frank Tyler, Belford Miller
and Kathy King

Secretary

Cindy Kakoda

2020 MUNICIPAL COURT SESSIONS

January	7	14	21	28	
February	4	11	18	25	
March	3	10	17	24	31
April	7	14	21	28	
May	5	12	19	26	
June	2	9	16	23	30
July	7	14	21	28	
August	4	11	18	25	
September 1	8	15	22	29	
October	6	13	20	27	9
November	3	10	17	24	
December	1	8	15		

All sessions are held on Mondays in the Court Room. All Sessions begin at 9:00 AM

Municipal Court Judge

Lauren VanEmbden, Esq.

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Deputy Court Administrator

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Niki Trunk, Esq.

Public Defender

Stephen Kernan, Esq.

Window Hours for Court

Mon - Fri 9 AM to 4 PM

Phone: 856-455-8722

Fax: 856-451-6489

Note: Traffic tickets that do not require a court appearance can be paid online. Check website.

CONSTRUCTION CODE OFFICE

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Tony Lamanteer

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NATURAL DISASTER / MAJOR STORM INFORMATION

In the event of a Disaster or Storm:

The local Office of Emergency Management (OEM) will open at 69 Cornwell Dr (Fire Department #3) and information will be provided on the various resources available for that particular disaster (i.e. water stations, cooling & heating stations, shelters, and road closings). If it's a timed event such as a hurricane, plans will be implemented prior to the event occurring. This information will be disseminated via the Township's website www.UpperDeerfield.com, Township's phone system, or by contacting the OEM office.

During an event the fire departments will be working throughout the Township making utility checks on areas that may have sustained damage or standing-by for an emergency. The Emergency Medical Services

(EMS) will be making wellness checks on known citizens with medical problems that may need assistance (i.e. changing home O2 over to their bottle system in the event of power loss). If you would like to be added to the home check list please fill out the registration form on the Township Website on the Office of Emergency Management page and return the form to Office of Emergency Management, 1325 Highway 77, Seabrook, NJ 08302.

If you need the fire department or EMS to check your property or to make a wellness check free-of-charge or to report any road blockages from damaged trees, wires, or poles, or to report any damaged dams or bridges please contact the OEM office at **856-455-2779 x3441** during an event. To report any emergencies please continue to dial 911.



UPPER DEERFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT K-8

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**Assistant Superintendent
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Cherie Bratty

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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
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John L. Daddario

**Remembering Past
Community Day Fun**



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Ken Jackson, Upper Deerfield

The Board of Education meets on the fourth Thursday of each month at 6:00 P.M. in the administration building on Love Lane. The public is invited to attend these meetings.

**Township Committee
Representative**
James P. Crilly



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The State House
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Gloucester County

Kingsway Commons
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935 Kings Highway
Thorofare, New Jersey 08086
856-251-9801



Kicking-in to Support the Community!

Thanks to the Cohansey Soccer Club (CSC) and its partner Smart Soccer 101, ten local families were able to enjoy a Happier Thanksgiving Day. Throughout November, the group collected donations of frozen turkeys and non-perishables with a goal of providing five needy families with a full Thanksgiving dinner. The outpouring of generous support from CSC families, players, and coaches allowed the Club to double its goal and provide full holiday meals to ten families in need.



Items collected through the Thanksgiving Food Drive were packaged and delivered to the Upper Deerfield Public School District for distribution to the ten families identified by Principal Hill and the school staff.

CSC and Smart Soccer 101 appreciates the kindness and generosity displayed by all who assisted with this project and looks forward to establishing a new club tradition by continuing the Food Drive next year.

Don't Flush the Wipes

Don't flush wipes down the toilet. With the outbreak of COVID-19, people are using disinfectant wipes, paper towels and other items to sanitize areas and then disposing of them in the toilet.

Please do not flush: napkins, paper towels, cleaning wipes, baby wipes, sanitary napkins, adult diapers and flushable wipes. Flushing these items may cause sewage systems to clog the pipes, damage the sewage pumps or back up in the household or business. You may need to call a plumber to repair the problem.

The items above do not break down or tear and do not readily degrade which becomes a long-term environmental problem. The only item that should be thrown down the toilet is toilet paper.

Please dispose of the wipes and other items listed above in the trash.



ASAP Launches "Sports Against Drugs"

This past fall the Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention (ASAP) initiated a new program to help youth and parents become more



Cumberland Midget Football League players and cheerleaders stopped by ASAP's information table to sign "Drug Free Pledge Cards" and obtain tips on how to stay substance abuse free.

aware of the health risks and dangers that drugs, alcohol and tobacco abuse present. Known as "Sports Against Drugs", the program works in partnership with local sports leagues and other recreational programs to promote healthy and active lifestyle choices.

"Studies show that youth who become involved in sports at an early age are far less likely to become involved with drug and alcohol abuse in their later years", said ASAP Coordinator Andrea Bianco-Rieti. "Sports Against Drugs is designed to encourage and support youth participation in football, soccer, baseball, softball and other recreational activities that are available in the Township."

Partnerships and sponsorships with the Cohansey Soccer Club and the Cumberland Midget Football Program are already in place and efforts to establish similar arrangements with North Cumberland Baseball and Softball in time for their spring season are underway.

Information for parents about keeping their family substance abuse free is made available at registration and on-site at the sports fields. Promotional items that reinforce ASAP's drug and alcohol abuse free lifestyle message are also distributed to both youth and parents.

For more information about "Sports Against Drugs" or to learn more about other ASAP's other prevention, education and awareness programs that are available in the community, email contact.kidsfirst@gmail.com.

Getting Married? Time for a Marriage License



In order to get married in New Jersey, the couple has to go to the municipality in which either party resides.

You must bring in a copy of your birth certificate, driver's license, passport or state ID, social security card or social security number for identification purposes. If you are divorced or have had a marriage annulled, please bring the divorce decree or civil annulment documents. If your former spouse is deceased, please bring the death certificate.

There is a \$28.00 application fee and a seventy-two hour waiting period. Your marriage license will be retained at the township in which you get married. *Best of luck to you both!!*

The 2020 Census and Confidentiality

Your responses to the 2020 Census are safe, secure, and protected by federal law. Your answers can only be used to produce statistics—they cannot be used against you in any way. By law, all responses to U.S. Census Bureau household and business surveys are kept completely confidential.

Respond to the 2020 Census to shape the future.

Responding to the census helps communities get the funding they need and helps businesses make data-driven decisions that grow the economy. Census data impact our daily lives, informing important decisions about funding for services and infrastructure in your community, including health care, senior centers, jobs, political representation, roads, schools, and businesses. More than \$675 billion in federal funding flows back to states and local communities each year based on census data.

Your census responses are safe and secure.

The Census Bureau is required by law to protect any personal information we collect and keep it strictly confidential. The Census Bureau can only use your answers to produce statistics. In fact, every Census Bureau employee takes an oath to protect your personal information for life. Your answers cannot be used for law enforcement purposes or to determine your personal eligibility for government benefits.

By law, your responses cannot be used against you.

By law, your census responses cannot be used against you by any government agency or court in any way—not by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), not by the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), not by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), and not by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). The law requires the Census Bureau to keep your information confidential and use your responses only to produce statistics.

The law is clear—no personal information can be shared.

Under Title 13 of the U.S. Code, the Census Bureau cannot release any identifiable information about individuals, households, or businesses, even to law enforcement agencies.

The law states that the information collected may only be used for statistical purposes and no other purpose.

To support historical research, Title 44 of the U.S. Code allows the National Archives and Records Administration to release census records only after 72 years.

All Census Bureau staff take a lifetime oath to protect your personal information, and any violation comes with a penalty of up to \$250,000 and/or up to 5 years in prison.

Respond to the 2020 Census

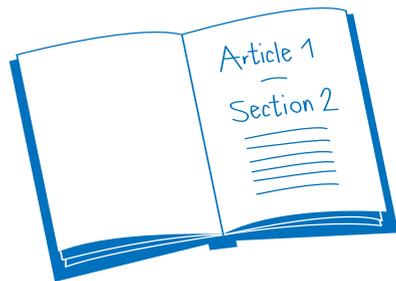
April 17–30	May 1–12	May 13–July 25	July 26–31	
Time is running short. Respond now.	Time is running short. Respond now.	It's not too late. Respond online, by phone, or when the census taker comes to your door.	This is the final week to respond to the 2020 Census.	<p>Shape your future START HERE ></p> 
<p>Respond online, by phone, or on the paper questionnaire you received in the mail or at your door. Census takers will visit if you don't respond.</p> <p>Include everyone who lived in your home on April 1.</p> <p>You can respond online or by phone in one of 13 languages and find assistance in many more.</p>	<p>Census takers will begin visiting households soon to help you respond, if you haven't already.</p> <p>You can still respond online, by phone, or on the paper questionnaire you received in the mail or at your door.</p> <p>Include everyone who lived in your home on April 1.</p> <p>You can respond online or by phone in one of 13 languages and find assistance in many more.</p>	<p>Census takers are visiting households now to collect responses from households that haven't responded yet.</p> <p>Include everyone who lived in your home on April 1.</p> <p>You can still respond online, by phone, or on the paper questionnaire you received in the mail.</p> <p>You can respond online or by phone in one of 13 languages and find assistance in many more.</p>	<p>If you think you may not have been counted, respond now online at 2020census.gov or call one of the toll-free numbers. Or complete and mail back the paper questionnaire you received in the mail or at your door.</p> <p>Include everyone who lived in your home on April 1.</p> <p>You can respond online or by phone in one of 13 languages and find assistance in many more.</p>	

CENSUS 101: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

The 2020 Census is closer than you think!
Here's a quick refresher of what it is and why it's essential that everyone is counted.

Everyone counts.

The census counts every person living in the U.S. once, only once, and in the right place.

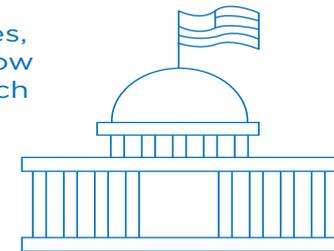


It's in the constitution.

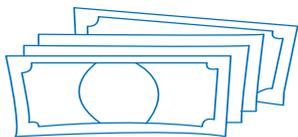
The U.S. Constitution mandates that everyone in the country be counted every 10 years. The first census was in 1790.

It's about fair representation.

Every 10 years, the results of the census are used to reapportion the House of Representatives, determining how many seats each state gets.

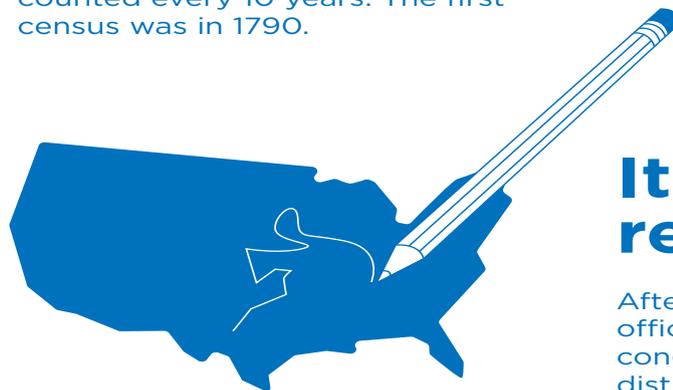
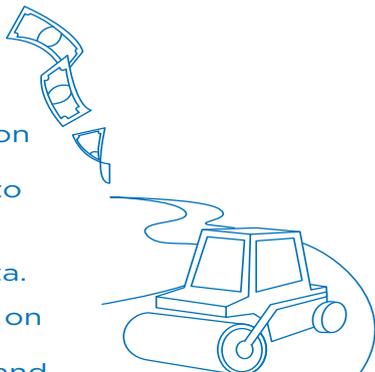


It's about \$675 billion.



The distribution of more than \$675 billion in federal funds, grants and support to states, counties and communities are based on census data.

That money is spent on schools, hospitals, roads, public works and other vital programs.

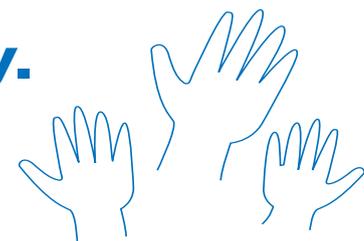


It's about redistricting.

After each decade's census, state officials redraw the boundaries of the congressional and state legislative districts in their states to account for population shifts.

Taking part is your civic duty.

Completing the census is mandatory: it's a way to participate in our democracy and say "I COUNT!"



Love Lane Water Treatment Update

Since the drinking water produced at the Love Lane Water Treatment Facility exceeded the allowable nitrate level in the Township's water test in July of 2018. NJDEP required that this contaminant be reduced. Upper Deerfield Township has taken a number of significant steps to address this issue. These steps include:

1. Retained the services of an engineering specialist to assist with the conceptual and detailed design of a nitrate removal system.
2. Tried drilling a new well. Same problem, different well.

3. Looked into drilling a new well into a different aquifer. Inconsistent yield.

4. Reviewed the three methods to reduce nitrates from a public water system

- a. Ion Exchange – most common and cost effective method used throughout U.S.

- b. Reverse Osmosis – backwash requires 15 to 20 percent of unusable water to be discharged

- c. Biological – new, limited pilot successes and most expensive

5. Nitrate removal contractors were contacted to discuss preliminary

design concepts with preliminary cost estimates to aid in the design of a nitrate removal system.

6. Ion Exchange was selected and plans were prepared to construct a new nitrate removal system - the design of this system included;

- a. Size of building

- b. Placement of mechanical components

- c. Relocation of piping

- d. Logistics to deliver required media

- e. Discharge of backwash material into the sewer system

7. As the final specifications were

being prepared for competitive bidding of the nitrate removal components and approval of the system by NJ DEP last spring, the Cumberland County Utilities Authority informed the Township that the Township could not discharge the backwash from the ion exchange system into the CCUA sewer treatment facility. With no economical way to safely remove the backwash from an ion exchange system, the Township was forced to explore other more expensive methods of removing nitrates.

8. The Township received approval from NJ DEP to allow a pilot program of a biological treatment system that had limited applications in other areas of the country. The Pilot Study at Love Lane treatment was completed in March 2020. The township is waiting for the written report that will be submitted to DEP. Representatives from DEP inspected the Pilot Program in January. Discussions with the biological company doing the Pilot study have led us to believe that the biological system might not be suitable to address the needs of the Township.

9. The Township also hired a noted expert in wastewater technology in November 2019 to review the concerns of the CCUA and the disposal of the backwash from an Ion Exchange system. The expert found that it was unreasonable for the CCUA to deny accepting our backwash wastewater. The Township is hopeful that the CCUA will work with the Township to come to an agreement to develop a reasonable & cost effective solution to remove nitrates

10. The most recent state quarterly water quality tests at the Love Lane water facility in October 2019 and January & April 2020 have shown the nitrate levels to be within the safe drinking standards and the quarterly water quality tests in the Seabrook water facility for July and October 2019 and January &

Nitrate Test Results

Love Lane			Seabrook		
Date Sampled	RESULT		Date Sampled	RESULT	
4/7/20	7.36		4/14/20	1.33	
3/11/20	6.74		3/11/20	5.89	
1/6/2020	9.65		1/13/2020	6.68	
12/12/2019	7.57		12/12/2019	6.46	
11/14/2019	8.07		11/14/2019	7.38	
10/7/2019	9.32		10/28/2019	6.7	
7/10/2019 confirm	11.8	11.8 Avg.	7/15/2019	10	
7/8/2019	11.8				
4/8/2019	10		4/3//2019 confirm	7.85	10.9 Avg.
1/9/2019 confirm	13.1	12.1 Avg.	4/1/2019	13.9	
1/8/2019	11.2		1/8/2019	9.5	
10/3/2018 confirm	10	10.9 Avg.			
10/2/2018	11.9				
7/7/2018 confirm	9.25	11.8 Avg.			
7/5/2018	14.5				
4/4/2018	7.71		4/4/2018	5.94	

The Nitrate Test results are shown from the two water plants. The test results in black font are for State required quarterly water tests. In the event a test result exceeded 10.0 for nitrates, a second test needs to be taken within 24 hours of receiving the results from the first test. The two test results are then averaged for the number to be used for that testing period. The test results in blue are tests the Township sent to a state approved lab to analyze the nitrate water results that were not required to be tested by the state. All tests are conducted in State approved water testing companies.

When a test result exceeds 10.0 a notice is delivered to the water user informing them of the test result. Love Lane nitrate testing has been below the threshold since the October 2019 test and Seabrook has been below the threshold since July 2019. Seabrook has only had one test that exceeded the nitrate level.

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Solutions to Stormwater Pollution



Easy Things You Can Do Every Day To Protect Our Water



www.cleanwaternj.org



A Guide to Healthy Habits for Cleaner Water

Pollution on streets, parking lots and lawns is washed by rain into storm drains, then directly to our drinking water supplies and the ocean and lakes our children play in. Fertilizer, oil, pesticides, detergents, pet waste, grass clippings: You name it and it ends up in our water.

Stormwater pollution is one of New Jersey's greatest threats to clean and plentiful water, and that's why we're all doing something about it.

By sharing the responsibility and making small, easy changes in our daily lives, we can keep common pollutants out of stormwater. It all adds up to cleaner water, and it saves the high cost of cleaning up once it's dirty.

As part of New Jersey's initiative to keep our water clean and plentiful and to meet federal requirements, many municipalities and other public agencies including colleges and military bases must adopt ordinances or other rules prohibiting various activities that contribute to stormwater pollution. Breaking these rules can result in fines or other penalties.



As a resident, business, or other member of the New Jersey community, it is important to know these easy things you can do every day to protect our water.

Limit your use of fertilizers and pesticides

- Do a soil test to see if you need a fertilizer.
- Do not apply fertilizers if heavy rain is predicted.
- Look into alternatives for pesticides.
- Maintain a small lawn and keep the rest of your property or yard in a natural state with trees and other native vegetation that requires little or no fertilizer.
- If you use fertilizers and pesticides, follow the instructions on the label on how to correctly apply it.



Make sure you properly store or discard any unused portions.

Properly use and dispose of hazardous products

- Hazardous products include some household or commercial cleaning products, lawn and garden care products, motor oil, antifreeze, and paints.
- Do not pour any hazardous products down a storm drain because storm drains are usually connected to local waterbodies and the water is not treated.



Clean up after your pet

- Many municipalities and public agencies must enact and enforce local pet-waste rules.
- An example is requiring pet owners or their keepers to pick up and properly dispose of pet-waste dropped on public or other people's property.
- Make sure you know your town's or agency's requirements and comply with them. It's the law.

And remember to:

- Use newspaper, bags or pooper-scoopers to pick up wastes.
- Dispose of the wrapped pet waste in the trash or unwrapped in a toilet.
- Never discard pet waste in a storm drain.

- If you have hazardous products in your home or workplace, make sure you store or dispose of them properly. Read the label for guidance.
- Use natural or less toxic alternatives when possible.
- Recycle used motor oil.
- Contact your municipality, county or facility management office for the locations of hazardous-waste disposal facilities.



Keep pollution out of storm drains

- Municipalities and many other public agencies are required to mark certain storm drain inlets with messages reminding people that storm drains are connected to local waterbodies.
- Do not let sewage or other wastes flow into a stormwater system.

Don't Litter

- Place litter in trash receptacles.
- Recycle. Recycle. Recycle.
- Participate in community cleanups.



Don't feed wildlife

- Do not feed wildlife, such as ducks and geese, in public areas.
- Many municipalities and other public agencies must enact and enforce a rule that prohibits wildlife feeding in these areas.

Contact information

For more information on stormwater related topics, visit www.njstormwater.org or www.nonpointsource.org

Additional information is also available at U. S. Environmental Protection Agency Web sites www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater or www.epa.gov/nps

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
Division of Water Quality
Bureau of Nonpoint Pollution Control
Municipal Stormwater Regulation Program
(609) 633-7021



April 2004

Convenience Center Improvements

Changes continue to take place at the Convenience Center. Two new compactors were added to the two existing compactors on the ramp. This allows for three compactors to be used for household trash and the other compactor is now just for Cardboard.

When disposing of cardboard, do not put pizza boxes in the cardboard compactor as pizza boxes have food contaminants and are no longer acceptable. Please dispose of all pizza boxes in the household trash compactors.

The majority of these improvements at the Convenience Center have been paid for through use of grant funds awarded from previous recycling tonnage grants.

Use of Bulky Waste Containers

Please dispose only bulky waste materials in the bulky waste containers on the concrete pad by the convenience center building. All household waste must be disposed of in the compactors on the ramp. It cost about \$10.00 more per ton to dispose of bulky waste materials than household waste. Help us save your tax dollars.

In the event you cannot lift the bulky waste material into the container please contact one of our on-site employees for assistance.

Used Oil and Antifreeze Disposal

There's no need to wait for a Household Hazardous Waste event to dispose of these items properly. The convenience center has containers for the disposal of used oil and antifreeze

Take Leaves to the Convenience Center

Leaf Collection ended in January. Leaves and brush can be disposed at the Convenience Center. Leaf collection will begin again in November. Please do not place leaves in the street.

The Proper Way to Dispose of Latex Paint

Latex Paint (also known as water-based paint) is non-hazardous. Here's how to properly dispose of it.

1. Make sure the paint can is ½ full or less. If the can is more than that, pour excess into another container such as a milk jug or coffee can.
2. Add clay-based kitty litter or Speedy Dry so the can is ¾ full.
3. Stir the paint/kitty litter or Speedy Dry mixture.
4. If liquid pain remains, add more kitty litter or Speedy Dry and stir.
5. Allow the paint/kitty litter or Speedy Dry mixture to dry until it is no longer pourable.
6. Replace paint can lid and dispose of the paint can with your household trash.

Oil-based paint can only be disposed of at one of the Household Hazardous Waste and Document Shredding Days sponsored by the Improvement Authority.

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January & April 2020 have been within the safe drinking standards.

- The Township's efforts and plans are being monitored by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP). The Township will continue to keep the public informed of the progress made in the removal of the nitrates from the drinking water at the Love Lane Water Treatment Facility.

Upper Deerfield Township Convenience & Recycling Center

Open: Tuesday, Friday & Saturday

8:00am to 5:00pm (Daylight Saving Time)

8:00am to 4:00pm (Standard Time Nov-March)

Convenience Center is for Upper Deerfield TWP residents ONLY.

Only Residential Household Trash/Recyclables will be accepted

- Stickers are required and must be able to be seen from the front of your vehicle. Stickers can be picked up at the Municipal building Monday thru Friday 9am to 4pm. Proof of residency and vehicle registration shall be presented at the time of issue.
- No Commercial vehicles are permitted in the facility. (DEP Rule)
- All loads must go over the ramp for inspection.(Except Brush/Leaves)
- No Chemicals, Oil based paint or solvents. They are to be disposed of at the CCIA household waste days. Check their website for dates.
- No Construction or Demolition debris, No Shingles, No Tires, No Batteries or Propane tanks are permitted.
- No Commercial, Industrial or Agriculture waste from any activity.
- If material may fall from your vehicle during transport it must be covered and secured. You can be cited and fined for material falling off during transport.

ACCEPTABLE WASTE

- General Household waste or materials normally generated at your residence.
- Appliances – Washers, Dryers, Stoves, Refrigerators, Air Conditioners or similar metal equipment.
- Electronics – VCRs, TVs, Radios, Microwaves and Computers.
- Furniture – Couches, Tables, Cabinets and Beds.
- Latex paint can be accepted only if the lids are off and paint is dry.

RECYCLING

- Recyclable Materials – Cans, Glass, Newspapers, Magazines, Motor Oil and Antifreeze. Cardboard that is clean of contaminants.
- The only plastic items to be recycled are number 1 and 2. Remove all caps and lids, rinse all containers with residue in them.

NO PLASTIC BAGS in RECYCLING

- Shredded paper is no longer recycled it goes in the trash.

BRUSH PILE

- Brush and Limbs only. (Six inches in diameter or less) No logs or stumps.
- All leaves and grass go in the leaf bin. (TWP collects leaves Nov and Dec each year curbside)

Electronic Waste Disposal Guidelines

The following electronics can be disposed at the Convenience Center: computer monitors, computer towers, laptops, desktop printers, fax machines, TVS including projection, wooden console, tube, flat screen, items must be larger than 4", cell phones, copiers, printers, VCRs, DVD players, radios, computer keyboards, mouse, speakers, networking peripherals, boxes, cables, battery backup systems, stereos (not wooden consoles).

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE AND DOCUMENT SHREDDING

2020 EVENTS (8 A.M. - 2 P.M.)

JUNE 13 & SEPTEMBER 12

CUMBERLAND COUNTY SOLID WASTE COMPLEX
169 JESSE BRIDGE ROAD, MILLVILLE (ROSENHAYN), NJ 08332

ACCEPTED ITEMS LIMIT PER TRIP

PAPER SHREDDING	6 BOXES / BAGS
COMPUTERS, LAPTOPS & ACCESSORIES	5 ITEMS
TELEVISIONS & MONITORS	2 ITEMS
USED MOTOR OIL	20 GALLONS
ANTIFREEZE	20 GALLONS
CAR BATTERIES	6 ITEMS
OLD GAS, FUEL OIL & COOKING OIL	20 GALLONS
OIL-BASED PAINTS	10 GALLONS
CLEANING & GARDEN CHEMICALS	10 GALLONS / 25 LBS.
CORROSIVES	10 GALLONS / 25 LBS.
PROPANE TANKS	100 LBS.
FLUORESCENT BULBS	12 ITEMS

NO LATEX PAINT

Proper at home disposal can be found at:
www.ccia-net.com/recycling/paint-disposal/

NO FREON
NO REFRIGERATORS
NO DEHUMIDIFIERS
NO AIR-CONDITIONERS
NO WOOD
NO TIRES
NO EXPLOSIVES

NON-PROFITS, COMMERCIAL AND HOME-BASED BUSINESSES ARE **NOT** ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT LORETTA PREGARTNER, CUMBERLAND COUNTY RECYCLING COORDINATOR: 856.825.3700 X. 1270

CO-SPONSORED BY THE CITY OF MILLVILLE, CUMBERLAND COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY, AND LANDIS SEWAGE AUTHORITY

CONVENIENCE CENTER STICKERS

Due to previous complaints about unauthorized individuals using the Township's Convenience Center, we are asking all residents who use the facility to make sure you have picked up your 2018-2020 Convenience Center Vehicle Stickers at the Municipal Building located at 1325 State Highway 77, Seabrook, NJ, 08302. The application form is also available on the Township's website www.upperdeerfield.com under the public forms bullet point. Residents who are renting a home or apartment will need to submit a copy of their lease agreement and they will receive a vehicle sticker for the current year. If you require an additional sticker or replacement sticker, it must be obtained at the Municipal Building at a cost of \$10.00 each. Stickers will not be issued to non-residents, apartment complex residents or businesses.

Residents who use the convenience center are reminded that they are using the facility at their own risk and are urged to take precautions when lifting and driving through the facility.

Township Receives \$9,211.55 Recycling Grant

The grant money issued through the Recycling Enhancement Act is based on the volume of material collected for recycling and is calculated based on materials recycled in 2018. Congratulations to our residents and businesses on a job well done. Remember that recycling is one of the best things we can all do to protect our environment. Please remove all lids and rinse containers.

Tarps Required for Pick Ups and Utility Vehicles When Transporting Trash, Brush or Garbage

Township Ordinance requires that if trash, brush or garbage is to be transported by a pick-up or utility trailer on any public street in the Township, the trash or brush must be contained in a covered container or if the trash, brush or garbage, exceeds the height of the pick-up bed it must be covered. The purpose of the ordinance is to prevent trash from being windblown and littering Township roadways and private properties. Help Prevent Littering from occurring in the Township.

Vehicles will be turned away from the Convenience Center if they do not have a tarp covering the trash or brush.

SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING

Accepted Items

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS FOR SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING

Rinse before placing in recycling container.

Remove plastic bottle caps and lids and throw away.

DO RECYCLE



Aluminum and Steel Cans



Food and Beverage Cartons



Bottles and Jars



Mixed Paper, Newspapers, and Magazines



Flattened Cardboard



Kitchens, Laundry, Bath, Bottles and Containers

Paper

All paper

Envelopes (with or without windows)

Cereal boxes

Junk mail

Magazines/Newspapers

Telephone books

Cardboard (corrugated must be flattened)

Wrapping paper/tissue paper

Paperback

Plastics

#1 & #2 plastics

#1 & #2 plastic food

containers (food removed)

#1 & #2 plastic tubs, trays, and pails

Glass

All glass

bottles/containers/jars

Metals

Aluminum/Steel/Tin cans

Empty non-hazardous aerosol cans (remove lid)

DO NOT RECYCLE



No Bag Recyclables

No Garbage



No Plastic Bags

(return to retail)



No Food or Liquid

(empty all containers)



No Clothing or Linens

(use donation programs)



No Tanglers

(no hoses, wires, chains, or electronics)

Plastic bags**

Materials in plastic bags

Shredded paper

Hazardous waste*

Styrofoam

Liquids in bottles or containers

China, dishware, glassware, or vases

Wire clothes hangers

Pots and pans

Tire rims or car parts

Aluminum foil

Paper or plastic plates, towels & utensils

Rigid plastics, toys, chairs

Plastic containers without a number

Broken glass or mirrors

Light bulbs

Batteries

Food waste or garbage

Syringes, needles, or sharps

Plastics #3, #4, #5, #6, or #7



* Recycle at the County Solid Waste Complex on Hazardous Waste Days

** Recycle at your local retailer

Gordmans Grand Opening



Upper Deerfield Mayor Jim Crilley cuts the ribbon for ceremonial opening of Gordmans as Karen Hepner of the Bridgeton Area Chamber Board, Store Manager Renee Grillo, store team members and Cumberland Regional High School representatives watch.

Upper Deerfield, County, and Chamber officials and the public celebrated the opening of Gordmans at Carlls Corner Shopping Center in February, participating in the ribbon cutting ceremony. The store replaces the Peebles store in the Carlls Corner Shopping Center. Mayor Jim Crilley of Upper Deerfield, Karen Hepner of the Chamber Board and Tony Stanzone, Chamber Executive Director welcomed the new store to the area. Renee Grillo, Store Manager, thanked everyone for joining in the opening ceremonies. She said Gordmans is a retail store that sells "Brands you expect, prices you don't". Their new store is one of 700 Gordmans stores in the United States. She added that Gordmans takes pride in giving back to the community and has contributed 1 million dollars to the public-school systems. Gordmans announced a donation of \$1,000 to Cumberland Regional High School. See www.Gordmans.com

FRESENIUS KIDNEY CARE OPENS

Fresenius Kidney Care, a division of Fresenius Medical Care North America, is the worldwide leader in the treatment of renal disease and an innovative leader in kidney disease research. Their new office in Upper Deerfield joins over 2,400 facilities nationwide to provide area patients with its care teams that are dedicated to helping people thrive on dialysis and live longer, healthier lives. For more information, please visit www.freseniuskidneycare.com.

Upper Deerfield Mayor Jim Crilley, Freeholders Carol Musso, Jack Surrency, George Castellini and Douglas Albrecht and others join Fresenius officials in celebrating their opening in Upper Deerfield on January 29th.



Cumberland County COVID-19 Testing Site

The County of Cumberland, the Cumberland County Department of Health, the City of Vineland Health Department, and Complete Care Health Network are partnering to open a Drive-Thru COVID-19 testing site.

Only Cumberland County residents and Complete Care Health Network patients with symptoms of coronavirus will be able to schedule an appointment to be tested. Testing will be done by appointment only. Walk in patients will not be tested. No children (under 18) will be tested at this site. CompleteCare is making other arrangements.

The Cumberland County Drive-Thru testing site will schedule testing appointments in advance to ensure a better overall experience for those getting tested – less wait time—and prioritize safety for those who are staffing the testing site.

In order to receive testing, individuals must go to www.complete-care.nj.org or call 856-451-4700 and request to be screened. On the website, go to the Request an Appointment section. Once there, fill out the form and click on the "COVID-19 telephone screening" option in the drop-down menu. All individuals will then receive an appointment to be screened over the phone by a Complete Care provider to ensure they meet the testing criteria of being symptomatic along with one of the specific risk factors.

If testing is recommended, the provider will send patient information directly to the Cumberland County Department of Health and a representative will contact the individual to schedule a testing appointment. Complete Care accepts Medicaid, Medicare as well as private insurance plans and those without insurance. The test will be free of charge and no co-pay will be required for the screening.

The Cumberland County Department of Health, Vineland Health Department, and Complete Care Health Network will work to ensure people are informed of their results in a timely manner. If symptoms worsen, individuals should immediately contact their doctor or go to the closest hospital if necessary—being sure to call before going.

Complete Care is not testing patients for COVID-19 at its health centers. Please do not come to any health center locations or the health department for testing or if you think you have coronavirus.

For updated information click on the web for the Cumberland County Department of Health www.ccdoh.org. Information regarding the number of COVID-19 cases can be found at www.co.cumberland.nj.us. OR Find NJ State updates at www.covid19.nj.gov. The Cumberland County Department of Health has opened a hotline for questions and concerns at (856)-327-7090.

Phase II Recreation Complex ADA Compliance

Upper Deerfield Township was awarded a \$221,585 Small Cities Facilities Grant from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs to construct additional ADA compliant walk paths and add additional accessible parking spaces throughout the 100-acre Township Recreational Complex in order to increase compliance with federally mandated requirements within the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The initial Recreational Complex ADA project, funded by a Small Cities Facilities Grant, included two accessible bathrooms, expansion of the municipal parking lot to provide accessible parking spaces for the baseball fields as well as constructing walk paths throughout the baseball and football areas.