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# Samington's Track

#### **BARRINGTON CELEBRATES!**

On July 3rd the Independance Day Celebration began with a parade led by the Boy Scouts. We were serenaded by music and entertained by performers. The kids were excited to grab for candy, while the adults appreciated the much needed relief of water sprayed by the athletic groups. The parade wrapped up with a performance by The Camden High Marching Band. A good time was had by all.

Congratulations to Barrington Girls Softball who took 1st place and to St. Ritas who took 2nd place in the Best Group Floats.

As the day ended and the night grew darker we were entertained by what have been described as "the best fireworks ever".

Many thanks to 1st Colonial Bank and our neighbors in Runnemede for co-sponsoring the fireworks with us. \*\*Special thanks to The Department of Public Works, the Barrington Fire Company and the Barrington Police Department. More Barrington celebrations can be found on page 11

SAVE THE

DATE!

Barrington's

15th Annual

Harvest Festival

SATURDAY,

OCTOBER 13TH

10:00am – 4:00pm

### **Independence Day Festivities**











For Current Borough Information, please visit our website at <a href="https://www.barringtonboro.com">www.barringtonboro.com</a>

Or tune in to cable Channel 19 / 33. You can also view Channel 19 postings on our website by clicking on View Current Borough News.

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#### A Message from Mayor Robert Klaus

Greetings Neighbors and Friends - Happy Autumn!

Well we survived the summer heat and are looking forward to the cool breezes of the fall. All in all it has been a great summer here in the Borough of Barrington. There have been a number of projects and events since last time we communicated in the BOT. Let's go through a little rundown.

Barrington Day (May 19th)--what a great day, well attended and plenty of room to move and enjoy the activities. I would like to thank those groups, organizations and volunteers for their participation in helping to make the day a success.

Woodland School 8th grade graduation (June 13th)--we spent an enjoyable evening celebrating the moving on to high school with the graduates and their families. Congratulations to a great group of high school



students. Go Warriors!

Barrington A.B.L.E. Group-this group of volunteers is made up of residents whose sole purpose is to assist their friends and neighbors in need. Answers, Benevolence, Liberation and Education--we help those in need to achieve each of these goals while on their way back to a normal living situation. We are currently extremely low in our food inventory. Also if you are willing to help, we desperately need donations of gift certificates from local grocery stores (Acme, Wal-mart, CVS, etc.) just to name a few. If at all possible, denominations of \$10 or \$20 dollars will go along way with the bags of food we are distributing. If you are in need of assistance please don't hesitate to call (856) 547-8585.

**Communication Train**ing Event--(June 23rd). Our **Emergency Management Team** sponsored a communication training event at Woodland school. Starting Friday evening, (stormy and raining) at the set up through Sunday breakdown, Ham RADIO Operators and professional communications experts met to sharpen their skills in the event of a situation where emergency communications would be required. Over a period of two nights, the group set-up towers, tents and generators to practice their skills and were rewarded when they were communicating with another group from Iraq! It's quite amazing but the hard work and skill-set paid off. Thanks to the teams for their efforts and I recommend next year you visit them and see how it all gets done. Special thanks to Mike DiPierri, Jim Tieman and Sal Catania.

As of July 3rd, the Borough of Barrington has taken over responsibility for the VFW Building. While we will continue to honor the Boroughs Veterans with a dedicated area inside the building, we will also use this building for Senior Citizen Events (please watch the BOT, our Web-Site or Channels 19 or 33 for announcements). We will be rehabilitating the building to rent for private parties and social events. The revenue generated will be used to maintain the building, cleaning, utilities, insurance, etc. Any funds over and above those expenses will be used to supplement the costs for youth sports here in the Borough. Distribution will be based on need and resident involvement. For more information on rentals, email Councilwoman Nicholson at pnicholson@barringtonboro.com.

On July 2nd we received a loan of more than two million dollars to upgrade our sewer infrastructure on Thomas Ave., Kingston Ave. and to eliminate the Willows Pump Station. This is a low-interest loan from United Stated Department of Agriculture - "Rural Development" program. Assistance from local, county and state legislators helped move this project into the "fast track", especially through the efforts of US Senator Menendez and his staff, who pushed to maintain current levels of qualification that enabled the Borough of Barrington to receive a (RUS) Rural Utilities Service loan administered by the area staff of (USDA) United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development. We will continue to upgrade our infrastructure through the best funding programs available for our residents and our budget.

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# Do You Need the Fall "Function Better Program"?

Each fall, many folks enjoy activities such as going for cool afternoon walks as the leaves are falling, attending football or soccer games, raking leaves, picking pumpkins, tending to some gardening prior to winter and even doing some early Christmas shopping in town. If you find yourself in a position where the bending, endurance, balance, standing, walking and climbing requirements of these activities may be too difficult, too painful or even impossible, the "Function Better Program" at WORK-UP PHYSICAL THERAPY may be just what you need in order to have a fantastic fall season!

The "Function Better Program" at WORK-UP PHYSICAL THERAPY emphasizes muscle strengthening and stretching exercises, activities to decrease pain, conditioning exercises on equipment as well as personalized instruction to promote safe and independent function. After completion of the "Function Better Program", many people report that they are pain free and able to lead a more active and independent lifestyle.

WORK-UP PHYSICAL THERAPY is conveniently located at 135 East Atlantic Avenue in Haddon Heights (just off Station Avenue). Due to high demand, slots for the upcoming fall session of the "Function Better Program" are limited and filling quickly.

To reserve a slot for the program, call (856) 546-0377.

Each fall, many folks enjoy activities such At WORK-UP PHYSICAL THERAPY, you will going for cool afternoon walks as the find that:

- Individual attention is provided by a licensed physical therapist during the entire treatment session.
- The treatment sessions are provided in a friendly and professional environment.
- Individuals of all ages and fitness levels are welcome.
- Free transportation is provided for local seniors.
- Medical monitoring is provided during treatment to ensure patient safety.

#### TREATING

- Low Endurance
  - Knee Replacements
  - Balance Problems
    - Walking Problems
      - Pain Problems
        - Arthritis Issues

Jim Clements, PT, DPT, MS is the Director of WORK-UP PHYSICAL THERAPY in Haddon Heights. Dr. Clements completed his physical therapy training at Thomas Jefferson University and went on to receive a Doctoral degree from Boston University as well as a Master of Science degree from the University of Pennsylvania.

Lic. # 40QA00472300

# WORK-UP PHYSICAL THERAPY



For appointments at the Haddon Heights office, call:

(856) 546-0377

Medicare and most other insurances are accepted.

SUMMER/AUTUMN, 2012

GOVERNMENT NEWS

BARRINGTON'S ON TRACK 3

Borough Brief

This is a feature that is in every issue of "Barrington on Track" where we keep you informed about upcoming meetings as well as recap business that has transpired at prior meetings. Our goal is to keep our residents as informed as possible about borough business. You can also visit our website www.barringtonboro.com for full copies of meeting minutes, resolutions and ordinances. Also, we post public hearing notices on ordinances that are being considered for adoption in the Retrospect and on Channels 19 (Comcast) and 33 (Verizon). The channel postings can also be viewed on the website. For full copies of any ordinance you can e-mail the borough clerk at tshannon@ barringtonboro.com.

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

Caucus meetings: Sept. 6, Oct 4, Nov. 8. Caucus meetings begin at 7:30pm.

Council meetings: Sept. 11, Oct. 9, Nov. 13. Council meetings begin at 8:00pm. All meetings include an open public portion where the public will be heard on any issue.

#### Recently adopted ordinances:

•Ord. 981, 2012 Salary Ordinance for Non-union Employees. This ordinance set the 2012 salaries for non-union employees and appointed officials.

•Ord. 982, Declaring Block 24, Lot 21, as an Area in Need of Redevelopment. This ordinance declares the back portion of the former Harvey's card shop to be an area in need of redevelopment. This lot was previously omitted from the Redevelopment Zone for Clements Bridge Road.

Ord. 983, Amending the Clements Bridge Road Redevelopment Plan. This ordinance amends various requirements in the Clements Bridge Road Redevelopment Plan specific to the former Harvey's property and will allow future development to move forward.

**Ord. 984,** Amending Chapter 48, Animals, in the Borough Code. This ordinance permits the keeping of one domesticat-

ed pot-belly pig as a pet.

Ord. 985, Amending Chapter 53, Construction Code Enforcing Agency, in the Borough Code. This ordinance makes various amendment to construction code enforcement with the primary change being the requirement that rental properties being inspected every three years will now be required annually.

**Ord. 986**, Amending Bond Ordinance 927. This ordinance amends the amount of debt authorized for a sewer rehab project and reflects the low interest loan received from the USDA (\$2,044,000) for this project.

**Ord. 987**, 2012 Bond Ordinance. This amount appropriates the amount of \$725,000 for various capital projects in the Borough.

Copies of the full ordinances can be requested via email to tshannon@barringtonboro.com.

Just a reminder that the second half sewer bills are due October 1 with a 30-day grace period.

4th quarter tax payments will be due November 1 with a 10-

day grace period.

The Shade Tree Commission will be planting a dozen trees this fall at various locations throughout town where residents have requested a tree be planted in their park strip. If you would like a tree planted in front of your home, email tshannon@barringtonboro.com.





## ATTENTION ALL RESIDENTS!

Would you like to receive town notifications via e-mail? We are developing a database of resident e-mail addresses so we can send out e-mail blasts about things going on in town. If you would like to receive town-wide notifications, send an e-mail to the following address: residentinfo@barringtonboro.com. Include your name, address and e-mail address and we will add you to the list!

#### IN THE ZONE

#### George W. Jones, Zoning Administrator

To: All Property Owners and Residents

If you have any Zoning or proposed construction questions contact George Jones, Zoning Administrator at 856-547-4040. Zoning Application has a fee of \$40.00. There is no fee for handicap ramps, but a Zoning Application must be made before you build. Ramps are temporary in nature and shall be removed when no longer required.

#### **Important Information for 2012**

- 1. That you must complete a Zoning Application along with a copy of your plot plan (survey) to secure authorization and/or permits to: (applies to all commercial & residential districts) (prior to any construction projects)
- ~A. Erect a fence on your property; to include new or replacement of old fencing.
- ~B. Construct or erect a swimming pool {pools must be in a fenced yard, fence height four (4) feet (minimum) with self closing, self latching, lockable gates. Pools must be ten [10] feet from any property line or any structure
- ~C. To build an addition to your home. \*All construction may require a drainage/grading engineer's plan & escrow.
- ~D. To add a deck to your home. \*All construction

#### may require a drainage/grading engineer's plan & escrow.

- ~E. Build, replace or rebuild your front porch, patios or steps, or <u>add a handicap ramp.</u>
- ~F. Erect a shed in your rear yard. Includes new or replacement. **Must be five [5] feet from property lines**
- ~G. Build a garage or accessory building or structure . \*All construction may require a drainage/grading engineer's plan & escrow
- ~H. Erect signs in a commercial zoning district (include color drawings). This includes replacing old signs. (Contractors signs must be removed as soon as work is completed.)
- ~I. Construct open or covered patios
- ~J. Construct driveways and aprons
- ~K. Operate a business in your home
- ~L. All Businesses must register at Municipal Building. For info call 856-547-0706
- ~M. Lot coverage is limited to 40% of the lot, includes all structures, pools, sheds, driveways & walk ways
- 2. That the following are <u>not permitted</u> in any Barrington Zoning District,
- ~A. The parking of vehicles on front, side or rear yards on unpaved impervious surfaces (Chapter 85)

- ~B. Keeping unlicensed or unregistered vehicles on your property in any residential or commercial district (Chapter 95)
- ~C. Signs of any commercial venture or business in a residential zoning district (except for a real estate sign on the premises, the maximum size is six [6] square feet
- ~D. Duplex or two family homes in a residential district
- ~E. Off premises directional signs for a commercial business
- ~F. Business or commercial equipment parked or stored on streets in any district, must be behind the front corner of the building or house
- ~G. Operating a business in a residential district that has signs, more than one employee (this means property owner) and traffic to the property
- ~H. Sheds garages or other structures in the front or side yards
- ~I. Boats, trucks, trailers can be parked on driveway, beyond front corner of the house, into front yard area; but not parked in the streets
- **4. Under 128-13. Definitions. Family**; Five (5) or more persons related by blood, marriage or adoption, occupying a dwelling unit, living together and maintaining a common household, including not more than one (1) boarder, roomer or lodger. Not more than three (3) unrelated persons are permitted to occupy a dwelling unit; living together and maintaining a common household.

FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

#### **GOVERNMENT NEWS**

#### **VEGETATIVE WASTE SCHEDULE - The last** Monday pick up for the season will be October 1st. If you have any vegetative waste for pick up after October 1st you may put it out on bagged leaf pick up days.

**BAGGED LEAF PICK UP** - Pick-ups will be every Thursday starting October 4th. Bagged leaves shall be put in open metal or plastic containers of no more than thirty (30) gallon capacity and not exceeding 50 lbs. total weight or heavy duty bags of 1.3 mil thickness not exceeding 25lbs. Please leave bags untied. Bagged leaves will be picked up on November 21st (Wednesday) the week of November 19th due to the Thanksgiving Day holiday.

LOOSE LEAF PICK UP - The season will begin the week of October 1st and end the week of December 24th, weather permitting. There are 3 districts which will have 4 pick ups each. Leaf signs will be posted the week prior to the districts scheduled pick up, you can also refer to the enclosed schedule listing, website or cable channel for listings. Please place the leaves on the park strip between the curb and sidewalk. Do no put sticks, rocks, or any other debris in leaf piles, this can cause damage to the machines and create safety concerns for our employees. If debris are left in piles, the pile will not be picked up. Leaf crews will make one pass thru on your scheduled pick up week and will not return due to leaves being put out late. Due to NJDEP storm water regulations and Borough ordinance, loose leaves are not to be placed within 10 feet of any storm drain inlet along the street. There will be no loose-leaf pick up the week of November 19th due to the short holiday week. Pick up will resume the following week.

RECYCLING AND TRASH - Due to the Thanksgiving Day Holiday on Thursday November 22nd, recycling pick up will be performed on the following day Friday November 23rd. Please keep your recycling separated from your trash so the crews can easily distinguish the trash from the recycling. Trash will be picked up as regularly scheduled.

SCRAP METAL AND WHITE GOODS - The week of November 19th due to the Thanksgiving Day Holiday scrap metal and white goods will be picked up on November 21st, (Wednesday).

**ELECTRONICS RECYCLING** – Effective immediately residents can begin to bring there E-waste to the DPW yard for disposal. Hours of drop off will be Monday thru Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The following items can be disposed of as **E-waste:** 

15, 17, 19, 21 Inch Monitors, Flat Screens & All-In-Ones

**Towers, Desktops & Laptops Uninterrupted Power Supply** Keyboards, Mouse & Speakers All Type of Wire **Gold Clip Ends** Printers, Fax Machines, Scanners, Modems, Copy **Machines** All Type of Memory **Any Hard Drives Fans and Power Supplies** Mother, B,C, Tweener and Finger Boards

AC Adaptors, Yokes and Motors Plastic, Baled or Loose Aluminum, Brass, Light Iron and Copper Metals, Baled or Loose **Any and all Related Computer Parts** Phones, Cell Phones, Cell Phone & Laptop Batteries PC Scrap and Stereos (No Wood) VCR's, DVD's, CD Players, Boom Boxes Any Audio and Visual Equipment **Scanners and Pagers** Cash Registers & Scale (Electronic or Mechanical) **Rechargeable Batteries Household Appliances Not Containing Compressors Televisions** 

As of January 1, 2011, it is now mandatory to recycle covered electronic devices according to State law entitled "The Electronic Waste Management Act". The Borough of Barrington DPW began accepting electronics in 2010 and recycled 3.30 tons for the year, in 2011 the Borough recycled 13.91 tons and so far in 2012 the Borough has recycled 12.05 tons. If residents have electronic items such as televisions that are to heavy or burdensome to drop off to the DPW please call and we will make arrangements to pick up. Please be advised that any electronic items put to the curb for trash will not be picked up. For more information on electronic recycling you can go the NJDEP website at: hhtp://www.state.nj.us/dep/dshw/recycling/electronicwaste/index.html or the Borough electronic waste vendors website at www.thanksforbeinggreen.com

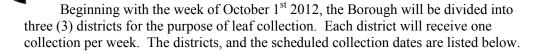
**STREETWEEPER** - The following is the schedule for September: District #1 week of 9/3, District #2 week of 9/10, District #3 week of 9/17. We will advertise on the Borough cable channel 19/33 and post signs in your district the week prior. In order to provide a more efficient job, residents will need to move their cars off the street on your scheduled week. Every effort will be made to stay on schedule but delays can happen due to manpower, breakdowns, weather, etc.

SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING - You can now recycle #4, 5 & 7 plastics along with your #1 & 2 plastics. All other numbered plastics are not accepted.

**HOLIDAY SCHEDULE** - DPW Closed Labor Day September 3rd (Monday), all services are rescheduled for September 4th (Tuesday). DPW closed Thanksgiving Day, November 22nd and the day after, November 23rd.

Any questions or concerns regarding this article please contact the Public Works Dept. at 547-2486.

#### **LEAF SEASON 2012**



#### STREETS DIVIDED INTO DISTRICTS

Week of: 10-01, 10-22 11-12, 12-10

#### **DISTRICT #1**

Adams Avenue Ashley Court Alyse Court Barr Drive Beaver Drive Cedar Avenue Clark Drive

Clements Bridge Road

(Gloucester Pike to Runn. Brdr.)

Center Street Cleveland Avenue Commerce Drive Courtney Drive Davis Road Edwards Avenue

**Enders Drive** Gloucester Pike (all)

Hearne Drive Lauren Lane Lenton Avenue Little Lane Lott Avenue Madison Avenue Richards Avenue Russell Avenue Schiena Lane Shreve Avenue

S. Moore Avenue

Timber Drive **Trinity Place** Williams Avenue E & W

Willmont Avenue

10-08 10-29 11-26, 12-17

Albany Avenue

#### **DISTRICT #2**

Albertson Avenue Ashland Avenue Atlantic Avenue Austin Avenue Barrington Avenue Clements Bridge Road (WHP to Glouc. PK) Charles Avenue Dubois Avenue Erie Avenue Haines Avenue Kingston Avenue Lawrence Avenue Moore Avenue Newton Avenue Page Avenue Reading Avenue Thomas Avenue Trenton Avenue White Horse Pike Woodland Avenue 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue W. 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue
W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue
W. 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue
W. 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue
W. 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue

10-15, 11-5 12-03, 12-24

#### **DISTRICT #3**

Avon Road Baptiste Avenue Bell Avenue Chesterfield Road Clinton Road Copley Road Copley Place N & S Devon Road

Farragut Avenue (1-Home)

Highland Avenue **Hobart Drive Hutchinson Avenue** Kent Avenue Letitia Lane Mercer Drive Nassau Drive N & S Oak Avenue Oakwood Road Peltoma Road Pomona Road Princeton Road Tavistock Blvd. Warwick Road Wayne Road Whitman Drive



SUMMER/AUTUMN, 2012 BARRINGTON'S ON TRACK 5 GOVERNMENT NEWS

#### Freeholders Introduce New Services to Keep County Clean & Green

residents and make Camden County a better place to live the Freeholder Board is instituting a new interactive program through our Department of Public Works to address areas of concern throughout our 400 miles of highway.

"Residents are our best eyes on roadways and we, as a collective Board, want address weeds, potholes, trash and line striping in our roadway network from the Delaware River to the County line," said Freeholder Ian Leonard, liaison to the Camden County Department of Public Works.

Starting this week, residents will be able to go to www.CamdenCounty.com or dial the Highway Department at (856) 566-2980 to report an issue. Within a short period of time DPW personnel will come out to the identified areas to address the issue. Trash will be cleaned up through a combination of seasonal em-

In an effort to engage ployment and the Sheriff's Labor Assistance Program (SLAP), in which the Sheriff has the ability to put nonviolent offenders to work cleaning area roadways.

> "This program is dependent on us, County government, and residents working together to identify areas in need of improvements," said Leonard. "As a Board we are always looking at ways to create more access and engagement with the public. These specific features provide a direct link to a significant department with a core mission of keeping cars on the roads and our region moving."

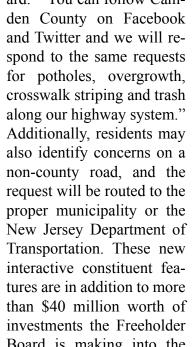
The Freeholders are also ensuring all forms of social media are being utilized to address areas in need along County roadways.

"As a Freeholder, I believe it is imperative to offer our services through digital formats so I urge residents to use social media to contact DPW for this program as well," explained Leon-

ard. "You can follow Camcrosswalk striping and trash Additionally, residents may Transportation. These new Board is making into the county's overall infrastructure this construction season.

"We understand that continuing to maintain our resources and assets are necessary and make this region second to none," said

For more information, contact the Camden County Department of Public Works at (856) 566-2980 or visit www.camdencounty.com.





Joseph M. Kamerling, M.D. Board Certified General Ophthalmologist

Paul Speesler, O.D. Optometrist (NJ Lic# OA003994)

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#### Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

Eligible households do not need to reapply for the program to receive supplemental benefits. The benefits are available because LIHEAP funding for the year increased beyond the original projection provided by the federal government.

Nearly 158,000 households that heat their homes with gas will receive an added benefit of \$100 while those that heat with electric will receive a \$250 benefit. Approximately 28,000 families that heat with deliverable fuels, such as oil or propane, will receive a \$175 supplemental benefit. Also, about 51,000 households that received medicallyrequired cooling assistance will receive a \$100 supplemental benefit.

The DCA's Division of Housing and Community Resources administers the LIHEAP program, which is a federally-funded initiative that helps low-income residents with their heating and cooling bills, and makes provisions for emergency heating system services and emergency fuel assistance. To be eligible for LIHEAP benefits, a household must be responsible for home heating or cooling costs, either directly or included in the rent; and have gross income at or below 200% of the federal poverty level.

The LIHEAP application also serves as an application for the Universal Service Fund (USF) Program, which is run by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities. USF helps low-income households pay for their electric and natural gas costs. **LIHEAP** eligible households may also be eligible to receive USF assistance.

To be eligible for USF, a household gross income must be at or below 175% of the federal poverty level, and pay more than 3% of its annual income for electric, or more than 3% for natural gas. If a household has electric heat, it must spend more than 6% of its annual income on electricity to be eligible. USF applications are accepted throughout

For more information on LIHEAP, or to find the nearest agency participating in the program, please log on to www.energyassistance.nj.gov or call 1-800-510-3102 (LIHEAP).



Sewer Bills are Due October 1st There is a 30 Day Grace Period

Taxes are Due November 1st

There is a 10 Day Grace Period

\*\*THE LAST DAY TO PAY WITHOUT A PENALTY WILL BE NOVEMBER 12TH AS THE 10TH FALLS ON A SATURDAY.

ALTHOUGH MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH WILL BE THE VETERANS DAY HOLIDAY, ALL BOROUGH OFFICES WILL BE OPEN FOR

> Kristy Emmett, CTC Tax/Sewer Rent Collector



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#### A MESSAGE FROM MAYOR ROBERT KLAUS: DOES YOUR HOME NEED REPAIRS? ARE YOU ON A FIXED INCOME?

Mayor and Council of the Borough of Barrington, in conjunction with CAMDEN COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS and their "Community Development Program" would like to offer Barrington Residence a Home Improvement Program with a "Deferred Payment Loan" to assist homeowners with Home Rehabilitation Repairs.

The Program addresses such items as leaking roofs, faulty plumbing, heat, electrical, as well as Construction Code Items affecting the safety of the Home.

A homeowner must be income eligible (this varies according to household size), they must reside in the property at least one year.

Also, the property taxes, homeowner's insurance and mortgage must be current. Right now there is a waiting list for applicants, and we anticipate you would receive an application in the fall of

this year. If you would like to add your name to the list please call

Camden County Community Development (HIP) at 856-374-2578.

**Sponsored By: CAMDEN COUNTY Board of Chosen Freeholders** 

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Louis Capelli - Freeholder Director Robert Klaus Mayor- Barrington Borough Gino A. Lewis- Program Director (HIP)



#### From Surrogate Patricia Jones...

Dear Barrington Friends and Neighbors ~

One of the most unique features of being the Surrogate Judge of Camden County for the past eleven years has been the opportunity to meet and speak with Camden County residents. Our Community Outreach Program, which is one of my special interests, enables me to share information about the Surrogate's Court and its services through speaking engagements, informational literature and a monthly newsletter. If you would like me to speak to your club or organization please call 856-225-7282 to request a date and time.

One of the topics that I often speak of is the importance of having a Last Will and Testament, Power of Attorney and Advance Directive for Health Care, commonly called a "Living Will". I am also frequently asked the following questions...

#### WHAT IS A SURROGATE?

In New Jersey, the Surrogate's function began in the early part of colonial history when the Church of England had the duty of probating wills. When the Bishops needed assistance in handling estates, they would appoint Surrogates" to take their place. In 1844, the New Jersey Constitution prescribed that the Surrogate was to be an elected, independent constitutional officer in each county and was to be elected for a five-year term by the people of the county. Surro-

gates are the only elected Judges in New Jersey.

## WHAT ARE THE FUNCTIONS OF THE SURROGATE?

By virtue of the laws enacted since 1844 the Surrogates in New Jersey have two major functions. As Judge of the Surrogate's Court I review and probate Wills and qualify executors. I also establish administrations when a decedent does not have a Will and rule on guardians for minor children. In addition, the Surrogate's Court is the depository for funds awarded to minor children through "friendly settlements", inheritances or as beneficiaries of life insurance proceeds. The funds are deposited into the Surrogate's Intermingled Minors Fund and remain there until the minor reaches the age of 18.

As the Deputy Clerk of the Superior Court, Chancery Division, Probate Part, the Surrogate reviews and schedules all actions pertaining to contested wills, estate matters and the appointment of guardians for incapacitated persons.

The Surrogate Judge also serves as Deputy Clerk of the Superior Court, Family Part for adoptions. The Surrogate is responsible for reviewing all paperwork filed for an adoption procedure.

#### WHAT IS PROBATE?

Probate is the legal process that establishes the genuineness of a Will. It is done by the Surrogate in the county where the decedent resided at the time of death.

Once again, I welcome the opportunity to answer any questions you may have relating to the work of the Surrogate's Court. Please do not hesitate to call my office at 856-225-7282.

#### MAKE A DATE!! SENIOR LEGAL WORKSHOPS

If you are a Camden County resident age 60 and over or disabled you can acquire, at no cost, a Last Will and Testament, an Advance Directive for Health Care (Living Will), and a Power of Attorney. To check available times and to register please call 856-566-2920.

#### SAVE THE DATE!! ADOP-TION EXPO ~ November 10, 2012

You can learn more about the adoption process at the Adoption Expo sponsored by the Surrogate Court being held on Saturday, November 10 at the Cherry Hill Mall. Representatives from adoption agencies will be there to answer questions and distribute informational literature. Please plan to attend and share this information with anyone who may be interested in adopting!

As the Camden County Surrogate, it is my pleasure to outline the services that the Surrogate's Court provides to the residents of Camden County. The primary responsibility of the Surrogate's Court is the processing of estates,

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though the Court is also engaged in matters relating to adoptions, guardianships of minors and incapacitated adults, and the management of minors' trust funds.

I always welcome the opportunity to speak to our residents about the Surrogate's Court and its statutory and assigned functions on estates and the importance of having a Last Will and Testament, Power of Attorney and Advance Directive for Health Care enables me to share information about the Surrogate's Court and its services through speaking engagements, seminars and informational literature. If you would like me to speak to your organization please call my office at 856-225-7282 to schedule a time.



#### **MAYOR'S MESSAGE**

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Our Independence Day Celebrations were a complete success, from the parade which takes place the evening before the 4th of July and fireworks which followed at dusk. The parade which traveled down Clements Bridge Road to Gloucester Pike and turned into the "Old Gardens" section seemed to last forever. The addition of several new entries and especially the Camden High Band was very exciting. Congratulations to the winners of the floats, this year St. Rita's and Barrington Girls Softball. Each of the events were heavily attended and this was the best fireworks show for some time (of course I'm a little impartial). Thank you to Councilwoman Bergeron, Nicholson, Councilwoman Councilman DelVecchio, our Police Department and Public Works Employee's for making this year's celebration a great success. Special thanks to our Fire Marshall Steve DiPierri for his very special involvement in this year's celebration.

Public Works dedicated our shared service truck wash as was outlined in an article in a prior issue of BOT entitled "BARRINGTON **TAKES** THE LEAD ON CON-STRUCTION OF VEHICLE TRUCK WASH". In February, 2009, the DEP enacted regulations prohibiting the discharge of wash water from trucks, cars and other public works equipment because of the run-off into storm sewers. Through a shared service agreement with Runnemede, Bellmawr and Mount Ephraim, Mike Ciocco, our DPW Superintendent, spearheaded this project that will greatly benefit all four towns and save tremendous taxpayer dollars. A grand opening of the truck wash was held at the Barrington Public Works Complex, 100 Reamer Drive in Barrington, on Thursday, July 19 at 1:00pm. Representatives from all four towns were present for the grand opening.

It is my great pleasure to thank the Borough Council, specifically the efforts of Council President Popiolek, for diligence and hard work in securing a contract with DELCO Development for the rehabilitation of the property known as Barrington Motel, Barrington Transmission and Bok-Bok Fresh, also known as the White Horse Pike Redevelopment Project. This contract will allow DELCO to not only develop these properties but bring to Barrington new businesses that will enhance the entire White Horse Pike corridor and create jobs. Once the final approvals have come down from Trenton DOT, we will announce those businesses. Believe me--everyone will be pleased and proud of the corridor once the developments are complete.

If you have driven down

Clements Bridge Road recently, by the Deerr Field sports complex, you can see we have completed a project with grant money from the NJ State Green Acres Funds that we used for rehabilitating Deerr Field. The grant money was used to pave a walking-running track around the field and construct the Amphitheater and access. We would like to thank Mike Ciocco, Public Works Superintendent and the Public Works employees from Barrington for all their hard work. We are scheduling a grand opening of the new Amphitheater located in the rear of the park behind the Deerr Field Complex at Clements Bridge Road and Reamer Drive. This event will feature the Barrington Band in concert. The Band is celebrating their 100th Anniversary this year. This will prove to be a very entertaining event. Please keep track on our website and Channels 19-33, (depending on your cable provider).

By now all of our residents have received their tax bills. The bills go out later in the summer as we are waiting for information from the State to finalize the tax rate. We have done our best to keep any increases at a minimum. If you have any questions please call or come see us here at the borough hall.

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sounds funny to hear that this municipality will be incorporated 100 years very soon. As a matter of fact, we will celebrate the centennial in 2017. That is not so far away and we are seeking individuals and organizations, as well as businesses, that are interested in being involved in the "Centennial Committee". Those interested are asked to contact the Mayor's office at (856) 547-8585 and leave your name, address and phone number (or email address) and we will contact you for your involvement.

We here at the Borough are looking forward to the fall activities such as fall sports (soccer, football, etc.), and who can resist our own Civic Association's "Harvest Fest". Last year there were an estimated 17,000 people visiting our municipality. This year will reveal additional activities on that special day. Keep a look out for news of events. Please be careful, especially since kids will be going back to school soon, and we look forward to seeing everyone during the holidays.

Be happy and be safe.



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## Council Corner

#### A Message from Councilwoman Maureen Bergeron

one who attended the Summer Recreation Program. I hope everyone enjoyed themselves. There will be a survey on Barrington's website shortly and I hope you will take the time to fill it out. This survey is for both those who attended and people who did not. We want to know why you didn't. We had significantly less people

I would like to thank every- this year and cannot continue the program the same way we did this year without more campers. Therefore, I encourage you to fill this out so we can make it better. I especially would like to thank Next Stage, Royal Fitness and Runnemede! Good luck in the new school year!

> If you have any question please call Councilwoman



Maureen Bergeron at 856 547-8585. mbergeron@barringtonboro.com.

#### **Committee Members Needed**

We are looking for members for committees! There is always room for volunteers. Please contact me at mbergeron@barringtonboro.com or 547-8585 if interested.

The Borough is on Facebook. Be sure to become a fan of the Borough of Barrington for up to date information. We are always on the web at Barringtonboro.com and Channel 19. If you would like something to be announced please feel free to contact me.

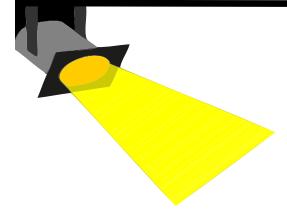
I would like to thank everyone involved in the Independence Celebration. It was

a wonderful time and we could not have done it without the volunteers, organizations, Police, Fire, Ambulance and Public Works!

Congratulations to the winners of the parade...1st Place Girls Softball and 2nd Place St. Rita's!

I would also like to thank our Parade Marshalls, Cass and Bill Patton! They have given so much for themselves helping those in need and have touched many lives. Congratulations to both of them!

> Councilwoman Maureen Bergeron



# Center Stage with Chris Pawling A New Feature Spotlighting Businesses in Our Community

Not long after I sat down with John O'Malley, owner of John's Auto Service on Clements Bridge Road, 36-year-old son Jack hit the road for a tow service.

That's just the way it goes at John's. It's a bustling local business that features six tow trucks, 24-hour tow service, 14 vehicle service bays, three fuel pumps and, above all, a Barrington-first attitude.

"Every day is a challenge and every day you get the satisfaction of helping people," O'Malley said in his cramped office, with wife Laura sitting by his side as his second in command. "I know a lot of people in Barrington better than they know themselves. Some people might be up against it, out of work, and I make exceptions. When it comes to my labor rate and things like that, sometimes I'll say, 'I'll catch you next time.' I just like to help."

John's mother hailed from Barrington before her death a few years ago at 95, and Laura's 96-year-old mother is also a Barrington native. John grew up on Austin Ave., while Laura was just a couple streets over on Reading.

The rest is history.

"I was always aware of John because he grew up two blocks from me," Laura said. "My brother in law (former mayor Tom Page) told him he might be interested in me. So I went to get some fuel and it just went on from there."

John, a U.S. Army veteran, first started at the business' current location when it was owned by Ed Gibbs and his brother in law in 1959. In 1976, John bought the company and John's Auto Service was born.



And over the years, hearsay has blessed the O'Malleys with a heap of clients.

"I'm in here around 5 a.m. to get the trucks ready," Laura said of filling up delivery trucks from FedEx. "A lot of trucks come in for fuel and repairs. People joke with me that in the morning it looks like a FedEx terminal. It's really nice that a big company like FedEx would come to us for business."

When it comes to local patrons, it's a lot like sticking with a family doctor.

"There are customers I remember seeing come in here when I was a kid, and I still see them. And now



before rushing out for his tow call. "You get to talk to different people, get to know their names and faces. And they'd take the shirt off their back for you and it's a two-way street.

"People have your back around here. It's not something you can try to make happen. It's just the way it is around here. You don't even have to know them."

The ringing of the bell to alert employees of a customer sounds constantly. And despite its frequency, John doesn't see a finish line

"Sometimes people ask when I'm going to retire. I always tell them I'm not old enough," John said with a smile. "I like what I do and I like to be able to help people. That's pretty much the way it is. It's a service business. It's John's Auto Service and service is the name of the game, and that's what I tell people. We have a lot of dedicated and good employees that care."

So what's to happen to John's Auto Service when its proprietor finally decides to hang up his wrench?

"It's hard to say. It's definitely a possibility," Jack said when asked if he'll take the reins. "Either way, for now we're just happy to be helping out with everyone in town and giving them good service."

Chris Pawling is life-long resident of Barrington, who graduated Rowan University with a degree in Journalism. He is currently a sports writer for the Gloucester County Times.

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