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Solitude House Preservation Plan

The Borough of High Bridge recently applied to the New Jersey Historic Trust for a Planning Grant for the purpose of developing a preservation plan for Borough-owned, historic Solitude House. Part of the house was built in the early 1700's and is an integral component in the history of the Taylor Wharton factory, one of the oldest industrial sites in the country. The Solitude House became Borough property in 1999 when the Borough purchased the Casella property through eminent domain. This tract of land also included Lake Solitude and a large parcel of land that extends up Nassau Road.

The Borough wrote and submitted a grant application and was subsequently awarded \$50,000 in support of the Preservation Plan project. These funds have enabled us to hire a professional team consisting of noted historic preservation architect Mark Hewitt and his partner Tom Bailey to assist us in the development of the plan. The Borough then assembled a team of stakeholders representing the following groups: The High Bridge Historical Society, The Union Forge Heritage Association, The High Bridge Cultural & Heritage Committee and The High Bridge Borough Council. These groups have been valuable resources in providing archival information and will have input throughout the process.

A preservation plan has several components. Research is done and documented to determine the historic significance of the building and site. The time frame of when the structure was built is identified, and the current conditions of the house are analyzed. Finally, several scenarios for the future preservation and utilization of the building are presented. Mr. Hewitt has provided the stakeholders with a preliminary presentation outlining the major elements to be incorporated into the plan. Some new and corrected information about the site has emerged, all of which was very exciting and energizing. Upon completion, the plan will be presented to the public at a future Borough Council meeting.

As the owner of this valuable piece of local and American history, the Borough recognizes its role in the preservation of this site for future generations. The Borough also recognizes that its first and foremost responsibility is to the taxpayers. The most important aspect of this preservation plan is that it will greatly facilitate the Borough's ability to obtain grants and funding from various sources. It is the first time such a plan has been created and is a proactive step in saving the Solitude House.

Councilwoman Victoria Miller

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Fall Brush Collection

Weeks of September 24-28, October 22-26,
and November 26-30 *

Brush is not to be placed in the roadway. Please place brush at the edge of the lawn as per STORM WATER MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS. Brush must be ready for pickup the Sunday before the collection begins. Please have the cut ends of the brush facing the street. Do not place leaves or other yard debris on the brush as it will be left. Once we have passed your residence, we will not pickup anything until the next collection date.

* Dates fall outside of the date range of this newsletter but are given for planning purposes.

Fall Leaf Collection

October 15 through December 7, 2012
[No pickup after December 7]

LEAVES ARE NOT TO BE PLACED IN THE ROADWAY. Please place leaves at the edge of the lawn per Storm Water Management Regulations.

Residents and/or businesses on the following roads MUST PLACE ALL LEAVES IN BAGS: County Route 513, Cregar Road (from Hilltop Deli to the Cregar Road bridge), Hart Street, Union Avenue, Central Avenue, and all of Center Street. DO NOT PLACE BRUSH OR ANY OTHER YARD DEBRIS IN THE LEAF PILE AS IT WILL BE LEFT.

Director of Public Works Michael Hann

Recycling Schedule & Info

August 3, 17 and 31; September 14 and 28; October 12 and 26
Newspapers, magazines, junk mail, cardboard, and commingled items are collected.

Commingled items include unbroken glass of all colors, aluminum, tin, and plastics (#s 1 - 7 any size and any shape). These commodities do not have to be separated and can be mixed in open or closed containers of your choice. Please rinse out items and remove lids; labels may remain. *These commingled commodities may be put out in clear plastic bags, but the bags must be clear.*

Items not accepted: aluminum pie plates, ceramic cups, mirror and window glass, light bulbs, drinking glasses, plastic flower pots, Styrofoam, plastic bags, oil jugs, and scrap metal.

Please cross tie newspapers, magazines, junk mail and flattened cardboard into bundles 8 - 12 inches high. The bundles should be placed next to or inside your recycling container for collection. **No pizza boxes.**

Place recycling out the night before your pick-up day. Collection begins early in the morning. If your recycling is put out late and you find the truck has gone by, do not leave it at the curb. Please bring it back into your yard. It will not be picked up until the next scheduled collection day.

Sometimes our collector has a problem and cannot collect all materials from all the streets on the collection day. If they haven't been to your street at all, leave your materials curb side; they should be by the next day. Check the Borough website for updates.

High Bridge has recycling ordinances in place. Check them out on our Borough website.

Additional recycling opportunities may be found on the Borough website: www.highbridge.org. Refer to pages 16 and 27 of this newsletter for more information as well.

Please call Borough Hall (638.6455) to report any recycling problems. Thank you for your recycling efforts!

Trash Collection

Trash is picked up on Tuesdays or Fridays and your area is scheduled for one of the two pick-up days. If you are unsure of your collection day, please call the Borough Hall at 638.6455.

Every bag of garbage must have a Borough of High Bridge Solid Waste sticker on it. Each sticker can be used for 34 gallons or 50 pounds of garbage. If you use garbage cans, place the sticker on the top item in the can so it is plainly visible when the lid is removed by the collector.

For cleanup items ("bulk" items), use one sticker for each 50 pounds of weight. Reminder: only one large bulk item such as a sofa, chair, etc., per week. White goods (i.e., a stove), televisions, computers, and construction waste will not be accepted.

For more information, refer to the "2012 High Bridge Solid Waste Stickers 2012" information sheet. If you do not have a "2012 High Bridge Solid Waste Stickers 2012" information sheet, contact the Borough Hall.

Place your trash out the night before as collection begins early in the morning. Bring trash receptacles back into your yard by the end of the collection day. Thank you for your cooperation.

Commons Drop-Off

August 4 and 18; September 8 and 22;
October 6 and 20

The Commons will be open on the Saturdays listed above from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Only brush and tree branches (3 inches or less in diameter) may be brought by residents to the area behind the Commons Park on specified Saturday mornings from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please do not leave items in plastic bags. Additionally, pieces of lumber/wood, grass clippings and leaves should not be brought to the Commons.

	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat *
August 2012				1 Property Taxes Due	2	3 Recycling	4 Commons Open 9 to 1
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Concert in the Commons
	12	13	14	15	16 7:30 p.m. Council Meeting HB Fire House	17 Recycling	18 Commons Open 9 to 1; 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. Concert in the Commons
	19	20	21	22	23	24	25 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Concert in the Commons
	26	27 Third Quarter Utilities Due	28 6:00-7:30 p.m. Sixth Grade Open House Middle School	29	30	31 Recycling	

* Farmers' Market: Every Saturday 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 in the parking lot at Riverside Liquors; contacts: John Farrell (908-638-3544) or Lisa Zambito (908-268-5340).

Calendar: September and October 2012

September 2012	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat *
	30						1 Tour of High Bridge Bike Race Union Forge Park: Race 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
	2	3 Borough Hall Closed - Labor Day	4 School Resumes for the High Bridge School District Students	5	6	7	8 Soccer Begins: 9 to 1 Commons Open
	9	10	11	12	13 7:30 p.m. Council Meeting HB Fire House	14 Recycling	15
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22 9 to 1 Commons Open
	23	24	25	26	27 7:30 p.m. Council Meeting HB Fire House	28 Recycling	29 1-5 Community Day Union Forge Park
← Fall Brush Collection →							

October 2012	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat *
	Note: Fourth Quarter Water Readings October 1 - 19	1	2	3	4	5	6 9-1 Commons Open
	7	8 Borough Hall Closed - Columbus Day	9	10	11 7:30 p.m. Council Meeting HB Fire House	12 Recycling	13 Historical Main St. Walking Tour 11:00 a.m. Paint Out 2012
	14	15 Fall Leaf Collection Begins (through December 7)	16	17	18	19 Senior Freeze & Homestead Benefit Deadline	20 9-1 Commons Open
	21	22	23	24	25 7:30 p.m. Council Meeting HB Fire House	26 Recycling; 6:00 Pumpkin Display Mini-Park, Main Street	27 1:00 Halloween Parade Middle School
	28	29	30	31 5-8 Trick or Treat (houses with lights on only)			
← Fall Brush Collection →							

* Farmers' Market: Every Saturday in September and October 6 and 13 (last day) 8:30 to 12:30 at the Riverside Liquors' Parking Lot; contacts: John Farrell (908-638-3544) or Lisa Zambito (908-268-5340). Interested in mums and pumpkins? Keep an eye out for fall products!

High Bridge Hills Golf

Early indications are that 2012 has the potential to be a successful year at High Bridge Hills. As you may or may not be aware, in the golf business, the period from January through April is time spent preparing the course for the upcoming playing season. Although we did experience a mild winter, this period of preparation reflects the annual start-up costs that are not offset by golf revenues as the season is not yet in full swing.

With that said, I wish to share with you the 2012 High Bridge Hills results for the period January through May.

The club posted revenues of \$370,863, \$5,260 ahead of the 2012 Year-to-Date (YTD) budget and up \$75,054 or 25% from the same period in 2011.

The expenses for the period are \$377,894 inclusive of the aforementioned annual start-up costs, \$5,394 below the 2012 YTD expense budget and \$7,782 or 2% above expenses for the same period in 2011. Fueling our optimism is the fact that revenues are up while expenses remain relatively flat.

Ryan Phelps and Jay Palmer of Billy Casper Golf made a presentation at the June 14, 2012 Council Meeting; the presentation discussed the status of the national, regional and local golf markets as well as their view of the 2012 season at High Bridge Hills. Residents in attendance had the opportunity to have their questions answered and convey their observations and suggestions. Another such presentation will be scheduled for later this year.

*Council President,
Golf Committee Chair Michael Stemple*

Students Tools 4 School

Did you know there are almost 1,300 children living in Hunterdon County who are eligible for free/reduced price school meals according to a 2011 NJ Department of Education report? There are many families straining to make ends meet on increasingly shrinking budgets. United Way of Hunterdon County, in collaboration with our school nurses and social service agencies, would like to alleviate some of that strain by helping more than 1,500 Hunterdon County students start the next school year with needed school supplies. United Way's Tools 4 School program provides students with the necessary basic tools so that they are ready to learn and equipped to achieve greater educational success.

We are asking individuals, companies, and organizations to participate in our Tools 4 School program by either donating school supplies or by providing United Way of Hunterdon County with a monetary donation to support the program. Donations will be accepted through August 13, 2012 and will be used to toward the creation of basic school supply kits depending on each student's grade level.

Please consider partnering with United Way of Hunterdon County on this program. A list of needed school supplies can be found on United Way of Hunterdon County's website along with a list of drop-off locations. For information on Tools 4 School, please visit www.uwhunterdon.org or call Amy Andersen, Program Coordinator, at (908) 782-3414 x24.

Amy Andersen

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DUE AUGUST 27, 2012

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High Bridge Police Department

High Bridge Community Day 2012

September 29
1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Union Forge Park

As always this event will offer FREE rides, food and beverages to all that attend. This is made possible by our sponsors. Any organization wishing to attend, contact the Police Department at (908) 638-6500.

Honoring Local Heroes

During World War II, the nation was united in its efforts to support the men and women in military service. The majority of home-front communities showed their solidarity by creating local austerity programs. High Bridge was one such town. The senior class of 1944 did not take the school's traditional graduation trip to Washington D.C., and it has the distinction of being the only class that does not have a yearbook. Instead the students were given a Poconos weekend, and a day trip by train to NYC, for lunch at the Taft Hotel and a Broadway show of "Life with Father." They were chaperoned by one of their favorite faculty, Mr. Leo Brown, a World War I veteran and founding member of the American Legion Post 188. Mr. Brown taught "Industrial Arts" (Shop) and, upon retirement from teaching, worked at Exact Level & Tool Co., while operating a successful taxi business in town.

Another memorable teacher was Walter Washington Smith, who for forty years taught "Consumer Science" (biology, chemistry and physics). His former students still remember his witticisms of "Always buy a Buick," "Always vacation in Canada," and "Never trust NYC policemen." On the day after the school year ended, he could be seen driving his beloved Buick, pulling a camp trailer, heading off to Canada.

Mr. Frank M. Wean was the first commander of the American Legion Post 188. He served for many years on the School Board, and was one of the founders of the High Bridge Building & Loan Association, which became the Revere Savings & Loan Association. Along with Chattells K. Hoffman Sr. and Charles A. Naughtright, these three WWI veterans created a Welcome Home Benefit program for returning WWII soldiers. They personally arranged for loan approvals to enable hometown veterans to purchase automobiles. A dedication plaque to Frank Wean exists at the flagpole base of the High Bridge Roselle Savings & Loan (pictured above).

Recently three local heroes of WWII have passed on: John C. (Jack) Dorland, who served in the U.S. Army Air Corps 376th Fighter Squadron. He lived his whole life in High Bridge and worked at Taylor Wharton and the phone company. Carl Monn was a Tec-5 with the 79th Infantry Division Artillery of the U.S. Army in Europe. He was employed at Taylor Wharton as a pattern-maker. Ernest J. (Ernie) Subbe was awarded five battle stars for his service in the U.S. Army at the Battle of the Bulge, Central Europe, Normandy, Adrennes and Rhineland. He was a Van Dorn Oil company employee for 37 years.

Sharon Apperson



This dedication plaque to Mr. Frank W. Wean, the first commander of the American Legion Post 188, is at the flagpole base of the High Bridge Roselle Savings & Loan.

Lake Solitude Dam Remediation Project

The remediation of the Lake Solitude Dam, which began in the spring of 2011 is now nearly complete. Final preparations are being made for the placement of the topsoil and seeding of the earthen portion of the dam. Although the original goal was for May, we now anticipate the project will be finished in September of this year.

The Borough obtained the land on which the Lake Solitude Dam is located as part of the Casella property purchase in 1999. The Borough then became the responsible party for bringing the dam into compliance with NJ Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Dam Safety Regulations. The structure was redesigned so that in the event the earthen portion of the dam is over topped by water from the Lake, this water will be re-directed back to the river via an auxiliary spillway preventing the possibility of a washout or a breach similar to what happened to the levees in New Orleans during Hurricane Katrina.

Additionally repairs were made to the existing penstock, which is a pipe that runs through the earthen portion of the dam. The penstock had been utilized in the past to direct water from the Lake to turbines in a powerhouse in order to create electricity for the former Taylor-Wharton factory. The penstock was relined and a modern gate system was added to control water flow. This procedure allowed for the use of this pipe as the low-level outlet for the Lake, a less expensive option than making the original one on the masonry spillway operable. This also keeps the possibility of hydro-power open in the future. It is important to note that no taxpayer funds will be used to construct or operate a hydro-power facility.

The stabilization of the base of the masonry spillway was also required to prevent any moving or slipping. As a part of this process, large concrete pads were required to be installed and anchored in each bay of the masonry spillway where, over time, the ground had been eroded by the flow of water from the Lake.

IMPORTANT NOTE: These concrete pads are at or just below the water level and may not be visible from the top of the spillway. Please be reminded that accessing the spillway and/or jumping or diving off the spillway is unsafe and strictly prohibited.

The entire project inclusive of engineering and construction costs was projected to be about \$3.6 million dollars. Although we do not have the final numbers as of this writing, it is believed the project will come in on budget. A final report will be forthcoming. The repairs are being funded by a 2% low-interest loan obtained through NJ DEP Dam Safety.

Extreme care and attention to detail was taken to protect and restore the original masonry spillway and the finished product looks beautiful. The dam now has an area where the historic masonry spillway can be safely viewed and photographed. Our vision is to create a destination comprised of the Solitude House, the Lake Solitude Dam and perhaps a working hydro-electric generation plant.

*Councilman Tom Flynn
Planning and Engineering Chair*

2012 Infrastructure Projects

The Phase I and II repairs to Cregar Road have been completed on schedule. You may recall that the Borough received grants in 2010 and 2011 totalling \$235,000 for the work which comprised Phases I and II of this project. The Borough has also received notification that this project was again selected for support in the form of a \$130,000 grant from the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) for completion of Phase III. Phase III will begin at the end of the current reconstruction and proceed towards County Road 513. We anticipate Phase III to begin in the spring of 2013. An additional grant request has been submitted to the NJDOT for the next phase of this project.

The Borough has also applied for a grant from the NJDOT for Phase II of the Streetscape project.

*Councilman Tom Flynn
Planning and Engineering Chair*

October 13, 2012



Be inspired or come watch those who are inspired by all the natural and historic beauty High Bridge has to offer.

Art competition begins at 9 a.m. The art show and silent auction open to the public is 6—9 p.m. in The Commons

Other events of the day include:

Children's Art Workshop • Historic Tours • Merchant Specials

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2012 Tour of High Bridge

The Tour of High Bridge will be held on September 1 from 9:00 a.m. to approximately 6:00 p.m. rain or shine. The Tour consists of seven adult bicycle races and three children's races.

This is a late-season opportunity to gain more points toward the New Jersey Cup and upgrading your category. Five of the adult races are New Jersey Cup Races. They are the Women's, Under 18, Category 1 & 2, Category 3, and 35+ Races. The other two non-New Jersey Cup races are +45 Race and Category 4 and 5 Race.

If at least 35 Category 3 racers sign up to race before the day of the race, a separate Category 3 race will be run with separate first, second and third place trophies, prize list and points list. Otherwise the Category 3 racers will be combined into the Category 1 & 2 race and no separate trophies, prize list or points list will be offered.

The three children's races are broken up as follows:

3 to 5 year old children riding a three-wheel plastic or metal tricycle,

6 to 8 year old children riding a two-wheel bicycle with training wheels,

8 to 10 year old children riding a two-wheel bicycle without training wheels.

A 5 year old child who is riding a two-wheel bicycle with training wheels and wants to ride with the 6 to 8 year old children will be allowed to do so with the parent's permission.

A 7 year old child who is riding a two-wheel bicycle without training wheels and wants to ride with the 8 to 10 year old children will be allowed to do so with the parent's permission.

The entrance fee for the adult races is \$30 per race if registering on race day. Non-High Bridge adults are encouraged to register before race day online at bikereg.com for \$25 plus any bikereg.com fees. If a racer desires

to race in a second race, they must register a second time at the race registration/check-in desk on the day of the race and pay a fee of \$20 for each additional race they enter. This should be done after the first race has been completed as there will be no refunds once the registration has been completed and paid for.

All adult racers must present a USA Cycling license at the Registration/Sign-In Desk. Single-day USA Cycling licenses will be available for sale at the Registration/Sign-In Desk.

Adult residents of High Bridge and children race for free, but must register by completing the registration and insurance release form. The forms are available for download online at tourofhighbridge.com. Completed forms must be presented at the Registration/Sign-In Desk on the day of the race or racers may register on the day of the race.

If a racer is under 18, a parent or relative over 18 must be present at the race and must sign the registration and insurance form for each child. Each child must present their helmet at registration to register. Helmets are required for all racers.

The tourofhighbridge.com website will contain the latest information about the Tour of High Bridge bicycle race. Any questions about the Tour of High Bridge may be emailed to info@tourofhighbridge.com. The questions and answers to all questions of universal interest will be posted on a bulletin board section of the website. Further details of the race will be posted on the bulletin board as well.

If you can help out, please email info@tourofhighbridge.com and leave your phone numbers and email address.

Dean Rapp, (908) 638-4653, info@tourofhighbridge.com



Volunteer Drivers Needed

Meals on Wheels desperately needs volunteer drivers in this area. Serve your home-bound senior neighbors a hot noontime meal. The commitment to drive is only **once** a month. It will take only an hour or two once a month to get that good feeling of giving. Help us help others.

If you or someone you know would benefit from the security and support of home-delivered meals, contact Meals on Wheels today.

Call (908) 284-0735 to volunteer or for more information on home-delivered meals.

*Monica Strenk, Executive Director
Meals on Wheels in Hunterdon, Inc.*



Cub Scout Pack 149

High Bridge Cub Scout Pack 149, for boys in first through fifth grade, has many activities planned for the fall, including hiking, camping, trail clean up, and assisting Boy Scout Troop 149 with their fall food drive.

Our annual fund raiser, which supports the pack in its many activities throughout the year, will start in September—look for cub scouts selling popcorn at your door soon.

Another important activity is our fall recruitment drive, particularly for this year's first and second graders. We will have a special pack meeting for new cubs on September 28 (location to be determined).

Please contact Steve Croghan at (908) 638-8379 for more information about the Pack.

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Union Forge Heritage Association

Every year the Union Forge Heritage Association (UFHA) is busy and productive, and our 11th season at Solitude House Museum is no exception. Even before opening the doors in May to greet guests, the UFHA and our volunteers were hard at work beginning in February completing the framing and roof decking of Solitude House porch. The porch is an accurate reconstruction of the original 1910 porch. We had an outstanding response to our donation requests for this project, and we were able to accomplish our major objectives for the year. Thank you to the hundreds of people who sent in funds and well wishes to the organization.



Guest speaker Larry Friend giving a lecture on the American Flag at the Annual UFHA Independence Day picnic at Solitude House.

Our opening day event on May 20 was our History Appreciation Day at Solitude House. Our featured speaker was County Historian and Hunterdon County Cultural and Heritage Commission Chair Ms. Stephanie Stevens who gave a lecture on Hunterdon County history, and the history of Solitude and the Forges. Our regular tours of Solitude House and properties also increased this year with many more folks hiking the Taylor SteelWorkers Historic Greenway trail.

Our 8th Annual Independence Day celebration was our best attended picnic to date with 197 visitors counted. Although the weather was very hot, people came out in force to enjoy a relaxing day on the lawns of Solitude. Musical entertainment was provided by Ann Yon, Julie Mills and Alan Willcockson with the Zack Schweikert & Manic 11 band. Larry Friend also gave a wonderful lecture on the history of the United States flag and the Mini Historian winners shared their essays. Additional thanks to Gary Mills of the Recreation Committee for providing the snow cone and popcorn machines, and ShopRite of Clinton for their annual donation of food and refreshments. The 2012 UFHA Volunteer of the Year awards were given to Elaine Powers, Jacek Blaszkiewicz, Jim Weibel, Sue Hadden and the Sky-Hy Crane Company for their continued and exceptional volunteer efforts.

Thank you to all the members of the UFHA both past and present for making the UFHA and Solitude what it is today. New and exciting times are ahead for the UFHA! Visit us on our website at solitudehouse.org for upcoming information.

*Michael Gronsky Jr., President,
Union Forge Heritage Association/Solitude House Museum*

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What's Up in the Sky for August, September and October?

August 2012 holds two colorful curiosities: a rover landing on the Red Planet Mars, and maybe even a blue moon. In this edition of *The Bridge*, we'll explore them both.

August has two full moons: one on the 1st of the month, and the other on the 31st. So, is one of these a blue moon? It depends on who you ask....

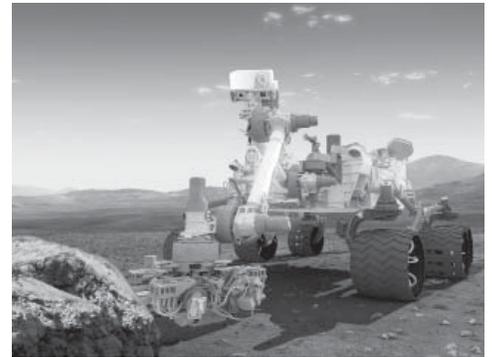
The commonly used definition of a blue moon is simply the second full moon in any calendar month. However, this is a fairly recent definition, originating from an article published by *Sky and Telescope Magazine* in 1946.

In the past, the *Farmer's Almanac* definition of a blue moon was a fourth full moon in a season. (A season normally has three full moons.) If a season had four full moons, then the third full moon was named a blue moon. For example, the first full moon of summer is called the early summer moon; the second is the midsummer moon; and the last is the late summer moon. If a season had four full moons, the third was called a blue moon so that the last full moon could still be called the late moon. Summer 2012 (June 20 - September 22) only has 3 full moons on July 3, August 1 and 31: so by the Almanac definition, none of them are blue.

By either definition, blue moons are pretty rare, hence the phrase "once in a blue moon."

So are we having a blue moon in August? It's up to you, depending on which definition you go with.

At a little after 1:30 a.m. on August 6, NASA's latest rover is scheduled to land on Mars; ending its 352 million mile trip that started last November! This rover, named Curiosity, is the size of a car, weighs one ton, and is equipped with a variety of cool instruments, including high-definition cameras that will photograph the Martian surface, and other instruments to sample the soil and air. Unlike the previous rovers, which used giant airbags to land them safely on the surface, Curiosity is too heavy for airbags. It will require a risky combination of parachutes, reverse rockets, and it will be carefully lowered to the surface by strings. If the rover lands safely, it will certainly be an amazing feat of engineering!



Mars Curiosity Rover (Credit: www.nasa.gov/msl)

You can watch video of Curiosity's remarkable landing plan on the NASA website at: http://www.nasa.gov/multimedia/videogallery/index.html?collection_id=18895

For more astronomical fun, visit the New Jersey Astronomical Association in Voorhees State Park. See www.NJAA.org for more info.

*Theresa Moody, High Bridge Resident, Member/Volunteer of NJAA,
Employed at NJ Astronomy Center at Raritan Valley Community College*

Enjoy Our Open Space

The Environmental Committee invites you to take advantage of our varied open space areas.

- Walk or bike the Columbia Trail.
- Relax with a good book in the quiet area of the Commons.
- Take the kids to Union Forge Park to use the playground or play ball.
- View the Solitude Falls from the sitting area off the Columbia Trail.
- Follow the well-marked Taylor Steel Workers Historic Trail to Solitude House Museum.

Check out all our open space by viewing the Open Space Brochure created by Girl Scout Troop #243 at our town website: highbridge.org.

It's a great time to get out of your house and enjoy your town's open space !

Remember to do a tick check every time you return from enjoying the outdoors.

Environmental Committee

High Bridge Mini Historians

The Hunterdon County Cultural & Heritage Commission holds an annual historic research contest for all fourth graders. Students are asked to research one historic place in their town and write a report. These reports are submitted to the County and judged by retired teachers. The winners are announced at the May Freeholders' meeting which is held in the Historic County Courthouse.

Congratulations to the 2012 High Bridge Mini Historians.

School District 1st Place and Hunterdon County Mini Historian: Alexis Judd

School District Honorable Mention: Josh Kinsky and Lucy Kucharski

Cultural & Heritage Committee

News from High Bridge BOE & Schools

Board of Education News

The High Bridge Board of Education (HB BOE) is pleased to report the following 2011-2012 school year noteworthy accomplishments:

- The Curriculum Committee reviewed and approved curriculum in the areas of Mathematics (Grades 3-5), English Language Arts and Art during the 2011-2012 school year.
- The Policy Committee continued to review, revise and update District policies and regulations ensuring that the District remains in compliance with New Jersey Administrative Code and New Jersey Statutes.
- Implemented a second year of the reading program for kindergarten through second grade students entitled "Foundations."
- Implemented the second year of the "Wilson Reading" program for students in grades three through eight.
- An enhanced communication system was provided to parents and students through the "virtual backpacks" that are available on the District website.
- Increased student and faculty access to classroom-based technology.
- Began the initial implementation phase of the student data management software programs.
- Successfully completed negotiations with the High Bridge Teachers' Association on a three-year agreement.
- Successfully completed a search for a new elementary school principal.

Looking forward to 2012-2013 the HB BOE is anticipating:

- Create a Reading Literacy Center at the Elementary School.
- Review and revise curriculum in Mathematics (Grades 6 - 8), Gifted and Talented and Technology prior to September 2013.
- Continue to increase classroom availability of technology-based educational programs.
- Reorganize the Basic Skills program.
- Provide the second implementation phase of the student data management software program.

Due to recent legislative action and the decision of the HB BOE to move the annual school election to November, information about the election process will become available in the fall of 2012. Also, the reduction in Board member seats will be implemented in January 2013 with

the Board completing its multi-year reduction from nine members to a new total of seven members.

The HB BOE invites members of the public to attend the monthly meetings which are generally scheduled to be held on the second Monday of each month and which are always advertised on the District website.

The BOE looks forward to a productive and rewarding 2012-2013 school year which will begin with the official opening day of school on Tuesday, September 4.

Elementary School News

It has been an eventful year for High Bridge Elementary School. There have been many changes throughout the year. Mr. Nigro moved to the Readington School District, and we were fortunate to have Dr. Caldwell return as our Interim Principal. I would like to thank him for his support of all the students, parents, and staff.

We have continued to move forward with our technology plan by integrating technology into our teaching and learning environment. The PTO has once again brought many programs to our students, raised funds for the District, and supported the teachers and community. Their diligence and hard work is appreciated! The District could not offer our students these experiences without the continued support of our PTO.

As the newly-assigned Principal of the High Bridge Elementary School, I am looking forward to a successful 2012-2013 school year. We will continue to provide our students fantastic learning opportunities. This is an exciting time for us as we get to know one another and work to build our future together.

Brian Bizzoco, Principal HBES

Middle School News

On June 12 the High Bridge Middle School Class of 2012 participated in a graduation ceremony marking the conclusion of their elementary/middle school education. Sixty-one proud students were recognized as graduates and are now preparing to enter their high school years. Our faculty and staff wish them every future success!

As September approaches, the Middle School is ready to welcome our students to the 2012-2013 school year. School will reopen for all students on Tuesday, September 4.

Prior to this date, an open house for all incoming sixth grade students and students new to the Middle School will be held on Tuesday, August 28 from 6:00 until 7:30 p.m. At this time current 7th and 8th grade students; our Guidance Counselor, Mrs. Sullivan, and I will meet with the students and provide them with a walking tour of the building with

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United Methodist Church

It just amazes me how the time seems to fly by and before you know it the year is almost gone.

We have to slow down and see all the beauty that we live in. High Bridge is a neat little town and a busy town. I would suggest that you take the time to get to know someone that you hadn't talked with before. A smile makes such a difference to someone. It can make you feel better, too.

Enjoy all of God's creation: the trees, sky, flowers, everything around you. Get up on your day off; take a walk on the path; go to a ball game; enjoy the park. We have been given so much; we need to enjoy all of it. When the world gets down, just look around and be thankful.

Have a wonderful summer. Join us for worship on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. God Bless You All!

*Denny Wene
Pastor, High Bridge United Methodist Church
Church Phone 908-638-8229*

Neighborhood Open Spaces

Is there an area of Borough-owned property in your neighborhood that could be turned into a small sitting park? Contact the Environmental Committee at highbridge.org if you know of a spot.

Environmental Committee

News from Schools (contd.)

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their schedules in hand. Students will also locate their assigned hallway locker and be provided an opportunity to add personal items. A question-and-answer session will close this program.

The custodians have been very busy cleaning, painting and preparing our building for the arrival of students in September. It looks terrific! Teachers have been visiting the Middle school with excitement as they set up classrooms in anticipation of welcoming back our students.

The faculty and I look forward to opening the 2012-2013 school year. The entire student body will meet in the gymnasium on the first day of school where we will emphasize components of the Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying School District Policy. As Principal, I will meet with students as part of grade-level meetings during the first week of school for the purpose of reviewing the Student Code of Conduct.

I wish everyone an enjoyable remainder of the summer recess!

*Joseph Kennedy,
Principal - High Bridge Middle School*

Senior Corner

Senior Center Anniversary

On September 7, 2012, the Hunterdon County Senior Center will celebrate its 40th Anniversary. A Barbershop Quartet will start the day at 12:30 p.m. Several selected programs from the many Center activities will be featured. Light refreshments will be served. Newcomers will receive Welcome Packets. Come and join the celebration which will last till 3:30 p.m.

Videos on Large Screen

When the weather is hot, it is a good time to watch a video on a large screen television with theater sound in an air-conditioned room. On the first Monday of each month, Armchair Travel will show a video of a foreign country at 10:00 a.m. Contemporary movies are shown on the 4th Monday of each month, also at 10:00 a.m. Call 788-1361 for more information.

Senior Health and Fitness

More and more emphasis regarding health and fitness is being communicated lately to all age groups. Among the Senior Center activities, Bocce and the Walker's Club are offered for outdoor activities. Bowling is available for indoor use. The Center offers many indoor fitness classes, most of which are free of charge and some that are low-cost. Call Eleanor at 908-284-6128 for further information on any of these activities that interest you.

Brunch 'n Learn

Presentations are open to residents age 60 and over and for people with disabilities. On September 7, from 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon, Lynda Bryant will talk about: Alzheimer's - Are you at risk and what are the early signs? A light breakfast will be served courtesy of Flemington ShopRite. Pre-registration is highly recommended; call 908-806-4570.

PAAD/Senior Gold Prescription Programs

These are two State-funded programs which help eligible New Jersey residents with the cost of prescribed medication. Income level determines whether you qualify. Call 908-788-1361 and ask for Pia Rey-Doklan.

LINK Transportation

With advance notice, this service is provided from Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. to most areas throughout our county. A few days advance notice will be appreciated. Call the dispatch office at 1-800-842-0531.

Atlantic City

Bus trips to Atlantic City are scheduled for August 9 and September 13. The cost is \$20 per person. Call 908-788-1359 to win (or lose) some money.

Fred Loozen

Special Needs Preparedness Alert

"New Jersey Register Ready"

The New Jersey registration website allows residents with special needs and their families, friends and associates an opportunity to provide information to emergency response agencies, so emergency responders can better plan to serve them in a disaster or other emergency.

The information collected is confidential and will not be available to the public; it will be held securely and only used for emergency response and planning.

Please be as complete as possible in your responses. You will be contacted occasionally to ensure the information is correct and to make any necessary changes.

Why should you register? You should register:

- To be notified by local officials when an evacuation has been ordered, and because
- IT MAY SAVE YOUR LIFE!

The first line of defense against the effects of a disaster is personal preparedness. During an emergency, the government and other agencies may not be able to meet your needs. It is important for all citizens to make their own emergency plans and prepare for their own care and safety in an emergency.

<https://www13.state.nj.us/SpecialNeeds/>

For Registry Assistance, dial 211 (toll free) and an operator will assist you in registering.

NOTE: Winter weather can be devastating to everyone's health, safety and wellbeing. Prepare now for alternative safe solutions to keeping warm in the event of an extended power failure. Look after your elderly neighbors and report your concerns to the Borough. As always for any emergency situations call 911.

High Bridge Emergency Management Committee

HB Emergency Squad

COMMUNITY MEMBERS SERVING THEIR COMMUNITY . . .

Members of the High Bridge Emergency Squad (HBES) are our friends and neighbors. They live and work in our community. Squad members are on call to serve.

High Bridge Emergency Squad (HBES) is seeking out new members. If you are the type of person who wants to make a difference in your world, becoming a volunteer might be the opportunity you are looking for. Many community members have answered the call for emergency services in High Bridge, and we are looking for motivated and dedicated individuals to join our ranks. If you want to help, HBES welcomes you. Whether you are looking to volunteer a weekend a month or one night a week, your service is welcome. As a member you will have access to training in emergency medical and rescue services. There are multiple opportunities to take advantage of to learn new skills and challenge yourself. You can volunteer as an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), where you will be providing emergency care for the sick and injured in our fleet of ambulances.

As a Rescue Associate you will be volunteering in a technical setting, extricating victims from car crashes, assisting in water rescue, or supporting local firefighting operations.

If emergency medical or rescue services are not right for you, HBES offers Support Membership. Here, volunteers provide the essential, day-to-day elements, that ensure our emergency services can be conducted. If you wish to volunteer with us, WE HAVE THE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES THAT ARE RIGHT FOR YOU.

Applications can be obtained at HBES.org or at our Headquarters located at 95 W. Main Street, High Bridge (1st Wednesday of each month from 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.).

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Halloween Happenings

**Friday,
October 26, 2012
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Cultural & Heritage Committee*

Annual Pumpkin Display

Join us with your creatively-carved pumpkin lit by flashlight or battery-operated candle; no wax candles please.

Light refreshments will be served and treats for our ghoulish participants!

For more details, please call Maryann Hagan ~ 638-4508.



One of our creatively-carved and decorated pumpkins from the past.



HAPPY HALLOWEEN



HIGH BRIDGE



ANNUAL HALLOWEEN PARADE

Saturday, October 27, 2012

1:00 p.m.

Line up at the High Bridge Middle School, 50 Thomas Street

Calling all ghouls and goblins! Come celebrate Halloween with a parade that makes its way along Church Street, down Main Street, down MacDonald, along Washington Avenue, and ends at Union Forge Park. Judging will take place at Union Forge Park in categories such as Scariest, Funniest, and will be grouped for different age categories.

If raining, the parade will take place inside the Middle School Gymnasium.



October 31 - Trick or Treat in High Bridge

The Annual Trick or Treat event will be Wednesday, October 31 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. Please remember to go only to homes with their outside lights turned on. Thank you and be safe!



Environmental Partnership

High Bridge Environmental Committee and the
High Bridge School Environmental Club
Partner for Educational Sustainability

The Borough Environmental Committee sponsors annual sustainability-focused learning opportunities for the High Bridge School District.

Earth Day assemblies are presented at both schools. These are paid for through our Clean Communities Grant. This year's assembly was called *Vanishing Habitats*.

We organize a "day of caring" where the school environmental club and our Borough Environmental Committee work side by side to beautify our Commons Park. We weed, pick up litter, and plant flowers. This year's event was held on May 18.

The Environmental Committee also presented the dangers of lead paint poisoning on December 6 to the school Parent Teacher Organization. This information was also discussed with the Elementary School Environmental Club.

The Environmental Committee and the school Environmental Club also participate in an annual Raritan River Monitoring project run by the Raritan Headwaters organization. Students conduct water tests, classify macro-invertebrates, and record data. When they return to school, the students share what they learned about the quality of our local river with their classmates.

It is our hope that these authentic learning opportunities enable our students to apply what they are learning in school to real world 21st century issues that will help move us forward to a sustainable future.

The Environmental Committee

Planting & Litter Pick-Up Thanks

Brownie Troop # 80091 planted the beautiful plants in the monument garden box along the road at Union Forge Park. They have also been picking up litter in the park area. Their efforts are very much appreciated!

The Environmental Committee

Weeding Thanks

Cub Scout Pack #149 has been weeding our tree nursery located in the Commons. We appreciate their dedication to weekly weeding to keep our little trees thriving until they are old enough to leave the nursery and be planted in the Borough.

The Environmental Committee

Recycling Brings Rewards

The State Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) requires us to reach a 50% recycling rate. High Bridge's 2011 recycling percentage was 24 %. For January through May of 2012 we are at 27 %, and if we add in the recycling of brush and leaves this brings our total to 57 %.

The Environmental Committee is asking all our residents to please help us reduce the amount of recycling that goes into our garbage collection. Besides assisting us to meet the mandated recycling goals, you can generate income to the Borough while helping our environment.

Did you know that we are eligible for State recycling grants based on the amount of our annual recycling tonnage reports? The DEP's recycling tonnage grant program is intended to provide municipalities with incentives to reduce trash disposal and increase recycling. It is funded through a State-imposed fee added to waste transfer station tipping fees.

The grants are based on annual recycling tonnage reports submitted by municipalities and determined by the fees collected statewide. In 2011, the Borough of High Bridge received \$4,004.30 from the Solid Waste Recycling Tonnage Grant Fund. This revenue is used to offset Borough recycling expenses. The Tonnage Grant we received in 2011 was utilized in the 2011 budget to cover the cost of cleaning up the Commons, i.e. tub grinding and the labor costs associated with this project. Your local government uses this grant money to continue to build even stronger recycling programs as we all work to improve our recycling efforts. High Bridge has recycling ordinances in place. Check them out on our town website.

Reminder: curbside recycling is a service our town provides for its residents. Please take advantage of this service to boost our recycling percentage and to cut the amount of solid waste we generate.

To make recycling as convenient as possible, we have curbside collection every other week. We list the recycling dates on page three of this newsletter. Take a few minutes to copy the dates on your monthly calendar as a reminder.

Details on what is and is not accepted for curbside recycling may be found on page three as well. Please take a few minutes and familiarize yourself with the material and items that can be recycled.

Please call Borough Hall 638-6455 to report any recycling problems.

Recycling remains one of the best hands-on ways for individuals to protect their environment. Thank you for making an effort to recycle! You will make a difference!

*Environmentally,
The High Bridge Environmental Committee
Lynn Hughes Council Liaison*

Dog License Information

Dog license renewals done after June 30, 2012 will have a late fee assessed of \$10.00 and \$5.00 per month thereafter.

DOG LICENSES ARE MANDATORY for all dogs six (6) months of age or more. At present, we are not mandating licenses for cats. In order to be licensed, a dog must have a current rabies vaccination that does not expire during the term of the license. Since our licensing year runs from January 1 through December, this means that the vaccination cannot expire during the year. To take advantage of the lower fee offered to spayed/neutered dogs, proof of the animal having been spayed or neutered must be presented. If such proof is not available, an Affidavit may be obtained from the Municipal Clerk's Office. If you have previously licensed your dog in High Bridge wherein the spay/neuter proof has already been supplied, it is not necessary to resubmit same with each renewal of your dog's license. However, proof must be presented if requested.

NOTICE: Dogs **MUST** be licensed in the name of an adult at least 18 years of age or more. Failure to license a dog will result in the issuance of a Court Summons which can be issued either against the legal owner of an unlicensed dog or one of the legal heads of household where the dog resides. In other words, even if a dog belongs to your son/daughter or other young adult residing in your household, you remain responsible as being the person "harboring" the animal.

Complete and mail the form below with your check to license your dog. Mail your check payable to "High Bridge Dog Fund" to the Borough Hall, 71 Main Street, High Bridge, NJ 08829. The fees for 2012 are as follows: spayed/neutered dogs \$11.20; unaltered dogs, \$14.20.

Diane Seals, Clerk

2012 DOG LICENSE APPLICATION FORM
(enclose proof of current rabies vaccination & proof of spay/neuter)

OWNER'S NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
TELEPHONE: _____
DESCRIPTION OF DOG:
SEX: _____ BREED*: _____ AGE: _____
* If mixed breed, denote most descriptive type: i.e., Shepherd/Husky Mix
DOG'S NAME: _____ HAIR LENGTH: S M L
DOG'S SIZE (when adult): _____ Small = 0-20 lbs., Medium = 21-50 lbs.,
Large = 51-100 lbs., Giant = 100+ lbs.
COLOR & MARKINGS: _____
Address at which dog will be kept, if different from above:

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St. Joseph Church

Summer at St. Joseph Parish starts with a lot of activity due to two weeks of intense learning, in a fun environment, for children attending our Religious Education Summer Program. The very popular program is open to all children of the parish and fulfills their obligation to attend the Traditional Program held on Sundays during the school year.

The Green Thumb Committee is dedicated to keeping the front of our Church bright and colorful with all sorts of flowers, as well as maintaining a beautiful garden. Feel free to visit our garden located at the back of the Church and enjoy a "time out" moment.

Aside from our regularly scheduled organizational meetings, July and August are a relatively quiet time. September will be the start of the 2012-2013 year for all our Ministries, which will begin with individual meetings, followed by the Chair people meeting at our Parish Advisory Board the end of the month to discuss their agendas for the year.

Join us for Mass or stop by our Chapel at the rear of the property for a short prayer. It is open 24/7. You are always welcome.

Have a safe and happy summer and enjoy the crispness of fall when it arrives.

Fran Rapp, Facilities Manager

Girl Scouts of High Bridge

The Girls Scouts of High Bridge have celebrated 100 years of Girl Scouting in many ways. Some have crossed actual bridges, such as the George Washington and Califon bridges. Others joined in musical celebrations at Liberty State Park or at the Mall in Washington, DC. Our Brownies attended a release of 100 butterflies to commemorate the Centennial.

The High Bridge Service Unit 80, including Lebanon Township, Califon and Tewksbury will be attending a Night at the Museum in New York City! It will take place in November at the Metropolitan Museum of Natural History. They may encounter some live dinosaurs. If your troop is interested, please feel free to contact me.

I would like to remind everyone that our Nut and Candy sales will begin in the fall, and we greatly appreciate your participation.

If your daughter is interested in Girl Scouts, please give me a call.

*Maryann Hagan, 908-638-4508
High Bridge Girl Scouts Organizer
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Sunday, September 9th

The 26th Annual Skylands Triathlon, Duathlon, and Aquabike

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Phone: (908)-824-0343

A North Hunterdon Rotary Event

"Caught Being Green"

The Environmental Committee is looking for environmentally responsible residents. Please submit the name and the environmental action of any High Bridge resident you have observed going out of their way to be environmentally responsible. The Environmental Committee will vote on one person each year to receive our annual Green Award. Nominations should be sent to lhughes@highbridge.org. Check out past Green Award recipients on the Environmental Committee page of our town website at highbridge.org.

Environmental Committee

Grass Cuttings & Stormwater Regs

Look for storm drain markers in your neighborhood with the message: "No Dumping, Drains to River." These markers will serve as a reminder that our storm drains lead directly to the South Branch of the Raritan River and that we all play a part in the solution to water pollution!

What can you do to help?

It's simple! Dump nothing on your property or down the storm drain that you wouldn't swim in or drink!

Here are a few changes we can make to ensure a clean water supply for years to come:

- Pick up after your pet and dispose of pet waste in the garbage.
- Use less fertilizer.
- Avoid pesticides.
- Compost garden trimmings.
- Take motor oil to the recycling center.
- Pick up litter in the street.

Environmental Committee

Yoga for a Cause

YOGA FOR EVERY BODY invites you to join our "Yoga For a Cause" classes at the High Bridge Emergency Squad Building located at 95 W. Main Street.

Classes are taught by Registered Yoga Teacher Janit Buccella and are scheduled for Sunday mornings at 9 and Tuesday evenings at 6:30.

ALL proceeds are donated to High Bridge Emergency Squad, Open Cupboard Food Pantry, Mind Body Solutions, Equine Rescue and a host of other charitable organizations. Since our start back in October, we have raised several thousand dollars and several hundred pounds of food for these organizations. We even adopted a horse this month!

Come out, practice, donate and join the only Donation Yoga studio in our area! Visit <http://yoga-for-every-body.com> for more information or send an email to Janit@yoga-for-every-body.com.

High Bridge Women's Group

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the High Bridge residents who made a donation to participate in this year's town-wide garage sale. Because of past success in our fund-raising effort, we were able to allocate some funds for paid advertising in the local newspapers. We hope this had a positive impact on your individual sales. We will once again return the proceeds to the community through donations to the Fire Department, Rescue Squad and Food Pantry. In addition, scholarships were awarded to Emma Ettinger and Marlowe Padilla at Voorhees and Marylet Datuin and Steven Muentener at the Middle School. We are proud of their accomplishments and wish them well on their future endeavors.

Our meetings will resume in September. Please join us for our covered-dish social on September 25 at Borough Hall at 6:30 p.m. For more information, please contact Chris Marx at 638-4146.

Oral History Request

Please help us preserve High Bridge history. We are looking for lifelong or long-time residents of High Bridge willing to be interviewed for our High Bridge oral history. Any remembrances of life in High Bridge from years ago are welcomed.

The interviews are recorded and will be placed on the Cultural & Heritage (C&H) page of the town website and copies will be kept with the Union Forge Heritage Association, the C&H Committee, and the Borough Library. Each person interviewed will also receive a copy of the recording.

If interested in being interviewed or if you know of someone we should interview, please email lhughes@highbridge.org or call Borough Hall at 908-638-6455.

Cultural & Heritage Committee

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Oldwick Community Players' Youth Acting Workshop

From the Cultural & Heritage Desk of Victoria Miller:

Ranging in age from seven to seventeen, eighteen youngsters living in and around the High Bridge area participated in the Oldwick Community Players' Summer Acting Workshop. Each year twists and tweaks are made to the workshop to give participants something new to learn and grow with. This year two student directors, Paige Whitmore (fourteen) and Christian Krommenhoek (seventeen), under the mentorship of Nancy Zrake-Daniels, acted as director and vocal director/choreographer for this year's workshop production of *Through the Looking Glass* (adapted by James DeVita, with music and lyrics by Bill Francoeur; produced by special arrangement with Pioneer Drama Service, Inc.). With six rehearsals in June and the workshop in full swing during the month of July, the students learned their lines, cues, and blocking, and their songs and choreography. They also participated to the fullest extent in assisting with the making of scenery and props and as stage crew.

Students at all levels of experience have participated in this workshop, and the goal is to provide a nurturing, positive environment where young people learn to artistically express themselves through the theater arts. It is hoped that they learn how to work together and support each other as a team, respecting each others' efforts, learn responsible behavior, and understand and feel pride in producing a successful show.

The actors participating in this year's workshop were are (in alphabetical order): Jessica Brynildsen, Samantha Brynildsen, Peter Hannon, Audrey Maxwell, Evalyn Maxwell, Vivian Maxwell, Tommy Menzie, Emily Niemeyer, Mia Ranallo, Andrew Ranallo, Nicole Rosales, Lauren Tabor, Owen Tabor, Abigail Shivers, Karleen Somers, and Josie Whitmore.

Performances were held at the High Bridge United Methodist Church, 36 Church Street, High Bridge, NJ 08829.

For more information, please visit our website at www.oldwickplayers.org.

Victoria Miller
Cultural & Heritage Committee

From the Tax Collector's Office

Paying Property Taxes Online

Do you pay your quarterly property tax bill online? If so, please allow 10-14 days for the payment to reach us.

We have been experiencing delays receiving payments made from online bill-payer services. In order to avoid late charges, kindly authorize payment 10 -14 days prior to the due date.

For your convenience payments may also be dropped off to either Borough Hall or Investors Bank in Clinton.

2011 Senior Freeze Info

The deadline for filing the 2011 Senior Freeze (Property Tax Reimbursement) and the 2011 Homestead Benefit has been extended to October 19.

To qualify for the 2011 Property Tax Reimbursement, you must meet ALL of the following eligibility requirements:

- You were age 65 or older as of December 31, 2010, or if under age 65, you were receiving Federal Social Security disability benefits as of December 31, 2010, and December 31, 2011;

- You have lived in New Jersey continuously since before January 1, 2001, as either a homeowner or renter;
- You have owned and lived in your home (or have leased a site in a mobile home park for a manufactured or mobile home that you own) since before January 1, 2008;
- You paid the full amount of the 2010 property taxes due on your home by June 1, 2011, and paid the 2011 property taxes by June 1, 2012;
- Your total annual income for both 2010 and 2011 was *\$80,000 or less. Note: With very few exceptions, all income received during the year must be taken into account to determine eligibility (including social security, pension income, etc.).

*Eligibility requirements, including income limits, and benefits available under this program are subject to change by the State Budget.

Bonnie Fleming,
High Bridge Tax Collector

Summer Concert Series



Slewfoot lets loose during the first summer concert in the Commons!

Slewfoot Lets Loose - 1st Summer Concert

As the warm pre-summer day drew to a close, the band was setting up and checking sound on the stage in the High Bridge Borough Commons Park. Show time was 7:00 p.m. and families, friends and folks from nearby towns gathered with blankets, picnic coolers, chairs, dogs and hula-hoops.

After being introduced, the Slewfoot Project gave us two solid hours of classic, soulful, and groovy original tunes, some classic covers and a perfect summer good time. By all accounts, the audience went home happy from the good-time experience, and the band was happy because of the warm, welcoming town that was able to "share the groove" with them.

Hometown rock heroes Boonescuttle5 and their masterful radio rock authentic renditions of all good things classic wows on July 21 and that's just June and July! More to Come - August Dates:

August 11 - 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.: Silk City - Danny Wiess, Barry Mitterhoff and Larry Cohen - Mandolin, guitar and bass blend in a breathtaking variety of styles. The

trio combines exciting, interesting arrangements and meticulous delivery with a hard-hitting sound that will enrapture acoustic music lovers.

August 18 - 5:00 to 9:00 p.m.: CB Radio - Americana Stew - Our good friends CB Radio are cooking up a great evening of entertainment for High Bridge! Keep your eye out for more details of this truly exciting opportunity to not only hear a lineup of up-and-coming performers, but to hear a full-out performance by Hunterdon's own CB Radio. They are country roots, rock-to-the-core, homegrown and served-up country style, but headed right to the top! Do not miss this one!

Just Added: Vintage Feedback - August 25 - 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Featuring Jeff Thompson, teacher at the High Bridge Middle School!

The Borough of High Bridge Cultural & Heritage Committee would not be able to present these wonderful evenings without the outstanding support of the following sponsors:

Custom Alloy Corporation, Roseland Savings Bank, Greenbaum Rowe Smith Davis, Colalillo Shop Rite, High Bridge Stone, Glassman High Voltage, and the High Bridge Business Association.

Our sponsors' commitment to the community in support of these events is appreciated. Thank you!

These concerts are held in the Borough Commons Park and are free thanks to our sponsors - and so much fun for the whole family. Bring blankets, chairs, picnics, Frisbees, hula hoops, bubbles, leashed pets and all your friends! Some dates will have food vendors, so watch for further announcements as the season goes on. Invite as many people as you want and get ready to have a really good time!! Concert dates will be noted with signage around town and look for our new "High Bridge Presents" banner on the trestle the day of any show! SEE YOU THERE!!!!

*Victoria Miller - Cultural and Heritage Committee -
Concert Organizer, High Bridge Borough Council*

Reformed Church Clothing Sale

\$1* \$2* \$3 CLOTHING SALE

Fill your closet without emptying your wallet!

The High Bridge Reformed Church is having a
"Gently Used" Clothing Sale.

All items priced between 1 and 3 dollars.

Saturday, September 8

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**Mark your calendar
because you won't want to miss it.**

Walking Tour

Saturday, October 13

11: 00 a.m.

**Tour begins in front of the library.
Cancelled if raining.**

Join members of the Cultural & Heritage Committee for a tour of the historic sites located along our very own Main Street. Learn the history of the many places you pass by daily.



I Remember When

I have long since discovered that there are places to go in and around High Bridge that have stood the test of time and are in fact timeless! That includes some great friends I have back there!

One such place that has stood the test of time is the stone office structure over by "E" Shop at the old Taylor Wharton Iron & Steel Company. Under its founders and founding name back in the Revolutionary War some of the cannonballs for George Washington's Army were made at The Old Forge. That old, historical stone office structure was built in 1742; George Washington was born on February 22, 1732 and died in December 1799. That means that structure was built when George Washington was just ten (10) years old!

George Washington was also a Freemason as I am a Member of The Craft at Host Masonic Lodge #6, Free and Accepted Masons (F&AM) in High Bridge for more than 40 years now! George Washington surrounded himself with all Masonic Generals in the Revolutionary War including General Lafayette, General Green, and many others. In that way, he knew he could trust this close knit circle of Brother Masons not to betray the American Revolution and plans against the British; that is, all except one — General Benedict Arnold who became a traitor and it broke General Washington's heart!

There were 24 of General Washington's Major Generals who were Masons, and 30 of 33 Brigadier Generals were Masons or Freemasons.

General George Washington, Colonel Charles Stewart, Lafayette, and Aaron Burr all stayed at Solitude House in High Bridge, New Jersey.

George Washington was bled to death accidentally by Dr. Dick because when you had a fever back then, bleeding the patient was a remedy! Washington died on December 14, 1799! The first signer of the Constitution and first President of the greatest free nation in the history of the world.

George Washington is one of my great American heroes along with Abraham Lincoln and Ronald Reagan. They sure don't make them like that anymore!

The cornerstone laying of the United States Capitol Building in Washington, DC on September 18, 1783 was a Masonic event conducted by General and President George Washington. Masons or Freemasons are famous for cornerstone layings on many, many famous and not-so-famous public and private buildings in America until this very day in time! Many are conducted by local Masonic Lodges!

Many Presidents and other very famous people such as Admiral Byrd, John Wayne, General Omar Bradley, Harry Truman (33rd Degree), Eddie Cantor, Gene Autry, Andrew Jackson, General George S. Patton, Paul Revere, Roy Rogers, all seven Ringling Brothers, Mark Twain, William Howard Taft, Virgil Grissom, Wally Shirra, Gordon Cooper were Brothers in the Masonic Fraternity of Men whose purpose is based on a belief in a Supreme Being higher than ourselves to make better men out of good men! So "mote it be!" Till next time . . .

GOD BLESS AMERICA!

Arthur C. "Buddy" Adler PM 1977

Former Longtime Resident and still active in the Community

Movies in the Commons

Our tenth annual summer Free Friday Flicks were a big success with an average of 55 people per night coming together in this outdoor venue under the summer stars.

Due to copyright laws, we must pay \$325 to purchase the right to show each movie outdoors. Because we feel strongly about making our movie series a free event, we must depend on the generosity of local sponsors. The Cultural & Heritage Committee cannot thank the sponsors enough for their donations!

This year's movies were sponsored by the following High Bridge businesses:

Glassman High Voltage, Inc
High Bridge Business Association
High Bridge Stone
Reflections

We especially thank two anonymous High Bridge families for sponsoring a movie.

Thank You 2012 Sponsors!

We would like to also thank the following volunteers for their selfless support of our movies series and for helping to make this an enjoyable community event.

- The High Bridge Recreation Committee for making such delicious popcorn.
- Girl Scout Troop 80894 for selling candy and water.
- And especially Jim Maher for volunteering to be our technical director for this series.

The movie series will return again next summer.

Cultural & Heritage Committee

High Bridge Community Wildlife Habitat Project Help Request

Please help us! The High Bridge Environmental Committee has had the goal of making our town a Backyard Wildlife Habitat certified community for several years now. To achieve this recognition, we need 100 homes and two public places to be certified. Thank you to everyone who has certified their Backyard Wildlife Habitats!

There are only 54 certified communities in the entire country. In order to be one of the handful of communities nationwide that have received this special recognition, we need your assistance.

Most homes in High Bridge already have the necessary elements. Please take a few moments to check out the application at the website listed. The National Wildlife Federation (NWF) application (which also lists the specific requirements) can be found here: <https://secure.nwf.orgbackyardwildlifehabitat/certify/page1.cfm>.

If you have already certified your yard, we ask that you encourage your friends and neighbors to certify their yards and enable us to meet our goal by year's end. Please email lhughes@highbridge.org for more information.

High Bridge Environmental Committee

2012 Pooch Parade Tail Waggin' Toons

2012 High Bridge Pooch Parade - "Tail Waggin' Toons" - Cartoon & Comic Book Characters

The 17th annual High Bridge Pooch Parade, sponsored by the High Bridge Cultural & Heritage Committee, drew 35 dogs entered with participants from Annandale, Califon, Chester, Clinton, Frenchtown, Glen Gardner, High Bridge, Lebanon Township, Phillipsburg, Pittstown, Succasunna, Whitehouse Station and even as far away as Marshall's Creek, Pennsylvania. We thank all participants for coming out and making this year's parade a huge success.

This year's winners were:

1. Best Small Dog: Dasher, a Jack Russell Terrier, as "Robin Hood"
2. Best Medium Dog: Bennie, a Pomeranian, as "Tinkerbell"
3. Best Large Dog: Zeke, a Newfoundland, as "Super Z"
4. Most Creative Costume: Fred, a Bassett Hound/Beagle Mix, as "Popeye"
5. Silliest Costume: Java, a Yorkshire Terrier, as "Super Java, the Caffeinated Canine"
6. Best Team: Lucy, a Schnoodle, Dee, a Cairn Terrier mix, & Snow White, a Boxer Mix as "101 Dalmations"
7. Best Float: Lilly & Shea, Golden Retrievers, Tugboat, a Newfoundland, Riptide, a Leonberger as "The Flintstones"
8. Runner-Up To Best Costume: Jackie McDougal, a Scottie Mix & Maggie, an Irish Guinness Hound as "Pepe Le Pew & Fifi Le Fume"
9. Best in Parade - Child: Bailey, a Shih Tzu, as "Snoopy"
10. Best at the Beach - Adult: Josette, a Shih Tzu, as "The Road Runnerette"

We wish to thank the following sponsors for their generous donations: ShopRite of Clinton, Custom Alloy of High Bridge, Fur Majesty of Clinton, Country Pet Specialties of Lebanon, Glassman High Voltage of High Bridge, High Bridge Stone Company, Rita's Italian Ice of Clinton, Hills Science Diet Dog Food, Bayer K-9 Advantage Flea & Tick Protection and Zuke's Dog Treats.

We would also like to thank the following vendors for participating in this year's event: Therapy Dogs International; Animeals; Irish Setter Rescue; Rogers' Rescue; and Denine Phillips, author of "Don't Give Up On That Dog!"

A huge thank you to all the volunteers which included members of the High Bridge Cultural & Heritage Committee; Lynn & Craig Hughes; High Bridge Brownie & Girl Scouts, the Parade Judges, Ralph Blakeslee of High Bridge for doing such a great job as our MC once again; Carla & Curt Nowell of High Bridge for being our parade photographers; and Mia Fiorentino of High Bridge for providing this year's artwork for our tee-shirts.

Next year's theme is "Fairly Tales" so start planning now!

Check in soon at http://highbridge.org/cultural_heritage_committee.html for pictures of this year's Pooch Parade.

Ruby Reuter, Pooch Parade Chair



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Rogers' Rescues

ROGERS' RESCUES ACHIEVES TWO MILESTONES: 10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY AND 1,500 DOGS SAVED!

Since 2002, Rogers' Rescues has transported dogs of all breeds from rural shelters in West Virginia and Kentucky where they have little chance of finding homes. After ten years of their consistent, organized effort, the number of adoptions has reached 1,500.

"It's an achievement every one of our volunteers is proud of," says Beth Britton, Board member and foster home volunteer. "There are many participants that make our adoptions possible - the transport drivers, adoption day organizers, applications coordinators, those doing interviews and home visits, as well as the foster homes."

Rogers' Rescues doesn't have a shelter of its own. All dogs rescued and rehomed over the past ten years have lived in foster homes spread throughout New Jersey and Southeastern Pennsylvania. Forever families for the foster dogs are sometimes met at adoption events in local pet stores and other times through to the Rogers' Rescues website and Petfinder.com listings. Using an exacting process, the dogs are matched with loving, forever families.

Many of those families are right here in High Bridge.

"We fell in love with our house when we moved here in October," says Lisa Duff, a High Bridge resident who recently adopted Dude, a black lab mix. "Rogers' Rescues went above and beyond to make it complete by matching us with the perfect dog."

To commemorate their 10th Anniversary, Rogers' Rescues has set a goal to add ten new foster homes by the end of 2012. For information on becoming a volunteer or rescuing a dog, visit rogersrescues.com.

Rogers' Rescues is a 501(3)(c) non-profit, all-breed dog rescue serving eastern Pennsylvania and all of New Jersey since 2002. A network of Rogers' Rescues volunteers foster dogs in their homes until loving families can be found for them.

Jeanie Baker

Garden Grant Received

The High Bridge Environmental Commission applied for and received a \$1000 grant from the Garden Club of Somerset Hills to beautify the grass area in front of the police station. Plans are being made and work will begin this fall.

The Environmental Committee

Be Kind to Your Meter Reader

Fourth quarter water meter readings will be taken between October 1 - 19. Please remove any obstacles around the meter to ensure easy access and accurate readings. Thank You.

2012 Farmers' Market

OUR 25th YEAR!

Buy Fresh, Buy Local



Saturday mornings through October

8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

*Located in the Riverside parking lot on Main Street
fresh, local produce and baked goods*

Farmers' Market Promoter Needed

The Environmental Committee is looking for people with an interest in promoting and growing our farmers' market. Interest in also establishing and promoting local food initiatives is desirable but not essential. You would work as a special interest group and report back to the Environmental Committee before any action is taken.

If interested, please call John Farrell, Chair of the High Bridge Environmental Committee, at 908-638-3544 or orsippuss@yahoo.com.

Vendors Wanted - Farmers' Market

The High Bridge Environmental Committee invites any local Jersey Fresh vendor to participate in this year's Farmers' Market, held Saturday mornings in Riverside parking lot on Main Street. It is not too late if you have produce to sell August through October.

To help defray our advertising costs, we are asking for a fee of \$20 per table for the total amount of vending time.

High Bridge is very excited to involve local farmers and growers such as yourselves in our Buy Fresh, Buy Local endeavor. We are hoping you will join us for any amount of time that you would like.

If you are interested, please contact either Lisa Zambito on 908-638-4819 or lisazambito@embarqmail.com; or John Farrell on 908-638-3544 or orsippuss@yahoo.com.

High Bridge Fire Department

Golf Outing

Our 13th Annual Golf Outing that was held on June 18 was a huge success. We would like to thank our golfers and sponsors that supported this endeavor. The golf outing provides us with some of the necessary resources that we need to help High Bridge and our surrounding communities.

Fire Safety

Remember barbecue safety: check your tanks and hoses to ensure there are no leaks. Use soapy water to check for leaks and do not use the grill if any are found. Every year over 7,900 house fires in the U.S. involve grills. Keep your grill a safe distance from your home or any structure.

Training

We would like to congratulate our recent graduates that completed Firefighter 1 classes at the Hunterdon County Emergency Services Training Center. Recently many of our members trained in Water Rescue Classes and Vehicle Extrication Training. The skills we receive enable us to better respond to your emergencies.

Annual Picnic

The High Bridge Fire Department would like to thank everybody that attended our annual picnic. The picnic is a great way to support your Fire Department and have a great time. All of your donations are put to good use providing us with the necessary equipment and training we need to serve our community. Tickets sold out early this year so please purchase your tickets early next year to avoid disappointment.

Fire Prevention Week

Are you and your family prepared in the event of an emergency? You must have a plan including an escape route and a meeting place. The High Bridge Fire Department will again be at the schools during fire prevention week, to focus on your escape plans. Don't forget to change the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors regularly. Smoke detector manufacturers recommend that you replace your detectors every five years.

Jim Dietz, Secretary

Electronics Recycling Summary

Thank you to the 272 residents who participated in our town-wide electronics recycling event sponsored by The High Bridge Environmental Committee using Clean Communities Grant Money. Recycling was provided by Supreme Computer & Electronics Recycling Inc. from Lakewood, NJ.

We filled one 53 foot tractor trailer plus two more pallets in just 4 hours. That was a total of 29, 864 pounds of recycling! What an environmental difference our residents made by keeping these recyclables out of the waste stream!

The environmental committee is pleased that we can continue to meet an obvious need of our residents by providing electronics recycling. The next event will be scheduled for April of 2013.

Environmental Committee

High Bridge Library

The State-wide reading program "Dream Big - Read!" is now open for registration at the High Bridge Library.

Miss Terry

Open Cupboard Food Pantry

High Bridge Cub and Boy Scout Troops 149 have once again organized a successful food drive for Open Cupboard Food Pantry. Their most recent drive brought 2627 pounds of food to the Pantry just in time for summer when donations are down but need remains constant. Thank you to the scouts for your hard work and dedication and to the citizens of High Bridge for your generous support year after year.

In other news, the Pantry is very happy to announce that we at long last have a website! It is currently under construction but for now you can find basic information such as hours, location and phone numbers. Surf in and see us at opencupboardfoodpantry.org.

*Tobey Wodder,
Secretary, Open Cupboard Food Pantry*

Child Find

The High Bridge School District seeks to locate resident children and young adults, ages 3 to 21 years old, who might have significant physical, cognitive, neurological, speech and language, medical needs, or other developmental delays of varying degrees of severity, who are not currently receiving services. Proof of residency is required. For information call Special Services at 908-638-4512.

Lisa Fallon, Director of Special Services



2012 HBYS Registration Form

Season Runs from September 8, 2012 to November 17, 2012

Register On or Before July 23, 2012: \$60.00
Register After July 23, 2012: \$70.00

PeeWee Division (Kindergarten & First Grade) Registration Fee: \$60.00

- Families with 3 or more players: Maximum fee is \$120 before July 23, and \$140 after July 23.
- Shin Guards are MANDATORY.
- Summer KickOff Clinic: Run by USA Soccer, held on select weekday evenings, in early August (date and times to be determined).
- PeeWee Players will be contacted by their coaches the week of August 27, 2012. At that time, parents will be informed about their game times for the first Saturday on September 8, 2012.
- Players in Grades 2-8 will be contacted by their coaches approximately the week of August 8.

PeeWee Division Kindergarten & First Grade
 Junior Division Second & Third Grade
 Intermediate Fourth and Fifth Grade*
 Senior Division Sixth, Seventh & Eighth Grade*

*Game Schedules: Intermediate and Senior Divisions
 Teams will have a limited number of home and away games.

You can also register online at
www.hbyouthsoccer.org
 All major credit cards accepted

Email questions to: info@hbyouthsoccer.org
 or call Jake Krushinski, 908-872-6528

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 Players Name: _____
 Street: _____
 City, State, Zip _____
 Telephone (home or cell): _____
 E-mail: _____
 Date: _____

Birthdate: _____
 Sex: M / F Played Last Year? Y / N
 Grade This Fall: _____
 Age This Fall _____
 Weight: _____
 Height: _____

Has the player been a member of a soccer/travel team and/or played for a school team this year? Y / N
 If registering 2 or more players within the same division from the same family, do you want them on the same team? Y / N

Consent and Release

I, the parent or legal guardian of the said individual, who is in good physical health and has no abnormalities, hereby give my consent to play in the High Bridge Youth Soccer League (HBYS) and agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless HBYS officials, coaches and representatives from any claim arising out of injury to the above named individual.

NOTE: Children can not play without a signed consent form from the parent or guardian.

Date: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Please check appropriate box:

- Coaching Assistant Coach Division Leader Referee
 Concession Stand Staff Field Prep Other _____
 My Business is Interested in Sponsor Opportunities

Name _____ Company Name (if applicable) _____
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High Bridge Youth Soccer, P.O. Box 268, High Bridge, NJ 08829

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Recycling Opportunities

Bottle Cap Recycling: High Bridge no longer has a bottle cap recycling program. However, you may send your plastic bottle caps to The Recap Company, 6465 Lewis Road, Loveland, OH 45140; for more information see www.recapcompany.com.

Car Batteries: Padik Auto Parts, 423 Route 513, Califon, NJ accepts all automotive and light batteries ("wet" batteries). Put the batteries on the rack in the front of the store. The rack is always there so you can drop batteries off anytime 24/7 that is convenient.

Eye Glasses: Eye glasses are collected by the Borough Environmental Committee and will be sent to charitable organizations. Drop off eye glasses at the Borough Library during operating hours (see next item for hours).

Cell Phones, Inkjet Cartridges, Laser Toner Cartridges: The High Bridge Elementary School's Environmental Club is collecting used cell phones, inkjet and laser toner cartridges. The money raised will be used for environmental programs. Drop your used cartridges or cell phones at the Elementary School during school hours or at the High Bridge Library on Main Street during operating hours:

Mondays & Wednesdays: 10 a.m. - noon and 3 - 8 p.m.

Fridays: 10 a.m. - noon and 3 - 7 p.m.

Saturdays: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Go in the back door of the Library and place the recyclable items in the marked collection box on the shelf to your left.

Compact Florescent Light Bulbs: The Raritan (Flemington) Home Depot recycles the spiral, energy-saving light bulbs (CFS's, compact florescent light bulbs); they do not take the long, thin tube bulbs.

Hard Plastics: The Environmental Committee continues to search for a vendor willing to provide a hard plastics recycling event for our Borough; check the Borough website for updates.

Styrofoam: UPS accepts Styrofoam peanuts and noodles. UPS is located at 1802 Route 31 North in Grayrock Plaza. The hours are Monday to Friday 8:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. and Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Sunday the store is closed. For info: 638-3500; website: store4525@theupsstore.com. Please note: UPS no longer accepts large, solid pieces of Styrofoam.

Wood: At this time, wood cannot be recycled. You must cut it into no more than 4-foot lengths and tie it in a bundle for garbage pickup. One 50 pound bundle counts as a bulk item.

If you have large amounts of wood from a remodeling project, then you must take it to the Hunterdon County Transfer Station (see info this page). Again the pieces must be no more than 4 ft. in length. No creosote railroad ties allowed.

Notes:

1. Household batteries can no longer be recycled at the Department of Public Works Facility. Household batteries are no longer being recycled by the County due to new federal regulations. Household batteries can now be safely disposed of in your regular trash; do not bring any more batteries to the Department of Public Works.
2. Plastic Bottle Caps are no longer recycled (effective 9/2011). See the top item in this column.

Visit the recycling page at www.highbridge.org for more recycling opportunities.

Transfer Station Recycling

HUNTERDON COUNTY TRANSFER STATION /
RECYCLING DEPOT
10 Petticoat Lane
Annandale, NJ 08801
908.236.9088

HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday - Friday: 7:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Saturday: 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Residential Drop Off of Large Items:

Saturdays Only: The Transfer Station is open to residents only on Saturdays from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. You must unload the items yourself and present proof of residency.

Rates: \$22 for a car, \$32 for a pickup truck, and \$10 additional for a trailer attached to either a car or truck.

Free Residential Drop Off Is Available for the Following Items:

1. **Aluminum cans:** Only empty beverage cans will be accepted; *other aluminum items WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.*
2. **Cardboard, chipboard & brown paper bags:** Corrugated, chipboard (boxboard) and brown paper bags will be accepted. Cardboard should be tied or placed in another cardboard container (box).

Cardboard with food or food residue WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

3. **Glass bottles and jars:** Glass food and beverage containers with rings and caps removed will be accepted. All containers **MUST** be emptied and rinsed.

Cups, drinking glasses, dishes, ovenware, window glass, lead crystal TV tubes, light bulbs, mirrors or any other type of glass product WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

4. **Hard-covered books:** Hard-covered books will be accepted.
5. **Junk mail & office paper:** Unshredded junk mail and office paper will be accepted. Junk mail and office paper should be tied or placed in a cardboard container (box) or it may be placed in a *clear* bag.

Shredded junk mail and office paper WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

6. **Newspaper:** Newspaper tied with string or twine will be accepted. *Newspaper bound in tape or other materials WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.*
7. **Paperback books:** Paperback books will be accepted.
8. **Plastic bottles # 1-7:** Plastic bottles # 1-7 that originally contained liquids are accepted. **All containers MUST** be emptied and rinsed.
9. **Telephone books:** Telephone books will be accepted.
10. **Tin and bi-metal cans:** Tin and bi-metal cans will be accepted if all food and other residue has been removed. Labels do not have to be removed.

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Dates to Remember

August 11, 18 and 25 - Concerts in the Commons

September 1 - Tour of High Bridge

September 29 - High Bridge Community Day

October 13 - High Bridge Paint Out 2012 and Historical Main Street Walking Tour

October 26 - Carved Pumpkin Display - Mini-Park, Main Street

October 27 - Halloween Parade

October 31 - Trick or Treat
