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Daniel C. Conkling, a long time Township Committee Member, passed away February 25, 2022.

Dan Conkling devoted an amazing 35 Years of service to the Township of Green. Dan began his "township career" as a member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment in 1987. He served for 14 years, including 2 years as Chairman and 7 years as Vice-Chairman. Dan resigned from the Zoning Board when he became a member of the Township Committee in 2001. During his 21 years on the Township Committee, Dan served 9 terms as Mayor and 8 years as Deputy Mayor. Dan also served as a member of the Open Space Committee and Planning/Land Use Board for the past 21 years. He officiated over 35 weddings during his tenure as Mayor. Township Committee Member Dan Conkling 1953 - 2022



The various occupation backgrounds of Township Committee members help balance the governing body. On more than one occasion, Dan would say "what do I know, I dig dirt for a living," as if his occupation was trivial. On the contrary, and much to the chagrin of Township Engineers and our DPW Department, Dan's "I Dig Dirt" background brought tremendous insight to the table on how to tackle road and building projects or the purchasing equipment.

One of the many contributions Dan made to the Township was to the development of Evergreen Park. I'm not certain how you adequately honor a man for 35 years of service, but the Township Committee unanimously agreed on March 7th that the pavilion building at Evergreen Park will be named the Daniel C. Conkling Memorial Pavilion in his honor, with a formal dedication at Green Township Day on September 24th.

Dan – Thank you for your dedication to the little town that you loved so much. Your friendship, rich knowledge of the Township, and great sense of humor will be greatly missed. The dais will never be the same without you.

May God bless Dan and the Conkling family.

## Wood Chipping Program

Starting Monday, May 2 the Road Department will conduct a woodchipping program for WINTER DEBRIS ONLY.

- Brush should be stacked with the ends piled neatly facing the road by 6:00am on May 2nd. Last day of pick up will be Friday, May 27th.
- Anything put out after May 27th will not be picked up by Green Township.
- Only one pile of brush, 5 feet in length and 3 feet high, per household will be accepted.
- Please leave limbs in lengths, not cut into small pieces.
- No logs accepted over 2 inches in diameter.
- No construction materials of any kind are allowed.
- If the brush pile contains any metal it will be rejected, this includes nails.
- Each road will be canvassed only ONE time.
- Chips may be obtained at Wesley Field and Papa Park when available.

## Board and Committee Members Needed

Interested in being part of a Township Board or Committee? Openings are available on the Recreation Committee, Land Use Board and Environmental Committee. Please call 908-852-9333 for more information.

# Clean Communities Day

Saturday, April 23, 2022 DPW Garage 173 Kennedy Road



**Motor Oil** 



Paper Shredding 9am-12pm



Electronics



**Car Batteries** 

You can bring the items above to the DPW Garage for recycling from 8:00am-1:00pm

**Community Yard Sale** 

Get on the Map for only \$5! Saturday, May 7th 9:00am-4:00pm Rain Date: Sunday, May 8th For more information or to register please go to www.greentwp.com. Maps will be available beginning at 1pm on Thursday, May 5.



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### Saturday, May 14th

Former Trinca Airport, 131 Airport Road Gate opens at 7:30pm Movie starts promptly at 8:30pm

Registration is REQUIRED. Please see www.greentwp.com for more details and registration form.



#### **Coming to EverGreen Park**



parkruns are free, weekly, community events all around the world.

parkrun events are 5k and take place on Saturday morning in parks and open spaces.

parkrun is a positive, welcoming and inclusive experience where there is no time limit and no one finishes last. Everyone is welcome to come along, whether you walk, jog, run, volunteer or spectate.

#### https://www.parkrun.us

Miss Gereen Scholarship Confest

Are you a resident between the ages of 17 and 21 or know someone who is?? Enter the Miss Green Scholarship Contest! The winner will receive a \$500 scholarship and will go on to represent Green Township at the Queen of the Fair Contest at the Sussex County Farm and Horse Show in August.

Interested?? You can go to www.greentwp.com under the Recreation Department to get more information and the application. Questions? Email landuse@greentwp.com

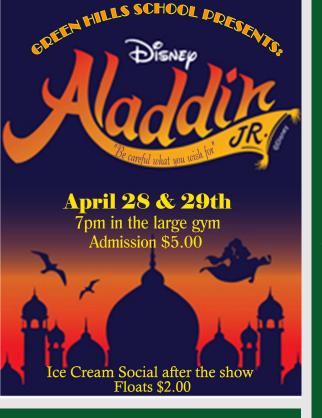
#### **Pavilion Rental**

Did you know you can rent the Pavilion at EverGreen Park for only \$10?? Do you have a child's birthday party, celebration or organization meeting coming up and need a venue?

Contact Kim at 908-852-9333 or landuse@greeptwp.com to see if the Pavilion is available.

The Use of Facilities Packet can be found at www.greentwp.com under FORM CENTER on the home page.





### **Vendors Wanted**

for Green Township Day Saturday, September 24th. Only \$10 for a 12 x 12 space! Please call Kim if interested at 908-852-9333 x13



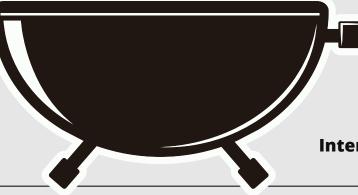
Come, relax with friends and neighbors over coffee, tea and yummy homemade goodies. Participate in multiple activities like great luncheons, fun trips and interesting and informative speakers. You will get to interact with school officials, town employees, community leaders and receive first hand information on the Sussex County Senior Programs.

Meetings are held the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 1:00pm at the Municipal Building, 150 Kennedy Road. Interested in joining this fun group? Please call Fausto at 973-600-6002





#### FOR TICKETS PLEASE GO TO WWW.GREENTWP.COM



## Summer Kick Off BBQ

June 10th EverGreen Park BBQ 6-8pm Miss Green 8pm

\$12 for ages 12 and up - \$5 for ages 5-11 4 and under are FREE.

Prepaid RSVP required for BBQ Deadline June 6, 2022 Tent Seating - Rain or Shine Miss Green, Bounce House and Musical Entertainment are FREE Interested in becoming a contestant for Miss Green? Call 908.852.9333 x13

## **NJ Black Bear Safety**

Black bears by nature tend to be wary of people. However, if you encounter a black bear in your neighborhood or outdoors while hiking or camping, follow these common-sense safety tips provided by www.nj.gov

- Do not feed bears!
- Never feed or approach a bear!
- Remain calm if you encounter a bear. Do not run from it.
- Make the bear aware of your presence by speaking in an assertive voice, singing, clapping your hands, or making other noises.
- Make sure the bear has an escape route.
- If a bear enters your home, provide it with an escape route by propping all doors open.
- Avoid direct eye contact, which may be perceived by a bear as a challenge. Never run from a bear. Instead, slowly back away.
- To scare the bear away, make loud noises by yelling, banging pots and pans or using an airhorn. Make yourself look as big as possible by waving your arms. If you are with someone else, stand close together with your arms raised above your head.
- The bear may utter a series of huffs, make popping jaw sounds by snapping its jaws and swat the ground. These are warning signs that you are too close. Slowly back away, avoid direct eye contact and do not run.
- If a bear stands on its hind legs or moves closer, it may be trying to get a better view or detect scents in the air. It is usually not a threatening behavior.
- Black bears will sometimes "bluff charge" when cornered, threatened or attempting to steal food. Stand your ground, avoid direct eye contact, then slowly back away and do not run.
- If the bear does not leave, move to a secure area.
- Families who live in areas frequented by black bears should have a "Bear Plan" in place for children, with an escape route and planned use of whistles and air horns.

Report black bear damage or nuisance behavior to the DEP's 24-hour, toll-free hotline at 1-877-WARN DEP (1-877-927-6337).

Black bear attacks are extremely rare. If a black bear does attack, fight back! Bear Safety information found at www.nj.gov/dep/fgw/bearfacts.htm







#### Township of Green Garbage/Recycling Calendar May 2022 - April 2023

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G= Garbage pick up, please have can curbside by 6:00am R=Recycling pick up, please have can curbside by 6:00am

You are allowed 2 bulk items per week, you may want to call Blue Diamond to let them know if an item is large.

PLEASE CALL BLUE DIAMOND AT 973-598-9800 WITH ANY ISSUES OR PROBLEMS BEFORE YOU CALL TOWN HALL. YOU MUST REFERENCE GREEN TOWNSHIP AS YOUR ADDRESS.

## Stuff You Should Know...

Tax Collector Hours Monday Wednesday Thursday 8:30am-2:30pm Lost dog or cat? Found a dog or cat? Call the Animal Control Officer, Alan DeCarolis 908-377-0808 You can also call Town Hall to speak with Sheri at x10

#### Municipal Offices Closed

Good Friday - April 15 Memorial Day - May 30 Juneteenth - June 20 Independence Day - July 4 You can use the drop boxes outside Town Hall for contactless or after hours service in all departments.

> New Zoning Hours The Zoning Officer will be available on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 3:30pm and 6:00pm Zoning questions? Please email zoning@greentwp.com

#### Township Meetings Township Committee

1st and 3rd Monday - 7:00pm please check www.greentwp to confirm Land Use Board - 2nd Thursday - 7:00pm Open Space Advisory Committee Ist Wednesday - 7:00pm Recreation Advisory Committee 3rd Tuesday - 7:00pm Environmental Committee - 1st Tuesday - 7:00pm Agricultural Committee - As needed Board of Health - As needed All meetings are held at Town Hall, 150 Kennedy Road, unless advertised and posted as virtual.

Tree Seedlings will be available at Town Hall on Saturday, April 23rd from 8:30am-12:00pm No landscapers please

