

Green Grapevine

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MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Dear Neighbors:

The last of the snow has melted and signs of spring are beginning to appear. Mother Nature certainly challenged us yet again with another very cold, snowy, and icy winter. Thank you to our DPW for the many long hours they committed to keeping our roads safe. From the snow apocalypse that didn't happen (thankfully) to the numerous, but long lasting minor snow events, we saw the road department stretch the small quantity of salt they could acquire, (the town used 2,650 tons of salt and grit) to keep our roads safe.

On March 25th, we adopted a new municipal budget. I am happy to report the budget once again has a ZERO percent increase at the municipal level. Special thanks to my fellow Township Committee members, Linda Peralta, Clerk/Administrator, Linda Padula, CFO, and the employees of Green for helping to make this happen.

This year we will be making repairs to some of the recreation fields within town. At Evergreen Park, the soccer fields in particular are showing signs of excessive wear and tear. A key component to field maintenance is providing ample rest time for a field. This spring and summer, the fields will be posted closed more than usual to allow the turf time to re-establish. These closures are no doubt an inconvenience but a sacrifice that needs to be made. We thank you in advance for your cooperation and understanding during this project.

Our road maintenance projects continue in 2015. New pavement is planned for Maple Lane as well as oil and chip for several roads in the Lake Tranquility area. This is part of Green's new 5-year road maintenance plan.

Don't forget the Summer Kickoff BBQ at Evergreen Park on June 12th. I hope that you can attend and I look forward to seeing you there! Have a safe and happy Summer.



Peg Phillips
Green Township Mayor

GREEN TOWNSHIP MEETINGS 2015

Township Committee
Meetings start at 7:00 p.m.

April 27

May 13 & 27

June 8

July 13

August 10

September 14 & 28

October 14 & 26

November 9

December 14

January 4 & 25, 2016

Zoning Board of
Adjustment

1st Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

Planning Board

2nd Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

Open Space Advisory
Committee

1st Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

No meetings July, Aug or Sept.

Recreation Advisory
Committee

3rd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.

Environmental Advisory
Committee

4th Tuesday at 8:00 p.m.



NEW SOLID WASTE HAULER WASTE MANAGEMENT



Effective March 1, 2015, Green Township signed a new contract for household waste with Waste Management. Recycling days and garbage pick up days will remain the same, every other Wednesday for recycling and every Thursday for garbage pick up with 2 bulk items a week. Although the pick up days remain the same, Waste Management's route schedule is a little different. As per contract, residents need to have their garbage at curbside no later than 6:00am on the morning of pickup.

Effective May 1st if you have any garbage issues/problems you will need to call Waste Management at **1-800-633-9096**. Please be sure to mention that you are a resident of Green Twp.

Thank you for your patience and understanding during this change over!



DID YOU KNOW.....



**The Sussex County
Municipal Utilities
Authority (SCMUA)**

provides the following FREE
Recycling Services to residents and
businesses:

Household Hazardous Waste Days—
6/6 and 11/7 /15

Electronic Waste Recycling Days—
5/9, 8/1 & 10/10/15

Vegetation-Mulch & Compost Sussex
County residents can hand load regular
mulch and compost for free.

**Recycling Center-Open Monday
through Saturday 7:00am to 2:00pm**

Paper Shredding Days— 5/15, 6/19,
7/17, 8/21, 9/18, 10/16, 11/20, 12/18.

Cost is \$6.00 per grocery bag full—
Hours 9:00 to 12:00pm

visit: www.scmua.org

**REMINDER: Please DO NOT place
TV's at Roadside. By State Law,
TV's are no longer allowed to be
picked up at curbside!**

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Call Before You Dig— 811

The federally mandated, national
phone number, **811**, helps prevent
you from unintentionally hitting un-
derground utility lines. Before you
begin projects that involve digging,
dial 811 to locate underground elec-
tric, gas or other utility lines. Dig-
ging without this information can
cause power outages, and it's ex-
tremely dangerous. Simply tell the
811 power operator where you're
planning to dig and what type of
work you will be doing, and your
local utility companies will be no-
tified. Within a few days, they will
mark the location of underground
lines. Please call at least three days
in advance to avoid unnecessary de-
lays to your project. Know what's
below—CALL BEFORE YOU DIG!
For more information, visit
www.call811.com.

Morris Habitat for Humanity Affordable Home Ownership Opportunity



Located in the Lake Tranquility
section of Green Township, Sussex
County. This home features 3
bedrooms and 1.5 baths and is suitable
for a household of 3 to 6 people. It
will be sold for no more than
\$155,000. Zero % interest mortgage!

To Qualify, the household income
must be at least \$30,000 and below the
maximums in the chart below, based
on the number of people in the
household.

Household Size	Maximum allowed household income
3	\$53,186
4	\$59,095
5	\$63,823
6	\$68,551

Interested in Applying?

**Orientations will be held at:
Green Township Municipal Building
150 Kennedy Road, Andover, NJ**

April 29, 2015 at 6:00pm

May 2, 2015 at 10:00am

You MUST attend one of them.

Register to attend:

Email: info@morrisahabitat.org

Subject line: Homeownership-Green
Twp.

Include: Name, telephone number and
which Session you are attending

**DO NOT BE LATE
DOORS WILL LOCK AFTER
5 MINUTES**

PARKS, FIELDS & FACILITIES

While all Green Township parks,
fields, and facilities are available for your
enjoyment, some of the fields have de-
teriorated over the past several years. To
remedy the problem, Green Township
has awarded contracts for an aggressive
maintenance program for several of the
fields including clay infields and soccer
fields. By employing this aggressive
program it is anticipated that the clay
infields will be in much better condition
over the next month and the soccer fields
by early next fall. As a result of the
maintenance program and the resulting
management program, fields may be
closed more frequently than in the past.
When posted, the fields will be closed.
Please honor the closures so that the
fields are given much needed rest over
the next several seasons.

Please be reminded that organized
use of any of the municipal facilities re-
quires a permit which can be obtained at
town hall. Use of the facilities requires
a hold harmless agreement and a certi-
ficate of insurance liability be provided. A
new "Public Property, Parks and Recrea-
tion Area" Ordinance is being drafted
which may include some new regulations
for those who wish to reserve the facili-
ties for organized use. The new Ordi-
nance is expected to be available by July
2015.



**PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT
NO DOGS ARE ALLOWED
IN THE PARK.** As the weather
is getting nicer, the park will be busy
with activities so we ask that you please

A NOTE FROM THE ZONING OFFICER

Spring is here and you may be
anticipating indoor and outdoor home
improvement projects. Please be
reminded that a zoning permit approval
is required prior to the construction of
new homes, additions, renovations,
decks, sheds, swimming pools (above
ground and in ground), accessory
structures, fences, change of use, and
any other structures or improvements
which may be required in accordance
with the municipal code.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

SPRING

Clean Communities Day

TIRE, BATTERY, MOTOR OIL, USED CAR PARTS RECYCLING DAY

When: Saturday, April 25, 2015

Time: 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Where: DPW 173 Kennedy Rd. (across from the Municipal Building.)

Green Township residents can drop off batteries and used motor oil free of charge. Tires up to 16" cost \$2.00; over 16" cost \$5.00. **Absolutely NO TRACTOR TIRES.** Proof of residency required.

Rain date: Saturday, May 2, 2015

Additional information call (908) 852-9333

NJ Tree Recovery Program

200 tree seedlings will be available for pickup at Clean Communities Day, April 25th from 9:00am - 11:00am. Please do not plant seedlings under utility lines!

WOODCHIPPING PROGRAM

Starting Monday, **April 27, 2015** the road department will conduct a woodchipping program. Brush should be stacked with the ends piled neatly facing the road at curbside **by 6:00am April 27th**. Only one (1) pile of brush per household will be accepted. Pile may be 5 ft. in length and 3 ft. high. No additional brush will be taken. No logs will be accepted over 2 inches in diameter. If the brush pile contains metal of any kind, it will be rejected; this includes nails. No construction materials are allowed. The roads will be canvassed only **ONCE**; there will be no return trips. Chips may be obtained at Wesley Field parking lot and Dominick Papa Park.

INTENDED ONLY FOR WINTER DEBRIS, NO LOT CLEARING.



Spring Yard Sale-
Saturday, May 2nd
Rain Date: May 3rd

SUMMER



Summer Kick Off 2015

BBQ: Come kick off the summer and join the Recreation Committee for a BBQ at Evergreen Park. **Friday, June 12th at 6:00pm.** Enjoy a summer BBQ catered by Chef's, music entertainment and watch the crowning of Miss Green 2015.



Miss Green- Friday, June 12th; 7pm

Evergreen park. Winners will receive monetary prizes. Looking for girls who have passed their 17th birthday but have not reached their 22nd birthday by the application deadline of May 9th.

Summer Recreation- July 6th-24th



Baseball Game-Sussex

County Miners. Saturday July 18th. Game time

7:05pm. Please see website for ticket order information or call 908-852-9333.



YOUTH SPORTS

SOCCER UPDATE-

Youth Soccer now has a websites and you can access all information and registration forms. Please visit **www.greentownshipsoccer.com** **REMINDER:** All Sport registration forms **MUST** be mailed to the PO Box listed on the form. Registrations mailed or delivered to Town Hall will be returned to you. This may cause delays which may result in a late registration fees and/or the inability to participate as some teams fill up fast. Any questions should be directed to the appropriate director of the sport.

FALL



Green Township Day-
Saturday, Sept. 19th
1:00pm - 5:00pm.



Fall Yard Sale:

Saturday, Oct. 3rd
Rain Date Sunday, Oct. 4th



Halloween Parade-

Sun. Oct. 25th



Bus Trip to Sands Casino/Outlets

Bethlehem PA. Date to be determined.

Please check website for updated information.



FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE SEE THE TOWNSHIP WEBSITE AT:
www.greentwp.com
Department/Recreation

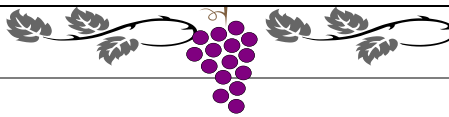


Easter Egg Hunt Recap

With over 2000 eggs scattered n Evergreen Park, more than 100 children enjoyed participating in the Green Twp. Egg Hunt and a visit with the Easter Bunny!



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Green Township
P.O. Box 65
150 Kennedy Road
Tranquility, NJ 07879

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Permit No. 509

GREEN TOWNSHIP SENIORS

Meetings are held the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month at 1:00 p.m. downstairs in the Municipal Building.

GREEN TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Meets on the third Monday of the months of April, May, October, and November at 7:00p.m.

ANIMAL CONTROL

Have you lost or found a dog? Call the Animal Control Officer, Alan DeCarolus, 908-377-0808.



TOWN HALL DIRECTORY

Linda Peralta..... Clerk/
Administrator
Patty DeClesis.....Deputy Clerk/
Registrar
Penny Holenstein.....Tax Assessor
Karen Ferrone.....Tax Collector
Linda Padula.....CFO
David Diehl.....Zoning Officer
Desiree Dunn.....BOA/PB Secretary
Donna Zilberfarb.....Construction
Bill Flammer.....Fire Prevention
Christine Licata.....Receptionist
Watson Perigo.....Road Supervisor



All dogs 7 months of age and older must be licensed and all licenses are to be renewed every January.

**IF LICENSES ARE NOT RENEWED
ON TIME A LATE FEE OF \$5.00
PER MONTH WILL BE IMPOSED if
paying after February 10.**

**If you do not renew the license a
court complaint/summons will be
issued.**

FREE RABIES CLINIC for all dogs
and cats, Saturday, November 7, 2015
9:00-11:00am at the DPW Building (173
Kennedy Rd)

**RABIES MUST BE CURRENT
THROUGH
NOVEMBER 1, 2015 .**

Licensing questions only call
Heidi at 908-852-9333 ext 33.
Applications can be found on our
website: www.greentwp.com
