



CRANBURY TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER

Fall/Winter 2011



CRANBURY TOWNSHIP 2011 OPERATING BUDGET

| Account Description | 2011 BUDGET | EXPENDITURES 2011 | | % of BUDGET EXPENDED |
|----------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| | | JAN-JUNE 2011 | BUDGET LEFT | |
| ADMINISTRATIVE & EXECUTIVE | \$232,014.00 | \$101,800.50 | \$130,213.50 | 43.88% |
| TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE | \$28,111.50 | \$14,054.54 | \$14,056.96 | 50.00% |
| MUN/CNTY CLERK - ELECTIONS | \$2,000.00 | \$97.00 | \$1,903.00 | 5.10% |
| FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION | \$172,740.00 | \$78,307.04 | \$94,432.96 | 45.33% |
| AUDIT | \$23,200.00 | \$0.00 | \$23,200.00 | 0.00% |
| TAX COLLECTION | \$30,577.00 | \$7,405.15 | \$23,171.85 | 24.22% |
| TAX ASSESSMENT | \$157,701.00 | \$39,063.53 | \$118,637.47 | 24.77% |
| TAX MAP MAINTENANCE | \$7,000.00 | \$7,000.00 | \$0.00 | 100.00% |
| LEGAL SERVICES | \$105,000.00 | \$10,707.65 | \$94,292.35 | 10.20% |
| ENGINEERING SERVICES & COSTS | \$78,000.00 | \$10,365.45 | \$67,634.55 | 13.29% |
| PLANNING BOARD | \$103,170.00 | \$38,310.92 | \$64,859.08 | 37.13% |
| ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS | \$34,026.00 | \$10,319.30 | \$23,706.70 | 30.33% |
| AFFORDABLE HOUSING | \$91,858.00 | \$35,568.39 | \$56,289.61 | 38.72% |
| FIRE OFFICIAL | \$109,780.00 | \$75,017.95 | \$34,762.05 | 68.33% |
| HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION | \$12,247.00 | \$4,974.23 | \$7,272.77 | 40.62% |
| INSURANCE | \$883,402.00 | \$576,755.95 | \$306,646.05 | 65.29% |
| POLICE | \$2,169,847.83 | \$1,028,296.70 | \$1,141,551.13 | 47.39% |
| 911 PROJECT | \$4,774.05 | \$4,774.05 | \$0.00 | 100.00% |
| EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT | \$2,500.00 | \$237.08 | \$2,262.92 | 9.48% |
| AID TO VOLUNTEER FIRE CO | \$35,000.00 | \$35,000.00 | \$0.00 | 100.00% |
| LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARDS | \$45,750.00 | \$43,674.00 | \$2,076.00 | 95.46% |
| FIRST AID CONTRIBUTION | \$70,000.00 | \$70,000.00 | \$0.00 | 100.00% |
| FIRE | \$150,900.00 | \$63,175.58 | \$87,724.42 | 41.87% |
| ROAD REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE | \$247,850.00 | \$121,477.63 | \$126,372.37 | 49.01% |
| SHADE TREES | \$33,150.00 | \$1,246.30 | \$31,903.70 | 3.76% |
| GARBAGE & TRASH REMOVAL | \$31,000.00 | \$13,489.54 | \$17,510.46 | 43.51% |
| RECYCLING PROGRAM | \$54,695.00 | \$24,499.03 | \$30,195.97 | 44.79% |
| PUBLIC BUILDINGS & GROUNDS | \$108,165.00 | \$48,956.48 | \$59,208.52 | 45.26% |
| VEHICLE MAINTENANCE | \$73,100.00 | \$29,293.85 | \$43,806.15 | 40.07% |
| BOARD OF HEALTH | \$4,920.00 | \$2,418.78 | \$2,501.22 | 49.16% |
| ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION | \$4,317.00 | \$2,137.45 | \$2,179.55 | 49.51% |
| ANIMAL CONTROL | \$18,500.00 | \$8,500.40 | \$9,999.60 | 45.95% |
| HUMAN SERVICES | \$8,020.00 | \$3,976.81 | \$4,043.19 | 49.59% |
| BOARD OF RECREATION COMM | \$52,150.00 | \$37,748.25 | \$14,401.75 | 72.38% |
| PARKS & PLAYGROUNDS | \$73,200.00 | \$35,279.09 | \$37,920.91 | 48.20% |
| PUBLIC LIBRARY - MAINTENANCE | \$572,604.00 | \$266,773.33 | \$305,830.67 | 46.59% |
| CELEBRATION OF PUBLIC EVENT | \$7,850.00 | \$0.00 | \$7,850.00 | 0.00% |
| ELECTRIC | \$90,000.00 | \$27,782.45 | \$62,217.55 | 30.87% |
| STREET LIGHTING | \$89,000.00 | \$34,813.42 | \$54,186.58 | 39.12% |
| TELEPHONE | \$49,460.00 | \$23,652.59 | \$25,807.41 | 47.82% |
| WATER | \$16,000.00 | \$5,127.87 | \$10,872.13 | 32.05% |
| GAS (NATURAL OR PROPANE) | \$30,000.00 | \$14,096.70 | \$15,903.30 | 46.99% |
| SEWER SYSTEM | \$416,990.00 | \$165,909.32 | \$251,080.68 | 39.79% |
| MOTOR FUEL | \$99,400.00 | \$41,854.84 | \$57,545.16 | 42.11% |
| P.E.R.S. | \$138,096.00 | \$138,096.00 | \$0.00 | 100.00% |
| SOCIAL SECURITY | \$282,895.00 | \$123,152.05 | \$159,742.95 | 43.53% |
| P.F.R.S. | \$328,176.00 | \$328,176.00 | \$0.00 | 100.00% |

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**CRANBURY TOWNSHIP
2011 OPERATING BUDGET
(CONTINUED)**

| | | | | |
|-----------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------|
| DEFINED CONTRIBUTION RETIREMENT PROGRAM | \$1,175.00 | \$436.68 | \$738.32 | 37.16% |
| MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT | \$5,166.00 | \$5,166.00 | \$0.00 | 100.00% |
| MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT | \$42,672.40 | \$42,672.40 | \$0.00 | 100.00% |
| RECYCLING TONNAGE | \$43,145.88 | \$43,145.88 | \$0.00 | 100.00% |
| SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC GROWTH | \$100,000.00 | \$100,000.00 | \$0.00 | 100.00% |
| 911 PROJECT | \$149,850.00 | \$112,387.50 | \$37,462.50 | 75.00% |
| ROCK SALT INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT | \$40,000.00 | \$23,555.77 | \$16,444.23 | 58.89% |
| RECYCLING - MCIA SERVICES | \$55,350.00 | \$16,146.10 | \$39,203.90 | 29.17% |
| COUNTY HEALTH CONTRACT | \$18,847.00 | \$9,423.50 | \$9,423.50 | 50.00% |
| MIDDLESEX CO UTILITIES AUTHORITY | \$319,348.00 | \$161,958.42 | \$157,389.58 | 50.72% |
| MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY AUTHORITY | \$175,000.00 | \$85,104.12 | \$89,895.88 | 48.63% |
| MUNICIPAL/COUNTY COURT | \$202,000.00 | \$73,714.80 | \$128,285.20 | 36.49% |
| CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDS | \$40,000.00 | \$40,000.00 | \$0.00 | 100.00% |
| BOND PRINCIPAL | \$1,235,000.00 | \$0.00 | \$1,235,000.00 | 0.00% |
| PRINCIPAL PAYMENT ON NOTES | \$467,020.00 | \$0.00 | \$467,020.00 | 0.00% |
| INTEREST ON BONDS | \$262,050.00 | \$131,025.00 | \$131,025.00 | 50.00% |
| INTEREST ON NOTES | \$82,847.00 | \$63,959.14 | \$18,887.86 | 77.20% |
| EDA LOAN - PRINCIPAL | \$15,000.00 | \$0.00 | \$15,000.00 | 0.00% |
| EDA LOAN - INTEREST | \$900.00 | \$450.00 | \$450.00 | 50.00% |
| CAPITAL EQUIPMENT LEASE PRINCIPAL | \$84,682.01 | \$71,581.02 | \$13,100.99 | 84.53% |
| CAPITAL EQUIPMENT LEASE INTEREST | \$17,941.23 | \$9,274.92 | \$8,666.31 | 51.70% |
| DEFERRED CHARGES | \$25,000.00 | \$25,000.00 | \$0.00 | 0.00% |
| RESERVE FOR UNCOLLECTED TAXES | \$149,425.80 | \$149,425.80 | \$0.00 | 100.00% |
| TOTALS | \$10,911,556.70 | \$4,917,790.24 | \$5,993,766.46 | 45.07% |

CRANBURY TOWNSHIP REVENUE THROUGH JUNE 30, 2011

CRANBURY TOWNSHIP
REVENUE
THRU JUNE 30, 2011

| | January - June | 2011 REVENUE | % OF REVE- NUE RECEIVED |
|--------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Library Finance Fee | \$ 3,000.00 | \$3,000.00 | 100.00% |
| Licenses, Fees & Permits | \$ 10,645.10 | \$10,274.00 | 103.61% |
| Municipal Court | \$ 73,714.80 | \$183,964.00 | 40.07% |
| Interest & Cost on Taxes | \$ 15,770.35 | \$34,736.00 | 45.40% |
| Interest on Cash on Deposit | \$ 74,092.33 | \$177,041.00 | 41.85% |
| Miscellaneous-Alcohol Beverage License | | \$7,500.00 | 0.00% |
| Franchise Fee | \$ 12,811.23 | \$13,081.00 | 97.94% |
| Sewer Service Fees | \$ 678,064.02 | \$1,361,677.00 | 49.80% |
| State Aid: | | | |
| Consolidated Municipal Property Tax Relief | | \$2,373.00 | 0.00% |
| Energy Receipt Tax | | \$464,647.00 | 0.00% |
| Grants: | | | |
| Municipal Alliance | \$ 5,166.00 | \$5,166.00 | 100.00% |
| Recycling Tonnage | \$ 43,145.88 | \$43,145.88 | 100.00% |
| Sustainable Economic Growth | \$ 100,000.00 | \$100,000.00 | 100.00% |
| Construction Trust | \$ 40,000.00 | \$40,000.00 | 100.00% |
| Fire Official Fees | \$ 27,826.80 | \$87,052.00 | 31.97% |
| Reserve for Sewer Fair Share | \$ 10,000.00 | \$10,000.00 | 100.00% |
| Receipts from Delinquent Taxes | \$ 81,278.50 | \$113,000.00 | 71.93% |
| Capital Surplus | \$ 101,612.76 | \$101,612.76 | 100.00% |
| Hotel Tax | \$ 59,674.14 | \$121,948.00 | 48.93% |
| TOTAL REVENUES | \$ 1,336,801.91 | \$ 2,880,217.64 | 46.41% |

TOWNSHIP NEWS

FROM THE CLERK'S OFFICE

NEW LOCATION

The Clerk/Assistant Administrator, Kathleen Cunningham, has moved to the Office across from the Main Window (where the Tax Collector was previously located) and the Tax Collector, Elaine Fortin, is now located in the Main Office.

ELECTION NEWS

The General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 8th. The polls will be open from 6:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Voters in District 1 (North of Brainerd Lake) will report to the "Boy Scout Room" to vote and Districts 2 and 3 to the "Senior Room".

To be able to vote in the General Election, an individual must turn 18 years of age by November 8th. Voter Registration forms must be turned in no later than Tuesday, October 18, 2011. Forms are available on-line or at Town Hall, Main Office. Town Hall will be open on Tuesday, October 18, 2011 from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

Cranbury voters will be asked to vote on whether or not they wish for Cranbury Township to provide trash pick-up. Please show up to vote on this very important issue. Residents who will be excluded will be The Four Seasons at Cranbury development and Cranbury Housing Associates developments. This service would be provided (if it passes) for residents only and not commercial facilities and private businesses.



DOG/CAT LICENSE RENEWALS

The renewal forms for your dog/cat licenses will be posted on the Township's web site on January 1, 2012. Please do not send in old 2011 applications as we cannot process the licenses until 2012. ***Please Note: All rabies must be valid through November 1, 2012, per State law in order for a dog/cat license to be issued.***

TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE

The deadline to file for the Property Tax Reimbursement (Senior Freeze) with the State of New Jersey has been extended to October 31, 2011.

Requirements: NJ resident before 1/1/2000; resident in your current home before 1/1/2007; Age 65 before 12/31/2009; Income less than \$80,000 for 2009 and 2010; Increase in taxes between 2009 & 2010; Prior year taxes paid.

Any questions pertaining to Property Tax Reimbursement call the Division of Taxation at 1-800-882-6597. You may also visit their website at <http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/>

The Tax Office is open on Monday Evenings from 5:30pm to 8:30 pm. If you would like to meet with the Tax Collector at another time, please call 609-395-0900 x 233 to schedule an appointment.

FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE - KUDOS TO OUR EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH!

May's Employee of the Month was Kathleen Cunningham. Kathy was a tremendous help while Ms. Marabello was out of the office.

June's was Elaine Fortin, Tax Collector, Ms. Fortin converted the Township's tax system over to Edmunds system. Also, Ms. Fortin has been working on lien redemptions, and Ms. Marabello received comments from residents that Ms. Fortin has been very helpful.

July's was Ms. Josette Kratz, Ms. Kratz worked very hard coordinating the Engineer Subcommittee by making sure the Subcommittee had everything needed for the engineer interview meetings. Ms. Kratz also worked on updating Township computers with anti-virus software



CURBSIDE CHIPPING SERVICE

Chipping of brush and branches commences on the third Wednesday of each month. Keep in mind that this is the start date and not necessarily the day the DPW crew will be in front of your house chipping.

Below are the regulations according to Chapters 69 and 121. They are listed on the notices that have been and will be delivered to offenders. These regulations help aid the DPW personnel to move swiftly and efficiently becomes evident.

- Residents must notify the DPW of requests for chipping services by the Monday before the third Wednesday of the month.
- Brush should be placed curbside no sooner than the weekend preceding the third Wednesday of each month.
- The brush placed at curbside too early prior to the scheduled collection date will be considered in violation.
- All material to be chipped should be placed at the curb by 7:00 am of the scheduled collection date (3rd Wednesday of the month). Material placed curbside after the scheduled collection date or time will not be chipped.
- All material should be stacked parallel to the curb or as near to the curb as possible, not in the street or on the sidewalk.
- Place the larger cut branch ends together so they follow the flow of traffic. Incorrect placement is considered to be in violation of the code and may not be collected.
- Items must be placed parallel on the curb or along the street that is directly abutting your property line.
- Branches exceeding 8" diameter cannot be chipped. Brush should be at least 3' in length. Although 3' is the minimum length, longer branches are much easier to chip.
- Hedge clippings, twigs and small branches less than 3' (but not less than 1') must be bundled with string only (NO WIRE) and free of foreign debris, such as, stones, dirt, metal, sweepings and rakings.
- No construction material or landscape construction material and debris, lumber, mulch, roots, stumps, or sand and soil at the curb will not be collected.

The intention is to help you understand the protocol of this valuable chipping service. Violation notices will continue to be sent to offenders. The first 3 notices are warning notices. The 4th notice will result in a \$500 a day fine. If you have any questions about the above regulations, please call 395-0900 x229.

Chipping date in the month of:

September 21st
 October 19th
 November 16th
 December 21st

Place chipping curbside no sooner than:

September 17th
 October 16th –House Tour October 15th
 November 12th
 December 17th

Depending on the amount of brush at curbside, the chipping service can take a couple days and up to 2 weeks for completion.

October 15th is the day of the Cranbury Historical and Preservation Society House Tour. Please refrain from raking leaf piles to the curb until after this town-wide event. Leaf collection will begin shortly thereafter. Your cooperation to keep the streetscape beautiful for the tour is appreciated.

Chipping and Leaf Collection Route Schedule

Beginning at:

North Main Street, from Rt.130 South
 Plainsboro Road
 Prospect Street
 Bunker Hill
 Cranbury Neck Road
 Symmes Court
 Wynnewood Section
 Old Trenton Road
 Shadow Oaks (both sides)
 South Main Street, north of the circle
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Cranbury Green
 Station Road and Cranbury Station hamlet
 Stockton Drive
 Evans Tract
 Maplewood Avenue
 Park Place
 Westminster Place
 Wesley Place
 Scott Avenue
 Cranbury Estates
 Cranbury Walk



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORK'S NEWS...continued

CHIPPING DURING THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2012

Every Wednesday in month of January, the DPW chips discarded Christmas trees. Have the tree at the curb by 7:00am with all decorations, garland, strands of lights, and any other objects removed.

Please remember that strands of lights can be recycled, at the DPW recycle shed.

STREETS SWEEPING SEPTEMBER 2011

In time for Cranbury Day 2011, all Township roads will be swept by Reilly Sweeping on September 7th in the early morning hours. There should be no brush/chipping or piles of leaves placed at the curb on this day. Your cooperation by removing vehicles, basketball hoops, trash bins, or any other personal equipment located on the street or in the right-of-way that fronts your property will allow the sweeper truck to make a clean and expeditious pass. A municipal parking lot located on Park Place West is available if you wish to remove your vehicle from the street during this time period.



White Goods & E-Cycle Program

Scheduled for the second Wednesday during each month, the DPW will take away your unwanted white good appliances or electronic items to recycle. Items include stoves/ovens, washers (dish and clothes), dryers, water tanks, refrigerators, humidifiers, de-humidifiers, metal sinks, televisions and computers including the components. To take advantage of this program,, please call 395-0900 x229 to make arrangements by the Monday before, the fee is \$10 per item.

These items may be brought to the Recycling Shed at the DPW yard on the first Friday of the month, during the hours of 12:00pm—3:00pm, except during legal holidays.

Upcoming dates for this program are September 9th, October 7th, November 4th, December 2nd and January 6th.

Should the 1st Friday not be convenient, Sims Recycling Solutions located at 401 Mill Road, Edison, NJ 08837 will accept your E-cycles on the 1st Saturday (9am – 1pm) and on the 3rd Monday (12pm – 4pm). They will be closed on September 3rd. Please call to confirm other holiday weekend closures.

Thanks to a recycling minded resident, a successful 2011 town wide garage sale was held in April. If you are interested in participating in a 2012 garage sale event, please call 395-0900 x229 to sign up. A date has yet to be set, but with enough interest, this event will be organized. Don't delay, call me today and start cleaning out the attic, basement and garage!

RECYCLING OLD FRIDGES AND FREEZERS

If you need to dispose of an old refrigerator or freezer, visit this site for details how you can get paid for your unit with a free pick up. <http://www.njcleanenergy.com/residential/programs/refrigerator-freezer-recycling-program>.

Another option is that Cranbury Twp. DPW Recycling Shed, see above.

2011 Residential Monthly Curbside Recycling Totals

| | Commingled Glass/Tin/ Al/Plastics | Mixed Paper & Cardboard | Newspaper |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| January | 14.42 | 22.44 | 16.56 |
| February | 7.68 | 11.96 | 8.82 |
| March | 8.94 | 13.91 | 10.26 |
| April | 9.50 | 14.79 | 10.91 |
| May | 9.69 | 15.07 | 11.12 |
| June | 9.94 | 15.46 | 11.41 |
| July | <u>8.95</u> | <u>13.93</u> | <u>10.28</u> |
| TOTAL TONS | 69.12 | 107.56 | 79.36 |



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORK'S NEWS...continued



SMOKE DETECTOR DISPOSAL

This website http://www.co.middlesex.nj.us/planningboard/solidwaste_other.asp#smoke offers numerous manufacturers who will accept old smoke detectors. If you recently replaced your smoke detector with the same brand, return information is listed on the package. The return package should be marked "FOR DISPOSAL" and sent by surface or UPS ground mail.

DISPOSAL OF HOUSEHOLD SHARPS AND MEDICATIONS

This website http://www.co.middlesex.nj.us/planningboard/solidwaste_other.asp#smoke lists local area hospitals that participate in the New Jersey Hospital Association's Safe Syringe Program. Contact the listed hospitals for further information.

Are you aware that Walgreens, Rite Aid and CVS pharmacies participate in the Safe Medication Disposal Program for unwanted medications. These pharmacies sell a prepaid mailing envelope to send the medications to a processing facility. The envelope is filled in the privacy of your own home by placing unused medications into it. Seal the self addressed envelope and drop it in the mail. Once the envelope has reached the facility, the package is incinerated under the watchful eye of a police officer. The ash waste from the incineration is used to make concrete pellets.



STREET LIGHT OUTAGES

To report a non-working street light, please contact the Cranbury Police Department at 609-395-0031 with the pole number found on the pole. Your help is always appreciated.



CALL BEFORE YOU DIG

If you plan to build an addition to your home, plant shrubbery, or have a reason to dig on your property, please call 1-800-272-1000 prior to commencing the project. This free mark out service will contact the appropriate communication and utility companies to come and physically mark where their underground service lines are, should you wish to dig in that area. Not only is this service a good idea, it's the law.

SHRED-IT EVENT 2011

The Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders in conjunction with Cranbury Township will host a mobile paper **Shred-It Event on October 22, 2011**. The event will be held at the Public Works Yard, Dey Road, Cranbury, NJ, from 9:00am to 12:00pm or until the shredding truck is filled, whichever occurs first. Residents may bring a maximum of 5 file boxes or up to 100 pounds (in a manageable container) to each event. Please contact us should you have more than 5 file boxes or 100 pounds.



2011 HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAYS (HHW)

There are only 2 remaining 2011 H.H.W. dates scheduled for:

Saturday, September 17th -Woodbridge Public Works

Sunday, November 20th-Middlesex County College

This free service operated from 8:00am to 2:00pm. For particulars of acceptable items and for directions to the events, the Middlesex County Division of Solid Waste website has the information! Here's the link. <http://www.mciauth.com/hhw.htm>

Recyclables 'Washed Ashore'

To help you understand the amount of trash in our oceans, volunteers have collected and turned the found objects into marine life sculptures. To get look at the creations, visit www.washedashore.org. You'll be amazed of the amount of trash collected not to mention the ecological detriment it has on the marine life. Click on the link section to get an update of the 5 gyres mentioned in the Fall 2010 Newsletter.



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORK'S NEWS...continued

Clean Up Weekend ** NEW DATE**

The next scheduled Clean-Up weekend will be held on **September 17th & 18th**, rain or shine. Residents may bring their bulky items to the DPW Yard on Dey Road between 9:00 am and 3:00 pm. Attendants will be on duty to help with the acceptable discards.

The purpose of this service is to dispose of large items that are not normally accepted by your private trash contractor. Due to high cost of this service, no individual household should expect to dispose of truckloads of accumulated trash or construction materials.

Unacceptable items include hazardous waste, paint, carcasses, or household trash. If you have an item that you are uncertain is acceptable, please call 395-0900 x229.

This service is for Cranbury residents only.

ICE SKATING ON BRAINERD LAKE

The Department of Public Works would like to remind everyone that skating on Brainerd Lake is permitted when the **GREEN FLAG** is displayed at the Main Street Entrance onto the lake. Keep in mind that Brainerd Lake and Village Park is public property for all to enjoy, but some parcels of land along Brainerd Lake is private property. Be respectful of all private property.

The ice skating/hockey rink in Village Park will not be assembled this year. The Recreation Commission is investigating a more permanent structure.

SNOW & PLOWING

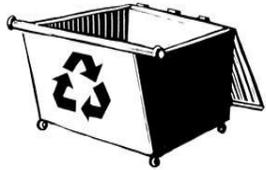
When snow is predicted, please remove your vehicle, trash cans, basketball hoops, and such from the streets *before* snow accumulations. This will enable the county and Township plow trucks to do their job efficiently and prevent any damage to personal property that could occur during the snow plowing process. If you do not have a driveway and desire to move your vehicle off of the street, there is a municipal parking lot located on Park Place West, in front of the senior complex. Four additional public parking spots have been recently added near the entrance of the Preserve, just off North Main Street.

When clearing snow from your property area and sidewalks, do not throw snow into the streets, shovel snow onto your lawn or the side of your property.

Also, removing snow from the top of your vehicle is the law in New Jersey; please do not remove this snow in the street either.

Please be advised Cranbury Township Ordinance # 07-11-16, Section 130-39. Snow and ice removal or treatment required.

The owner, occupant or tenant of any land abutting or bordering any streets in the Township shall remove all snow and ice from the sidewalks abutting such streets within 48 hours after the end of the snowfall or the formation of ice thereon. In the event of ice formation such that removal is impractical, the owner, occupant or tenant shall apply sand, sawdust, ashes, salt or other harmless substance to the portion not removed and shall, as soon as possible thereafter, remove the remainder.



CRANBURY LIONS CLUB



OVER THE SUMMER.....

The Cranbury Lions Club installed their new Board of Directors, with Lion Christine Thompson inducted as President for the year 2011-2012.

Past President John Kobland took office as the 1st Vice District Governor of the NJ Multiple District 16D, and will become 16D Governor in 2012.

The Cranbury Lions had the annual Trenton Thunder 50/50. Derek Jeter happened to be playing. His appearance sold out the game. 2586 tickets were sold, the highest amount of tickets ever sold at a game by The Lions!

The Lions sold ice cream at the July 5th fireworks, had a great time with the 3rd annual Gil & Bert's/Cranbury Lions Club fundraiser, hosted an annual picnic, and sponsored an annual Trenton Thunder baseball game for the benefit of all Cranbury residents.

THIS FALL.....

Once again, The Lions will provide food service on September 10th for Cranbury Day, and will be hosting our annual Golden Aged Luncheon on September 17th.

The annual Halloween Pumpkin Carving contest will be held tentatively on October 28th at 7:00pm.

The Cranbury Lions will begin a new fundraiser this fall, "The Super 50/50". Each ticket will cost \$100 with only 250 tickets to be sold. The Grand Prize drawing will be up to \$10,000. The winning ticket will be drawn at the Pancake Breakfast. More details to follow.....

THIS WINTER.....

The Christmas House Decoration contest will be held during the week of December 12th.

The annual Pancake Breakfast will be held on the December 4th, along with the drawing of the "Super 50/50" raffle.

The Cranbury Lions will hold an annual Valentine's Day Rose's fundraiser working in conjunction with The Cutting Garden. Last years bouquets were beautiful and were sold out. Please look for all of these event dates and times posted on The Lions website. There will also be reminders in the Cranbury Press.

MEMBERSHIP.....

As always, The Cranbury Lions continue to seek new members who would like to get involved and serve the community. Please call Membership Chairperson, Jon Goldstein (409-9656) if you have any questions or would like to join the club.

THANK YOU.....

"Thank You" to the people and businesses of Cranbury who support the Cranbury Lions and help us raise the money so desperately needed by others.

The Lions would also like to welcome any additional donations in order to continue the restoration of the Historical Updyke Barns and to continue award the local scholarship funds to deserving high school seniors of Cranbury.

We look forward to seeing you at our events to help us in our continued service to Cranbury.

CRANBURY HISTORICAL & PRESERVATION SOCIETY

Cranbury Historical & Preservation Society has many events and activities planned for the fall and early winter.

The “**Cranbury and the Civil War**” exhibit at the Museum has been extended through the end of October. If you haven’t seen this amazing exhibit, please stop by the Museum at 4 Park Place East, behind Cranbury Bookworm, on Sunday between 1:00 and 4:00 pm.

The Historic Cranbury House Tour, *Journey Through Time*, will be held on Saturday, October 15th, 10:00 am- 4:00 pm. The tour will feature six beautiful homes and several other buildings including the Parsonage Barn where there will be entertainment. A gourmet luncheon by the Friends of the Cranbury Public Library will be available. Advance sale tour and luncheon tickets will be sold on Cranbury Day and are on sale at Blue Rooster Bakery & Cafe, Charmed by Claire, Cranbury Bookworm, Henderson Sotheby’s International Realty, the History Center and the Museum. On the day of the tour, tickets will be on sale at the tour table in front of Charmed by Claire. You can also purchase tickets online at cranburyhistory.org. Look for order forms in businesses around town and call 609-655-5361 for information.

Halloween stories for all ages will be presented by popular storyteller, Carol Titus on Saturday, October 29th at 3:00 pm in the Parsonage Barn at the Cranbury Barn Park on Cranbury Neck Road. Refreshments will be provided. CHPS and Cranbury Public Library sponsor this free event. Watch for more events at the Parsonage Barn.

You are invited to attend the **CHPS Pot Luck Supper** and Annual meeting on Friday, November 4th at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall of the First Presbyterian Church of Cranbury. Archaeologist Ilene Grossman-Bailey and historian Philip A. Hayden of Richard Grubb & Associates will present a program on the findings of their investigation on the likely location of one of New Jersey’s most elusive historic sites, the mission settlement of Bethel.

The Society’s annual Christmas Tea will be held on Sunday, December 4, 1-4 p.m., at the Cranbury Museum. Please stop by and enjoy delicious cookies and spiced tea and see the Museum decorated for the holidays. A new exhibit featuring toys will be in place. The Tea is a thank you to the community for its support throughout the year.

The Historic **Cranbury Walking Tours** that were given in June and August were well received and will be continued this fall.

To learn more about them or about Cranbury Historical and Preservation Society, please visit www.cranburyhistory.org



HUMAN SERVICES BOARD

Any Senior Groups wishing to use the Senior Center need to schedule through the Human Services Board and the Township Clerk.

Mah Jongg anyone? The Cranbury Senior Center has a group of Mah Jongg players that get together on Tuesday afternoons at 1:30 p.m.

The Senior Center hosts luncheons and programs every other Friday. Due to budget constraints, a charge of \$3.00 per person for lunch is collected. This is still quite a bargain! Registrations for luncheons must be made at least one week in advance by calling 395-0900 x 244. You do not need to register if you are only attending the program.

The following programs are scheduled through the rest of the year:

Senior Center Events Lunch @ 12:00 Noon, programs will begin at 1:00 pm

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| Sept. 9 | Life In Space with Astronaut Bob Cenker |
| Sept. 23 | Barbara Vaning with Princeton Health - Hearing loss |
| Oct. 14 | Bob Kane, "Growing Food" |
| Oct. 28 | Lucia & Ed DePolvere - Dancing Demonstration |
| Nov. 11 | Author Carrie Turansky |
| Dec. 9 | Karl Dentino - Ragtime Blues |

Seated exercise class will resume on Sept. 8th at 9:30 am

Marilyn the Medicare Counselor, is available the 2nd Tuesday of the month 655-1112

If you would like to be put on the mailing list to receive information on Senior Center happenings, leave a message with your name and address at (609) 395-0900 x 244.

SHADE TREE COMMISSION

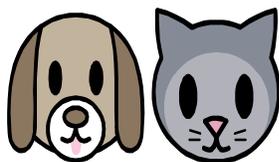
Cranbury residents can make a difference by purchasing a "Treasure Our Trees" vanity license plates from the MVC.

Shade trees can make our environment healthier. If we create a community forest in your municipality, we will have beautiful scenery while also releasing oxygen into the atmosphere.

The purchase of this license plate helps fund New Jersey's Shade Tree and Community Forest Program.

Proceeds from the sale of these beautiful plates will fund tree planting projects, improve wildlife habitats, promote clean air and water, reduce energy costs, fund hometown beautification projects and educate the citizens on the importance of trees, forests and their role in the maintenance of a clean and healthy environment.

REMINDER: DOG AND CAT LICENSES



**Save the Date! September 17th Free Rabies Vaccine Clinic for Dogs and Cats
Must show proof of Middlesex County residence**

Proof of Rabies vaccine is required prior to Cranbury Dog and Cat licensing. It is not too late to have your dog/cat licensed for 2011. License applications can be downloaded from : <http://www.cranburytownship.org/forms.html> or picked up at the Township office.

The 2012 renewal forms for your dog/cat licenses will be posted on the Township's web site on January 1, 2012. Please do not send in old 2011 applications as we cannot process the licenses until January 2012.

Please Note: All rabies must be valid through November 1, 2012, per State law in order for a dog/cat license to be issued.

Reminder to residents who use septic tanks: Please remember to have your septic tank cleaned on a scheduled basis. When you properly maintain your septic system, you help to ensure that your and your neighbor's drinking water remains clean and protected from contamination. It is recommended that your septic system be cleaned every two years, depending on the amount of people living in your home, the amount of wastewater generated and the volume of solids in your wastewater. Timing of septic maintenance may vary depending on your family size and usage of your septic system.



**digital
Cranbury Camera Club**

Meetings held **EVERY** month

2nd & 4th Wednesdays at 8:00 pm

In the

Cranbury Methodist Church's Fellowship Hall

21 N. Main Street, Cranbury

See our Web Site for Contacts and Details:

www.CranburydigitalCameraClub.org

The Municipal Alliance has planned the following activities:

Back to School Middle School Picnic - Friday, September 9th, 3:00-4:00pm at Village Park.

4th-5th grade Bingo Night - October 21st, 7:00-9:00pm, Cranbury School.

Red Ribbon Week at Cranbury School, October 23rd-28th: activities coordinated through Cranbury School.

Jamfest (grades 6, 7 and 8) - Friday, January 20th, 7:30-9:30pm, Cranbury School

If your child attends a private school but you are a Cranbury resident, they are welcome to attend these events.

Drug Free Fair

The Municipal Alliance plans and coordinates the Drug Free Fair. The Drug Free Fair provides activities for pre-school children to adults to encourage a healthy life style; as well as provides teens and parents with additional educational materials about the risks of alcohol, tobacco and drug use. We are looking for a volunteers for the committee as well as a chair for the event next year. If you are interested, please e-mail kargiriou@cranbury-nj.com for more information.

GOURGAUD GALLERY NEWS

The Gourgaud Gallery has many exciting new events beginning in September 2011.

On Cranbury Day, September 10th, the “WINTER WORKSHOP SERIES” exhibit opens. This exhibit includes Artists’ work from the classes that were offered, including collage, landscapes, and watercolor. It will be shown in the area surrounding Town Hall and the blacktop area behind the Cranbury School, between the hours of 10:00am - 4:00pm. The Cranbury Arts Council (CAC) will be hosting a sidewalk sale, which will include matted and framed paintings, open gallery exhibit, and Cranstock on Cranbury Day. Included in this wonderful event, will be live music.

UPCOMING EXHIBITS:

September: “Winter Workshop Series” (September 4th - 25th - opening Sept. 10)

October: Photography-Artist Sara Lee Pinder (October 2nd - 30th)

November: The Suburban Art Guild (November 6th - 27th)

December: “Cranbury Gardens IX”-works from Art in the Park
(December 4th - 26th - closed Christmas December 25th)

OPEN CALL FOR JANUARY EXHIBIT ”WINTER LIGHT”.

Applications will be available on web site in the near future:

www.cranburyartscouncil.org.



As part of the non-profit CAC, the Gourgaud Gallery donates 20% of any art sales back to the CAC and its programs that support and promote the Arts in our community. The Gallery is located in Town Hall and is free and open to the public Mon- Fri from 9:00am - 4:00pm and the First, Third & Last Sunday of the month from 1:00pm - 3:00pm. New exhibit receptions fall on the First Sunday from 1:00 - 3:00pm, where you can meet the exhibiting Artist(s). Anyone wishing to exhibit at the Gourgaud Gallery can obtain an application at the Gallery or at www.cranbury.org.

For information on upcoming programs and events, join us on FACEBOOK: GOURGAUD GALLERY, and on the GOURGAUD GALLERY BLOG at www.Gourgaudgallery.blogspot.com .

If you are interested in CAC membership or participating in any way, please email us at www.cranburyartscouncil@gmail.com.



WOMAN'S CLUB OF CRANBURY

Candidate's Night

The Woman's Club of Cranbury Public Affairs and Social Services Department will host Candidate's Night again this year. on Tuesday evening, October 11th at 8:00pm in the Cranbury School Cafeteria. All members of the public are invited to attend.

Candidate's Night is a traditional pre-election forum for candidates running for Township Committee to present their positions and to answer questions from the public.

The candidates are: Democrat, Susan Goetz, and Republican, Karen Callahan, have been invited to participate. This is an important opportunity for Cranbury's voters to discuss issues with their candidates before making their decision on Election Day. We encourage everyone to attend and make this event as informative as possible.

For further information please contact Bobbie Marlowe (609) 655-3493

For more information about the Woman's Club of Cranbury, please contact us at:
womansclubofcranbury@gmail.com

GOLDEN AGE NEIGHBORS

The Cranbury Golden Age Neighbors meet once a month on the third Saturday of the month and usually in the Cafeteria of the Cranbury School at twelve noon for a Pot Luck Luncheon. Each person brings a place setting and a covered dish of food. After lunch birthdays are celebrated and followed by a program or talk provided by the Club sponsor of that day, and then a brief business meeting. New members who are residents of Cranbury or the surrounding area are invited to join. The members enjoy good food, good friendships, and good programs. Membership is \$10.00 per year. Each Christmas the members enjoy a wonderful Christmas dinner party at a local restaurant. Call the president, Betty Conover with any questions 860-0156.



RECREATION UPDATE

Youth Programs

Golf instruction will be held at the Applegarth Golf Center, beginning September 20th - October 11th from 4:00pm-4:45pm. The fee is \$45.

Tennis lessons will be at Village Park beginning September 23rd - October 28th.

Pre-school, ages 3-5, will be 1:30pm-2:15pm. The fee is \$89.

Ages 5-8 will be 3:45pm-4:45pm. The fee is \$99.

Ages 8-12, will be 4:45pm-6:15pm. The fee is \$149.

Registration is available through US Sports Institute @ www.ussportsinstitute.com or by phone at 732-563-2520.

The YSA **Soccer** program is back by popular demand, The Introduction & Transition programs will begin on September 10th through October 29th and will be held at the Millstone soccer field on Old Trenton Road.

The Introduction program will be 9:00am-10:30am, for a fee of \$90.

The Transition program will be 10:30am-12 noon, for a fee of \$140.

Registration is available through Youth Soccer Alliance @ www.ysasoccer.com, Cranbury Programs are located on the home pages, link on the left.

ANNUAL FAMILY CAMP OUT, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH

We have the perfect opportunity for you to enjoy a night under the stars with your family and neighbors right here in Cranbury. The event will kick off at 6:00 pm on Saturday, September 10th with inflatable rides for the kids while you prepare your campsite. Once everyone is settled in, we will have a movie in the park before we turn in for bed. The next morning, enjoy a free continental breakfast before packing up your gear. The event will take place at Village Park. Cost per campsite will be \$35. Registration is now available.

ANNUAL BOAT RACES WILL BE HELD IN OCTOBER, DATE TO BE DETERMINED

Adult Activities

Annual Senior Trip

On November 2nd, the Senior trip will be going to Ace-In-The Hole Productions at the Royal Manor see Laura Roth Live, America's Mistress of Mischief, comedienne – A Brand New Show! The bus will be leaving at 9:30am from the Presbyterian Church, and seating is limited. The fee for this trip is \$40.00.

Aerobics

The Cranbury Recreation Commission is sponsoring **Aerobics** for Cranbury Residents. Classes will be conducted by Ms. Kathy Smithgall, who has been teaching Aerobics for over 20 years. There is complimentary class for new students. The classes will be held at the Cranbury School Auditorium on **MONDAY & WEDNESDAY** evenings from 6:15-7:15 pm. Please bring a check for \$64 payable to Kathy Smithgall to the first night of class.



Tai Chi

Classes will be conducted by Ms. June Counterman. June has been teaching Tai Chi for over 19 years and has studied with several Chinese Grand Masters including the head of the Yang family. The classes will be held at the Cranbury United Methodist Church on **TUESDAYS** from 9:30-10:30 am. The fees for these programs are \$40 for seniors and \$65 for non-seniors. Make checks payable to Cranbury Recreation.



Beginning in September

Computer Classes on Demand

- Choose your topic.
- Set your schedule.
- Enjoy your class!



It's that easy!

Call or stop in to schedule your one on one session.



Stay and Play

*Hear a story, sing some songs,
stay and play!*

Mondays at 10:30am, Sept.12th - Oct. 3rd
Ages 2-5, with caregiver. No registration required.

Sept. 19, special guest Wendy Borg

Wendy will discuss the "Play Diet." Find out what kind and how many toys are appropriate for your child's "toy cupboard" !

Fun on Fridays!

Begins Sept. 9th.

Check out a book, pick up a craft!

Choose a book from our special "Friday Fun" display, and get a special, themed craft to go with it! For school-aged children; while supplies last.



Student Library Council

SLiC provides Cranbury students with opportunities for community service beginning in late fall. For more information contact Jan Murphy at the library or SLiC leaders Rebecca Tang or John Bond at PHS.

Library Hours and Closings

Monday to Thursday – 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Friday & Saturday – 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday – 1:00 to 4 p.m.

The library will be closed Sept. 3, 4, 5 & 10.

Upcoming Programs

What did you read this summer?

A book discussion for everyone.

**Wednesday,
September 21st at 7:00 pm**



Join us to talk about your favorite summer read. Discuss what book you liked and find out what others enjoyed reading.

Storybook Yoga



Downward facing dog

Preschoolers get a true "school experience" by participating **on their own** in a yoga class designed just for them! Led by yoga instructor and Cranbury resident Marie Stiglic, *Storybook Yoga* also includes a special story. This six week program runs **Mondays, Oct. 10th to Nov. 14th at 11:15 am until 12:00 noon.**

For children ages 3-5 only. Pre-registration required. **A non-refundable fee of \$10.00 will be collected**

Integrative Sports Medicine

Thursday, October 20th, 7:00 pm

Local physician and Cranbury resident Dr. Aly Cohen will present a program on the diagnosis and treatment of osteoarthritis, tendinitis/bursitis, and common sports injuries utilizing an "integrative" medical approach. This philosophy integrates all aspects of a person's health while searching for a remedy. Healthy snacks



Halloween Stories!

**Saturday, October 29th at 3:00 pm
Parsonage Barn, Cranbury Neck Rd.**



Come see the barn and enjoy Halloween stories and refreshments. This event is suitable for all ages and is co-sponsored by Cranbury Historical and Preservation Society and Cranbury Public Library.

Services Offered @ the Library

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with
ListenNJ

To get started click this logo on our Webpage.

Computer questions?



Ask Doug Baldwin, our Tech Librarian, for assistance.

Tech Hours: Drop in on Mondays, 2:00 - 4:00 pm,
and Thursdays, 10:00 am - 12:00 noon

OR call in advance to make an appointment
(Mon - Thu, 10:00 am - 7:00 pm)



NOTARY SERVICE
is available at the library!

From the Tech Station

I have been busy at the library with some major upgrades to the computers you use here every day. The computers now have Windows 7 operating system. In addition, I installed the newest version of Microsoft Office Professional 2010 including: Word, Excel, Powerpoint, and Publisher (new to the library). These software upgrades are part of our library's mission to provide access to up-to-date technology for your use.

Another element to our computer upgrade was the installation of time management and hard drive protection software. The time management software allows us to manage the computers when the library is very busy and all the computers are in use.

The hard drive protection software safeguards our machines from viruses and other possible damage, and, more importantly, benefits you. You now have full access to our computers; the drives, settings, and other features are no longer locked down. As before, the hard drive will be wiped clean of all your personal information once you log off. Now, if you forget to log off, the new software will automatically log off and reboot after the computer remains idle for 5 minutes.

If you have any questions about our upgrades, please feel free to call, email or visit the library. We always encourage your feedback and questions.

Doug Baldwin

The Library hosts **two** monthly
Book Discussion Groups.

Evenings - 3rd Tuesday at 7:30 pm
moderated by Doug Baldwin

Daytimes - 2nd Wednesday at 1:30 pm
moderated by Marilynn Mullen



Everyone is welcome to come to any discussion. Check the library's Events Calendar for titles and dates. The library staff will help you get a copy of the book being discussed. For more details, author interviews, group news and more go to cplbooks.blogspot.com.

From the Director's Desk

What did you read this summer?

This September I hope to find out. The library is planning to **host a book discussion for everyone on Wednesday, September 21st**. All are welcomed to come to the library to talk about their favorite summer reads.

I hope many of you will come to hear what others read this summer. Maybe you'll find just the perfect book for yourself, your friend or your book group.

Did you know the library hosts two book discussion groups and supports several other groups in town? We can recommend books, help you find reviews and discussion questions and get copies of the book you've chosen.



Need some reading suggestions for your next read? Subscribe to our **NextReads** service and receive book suggestions by email. Choose up to thirteen different newsletters covering a variety of genres, ages, and materials. Keep up-to-date with our monthly library newsletter as well.

Marilynn Mullen

Have you used an eReader yet?



**The library has
Kindles that we loan!**

Come in and check one out!



**The easiest way
to learn a
foreign language.**

**Download the mango
app for your iphone!**

Fire Safety Bureau



If you're thinking of selling, buying or renting a home, please remember the State of New Jersey requires a *Certificate of Smoke Detector and Carbon Monoxide Alarm Compliance* application to be filled out.

The application can either be picked up at the Clerk's Office in Town Hall or on the Township web site. Fees for a Certificate of Smoke Detector & Carbon Monoxide Alarm Compliance are as follows:

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| Request received more than 10 business days prior to change of occupant | \$ 45.00 |
| Request received 4 to 10 business days prior to change of occupant | \$ 70.00 |
| Request received fewer than 4 business days prior to change of occupant | \$125.00 |

Once the notarized application and fee are received by the Township, the Fire Official will schedule an inspection. Directions concerning the smoke detectors, carbon monoxide alarms and fire extinguishers are attached to the Application. All detectors, alarms and extinguishers should be thoroughly checked before the Fire Official's inspection to avoid a second inspection.

For additional information, please contact
Sam DiStasio, Fire Official at 609-395-0900 x238

Local & Regional Services

Assistive Services

Middlesex County Office on Aging - 877-223-3737

Middlesex County Office of Disabled - 732-745-4013

Middlesex County Board of Social Services - 732-745-3500

Affordable Housing - Cranbury Housing Associates, 609-786-1102

Transportation Services:

Middlesex County Area Transit

Information 732-745-7456

Reservations 800-221-3520

NJ Transit Information - 973-275-5555

Access Link - 800-955-2321

Reduced Fare Program - 973-378-6401

Information Services

InfoLine of Central Jersey area database of services www.info-line.org or call 888-908-4636.