

CRANBURY TOWNSHIP

FALL/WINTER 2012 NEWSLETTER

From the Mayor

Dear Residents,

I want to take this opportunity to bring you up to date on a number of issues that have been prominent in our community lately, and tell you about some plans we have for the future.

At my request, our Shade Tree Commission did an inventory over the summer of shade trees on Main Street. The Commission assigned each tree to one of three categories: no work needed, will need maintenance in the near future, and hazardous tree. As of today, approximately 13 of the worst trees have been removed and pruning has been completed on some trees in the second category. The oldest trees on Main Street were planted by the Lions Club back in the 1930's, so it is not surprising that they need some attention. This work will continue in future years as budgets permit.

Several months ago Cranbury was awarded a grant by the New Jersey Department of Transportation to install brick sidewalks along North Main Street from the lake to Bunker Hill. I named a subcommittee of Township Committee and Planning Board members and volunteers from the public to plan the project. The subcommittee decided the sidewalks should be one element of a downtown beautification plan that can be accomplished in phases over several years. The sidewalks will be phase one of the larger plan.

For years now we have experienced some seepage through the Brainerd Lake Dam. In August the seepage accelerated, and I ordered the lake level dropped to relieve pressure on the Dam. Needless to say, this wreaked havoc with the Lions Club's plan for a Rubber Duck Race on Cranbury Day. My congratulations and thanks go to race organizer Jon Goldstein and all of the Lions, our volunteer Fire Department, and our Public Works Department for a successful race.

This year Cranbury marks the 315th anniversary of its founding. I collect postcards featuring Cranbury locations, many of which are over 100 years old. Every time I look at those cards I am reminded of how successful we have been in preserving the village. The streets are paved now and the trees are larger than they appear in the postcards, but most of the buildings remain as they were.

I wish you and your family a happy and safe holiday season.

Sincerely,

Mayor Dave Cook

Cranbury Township Police Department

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Chief of Police



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Fall Crime Prevention

The fall season is now upon us. The sun has begun to set earlier which brings opportunity for those who like to take advantage of these early dark hours. We find that this time of year brings an increase in evening burglaries and thefts. Burglars benefit not only from darkness but also from the routines we all settle into once our summer hiatus is over.

Our lives are extremely busy as we run from one appointment to the next with our smart phones in hand. We often don't have time to bring the garbage can in or pick up the newspaper from the driveway before heading off to work or running the kids to their evening activities (these oversights are green lights for burglars). Give your residence the appearance that you are home. If you have an alarm system, be sure to use it! Place lights on timers for those dark early evening hours prior to your arrival home. It is vitally important that we take the time to be familiar with our surroundings. Familiarize yourself with your neighbors and the vehicles they drive. Share with neighbors that you trust the weekly evenings you have scheduled commitments which may leave your house vulnerable. Ask them to turn their heads as they come and go and take a look at your house and property. Offer to do the same for them. Most importantly, if something seems suspicious or amiss, **call the police immediately!**

These may seem like "simple givens" to some of us but once an incident occurs it's too late to change the outcome. The feeling that someone has entered your home and violated the one place you feel comfortable and safe can be unnerving and frightening to say the very least.

If you do observe suspicious activity, do your best to retain the following and provide it to the police communications officer upon calling the police:

- A physical description of the suspicious person(s) including approximate age and a detailed clothing description.
- A vehicle description to include make, model, color, damage, decals or any other possible identifiers.
- If possible, a license plate number or the license plate state of issue.
- A last seen direction of travel of the vehicle or if on foot the person(s).

We all play a critical part in crime prevention. Help us to better keep our neighborhoods safe this fall!

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE LIAISON ASSIGNMENTS—2012

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBER

LIAISON TO:

Susan Goetz	Business and Professional Association, League of Municipalities, Middlesex County Solid Waste, Board of Health, and Environmental Commission.
Glenn Johnson	Zoning Board, Historical Preservation Commission, and Shade Tree, Fire Company
Daniel Mulligan	Scouts, Board of Education, Business and Professional Association, Development Review Committee, Human Services, Municipal Alliance, Recreation and Planning Board
Jay Taylor	Cranbury Court, Police, Office of Emergency Management, Buildings and Grounds, Construction, First Aid, Parks, and Public Works.
Mayor Cook	Planning Board, Cranbury Housing Associates, Administrative and Executive, Finance and Tax Assessor, and Engineering

FROM THE SEWER COLLECTOR

*Township of Cranbury
Utility (Sewer) Collector's Office*
OFFICE HOURS
MONDAY – FRIDAY
8:00 AM – 4:00 PM
609-395-0900 EXT. 228

**NIGHT DROP BOX LOCATED
IN FRONT OF TOWN HALL FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE**

Starting the 4th quarter of this year, sewer payments are due as follows:

2012 4th Quarter	Due December 1, 2012
2013 1st Quarter	Due March 1, 2013
2013 2nd Quarter	Due June 1, 2013
2013 3rd Quarter	Due September 1, 2013

The due dates have a 30-day grace period. If payments are received after the 30 days, interest will be accrued.

FROM THE CLERK'S OFFICE



ELECTION NEWS

GENERAL ELECTION—NOVEMBER 6, 2012

ELECTION NEWS:

The General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2012. Polling places are located in the lower level of Town Hall, 23-A North Main Street. Voters should report to the "Boy Scout Room" for District 1 and to the "Senior Room" for Districts 2 and 3. The polls are open from 6:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. An individual must be 18 years of age by November 5, 2012 and be registered to vote.

To register to vote, forms may be obtained from Town Hall or by accessing them on the Clerk's Page of the Township's web site at: www.cranburytownship.org. There is a link to the State Division of Elections where the forms are located.

The deadline to register to vote in the General Election is Tuesday, October 16th and Town Hall will be open from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

CANDIDATES' NIGHT

**October 10th
8:00 to 10:00 p.m.
Cranbury School Cafeteria**



The Woman's Club of Cranbury Public Affairs and Social Services Department will host Candidates' Night again this year on Wednesday evening, October 10th from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. in the Cranbury School Cafeteria. All members of the public are invited to attend.

Candidates' 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, Democrats David Cook and Jay Taylor, and Republicans Cynthia Smithers and Tom Connolly, have graciously agreed to participate. This is an important opportunity for Cranbury's voters to discuss issues with the candidates before making their decision on Election Day. We encourage everyone to attend and make this event as informative as possible.

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

CRANBURY HISTORICAL AND PRESERVATION SOCIETY

Calendar of Events

Sunday, September 23, 1:00-4:00 p.m. "Fashionably Late- Costumes and Customs of the Victorian Mourning Period" includes clothing and other mourning items from the Society's collection and on loan from other collections. **Cranbury Museum, 4 Park Place East.** This exhibit will run through Sunday, November 18.



 **Saturday, October 13, 10:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.** Watercolorists Unlimited show and sale of more than 50 original watercolors. The group consists of 17 NJ artists who have been painting together for more than 25 years. All artwork will be for sale and work by several Cranbury artists will be featured, including paintings by Wilma Shimer, Virginia Swanagan and Lisa Walsh. Refreshments will be served. **Parsonage Barn, 3 Cranbury Neck Road**

Sunday, October 14, 2:00-4:00 p.m., Cranbury's 315th Anniversary Celebration, Gourgaud Gallery in Town Hall. All are invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.



Saturday, October 27, 2:00 p.m. Stories of Cranbury's history for children ages 8 to 13 and their families. Come dressed as an American Indian or early settler, if you'd like. Refreshments will be served. **Parsonage Barn, 3 Cranbury Neck Road.** In case of rain the program will be held in the Cranbury Public Library.

Friday, November 2, 6:30 p.m. CHPS Annual Meeting, Pot Luck Supper and Program Bring a dish to share and your own place setting. Beverages will be provided. A program presented by Richard Harlan Pratt, author of *A Guide to the Architecture of Hightstown Houses*, will follow the meeting. **Fellowship Hall, First Presbyterian Church, S. Main St.**



Sunday, November 4, 2:00 p.m. Jane Peters Estes will present a program of Victorian mourning customs, attire and memorabilia. The program is free. Please call 609-409-1289 for reservations. **Cranbury Museum, 4 Park Place East**

Sunday, December 2, 1:00-4:00 p.m. Christmas Tea All are invited to see the Museum decorated for Christmas. **Cranbury Museum, 4 Park Place East**

Saturday, December 8, 7:00 p.m. Cranbury Wassail. Refreshments, beverages, and portrayals of historic characters from Cranbury's history at four Cranbury homes beautifully decorated for the holidays. A limited number of tickets will be sold. For tickets, please call 609-655-5361.



The Society provides Historic Cranbury Walking Tours and Cranbury Museum Tours for groups. A group museum tour can be scheduled by calling 609-409-1289. To schedule a walking tour for a group or an event at the Parsonage Barn, please call 609-655-5361.

For information on Cranbury Historical & Preservation Society or to become a member, please visit cranburyhistory.org.

Of Interest to Adults

Alternative Energy: A Local Perspective

Friday, October 12 at 7 p.m.

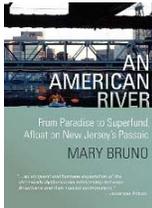
Join local experts for this panel discussion on alternative energy including wind, solar, electric transportation, and the economics involved with each.

An American River: with author Mary Bruno

Tuesday, October 16 at 7 p.m.

Ms. Bruno will read from her new book *An American River: From Paradise to Superfund, Afloat on New Jersey's Passaic*.

The book, part memoir, part science and part adventure is a look at what happened to a hometown river.



Get Your Passport—at the library!

Wednesday, November 14

Call the library for more information, for passport regulations and to make an appointment.

Registration Required!



What Jobs Are in Demand?

Wednesday, December 5, at 11:00 a.m.

Using information from multiple sources, this presentation will review the current and future job market in our region and tell you how to market skills you already have to fill the needs of employers. **Call the library to register.** Sponsored by the *Middlesex County Office of Workforce Development*.

Library Book Discussion Groups

New Members Always Welcome

Daytime Book Discussion - 3rd Wednesdays

The Paris Wife by Paula McLain and
A Movable Feast by Earnest Hemmingway
Wednesday, October 17 at 1:30 p.m.

Evening Book Discussion - 4th Tuesdays

Secrets of Eden by Chris Bohjalian
Tuesday, October 23, at 7:30 p.m.

For complete information and schedules for both groups go to cplbooks.blogspot.com

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 to 4 p.m.

Library Closed

Nov. 22 & 23, Dec. 24 & 25 and Jan. 1

Programs for Kids



Toddler Stay and Play

Every Monday, 10:30 a.m.

Come share stories, finger plays, songs, poetry, and sometimes a craft. Then we play! Ages 12-36 months.

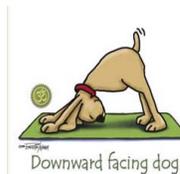
FUN ON FRIDAYS

Each Friday, from 3:30 to 4:30, there's a craft, book-talks, and a snack! Ages 8-12.

(While supplies last.)



STORYBOOK YOGA IS BACK!



Downward facing dog

October 2 through November 13

Marie Stiglic will be holding a pre-school yoga program for 3-5 year olds! \$15.00 registration fee.

Pre-registration required.

TEEN READ WEEK

October 14-16

During Teen Read Week, students in grades 6-12 are encouraged to come into the library to check out a book. If you have fines, guess what?? **We'll make them all go away!** (Sorry, if you have overdue books, you're still on the hook for those.) We also have all new 2013 editions of AP test prep books and college guides.

Come in and check us out!



High School Students

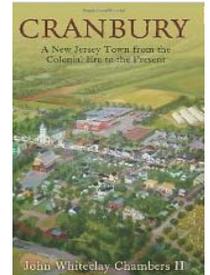
Consider Cranbury Library's **Student Library Council (SLiC)** as a way to earn your PHS community service hours. This year we have a variety of options to conveniently earn your time and make a difference. Contact John Bond or Maddy Lehman at school, or call Jan Murphy at the library for more information. **Prep school students invited as well!**



One Book, One Cranbury

What if everyone in Cranbury read *Cranbury: A New Jersey Town from the Colonial Era to the Present* by John Whiteclay Chambers?

That is exactly what we hope will happen. Our goal is to foster a sense of community by bringing people together to discuss our town's history. We hope you will read the book and attend upcoming programs that the Library and Historical Society will offer this fall and winter. You may borrow the book from the library or purchase a copy at the Library or the History Center.



One Book, One Cranbury Programs

Stories from Early Cranbury Saturday, October 27, 2 – 3 p.m. Cranbury Barn Park

Don Davidson, in early colonial costume, will tell stories of Cranbury's history. For children 8 to 13 and their families. Refreshments served. Come dressed as an American Indian or early settler if you'd like. In case of rain, the program will be held in the library.

A Guide to Colonial Architecture by author Rick Pratt Friday, November 2, 8:00 p.m.

Fellowship Hall, First Presbyterian Church of Cranbury, 22 South Main Street

Rick Pratt will speak on his book, *A Guide to the Architecture of Hightstown Houses*, his business, and the revitalization of Stockton Street in Hightstown. Books will be available for purchase.

Grave Matters Sunday, November 4, 2 – 3 p.m. Cranbury Historical Society Museum. 4 Park Place

Jane Peters Estes will present a program of Victorian mourning customs, attire and memorabilia. Free program. Call 609-409-1289 for reservations.

Cranbury Wassail Saturday, December 8, 7:00 p.m.

Join the progressive party through four Cranbury homes featuring festive appetizers, beverages and desserts. Meet a guest from Cranbury's history in each home. Tickets required. Limited registration. \$35/ticket. Ticket forms are available at the Historical Society and at the library.

Create a Colonial Christmas Candle Centerpiece Tuesday, December 11, 7 – 8:30 p.m. Library

Country Florist and Gifts will host a holiday centerpiece design workshop. Colonial colors and greens will be featured. Registration required. \$15.00 program fee. Ages: teen through adult. Register at the library.

Colonial Cranbury in Perspective Friday, January 25, 7 - 8:30 p.m. Library

Professor Maxine Lurie is an expert on New Jersey in the 17th and 18th centuries and on New Jersey's role in the American Revolution. Dr. Lurie will present a brief overview of the origins of the state compared to Cranbury and other New Jersey towns, as well as other parts of colonial America. Her emphasis will be on settlement patterns, and the religious and ethnic background of the people who came to settle in early America.

A History of Cranbury and its Landmarks Friday, February 15, 7 – 8:30 p.m. Library

Local history buff William Bunting will present a "tour" of Cranbury's history via its local landmarks, and discuss his collaboration with John Chambers on *Cranbury: A New Jersey Town from the Colonial Era to the Present*.

The African-American Experience in Cranbury Friday, March 22, 7 – 8:30 p.m. Library

Peter Wise will speak about Agnes Wilson, a prominent African-American woman and her part in the development of Cranbury. Other town residents will join him in a panel discussion of blacks in Cranbury.

Civil War Memorabilia Friday, April 26, 7 – 8:30 p.m. Library

Cranbury resident and Civil War enthusiast Mike Kasper will speak to New Jersey's involvement in the Civil War and share items from his extensive memorabilia collection.

A Look into Cranbury's Past through Postcards Date to be scheduled Library

David Cook will share his Cranbury postcard collection and speak about the process of collecting.



CRANBURY CELEBRATES ITS 315th ANNIVERSARY!

You are invited to attend

Cranbury's 315th Anniversary Celebration

Sunday, October 14, 2012, 2-4 p.m.

Gourgaud Gallery

Town Hall

DID YOU KNOW??



Before selling a home or renting an apartment in the Township of Cranbury, the owner must obtain a Certificate of Smoke Detector and Carbon Monoxide Alarm Compliance. 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:

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, ext. 238.



FOOD COLLECTION



In an effort to assist those in need, Cranbury Township has placed food collection boxes in Town Hall and the Police Station. Those wishing to donate non-perishable food may drop off the items during normal business hours. The food will be donated to a local pantry (Skeet's Pantry) for distribution.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

RECYCLING AT YOUR EVENT

Recycling happens because you make it happen. When hosting a gathering whether large or small, make it easy for yourself and the guests when it comes to disposing of trash or recyclables. Provide two separate containers side by side, one for recycling and one trash. Clean up will be a snap!



RECYCLING AND THE HOLIDAYS



This may seem premature since the weather is still warm but.....this holiday season keep in mind that when receiving or purchasing gifts, the packaging can most likely be recycled. For instance, the wrapping paper, if not shiny metallic, can be recycled. The box the item was packaged in, is it corrugated or chip board? Either way, the package can be recycled; cardboard must be separated while chip board (think cereal box) can be tossed in the square blue bin for curbside pick-up. Is there polystyrene involved (small white compressed Styrofoam)? If so, bring that stuff down to the recycle shed! Don't throw it into the landfill, it will be there longer than you realize.... and that's a long time!

Try to avoid this wastefulness and filling the landfill. Purchase movie, theater, or museum passes, use gift bags that can be reused, donate to the recipient's favorite charity or a local non-profit, volunteer group.



AIR QUALITY ISSUES

If you smell lingering foul odors in the air and wish you could do something about it—you can! The Middlesex County Environmental Team at (732) 745-8480 will address these odors, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Give them a call to report an air quality issue. To report any lingering or foul odors in the air during the weekend or times outside the normal work hours, you must call the Cranbury Police at 395-0031 to report the issues.



Cranbury Lioness



Thanks to all of you who helped the Lioness Club meet their financial goal during Cranbury Day. The next project for the Club will be the Christmas Boutique held during the Pancake Breakfast sponsored by the Cranbury Lions Club in the Cafeteria of the Cranbury School on Sunday, December 2nd. You will find many unique and inexpensive Christmas gifts and home-baked products for sale. It is a very nice way to start the Christmas Season. We look forward to having you visit our Boutique table either before or after you enjoy your pancake breakfast.



Cranbury Woman's Club

The Woman's Club of Cranbury is celebrating its 90th Anniversary as a member of the New Jersey State Federation of Woman's Clubs this year!

The Club is comprised of several departments including Arts/Creative, Conservation/Garden, Drama/Literature, Gourmet, Home Life/Social Services, International Affairs, Public Affairs and Education. These departments or clubs within the club offer many opportunities to serve our community and its residents.

This year the Cranbury Woman's Club will participate in "Stockings for our Troops", a project to support our troops deployed overseas during the holidays, "Project Linus", which creates blankets for critically ill children, supporting a local women's shelter and Women Aware, and collecting can goods for Skeet's Pantry and the Trenton Area Soup Kitchen.



We will be decorating the flower barrels in town on Dec 4th and look forward to hosting the Christmas Tree Lighting on Dec 7th at 7 pm in Memorial Park adjacent to the firehouse.

If the Woman's Club sounds interesting to you, please come join us! You can get more information through our website womansclubofcranbury.org

Human Services Board

The Human Services Board meets once a month, the third Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. in the Senior Center. The Board invites the public to attend any meetings. The Board does not meet in July and August.

Any Senior Groups wishing to use the Senior Center need to schedule through the Human Services Board and the Township Clerk. Please call (609) 395-0900 x244.

Seated Exercise Classes are held on Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m. in the Senior Center. Stop in and check it out!



Marilyn Elias, a Medicare Counselor, is available on the last Tuesday of the month. Please call (609) 395-0900 x231 to make an appointment.

Cranbury Golden Age Neighbors



The Cranbury Golden Age Neighbors are looking forward to their Annual Christmas Luncheon on December 13th at Pierre's in Monmouth Junction. The Christmas Luncheons are always very special with Christmas music and homemade Christmas cookies. If you are interested, you are invited to join the Cranbury Golden Age Neighbors by coming to one of our meetings which are usually held on the third Saturday of the month in the Cafeteria of the Cranbury School. However, the October meeting will be in the Fellowship Hall of the First Presbyterian Church in Cranbury, and the November meeting will be held in the Fellowship Hall of the United Methodist in Cranbury. Meeting time for both of these meetings is 12:00 noon. So come and join us at either of these meetings and you will be able to join Cranbury Golden Age Neighbors Christmas Party at Pierre's. It is so much fun to come and share a meal, conversation, and program with old and new friends. If you are a senior and live in or near Cranbury, come and join the fun.

ATTENTION ALL LANDLORDS:

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:29-1.1, it is a requirement that any single unit dwellings and two (2) unit dwellings that are not owner-occupied must be filed in the Office of the Clerk, Town Hall, 23-A North Main Street.

In addition, tenants in multiple dwellings are required to be given a copy of the Certificate of Registration filed with the Bureau of Housing Inspection in accordance with N.J.S.A. 55:13A-12, N.J.S.A. 46:8-28 and N.J.A.C. 5:10-1.11. (Contact the Bureau of Housing Inspection, P.O. Box 810, Trenton, New Jersey 08625 (609) 633-6240 for registration applications for buildings with three (3) or more dwelling units.

You may obtain a copy of the form by faxing your request to (609) 984-7954 or going to the Department of Community Affairs web site, Landlord-Tenant Information Service.

There are several non-owner occupied dwellings in the Township of Cranbury that have not submitted the required paperwork.



Shade Tree Commission

Trees Put Money in Your Pocket

How would you like to reduce your air conditioning and heating bills this year?

The U.S. Department of Energy reports that a well-planned landscape can reduce summer air conditioning costs by 15-50% compared to houses without shade. In winter, trees strategically placed as windbreaks can cut fuel use by up to 40%.

Landscaping also raises the value of your property.

The USDA Forest Service claims that large specimen trees can add 10% or more to property values. The International Society of Arboriculture says that values of landscaped homes are 5-20% higher than non-landscaped homes. Trees also filter storm water, reduce runoff, help prevent flash flooding, and lessen the burden on storm sewer systems, reducing peak flow runoff by 12-15% and thus sewer system operating costs as well.



Trees even have an economic impact on shopping!

According to a recent study, shoppers are willing to spend up to 12% more for goods in areas with trees versus places with no trees. People also frequent areas with trees more often and tend to shop longer. Who knew something so good for the environment and the economy could also be beneficial to sales at stores! Improve the world—or at least your little corner of it—plant a tree!

Cranbury Lions Club

We held our **80th Anniversary Charter Celebration** at Zinna's Bistro on Saturday, June 30, 2012. Forty-four members and guests attended this fantastic party. After President Christine welcomed all the attending dignitaries, including Past International Director Bob Moore, Council Chair Bob Virgadamo, District Governor John Kobland, State Advisor Elspeth Moore, Region Chair Dave Shaffer, and Zone Chair Fay Kobland, DG John performed his first induction of a new member as Governor when he inducted Lion Kim Borden into our Club. Additional highlights of the afternoon included:

The presentation of Longevity Awards to Members to both Lions Craig Gilbert and Gordon Stults, celebrating 50 years and to Bub Danser who has been a Cranbury Lion for SIXTY years! Past President and Region Chair Dave Shaffer was awarded his first Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship Award. Council Chair Bob Virgadamo was presented a pin for his 10th PMJFA. Lion Fay Kobland was awarded a "Special Award for Service" for her tireless efforts this year with the LEO Club, the 80th Anniversary Exhibit, and her many various other services to the Club and community. Small awards were presented to all those supporters who sponsored some part of the celebration. A professionally printed "magazine-style" copy of our history was distributed to each attendee and copies of this magazine will be available to members on a first come/first served basis. Also, the Officers and Directors of the 2012-13 Cranbury Lions Club Board of Directors were installed.



First Annual Rubber Duck Race – Our first race was held on Cranbury Day. It was a lot of fun, even without a lot of water!! Proceeds will benefit the Cranbury Library Building Fund. **Annual Cranbury Day Barbecue** - The annual Hamburger and Chicken barbecue on Cranbury Day 2012. It was a huge success and we would like to thank everyone for supporting us on Cranbury Day at the Duck Race and the Barbecue.



Annual Children's Halloween Party and Pumpkin Carving with the Cranbury PTO in the Cranbury School Cafeteria, Friday October 26th – from 7:00 to 8:30 pm



\$100 per ticket Super 50/50 Fundraiser - We plan to sell only 250 tickets. There will be SEVEN winners. If we sell ALL 250 tickets*, there will be 2 – 2% winners (*\$500, each), 4 – 1½% winners (*\$375, each), and a Grand Prize Winner of 40%, or **\$10,000 if all 250 tickets are sold**. The Club will retain 50% of the proceeds (less expenses) for our Charitable Budget. The drawing will take place at the Pancake Breakfast on December 2, 2012.

65th Annual Pancake Breakfast - Sunday December 2, 2012 at the Cranbury School Cafeteria 8:00 a.m. – 1:-00 p.m. along with the **Annual Winter Coat Collection** where coats can be dropped off at the Pancake Breakfast



Annual Toys For Tots Collection – Unwrapped toys may be dropped off at any 1st Constitution Bank Village Branch, the NJ Community Bank, and the Post Office. The last day that we can accept donations will probably be Thursday, December 13th.

Annual Holiday Decoration Contest - Poinsettias are awarded to the winning homeowners. The judging is usually done the 2nd or 3rd week of December.



Cranbury Business and Professional Association

Cranbury Day 2012

Another fun-filled Cranbury Day has come and gone. Main Street was transformed into a pedestrian thoroughfare filled with children and adults laughing, socializing and enjoying the beautiful day. A few early morning showers didn't dampen the enthusiasm of anyone.



What began decades ago as a sidewalk sale offered by local merchants has turned into an annual celebration, not to be missed! It's the one time of year that residents and visitors can run for charity, meet and greet our local government, shop and eat, support volunteer organizations, listen to great music, and say goodbye to another summer. There is something for everyone!

The Cranbury Business and Professional Association would like to thank The Township of Cranbury, the Police Department, the Department of Public Works, the Cranbury Businesses and area vendors, for all of their assistance in helping to make Cranbury Day a fun event for the entire family.



We would also like to extend a special thank you to our sponsors, who through their generosity helped us to provide an array of activities for kids and fabulous music for us to enjoy throughout the day. This year we were again treated to the Mummer's Uptown String Band, which strutted down Main Street, the Carnaby Street Band and Ed Goldberg's One Man Band. New to the lineup was Zoe's Playlist featuring Cranbury's own Mike Golisano.

Our children enjoyed the Dunk Tank, the Pony Rides, the Moon Walk and Inflatable Obstacle Course, plus the Clowns who offered face painting and made terrific balloon animals.

Our Cranbury Day Sponsors included the following: Cranbury Business and Professional Association, 1st Constitution Bank, Cranbury Recreation, Cranbury Limousine, Cranbury Democratic Committee, Cranbury Republican Committee, Kerzner Associates, Arbonne, NJ Community Bank, Plant Food Company, and Charles L. Smith Plumbing.

In addition to organizing Cranbury Day, the Cranbury Business and Professional Association, which currently has 54 members, also decorates Cranbury during the holidays. Last year on the Friday before Christmas Main Street was aglow from Park Place to the Firehouse with luminaries. The scene was breathtaking and added to the charm of Cranbury. It was a big job and if you are interested in helping, we will certainly accept your offer!



On Sunday, December 2, Cranbury will be buzzing with activity. The Cranbury Business and Professional Association will again provide Free Carriage Rides so residents and visitors get a special glimpse of Cranbury when the houses are decorated and the town looks festive. This is the same day that the Lion's Club has their annual Pancake Breakfast, and the Historical Society hosts their Open House. The businesses in town will also be open and ready to assist you with your holiday shopping! Mark your calendars for another family event.

If you have any questions about the Cranbury Business and Professional Association, please feel free to contact us.

Lisbeth Veghte, President of the CBPA - 609-395-8836
Gabriella Kovacs, Vice President of the CBPA - 609-395-0605
Christine Thompson, Cranbury Day Chairman - 609-954-3020
Bill Persons, Secretary - 609-395-1855

Environmental Commission News

Thanks to Cranbury's participation in the NJISST (New Jersey Invasive Species Strike Team) Field Steward program, our Township was fortunate to have two interns return for a second summer to eradicate emerging invasive plants in our preserved open spaces. Invasive plants are non-native species that can impact the functions of an ecosystem by altering habitats and reducing biodiversity of native plants and animals. (Field Steward activities are funded by a National Fish and Wildlife Foundation grant.) It was great to have Mike Belaus return and to welcome Jade Greene. On July 23rd and 24th they worked in the Cranbury Brook Preserve, Unami Woods and the Shadow Oaks Stream Corridor open space parcel.

Environmental Commissioners Anna Drago and Barbara Rogers, together with Bob Rogers, joined Mike and Jade to survey and help eradicate invasive plants such as the Callery Pear, Winter Creeper and English Ivy in the Cranbury Brook Preserve. For the past two years, Cranbury volunteers have also removed Multiflora Rose (another invasive species) in the Preserve and replaced them by planting native species. This work was done by Environmental Commission members, Boy Scouts and class members of Nature Naturally, a PTO after-school program.

From the Preserve, volunteers and interns proceeded to the Unami Woods where the need to re-apply foliar spray to *Euonymus fortunei*, Winter Creeper and *Hedera helix*, English Ivy was noted. Mike and Jade did the eradication that afternoon and the following morning the volunteers joined them for the basal bark spraying of the Callery Pear trees in the Preserve.

In order to help the interns identify the location of the next property, Bob and Anna obtained tax maps at Town Hall. The property is a parcel of Township-owned open space along the Millstone River behind Shadow Oaks. It was found to be heavily impacted by Callery Pear trees. Mike and Jade treated a small number of trees that afternoon. In addition, they also found and treated *Viburnum dilatatum* and linden vibernum.

Unfortunately, there was not enough time to visit the Reinhardt property this year. Hopefully Cranbury will be able to secure the services of the NJISST interns for an extra day next year.



The NJISST is a statewide cooperative effort with a mission to prevent the spread of emerging invasive species across the state of New Jersey. To find out more about NJISST, please visit www.njisst.org.

It's a matter of maintaining our natural resources and global biodiversity.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

CRANBURY DAY 2012!

The Personal Environmental Pledge Tree was a hit! Here are the ideas of saving the environment that were written on the leaves.

- Collect running water for plants, etc. while waiting for water to warm up
- Try to avoid using disposable tableware. If you must, look for biodegradable, eco-friendly products
- Before discarding an object, think of an alternative way it could be used
- Learn Cranbury's recycling rules and follow them!
- Use your own cloth bags when you go grocery shopping
- Use a compost bin to recycle kitchen and yard waste
- Purchase a high-efficiency clothes washer
- Turn off lights in empty rooms
- Don't wash your car on your driveway
- Install a rain barrel
- Only wash full loads of laundry and dishes
- Use a water bottle instead of buying bottled water
- Use a coffee mug instead of a disposable cup
- If you drive, avoid idle time. Turn off your car whenever possible
- Use pesticides wisely
- If you use air conditioning, turn it up by two degrees for a week
- Use LED or compact fluorescent light bulbs
- Use a clothesline instead of a dryer whenever possible
- Walk or use a bicycle for short trips around town
- Observe World CarFree Day on September 22nd
- Buy local products whenever possible
- Install programmable thermostats to more efficiently regulate temperatures in your home
- Cancel unnecessary magazine subscriptions, catalogs and junk mail
- Walk/ride to town
- Save trees!
- Compost at our school
- Purchase an electric lawn mower
- Use cloth bags at the store
- Participate in a saver program for electric
- Help mom and dad with recycling
- Plant a garden



Photos by Wendy Borg

FOOD WASTE STARTS AT HOMEOR STOPS.

YOU CAN WASTE LESS AT HOLIDAY DINNERS!

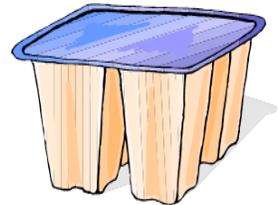
Did you know that Americans throw out more than 28 billion pounds of food each year, about 100 pounds per person? A quarter to a half of all food grown for humans is wasted. Some is lost on the farm, some more in processing, and more still in food service. But families waste plenty of food at home, too. U.S. households waste about 14% of their food purchases. In a family of four, that food is worth over \$500, and the items thrown away include unopened, unexpired packages. In fact, food that has not been served outweighs plate scraping: it never even got to the table! No one intends to waste food when they go shopping, but that's what happens.

How does this happen? Shoppers buy more than the family can eat because the grocery store offers bulk deals. People also fail to match their intentions with their actions; they save leftovers but never eat them, or they mean to serve fruit, but eat cookies. Shoppers buy extra when they are unsure of portion size. People discard foods that don't fit into the normal routine; these may be new products that the family tries and dislikes, or specialty foods, such as hot dog buns. Once the hot dogs are eaten, the extra buns go stale.

People discard food that is still safe because they mistake the sell-by date for an expiration date. Others make the opposite error. They have unrealistic ideas about how long food will last, and leave it in the refrigerator too long.

Don't feel like discarding your hundred pounds this year? You can shop and serve smarter and save money and prevent waste.

- Inventory. Know what you have in the pantry and refrigerator so you won't buy duplicates. This goes for the freezer as well. Label it, date it and use it.
- Make a point to find recipes that use ingredients you already have.
- Don't buy perishables in bulk unless you will divide and freeze them in family portions.
- Use up or avoid those "companion" foods, like hot dog rolls or mint jelly.
- Go ahead and try new products, but remember to finish them up.
- Read the fine print: throw it out on the expiration date, not the sell-by date.



Family dinners increase waste, so whether you are hosting or bringing food, consider:

- People are eating less candy and sweet foods. They don't need as many desserts
- Encourage guests to bring empty food containers to take leftovers home.
- Try to get a guest count so you know how much to buy. Chefs differ in their portion estimations, but you can start with a half pound of meat, or a little more chicken on the bone, and a cup of any side dishes, for each adult.
- Pay attention at the end of the dinner; what did you throw out? Buy less next time.
- At barbecues and tailgates, potato and macaroni salads are often left over and discarded. If you are serving too much, remember next time to buy less.
- Kids may be too busy playing to eat much. Plan small portions.
- Use leftovers in lunches. Take them to work or put them in the kids' lunchboxes.



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For more information on *source and waste reduction* visit: http://www.state.nj.us/dep/dshw/recycling/source_red.htm

For more information on *shopping smarter / greener* visit:
<http://www.epa.gov/epawaste/education/pubs/shopping.htm>

RECYCLE SHED HAS NEW HOURS!

Beginning September 7, 2012, the Recycle Shed at the DPW yard hours are 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. It is anticipated that these hours will accommodate more residents.

Mark your calendars! The **2013 yearly schedule** for the Recycle Shed is:

January 4 th	May 3 rd	September 6 th
February 1 st	June 7 th	October 4 th
March 1 st	July 5 th	November 1 st
April 5 th	August 2 nd	December 6 th



As usual, acceptable items include computers (all components: monitors, modems, printers, cables, mouse, and keyboards), scanners, televisions, telephones, irons, fluorescent bulbs (compact and tubes), extension cords and electrical cords from small appliances, strands of lights, thermostats, thermometers, formed polystyrene (no food containers or loose packing peanuts).

While bringing items for recycling, bring along any scrap metal for recycling too! It can be old aluminum folding chairs, rolls of chicken wire, old metal swing sets (remember when!), chains, fence stakes or any other items of ferrous and non-ferrous metal

Please bring your rechargeable batteries, button batteries, cell phones, CDs, DVDs, VHS, or cassette tapes to the DPW office (2nd floor in Town Hall) for responsible recycling!



SNOW REMOVAL



It's hard to think about snow this time of year, but it's best to be prepared than to be caught off guard. Here are a few simple tips that will help you when shoveling of snow is necessary.

- When shoveling, pile the majority of snow to the left of your driveway, when facing your house. This helps when the snowplows come by. There'll be less snow to be plowed in front of your driveway. Shoveling of snow into the road is not permitted. The snowplows will only push the snow back into your drive or perhaps your neighbor's drive—not a very neighborly act!
- The Township does not plow out driveways or dig out mailboxes. Despite popular opinion, the DPW does not place snow in driveways on purpose.
- Snowplows typically start the plowing process after 1 to 2 inches of snow has fallen.
- When snow is predicted, remove your vehicle and any other personal property that may get damaged or impede the snowplows from effectively and efficiently from plowing.

NON-POINT SOURCE POLLUTION

Have you heard this term before? NPS (non-point source pollution) is caused by rainfall or snowmelt moving over and through the ground. As this runoff moves, it picks up and carries away natural and human-made pollutants, finally depositing them into lakes, rivers, wetlands, coastal waters and ground waters.

Nonpoint source pollution can include:

- Excess fertilizers, herbicides and insecticides from agricultural lands and residential areas. This includes mowing treated grass into the streets. It can ultimately wash down the storm drains.
- Oil, grease and toxic chemicals from urban runoff and energy production
- Sediment from improperly managed construction sites, crop and forest lands, and eroding stream banks
- Salt from irrigation practices and acid drainage from abandoned mines
- Bacteria and nutrients from livestock, pet wastes and faulty septic systems
- Atmospheric deposition and hydro-modification

Stormwater runoff is generated when rain and snowmelt do not soak into the ground but flow over land or impervious surfaces, accumulating NPS that could adversely affect water quality. States report that NPS is the leading remaining cause of water quality problems. The effects of NPS on specific waters vary and may not always be fully assessed. However, it is known that these pollutants have harmful effects on drinking water supplies, recreation, fisheries and wildlife. Residents can help by keeping the storm drains clear of any debris that will make its way down into them. This includes but is not limited to trash, pet waste, cigarette butts, leaves, grass clippings, and branches.



**MIDDLESEX COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY
CURBSIDE RECYCLING PROGRAM**

Below is a current monthly breakdown of how much tonnage Cranbury residents have recycled through the curbside program in 2012. If your recyclables were at the curb in time for the scheduled pick-up but was missed or perhaps you want to compliment the MCIA on a job well done, please call 1-800-488-MCIA.

2012	Commingled (bottles/cans)	Mixed (junk mail/paper/ cardboard)	Newspaper
January	14.29	22.23	16.41
February	8.13	12.65	9.33
March	8.94	13.90	10.26
April	7.12	11.08	8.18
May	10.09	15.70	11.59
June	10.42	16.20	11.95
July	13.32	20.73	15.30
TOTAL TONS	72.31	112.49	83.02



July was Cranbury's second best month for curbside recycling! Kudos all the recycling-conscience residents! Cardboard is one of the many State-mandated recycling materials as well as a valuable recycling material. Please do not throw it into your trash can which is destined for the landfill. To recycle cardboard, simply flatten and tie the boxes together, and set out for pick up with your other curbside recyclables.

Textiles are another recycling item that can be placed curbside during the regular pick up schedule. Please recycle stained or ripped clothing that is not worthy of donating, clothes, curtains, sheets, towels, belts, shoes, and handbags are also acceptable articles. However, filled fiber blankets and rugs are not acceptable. Place the items in a plastic bag marked TEXTILES and place it out with the regular curbside pickup--it could not be any easier! Plastic textile bags can be obtained for this purpose by calling 395-0900 x229.



As you can tell by the above breakdown, recyclables collected during the regular curbside pickup is tallied and reported in tons. At the end of the calendar year, these tallies are included in the tonnage report that is sent to the NJDEP. The more Cranbury recycles, the more tonnage credit received when submitting the tonnage grant report. The end result is more money for Cranbury!!!!

CHIPPING SERVICE

Cranbury Township offers chipping service for tree branches, shrubbery and other yard clipping. This service commences on the third Wednesday of each month, which is the start date and not necessarily the day that the chipper will collect your brush. To help residents understand the process and to help it be more efficient, below are some important and helpful procedures.



- It is recommended that residents notify the DPW office to request chipping service by the Monday before the third Wednesday of the month.
- Brush should be placed curbside no sooner than the weekend preceding the third Wednesday or as otherwise scheduled or announced.
- All material to be chipped should be placed at the curb by 7:00 am by the scheduled collection date (yes-the third Wednesday of the month). Any material placed curbside after the scheduled collection date or time will not be chipped. Please understand that the DPW will not return to your property while working the scheduled route once they have passed by.
- All materials should be stacked parallel to the curb or as near to the curb as possible. Take care not to place them in the street or on the sidewalk. Place the cut branch ends together so the branches follow the flow of traffic.
- Items must be placed parallel to 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 must be free of foreign debris such as stones, dirt, metal, sweepings and rakings.
- No lumber, construction material, roots, stumps, mulch, sand, landscape construction material and debris, or soil left at the curb will be collected.

It is the intention to help you understand the protocol of this valuable chipping service. Should you not understand any of the above regulations, please contact the Department of Public Works at 395-0900 x229. Thank you for your consideration.



TOWN WIDE GARAGE SALE 2013

Mark your calendar! The date for the 2013 garage sale event is **April 27, 2013**. More information will be posted as the time nears.

BOARD OF HEALTH

2013 DOG AND CAT LICENSES



The 2013 license application forms for dog and cats will be available on January 1, 2013 on the Township's web site: www.cranburytownship.org. Please do not send in any applications prior to January 1st as we are not permitted to process any licenses until then. Per State Statute, all rabies vaccinations must be 10 months current, (valid through November 1, 2013) to qualify to get a license for your pet.

PET ETIQUETTE and BEING A RESPONSIBLE PET OWNER

This article still needs to be brought to some pet owners' attention. A few dog owners are still not cleaning up after their pet. However, eye witnessed reports have been received about an owner pretending to pick up after their pet! If you take the time to bend down for a fake pick up, you may as go that extra step and pick up after your pet. Trash cans are located in town which can be used for disposing of pet waste.

According to Township Ordinance #162, "all pet owners and keepers shall immediately remove and properly dispose of the solid waste deposited by the pet on public property or the property of another". Leaving pet waste on any ground you do not own is against the law in New Jersey.

Rain can wash pet waste that sits on the ground, sidewalk, street, or paved surface into our storm drains, ultimately ending up in our streams, lakes, rivers, and the ocean. Pet waste contains coli-form bacteria, which will make people sick as well as wildlife that swims in or drinks from the water ways.

If you witness a pet owner being irresponsible, you have choices: ask the offender to clean up after their pet, or use your cell phone to call the Cranbury Police at 609-395-0031 while the offender is still present.

Let's be respectful to those who use the parks and walk in town. **Please clean up after your pet!** Be sure you bring that plastic bag with you before you leave with your pet on that walk and use it when necessary!



RECREATION UPDATE

SENIOR CITIZEN PROGRAMS

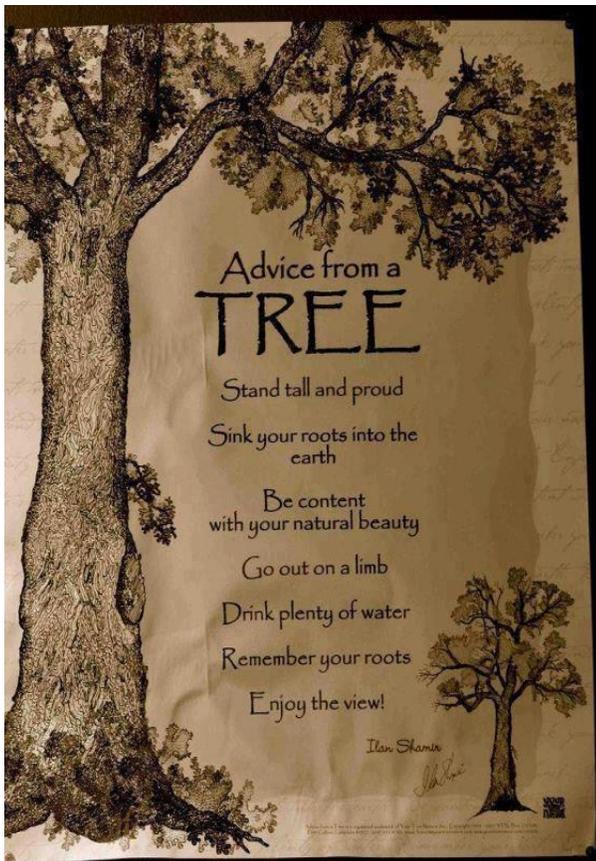
Several programs for Cranbury Township Senior Citizens are being planned for the fall. Past programs include Tai Chi, Bus Trips, Exercise Classes and more. Check the Cranbury Township website for program listings.

OTHER UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Check the Township website for information on additional youth and adult programs including youth and adult basketball, youth golf lessons, youth and adult tennis lessons and more!

For more information regarding any Recreation Department program, call 395-0544 x 243.

Shade Tree Commission



CRANBURY SENIOR CENTER

For all dates:

Lunch – 12:00 Noon
Program – 1:00 p.m.



October 12

Peter Wise – “The Luckiest Generation”

October 26

Jack Frohbieter – “The Fjords of Norway”

November 16 - Thanksgiving Program

Larry Friend – “All About our Flag”

December 14 – Holiday program

All of the above programs will be held in the Senior Community Center in Town Hall. For a list of upcoming programs, please look on the Township’s website www.cranburytownship.org.

Registrations for luncheons must be made at least one week in advance by calling 609-655-0555. *Please call to cancel if you cannot keep your reservation.*

PLEASE NOTE: Due to budget constraints, there is a charge \$3.00 per person for lunch. Please bring exact change.

Non-perishable food donations for Skeet’s Pantry are appreciated.

CRANBURY ARTS COUNCIL AND GOURGAUD GALLERY NEWS

The following activities are scheduled for the Gourgaud Gallery from October 2012 to January 2013:

October 21– The last session of Art in the Park plein art will be held at Village Park from 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m. All are welcome.

Schedule for Art Exhibitions:

October 7 - 28 : “Transitions” - Art of Colleen Cahill

November 4 - 25 : Cindy Girarde

December 2 - 30: “Cranbury Gardens X” Ten Year Anniversary of Art in the Park

January: Open Call Exhibit (topic to be determined)

See the schedule and times of Artist receptions on the Cranbury Arts council Web site:

<http://cranburyartscouncil.org/GGCalendar.html>.



As part of the non-profit Cranbury Arts Council, the Gourgaud Gallery donates 20% of any art sales back to the Cranbury Arts Council 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 Monday to Friday from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. and the first, third & last Sunday of the month from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. New exhibit receptions fall on the first Sunday from 1:00 -3:00 p.m. Anyone wishing to exhibit at the Gourgaud Gallery can obtain an application in the gallery or at www.cranbury.org. Check the Gourgaud Gallery site on Facebook and Gourgaud Gallery Blog for information on upcoming programs and events. If you are interested in CAC membership or participating in any way, please email us at cranburyartscouncil@gmail.com.

Children in Grades 2-8 are invited to join the CAC's Kids Theatre Company for our third annual fall theater program. This year we will be presenting **Peter Pan's Christmas**. Join Peter, Wendy, Tinker Bell, and all the beloved characters from the classic story as they set out on a new, musical adventure to help save Christmas from the infamous Captain Hook. Auditions will be held November 3rd, with performances scheduled for December 15th at 1:00 and 7:00 p.m. at the United Methodist Church of Cranbury. High school students who would like to help with the production are welcome. For more information on the play or on volunteering, visit our website (cranburyartscouncil.org/News_and_Events.html) or e-mail us at cranburyartscouncil@gmail.com.

The Arts Council will once again be sponsoring ornament decorating at the **Lions Club Pancake Breakfast** on December 2nd. We're looking forward to seeing more beautiful creations again this year! This is a free activity for children attending the breakfast, and student volunteers are welcome. Contact us at cranburyartscouncil@gmail.com for more information.

Watercolorists Unlimited will have a show and sale of more than 50 original watercolors at the Parsonage Barn, 3 Cranbury Neck Road from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 13. This group of 17 NJ artists have been painting together for more than 25 years. All artwork will be for sale. Refreshments will be served. Work by several Cranbury artists will also be featured, including paintings by Wilma Shimer, Virginia Swanagan and Lisa Walsh (member of the Cranbury Arts Council).

MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE

Red Ribbon Week at Cranbury School

October 23rd-25th: activities coordinated through Cranbury School.



Jamfest (grades 6, 7 and 8)

Friday, November 2nd, 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.



Recreation Update

Cranbury Hoops

This program is a non-competitive youth basketball program for boys and girls in grades 2nd through 8th. The program will be held on Friday evenings and Saturday mornings in the Cranbury School New Gym starting November 30th. At each session, two teams will be scheduled to practice for 30 minutes on a half court and then scrimmage the other team for the remaining half hour. To register, download the registration form from the Township website www.cranburytownship.org and mail in the form. Registration deadline is November 21st.



For more information regarding any Recreation Department programs, call 395-0900 ext. 243 or visit the Township website at www.cranburytownship.org

Springtime in Cranbury



How would you like to see more crocus bulbs blooming in Cranbury? Many favorable and welcoming comments were made about last spring's burst of beauty. In the future, it may be a "must see" for visitors.

Norma Swale is coordinating the planting and is hoping for donations for more bulbs. Please send donations to Norma Swale, 6 Ryan Road, Cranbury, NJ 08512 and mark "Bulb Fund" on the memo line.

Any suggestions for a name for the planting project? The name of the winning suggestion will be announced.



BOARD OF HEALTH



Mosquitoes!!

Prevent Mosquito breeding sites: Eliminate standing water (especially in the shade) on your property by disposing of empty cans, buckets, old tires, trash cans, etc. Those you want to save, turn upside down frequently or punch holes in the bottom so water drains out. Change water in birdbaths at least once a week. Empty flower saucers. Clean clogged roof gutters. Empty plastic pools and other toys when not in use. Stock ornamental ponds with fish that eat mosquitoes.

For full info on West Nile, see the County Health Department's fact sheet at <http://co.middlesex.nj.us/publichealth/WNV%20fact%20sheet%20June%202012.pdf> or the County Mosquito Commission at <http://www.co.middlesex.nj.us/mosquito/control.asp>

Middlesex County Office of Health Services 2012-2013 Seasonal Flu & Pneumococcal Immunization Clinics

For a complete Immunization Clinic schedule: <http://co.middlesex.nj.us/publichealth/flu-clinics.asp>

**In Cranbury:
Tuesday, October 9th — 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Cranbury Methodist Church
21 North Main Street**



Flu immunizations will be provided to persons six months of age and over, no appointment is necessary. There will be a charge* of \$15 per vaccination. The \$15 fee will be accepted in “cash only” and exact change is strongly recommended.

Pneumococcal immunizations will also be available to Middlesex County residents who are 65 years of age and older and have not previously received this vaccine. There will be a charge* of \$20 per vaccination. The \$20 fee will be accepted in “cash only” and exact change is strongly recommended. No bill larger than a \$20 will be accepted. *Medicare will be billed where applicable – Residents with a valid Medicare card must present the card at the time of registration. If the Medicare card is not available, the resident will be asked to attend another clinic or pay the fee. Call 732-745-3100 if you have any questions.

REMINDER: Dog and Cat Licenses



Proof of Rabies vaccine is required prior to licensing. It is not too late to have your dog/cat licensed for 2012. License applications can be downloaded from <http://www.cranburytownship.org/forms.html> or picked up at the Township Office.

REMINDER: 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 you 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 number 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.



AUTUMN LEAF COLLECTION

Autumn leaf collection will begin October 29th and will continue through the last full week in December. Residents may place leaves between the sidewalk and curb or if you live where there are no sidewalks or curbs, put the leaves close to the street. Also, if parking is allowed on the street in front of your house and there is no available room for the pile due to parked cars, please rake the leaves to an area where the DPW crew will be able to gain access to them. A driveway entrance or the closest street corner is a good place. If you feel that the DPW crew can miss the pile, call Town Hall at 395-0900 x229 and inform us where the leaf pile has been placed.

As a reminder, branches, vines, grass clippings and other debris **cannot** be collected with the leaf vacuum. These items can cause a safety issue and will break the equipment. Be watchful of placement of the debris at the curb, non-point source pollution (NPS) if washed down the storm drains can occur.

Leaf Collection Schedule

Beginning at:

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



Residents not living on the above route but desire leaf collection service should call 395-0900 ext.229 to be placed on the schedule. Barring inclement weather, the amount of leaves, or machinery breakdowns, the route usually takes approximately 2 to 2 ½ weeks to complete.

During the final leaf collection week, once the DPW and leaf vacuum has collected your leaf pile, do not replenish it. They will be done collecting leaves for 2012.



Thank you for the cooperation.



CRANBURY TOWNSHIP CAPITAL BUDGET THRU JUNE 30, 2012

CRANBURY TOWNSHIP
CAPITAL BUDGET
THRU JUNE 30, 2012

	ACCOUNT NUMBER	TOTAL EXPEND- ED+ENCUMBERED	TOTAL ORDINANCE	% OF BUDGET EXPENDED
Open Space Acquisition 10-04-25	C-04-55-802-025	\$499,920.62	\$500,000.00	100.0%
PW Vehicles & Equipment 06-05-16	C-04-55-907-025	\$216,854.40	\$222,400.00	97.5%
Municipal Parking Lot- 03-01-04 (Traffic Circulation)	C-04-55-914-025	\$85,562.53	\$100,000.00	85.6%
Sewer System Upgrades 04-03-04	C-04-55-923-026	\$956,332.18	\$1,000,000.00	95.6%
Sewer System Upgrades 06-05-16	C-04-55-923-125	\$178,007.46	\$178,258.38	99.9%
Babe Ruth Ballfield 04-03-07	C-04-55-931-026	\$29,738.06	\$33,965.00	87.6%
Purchase Open Space 05-03-09	C-04-55-932-025	\$31,909.65	\$40,000.00	79.8%
Pump Station Assessment 04-99-13	C-04-55-972-025	\$3,225,486.12	\$3,400,000.00	94.9%
Equipment Storage Barn 04-05-09	C-05-55-906-028	\$54,362.90	\$71,250.00	76.3%
Liberty Way Bridge 04-05-09	C-05-55-906-032	\$383,210.98	\$475,000.00	80.7%
Master Plan Roadway 04-05-09	C-05-55-906-034	\$5,250.00	\$45,000.00	11.7%
Howarth & Updike Barn 04-05-09	C-05-55-906-037	\$29,616.35	\$31,400.00	94.3%
Police Bldg Final 05-05-13	C-05-55-907-025	\$178,293.02	\$180,750.00	98.6%
Liberty Way Road & Extension 01-06-04	C-05-55-909-026	\$611,717.68	\$655,000.00	93.4%
CPR Mannequins, AED Pads 04-06-08	C-05-55-910-030	\$1,856.00	\$2,000.00	92.8%
Equipment Storage Barn 04-06-08	C-05-55-910-034	\$1,035.30	\$299,483.00	0.3%
Affordable Housing 3rd Round Misc Costs 04-06-08	C-05-55-910-035	\$154,567.06	\$328,219.33	47.1%
Various Municipal Road Improvements 03-07-05	C-05-55-913-033	\$123,623.72	\$150,000.00	82.4%
Boy Scout Room Wood Floor 03-08-08	C-05-55-915-028	\$18,780.00	\$20,000.00	93.9%
Town Hall Repairs 03-08-08	C-05-55-915-029	\$3,199.30	\$4,250.00	75.3%
Mobile Vision In Car Camera 03-08-08	C-05-55-915-036	\$2,211.75	\$4,000.00	55.3%
Rain Gear For Cert Members 03-08-08	C-05-55-915-037	\$1,808.74	\$2,600.00	69.6%
Network Server 03-08-08	C-05-55-915-039	\$19,881.52	\$20,000.00	99.4%
New Phone Service Equipment 03-08-08	C-05-55-915-040	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	0.0%
Repair Wood Trim Bell Tower 07-08-17	C-05-55-916-025	\$10,282.53	\$13,200.00	77.9%
Main Entry Door Repair 07-08-17	C-05-55-916-026	\$0.00	\$3,500.00	0.0%
Miscellaneous Repairs 07-08-17	C-05-55-916-028	\$650.96	\$800.00	81.4%
Replacement of Pistols 04-09-07	C-05-55-919-025	\$0.00	\$3,600.00	0.0%
Sanitary Sewer CCTV System 04-09-07	C-05-55-919-030	\$834.75	\$7,000.00	11.9%
Vehicle & Equipment Washing Compliance 04-09-07	C-05-55-919-033	\$64,397.04	\$65,797.04	97.9%
Restoration of Updike Barn 07-09-14	C-05-55-920-025	\$39,391.96	\$40,500.00	97.3%
Replacement of Pistols 04-10-04	C-05-55-922-025	\$0.00	\$3,600.00	0.0%
2 Mobile Radios and 2 Portable Radios 04-10-04	C-05-55-922-027	\$7,705.64	\$7,800.00	98.8%
6 AEDs, Pads and Relocation Units 04-10-04	C-05-55-922-029	\$12,326.56	\$17,500.00	70.4%
Zurfluh Driveway Relocation 04-10-04	C-05-55-922-032	\$34,314.69	\$35,000.00	98.0%
Plainsboro Rd Guiderail & Plowable Reflectors 04-10-04	C-05-55-922-033	\$0.00	\$7,375.00	0.0%
Misc Computer Costs 05-11-12	C-05-55-926-025	\$5,814.81	\$20,000.00	29.1%
Reinhardt Easement 05-11-12	C-05-55-926-026	\$0.00	\$275,000.00	0.0%
Replacement of Pistols 05-11-12	C-05-55-926-027	\$0.00	\$3,600.00	0.0%
2 Digital Mobile Video Recorders 05-11-12	C-05-55-926-028	\$10,969.90	\$12,000.00	91.4%
Brainerd Lake Dam 05-11-12	C-05-55-926-031	\$0.00	\$948,120.00	0.0%
Misc Drainage Issues 05-11-12	C-05-55-926-032	\$569.41	\$34,000.00	1.7%
Firehouse Gutters 05-11-12	C-05-55-926-033	\$3,870.00	\$4,000.00	96.8%
Fire Brush Truck 11-11-20/11-11-21	C-05-55-927-025	\$172,690.00	\$172,690.00	100.0%
Equipment Storage Barn 01-12-02	C-05-55-928-025	\$0.00	\$150,000.00	0.0%
Marked Police Chevy Tahoes	C-05-55-929-025	\$0.00	\$73,400.00	0.0%
Unmarked Police Chevy Tahoe	C-05-55-930-025	\$0.00	\$38,000.00	0.0%
Kurek Farmland Easement 04-12-07	C-05-55-931-025	\$0.00	\$245,000.00	0.0%
Replacement of Pistols 04-12-08	C-05-55-932-025	\$0.00	\$3,600.00	0.0%
2 Stalker Radar Units 04-12-08	C-05-55-932-026	\$0.00	\$6,000.00	0.0%
3 Mobile Radios 04-12-08	C-05-55-932-027	\$0.00	\$6,000.00	0.0%
2 Digital Mobile Video Recorders 04-12-08	C-05-55-932-028	\$0.00	\$11,500.00	0.0%
Sound System Upgrade 04-12-08	C-05-55-932-029	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	0.0%
Color Scanner/Printer/Copier 04-12-08	C-05-55-932-030	\$0.00	\$13,000.00	0.0%
Beautify Historic District-Eng Costs 04-12-08	C-05-55-932-031	\$0.00	\$25,000.00	0.0%
Brainerd Lake Raking 04-12-08	C-05-55-932-032	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	0.0%
Snow Plow Pick Up 04-12-08	C-05-55-932-033	\$0.00	\$40,000.00	0.0%
Police Computer Workstations 04-12-08	C-05-55-932-034	\$0.00	\$38,000.00	0.0%
Fire Company Radio System 04-12-08	C-05-55-932-035	\$0.00	\$4,000.00	0.0%
Fire Company Radios 04-12-08	C-05-55-932-036	\$0.00	\$11,000.00	0.0%

Totals

\$10,120,157.75

CRANBURY TOWNSHIP OPERATING BUDGET

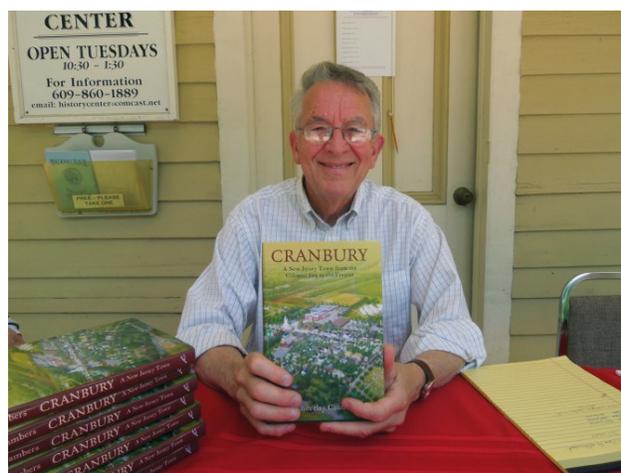
Account Description	2012 BUDGET	EXPENDITURES JAN-JUNE 2012	2012 BUDGET LEFT	% of BUDGET EXPENDED
ADMINISTRATIVE & EXECUTIVE	\$220,360.00	\$149,603.68	\$70,756.32	67.89%
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE	\$26,950.22	\$13,475.13	\$13,475.09	50.00%
MUN/CNTY CLERK - ELECTIONS	\$2,000.00	\$127.17	\$1,872.83	6.36%
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	\$169,915.00	\$75,706.03	\$94,208.97	44.56%
AUDIT	\$23,200.00	\$0.00	\$23,200.00	0.00%
TAX COLLECTION	\$28,422.00	\$7,842.61	\$20,579.39	27.59%
TAX ASSESSMENT	\$144,135.00	\$42,153.09	\$101,981.91	29.25%
TAX MAP MAINTENANCE	\$8,000.00	\$53.50	\$7,946.50	0.67%
LEGAL SERVICES	\$95,700.00	\$16,439.33	\$79,260.67	17.18%
ENGINEERING SERVICES & COSTS	\$60,675.00	\$4,716.95	\$55,958.05	7.77%
PLANNING BOARD	\$138,063.00	\$34,531.49	\$103,531.51	25.01%
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS	\$39,719.00	\$20,269.20	\$19,449.80	51.03%
AFFORDABLE HOUSING	\$85,050.00	\$8,244.55	\$76,805.45	9.69%
FIRE OFFICIAL	\$118,725.00	\$74,195.21	\$44,529.79	62.49%
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION	\$11,450.00	\$5,099.58	\$6,350.42	44.54%
INSURANCE	\$981,923.00	\$551,252.79	\$430,670.21	56.14%
POLICE	\$2,066,982.00	\$976,659.51	\$1,090,322.49	47.25%
911 PROJECT	\$4,844.00	\$0.00	\$4,844.00	0.00%
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	\$3,000.00	\$105.00	\$2,895.00	3.50%
AID TO VOLUNTEER FIRE CO	\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$0.00	100.00%
LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARDS	\$48,192.00	\$48,192.00	\$0.00	100.00%
FIRST AID CONTRIBUTION	\$70,000.00	\$70,000.00	\$0.00	100.00%
FIRE	\$150,900.00	\$63,100.26	\$87,799.74	41.82%
ROAD REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	\$247,186.00	\$100,255.77	\$146,930.23	40.56%
SHADE TREES	\$32,625.00	\$3,490.36	\$29,134.64	10.70%
GARBAGE & TRASH REMOVAL	\$30,000.00	\$12,823.95	\$17,176.05	42.75%
RECYCLING PROGRAM	\$55,538.00	\$24,948.75	\$30,589.25	44.92%
PUBLIC BUILDINGS & GROUNDS	\$104,719.00	\$48,838.63	\$55,880.37	46.64%
VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$73,680.00	\$22,198.41	\$51,481.59	30.13%
BOARD OF HEALTH	\$2,850.00	\$1,032.28	\$1,817.72	36.22%
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION	\$3,134.00	\$2,394.82	\$739.18	76.41%
ANIMAL CONTROL	\$14,100.00	\$6,474.37	\$7,625.63	45.92%
HUMAN SERVICES	\$7,637.00	\$3,824.83	\$3,812.17	50.08%
BOARD OF RECREATION COMM	\$49,926.00	\$31,897.76	\$18,028.24	63.89%
PARKS & PLAYGROUNDS	\$75,935.00	\$37,684.20	\$38,250.80	49.63%
PUBLIC LIBRARY - MAINTENANCE	\$554,069.00	\$267,586.88	\$286,482.12	48.29%
CELEBRATION OF PUBLIC EVENT	\$7,500.00	\$0.00	\$7,500.00	0.00%
ELECTRIC	\$89,750.00	\$37,143.81	\$52,606.19	41.39%
STREET LIGHTING	\$89,000.00	\$34,257.25	\$54,742.75	38.49%
TELEPHONE	\$54,400.00	\$27,054.86	\$27,345.14	49.73%
WATER	\$11,000.00	\$5,385.64	\$5,614.36	48.96%
GAS (NATURAL OR PROPANE)	\$30,000.00	\$18,012.52	\$11,987.48	60.04%
SEWER SYSTEM	\$428,465.00	\$174,536.36	\$253,928.64	40.74%
MOTOR FUEL	\$99,400.00	\$38,355.88	\$61,044.12	38.59%
P.E.R.S.	\$136,853.00	\$136,853.00	\$0.00	100.00%
SOCIAL SECURITY	\$240,000.00	\$112,290.82	\$127,709.18	46.79%
P.F.R.S.	\$316,138.00	\$316,138.00	\$0.00	100.00%
DEFINED CONTRIBUTION RETIREMENT PROGRAM	\$2,261.00	\$775.88	\$1,485.12	34.32%
MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT	\$5,166.00	\$5,166.00	\$0.00	100.00%
MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT	\$30,816.00	\$30,816.00	\$0.00	100.00%

CRANBURY TOWNSHIP OPERATING BUDGET (continued)

RECYCLING TONNAGE	\$36,614.48	\$36,614.48	\$0.00	100.00%
CLEAN COMMUNITIES	\$18,010.15	\$18,010.15	\$0.00	100.00%
DRUNK DRIVING	\$4,878.13	\$4,878.13	\$0.00	100.00%
ALCOHOL EDUCATION, REHAB & ENFORCEMENT	\$755.48	\$755.48	\$0.00	100.00%
NJDOT BEAUTIFY HISTORIC DISTRICT	\$220,000.00	\$220,000.00	\$0.00	100.00%
911 PROJECT	\$110,000.00	\$73,333.33	\$36,666.67	66.67%
ROCK SALT INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT	\$40,000.00	\$4,079.40	\$35,920.60	10.20%
RECYCLING - MCIA SERVICES	\$46,450.00	\$15,625.19	\$30,824.81	33.64%
COUNTY HEALTH CONTRACT	\$19,223.94	\$9,611.96	\$9,611.98	50.00%
ANIMAL CONTROL SHARED SERVICE	\$4,100.00	\$2,220.00	\$1,880.00	54.15%
MIDDLESEX CO UTILITIES AUTH	\$392,276.00	\$235,586.67	\$156,689.33	60.06%
MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY AUTHORITY	\$180,371.00	\$88,270.96	\$92,100.04	48.94%
MUNICIPAL/COUNTY COURT	\$175,000.00	\$66,254.85	\$108,745.15	37.86%
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDS	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$0.00	100.00%
BOND PRINCIPAL	\$1,370,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,370,000.00	0.00%
PRINCIPAL PAYMENT ON NOTES	\$450,000.00	\$0.00	\$450,000.00	0.00%
INTEREST ON BONDS	\$240,175.00	\$120,087.50	\$120,087.50	50.00%
INTEREST ON NOTES	\$86,497.00	\$70,672.44	\$15,824.56	81.71%
EDA LOAN - PRINCIPAL	\$15,000.00	\$0.00	\$15,000.00	0.00%
EDA LOAN - INTEREST	\$675.00	\$337.50	\$337.50	50.00%
CAPITAL EQUIPMENT LEASE PRINCIPAL	\$84,633.56	\$71,581.02	\$13,052.54	84.58%
CAPITAL EQUIPMENT LEASE INTEREST	\$14,452.07	\$7,911.89	\$6,540.18	54.75%
DEFERRED CHARGES	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$0.00	0.00%
RESERVE FOR UNCOLLECTED TAXES	\$173,015.00	\$173,015.00	\$0.00	100.00%
TOTALS	\$11,052,480.03	\$4,960,850.06	\$6,091,629.97	44.88%

A New Book About Cranbury

Cranbury, A New Jersey Town from the Colonial Era to the Present, a hardcover book with 272 pages and 50 illustrations, is available for \$29.95 at the Cranbury History Center, Cranbury Museum, and the Cranbury Public Library. A project of Cranbury Landmarks, Inc., the book was written by Cranbury resident John Whiteclay Chambers II, who is a Rutgers University history professor. If you do not live in the Cranbury area, you can have the book sent to you for the cost of \$35.00 per book, including shipping. To order a book, please contact the Society at 609-655-5361. Checks should be made payable to Cranbury Landmarks, Inc.



CRANBURY TOWNSHIP REVENUE THRU JUNE 30, 2012

	January - June	2012 REVENUE	% OF REVENUE RECEIVED
Library Finance Fee	\$ 3,000.00	\$3,000.00	100.00%
Licenses, Fees & Permits	\$ 3,490.00	\$13,210.00	26.42%
Municipal Court	\$ 66,254.85	\$163,346.00	40.56%
Interest & Cost on Taxes	\$ 20,666.55	\$48,194.00	42.88%
Interest on Cash on Deposit	\$ 56,793.43	\$147,130.00	38.60%
Tax Title Lien Interest	\$ 127.37		
Miscellaneous-Alcohol Beverage License	\$ -	\$7,500.00	0.00%
Franchise Fee	\$ 12,788.74	\$12,811.00	99.83%
Sewer Service Fees	\$ 549,452.29	\$1,361,712.00	40.35%
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	\$ 36,614.48	\$36,614.48	100.00%
Alcohol Education, Rehab & Enforcement	\$ 755.48	\$755.48	100.00%
Drunk Driving	\$ 4,878.13	\$4,878.13	100.00%
Beautify Historic District	\$ 220,000.00	\$220,000.00	100.00%
Clean Communities	\$ 18,010.15	\$18,010.15	100.00%
Construction Trust	\$ 30,000.00	\$30,000.00	100.00%
Fire Official Fees	\$ 41,675.17	\$85,652.00	48.66%
Reserve for Development Fees	\$ 10,000.00	\$10,000.00	
Reserve for Sewer Fair Share	\$ 5,000.00	\$5,000.00	100.00%
Reserve to Pay Notes	\$ 450,000.00	\$450,000.00	100.00%
Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	\$ 75,097.99	\$123,789.00	60.67%
Capital Surplus	\$ -	\$0.00	#DIV/0!
Hotel Tax	\$ 56,622.32	\$136,158.00	41.59%
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 1,666,392.95	\$ 3,349,946.24	49.74%