

# CRANBURY TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER

WINTER 2013

## STATISTICS CAN BE MISLEADING

by Mayor Glenn Johnson

On January 3<sup>rd</sup> I was elected by my colleagues on the Cranbury Township Committee to serve as your Mayor for 2013. For my first article for the Township Newsletter, I'd like to make a few observations about a story that appeared recently in a local Internet publication.

The headline screamed "Cranbury Has One of State's Highest Tax Bills." The information came from, and was credited to, a New Jersey newspaper. The newspaper assembled a table that listed all 566 municipalities and the average county, municipal and school taxes paid on a residential property in that municipality. It also presented the average county, municipal and school taxes paid on a residential property statewide. The Internet publication just used the figures for Cranbury and the statewide averages.

The Internet publication's story contains several inaccuracies. It refers to the Township's 5% tax rate hike. The word "Township" refers to the municipality. In 2011 Cranbury Township's municipal tax rate was \$ .415, and in 2012 it rose to \$ .430. This represents an increase of 3.6%. It goes on to say "Cranbury's tax bill is 80 out of 566 municipalities. It's also about half of the statewide average." How can our tax bill be 80 out of 566 municipalities and also be half the statewide average?

This seems to me a slapdash, tabloid-type presentation. I think it would be more meaningful to compare property taxes by asking the question "How much property tax do I pay in relation to the value of my property?" In Cranbury, property is assessed at 100% of its market value. For every \$100,000 of assessed value, we pay \$1.834 (municipal, school and county). For a house assessed at \$600,000, this represents a tax bill of \$11,004. Here is how it is computed:

$$600,000 \div 100 = 6,000 \times \$1.834 = \$11,004$$

This represents less than 2% of the assessed value, a very low rate. By comparison, West Windsor is also assessed at 100% of market value and they pay \$2.40 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation. Here are the towns in Middlesex County whose properties are assessed at or near 100% of market value and their tax rates:

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| Perth Amboy | \$2.680 |
| Plainsboro  | \$2.390 |
| South Amboy | \$2.336 |
| Spotswood   | \$2.844 |

Cranbury's tax rate is one of the very lowest in Middlesex County. I guess the way you choose to use the statistics depends on whether you want to make a meaningful comparison between communities, or just sell newspapers.

## **TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE LIAISON ASSIGNMENTS—2013**

### **TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBER**

### **LIAISON TO:**

|                     |  |
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| Mayor Glenn Johnson | Fire Company, League of Municipalities, Office of Emergency Management, Administrative & Executive, First Aid, Middlesex County Solid Waste. |
| David Cook          | Planning, Engineering, Development Review Commission, Parks, Board of Health.  |
| Susan Goetz         | Business & Professional Association, Environmental Commission, Municipal Alliance, Public Works, HPC, Historical Society.                    |
| Daniel Mulligan     | Board of Education, Business & Professional Association, Scouts, Cranbury Housing Associates, Court.   |
| James Taylor        | Police, Recreation, Zoning, Shade Tree   |

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### **FROM THE CLERK'S OFFICE**

Please do not forget to license your cat or dog. The form for either may be accessed by going to the Township's Home Page at: [www.cranburytownship.org](http://www.cranburytownship.org) . There is a \$2.00 late fee if you have not registered your pet already. Please note: Proof of rabies vaccine must be valid through November 1, 2013.

### **FROM THE SEWER COLLECTOR**

*Utility (Sewer) Collector's 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**

Sewer payments are due as follows:

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| <b>2013 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter</b> | <b>Due March 1, 2013</b>     |
| <b>2013 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter</b> | <b>Due June 1, 2013</b>      |
| <b>2013 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter</b> | <b>Due September 1, 2013</b> |
| <b>2013 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter</b> | <b>Due December 1, 2013</b>  |

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

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### **Drop Box for Hearing Aids and Eye Glasses**

The Lions Club has a drop box for hearing aids and eye glasses in Town Hall. Please consider donating to this worthy cause!!

# CRANBURY LIONS CLUB

## FALL & WINTER EVENT RESULTS

In November the Lions Club held the Annual Peace Poster Contest for children ages 11-13. The top three winners were Amy Huang, first place, Claire Xu, second place, and the third place winner was Alexandra Ciardella. In December the Lions Club held the 65th Annual Pancake Breakfast, sold poinsettias, and took pictures with Santa. We also held our second \$100 50/50 raffle, collected 532 toys for Toys for Tots, and provided 84 coats that went to the Toms River Lions Club for distribution to people affected by Hurricane Sandy. We also donated gift cards to four families in South River that were affected by Sandy.

## LIONS CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

The Cranbury Lions Club is offering two scholarships to Cranbury residents who are graduating high school. The Dr. David C. Tutor Memorial Scholarship is for a high school senior who is accepted into an accredited college with a major in Science; preference will be given to candidates with an Agriculture or Life Science major. The Todd M. Beamer Memorial Scholarship is open to a high school senior accepted into an accredited post high school program, academic or occupational. This scholarship is given annually to the graduating student who best demonstrates Citizenship within the community. In addition the Cranbury Lions also has a Community Service Award for Cranbury residents ages 12 to 18 who show examples of exceptional community service.

Applications are due by April 15, 2013, and should be sent to:  
Cranbury Lions-Scholarship and Award Selection Committee  
P.O. Box 365  
Cranbury, NJ 08512



For more information about these two scholarships and community service award and the application process, please go to the Lions Club Website using the following link:

<http://cranbury.org/clubs/Lions/studentprograms.htm>

Students need to follow all the requirements precisely. This includes mailing the necessary information, which is critical to being considered, by the April 15th deadline. Any application not having all the necessary requirements will be disqualified for consideration.

## MEMORIAL DAY

The 80<sup>th</sup> annual Cranbury Memorial Day Parade will be held on Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup>. Beginning at 1:00 pm, it will feature local veterans, marching bands, a pipe and drum band, a polka band, Civil War Re-Enactors, decorated bicycles, antique cars, fire fighting and first aid equipment, as well as a number of marching groups. Also, the annual Lions Spring Raffle will be held. This Super 50/50 will have 3 winners who will receive 25%, 15% and 10% for the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners, respectively. The net proceeds will be used towards the charitable donations the Lions provide throughout the year. Tickets will be available beginning in April at \$10 each. Winners of the Best Float, the Bicycle Decoration Contest and the winning tickets for the raffle will be announced after the parade. Immediately following the parade, there will be a ceremony featuring a key-note speech from Cranbury's Mayor.

# CRANBURY LIONS CLUB (Continued)

## ANNUAL PICNIC

In July we will hold our Annual Club Picnic. The public is invited to meet Club Members and families to find out more about the club.

## TRENTON THUNDER GAME

This year, the Cranbury Lions will host our 14th Annual Trenton Thunder Baseball Outing, and as always we invite all Lions, Cranbury residents, Cranbury business owners, their families and friends, to join us on Saturday August 24<sup>th</sup>, when the Thunder faces the Portland Sea Dogs (Double-A Red Sox). This year we are selling Yankee Club Skybox tickets for \$38 per ticket. This includes upscale dining and non-alcoholic beverages for 90 minutes. Reserve your tickets early, as there are only a few left. This is always a GREAT night out watching future Big League stars play ball the way it was always meant to be played...and there's fireworks after the game.

## 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 are a group of service-minded men and women who are interested in improving their communities. The Lions are the world's largest service club organization. You can learn more about Cranbury Lions on the web at [www.Cranbury.org](http://www.Cranbury.org). We look forward to seeing you at our events to help us in our continued service to Cranbury.

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## CRANBURY WOMAN'S CLUB



The Home Life/Social Services Department of the Women's Club of Cranbury is collecting hygiene items for the Women's Shelter in New Brunswick. Items needed are soap, combs, brushes, deodorant, washcloths, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo and razors. Items may be left on the porch of either 42 South Main Street or 55 South Main Street. The Woman's Club appreciates all donations!



## CRANBURY ARTS COUNCIL

Congratulations to the cast and crew of "A Christmas Peter Pan," who did a wonderful job bringing the holiday spirit to Cranbury December 15th with two standing-room-only performances. We can't wait to see what story they'll bring to life next year!

Thank you to all the budding artists who participated in this year's Ornament decorating activity at the Lion's Club Pancake Breakfast. Over 60 children participated, and each ornament was a work of art. Thank you also to our four student volunteers, who worked hard all morning to make the event a success.

Information on this year's Art and Technology Camp will be available soon. This year's camp will have more than 40 different offerings, including more than 15 exciting new camps! Camp updates and a full brochure are available on our website ([www.cranburyartscouncil.org](http://www.cranburyartscouncil.org)).

## CRANBURY ARTS COUNCIL AND GOURGAUD GALLERY

The following activities are scheduled for the Gourgaud Gallery from February to April :

February: A-Team Artists of Trenton - Feb. 3-25

March: United Federation of Teachers NYC Art Group - March 3-25

April: David Nissen-Landscape Photography - April 7-29



Receptions are held on the first Sunday of the month from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.  
Refreshments are served.

The schedule and times of Artist receptions may be found 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 Mondays through Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and the first, third & last Sunday of the month from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. New exhibit receptions fall on the first Sunday from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.



Anyone wishing to exhibit at the Gourgaud Gallery can obtain an application in the Gallery or at [www.cranbury.org](http://www.cranbury.org). Check the Gourgaud Gallery site on Facebook and Gourgaud Gallery Blog, [www.gourgaudgallery.blogspot.com](http://www.gourgaudgallery.blogspot.com) 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](mailto:cranburyartscouncil@gmail.com). Look for Winter Workshop Schedule and details of class descriptions on the Cranbury Arts Council site [www.cranburyartscouncil.org](http://www.cranburyartscouncil.org), under Gourgaud Gallery Workshops. The Winter Workshops are Art classes taught by working artists.

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### CROCUS BLOOMS

Spring is coming as scheduled (we hope!) and to herald the event CROCUS will bloom in Cranbury. Look out for blooms in new areas.  
There should be color from mid-March until late April.

Please do not pick the flowers or walk in the areas where crocus are blooming. Enjoy!



*Public libraries are one of the most cost-effective means of producing intelligent, literate and successful citizens.*  
~ Brian Regal, PhD. "In Praise of Life-Saving Libraries," Star-Ledger, January 15, 2013.

## From the Director's Desk

### Good News and Bad News

First the good news: The library's friendly and knowledgeable staff will continue to provide the same great library services you have come to expect.

Now the bad news: These services will be available for fewer hours. (But not too few!) I'll explain. Municipal libraries are funded with your tax dollars. By law, Cranbury has to fund their public library at a rate of 1/3 of a mil or 33 cents for every \$1,000 of equalized property value. Because Cranbury's total assessed property value (residential and commercial) has decreased, the municipal funding for the library is down more than 10%. This amounts to \$58,775 less to operate the library. Being fiscally responsible, the Library Board of Trustees acted to balance the budget by reducing costs and increasing revenue.

The Board decided to save costs by closing Sundays and one hour earlier on Monday through Thursday. (See the new hours below.) As these times have the least use, we hope to minimize the impact to our library patrons.

To increase revenue, the cost to make a black and white copy is increasing by 5¢ to 15¢ a page. This increase will help offset toner and paper costs.

The library will maintain a healthy budget for books, magazines, DVDs and other items you want.

If you have any questions about library funding, the operating budget, or anything else pertaining to the library, I will be happy to speak with you personally. Just stop in my office or give me a call.

*Maribynn Mullen*

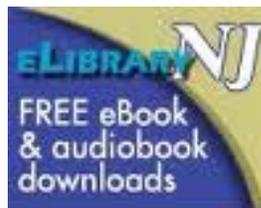
## Library Hours and Closings

### Beginning February 1

Monday to Thursday – 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.  
Friday & Saturday – 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Sunday Closed

**Library closed on Monday, February 18.**

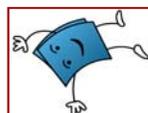
## Library Services



Borrow ebooks with

**eLIBRARY NJ**

Just click on the logo on our Webpage.



**Tumblebooks**

ebooks for kids at  
[www.CranburyPublicLibrary.org](http://www.CranburyPublicLibrary.org)



**NOTARY SERVICE**  
is available at the library!

## Tech Services

### Tech Hours

**Do you have computer or other Tech questions?**

Come into the library and ask for Doug, the Tech Librarian. Drop in on Mondays, 2 - 4 p.m. or Thursdays, 10 am - noon. You can also call in advance and make an appointment.

### Computer Classes on Demand

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



**It's that easy!**

Call the library to schedule your 1-on-1 computer class.

### Master Your Mobile

**Best Free Apps of 2012**

Thursday, February 28, 7:00 p.m.

**iPad and iPhone Tips and Tricks**

Thursday, March 28, 7:00 p.m.

**Master Your Kindle Fire**

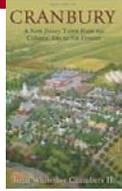
Wednesday, May 1, 7:00 p.m.

Bring your mobile device for a hands-on experience!

# What's Happening @ the Library

## One Book, One Cranbury

What if everyone in Cranbury read the same book? Read ***Cranbury: A New Jersey Town from the Colonial Era to the Present*** by **John Chambers** then attend our many upcoming events listed below!



### ***A History of Cranbury Landmarks*** **Friday, February 15, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.**

William Bunting will talk about the formation of Cranbury Landmarks and discuss his collaboration with John Chambers on the *Cranbury* book.

### ***The African American Experience in Cranbury*** **Friday, March 22, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.**

Peter Wise will speak about Agnes Wilson, a prominent African-American woman. Other town residents will join him in a panel discussion.

### ***Civil War Memorabilia*** **Friday, April 26, – 8:30 p.m.**

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*** **May 17, 7 - 8:30 p.m.**

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

### ***Women in Cranbury's History*** **Date to be determined**

A panel discussion of local prominent women and their influence on Cranbury History.

### ***Hunt for History*** **May 4th to 11th**

Participate in this scavenger hunt by following clues and identifying places and items in Cranbury. **Prizes!**

### ***Walking Tours of Historic Cranbury - Cranbury Museum, 4 Park Place East:*** Walking Tours of Historic Cranbury will continue in the spring.

Grant funding has been provided by the Middlesex County Cultural and Heritage Commission, Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders through a grant provided by New Jersey Historical Commission, a division of Dept. of State.

## **Library Book Discussion Groups** **New Members Always Welcome**

### **Daytime Book Discussion—3rd Wednesday at 1:30**

*Clara and Mr. Tiffany* by Susan Vreeland  
*The Space Between Us* by Thrity N. Umrigar

### **Evening Book Discussion—4th Tuesday at 7:00**

*Tiny Sunbirds, Far Away* by Christie Watson  
*The Boy in the Suitcase* by Lene Kaaberbol

For complete information and schedules for both groups go to [cplbooks.blogspot.com](http://cplbooks.blogspot.com)

## Special Events for Kids



## Toddler Stay and Play

**Every Monday at 10:30 a.m.**

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

## Reading Buddies

resumes on February 6 with special guest, Lucy, our own read-to pooch! For more information or to join Reading Buddies contact Jan Murphy at (609) 655-0555.



A new paper crafting space is coming to the library **every Thursday, from 3:30-5:00!** We'll have the supplies, you bring the fun and imagination!

It's **PaperSpace** at the library!

## Of Interest to Adults

### ***Mindful Meditation***

**Sat., February 2 and 23, , 11:00-noon**

Come and relax at our series of two workshops that will teach you to eliminate stress, gain calm, and improve your health. Provided by the Art of Living Foundation.

### ***Spinning Yarns Craft Circle***

**First and Third Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m.**

Join us in the Gambino Room for an hour of knitting, crocheting, crafts and conversation. Work on your own current project, share "yarns" with other crafters, and try out new stitches. We will provide demonstrations and sample pieces. All levels welcomed.

### ***The Tuskegee Airmen***

**Saturday, February 23, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.**

Frank Marlowe will review the conflicting forces that led to the formation of the black fighter squadrons, their activities in combat, and the broader effect they had on racial integration in the military.

### ***Digital Media Memory – Convert Your Memories*** **Saturday, April 13, noon - 3:00 p.m.**

Bring your old photos, videocassettes, slides and film strips to the library to consult with the Innovative Document Imaging representatives about their services. Learn what they can do to convert your memories to digital formats.

## CRANBURY HISTORICAL & PRESERVATION SOCIETY



The **Bunting Doll House** is on display at the Cranbury Museum on Sundays, 1:00 4:00 p.m. through April 14. The house is a hand-made replica of a 1890's house and veterinarian's office in Burlington, N.J. When Lavada Bunting needed to relax after her long days as a private duty nurse in the 1950's, she turned to an all-consuming hobby, creating a doll house and miniature furniture, that was nine years in the making. Thanks to her efforts, her descendants have a family heirloom: an elaborately furnished, nine-room, two-story replica of a Colonial house. The creator's nephew Bill Bunting, a Cranbury resident and Princeton lawyer, has loaned the Cranbury Historical and Preservation Society this family treasure for display at the Cranbury Museum.

You are invited to attend the **Pot Luck and Bi-annual Meeting** on Friday, April 5, at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the First Presbyterian Church of Cranbury. Please bring your place setting and flatware and a dish to share. Beverages will be provided. The NJ Council of the Humanities will present the program for the evening.

*Cranbury, A New Jersey Town from the Colonial Era to the Present* by John Whiteclay Chambers II is for sale for \$29.95 at the Cranbury History Center, Cranbury Museum, and Cranbury Public Library.

The **2013 House Tour Committee** is forming, and the first meeting will be on Wednesday, February 27 at 7:30 p.m. at the History Center.

**Historic Cranbury Walking Tours** will begin again in the spring. Please watch for dates at [cranburyhistory.org](http://cranburyhistory.org).

New **Cranbury items for sale** at the History Center are Cranbury Museum and Town Hall serving trays for \$30.00 each; Cranbury Museum note cards for \$4.50 for a package of 3; Cranbury Museum plates for \$25.00 each; women's shirts in black for \$12.00 each; Historic Cranbury mugs for \$5.00 each and "I Love Cranbury" buttons for 75 cents each.

For more information on the Cranbury Historical and Preservation Society or to become a member, please check our website, [cranburyhistory.org](http://cranburyhistory.org).



## FREE!

To any Middlesex County Resident  
**RABIES CLINIC** for dogs and cats  
Saturday, March 30, 2013  
12 Noon – 2:00 p.m.  
Cranbury Fire House



### Rabies Clinics in Middlesex:

Please note that rabies clinics are held in most towns in the county all year long. If you are unable to bring your dog or cat to the March or September clinics in Cranbury, please check online at the Township website or contact Lee Lloyd, Cranbury's Health Officer, at 799-0909 x1219, for more information on others. As always, the clinics are free of charge.

### PET ETIQUETTE

It appears that there are some pet owners who are not aware that they should clean up after their pets! 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." To those pet owners who are not accountable or responsible for their pet, have respect for public and private property; clean up after your pet! Solid pet waste should be deposited in a waste receptacle or other suitable container that is regularly emptied. There are many public trash cans located throughout Cranbury, including the parks, that can be used for this purpose. For information how pet waste



### CRANBURY DOG OWNERS AND PET LOVERS

A group of interested residents are exploring the possibility of establishing an off-leash dog park for Cranbury. The ultimate goal would be to create a safe off-leash dog park that would be cost-neutral to the township, but right now we are just exploring the idea. We are hoping to get some feedback from Cranbury residents who may wish to contribute to the process.

Please help us by answering some questions:

1. Are you aware that, currently, there are no open areas in parks or wild areas within Cranbury where you are permitted to have your dog off-leash?
2. If there was a designated off-leash area in Cranbury, would you be interested in using it for your dog(s)?
3. As a dog owner, would you be willing to pay a small user fee to access an off-leash park in Cranbury?
4. Would you like to join the group researching this idea?



Your answers will be very helpful. Please e-mail your responses to [cranburypark@gmail.com](mailto:cranburypark@gmail.com)  
If you would like to learn more please give us your contact information/e-mail address so we can keep you in the loop!

Thank you!  
Friends of the Cranbury Dog Park

# RECREATION UPDATE

## YOUTH PROGRAMS

### NEW PROGRAM Parent and Me Sports (Ages 2 to 3)



Parent & Me Total Sports Squirts program allow children aged 2-3 to experience a new sport in each session of the program with a helping hand from Mom or Dad! Children have the opportunity to try lacrosse, soccer, basketball, t-ball, floor hockey, parachute games and more in a safe and structured environment. For more information and online registration visit: [www.usasportgroup.com](http://www.usasportgroup.com).



### SPORTS SQUIRTS (Ages 3-5)

Sports Squirts is ideal for the child who wants to try a little of everything. Activities include Soccer, Basketball, Hockey, Lacrosse, T-Ball, Movement & Coordination. All sports are developed through a series of games and activities designed to ensure learning and most importantly: fun, fun and fun! Spring and summer classes will be available. For more information and online registration visit [www.usasportgroup.com](http://www.usasportgroup.com).



### Youth Tennis Lessons

The Recreation Commission is planning Spring Tennis lessons on Friday afternoons at Village Park starting April 19. Classes will be held for seven weeks and will be offered from ages 3 to 14 years of age. Professional instructors from the U.S. Sports Institute will direct this program. For more information and online registration visit [www.usasportgroup.com](http://www.usasportgroup.com).



## Keep Your Kids in Cranbury this Summer



Don't miss out on what will be the best summer program we have ever offered. We will once again offer two age groups. The Junior Day Camp will be for children entering Kindergarten to 4<sup>th</sup> grades and the Senior Day Camp will be for students entering 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> grades. The Junior Day Camp will take 1 trip per week while the Senior Day Camp will go on 2 trips per week. We will also have additional space to use at the school for additional organized activities. Each week will have a theme and will be full of age appropriate activities.



Both age groups will swim at Cranbury Swim Club as well. Check the local papers and Cranbury Township website for registration information.

#### Recreation Department - General Information

**Cancellation Policy** - The Recreation Commission reserves the right to cancel any program if there is insufficient enrollment. Also, additional programs may be scheduled which are not included in this newsletter. Every effort will be made to keep residents informed of all program changes. Flyers will be distributed in the school and updated on the Recreation web-site.

**Refund Policy - Prior Withdrawal:** Registrants who withdraw prior to the start of a program may be issued a refund only if the Recreation Commission is notified at least one week prior to the start of the program. A 20% administrative service charge will be imposed for all refunds granted. **No refunds will be granted once a program has begun.**

**Returned Check Policy** - There will be a penalty fee of \$20 for each check returned by the bank for insufficient funds. To maintain registration in the program, payment must be made in cash to the Recreation Commission in the amount of the returned check. Individuals who are penalized once for a returned check will be required to make all future payments for programs in cash.

**All information and forms can be found on the township web-site.**

[www.cranburytownship.org](http://www.cranburytownship.org)

## RECREATION

### T-Ball



T-ball will be offered in the spring. Dates and times are still being finalized. Look for more information through the school, in the local paper and on the Cranbury Township website.

### Youth Golf Lessons

The Cranbury Recreation Commission will be sponsoring Youth Golf Lessons for students in grades K-8. Lessons will be conducted at the Applegarth Golf Center, located on Applegarth Road, and will be taught by PGA Professional, Rick Bichsel. The lessons will be held on Tuesdays starting in late April.



### Summer Outdoor Basketball League



Don't miss our exciting summer basketball league. Last year was the first year and it was a huge success.

Games will be played on Tuesdays nights starting in early May and running through late June. Boys and girls in grades 3-5 will play from 6-7 pm and grades 6-8 will play from 7-8 pm. Games will have referees and coaches will be assigned to each team. Watch the local paper and Township website for more information.

For more information regarding any Recreation Department offering call 395-0900 ext. 243 or visit the Township website at

### Spring Soccer



The Recreation Commission is also putting together plans to run a spring soccer program. Look for more information through the school, in the local paper and on the Cranbury Township website.

### Summer Sports Camps

Cranbury Recreation also offers various sports camp in the summer months. Previous camps include basketball, tennis, multi-sports and soccer. Watch the Township website and local media for more information regarding these programs.



## MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE

### Movie Night!!



The Municipal Alliance is hosting movie night for 4th and 5th graders on March 15th from 7:00-9:00pm at the Cranbury School.

### Cranbury Drug Free Fair

#### May 18th, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

The Drug Free Fair is a community event, held at the Cranbury School, for children and adults of all ages. We need volunteers. We need help planning the event as well as the day of the event. Even if you are not available on the day of the fair we would still appreciate your help planning. The Drug Free Fair is organized by volunteers and we need continued support from volunteers. If your children enjoy the fair consider joining the team!

E-mail [kargiriou@cranbury-nj.com](mailto:kargiriou@cranbury-nj.com) if you are interested. Thank you!



## RECREATION

### ADULTS

#### TAI CHI



Tai Chi classes are conducted by Ms. June Counterman, who has been teaching Tai Chi for over 20 years and has studied with several Chinese Grand Masters, including the head of the Yang family. The classes are held at the Cranbury United Methodist Church on **TUESDAYS** from 9:30–10:30 am. Winter II Session runs from January 31st through March 20th. The fees for each session is \$40 for seniors and \$65 for non-seniors. Please make checks payable to Cranbury Recreation.

### Senior Center News

Any Senior Groups wishing to use the Senior Center need to schedule through the Recreation Office. Please call (609) 395-0900 x 243.

#### Free Seated Exercise Classes

Held every Thursday morning from 9:30-10:30 a.m. in the Senior Center. Stop in and check it out!

#### Mah Jongg

The Senior Center has a group of Mah Jongg players that get together on Tuesday afternoons at 1:00 pm. If you know how to play, feel free to stop by.



## SENIOR CENTER

### Luncheon Programs

The Senior Center hosts luncheons and programs every other Friday. A charge of \$3.00 per person for lunch is collected at the door.

Registration for the luncheon must be made at least one week in advance by calling the Recreation Office at 395-0900 x 243. You do not need to register ahead of time if you are only attending the program.

#### The following programs are scheduled for February, March and April

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| February 8  | Social Security Checks – Direct Deposit Requirement |
| February 22 | Eating Right – Portion Distortion                   |
| March 8     | Introduction to New Jersey Wild Birds               |
| March 22    | Making the Home Safe & Better for Aging in Place    |
| April 12    | John Chambers – History of Cranbury Book Talk       |
| April 26    | Movie – To Be Announced                             |

#### LUNCH IS AT 12:00 NOON PROGRAMS BEGIN AT 1:00 PM

#### Senior Mailing List

If you would like to be put on the mailing list to receive information on Senior Center events, please leave a message with your name and address at (609) 395-0900 x 243.

## ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

**SUSTAINABLE JERSEY:** Cranbury continues to work towards “*Sustainable Jersey*” certification. This is a program for municipalities in New Jersey that want to go green, save money, and take steps to sustain their quality of life over the long term. A “Green Team” of the Environmental Commissioners has been formed to seek certification and they are currently working on priority items to gain points for Bronze level certification.

[www.sustainablejersey.com](http://www.sustainablejersey.com)

**STREAM CLEAN UP:** The annual Stream Clean-Up sponsored by the Cranbury Township Environmental Commission and the Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed Association will be held on a Saturday in late April from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon. Meet everyone at the benches in Village Park and help clean up Cranbury Brook! Keep an eye out for the official date!

**CALLING ALL CRANBURY 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS:** Forms will soon be distributed for the fourth annual Alfred Meiss Environmental Appreciation Award! The deadline for submission will be in early May. The award was established in 2010 by the Cranbury Environmental Commission to honor past resident Alfred Meiss, who was instrumental in preserving much of the natural resource areas that Cranbury residents cherish and enjoy. An award is presented annually to the 8<sup>th</sup> grade student whom the Commission believes best captures Mr. Meiss’ vision of the appreciation, beauty and enjoyment that Cranbury’s natural resources would bring to the township’s future residents.

**PRINCETON ENVIRONMENTAL FILM FESTIVAL:** Check out these great films and documentaries at the Princeton Public Library January 24 to February 10, 2013. Offerings include, “My Life as a Turkey,” “Felt, Feelings and Dreams,” “Sourlands” which is a look at the effects of climate change on the central New Jersey forest, and “A Watershed Moment,” about the threats to New Jersey’s water resources and people working to save them. For a complete festival schedule, visit <http://community.princetonlibrary.org/peff/schedule/>

**NEW TREES IN TOWN:** This spring, 390 trees will be planted in nine locations around town! The planting of trees is one of the many ways to create a more sustainable environment and improve the quality of life for the citizens of Cranbury. They provide habitat and food for animals, absorb carbon dioxide, prevent erosion and encourage people to walk on paths in reforested areas and shaded sidewalks. View these new additions to Cranbury at the following properties:

- Board of Education property - 55 trees along the school side of the access road to the Cranbury Preserve
- Cranbury Brook Preserve - 100 trees on a berm created from current soil mounds
- Wright South Property - 20 trees along the parking lot
- Village streets - 30 trees along Main Street
- Affordable Housing Route 130 D Property – 112 trees along the parking lot
- Old Trenton Road Extension - 16 trees in the median
- Barn Park -12 trees along the walking path
- Reinhardt Property – 30 trees along the parking lot



A subcommittee, co-chaired by Barbara Rogers of the Environmental Commission and Kathy Easton of the Shade Tree Commission, and including representatives from the Board of Education and Parks Commission, provided recommendations to the Township Committee on suitable Township property locations for tree planting. The Township became eligible for funding from the Turnpike Authority under the State “No Net Loss Reforestation Act” when forested Township acreage was lost to the NJ Turnpike Widening Project. The Turnpike Tree Subcommittee held scheduled meetings during which the public attended regularly and offered input.

# ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

## CRANBURY DAY

Hundreds of citizens from around Cranbury and New Jersey visited the Environmental Commission's table on Cranbury Day. Many signed "Personal Environmental Pledges" that were hung on a branch and displayed for several months in the Cranbury Township building. The pledges describe ways that individuals can commit to reducing their impact on the environment. This was just one of the many activities on Cranbury Day that supported the Cranbury Business Association's initiative for Cranbury Day to "Go Green".

So, if you haven't already taken a Personal Environmental Pledge, here are some suggestions from Cranbury Day to help save water, conserve, and reduce, reuse, and recycle waste:

- Conserve water by upgrading shower head to a water-saving one and keep showers below five minutes.
- Conserve water by turning off the faucet when brushing teeth.
- Reduce plastic bag use by bringing reusable bags to the grocery store.
- Use less gasoline by carpooling, biking, walking and/or running.
- Installing energy-efficient light bulbs.
- Conserve water by watering lawn between 10am and 4pm.
- Turn down the thermostat 3 degrees (F) during the heating season.

## *HOW TO HELP OUR NATURAL ENVIRONMENT*

The Environmental Commission has partnered with the New Jersey Invasive Species Strike Team (NJISST), a statewide cooperative initiative to prevent the spread of emerging invasive plant species across the state of New Jersey. Many of Cranbury's open spaces have been surveyed for invasive plants by NJISST interns and Cranbury volunteers. Invasive species such as multiflora rose and callary pear trees are just a few of the targeted plants that are being eradicated and replaced with native plants in our preserves.

In an effort to help nature retain its balance, individual homeowners are also being encouraged to "go native". When planting new shrubbery, plant **native species**. Reduce purchases of invasive species and remove existing invasive species around your home.

Below are a few websites that may aid in the quest to discover native plants and invasive bugs.

New Jersey Invasive Species Strike Team (NJISST):

[www.njisst.org](http://www.njisst.org)

USDA Forest Service:

[www.na.fs.fed.us/fhp/invasive\\_plants](http://www.na.fs.fed.us/fhp/invasive_plants)

## **GOLDEN AGE NEIGHBORS**

Cranbury Golden Age invites you to come to one of our meetings, usually on the third Saturday of the month at noon in the cafeteria of the Cranbury School. The food is always delicious, the programs or educational presentations are very entertaining, and the friendships are so special. If you are over 55 years old and live in Cranbury or vicinity, you are welcome to join for \$10.00 a year. That membership price includes one or two meals at a local restaurant for \$5.00 and the wonderful Christmas Party at a reduced price, usually \$15.00. Every Golden Age Christmas party is very special and each year the party gets better! When you come for the February 16th meeting at 12:00 noon, please bring a covered dish of food to share, and your own place setting to meet old friends and make new friends. If you have a question, please call the president, Betty Conover at 860-0156.



## **CRANBURY LIONESS CLUB**



The Cranbury Lioness Club is planning a huge yard sale on Saturday April 27th in the front yard of Lioness member Rose Eller at the intersection of South Main Street and Cranbury Neck Road. The members are busy collecting articles for sale on that day. A number of pretty flower pots to be used inside your home, on a porch , or outside in your yard will be available for sale.

There will also be a number of usable household articles and other interesting items, all priced to sell. This is the same day as the Township-wide yard sale, so stop by and pay a visit!. You will be glad you did. All the money earned from this sale will be donated to a local and national Charity.

## **CRANBURY WOMAN'S CLUB**

Attention all Cranbury high school students! It is scholarship season!

Two \$1000 scholarships are being offered again this year by The Woman's Club of Cranbury.



To be eligible for a scholarship, the applicant must be a Cranbury Township resident and be a first year undergraduate at a post-secondary educational institute in the fall.

Applications are available on The Woman's Club website, [womansclubofcranbury.org](http://womansclubofcranbury.org) and applications are also available in your high school guidance office. Any questions, please call Marna McDermott (609 395-1845) or Debbie Taylor (655-0581).

## SHADE TREE COMMISSION

### Recognizing Trees at Risk

We've all been disheartened by the damage to our trees from Hurricane Sandy and the nor'easter that followed it. Our huge oaks, maples, and other lovely shade trees that came down broke our hearts, but many smaller trees, ornamentals, and larger shrubs also suffered. Homeowners wanting to prune these themselves may be confused about when and how to prune. Computer searches can help.

If you know the variety of the tree you want to prune, simply type in "pruning" and then the name of the tree. You'll get help on the type of pruning and the time to do it. Remember to use clean tools to avoid passing on disease. Most important, never take on too large a job. Save big trees for the professionals.

The Arbor Day Foundation provides a very useful site ([arborday.org](http://arborday.org)) for tree selection, planting, care and pruning, as well as access to free trees! This site offers both videos and print documents to help you. The site warns about scam artists who show up after a big storm to offer cheap tree work. They take your money and frequently make things worse, if they show up at all! Beware also of those who want to "top" your large trees, that is, cut back all the main limbs. This seriously weakens the tree. A storm like Sandy can often push homeowners to cut down large healthy trees due to fear that they may endanger people or buildings. Sometimes this is the only answer, but big trees require taking down by pros. Those chain saws can be extremely dangerous!

You may have noticed this past summer that many large old street trees in town were removed due to age, infirmity, and close proximity to buildings and sidewalks. More will be taken down in the future. Be sure to keep an eye on your street trees. Some, especially red oaks, have suffered from disease and drought. Report any suspicious ones to the Township authorities. If you see large cracked limbs, hollow trunks, and early leaf drop, these may indicate future problems. Early spring is a good time to tour your property and check for signs of decline. Another useful site is [isa-arbor.com](http://isa-arbor.com), which lists licensed arborists in our area. These experts can provide excellent advice on large trees and answer all your questions.

Replacing large trees is expensive if you consider only size. However, a big storm can provide opportunities to plant something new, perhaps a variety more suited to our changing climate. A smaller new tree has the added benefit of growing slowly into the site, making it more stable and stronger, and of course less expensive!

**A list of recommended trees and shrubs for planting** can be found on the [www.cranburytownship.org](http://www.cranburytownship.org) and in the Township Clerk's Office. The list includes ornamental trees, shrubs, plantings in wooded settings, plantings in and around detention basins, trees for large open areas and trees in different size lawn strips.

### Fallen Leaves as Garden Protection

When putting your garden to bed in the late fall, there is no need to clean up every last leaf. Leaves can act as excellent protection from bitter winter weather for flower and vegetable beds, especially if we don't get a nice blanket of snow on the garden. There are a few caveats for this procedure, however. First, oak leaves make great protection because they dry up and crumble. In spring, you can simply uncover emerging plants and put in regular mulch around them. By that time, the leaves will have crumbled nicely, will amend the soil, and will not smother plants.

However, do remember to add something like bone meal to the mix to cut some of the acidity of oak leaves. Avoid using maple leaves. They do not dry out but retain moisture and will smother plants. A mix of maple and other leaves can certainly be composted. Leaves should not be left on grass, unless you want to kill off certain grassy areas. If you want to really pile on the leaves, some garden netting will keep them in place and prevent the wind from blowing them all over the neighborhood. You can find netting in garden centers. It is usually black plastic, so it disappears in the leaves, but you will have to remove it in the spring to avoid catching it on garden tools or with lawn mowers.

## SHADE TREE COMMISSION

### ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION

April 26, 2013

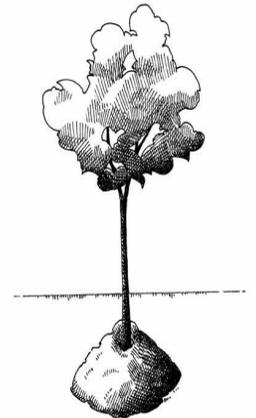


The Cranbury Township Shade Tree Commission will be holding its annual Arbor Day celebration on Friday, April 26, 2013, at a township park yet to be picked. Stay tuned for more details! The public is invited to attend.

Cranbury residents can make a difference by purchasing a “Treasure Our Trees” vanity license plate from the state Motor Vehicle Commission. The purchase of this license plate helps fund New Jersey’s Shade Tree and Community Forest program.

Shade trees can make our environment healthier. Shade trees provide beautiful scenery while also releasing oxygen into the atmosphere.

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



## No Ice Skating on Brainerd Lake This Year!



It is with much regret that ice skating, as of this writing, is not permitted on Brainerd Lake. The day and night temperatures need to be below freezing for many weeks before it is considered safe. In addition, the water level needs to be higher. Entry onto the lake without the green flag displayed is not permitted. Be safe and stay away.

We are hopeful for some snow this year so that Mt. Cranbury can be used for the enjoyment for all kids, young and the young at heart! Bring your sled and hot cocoa!

## TOWN WIDE GARAGE SALE

Mark your calendar! April 27, 2013 is the town wide garage sale. To view the information flyer, visit: [http://www.cranburytownship.org/notices/2013\\_Cranbury\\_town\\_wide\\_Sale\\_Event.pdf](http://www.cranburytownship.org/notices/2013_Cranbury_town_wide_Sale_Event.pdf)



# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

## SNOW and 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 are located near the entrance of the Preserve, just off North Main Street. Village Park is also available for overnight parking.

When clearing snow from your property area and sidewalks, do not throw snow into the street. Shovel the snow onto your lawn or the side of your property. Removing accumulated snow from the top of your vehicle is the law in New Jersey; do not remove the snow in the street.

Cranbury has always been a neighborly town, if you live next to someone who could use help shoveling, take a few extra moments and help your neighbor with their snow load.

## CURBSIDE CHIPPING SERVICE

Chipping of brush and branches commences on the third Wednesday each month (other than January). 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 regulations according to Township Code Chapters §69 and §121. They are listed on the notices that have been and will be delivered to offenders. It seems like a lot but after reading through, an understanding of how these regulations help aid the DPW personnel to move swiftly and efficiently becomes evident.

1. Residents must notify the DPW of requests for chipping services by the Monday before the third Wednesday of the month.
2. Brush should be placed curbside no sooner than the weekend preceding the third Wednesday of each month.
3. All material to be chipped should be placed at the curb by 7:00 a.m. by the scheduled collection date (3rd Wednesday of the month). Material placed curbside after the scheduled collection date or time will not be chipped.
4. 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.
5. Items must be placed parallel on the curb or along the street that is directly abutting your property line.

# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

## CURBSIDE CHIPPING (Continued)

6. 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.
7. 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.
8. No construction material or landscape construction material and debris, lumber, mulch, roots, stumps, or sand and soil at the curb will 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 three notices are warning notices. The fourth 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:

\*January – every Wednesday  
February 20<sup>th</sup>  
March 20<sup>th</sup>  
April 17<sup>th</sup>

Place chipping curbside no sooner than:

Preceding weekend  
February 16<sup>th</sup>  
March 16<sup>th</sup>  
April 20<sup>th</sup>

Depending on the amount of curbside chipping, this service can take a couple days and up to 2 weeks for completion. We ask that you please be patient while the DPW works the route.

## 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

Whether you plan on addition to your home, landscape, install a walk, or have any reason to dig on your property, you must place a phone call for a free mark out for any underground utility that is located on your property. Don't break the law call 1-800-272-1000 before you dig!



# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

## SPRING CLEAN UP DAY

Another date to mark on the calendar is May 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> -- Clean Up Weekend. Hopefully the town-wide garage sale (held on April 27<sup>th</sup>) will help to reduce, recycle or reuse items found in your home. Please take advantage of the agencies on the garage sale flyer who have agreed to come to your home to pick up any leftover useful items. Items that are not worthy to sell or donate will be accepted at the 2013 Spring Clean Up weekend (rain or shine). Bring your discards to the DPW Yard at 99 Dey Road; the hours of operation will be 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. The DPW crew will be on site to help unload your unwanted discards.

Acceptable materials include e-cycle (electronics), scrap metal, and household items that are too large to fit inside your trash tote. If you are uncertain if an item is acceptable, please call Town Hall at 395-0900 x229 to ask. This service is open to Cranbury residents only. Be prepared to show proof of residency, such as a tax bill. A driver license may indicate 'Cranbury NJ' but it is not necessarily Cranbury Township where you reside. Review your tax bill prior to coming to the DPW yard; this will indicate what municipality you live in.

NO household trash, paint or hazardous waste items will be accepted. Please do not be sneaky and leave hazardous waste items at the DPW site for personnel to find. This happened during the Fall 2012 clean up weekend. Fortunately the caustic item was discovered before the container corroded and leached into the ground. For your convenience, Middlesex County offers household hazardous waste drop off days for county residents to properly dispose of these materials. Dates, times and locations for this event can be found at: [http://www.cranburytownship.org/recycling\\_main.html](http://www.cranburytownship.org/recycling_main.html). Click on the appropriate link.

Thank you for respecting this valuable program.

## 2013 RECYCLING & COLLECTION GUIDE

The 2013 Recycling & Collection Guide and Schedule was mailed to all residents. If you have not received it or are in need of an extra, stop by Town Hall to pick one up or click here for a convenient copy [http://www.cranburytownship.org/2013\\_Cranbury\\_Curbside\\_Schedule.pdf](http://www.cranburytownship.org/2013_Cranbury_Curbside_Schedule.pdf).

2013 Curbside recycling pick up dates are:

|                  |                 |                     |
|------------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| January 14 & 28  | May 6 & 20      | September 9 & 23    |
| February 11 & 25 | June 3 & 17     | October 7 & 21      |
| March 11 & 25    | July 1, 15 & 29 | November 4 & 18     |
| April 8 & 22     | August 12 & 26  | December 2, 16 & 30 |

Cardboard is a New Jersey mandatory item that is recyclable. Don't throw cardboard into your trash-it's like throwing money into and filling up the landfill. Be a better recycler, flatten and fold the cardboard, then set it out with your other curbside recyclables for collection.

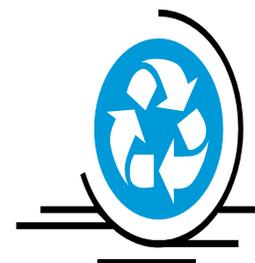
When it comes to recycling, Cranbury is very fortunate to be located within Middlesex County. The Middlesex County Division of Solid Waste (MCDSW) organizes and funds many of the established free recycling programs! They include the tire recycling, paint drop off, paper shred events, household hazardous waste, and e-cycling! If you haven't heard of or used these free programs, a complete list with program dates, times, and locations can be found by visiting: <http://co.middlesex.nj.us/planningboard/solidwaste.asp> and click on 'other'.

# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

## RECYCLING

Below is a breakdown of how much tonnage Cranbury residents have recycled through the curbside program in 2012.

| 2012          | Co-mingled<br>(bottles/cans) | Mixed<br>(junk mail/paper/<br>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           |
| August        | 8.80                         | 13.69                                    | 10.10           |
| September     | 9.42                         | 14.65                                    | 10.81           |
| October       | 8.61                         | 13.40                                    | 9.89            |
| November      | 9.55                         | 14.86                                    | 10.97           |
| December      | <u>15.00</u>                 | <u>23.33</u>                             | <u>17.22</u>    |
| <b>TOTALS</b> | <b>123.69 T</b>              | <b>192.42 T</b>                          | <b>142.01 T</b> |



## RECYCLING TEXTILE

By now, residents are aware of the textile program. It's pretty easy to do—place shoes, belts, handbags, fabric (larger than 12" square) and clothes not worthy of donating due to stains, wear and tear in a plastic bag marked TEXTILES and place curbside with your normal recycling collection. Items should be dry and clean. Please note that comforters, pillows, and rugs are not accepted because of the fiber stuffing and backing.

Textile bags can be obtained by calling 395-0900 x229.

## SHARPS DISPOSAL



People use sharps to treat various medical conditions at home that could include allergies, hepatitis, multiple sclerosis, arthritis, psoriasis, HIV/aids, osteoporosis, cancer, infertility or diabetes. To properly dispose of your sharps visit [http://co.middlesex.nj.us/planningboard/solidwaste\\_other.asp](http://co.middlesex.nj.us/planningboard/solidwaste_other.asp). Biomedical waste from businesses will not be accepted.

## WHITE GOODS AND E-CYCLE PROGRAM



Scheduled for the second Wednesday every month, the DPW will pick up your unwanted white goods appliances or electronic items to recycle. Items include stoves/ovens, washers (dish and clothes) dryers, water tanks, refrigerators, humidifiers, de-humidifiers, metal sinks, file cabinets, televisions and computers. The cost is only \$10 per item. If you would like to take advantage of this convenient program, please call 395-0900, x229 to make arrangements by the Monday before. Once arrangements have been made, the item(s) must be placed at the curb for pickup between the hours of 7:00am and 3:00pm.

# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

## RESIDENTIAL WASTE HAULERS



Cranbury residents are responsible to secure a waste hauler for their own daily refuse. This includes any bulky items that you may wish to dispose of if not using the scheduled clean up weekends (see Clean Up Weekend article in this newsletter for details). There are currently three haulers that service Cranbury. Each hauler offers different schedules, tote sizes, and prices.

Central Jersey Waste: 732-533-3999 or [art@centraljerseywaste.com](mailto:art@centraljerseywaste.com)

Midco Waste: 800-273-7539 or [midcores@repsrv.com](mailto:midcores@repsrv.com)

Waste Management: 800-633-9096

## SHRED-IT EVENT 2013

On August 10, **2013**, a Shred-It Event has been scheduled in Cranbury for all Middlesex County residents. The purpose of this event is for you to properly dispose of sensitive documents such as personal files, receipts, bills, financial statements, medical EOBs, or documents that you have not recycled due to a confidentiality concern. There is no need to remove paper clips, staples or paperboard binder covers. You can observe the shredding of these documents on site.

The place is the Cranbury Township Department of Public Works Yard, 99 Dey Road. Hours are 9:00 am to 12:00 pm or until the shredding truck is filled, whichever occurs first. As usual, County residents may bring a maximum of 5 file boxes or up to 100 pounds (in a manageable container) to the event. Should you have more than five file boxes or 100 pounds, you will be asked to return to the end of the line in fairness to the others who wish to dispose of their materials.

For additional dates and directions to other shred events within Middlesex County visit: <http://co.middlesex.nj.us/planningboard/Paper%20Shred%20Program.pdf>

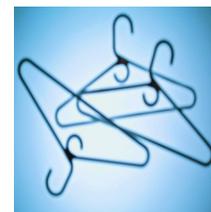
## RECYCLING and REUSING LOCALLY



Many thanks to the residents who recycled their plastic planter pots by bringing them back to Timothy's Garden Center on Route 130 North in Robbinsville. Many plastic pots were returned which ultimately kept them out of local landfills. Also recycled were glass vases at The Country Florist in East Windsor. Got some good feedback about the return of these items! Thank you for participating.



Here's another item for recycling that is found in most homes. Wooden and metal hangers with the paper or chip board along with the dry cleaning protective plastic covering. These items can be easily recycled by bringing them to U \$AVE CLEANER, 8 Princeton Hightstown Road (corner of Route 571 & Route 130S) East Windsor, NJ. Gigi will gladly accept them for recycling. Just another way to reduce, recycle and keep these items out of the landfills!



## COMPOSTING BINS

Have you made a New Year's resolution to recycle or perhaps be kinder to the environment? Leaves, grass clippings, small sticks, and kitchen scraps can be tossed into the compost bin to make a rich balanced organic garden mulch after composition has taken place.



For information on how to compost visit: <http://www.nj.gov/dep/dshw/rntp/compost/cptitle.htm>. To help you get started, back yard compost bins are available for purchase, click on this link: <http://co.middlesex.nj.us/planningboard/Compost%20bin%20sale.pdf>.

## DROP OFF PAINT PROGRAM

Middlesex County Division of Solid Waste Management sponsors a Paint Drop-Off Program for latex paint, oil based paint, stains, varnishes, lacquers, thinners, spray aerosol paint, and driveway sealer. Items must be labeled. Please do not bring dried out latex paint cans, these can be disposed of in the regular trash, empty containers, or hazardous waste. For further information on this program, visit <http://co.middlesex.nj.us/planningboard/paint%20program.pdf>.



Look for the envelope  icon so you can sign up for monthly reminders while visiting this site!

## 2013 HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DROP OFF PROGRAM

This free service is open to all Middlesex County residents. For more information on 2013 dates, locations, times and acceptable items [http://www.cranburytownship.org/recycling\\_main.html](http://www.cranburytownship.org/recycling_main.html) and click on household hazardous waste.

## RECYCLE SHED



The Recycle Shed is scheduled to be open on the first Friday each month in 2013. The shed is located at 100 Dey Road and opened from 9am to 12pm. Feel free to bring your unwanted E-cycle: all computer components, televisions, fax machines, electric cords (all types: computer, gaming, strands of lights, extension, etc.), telephones, and mercury containing thermometers. Other acceptable items include formed polystyrene and compact florescent bulbs.

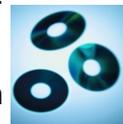


Scrap metal (bikes, metal/aluminum lawn furniture, metal fence posts, curtain rods, metal bed frames, etc.) and microwaves can be deposited into the metal dumpster at this time.



You may also bring white goods (washers, dryers, refrigerators, window a/c units, dehumidifiers, etc.) at this time but be aware that personnel will not be available to unload these items. Please be prepared to unload these items by yourself OR make arrangements to have the DPW pick up the white goods for only \$10 per item. You must call 395-0900 x229 to schedule a pick-up. White goods are scheduled to be picked up on the second Wednesday each month.

If you are uncertain if an item can be recycled, please call me at 395-0900 ext.229. This service is available for Cranbury residents only.



Kindly note that CDs, DVDs, VHS tapes, cell phones and rechargeable batteries can be dropped off in the DPW office in Town Hall during regular business hours.

Thank you for being a responsible recycler!



## REMINDER: DOG AND CAT LICENSES



All dogs and cats must be licensed annually during the month of January. A \$2.00 late charge is assessed for all licenses issued after January 31st. In order to obtain a license for your pet, rabies vaccines must be valid through November 1, 2013. Per State law, a license cannot be issued if the rabies certificate is not current.

## ANIMAL CONTROL

If your loved pet is not accustomed to the great outdoors but is adventurous as to the happenings in the world outside, the Animal Control Officer reminds everyone that proper identification for your loved pet is vital in returning Fido or Fluffy back to you. Help us to return your pet back to you by making sure your pet wears an ID tag, a rabies tag, or a micro chip tag which will help identify Fido or Fluffy after they have made the great escape. To report a pet lost or found, call the Cranbury Police Department at 609-395-0031.

## 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.



## 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.

## HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

### Frequently Asked Questions

#### Frequently Asked Questions and HPC

The Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) has compiled a list of frequently asked questions that will help when filing a Certificate of Approval (CoA) application. This list will be posted on the website for quick reference.



What is the purpose of the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC)? HPC is charged to follow the rules and regulations put forth according to Township Code Chapter 21 and 93. The purpose of Chapter 93 is to implement the historic preservation element of the Master Plan, to provide guidance to property owners in achieving preservation of historic resources and to advance the public welfare in or to:

- Safeguard the heritage of the Township by preserving resources that reflect elements of the Township's cultural, social, agricultural, economic, archeological, scenic and architectural history.
- Encourage the continued use of historic sites and intervening and surrounding properties in historic districts and to facilitate their appropriate reuse.
- Maintain and develop an appropriate and harmonious setting for historic resources within Cranbury Township.
- Encourage any alteration or new construction to be in keeping with the historic character of the Township.
- Discourage the unnecessary demolition, alteration or removal of historic resources.
- Encourage the proper maintenance and preservation of historic settings and landscapes
- Enhance the visual, aesthetic, and historic character of the Township.
- Promote the conservation of historic sites and districts and invite voluntary compliance with the standards of Township Code 93.
- Foster civic pride in the beauty and historic roots of the Township.

Does my project need to be reviewed by HPC? Properties located within the designated Historic Districts must submit a Certificate of Appropriateness (CoA) for any exterior work that will be performed on the property. CoA applications that need review are:

- a demolition or relocation of any building, improvement, or structure are considered major changes.
- changes in exterior appearance of any building, improvement, site, place or structure by addition, reconstruction, alteration or repair;
- any addition to or new construction of a principal or accessory building or structure; any addition of signs or exterior lighting or changes to same.

Ordinary repairs are defined as repairs of any deterioration, wear or damage to a structure or any part thereof in order to return the same as nearly as practicable to its condition prior to the occurrence of such deterioration, war, or damage with in-kind material and quality workmanship. Ordinary maintenance shall further include in-kind replacement of exterior elements, signs or accessory hardware, using the same materials and workmanship and having the same appearance. This type of repair does not need HPC review but an application should be submitted with details for a determination. Improvement projects for fences, signs, lighting, doors, windows, roofs, paving, exterior sheathing, trim, shutters, gutters, or streetscape work that strictly comply with the adopted design guidelines for the proposed improvement are considered minor application. Review of a complete application will determine the type. Changes to the interior of a building or structure do not need HPC review.

# HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

## Frequently Asked Questions



How do I obtain a Certificate of Appropriateness? A Certificate of Appropriateness (CoA) can be found on the Cranbury Township's website at [www.cranburytownship.org](http://www.cranburytownship.org) under *Forms Permits and Licenses*. The CoA can also be obtained at Town Hall.

Where do I submit my Certificate of Appropriateness application? Applications can be mailed to or dropped off at Town Hall, 23A North Main Street, Cranbury, NJ, 08512. Once received, the application will be reviewed for completeness. The CoA check list on Page 3 of 7 will aid in supplying the appropriate documents for completeness. Once deemed complete, the application shall be placed on the next meeting's agenda for the Historic Preservation Commission. Completed applications must be received 10 days prior to the scheduled meeting date to be placed on the agenda. If deemed incomplete, the Administrative Officer will notify the applicant within 10 days of filing that the application is lacking.

When does the Historic Preservation Commission meet? The Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) meets in Town Hall, on the first and third Tuesday of each month. The meetings begin at 7:30 pm. There is a possibility that a meeting may be cancelled. Please refer to the Cranbury Township website.

What is the cost for me to submit a Certificate of Appropriateness? There is no cost to submit an application. All HPC volunteers give freely of their time and expertise.

I want to paint my house, does this need HPC review? HPC does not require that an application be submitted when a building or structure is being painted. However, if repair and or replacement of deteriorated building elements will be performed, approval may be required. Please call the Administrative Officer at 395-0900 x229 for further details.

Copies of the Historic Preservation Ordinance and The Design Guidelines can be found on the Township website.

To view Township Code Chapter 93 visit: <http://www.ecode360.com/CR0758>.

To view the Design Guidelines on the HPC webpage visit:  
[http://www.cranburytownship.org/historic\\_preservation\\_main.html](http://www.cranburytownship.org/historic_preservation_main.html)

Additional helpful links:

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|---|---|
| NJ Historic Preservation Office                                     | <a href="http://www.state.nj.us/dep/hpo/">http://www.state.nj.us/dep/hpo/</a>   |
| Historic Preservation Tax Incentives:                               | <a href="http://www.nps.gov/tps/tax-incentives.htm">http://www.nps.gov/tps/tax-incentives.htm</a>                       |
| National Park Service Preservation Briefs                           | <a href="http://www.nps.gov/tps/how-to-preserve/briefs.htm">http://www.nps.gov/tps/how-to-preserve/briefs.htm</a>       |
| NJ State Historic Office Resourceful Links                          | <a href="http://www.state.nj.us/dep/hpo/5links.htm">http://www.state.nj.us/dep/hpo/5links.htm</a>                       |
| NJ Department of Environmental Protection-<br>Historic Preservation | <a href="http://www.nj.gov/dep/infofinder/topics/historic.htm">http://www.nj.gov/dep/infofinder/topics/historic.htm</a> |
| National Park Service Technical<br>Preservation Services            | <a href="http://www.nps.gov/tps/about.htm">http://www.nps.gov/tps/about.htm</a>   |

Cranbury Township HPC Design Guidelines  
<http://www.cranburytownship.org/documents/DesignGuidelines-2011.pdf>

**CRANBURY TOWNSHIP CAPITAL BUDGET  
THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2012**

| CRANBURY TOWNSHIP<br>CAPITAL BUDGET<br>THRU DECEMBER 31, 2012 |                 |                     |                       |             |
|---|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-------------|
|   | ACCOUNT         | TOTAL               | TOTAL                 | % OF BUDGET |
|   | NUMBER          | EXPENDED+ENCUMBERED | ORDINANCE             | EXPENDED    |
| PW Vehicles & Equipment 06-05-16                              | C-04-55-907-025 | \$223,635.86        | \$231,400.00          | 96.6%       |
| Municipal Parking Lot- 03-01-04 (Traffic Circulation)         | C-04-55-914-025 | \$85,562.53         | \$90,000.00           | 95.1%       |
| 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 Ball field 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 | \$34,459.25         | \$40,000.00           | 86.1%       |
| 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 | \$61,418.16         | \$71,250.00           | 86.2%       |
| Master Plan Roadway 04-05-09                                  | C-05-55-906-034 | \$5,250.00          | \$42,750.00           | 12.3%       |
| 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 | \$179,762.02        | \$180,750.00          | 99.5%       |
| CPR Mannequins, AED Pads 04-06-08                             | C-05-55-910-030 | \$1,856.00          | \$2,000.00            | 92.8%       |
| Affordable Housing 3rd Round Misc Costs 04-06-08              | C-05-55-910-035 | \$154,567.06        | \$328,219.33          | 47.1%       |
| Defibrillators and Pads 03-07-05                              | C-05-55-913-026 | \$3,918.25          | \$4,370.00            | 89.7%       |
| Various Municipal Road Improvements 03-07-05                  | C-05-55-913-033 | \$122,623.72        | \$150,000.00          | 81.7%       |
| 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%       |
| 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%        |
| 6 AEDs, Pads and Training 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 | \$6,804.93          | \$20,000.00           | 34.0%       |
| 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 | \$12,000.00         | \$12,000.00           | 100.0%      |
| Brainerd Lake Dam 05-11-12                                    | C-05-55-926-031 | \$5,797.31          | \$948,120.00          | 0.6%        |
| 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%       |
| Equipment Storage Barn 01-12-02                               | C-05-55-928-025 | \$45,552.30         | \$150,000.00          | 30.4%       |
| Marked Police Chevy Tahoes 02-12-05                           | C-05-55-929-025 | \$73,365.39         | \$73,400.00           | 100.0%      |
| Unmarked Police Chevy Tahoe 02-12-05                          | C-05-55-930-025 | \$37,958.35         | \$38,000.00           | 99.9%       |
| 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%        |
| 3 Mobile Radios 04-12-08                                      | C-05-55-932-027 | \$5,521.60          | \$6,000.00            | 92.0%       |
| 2 Digital Mobile Video Recorders 04-12-08                     | C-05-55-932-028 | \$8,100.55          | \$11,500.00           | 70.4%       |
| Sound System Upgrade 04-12-08                                 | C-05-55-932-029 | \$1,750.97          | \$2,000.00            | 87.5%       |
| Color Scanner/Printer/Copier 04-12-08                         | C-05-55-932-030 | \$12,811.00         | \$13,000.00           | 98.5%       |
| Brainerd Lake Raking 04-12-08                                 | C-05-55-932-032 | \$9,576.00          | \$10,000.00           | 95.8%       |
| Snow Plow Pick Up 04-12-08                                    | C-05-55-932-033 | \$29,970.00         | \$31,000.00           | 96.7%       |
| Police Computer Workstations 04-12-08                         | C-05-55-932-034 | \$20,786.96         | \$38,000.00           | 54.7%       |
| Fire Company Radio System 04-12-08                            | C-05-55-932-035 | \$112.40            | \$4,000.00            | 2.8%        |
| Fire Company Radios 04-12-08                                  | C-05-55-932-036 | \$10,908.75         | \$11,000.00           | 99.2%       |
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|   |                 |                     |                       |             |
|   |                 |                     |                       |             |
| <b>TOTALS</b>   |                 |                     | <b>\$7,964,704.75</b> |             |

## OPERATING BUDGET

| Account Description              | 2012 BUDGET    | EXPENDITURES<br>JAN-DEC 2012 | 2012<br>BUDGET LEFT | % of BUDGET<br>EXPENDED |
|----------------------------------|----------------|------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| ADMINISTRATIVE & EXECUTIVE       | \$220,360.00   | \$209,884.97                 | \$10,475.03         | 95.25%                  |
| TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE               | \$26,950.22    | \$26,950.22                  | \$0.00              | 100.00%                 |
| MUN/CNTY CLERK - ELECTIONS       | \$2,000.00     | \$1,669.61                   | \$330.39            | 83.48%                  |
| FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION         | \$169,915.00   | \$150,749.54                 | \$19,165.46         | 88.72%                  |
| AUDIT                            | \$23,200.00    | \$23,200.00                  | \$0.00              | 100.00%                 |
| TAX COLLECTION                   | \$28,422.00    | \$11,737.91                  | \$16,684.09         | 41.30%                  |
| TAX ASSESSMENT                   | \$144,135.00   | \$101,248.18                 | \$42,886.82         | 70.25%                  |
| TAX MAP MAINTENANCE              | \$8,000.00     | \$1,743.25                   | \$6,256.75          | 21.79%                  |
| LEGAL SERVICES                   | \$95,700.00    | \$52,657.06                  | \$43,042.94         | 55.02%                  |
| ENGINEERING SERVICES & COSTS     | \$60,675.00    | \$26,926.40                  | \$33,748.60         | 44.38%                  |
| PLANNING BOARD                   | \$138,063.00   | \$91,684.63                  | \$46,378.37         | 66.41%                  |
| ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS      | \$39,719.00    | \$46,460.12                  | -\$6,741.12         | 116.97%                 |
| AFFORDABLE HOUSING               | \$85,050.00    | \$58,013.90                  | \$27,036.10         | 68.21%                  |
| FIRE OFFICIAL                    | \$118,725.00   | \$95,950.98                  | \$22,774.02         | 80.82%                  |
| HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION | \$11,450.00    | \$10,048.36                  | \$1,401.64          | 87.76%                  |
| INSURANCE                        | \$981,923.00   | \$915,466.57                 | \$66,456.43         | 93.23%                  |
| POLICE                           | \$2,066,982.00 | \$1,972,995.25               | \$93,986.75         | 95.45%                  |
| 911 PROJECT                      | \$4,844.00     | \$4,844.00                   | \$0.00              | 100.00%                 |
| EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT             | \$3,000.00     | \$1,584.48                   | \$1,415.52          | 52.82%                  |
| 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   | \$137,593.76                 | \$13,306.24         | 91.18%                  |
| ROAD REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE       | \$247,186.00   | \$219,185.09                 | \$28,000.91         | 88.67%                  |
| SHADE TREES                      | \$32,625.00    | \$30,375.80                  | \$2,249.20          | 93.11%                  |
| GARBAGE & TRASH REMOVAL          | \$30,000.00    | \$22,972.54                  | \$7,027.46          | 76.58%                  |
| RECYCLING PROGRAM                | \$55,538.00    | \$50,847.33                  | \$4,690.67          | 91.55%                  |
| PUBLIC BUILDINGS & GROUNDS       | \$104,719.00   | \$96,170.61                  | \$8,548.39          | 91.84%                  |
| VEHICLE MAINTENANCE              | \$73,680.00    | \$59,058.47                  | \$14,621.53         | 80.16%                  |
| BOARD OF HEALTH                  | \$2,850.00     | \$2,066.81                   | \$783.19            | 72.52%                  |
| ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION         | \$3,134.00     | \$3,293.42                   | -\$159.42           | 105.09%                 |
| ANIMAL CONTROL                   | \$14,100.00    | \$11,867.03                  | \$2,232.97          | 84.16%                  |
| HUMAN SERVICES                   | \$7,637.00     | \$6,286.81                   | \$1,350.19          | 82.32%                  |
| BOARD OF RECREATION COMM         | \$49,926.00    | \$41,956.29                  | \$7,969.71          | 84.04%                  |
| PARKS & PLAYGROUNDS              | \$75,935.00    | \$67,574.11                  | \$8,360.89          | 88.99%                  |
| PUBLIC LIBRARY - MAINTENANCE     | \$554,069.00   | \$554,069.00                 | \$0.00              | 100.00%                 |
| CELEBRATION OF PUBLIC EVENT      | \$7,500.00     | \$7,500.00                   | \$0.00              | 100.00%                 |
| ELECTRIC                         | \$89,750.00    | \$77,106.22                  | \$12,643.78         | 85.91%                  |
| STREET LIGHTING                  | \$89,000.00    | \$68,085.19                  | \$20,914.81         | 76.50%                  |
| TELEPHONE                        | \$54,400.00    | \$46,256.43                  | \$8,143.57          | 85.03%                  |
| WATER                            | \$11,000.00    | \$11,805.97                  | -\$805.97           | 107.33%                 |
| GAS (NATURAL OR PROPANE)         | \$30,000.00    | \$19,811.51                  | \$10,188.49         | 66.04%                  |
| SEWER SYSTEM                     | \$428,465.00   | \$319,997.19                 | \$108,467.81        | 74.68%                  |
| MOTOR FUEL                       | \$99,400.00    | \$81,388.87                  | \$18,011.13         | 81.88%                  |

**OPERATING BUDGET  
(Continued)**

| Account Description                     | 2012 BUDGET    | EXPENDITURES   | 2012        | % of BUDGET |
|---|----------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|
|   |                | JAN-DEC 2012   | BUDGET LEFT | EXPENDED    |
| P.E.R.S.                                | \$136,853.00   | \$136,853.00   | \$0.00      | 100.00%     |
| SOCIAL SECURITY                         | \$240,000.00   | \$214,551.06   | \$25,448.94 | 89.40%      |
| P.F.R.S.                                | \$316,138.00   | \$316,138.00   | \$0.00      | 100.00%     |
| DEFINED CONTRIBUTION RETIREMENT PROGRAM | \$2,261.00     | \$1,820.62     | \$440.38    | 80.52%      |
| 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%     |
| RECYCLING TONNAGE                       | \$100,484.98   | \$100,484.98   | \$0.00      | 100.00%     |
| CLEAN COMMUNITIES                       | \$18,010.15    | \$18,010.15    | \$0.00      | 100.00%     |
| BODY ARMOR                              | \$1,901.05     | \$1,901.05     | \$0.00      | 100.00%     |
| DRUNK DRIVING                           | \$10,287.02    | \$10,287.02    | \$0.00      | 100.00%     |
| NO NET LOSS REFORESTATION PHASE II      | \$117,000.00   | \$117,000.00   | \$0.00      | 100.00%     |
| YOU DRIVE SOBER OR GET PULLED OVER      | \$4,400.00     | \$4,400.00     | \$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%     |
| GREEN COMMUNITIES                       | \$3,000.00     | \$3,000.00     | \$0.00      | 100.00%     |
| COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT       | \$22,737.00    | \$22,737.00    | \$0.00      | 100.00%     |
| QUALITY OF LIFE                         | \$5,000.00     | \$5,000.00     | \$0.00      | 100.00%     |
| 911 PROJECT                             | \$110,000.00   | \$110,000.00   | \$0.00      | 100.00%     |
| ROCK SALT INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT          | \$40,000.00    | \$4,079.40     | \$35,920.60 | 10.20%      |
| RECYCLING - MCIA SERVICES               | \$46,450.00    | \$36,569.16    | \$9,880.84  | 78.73%      |
| COUNTY HEALTH CONTRACT                  | \$19,223.94    | \$19,223.94    | \$0.00      | 100.00%     |
| ANIMAL CONTROL SHARED SERVICE           | \$4,100.00     | \$4,720.00     | -\$620.00   | 115.12%     |
| MIDDLESEX CO UTILITIES AUTH             | \$392,276.00   | \$392,275.07   | \$0.93      | 100.00%     |
| MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY AUTHORITY       | \$180,371.00   | \$162,193.34   | \$18,177.66 | 89.92%      |
| MUNICIPAL/COUNTY COURT                  | \$175,000.00   | \$174,058.00   | \$942.00    | 99.46%      |
| CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDS               | \$20,000.00    | \$20,000.00    | \$0.00      | 100.00%     |
| BOND PRINCIPAL                          | \$1,370,000.00 | \$1,370,000.00 | \$0.00      | 100.00%     |
| PRINCIPAL PAYMENT ON NOTES              | \$450,000.00   | \$450,000.00   | \$0.00      | 0.00%       |
| INTEREST ON BONDS                       | \$240,175.00   | \$240,175.00   | \$0.00      | 100.00%     |
| INTEREST ON NOTES                       | \$86,497.00    | \$86,206.61    | \$290.39    | 99.66%      |
| EDA LOAN - PRINCIPAL                    | \$15,000.00    | \$15,000.00    | \$0.00      | 100.00%     |
| EDA LOAN - INTEREST                     | \$675.00       | \$675.00       | \$0.00      | 100.00%     |
| CAPITAL EQUIPMENT LEASE PRINCIPAL       | \$84,633.56    | \$84,633.56    | \$0.00      | 100.00%     |
| CAPITAL EQUIPMENT LEASE INTEREST        | \$14,452.07    | \$14,452.07    | \$0.00      | 100.00%     |
| 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                                  | \$4,681,678.25 | \$4,591,196.51 | \$90,481.74 | 98.07%      |
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## CRANBURY TOWNSHIP REVENUE THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2012

| CRANBURY TOWNSHIP                      |                        |                        |               |
|--|------------------------|------------------------|---------------|
| REVENUE                                |                        |                        |               |
| THRU DECEMBER 31, 2012                 |                        |                        |               |
|  |                        | 2012                   | % OF REVENUE  |
|  | January - December     | REVENUE                | RECEIVED      |
| Library Finance Fee                    | \$ 3,000.00            | \$3,000.00             | 100.00%       |
| Licenses, Fees & Permits               | \$ 4,875.00            | \$13,210.00            | 36.90%        |
| Municipal Court                        | \$ 174,058.00          | \$163,346.00           | 106.56%       |
| Interest & Cost on Taxes               | \$ 50,892.77           | \$48,194.00            | 105.60%       |
| Interest on Cash on Deposit            | \$ 121,724.19          | \$147,130.00           | 82.73%        |
| Tax Title Lien Interest                | \$ 198.04              |                        |               |
| Miscellaneous-Alcohol Beverage License | \$ 7,500.00            | \$7,500.00             | 100.00%       |
| Franchise Fee                          | \$ 12,788.74           | \$12,811.00            | 99.83%        |
| Sewer Service Fees                     | \$ 1,313,336.37        | \$1,361,712.00         | 96.45%        |
|  |                        |                        |               |
| <b>State Aid:</b>                      |                        |                        |               |
| Energy Receipt Tax                     | \$ 467,020.00          | \$467,020.00           | 100.00%       |
|  |                        |                        |               |
| <b>Grants:</b>                         |                        |                        |               |
| Municipal Alliance                     | \$ 5,166.00            | \$5,166.00             | 100.00%       |
| Recycling Tonnage                      | \$ 100,484.98          | \$100,484.98           | 100.00%       |
| Alcohol Education, Rehab & Enforcement | \$ 755.48              | \$755.48               | 100.00%       |
| Drunk Driving                          | \$ 10,287.02           | \$10,287.02            | 100.00%       |
| Beautify Historic District             | \$ 220,000.00          | \$220,000.00           | 100.00%       |
| Body armor                             | \$ 1,901.05            | \$1,901.05             | 100.00%       |
| Green Communities                      | \$ 3,000.00            | \$3,000.00             | 100.00%       |
| Community Block Development Grant      | \$ 22,737.00           | \$22,737.00            | 100.00%       |
| You Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over     | \$ 4,400.00            | \$4,400.00             | 100.00%       |
| No Net Loss Reforestation Phase II     | \$ 117,000.00          | \$117,000.00           | 100.00%       |
| Quality of Life                        | \$ 5,000.00            | \$5,000.00             | 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                     | \$ 82,381.54           | \$85,652.00            | 96.18%        |
| Reserve for Development Fees           | \$ 10,000.00           | \$10,000.00            | 100.00%       |
| 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         | \$ 151,852.19          | \$123,789.00           | 122.67%       |
| Capital Surplus                        | \$ -                   | \$0.00                 | 0.00%         |
| Hotel Tax                              | \$ 134,871.31          | \$136,158.00           | 99.06%        |
|  |                        |                        |               |
| <b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>                  | <b>\$ 3,528,239.83</b> | <b>\$ 3,573,263.68</b> | <b>98.74%</b> |
|  |                        |                        |               |