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SCOUTING CORNER - *The Eagle Scout Ceremony*



On February 17, 2013 two scouts from our local Boy Scout Troop held their Eagle Court of Honor at our Borough Hall. Thomas Lang and Jimmy DiGuglielmo from Troop 122 were officially recognized as Eagle Scouts as their family, friends and fellow scouts were there to support them.

For those of you who aren't familiar with the Boy Scouts, an Eagle Court of Honor is the ceremony at which the rank of Eagle is bestowed on a Scout. The rank of Eagle is the highest rank achievable in the Boy Scouts and it is a huge

honor to receive it. It takes years of work and preparation and the successful completion of a significant service project to accomplish. Only about 2% of the boys who ever join scouting earn the rank.

Mayor Gary Passanante was present to award each scout with a plaque to recognize them for their community service.

CONGRATULATIONS TO TOMMY & JIMMY!!!

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**HAPPY SPRING
FROM THE GREEN COMMITTEE,
COUNCILMAN ED KAIN (CHAIRMAN)
COUNCILWOMAN JENNIFER McQUAID AND
COUNCILMAN GEORGE C. EHRMANN**

SOMERDALE'S FIRST COMMUNITY VEGETABLE GARDEN

In honor of Earth Day 2013, the Somerdale Green Committee invites you to participate in Somerdale's 1st Community Vegetable Garden.

The Green Committee has been meeting this winter and is in the process of creating a Community Garden at the Somerdale Community Center.

We are looking for help to:

- *Build raised beds,
- *Spread soil
- *Assisting a local artist painting a garden inspired mural on the side of the Community Center.
- *Planting vegetables.
- *Watering, Weeding and maintenance.

(There will be a sign-up sheet)

**All who help are entitled to reap what you sow!
So come out and rub elbows with your neighbors
and commune with nature April 20th, rain date April 21st.
We are beginning at 9:00 AM See you there!**

POLICEMEN'S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION LOCAL # 30

PHILLIES TICKET RAFFLE

PBA Local 30 is having a raffle for a Phillies 6 Pack of tickets. The prize will be four seats to six Phillies games.

The drawing for the raffle will be held on April 15th, and the first game in the package will be April 24th vs. the Pirates. The games include Irish Heritage Night, two Dollar Dog Nights, MLB Network Sling Bag, Chase Utley Tote Bag and John Kruk Action Figure.

The raffle tickets are only \$5.00 a piece.

Anyone interested may contact any Somerdale, Stratford or Magnolia police officer to get the tickets or to make arrangements to purchase them.

The Mayor's Corner



The groundhog predicted that spring would arrive early this year and it sure looks that way (hopefully I did not just jinx us)! As you prepare for the upcoming season, please remember to maintain your grass and property in order, out of respect for your neighbors. We have an active code enforcement department that will be watching for delinquent properties. In that light, should you have a neighboring property that may have been abandoned and/or is overgrown, please call or email our code enforcement department so that they may rectify the situation. Well maintained properties improve your curb appeal and make for a pleasant neighborhood environment.

We are happy to tell you that we recently launched a new website that is easier and more informative. One great new feature is the ability to submit your email address to be notified of upcoming events in the community. You can also access our past newsletters, report a concern, participate in periodic polls and much more. We are still populating the site but we encourage you to check it out as we plan to utilize our web presence much more in the future.

Over a decade ago, I shared a vision with our current Council and Planning Board members of a rebirth of Somerdale through a focused economic redevelopment that would begin at the dying Lions Head Plaza. That vision included grand plans for an all-new town center that would become a focal point and an economic stimulus engine for our community and those that surround us. It would take us over a decade to realize this dream, but today despite the odds, we now boast a successful project that has garnered praise and awards from across the state. As projected, it has spurred economic growth throughout our community and now has begun having a positive effect on our adjoining municipal neighbors.

More importantly, this injection of new business and tax revenue is now having a positive effect on our overall tax levy, which is great news for all of us. This year's blended tax rate will have an incrementally marginal change over last year. It will benefit from levy reductions from both our regional and local school systems, the latter being directly linked to the increased town valuation from our new businesses. As we continue to grow our business base and housing population, Somerdale will experience increased revenues and consumer spending, making us more desirable to business developers and home buyers.

I am incredibly proud of the past and continued work done by our Council and Planning/Zoning Board members. Their efforts have helped redirect our community on a path of growth and prosperity. They, along with our administration and staff, have positioned Somerdale for a sustainable future, making it one of the best places to live, work and play!

My sincere thanks go to each of them and to you for your continued support and confidence in our local government. Stay tuned for more to come and I hope each of you have a safe and fun-filled spring and summer!

Gary J. Passanante

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Special Events 2013 Calendar

March

Park Avenue Church Egg Hunt at Kennedy Field –
Saturday, March 30th at noon

April

Earth Day Event planned (Check the Borough Website for details)

May

Memorial Day Parade – Monday, May 27th at 10 am
Memorial Day Ceremony at VFW immediately following the parade

June

Miss Somerdale Pageant at Sterling High School –
Saturday, June 15th at 7 pm

July

August

National Night Out at Borough Hall - Tuesday, August 6th

Concert Series at CooperTowne Center
7th, 14th, 21st, 28th at 6:30 pm
Every Wednesday in August

September

Somerdale Day on Kennedy Boulevard –
Saturday, September 7th from 10 am – 4 pm

October

Town Wide Yard Sale – Saturday, October 5th

November

December

Christmas Tree Lighting at Borough Hall –
Wednesday, December 4th at 7 pm

Borough Contacts

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm
2nd Thursday of the Month 8:30 AM to 6:30 PM

Construction Office – Monday – Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm
2nd Thursday of the Month 8:30 AM to 6:30 PM

Court Sessions – Tuesday 5:30 pm – please call for exact date & time

Municipal Clerk	856 783-6320 x 33
Council	856 783-6320 x 33
Construction Office	856 783-4629 x 15
Finance Officer	856 783-6320 x 16
Fire Prevention Bureau	856 783-6320 x 21
Mayor's Office	856 783-6320 x 17
Municipal Court	856 783 0958 x 23
Nuisance Officer	856 783-6320 x 21
Police Department	856 783-4900
Police Department Records	856 428-6320 x 25
Public Works	856 783-4648
Tax Assessor	856 783-6320 x 14
Tax Collector	856 783-6320 x 12
Vital Statistics	856 783-6320 x 19 or X 33
Zoning Officer	856 783-6320 x 11

Regular Meetings:

Council Work Session - Every Monday 6PM (if needed)

Caucus - 2nd Thursday of the month, 6PM

Council - 2nd Thursday of the month, 7PM

Planning/Zoning Board - Last Wednesday of the month, 7PM

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

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Council President David Alexander
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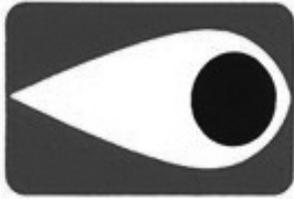
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Somerdale Democrat Committee

The Somerdale Democrat Committee is seeking new members

We are a nonprofit organization founded in 2003.

As an organization we foster good government through open communications, participating in numerous community celebrations and events.

We support our Democrat candidates for local, County, and State offices.

Meetings are held monthly to share ideas, information and friendships.

We have a scholarship, donate to the VFW Memorial Day event, St. Baldrick's foundation and provide awards for outstanding Somerdale students.

**We meet every third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm at the Warwick Tavern
400 S. Warwick Rd. Somerdale, NJ 08083.**

**For more information contact
Deb Giordano, President at 856-495-6551**

View Camden County Restaurant and Cafeteria Inspection Reports Online *Camden County, NJ*

The Freeholder Board continues to lead the way with accessible digital Health Department inspections of food serving facilities to ensure residents have access to reports and can assess cleanliness with online government records. Since the program's inception thousands of Camden County residents have visited www.camdencounty.com to check on their favorite restaurant or their child's school cafeteria.

"This initiative strengthens our commitment to protecting the health and welfare of our community," said Freeholder Carmen Rodriguez, liaison to the Department of Health and Human Services. "I'm a mother and a resident and I want to know that the places I'm taking my children to eat are clean. Now, in Camden County, all parents and residents have access to this pertinent information to make informed choices." Camden County Health Department inspectors utilize an electronic process to record the information they gather. This has increased the efficiency and effectiveness of the food inspection process. It uses standardized language and methods to report food protection results.

Previously, restaurant inspections were conducted using a paper form process. "The system also reports the standards that the establishment has successfully met as well as any violations noted at the time of inspection. This will make the inspection report clearer for both operators and consumers," Rodriguez said. "By putting our inspection reports online, the inspection process has been streamlined, compliance among restaurants has increased, and most importantly, it is more transparent and easily-accessible for residents." Using a Tablet PC to complete the State mandated inspection checklist, inspectors report the compliance status of the retail food establishment observed at the time of the inspection in a more efficient manner. The database information of approximately 3,500 venues also lists ownership (local and corporate), mailing addresses, e-mail addresses, food handler information, risk type information, etc. In addition to the restaurant inspections, reports are also posted for all school cafeterias and other food-handling enterprises in Camden County.

"Again, as a mother of four children, I can truly appreciate this service because we need to know that when we send our kids off to school in the morning, we're sending them to an environment that is safe in every way," Rodriguez said. "Whether or not our children's school cafeteria is safe and sanitary is not something a parent should have to worry about. This is a tool that can either help eliminate that fear, or be used as an instrument of change if it looks like improvements need to be made."

To access the service, <http://www.camdencounty.com/health/online-restaurant-inspections/introduction> You can then search by the establishment's name or by municipality. You can also register to receive e-mail alerts when new reports are posted for your favorite restaurants or when the Camden County Health Department issues food-related alerts.



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Memorial Day Parade
Monday, May 27, 2013

Parade begins at 10 am at Sterling High School
And ends at Raws-Tait VFW on Kennedy Blvd.

Memorial Day Ceremony
Immediately following the Parade.

Honor a Veteran by Ordering a
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SOMERDALE BOY GETS RARE TRANSPLANT

A 4-year-old Somerdale boy, who has battled heart disease since birth, scored a victory in that fight Tuesday. Riley O'Brien received a rare heart-lung transplant at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, a family spokeswoman said. The boy was reported in critical but stable condition, with parents Darren and Carol O'Brien, at his bedside.

"It's been a wonderful, joyous day," said a family representative, Kathy Horn. "But Riley isn't out of the woods yet," she added. "He does have a fight ahead of him."

The operation, which began Monday night and continued into Tuesday morning, ended a wait of more than three years for the Somerdale family. It also marked the fourth time the family had rushed to CHOP, hoping a transplant would occur. Three earlier calls ended in disappointment when medical issues prevented the surgeries from taking place, Horn said.

Riley, who also lacks a spleen, was born prematurely with extensive heart defects. He previously has undergone at least two surgeries and 26 risky catheterizations to keep his pulmonary veins functioning. And while other children his age run around and enjoy preschool, Riley has been tethered to an oxygen tank and has eaten through a tube in his stomach.

The family's need will not end with Tuesday's operation, Horn said. Supporters are raising funds to move the family, which includes a 12-year-old son, from its cramped, 750-square-foot home. The family's finances also have been strained because Carol O'Brien left her job at Our Lady of Lourdes' liver transplant program to care for her son.

The O'Briens on Tuesday weren't focused on those problems. "They are grateful, shocked exhausted," said Horn. "They are happy."

Reprinted from the Courier Post March 5, 2013

SOMERDALE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT



The Somerdale Fire Department is off to a slow start this year, responding to about 50 calls so far. Slow is good. We have also put in over 350 hours of training. When the call does come in, we stand ready to protect you and your neighbors.

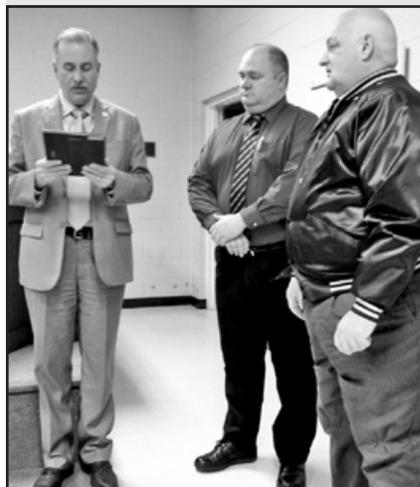
We are always looking for new members. If you are interested in becoming a member of the Somerdale Fire Department and are 18 years of age or older, stop by the Fire Hall any Monday night and pick up an application. Juniors may join at 16 years of age.

Anyone who needs a Smoke detector may stop in at the Fire Hall or contact Chief Steve Daniels at 856-229-5754 and one will be provided at no cost.

The Fire Department is sponsoring a Blood Drive on Monday, March 18th. in honor of our past Chief, Bill Feaster. Interested persons should contact Jim Mohan at 856-627-1432.

The Somerdale Fire Department will again hold our EASTER FLOWER SALE. The sale will be held beginning on Thursday, March 28th., and continue until Saturday, March 30th. Come to the Fire Hall, located at Park and Hilltops Aves. and choose your Easter Flowers from our great selection.

Congratulations to Al DiDominic



On February 1st, 2013 after more than 28 years of service to our community, Al DiDominic has retired. During the council meeting on Feb.14th, the Mayor & Council presented Al with a plaque for his dedicated service through the years.

The employees at the public works department wish Al a long and happy retirement.

(Pictured Left to Right, Mayor Gary Passanante, Councilman Ed Kain and Al DiDominic)

Martin Luther King Food Drive *Service Day*



On January 19th, the Somerdale Human Relations Commission wrapped up their annual food drive with a special salute to everyone who helped. Present were the fine folks from The Park Avenue Community Church Food Bank, led by Pastor Glen Marshall.

Also present were Miss Somerdale, (Elena Panchal) and Dr Dennis Vespe, Superintendent of Somerdale Park School.

Local schools and businesses supported the food drive by putting our red cans for food at their locations. A special thank you to Somerdale Cold Cuts, Precision Power Wash, L A Fitness, Somerdale Park School, Sterling High School, Danzeizan and Quigley, and local Boy Scout Troop 122.

Because of everyone's effort we were able to collect about 15 large cans of food for the Food Bank. The Somerdale Human Relations Commission would like to extend an offer to anyone who would like to volunteer to help out at the Park Avenue Community Church Food Bank to contact; pastor@parkavechurch.org or call 856-435-0309. Volunteers help to make our community a great place to live.

SOMERDALE PARK SCHOOL "NEWS" - SPRING 2013

Spring is here! It seems like just yesterday it was the first day of school. As this article goes to print, the school's Drama Club just performed its theatrical production of "Under The Big Top" in which our stage was transformed into a circus. The stage was filled with all sorts of characters like monkeys, billy goats, a Hat man and even a troll. Our annual 8th Grade Auction and Talent Show was held on February 26, 2013 which raised money for the 8th grade class for their trip and dinner dance. We were also visited by Miss Somerdale Elena Panchal, who read books to our 1st graders. You can see video of her visit on our website under "Pod Casts". The sound of basketballs once again filled our Gymnasium as we reinstated sports this year at Somerdale Park School. Both the Boys and Girls Basketball teams played hard this year and congratulations to both Coach Still and Coach Halpin on a great season.

Technology in the classroom has been a big focus for us this year, teachers and students are all excited about the changes. Our teachers and students are starting to work on new Google Nexus 7 tablets helping them to expand their learning experience. Over the next couple of years we plan to continue with these improvements to insure we are keeping up with the advancements in technology.

Somerdale Park School will also be saying "Good-Bye" to a couple of very special teachers at the end of the 2012-2013 school year. After many years of service we are saddened by the retirement of Mrs. Louise Barikian (Special Education Teacher), Mr. Thomas Hayden (Physical Education Teacher) and Mr. Carmen Bayard (Art Teacher). We would like to thank them for their dedication to our school and students and we wish them well as they start a new chapter in their lives.

In closing, "Spring Break" will begin on March 29, 2013 and conclude on April 5, 2013 and if at any time, you have any questions concerning the school or our educational programs, or you would like to schedule a visit to our school, please don't hesitate to contact either myself, Dr. Dennis Vespe, Superintendent/Principal, or Mr. Michael Eckmeyer, Vice-Principal and schedule an appointment.

Happy Spring and GO CAVS!



John Paul II Regional School eighth-grade students, Patrick Bakey, Andrew Bank, Alexis Baskerville, Robert Fitzgerald, Monica Mercado and Sean Polifrone, and Language Arts teacher Mrs. Cathy McBride celebrate the school's success at the 42nd Annual Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee sponsored by the Cherry Hill Council #6173.

SPELLING LIKE A CHAMP

Stratford, NJ – On January 27, 2013, John Paul II Regional School eighth grader Monica Mercado took first place in the 42nd Annual Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee sponsored by the Cherry Hill Council #6173. Monica and fellow John Paul II students Patrick Bakey, Andrew Bank, Alexis Baskerville, Robert Fitzgerald and Sean Polifrone competed against students from Christ the King, St. Stephen and Resurrection Catholic. Monica will represent the Cherry Hill Council at the County Spell-Off. "Our students benefit from a strong Language Arts program and are always looking for ways to challenge themselves", said Principal Helen Persing.

John Paul II Regional School, Stratford, a Catholic School for nearly 400 students in preschool through eighth grades, provides a rigorous academic program in a state of the art facility empowering students for their personal, academic success. Dedicated to Christian stewardship and academic excellence, we provide opportunities for spiritual growth and service to others to develop an active social conscience in all our students. We are committed to the collaboration of Church, school, faculty and family through effective communications that fosters student success and lives rooted in Christian values with a commitment to a better society.

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FROM THE DESK OF POLICE CHIEF ANTHONY CAMBELL



Dear Neighbors:

I would like to make you aware of a free service that is being made available to all residents of Somerdale.

A product has been developed that would assist first responding police officers to quickly obtain emergency contact information when time is of the essence. In other cases to simply contact a resident when something has been found awry and it is prudent to make the homeowner aware without delay.

The product is called "INCASE" typically meaning, "in case of an emergency".

The INCASE is a system that allows first responding police officers to access emergency contact information at homes and businesses in our town.

INCASE was developed in conjunction with the SJTP (South Jersey Technical Partnership), a function at Sterling High School.

This system utilizes barcodes affixed to the door frame of your home, a secure database at the SJTP and the responding officer's smart phone.

If there is an emergency at your home or the home of an elderly parent or relative and the responding officer finds no one to communicate with, the officer can scan your barcode and access your emergency barcode information. This is to only be used in an emergency situation.

This barcode contains three pieces of info: The address of the property, the homeowner's name and emergency contact (cell/work), and up to three emergency contact phone numbers.

The scanning is secure for law enforcement access only and is password protected. No other personal information is needed just emergency contacts.

This is a free service to all Somerdale residents and is currently being implemented in Stratford.

Just some information about SJTP and the database. SJTP is a shared service division of Sterling High School supplying technical support for many municipalities, school districts and police departments in New Jersey.

SJTP is a trusted entity that has provided computer and technical support for the Somerdale Police department for the past 10 years which obviously contains delicate and confidential information. Our data base is backed up nightly to the SJTP servers located at Sterling High School. Any apprehension about the security of the database can easily be put to rest.

Again, this is a voluntary and free service that is available to all Somerdale Residents.

If you would like to participate and have an "INCASE" barcode on your home, please fill out the participation form located in this newsletter. INCASE web address www.theincase.com

If you have any questions or concerns about this service, please feel free to call or e-mail me at somerdalepd@somerdale-nj.com

Remember, we are here to serve you, so if you see something suspicious please don't hesitate to call dispatch to report it at the non emergency number @ 783-4900, but of course if it is an emergency dial 911 right away.

Yours truly,
Chief Anthony R. Campbell

To be included in the Incase barcode database, please fill out the following information and mail to:

The Incase
P.O. Box 22
Stratford, NJ 08084

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February 2013 MESSAGE FROM SURROGATE JONES

THINGS TO KNOW WHEN PREPARING A WILL - Whether your assets are large (house, cars, stocks and bonds) or small (car and checking account), when you pass away it is best to transfer whatever you owned through a Will... and your Last Will and Testament should be prepared by an attorney. Then you can be sure that your Will is properly phrased, witnessed and includes the final directions that you want carried out. An attorney can guide you, but only after obtaining all the facts that only you can give.

Here are a few things that you will need to put together before an appointment with an attorney to prepare your Will:

- Make a list of all your real property (house or land), and your personal property (bank accounts, cars, etc.) that you want to distribute through your Will.

- Make a list of relatives and others who will be named in your Will and their relationship to you. You can also make bequests to friends and/or charities. It is not mandatory to make bequests only to family members.

- Think about who you would trust to be the executor of your Will. This may be a member of your family, your legal or financial advisor or a trusted friend. And you should name an alternate executor in case your first choice is unable to serve. Your executor has the important responsibility of settling your estate according to your wishes. If you can, choose an attorney you know and in whom you have confidence. If you do not know an attorney, you can call the Lawyer's Referral Service of the Camden County Bar Association at 856-482-0618 or visit www.camdencountybar.org.

PLEASE NOTE - If you are a Camden County resident and just a simple Will is needed, please plan to attend a Senior Legal Workshop. Workshops are held monthly at the Camden County Store at The Mall at Voorhees Town Center. These workshops, sponsored by the Camden County Board of Freeholders, the Division of Senior and Disabled Services and cooperating agencies, enable Camden County residents 60 and over to acquire, at no cost, a Last Will and Testament, an Advance Directive for Health Care (Living Will), and a Power of Attorney. To check available times and to register please call 856-566-2920.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH - Our Community Outreach Program offers residents, clubs and organizations a program that addresses issues related to the functions of the Surrogate's Court. If you would like Surrogate Jones to speak to your club or organization please call 856-225-7282 to request a date and time.

CAMDEN COUNTY SURROGATE COURT HOURS OF OPERATION AT CAMDEN CITY LOCATION ~ MONDAY THRU FRIDAY 9 AM – 4 PM SATELLITE SERVICES For the convenience of our clients a satellite office is located at the Camden County Store in The Mall at Voorhees Town Center where business is conducted by appointment only. To make an appointment please call 856-225-7282. For more information on services available at the County Store visit www.camdencounty.com

Miss Somerdale Pageant

June 15, 2013

APPLICATION FOR PARTICIPATION

(Must be returned to Borough Hall no later than May 24, 2013)

QUALIFICATIONS: Must be a single, female resident of Somerdale, NJ. • Must be a High School student, not greater than 19 years old on June 15, 2013. • If under 18 years old, a parent/guardian must be present when submitting application.

Full Name (As you wish it listed in the Program Book):

High School Attending:

Class of:

Age on June 15, 2013:

Date of Birth:

Home Address:

Home Phone Number:

Cell Phone:

Personal Bio (list a few school activities, community service, interests, hobbies etc.):

The signature of the contestant and one of her parents or guardian (if needed) on the spaces below indicate their understanding and agreement that the decision of the judges shall be final and that the Borough of Somerdale and the Miss Somerdale Pageant Committee do not accept responsibility for anything not specifically stated on this application. The signature of the contestants' parent or guardian shall also indicate his or her permission for the contestant to participate in the pageant and agrees to hold harmless and indemnify the Borough of Somerdale against any and all liability claims for participation in pageant. The signatures below certify that all the information on this form is true and correct to the best of applicant's knowledge. Incorrect data is cause for disqualification.

Social Security # to be submitted for award purposes if selected as Miss Somerdale for the Court.

Contestant Signature:

Parent or Guardian Signature (if under 18):

Date:

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SPRING CLEAN UP – spring clean up will begin on/about April 1st. The leaf-vac will be out once a week through Friday April 26th. At the end of spring clean up the leaf-vac will not be out until late October. Rake leaves to curb. Leaves must be free of debris, no trash, pet waste, brush/branches, etc. State Law requires all debris to be a minimum of 10 feet from any storm inlet.

GRASS RECYCLING – grass clippings will be collected starting Tuesday May 7th and continue through Tuesday September 24th. Collection will be every Tuesday. Only open containers with handles and drain holes will be accepted.

BRUSH/TREE BRANCHES – all tree work performed by a contractor must be removed by the contractor. The borough will remove brush/branches trimmed by the homeowner. It must be four (4) foot long or longer with a diameter no larger than six (6) inches. Brush/branches will be collected every Wednesday (weather permitting). All cut ends **MUST** be facing the same direction stacked at the curb. All stumps and logs are the homeowner's responsibility to have removed. A maximum of 20 minutes will be spent at any one stop, time permitting we will return at the end of the day or the next scheduled day for pick-up. Vines, sticker bushes and other shrubbery not a minimum of four (4) foot long or longer must be bundled and tied or in containers for removal with the regular trash collection on Wednesday.

CALL (811) BEFORE YOU DIG – Homeowners, you **MUST** call for utility mark-outs before digging on your property. Please notify NJ One Call at **811** or 1-800-272-1000 to get all utilities located to avoid the chance of hitting a line while digging, **It's the Law.**

TIRES – All tires must be removed from the rims. Two tires may be placed in with your regular trash for collection, the rim will be collected with the bulky metal pick-up on Wednesday.

LATEX PAINT – To dispose of latex paint, open can & let dry thoroughly, then place in with regular trash. (Paint cans are not recyclable). No oil based paints, solvents, thinners or stains of any kind are to be placed in the trash, these are considered Hazardous Waste and must be disposed of properly.

PROPANE TANKS- The public works department cannot pick-up your old tanks. They are considered Hazardous Waste and must be disposed of properly. They can be taken to an authorized propane dealer and exchanged for a full tank or they may be taken to one of the county hazardous waste collections.

PROHIBITED DISPOSAL – The disposal of grease or toxic or hazardous materials via the sewer system shall be prohibited.

PROHIBITED CONNECTIONS – The use of the sanitary sewer system for the following is prohibited, and under no circumstances will any of the following be connected to the system directly or indirectly, and any such existing connections are hereby prohibited and shall be removed forthwith;

<i>Sump pumps</i>	<i>Cellar drains</i>
<i>Garbage and disposals</i>	<i>Downspouts</i>
<i>Developer's cellar pits</i>	<i>Foundation underdrains</i>
<i>Floor drains</i>	<i>Area or Yard drains</i>
<i>Equipment drains</i>	<i>Conductors</i>
<i>A/C Equipment</i>	<i>Stormwater inlets</i>
<i>Catch basins</i>	<i>Leaders</i>

Any trash related questions should be directed to South Jersey Sanitation 609-561-0441. Recycling brochures with a detailed list of materials and collection days are available at the borough hall or upon request through the public works department.

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HOLIDAY RECYCLING SCHEDULE FOR 2013

Memorial Day –

Monday May 27th will be collected on Tuesday May 28th

Independence Day –

Thursday July 4th will be collected on Friday July 5th

Labor Day –

Monday September 2nd will be collected on Tuesday Sept. 3rd

Columbus Day –

Monday October 14th will be collected on Tuesday Oct. 15th

Veterans Day –

Monday November 11th will be collected on Tuesday Nov. 12th

Thanksgiving Day –

Thursday November 28th will be collected on Friday Nov. 29th

Trash collection for the above mentioned Holidays will not be affected, you will have the normal collection day, Wednesday

Christmas Eve Tuesday Dec. 24th & Christmas Day Wednesday Dec. 25th are Borough Holidays, all offices, including the public works department are closed.

Monday (12/23) & Thursday (12/26) Recycling for the week of Christmas will NOT be affected.

Trash Collection for Christmas Day, Wednesday December 25th will be on Thursday Dec. 26th.

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