



# The Town Crier

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**Our Twenty-Fifth Year!**

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**Mayor**

Jerry Bonsall, Council President  
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## **Borough Hall Office Hours**

Monday – Thursday 9 am – 4 pm  
Tuesday Eve 5 – 8 pm  
Friday 9 - Noon



**Annual Easter Egg Hunt**

**Saturday, April 16 10 a.m.**  
**Cricket Field**

**Rain Date: April 23 10 a.m.**



## **PLAY BALL!**

### **National Pastime Returns to Cricket Field**

April 11 marked the return of baseball to the refurbished Cricket Field complex. In a close game, the Gibbsboro Elementary School Spartans narrowly lost a 5-4 decision to Saint Mary's. The loss drops the Spartans to 2-1 overall.

The athletic complex has undergone an 18 month facelift that included resurfacing and grading, new fencing, drainage, and installation of numerous safety features. The larger "Babe Ruth" field is a regulation baseball field. The smaller field is a regulation Little League field.

The next face of the project will renovate the utility building to provide restrooms and storage. A high tech monitoring system is also being installed.

# AROUND TOWN



## Post 371 Donates Lap Tops

Post Commander Gene Whitaker presents Mayor Campbell with one of several lap top computers donated by the post for the Gibbsboro Police Department.

## Safety Reminder

With spring in the air the Gibbsboro Police remind drivers to exercise caution when driving. Pedestrians always have the right of way and vehicles are required to yield to them. Also, with the expansion of our bikeway system, be alert for bikeway crossings around town and yield to bikers and pedestrians in bikeway/walkway crossings ..... It's the law!



The governing body recently completed the installation of a new roof at the Fire Hall.

## Gibbsboro Scores Big with 2011 Grants and Loans

The Borough has recently been notified that it will receive the following grants and loans:

\$ 450,000 40 year 3.325% loan from USDA for sewer system renovations.

\$ 175,000 grant from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) for sewer system renovations. The USDA funding allows a major expansion of a project funded by a twenty year low interest loan from the NJ EIT.

\$ 190,000 NJ DOT grant to resurface Wexford Road. The project will be incorporated into a major sewer reconstruction project scheduled for late spring.

\$ 140,000 NJ DOT grant to extend sidewalk/bikeway along 561 to the Voorhees border near the Shell station.

\$ 25,000 from NJ DEP for a bikeway extension from Blueberry Hill (Red Trail) toward Pole Hill Park.

\$ 25,000 from the Camden County Open Space Trust to supplement fencing at the Cricket Field.

\$ 34,890.10 from the New Jersey Office of Clean Energy Direct Install Program for the installation of conservation measures at the Senior Recreation Center at Pole Hill Park. The improvements will generate annual utility savings in excess of \$ 1,600.

## New Electronics Waste Law in Effect

The Electronic Waste Management Act prohibits trash haulers from disposing as trash "Covered Electronic Devices" which include televisions and computers. Under a new law solid waste haulers cannot transport televisions and computers from residences and small businesses for disposal in landfills or incinerators.

The Borough is investigating options to provide for disposal. Goodwill Industries is providing a collection service to the public if the device is taken to a Goodwill facility. There is a Goodwill facility on the White Horse Pike (Route 30) in Stratford.

A list of consumer electronic recycling facility sites is available at: <http://www.state.nj.us/dep/dshw/lrm/uwaste/ucoplismpl.htm>. Residents can find local 'free' covered electronic device recycling opportunities at <http://www.nj.gov/dep/dshw/ewaste/collectionsites.pdf>.

## The Alicia Rose "Victorious" Foundation to hold Third Annual Run/Walk Fundraiser in Gibbsboro

The Alicia Rose "Victorious" Foundation will hold its annual Run/Walk on Sunday, May 22 in Gibbsboro. For walkers the route will cover the "Green Trail" of the Gibbsboro bikeway. For runners a timed race will be competed over South United States Avenue from Gibbsboro to Lindenwold Park and back to the Paint Works.

Last year's event was a huge success and the group expects more than 300 participants this year.

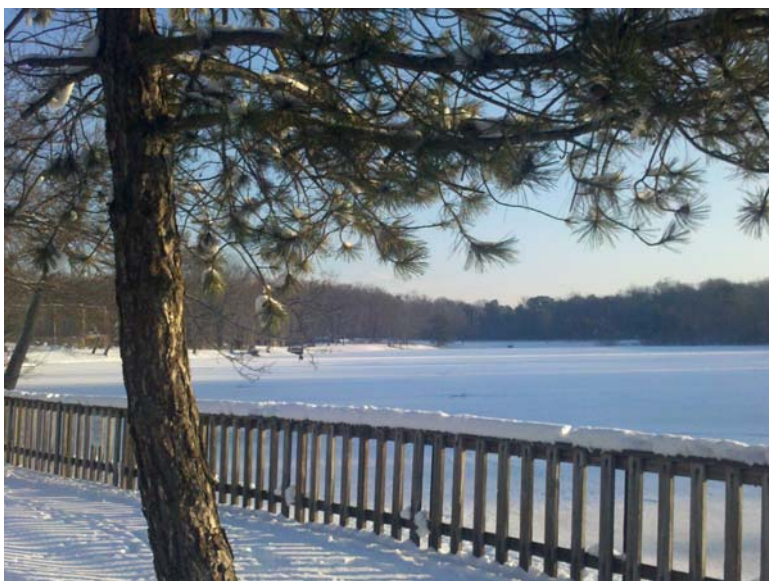
The Alicia Rose "*Victorious*" Foundation is dedicated to bringing hope, excitement, and entertainment to teens that are facing difficult conditions while receiving hospital treatment by providing various activities and services consistent with Alicia's outlook on making life good.

For more information contact:

Alicia Rose "*Victorious*" Foundation  
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[mchalmers@arvf.org](mailto:mchalmers@arvf.org)  
856-784-0615  
856-784-1159 (FAX)  
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Gibbsboro, NJ 08026

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

## Winter 2010 - 2011



# Solutions to Stormwater Pollution

## *Easy Things You Can Do Every Day To Protect Our Water*

### **A Guide to Healthy Habits for Cleaner Water**

**P**ollution on streets, parking lots and lawns is washed by rain into storm drains, then directly to our drinking water supplies and the ocean and lakes our children play in. Fertilizer, oil, pesticides, detergents, pet waste, grass clippings: You name it and it ends up in our water.

Stormwater pollution is one of New Jersey's greatest threats to clean and plentiful water, and that's why we're all doing something about it.

By sharing the responsibility and making small, easy changes in our daily lives, we can keep common pollutants out of stormwater. It all adds up to cleaner water, and it saves the high cost of cleaning up once it's dirty.

As part of New Jersey's initiative to keep our water clean and plentiful and to meet federal requirements, many municipalities and other public agencies including colleges and military bases must adopt ordinances or other rules prohibiting various activities that contribute to stormwater pollution. Breaking these rules can result in fines or other penalties.



**As a resident, business, or other member of the New Jersey community, it is important to know these easy things you can do every day to protect our water.**

### **Limit your use of fertilizers and pesticides**

- Do a soil test to see if you need a fertilizer.
- Do not apply fertilizers if heavy rain is predicted.
- Look into alternatives for pesticides.
- Maintain a small lawn and keep the rest of your property or yard in a natural state with trees and other native vegetation that requires little or no fertilizer.
- If you use fertilizers and pesticides, follow the instructions on the label on how to correctly apply it.



Make sure you properly store or discard any unused portions.

### **Properly use and dispose of hazardous products**

- Hazardous products include some household or commercial cleaning products, lawn and garden care products, motor oil, antifreeze, and paints.
- Do not pour any hazardous products down a storm drain because storm drains are usually connected to local waterbodies and the water is not treated.

If you have hazardous products in your home or workplace, make sure you store or dispose of them properly. Read the label for guidance.

Use natural or less toxic alternatives when possible.

Recycle used motor oil.

Contact your municipality, county or facility management office for the locations



## Clean up after your pet

Many municipalities and public agencies must enact and enforce local pet-waste rules.

An example is requiring pet owners or their keepers to pick up and properly dispose of pet waste dropped on public or other people's property.

Make sure you know your town's or agency's requirements and comply with them. It's the law. And remember to:

Use newspaper, bags or pooper-scoopers to pick up wastes.



## Dispose of yard waste properly

Keep leaves and grass out of storm drains.

If your municipality or agency has yard waste collection rules, follow them.

Use leaves and grass clippings as a resource for compost. Use a mulching mower that recycles grass clippings into the lawn.

## Don't litter

Place litter in trash receptacles.

Recycle. Recycle. Recycle.

Participate in community cleanups.



## Keep pollution out of storm drains

Municipalities and many other public agencies are required to mark certain storm drain inlets with messages reminding people that storm drains are connected to local waterbodies.

Do not let sewage or other wastes flow into a stormwater system.

## Don't feed wildlife

Do not feed wildlife, such as ducks and geese, in public areas.

Many municipalities and other public agencies must enact and enforce a rule that prohibits wildlife feeding in these areas.

## Contact information

For more information on stormwater related topics, visit [www.njstormwater.org](http://www.njstormwater.org) or [www.nonpointsource.org](http://www.nonpointsource.org)

Additional information is also available at U. S. Environmental Protection Agency Web sites :

[www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater](http://www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater) or [www.epa.gov/nps](http://www.epa.gov/nps)

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection  
Division of Water Quality

Bureau of Nonpoint Pollution Control

Municipal Stormwater Regulation Program

(609) 633-7021



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



# Gibbsboro Resident Quilts to Raise Awareness and Funds for Parkinson's

New York, NY, April 2010 — Gibbsboro, NJ resident Larry Schneider Jr., recently used his talents to contribute to the Parkinson's Quilt, a project of the Parkinson's Disease Foundation (PDF) that seeks to raise awareness of Parkinson's disease (PD) and the need for a cure.

Mr. Schneider, 41, has lived with Parkinson's since the age of 27. An artist for his entire life—a free hand illustrator in college and now a professional computer graphic artist—he wanted to use his skills to make a difference for a very personal cause. He found a way to do so through the Quilt, the first project of its kind for Parkinson's.

Mr. Schneider decided to create a light-hearted quilt panel that would reflect his positive attitude and the enjoyment he finds in creative activities. His contribution is entitled, 'Park N Sons Martini Bar and Lounge (Always shaken, never stirred).' The brightly colored panel, made with colored pencils/markers and fabric paints features a martini glass at its center, accompanied by several bold, colorful tulips and an illustration of a martini bar and lounge banner. To spread the word about the Parkinson's Quilt Project and its purpose, Mr. Schneider posted news and photos about his panel on Facebook. He was touched by the positive response he received from nearly 100 friends and family members.

Shortly after creating this first quilt, he saw a posting asking for musicians to submit quilt panels to be displayed at PDF's annual gala, [HYPERLINK "http://www.pdf.org/en/gala"](http://www.pdf.org/en/gala) *Bal du Printemps*, which will take place on Wednesday, May 12 in New York City. The event is focused on the power music, in large part because it is honoring Bob Benjamin of the Light of Day Foundation, who has raised over \$1 million for PD by hosting concerts all over the world. Mr. Schneider put his efforts into creating yet another panel. This one features an image of him playing bass guitar, with a quote by Henry David Thoreau, "I know of no more encouraging fact than the unquestionable ability of man to elevate his life by conscious endeavor."

Certainly his endeavor is admirable. To use his own words, "With the support of friends and family, I was able to get my project off the ground. I'm an artist, so if I can provide images, quilt pieces, or electronic art, that will help this cause, I'll do so. I feel positive about anything I can to help raise awareness about Parkinson's disease."

Robin Elliott, Executive Director of the PDF, the organization that is leading the Quilt Project, said, "The true power of the Parkinson's Quilt Project comes from the 600 individuals such as Mr. Schneider, who actually create the pieces that we assemble. When the Quilt is displayed for the first time at the World Parkinson Congress in Glasgow, Scotland next September, it will radiate his contributions and those of hundreds of others around the world who, like him, are touched by Parkinson's. It will also remind the world that we need increased awareness and funds to find a cure for Parkinson's. We applaud Mr. Schneider's efforts to help make all this happen."

Those interested in learning more or requesting an image of Mr. Schneider's panel can do so by contacting PDF by calling (800) 457-6676, emailing [info@pdf.org](mailto:info@pdf.org) or visiting [HYPERLINK "http://support.pdf.org/quilt"](http://support.pdf.org/quilt) <http://support.pdf.org/quilt>.

**About Parkinson's Disease:** Parkinson's disease is a progressive neurological disorder that affects nearly one million people in the US. Although promising research is being conducted, there is currently no cure for Parkinson's.

**About the Parkinson's Disease Foundation:** The Parkinson's Disease Foundation (PDF) is a leading national presence in Parkinson's disease research, education and public advocacy. We are working for the nearly one million people in the US who live with Parkinson's by funding promising scientific research to find the causes of and a cure for Parkinson's while supporting people with Parkinson's, their families and caregivers through educational programs and support services. Since its founding in 1957, PDF has funded over \$80 million worth of scientific research in Parkinson's disease, supporting the work of leading scientists throughout the world.



During the January reorganization meeting, Councilman Jerry Bonsall (above) takes the oath of office which was administered by Borough Solicitor John P. Jehl. A Bible was held by his wife Carole and grandson Matthew.

Below, Councilman Mitch Brown takes the oath of office from Mayor Ed Campbell. The Bible was held by Borough Clerk Anne Levy.

Both are beginning new three year terms on Council. Bonsall was also elected Council President.



## 2011 MUNICIPAL HOLIDAYS

|                  |          |             |
|------------------|----------|-------------|
| Memorial Day     | Monday   | May 30      |
| Independence Day | Monday   | July 4      |
| Labor Day        | Monday   | September 5 |
| Veterans' Day    | Friday   | November 11 |
| Thanksgiving     | Thursday | November 24 |
| Thanksgiving     | Friday   | November 25 |
| Christmas Day    | Sunday   | December 25 |
| Christmas        | Monday   | December 26 |

### Trash/Recycling Reminders

Residents are asked not to place trash or recycling curbside prior to 6 pm the night before collection. Receptacles are to be removed the day of collection. This is a courtesy to your neighbors as well as the law.

Cardboard can now be placed curbside with recyclables.

White goods are collected on the last Friday of the month.

Saturday trash collection will be available from June through August.

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**School Elections**  
**Wednesday, April 27**

**Polls Open**  
**2:00 p.m. – 9 p.m.**

**Vote at Gibbsboro School**

**BOROUGH OF  
GIBBSBORO  
49 KIRKWOOD ROAD  
GIBBSBORO, NJ 08026**

**PRSRT STD  
U. S. POSTAGE PAID  
CHERRY HILL, NJ  
PERMIT NO. 118**

**LOCAL POSTAL PATRON  
GIBBSBORO, NJ 08026**

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

| DAY          | DATE | EVENT                                     | TIME                  | PLACE                |
|--------------|------|---|-----------------------|----------------------|
| <b>APRIL</b> |      |   |                       |                      |
| Tuesday      | 4/26 | Zoning Board                              | 8:00 p.m.             | Borough Hall         |
| Wednesday    | 4/27 | School Election                           | 2:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. | Gibbsboro School     |
| Saturday     | 4/16 | <b>Annual Easter Egg Hunt</b>             | 10 a.m.               | <b>Cricket Field</b> |
| Saturday     | 4/23 | <b>Annual Easter Egg Hunt (RAIN DATE)</b> | 10 a.m.               | <b>Cricket Field</b> |
| <b>MAY</b>   |      |   |                       |                      |
| Monday       | 5/2  | Environmental Commission                  | 8:00 p.m.             | Borough Hall         |
| Tuesday      | 5/10 | Planning Board                            | 8:00 p.m.             | Borough Hall         |
| Tuesday      | 5/10 | Board of Education                        | 8:00 p.m.             | Borough Hall         |
| Wednesday    | 5/11 | Council                                   | 7:00 p.m.             | Borough Hall         |
| Tuesday      | 5/24 | Zoning Board                              | 8:00 p.m.             | Borough Hall         |
| <b>June</b>  |      |   |                       |                      |
| Thursday     | 6/30 | Miss Gibbsboro Pageant                    | 7:00 p.m.             | Lakeside Manor       |

**PHONE NUMBERS**

|   |                       |                                |
|---|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Borough Hall</b>                           | <b>(856) 783-6655</b> |                                |
| <b>Tax Assessor</b>                           | <b>Extension 107</b>  |                                |
| <b>Tax Collector</b>                          | <b>Extension 103</b>  |                                |
| <b>Municipal Court</b>                        | <b>Extension 104</b>  |                                |
| <b>Borough Clerk</b>                          | <b>Extension 105</b>  |                                |
| <b>Construction Office</b>                    | <b>Extension 107</b>  |                                |
| <b>Local Assistance (Welfare)</b>             | <b>Extension 150</b>  |                                |
| <b>Public Works</b>                           | <b>(856) 784-2111</b> |                                |
| <b>Gibbsboro Library</b>                      | <b>(856) 435-3656</b> |                                |
| <b>Sewer Emergencies (Bommer Plumbing)</b>    | <b>(856) 783-6721</b> | <b>*** 24 HOUR SERVICE ***</b> |
| <b>New Jersey One Call (Utility Mark Out)</b> | <b>(800) 272-1000</b> |                                |
| <b>Gas Leaks</b>                              | <b>(800) 582-7060</b> | <b>*** ALSO CALL 911 ***</b>   |
| <b>Police/Fire</b>                            | <b>911</b>            |                                |



