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Our Thirty-second Year!

May 2019

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Borough Hall Office Hours

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



Memorial Day Services **Monday, May 27**

8:00 am American Legion
9:15 am Cedar Grove Cemetery
9:45 am Triangle
10:15 am Lauer Playground

Miss Gibbsboro Pageant

Tuesday, July 2
Senior Center
7 p.m.

Superfund Cleanup Continues to Pick Up Steam

EPA Secures Agreement for over \$21 Million Cleanup of Lead and Arsenic at the United States Avenue Burn Superfund Site

On April 29 the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Department of Justice today announced a finalized consent decree with The Sherwin-Williams Company to remove lead and arsenic contaminated soil and sediment at the United States Avenue Burn Superfund site in Gibbsboro, New Jersey. The site is one of three Superfund sites in Gibbsboro and Voorhees where Sherwin-Williams is doing cleanup work. It is located near a former paint manufacturing plant and was used as a paint waste dump. Sherwin-Williams will pay an estimated \$21 million to clean up the site and pay nearly \$1.5 million towards reimbursement of EPA's past response costs related to the three sites. Additionally, the agreement calls for the company to pay future response costs in overseeing the work to be performed under the consent decree, which was entered by the court on April 16, 2019.

Route 561 Dump Site Remediation and Restoration Update

Sherwin-Williams has initiated remediation activities on certain commercial properties located along Route 561 immediately south of Kresson-Gibbsboro Road. Sherwin-Williams' contractor is performing the EPA-approved scope of work with oversight by the Army Corps of Engineers acting as EPA's on-site representative. The work along Route 561 will continue through the spring and summer.

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Above, pictured left to right: Candace Bracy, Postmaster Thorofare, Taneesha Gardner, Sales & Services Associate, Gibbsboro, Eartha Gordon, Postmaster Gibbsboro.

History made at the Gibbsboro Post Office!

The office celebrated Women's History Month in March. Eartha Gordon (holding plaque) was awarded the position of Postmaster at the Gibbsboro office October 17, 2017. She is the first African-American female Postmaster at Gibbsboro with 30 years of service. The award was signed by the first female Postmaster General, Megan J. Brennan. Congratulations Eartha!

Superfund (Continued)

Portions of this report have been supplied by US EPA and Sherwin Williams.

Remediation is complete at 80 S. Lakeview Drive. Final paving of the remediation area will be completed once the property owner completes planned sidewalk improvements. Preparations and coordination for utility work is underway for the next commercial property near the intersection of Kresson Road and Route 561 in advance of upcoming remediation activities. Gibbsboro Police will continue to provide support as necessary to minimize traffic disruptions along Route 561. Businesses remain open during construction activities.

Overall Sherwin-Williams Sites

The United States Avenue Burn Superfund site, the Route 561 Dump site, and the Sherwin-Williams/Hilliards Creek Superfund site are all sources of contaminated soil and sediment, which has spread onto a number of properties within Gibbsboro and Voorhees, New Jersey. Across the three sites, under previous orders by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and the EPA, Sherwin-Williams has:

- removed 8,096 cubic yards of sludge from a former lagoon area,
- removed 44,785 gallons of liquid waste,
- installed a soil vapor extraction treatment system to reduce the volatile organic compounds in soil near two former plant buildings,
- installed fencing to limit access to some source areas, and
- started soil cleanup at residential properties, which is ongoing.

Residential properties cleanup

EPA's approach at the sites has been to prioritize residential cleanup, and in 2015, EPA selected a cleanup plan for certain residential properties, including some near Kirkwood Lake. Sherwin-Williams is working on the residential cleanups with EPA oversight. At EPA's direction, Sherwin-Williams began residential cleanups in Gibbsboro several years ago and now has extended that soil cleanup work to Kirkwood Lake properties. EPA will oversee this work to ensure that it is done in a manner that is protective of human health and the environment as well as minimizes disruption and inconvenience for property owners.

While these cleanups move forward, Sherwin-Williams is conducting studies to address the former paint manufacturing plant and waterbodies portion of the Sherwin-Williams Hilliards Creek site. EPA expects a feasibility study, which identifies cleanup alternatives for soil and sediment at the former paint manufacturing plant, will be completed this summer followed by remedy selection in late 2019.



Safe Medication
Disposal Program
KidCents



Rite Aid Donates Safe Medical Disposal Box to the Gibbsboro Police Department

Rite Aid has donated a medical disposal safe to the Gibbsboro Police Department as part of a new partnership between Gibbsboro police and Rite Aid's KidCents Program. [KidCents](#) is The Rite Aid Foundation's charitable giving program that is dedicated to improving the health and well-being of children. Kidcents and the Gibbsboro Police Department are committed to supporting a safe environment for children in our community by helping to reduce the misuse of medications by adolescents and accidental childhood poisonings.

Gibbsboro residents are now able to drop off prescription medications at the police department 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The Safe Medical Disposal Unit is located in the police station's lobby. On the weekend and after hours, residents must use the call box to have a police officer come into the station to let them in at 856-783-0900 or use the call box located outside the entrance to the police department.

Any prescription medications and over the counter medications will be accepted. Illegal drugs needles, lotions or liquids, inhalers, aerosol cans and hydrogen peroxide will be accepted. Labels should be removed from all prescription bottles before bringing them in. For more information, contact Gibbsboro Police Department Safe Medication Disposal Coordinator Chief Justin Tomaszewski at 856-783-0151 or email at jtomaszewski@gibbsborotownhall.com.



Blood Drive – May 21
2-7 p.m. Post 371

NJ DOT Sends Additional \$225K for Haddon Avenue

The New Jersey Department of Transportation announced the most recent round of Transportation Trust Fund (TTF) grants and there was again good news for Gibbsboro! Gibbsboro will receive \$225 thousand to subsidize the resurfacing of Haddon Avenue. This is in addition to \$300K award last year. The project includes “traffic calming” measures to help slow traffic on the road which serves as a “short cut” for some motorists heading west. Construction will start later this spring and run through summer.



Above: Mayor Campbell addresses the new inductees during their induction ceremony.

Eight Inducted into NJHS

The Gibbsboro School inducted eight new members into the local chapter of the National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) on Tuesday, April 15 at the Gibbsboro Elementary School. The NJHS was founded in 1929 and is one of the nation's premier organizations established to recognize outstanding middle level students. NJHS serves to honor those students who have demonstrated excellence in the areas of Scholarship, Leadership, Service, Character, and Citizenship. The new members of the Gibbsboro chapter are Kevin Duffy, Kasey Eustace, Delaney Hauber, Owen Karcsh, Lauren Lazzaro, Aniyah May, Brielle O'Donnell, and Eva Sprewell. Mayor Campbell presented a pen set to each new member on behalf of the governing body in recognition of the student's achievement.

Dear Residents and Business Owners:

In accordance with the Borough's Tier A Municipal Storm Water General Permit, the Governing Body has adopted various ordinances to regulate the impact of storm water and pollutants on the environment. As part of our required Local Public Education Program, we are sending this letter to you annually to highlight the requirements and environmental benefits of these Ordinances. The following describes the Ordinances in the Municipal Code:

1. Pet Waste: This Ordinance requires all pet owners to pick up and properly dispose of pet waste dropped on public or private property. This requirement prevents fecal contamination from impacting our local waterways.
2. Litter: This Ordinance states that it is unlawful to throw, drop, discard, or otherwise place litter of any nature on any public or private property, other than a litter receptacle. This requirement has been adopted to prevent all types of litter from cluttering public streets and private property and prevents litter from impacting our waterways.
3. Improper Disposal of Waste: This Ordinance states that it is illegal to dispose of waste in any place other than a proper solid waste storage container. The purpose of this Ordinance is to prevent unsanitary conditions and groundwater pollution.
4. Wildlife Feeding: Feeding of water fowl on municipal park land or property is prohibited by Ordinance. The purpose of this Ordinance is to reduce water fowl population in response to health concerns regarding bacteria from fecal matter which is harmful to humans and fish populations.
5. Yard Waste: This Ordinance has been created to establish a system for the placement and collection of leaves, brush, and other yard wastes. The purpose of the Ordinance is to keep leaves, grass and other yard waste out of the storm water inlets and piping, and ultimately out of our waterways.
6. Illicit Connections: It is unlawful to connect any pipe or discharge to the municipal storm sewer system that is intended to discard, spill, or dump any substance other than storm water or groundwater (via sump discharge) into the system. The purpose of this Ordinance is to prevent contamination of our streams and waterways which receive discharge from our storm sewers.

The transport of pollutants into local streams and water bodies can result in the destruction of fish, wildlife, and habitats; threats to public health and the loss of recreational and aesthetic value.

The Governing Body has enacted the above listed Ordinances to protect our environment, and to keep pollutants that are commonly conveyed by storm water from adversely impacting our waterways and groundwater supplies. These ordinances can be found in the Section 343 of the Municipal Code of the Borough of Gibbsboro or on the official Borough web site www.gibbsboroughtownhall.com.

Sincerely,



Edward G. Campbell, III
Mayor



**Community Garden
Fundraiser**
Car Wash – Hoogie Sale
June 8
Gibbsboro School
\$6 each

**17TH ANNUAL 4TH OF JULY ESSAY CONTEST
OPEN TO BOYS AND GIRLS
AGES 13 TO 18**

**WINNER OF THE ESSAY CONTEST WILL
BE ANNOUNCED DURING THE MISS GIBBSBORO PAGEANT AT
GIBBSBORO SENIOR CENTER, POLE HILL PARK
TUESDAY, JULY 2 AT 7:00 PM**

PRIZE FOR BEST ESSAY \$200.00

ESSAY CONTEST RULES

1. Essay writers must be between the ages of 13 to 18 (Male or Female).
2. Essay contest is open to residents of Gibbsboro only.
3. Essay contestants will complete an original essay on the selected topic.
4. Deadline for essays, which must be accompanied by the below application, is **noon Friday, June 21.**
5. The winning essay will be placed in the Gibbsboro Town Crier and on Gibbsboro's web site – www.gibbsborotownhall.com.

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ESSAY TOPIC:

IF YOU COULD SEE GIBBSBORO 25 YEARS IN THE FUTURE WHAT ARE SOME THINGS THAT YOU WOULD HOPE WOULD BE THE SAME AS THEY ARE TODAY FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS TO ENJOY?

Cut at the dotted line and return bottom portion with essay to Borough Hall

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Name _____ Age _____ Grade as of 6/1 _____

Address _____ Phone No. _____

Miss Gibbsboro Pageant

Senior Center, Pole Hill Park

Tuesday July 2

7:00 p.m.

First Place Prize - \$500.00

First Runner Up - \$300.00

Second Runner Up - \$200.00

If you are a female Gibbsboro resident between the ages of 13 and 18 it's time to enter the Miss Gibbsboro Pageant!

The Rules:

1. Contestants must be between the ages of 13 and 18.
2. Pageant is open to Gibbsboro residents only.
3. Miss Gibbsboro must be available during her reign to represent Gibbsboro at requested public events.

You could be this year's Miss Gibbsboro, representing our town at all public events held during your year long reign! Enter now!

Contestants will compete in both Casual and Formal Dress.

Contact Borough Hall at 856-783-6655 for an application.

Applications are also available online at www.gibbsborotownhall.com.

Cut at the dotted line and return bottom portion to Borough Hall by 12:00 p.m. June 21.

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Name: _____ Age: _____ Grade as of June 1 _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Community Calendar

May

Saturday	18-May	Camden County Household Hazardous Waste Collection	8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Atco Parking Area Atco & Raritan Avenues
Saturday	18-May	Fire Company Hoagie Sale	10:00 a.m. - ?	Fire Hall\Truck
Tuesday	21-May	Community Garden Meeting	7:00 p.m.	Senior Center Pole Hill Park
Tuesday	21-May	Blood Drive	2:00 p.m. - 7 p.m.	American Legion Post 371 Lakeview Drive
Thursday	23-May	Senior Citizens Club Meeting	1:00 p.m.	Senior Center Pole Hill Park
Saturday	25-May	Birding Walk & Photo Tour	7:30 a.m.	Community Garden Pole Hill Park
Monday	27-May	Memorial Day Services Borough Offices Closed	8:00 - 11:00 a.m.	American Legion Cemetery Triangle Lauer Playground
Wednesday	29-May	Weekly Trash/Recycling collection due to holiday		

June

Saturday	1-Jun	Town-Wide Yard Sale	For Info call Mary Anne at 856-357-4387 9 am - 9 pm	
Tuesday	4-Jun	Primary Election Day		American Legion
Tuesday	4-Jun	Community Garden Meeting	7:00 p.m.	Senior Center Pole Hill Park
Saturday	8-Jun	Community Garden Hoagie Sale	9:00 a.m. - 1 p.m.	Gibbsboro School Parking Lot
Saturday	8-Jun	Community Garden Car Wash	9:00 a.m. - 1 p.m.	Gibbsboro School Parking Lot
Tuesday	11-Jun	HSA Meeting	6:30 p.m. - 7 :30 p.m.	Gibbsboro School
Tuesday	11-Jun	Planning/Zoning/Historic Preservation Board	7:00 p.m.	Borough Hall
Tuesday	11-Jun	Gibbsboro Board of Education	7:30 p.m.	Gibbsboro School
Wednesday	12-Jun	Borough Council Meeting	7:00 p.m.	Borough Hall
Tuesday	18-Jun	Community Garden Meeting	7:00 p.m.	Senior Center Pole Hill Park
Saturday	22-Jun	Camden County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event	8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Camden County College Parking Lot, Gloucester Twp
Saturday	22-Jun	Camden County Electronics Recycling Event	8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Camden County College Parking Lot, Gloucester Twp
Thursday	27-Jun	Senior Citizens Club Meeting	1:00 p.m.	Senior Center Pole Hill Park

July

Tuesday	2-Jul	Miss Gibbsboro Pageant	7:00 p.m.	Senior Center Pole Hill Park
Tuesday	2-Jul	Trash/Recycling Pick Up	Normal Collection Date	
Thursday	4-Jul	Independence Day Parade Borough Offices Closed		
Saturday	6-Jul	Independence Day Parade Rain Date		
Sunday	7-Jul	Independence Day Parade Second Rain Date		
Tuesday	9-Jul	Planning/Zoning/Historic Preservation Board	7:00 p.m.	Borough Hall
Wednesday	10-Jul	Borough Council Meeting	7:00 p.m.	Borough Hall
Saturday	13-Jul	Gibbsboro Community Garden's 'Coffee & Tea in the Garden'	9:00 a.m. - noon	Community Garden Pole Hill Park
Tuesday	16-Jul	Community Garden Meeting	7:00 p.m.	Senior Center Pole Hill Park
Thursday	25-Jul	Senior Citizens Club Meeting	1:00 p.m.	Senior Center Pole Hill Park

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GIBBSBORO, NJ 08026

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CHERRY HILL, NJ
PERMIT NO. 118

LOCAL POSTAL PATRON
GIBBSBORO, NJ 08026

Gibbsboro Remembers

Memorial Day Services RAIN OR SHINE

Monday, May 27
ALL TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE

8:00 am
American Legion Post 371

9:15 am
Cedar Grove Cemetery

9:45 am
**American Legion Memorial
(Triangle)**

10:15 am
Lauer Playground



Cpl Vernon H. Parker Jr USMC

Gibbsboro Resident
KIA September 25, 1966
Vietnam

PFC Joseph Lauer USMC

Gibbsboro Resident
KIA May 31, 1968
Vietnam

PFC Gary Francis Cysewski US Army

KIA September 11, 1968
Vietnam
Interred at Cedar Grove
Cemetery
Gibbsboro

WE REMEMBER: JOSEPH EDWARD LAUER
December 19, 1948 – May 31, 1968



JOSEPH EDWARD LAUER was a member of the Class of 1967, the first graduating class of Eastern Regional High School. After graduating from Eastern, Lauer enlisted in the US Marine Corps and volunteered to go to Vietnam.

Lauer's duty started on May 8, 1968 and only 23 days after arriving in Vietnam, Private First Class Lauer, on May 31, 1968, at the age of 19, was tragically killed in Quang Tri, South Vietnam, the result of hostile mortar fire. He was awarded the Purple Heart.