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TOWNSHIP OF MAHWAH FIRE DEPARTMENT CELEBRATES 100TH YEAR



Photo by Jose Suarez

On December 28, 1914, a meeting was held to form the first formal fire department in the area of Ho-Ho-Kus Township that is now the Township of Mahwah. The 25 charter members included Warren Ackerman, Mathias Carey, Millard Cooper (Chief), Ray Dator, W. Dederick, Ray Edwards, W.D. Finch, Harry Hagerman, Howard Holman, Harry Jackson, Harold Johnson, W.O. King, E.C. Lane, Frank Shoer, R.A. Smith, Harry Sturr, Fred Terwilliger, Irvin Tiedmann, Abram Valentine, Art Valentine, Rich Valentine, Ira Whaley, Albert Winter, Charles Winter (President), and Louis Winter. The first firehouse was located on Hillside Avenue in Millard Cooper's garage.

100 years later, the 26 square mile Township of Mahwah and its citizens and businesses are served and protected by over 150 dedicated firefighter volunteers housed in five separate fire companies strategically located throughout the Township. Continued on pages six and seven. ■



A MESSAGE FROM MAYOR BILL LAFORET

As a lifelong resident and as Mayor of Mahwah my commitment to the Township remains constant. I am committed to doing what it takes to foster a positive economic climate and ensure prompt and courteous services by our Township employees.

I am pleased to report that as we start off the year 2014 the Township has a solid foundation in place. We have made and will continue to make investments in Township operations and the community that will produce strong returns on our investment and new, exciting opportunities. My commitment to the community is built on strong pillars: a safe community, an affordable place to live and do business, and healthy and recreational opportunities for our residents to become engaged in their community.

The partnership between our community and the Township employees, volunteer services and excellent school system is why Mahwah has achieved the outstanding ranking by two independent evaluators, Safewise.com and Movoto.com, as one of the safest communities to live in. This has a positive impact on real estate values, and is a model for other communities to strive for. The Police Department is proud to have again achieved national accreditation and is in the elite status with only 5% of other law enforcement agencies in the country.

While other communities in North Jersey are seeing an exodus of large corporations, Mahwah maintains its business relationship with large corporations such as Jaguar Land/Rover and Stryker Orthopaedics and welcomes Dress Barn Corporate Headquarters as a new business to the community that bring jobs and improves our economy.

As Mayor, one of my main goals is to ensure access to information and promote social engagement. To this end, many of you participate in our Nixle program, Swiftreach emergency notification and our latest development, Mahwah Delivers, a phone app that puts Township services at your fingertips. If you haven't already signed up I strongly encourage you to do so. Government needs transparency, openness on both internal and external issues and residents deserve to have correct information, in the right manner and in a place where you can find it.

Although we have achieved a great deal there is still more work to be done. Together, with the governing body, we must invest in an aggressive asset management plan; record the infrastructure and resources we use as a community, track maintenance and operational costs of our departments and put plans in place to ensure we take care of them. We need to guarantee sustainability to you, our shareholders. My goal is to improve our customer service, implement better staff workflow and guarantee a better impression on those who use our services.

Our accomplishments are tangible evidence that the business models and best practices that I have introduced are working; but we can do better, in part because you expect us to do better.

I am extremely proud of Mahwah and I hope you are also. I am proud of what the community has accomplished and has become and what our future holds for us. I always welcome your input, comments and suggestions. Please feel free to contact me at wlaforet@mahwahtwp.org or call 201-452-2477.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "William C. Laforet".

William C. Laforet

Mayor





2014 WATERING DAYS



A REMINDER FROM THE TOWNSHIP OF MAHWAH WATER DEPARTMENT

From May 1 through September 30, 2014:

Outdoor watering is permitted all day at **EVEN** number street address properties on **Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.**

Outdoor watering is permitted all day at **ODD** number street address properties on **Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.**

OUTDOOR WATERING IS PROHIBITED ALL DAY ON SUNDAYS

The use of a hand held hose for watering is permitted on any day, including Sunday.

WATERING DAYS - BUSINESSES, CONDOS AND APARTMENTS

NO WATERING ON SUNDAYS

PROPERTIES WATERED WITH INGROUND SPRINKLER SYSTEMS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO ALSO BE WATERED WITH ABOVE GROUND HOSE FED SPRINKLERS

HAND HELD HOSES ARE PERMITTED ANY TIME

MONDAY – WEDNESDAY – FRIDAY

APPLE RIDGE CONDOS; RAMAPO BRAE LANE; BELLGROVE DRIVE (INDIAN FIELD); RAMAPO COLLEGE (BALLFIELD SIDE); BIRCHWOOD HILLS; RAMAPO RIDGE CONDOS; CHAPEL GREEN; RIDGE GARDENS; CORPORATE DRIVE (NORTHSIDE); RIO VISTA ASSOC. (SEMINARY ROAD); DARLINGTON RIDGE (ZONE A); RIO VISTA CONDOS; FRANKLIN HEIGHTS; RIO VISTA POOL; GREENWAY ON THE RIDGE; ROUTE 17 SOUTHBOUND; INDIAN HOLLOW; SHARP ELECTRONICS; MACARTHUR BLVD (EASTBOUND); STARVIEW APARTMENTS; MAHWAH HIGH SCHOOL; THE MALL APARTMENTS

TUESDAY – THURSDAY – SATURDAY

BROOKSIDE MANOR; LINDVALE GARDEN APARTMENTS; CORPORATE DRIVE (SOUTHSIDE); MACARTHUR BLVD (WESTBOUND); DARLINGTON RIDGE (ZONE B); NORTH BAYARD LANE; DATASCOPE; PADDINGTON SQUARE; DIAL AMERICA; POND MEADOWS; DICKINSON LANE; RAMAPO COLLEGE (SCHOOL SIDE); FRANKLIN CROSSING; RAMAPO GARDEN APTS (ABOVE GROUND); HYTORC; ROLLING HILLS APARTMENTS; INDIAN FIELD; ROUTE 17 NORTHBOUND; INDIAN RIDGE; SOCIETY HILL I & II; INTERNATIONAL CROSSROADS; UNITED PARCEL SERVICE

ELECTION NEWS:

Upcoming Elections:

Primary Election: Tuesday, June 3, 2014
General Election: Tuesday, November 4, 2014

Polls are open from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m..

Note: The School and Municipal Elections have been moved to November and are held with the General Election.

Voter Registration Dates and Last Day for New Voters to Register to Vote in Upcoming Elections:

Primary Election: Tuesday, May 13, 2014
General Election: Tuesday, October 14, 2014
Location: Municipal Clerk's Office at 475 Corporate Drive.
8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Absentee Ballots: Absentee Ballot Request Forms are available in the Municipal Clerk's Office. Deadline requests must be received by the Bergen County Clerk's Office in Hackensack seven days before the Election for which you are requesting the Absentee Ballot; or you may apply in person to the Bergen County Clerk, 1 Bergen County Plaza – Room 130 in Hackensack up until 3:00 p.m. the day before the Election.



2014 COLLECTION EVENTS FOR BERGEN COUNTY RESIDENTS

Tire Recycling • Electronics & Computer Mobile Paper Shredding
Two Convenient Locations

Bergen Community College
400 Paramus Rd., Paramus
Sunday, April 27th
Saturday, August 16th

Bergen County
Campgaw Mountain Reservation
200 Campgaw Rd., Mahwah
Saturday, June 7th
Saturday, October 25th

Collection Hours: 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. (RAIN OR SHINE)



Give your tires one last spin--recycle them!

- Four (4) tire limit per person, per delivery.
- Tires with or without rims accepted.



Recycle one "byte" at a time - bring us your electronics and computers!

- Bring us computers, televisions, modems, fax machines and more!

Give your paper a safe retirement--shred it!

- Recycle your unwanted, confidential documents by safely shredding them.
 - Limit of four (4) bags/boxes weighing no more than 10 lbs. ea.
 - Observe materials shredded on-site.

Safe and free collections for Bergen County residents. Proof of residency is required. No materials from businesses will be accepted.

Call the BCUA Environmental Programs Hotline: 201-807-5825 or go to www.bcua.org for additional information.

Sponsored by the Bergen County Utilities Authority

MAHWAH COMMUNITY NEWS (MCN) SEEKING COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS



Mahwah's Community Cable TV Committee is seeking additional members to work on different facets of Mahwah Community News which is featured on Cablevision Channel 78 and Fios Channel 33. According to Committee Chairperson, Gail Reynolds, "We are seeking members

of the Mahwah community who would be interested in developing programs for the station. If you are interested in creating slides advertising local community events, interviewing community members who are working on special projects or programs, filming or taking stills of local events, editing, or developing scripts, we would like to have you as part of the Cable Committee which includes Kim Bolan, Gloria Volpe Lore, David May, Tricia Patella, John Roth, and Peter Wendrychowicz." If you have such an interest, contact MCN by email at mcn78@mahwahtwp.org or at 201-529-5757 Ext. 270.

The MCN program, "Mahwah Meets" has begun the year with an interview of Mahwah's new school superintendent, Dr. Lauren Schoen hosted by Cable Committee's Council Liaison John Roth. Other community members scheduled to be interviewed are Pam Drozd who is a member of the Mahwah Fire Department and The Sharing Network and Alex Michelini who will take viewers on a "tour" of Mahwah while he recounts the story of poet Joyce Kilmer and the places in Mahwah Kilmer frequented.

Just a reminder that if your organization is hosting an event and would like the event publicized or would like MCN to tape or take stills of the event, just contact us at the above email address or phone number. ■

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! The Mahwah Fire Department is celebrating its 100th Anniversary! There will be numerous events throughout 2014 to commemorate this milestone. Two upcoming events are:

Tricky Tray Fundraiser

When: April 25, 2014; **Location:** Company #1 - 100 Miller Road
Time: 7:00 p.m.; Cost: \$7 Pre-sale, \$10 at the door.

For Pre-sale tickets contact Tim Tedesco at ttedesco11@stac.edu or call 551-265-1114. Like our Facebook page at "Mahwah Rescue" for up-to-date information regarding the Tricky Tray and other 100th Anniversary events.

Block Party

When: August 23, 2014; **Location:** Company #1 -100 Miller Road
Time: TBD

This event will take place next to the location where 13 local residents met in December 1914 to form a formal fire department - incorporated in May of 1915 as the Mahwah Fire Department. The event will be open to all our neighbors, friends and family.

Getting Started with Physical Activity for a Healthy Weight



More than one-third of U.S. adults (35.7%) are obese. New Jersey's rates are slightly better (24.6%) but even this figure is too high. Obesity-related conditions include heart disease, stroke, type 2 diabetes and certain types of cancer. Regular exercise and a healthy weight can prevent many of these illnesses and help manage symptoms for those who already have them.

According to the 2008 Physical Activity Guidelines for Americans, adults need to do two types of physical activity each week to improve health: aerobic and muscle-strengthening. The guideline recommends 2.5 hours of moderate aerobic activity and muscle-strengthening activities on two or more days each week.

We know what you're saying – "2.5 hours! How am I going to fit that in?" It's easier than you think. You can break that time up into manageable 'chunks' as little as 10 minutes each and build from there. If you take three brisk, 10 minute walks each week day you will have accomplished the recommended 150 minutes of moderate-intensity activity! Here are some other tips to get you started:

- Look for opportunities to reduce sedentary time. Instead of watching TV, try taking a walk after dinner. Even little changes like regularly choosing the stairs over the elevator or parking your car in the furthest spot from the building you are entering will increase your overall physical activity.
- Start with activities, locations, and times you enjoy. Are you an early bird? Try a sunrise walk through the neighborhood. Not a morning person? How about an exercise class after work? Don't overlook local schools and libraries that offer low or no cost evening classes.
- Try activities with friends or family members to help with motivation and mutual encouragement. Join or start a Walking Club (visit www.mywalkingclub.org)
- Start slowly and work your way up to more physically challenging activities.

Regular physical check-ups by a physician are an important tool in maintaining good health and are recommended when starting any new diet or exercise program. This is particularly true of people managing chronic disease. If you have a heart condition, arthritis, diabetes, or high blood pressure talk to your doctor first about the types and amounts of physical activity appropriate for you. ■

Reference Sites:

www.cdc.gov/obesity; www.cdc.gov/healthyweight;
www.cdc.gov/physicalactivity; www.niddk.nih.gov



TRAVELER'S HEALTH The CDC (Centers for Disease Control & Prevention) official website is a great resource for reviewing all aspects of traveler's health education. Destinations, current travel notices, disease directory,

vaccine requirements, clinic locations, videos, and common travel health topics are just some of the areas addressed. Be sure to make <http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel> an important part of your initial travel planning! ■

NEW VAN ARRIVES FOR ACCESS TRANSPORTATION

Access Transportation is pleased to announce the long awaited arrival of a new van. The van is leased to us free of charge through a grant with New Jersey Transit. We are grateful to be able to add this van to our fleet at no cost to the Township. Access Transportation provides our seniors with transportation services Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. We routinely offer transportation for food shopping, doctor appointments, trips to the Mahwah and Midland Park Senior Centers, various Day Care centers and the Paramus Park Mall. For appointments and more information please contact Access Transportation at 201-529-2691. ■



MAHWAH SENIOR CENTER CELEBRATES 10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY AT MUNICIPAL BUILDING

The Mahwah Township Senior Center is celebrating its ten year anniversary at its present location – Richard J. Martel Municipal Complex, 475 Corporate Drive, Mahwah.

"We are very proud to celebrate this milestone." said Susanne Small, Senior Center Coordinator. "We look forward to serving seniors at this location for many years to come."

A celebration event was held at a September luncheon where the Mayor and council members, board members and special guests were in attendance, who shared memories and reflected on the Center's history. The Senior Center was completed in 2003.

Numerous programs and activities are offered at the Senior Center including day trips, special interest speakers, classes, social clubs and much more. The center includes a large multi-purpose room with a stage, billiards room, computer center and library, art studio and a kitchen.

The Center's hours are: Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. All Senior Center information is available on our Township website (click on "Senior Center" link), including calendar and trip information.

Interesting Facts

Recognized by the Older Americans Act (OAA) as a community focal point, senior centers have become one of the most widely used services among America's older adults. Today, nearly 11,000 senior centers serve 1 million older adults every day.

Participants

Approximately 70% of senior center participants are women; half of them live alone. The majority are Caucasian, followed by African Americans, Hispanics, and Asians respectively. Compared with their peers, senior center participants have higher levels of health, social interaction, and life satisfaction and lower levels of income. The average age of participants is 75. 75% of participants visit their center one to three times per week. They spend an average of 3.3 hours per visit.

Services

Senior centers serve as a gateway to the nation's aging network—connecting older adults to vital community services that can help them stay healthy and independent. Senior centers offer a wide variety of programs and services, including:

- Meal and nutrition programs
- Health, fitness, and wellness programs
- Public benefits counseling
- Educational and arts programs
- Information and assistance
- Transportation services
- Social and recreational activities
- Intergenerational programs

Impact

Research shows that older adults who participate in senior center programs can learn to manage and delay the onset of chronic disease and experience measurable improvements in their physical, social, spiritual, emotional, mental, and economic well-being. ■

MAHWAH EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, INC. WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

Mahwah Emergency Medical Services, Inc. (MEMS) is pleased to announce that Kayla Cortese, Katherine Kearney and Sharon Racioppi have successfully completed the Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) program at the Bergen County EMS Training Center, in Paramus.

"We are very excited about these three new members," says Liz Villano, Mahwah EMS' Chief, "especially in light of the fact that they are the first group of members to go through the EMT program, since our organization was formed in July of 2013."

If you are interested in becoming a member of Mahwah EMS, and you are 16 years of age or older, we would love the opportunity to fully explain the benefits and responsibilities of joining our lifesaving team. All education, certification and training is provided at no cost to the prospective member. For more information, please call 201-529-9301 or 201-327-2252 and leave a message or email us at: JoinMahwahEMS@gmail.com ■



New Members (left to right) Katherine Kearney, Sharon Racioppi, and Kayla Cortese



Join in on the fun!

Check our website at www.mahwahtwp.org for future upcoming Senior Center trips.

- Atlantic City Casino
- Sands Casino, Bethlehem PA
- Oheka Castle, Huntington NY

- Gracie Mansion & Grand Central Terminal
- Hudson Valley Wine and Dine Brotherhood Winery and Culinary Institute
- Eastern State Penitentiary and 3 course Luncheon at Jack's Firehouse, Philadelphia

Mahwah Fire Department Time Line

1849- Township of Ho-Ho-Kus created on February 5.

1914- December 28, a meeting was held and the Township Fire Department had its beginning. Three men led the meeting: Warren Ackerman, Millard Cooper and W. D. Finch. There were thirteen men present. The original book was held open until May 1, 1915 and this resulted in 25 charter members. The names were: Warren Ackerman, Matthias Carey, Millard Cooper, Ray Dator, W. Dederick, Ray Edwards, W. D. Finch, Harry Hagerman, Howard Holman, Harry Jackson, Harold Johnson, W. O. King, E. C. Lane, Frank Schoer, R. A. Smith, Harry Sturr, Fred Terwilliger, Irvin Tiedemann, Abram Valentine, Art Valentine, Rich Valentine, Ira Whaley, Albert Winter, Charles Winter, Louis Winter.

Town population was 1,914.

Millard Cooper was elected first Fire Chief and Charles Winter was the first President.

Fire house was Millard Cooper's garage on Hillside Avenue.



1915- May 15, Certificate of Incorporation Mahwah Fire Dept.

September 18, the first fire engine, a "Brockway", was purchased by the members.

Water mains and fire hydrants were installed.

T. H. Williams donated the bell, the first warning system. The bell is now located on the lawn by the fire house.

1918- Mayor and Council passed an ordinance recognizing the Mahwah Fire Dept. as part of the Township.

1920- Town population was 2,081.

Mahwah Police Department was started. Ed Shuart was the first constable.

1924- May 19, Articles of Incorporation of the Association of Exempt Firemen of the Township of HoHoKus.

1925- The Township paid \$7,385.00 for a Buffalo Larabie hale triple combination pump, chemical, and hose truck. It had 500 gallons of pumping capacity per minute.



1927- The Ezra Miller Inn on Oweno Road burned to the ground.

Lightning struck Albert Winter's farm creating a blaze which caused \$12,000.00 in damage.

1928- Purchase of sterling alarm siren which was installed by James Glasgow. It replaced the bell.

Galli's Inn on Franklin Turnpike was severely damaged by fire.

Co. # 2 was organized in West Mahwah. John Mayhook was the first President.

1929- Co. #1 fire house was built for \$40,000.00. Co. #1 donated \$2,000.00 and the land.



It was used as a fire house and town municipal building.

Mayor was Harold W. Mowery.

Co. #2 purchased a Peter Pierce 500 gpm pumper and housed it in a garage on Ramapo Valley Road.

1930- Town population was 3,536.

Police Department formally organized and moved into Co. # 1 fire house.

1931- Second siren purchased and installed. It lasted until 1946 when the air horn took over.

Co. #1 Ladies Auxiliary was organized.

1932- The steeple of the Reformed Church was struck by lightning and caused extensive damage.

1934- Co. #2 came under the town jurisdiction.

1937- The old Salyer home, a local landmark, burned down.

1939- Co. #1 received a 750 gpm Mack Pumper to replace a 1925 Larabie. The new engine was purchased by the town for \$11,000.00.



1940- Town population was 3,908.

Jack Reich's tavern on Island Road burned.

D. Sandberg's gas station was damaged by fire. Fifty fires were reported this year.



1944- Township of Mahwah was incorporated.

Co. #4 was organized in Southwest Mahwah (Fardale). A 500 gpm war surplus Reo engine was housed in a garage on Forest Road.

1947- The Mahwah Ambulance Corps was organized in October.

Former Police Chief Charles S. Smith became the first Ambulance Corps Captain.

Co. #3 was started. Independently, it covered Northeast Mahwah (Masonicus).

1949- January 14, Certificate of Change of Name: Mahwah Fire Dept. to Mahwah Fire Dept., Co. #1.

Co. #2 fire house was built.



1950- Town population was 4,880.

1952- Co. #2 received a 750 gpm Mack Pumper.

1956- Masonicus Fire Company was located in a converted school house.

Co. #1 replaced their engine with a new 1000 gpm Mack Pumper.



1959- Co. #1 received a Dodge 250 gpm brush truck to help fight mountain fires.

1960- Town population was 7,376.

1961- Co. #5 was organized North Mahwah (Stag Hill).

An old school house was renovated to house their Chevrolet Pumper donated by Masonicus Fire Company.

1963- Cadillac Eureka Ambulance answered 220 calls.



1964- Mahwah Fire Department celebrated its 50th anniversary.

1965- Co. #2 received the Township's first aerial ladder truck a 75ft. Mack.

Acknowledgements:

Township of Mahwah web page: Fire Department,

Mahwah Museum Society

Mahwah Know Your Town, May 1975 published by Mahwah Chamber of Commerce

Portrait of a Town, 1960 published by Mahwah Chamber of Commerce

1968- Co. #3 formally joined the Mahwah Township Fire Department.

Co. #1 organized a Rescue Company, purchased a 1953 Reo Rescue truck.



1969- Co. #1 and Co. #2 both received 1500 gpm American LaFrance Pumpers.

1970- Town population was 10,800.

November 16, an eastbound freight train derailed, blocking all four tracks of the Erie Lackawanna Main Line.

Co. #4 formally joined the Mahwah Township Fire Department.



Co. #3 and Co. #4 both received 1500 gpm America LaFrance Pumpers.

1971- Co. #4 Ambulance Corps was organized (Fardale).

1975- Co. #3 moved into its present location.



1978- Stag Hill Fire Company officially became Co. #5 and moved into its present location.



1979- Gas explosion leveled a house on Franklin Turnpike.

Co. #1 and Co. #2 received new 1500 gpm Hahn pumps and began using 5" supply hose to replace traditional smaller hose lines. Co. #1 rebuilt a 1962 Union City rescue truck to replace their older vehicle.

1980- Town population was 12,127.

Co. #3 received a quick-attack 250 gpm Saulsbury pumper.

1981- Co. #4 received a 1250 gpm Continental pumper.

1982- Co. #2 received a 1000 gpm chemical foam pumper and began a Hazardous Materials Team.

1983- Fox Wood Diner fire.

1985- Co. #2 refurbished the 1969 American LaFrance pumper and Co. #4 received a Hahn ladder truck.

1987- Co. #1 received a Hahn-Saulsbury Rescue Truck.

1989- Co. #2 received the Township's first Tower Truck, a Sutphen.

1990- Town population was 17,905.

1992- Co. #1 received a Beck 1500 gpm pumper.

1994- Co. #5 received a Ford pumper truck.

1995- Co. #2 received a Pierce 1700 gpm pumper. Company #3 continued a Mask Service Unit with the purchase of an International Air Cascade Unit.

Co. #4 received an International pumper.

1996- Abex (Brake Shoe) fire.

1997- Scherer building fire. Co. #2 continued the Haz-Mat Team with the purchase of a Spartan-Super Vac.

Co. #5 continued protecting Stag Hill with the purchase of a Mack Tanker Truck.

1998- Co. #3 received a Seagrave pumper.

1999- Co. #1 received a KME pumper capable of performing Rescue Operations and a Ford F-250 pickup truck as a Rescue Support Vehicle.



Pioneer Settlement to Suburb, by Henry Bischoff and Mitchell Kahn, 1979

The Ramapough Chronicles, by Carol Wehran Greene

Tetsu Amagasa - Layout and design

Co. 1 members: Ken Werring, Lee Collins, Edson Wiley, Tom DeWan

2000- Town population was 24,062.

2001- 9/11 Never Forget.

2007- Pierce Dash Pumper, Diamondback fan boat, Chevy Chief's truck.



2010- Town population was 25,890.

2012- Super storm Sandy.

2014- 100 years later, the 27 square mile Township of Mahwah and its citizens are served and protected by over 150 volunteers and twenty-five pieces of emergency apparatus, including pumper trucks, aerial ladder trucks, rescue truck and boats, hazardous material response truck and other emergency support apparatus.

YOUR PET AS A GOOD NEIGHBOR

Having a pet as your companion is a wonderful feeling! A pet brings its owner such love, delight and companionship. While many people love animals, pet owners need to acknowledge that others do not. The reasons people don't keep their own pets (or don't take a liking to yours) are varied and valid: for some it's allergies, for others it may be fear, still others just can't commit to the work involved in pet ownership. Whatever the reason, it is important to respect their decisions and their rights.

To be a good pet-owning neighbor you should:

Control excessive noise: If you own a dog or bird be aware of the noise they make. Many pet owners can become selectively deaf, "tuning out" or ignoring the noise their pets produce. It is important for pet owners to minimize the impact their pets have on their neighbors. Carefully monitoring your pets, especially at night, in the early morning and on weekends can make for a peaceful neighborhood.

Keep your pet under control: Fences make great neighbors. People that do not own pets do not appreciate your pet coming onto their property. What you see as an adorable ball of fur might be your neighbor's worst nightmare. When walking your pet always use a leash. This not only makes your neighbor more comfortable, but can also save your pet's life.



Maintain sanitary conditions: Like most communities in New Jersey, Mahwah has a pooper scooper law. Cleaning up after your pet is not just your legal responsibility - it also ensures a healthy environment for your pet. Most of your neighbors take pride in their property. Allowing your pet to urinate or defecate on your neighbor's property will definitely lead to problems.

Be an educated pet owner: Know the laws in your community and obey them. ■

Being a responsible pet owner will make you a good neighbor



PIGS AS PETS... Pot-bellied pigs and pygmy goats and miniature donkeys, oh my! Our passion for pets extends beyond the traditional cat and dog. For this reason it is important to know that ANY mammal can get rabies and therefore licensing and immunization for all hooved pets is required. Please contact the Health Department at 201-529-5757 Option 2 for a license application.

Exotic pet and non-game wildlife permits are issued exclusively by the NJDEP Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife. For more information about exotics visit the Division's website at: http://www.state.nj.us/dep/fgw/exotic_apps.htm or call 908-735-5450. ■

MUNICIPAL CLERK'S OFFICE

2014 DOG AND CAT LICENSING

In accordance with the Township Code, dogs and cats over seven months of age are required to be licensed.

A Rabies Vaccination Certificate, valid through and including November 1, 2014, is required. If applicable, written proof of spaying or neutering from a licensed Veterinarian is required. If the dog or cat has previously been licensed and the Municipal Clerk's Office records reflect same, proof of spaying/neutering and rabies vaccination are not required.

Fees for Dog and Cat Licenses:

\$7.00 Spayed/Neutered dog and/or cat
\$10.00 Unspayed/Unneutered dog and/or cat



After February 15, 2014, the \$10.00 late fee per animal is imposed which is in addition to the licensing fee.

Licenses may be renewed in one of two ways:

1. In person: Between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Municipal holidays, in the Municipal Clerk's Office at 475 Corporate Drive.

2. By Mail: Township of Mahwah, 475 Corporate Drive, Mahwah, New Jersey 07430 Attention: Municipal Clerk's Office. Include the Rabies Vaccination Certificate, Proof of Spaying/Neutering Certificate and a self-addressed stamped envelope. Please do not send cash. If licensing cats and dogs, separate checks are necessary. ■

News From The Mahwah Police Department

The Mahwah Municipal Alliance, a 501 c 3 Not for Profit organization, and the Mahwah Police Department along with their partners work together to host a wide variety of social issues addressing today's youth. These groups annually sponsor the Leadership Academy and Junior Police Academy and seminars on issues such as teenage depression, drug and alcohol use, abuse of prescription narcotics, internet safety, and self-esteem patterns to name just a few. Each holiday season a party is hosted for those less fortunate in the Township. The Mahwah Municipal Alliance is under the direction of Carolyn Blake and the Mahwah Police Department is led by Chief James N. Batelli. Mayor William Laforet serves as an Executive Board member of the Mahwah Municipal Alliance.

Upcoming MMA Sponsored Events:

Leadership Academy - Ramapo College - June 23 thru June 27

Jr. Police Academy - Ramapo Ridge Middle School - July 7 thru July 18

To learn more about The Mahwah Municipal Alliance or registration information for the events above, please visit www.mahwahalliance.org. ■



"Chief of Chiefs"

On January 17, 2014 Mahwah Police Chief James N. Batelli was sworn in as President of The Bergen County Police Chiefs Association. Pictured from left to right: Bergen County Prosecutor John L. Molinelli, Chief Batelli and Mayor William Laforet.

MAHWAH MUSEUM EVENTS

The "Neighborhoods of Mahwah: 1913-2013" and "Les Paul in Mahwah" continue on display on Wednesdays and weekends from 1 to 4 p.m. The museum is located at 201 Franklin Turnpike, Mahwah.

Neighborhoods of Mahwah: 1913-2013



In this exhibit, we examine the history and cultural traditions of Mahwah's neighborhoods - their people, schools, churches, firehouses, businesses and organizations - all of which makes Mahwah a great place to live. We encourage visitors and Mahwah residents to share their experiences and memories with us.

Les Paul: Gala 2014

The third annual Les Paul Birthday Gala will be held in the Trustee Pavilion at Ramapo College on Saturday June 14 at 7:00 p.m. The festivities include a live auction of some very special guitars, featuring a Hofner bass guitar just like the one that Paul McCartney has played since his early years with the Beatles. The guitar has a



pick guard with an authenticated autograph of Sir Paul himself!

The gala event will also include a raffle of three very special guitars. For the cost of a \$25.00 raffle ticket you will have a chance to win one of two beautiful new Les Paul "Traditional" sunburst guitars, with pick guards signed by Les Paul. The third prize is a Fender Squire Strat signed on the body by the legendary singer songwriter James Taylor.

The Gala will also include live entertainment by Bucky Pizzarelli, Ed Laub and longtime Les Paul Trio member, guitarist Lou Pallo. In addition, lead guitarist from the Trans-Siberian Orchestra and Mahwah native, Chris Caffery will perform. There will also be a silent auction with an assortment of Les Paul memorabilia.

Tickets for the Gala event and for the raffle are available in the museum during our regular hours or through our website at www.mahwahmuseum.org. Look for more details on our Facebook page too! ■

Sir Paul McCartney "Beatle Bass" to be in auction at the Les Paul Birthday Gala to be held at Ramapo College on June 14!

PERMANENT EXHIBITS

-The Donald Cooper Model Railroad



An enthusiastic visitor at the Donald Cooper Model Railroad

The expansion of the museum's spectacular Donald Cooper Model Railroad continues to entertain children of all ages. Children marvel at "Thomas the Tank Engine" as he makes his way around the modular scenery. Adults enjoy the detail of the subway as it winds its

way through the grimy tunnels. Thirty car coal trains take large sweeping curves as they climb the grades of the two-track main line.

Come visit our railroad to see it in action. See our new collection of Lionel "O" Gauge trains representing railroads all across the country and all types of locomotives. The Donald Cooper Model Railroad is open to visitors on weekends from 1-4 p.m.

-Les Paul Exhibit

The Les Paul exhibit continues with a rare Django Reinhardt guitar from Les Paul's collection, various Les Paul guitars and other items on loan from the Les Paul Foundation.

LECTURES AND GALLERY TALKS

The Museum Lecture Series at the Ramapo Reformed Church continues. Lectures begin at 7:30 p.m.; admission is \$3.00 for non-members; members are free. Refreshments will be served. Upcoming lectures include:

- Thursday April 10, 2014, History of the Neighborhoods of Mahwah, presented by Henry Bischoff and Mitchell Kahn authors of "From Pioneer Settlement to Suburb: A History of Mahwah, New Jersey, 1700-1976"
- Thursday May 8, 2014, The History of the Ramapo River presented by Craig Long, the Suffern Historian

The "Neighborhoods of Mahwah" Gallery Talks at the Museum are held on select Sunday afternoons in the "Neighborhoods of Mahwah" exhibit; gallery talks provide an in-depth look at one of the neighborhoods - audience participation is encouraged. Admission is \$3.00.

- Sunday April 13, 2014, Green Mountain Valley and Stag Hill, presented by Tom Dunn

- Sunday May 18, 2014, Masonicus, presented by Tom Grissom

New Book Available

"Mahwah", the latest book in the Arcadia Publishing "Images of America" series written by Carol Wehran Greene, Mahwah Township Historian, is available at the Museum or online at www.mahwahmuseum.org. Order forms are also available at the Municipal Building. This is a 128 page book filled with vintage pictures of Mahwah, many of which come from the Museum collection. Some of them have never been published before. The commentary by Carol Greene narrates the history of the Township from 1700 to recent times.



"Mahwah: Images of America"

Old Station Museum and Caboose

The historic "Old Station Museum" will re-open its doors for a new season this summer. The museum, housed in Mahwah's first railroad station built in 1871, and a restored 1929 Erie caboose holds a wide variety of artifacts that emphasize the importance of the railroad to Mahwah and the surrounding area. This will be our 44th season preserving and sharing railroad history with our visitors. We are located on Old Station Lane just west of the current railroad station.

The museum contains a beautiful representation of Erie china, tools of the conductors, and a steam locomotive built by the Erie shop apprentices for the Stephen Birch estate. In the caboose, which has been recently restored inside, we explain the workings of the freight side of the railroad.

Admission is \$3.00 per adult, free for children or if you are a member of the Mahwah Museum Society. Hours will be Sunday afternoons from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Watch for our opening date in the local newspapers.

Archive Collection

The Museum's collection of artifacts, photographs, historical records and documents is carefully preserved, documented and catalogued and is available by appointment to historians and researchers.

For more information on Museum hours and events visit www.mahwahmuseum.org or call 201-512-0099. ■

**The Mahwah Museum receives operating support from the New Jersey Historical Commission, in the Department of State*

UPCOMING 2014 RECREATION DEPARTMENT EVENTS

Second Annual Town-Wide Garage Sale Back By Popular Demand!



Mahwah Recreation is hosting a town-wide garage sale on Saturday, April 26th from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (Rain date is Sunday, April 27th). This event is open to Mahwah residents only. You can participate in this event in one of two ways! **Option #1:** Hold the garage sale at your home. Your address will be added to a master list of all participants and will be available to download from the Township website. **Option #2:** Reserve a space at the Municipal Building parking lot. Set up will be from 8-9 a.m. and you must stay until 3 p.m. You will be responsible for any tables and set-up necessary as well as removing all merchandise from the parking lot at the end of the day. No new items or vendors allowed. **Registration form is available on the Township's website (www.mahwahtwp.org) Go to Forms Center...Recreation Department Forms. Deadline to submit form is April 18th.**

Youth Sports Parade



The Spring Sports Parade will be held Saturday, May 3rd at 9:00 a.m. All spring sports athletes are welcome to participate. Parents should coordinate with their children's coaches to meet at Betsy Ross School at 9:00 a.m.; parade begins at 9:30 a.m. **(All players and coaches should wear the team shirt and hat)** Parents, who are not coaches, please line the parade route to view the parade rather than march with the players. This way it will make the kids feel like it is a real parade. Parade Route: Start at Betsy Ross School, proceed down Malcolm Road to Miller Road, left on Miller Road through Veterans Square to Commodore Perry Field.

25th Annual Fishing Contest at Silver Creek Pond

Mahwah Recreation's 25th annual fishing contest will be held on Saturday, **May 24th** at 10 a.m. This family favorite is held at Silver Creek Pond, located at the intersection of Airmont Ave, and Airmont Road. The contest is open to residents, ages 5 through 13, and is Catch and Release only! Prizes will be awarded to contestants based on size of fish caught and amount of fish caught. We promise... it will be a *reel* good time for the whole family.



Memorial Day Parade

The annual Memorial Day Parade and service, sponsored by VFW Post #7124 and the Township of Mahwah, will be held on Monday, May 26, 2014. The parade will begin promptly at 10 a.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church located on Island Road, followed by a Memorial Day ceremony

held at Veterans Memorial Park, located at the corner of Franklin Turnpike and East Ramapo Ave. Community groups looking to participate should contact Dawn DaPuzzo at 201-529-5757 ext.254.

Senior Picnic



The Recreation Committee will host their 12th annual Senior Picnic at Continental Soldier's Park on Thursday, **July 17th** at 12 p.m. This event is open to all senior township residents at no charge. Join us for some good food and fun!

Movie Night

Please join us on Tuesday, **July 29th** for a "Movie Under The Stars". Movie Night will take place at Commodore Perry Field at 8:30 p.m. All you need to bring is a lawn chair or blanket. The snack bar will be open to purchase refreshments. Rain Date: 7/30/14.



Mahwah Day

The 20th annual Mahwah Day celebration is scheduled for Saturday, **September 20, 2014** at Commodore Perry Field. A parade, starting at 12:00 p.m. kicks off the event. Favorites include the dog show, magician, kiddie and pony rides. There will be live music from 6-8 p.m. followed by a spectacular fireworks display at dusk. **A planning meeting for Mahwah Day will be held on May 13th at 7 p.m. in the Winter Room at the Mahwah Public Library.** All groups and organizations planning to participate in Mahwah Day should be represented. For information on participation in Mahwah Day, please contact Dawn DaPuzzo at 201-529-5757 ext.254.

Adult Sports



Registration for Adult Residential **Softball**, both mens and womens leagues, and Coed Adult Residential **Soccer** will begin in April. Check the "Forms Center" on our website for registration dates and times. **Coming this fall...** Mahwah Recreation will be starting a Bocce League. The program will run for 5 weeks, beginning 10/5/14. We will play on Sundays, from 1-5 p.m., at Continental Soldier's Park. Details and registration info will be posted on our website in August.

Summer Recreation:

Dates and deadlines for the Summer Recreation program can be found on our website. Go to www.mahwahtwp.org, click on "departments" ... "recreation" ... "summer recreation".

Join Mahwah Recreations e-mail list to receive notices of all upcoming events. Simply send an e-mail to mahwahrec@gmail.com and say, "sign me up". ■



Online Payment Now Available

The Mahwah Tax and Utilities Offices are now accepting website payments via check, credit card and debit card. Visit our website at www.mahwahtwp.org, click on *Department*, choose *Tax Collector* or *Water/Sewer Billing & Collection*. At the end of the first paragraph is a link "Click here to view property taxes online" or "Click here to view utility bills online." Click on "Make a Payment" and follow the prompts. This takes you to a third party who collects the payments on our behalf. Please note there are fees associated with these website payments. These fees go to the third party and not the municipality. Note: Properties on Tax Sale are not able to make website payments.

NOTIFICATIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS



GRASS CLIPPINGS

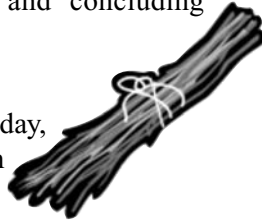
Curbside pick-up of grass clippings will begin Thursday, April 3, 2014 and continue through Friday, September 26, 2014. Pick-up will take place on Thursday and Friday of each week. Residents living in Recycling Sections 1, 2, and 3 will have their grass clippings picked up on Thursdays. Residents living in Recycling Sections 4, 5, and 6 will have their grass clippings picked up on Fridays. Grass will only be picked up in **BIODEGRADABLE PAPER BAGS**. Grass clippings will **NOT** be picked up if in plastic bags or open garbage cans. The Township does not supply biodegradable bags. Bags can be purchased at local stores.

Grass clippings can be dropped off at the Recycling Center located at 142 N. Railroad Avenue weekdays from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. beginning Saturday, April 5, 2014 and concluding Saturday, September 27, 2014.

BRUSH

Brush season will begin on Saturday, April 5, 2014 and will conclude on Saturday, September 27th, 2014.

There will be no curbside pick-up of brush offered by the Township. Residents can bring their brush to the Recycling



Center on Saturdays **ONLY** between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. **NO EXCEPTIONS**. Please see schedule for dates that recycling center is closed.

Brush must be prepared as follows:

- Anything under four (4) feet must be bundled.
- Brush over four (4) feet must have stems or butts facing the same way.
- Stumps and roots must be removed.
- Firewood, roots and logs are also accepted.

GARBAGE COLLECTION

Two (2) times per week garbage collection will resume Tuesday, April 1, 2014 and conclude Tuesday, September 30, 2014.

- If your collection is Monday, your second collection will be Thursday.
- If your collection is Tuesday, your second collection will be Friday.
- If your collection is Wednesday, your second collection will be Saturday.



There will be no garbage collection on Monday, May 26th, Friday, July 4th, and Monday, September 1st. If you are scheduled for pick-up on these dates, your pick-up will be the following day. ■

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2014 Recycling Schedule

Month	Section 1	Section 2	Section 3	Section 4	Section 5	Section 6
January	6, 23*	7, 21	8, 22	13, 27	14, 28	2*, 15, 29
February	3, 20*	4, 18	5, 19	10, 24	11, 25	12, 26
March	3, 17, 31	4, 18	5, 19	10, 24	11, 25	12, 26
April	14, 28	1, 15, 29	2, 16, 30	7, 21	8, 22	9, 23
May	12, 29*	13, 27	14, 28	5, 19	6, 20	7, 21
June	9, 23	10, 24	11, 25	2, 13, 30	3, 17	4, 18
July	7, 21	8, 22	9, 23	14, 28	1, 15, 29	2, 16, 30
August	4, 18	5, 19	6, 20	11, 25	12, 26	13, 27
September	4*, 15, 29	2, 16, 30	3, 17	8, 22	9, 23	10, 24
October	13, 27	14, 28	1, 15, 29	6, 20	7, 21	8, 22
November	10, 24	13*, 25	12, 26	3, 17	6*, 18	5, 19
December	8, 22	9, 23	10, 24	1, 15, 29	2, 16, 30	3, 17, 31

*Indicates Holiday Schedule

Recycling Closed:

Jan. 1, 4, 18; Feb. 15; Apr. 19; May 24, 25; July 4, 5; Sept. 1; Oct. 11; Nov. 4, 8, 11, 27, 28, 29; Dec 25, 27