#### DECEMBER 2015/ JANUARY 2016

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Borough Offices,
Library and DPW
will be closing at noon
on Thursday, December
24th, 2015 and
will be closed:
Friday,
December 25, 2015
in observance of

Friday,
January 1, 2016
in observance of
New Years Day

Christmas

Monday, January 18, 2016 in observance of Martin Luther King's Day



# This Month In Fair Haven

#### TRASH COLLECTION

#### **DECEMBER 2015**

Trash - Zones	1	&	2
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Monday, December 7th Monday, December 14th Monday, December 21st Monday, December 28th

#### Trash - Zones 3 & 4

Tuesday, December 1st Tuesday, December 8th Tuesday, December 15th Tuesday, December 22nd Tuesday, December 29th

#### **JANUARY 2016**

#### Trash - Zones 1 & 2

Monday, January 4th Monday, January 11th Monday, January 18th Monday, January 25th

#### Trash - Zones 3 & 4

Tuesday, January 5th Tuesday, January 12th Tuesday, January 19th Tuesday, January 26th

#### SINGLE-STREAM RECYCLING - ALL ZONES

Single-stream recycling will be picked up every Wednesday for all zones!

#### **SCHEDULES**

DECEMBER—ONLY Leaves may be placed curbside. JANUARY—ONLY Leaves may be placed curbside.

Christmas Trees may be placed curbside all month long.

No wreaths or roping may be placed at the curb.

All Zones - All Month



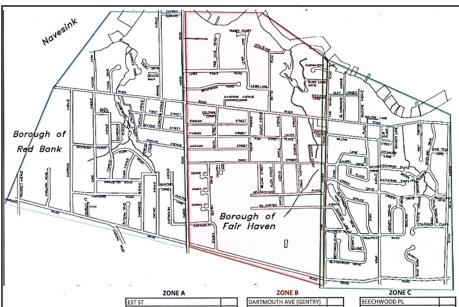
#### WELCOME to the DECEMBER-JANUARY Edition of the FOCUS on FAIR HAVEN

All information for publication can be submitted by email to the Borough at bberube@fhboro.net or by fax to 732-747-6962. Kindly note that January 7, 2016 will be the deadline for the February/March edition. All submissions should include a contact name and phone number. Email attachments should be in Word format. Photographs may be submitted in print form. However, 300dpi attachments are preferred as their reproduction quality is significantly better. Photographs of community events with a brief description are always appreciated. Just remember that a written release is mandatory for all minors identifiable within the image. As always, feel free to contact the me with any questions, 732-747-0241, ext. 219.

\*\*Betty Ann Berube, Editor\*\*

# Borough Administrator's Notes

## NEW ZONE CHART FOR BRUSH, LEAF AND SNOW PICK UP IN FAIR HAVEN, NI



	ZONE A		
	1ST ST		
	2ND ST		
	3RD ST		
	BEEKMAN PL		
	CAMBRIDGE AVE		
	CHARLES CT		
	CHESTNUT ST		
	COONEY TER		
Fair Haven Public Works	CYPRESS CT		
1 Allen Street	DARTMOUTH AVE		
Fair Haven, NJ 07704	FORREST AVE		
732-747-0241	GLEN PL		
	GRANGE AVE		
Leaves / Brush (circle one)	GRANGE WALK		
	HADDON PARK		
	HARDING RD		
Date:	HARRISON AVE		
	HARVARD RD		
	HUNTING LN		
	LAKE AVE		
Disposal Location:	LAURY DRIVE		
	LEXINGTON AVE		
	LINCOLN AVE		
	OAKLAWN RD		
Truck #:	OXFORD AVE		
	PARK AVE		
	PARK RD		
	POPLAR AVE		
Cubic Yards:	PRINCETON RD		
	PROSPECT AVE		
	RUTGERS DR		
	SCHWENKER PL		
Driver:	TYSON DR		
	HANCE RD (West Side)		
	HARDING/RIDGE RD (North Side)		
	RIVER RD		

ALLEN ST	
BATTIN RD	
BRIARWOOD RD	
BROOKSIDE FARM RD	
CEDAR AVE	
CHURCH ST	$\top$
COLONIAL CT	
COUNTRY LN	
CROZIER CT	
DANNA CT	
DENISE CT	
FAIRWATERS LN	
FISK ST	
FORMAN ST	
GENTRY DR	
HAGGERS	
HAYES PL	
HENDRICKSON PL	
HOLLY LN	
JACKSON ST	
JAMES CT	
LEWIS LN	
LEWIS POINT RD	
LOCUST AVE	
MAPLE AVE	
MCCARTER AVE	
NAVESINK AVE	
PARKER AVE	
PINE COVE RD	
RIVERLAWN DR	
SMITH ST	
TIMBER CT	
WILLIAM ST	
FAIR HAVEN RD (West Side)	
HANCE RD (East Side)	
RIDGE RD (North Side)	
RIVER RD	

BROOK TER	
BROOKSIDE AVE	
BROWNS LN	
BUENA VISTA AVE	
BUTTONWOOD DR	
CLAYST	
DENORMANDIE AVE	
DOGWOOD LN	
DOUGHTY LN	
ELM PL	
ELMWOOD LN	
GILLESPIE AVE	
HEIGHTS TER	
HIGHLAND AVE	
HILLCREST RD	
HILLSIDE PL	
KATHERINE ST	
KEMP AVE	
LAUREL DR	
LAURY DR	
LINDEN DR	
LOCKWOOD PL	
MINTON LN	
OAK PL	
PARK LN	
PINE TREE LN	
RUSTIC TER	
SPRUCE DR	
SUNNY RIDGE DR	
SYCAMORE LN	
WILLOW ST	
WOODLAND DR	
WOODLAND DR S	
FAIR HAVEN RD (East Side)	
RIDGE RD (North Side)	
RIVER RD	
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# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS SERVICE REVIEW

The Mayor and Council recently appointed a subcommittee to review the delivery of all services provided by the Fair Haven Department of Public Works. I think it is very fair to say that, along with everything else they do in town, the Borough's Department of Public Works provides many services that our residents care about the most, including: brush and leaf collection, bulk trash disposal and snow removal. The goal of the Committee is to make a series of recommendations that will ensure that our residents receive quality Public Works services delivered in an effective and efficient manner which also keeps our streets clean and safe.

As a first step toward that goal, the Committee has approved a new Department of Public Works zone map which divides the Borough into three Zones: A, B, and C. The Department of Public Works has already begun pick up of brush and leaves following these new zone designations and they will also be following the same zones for snow removal this winter. Please take a minute to familiarize yourself with your new brush, leaf and snow zone, as you will be receiving additional information for scheduling service delivery by zone.

Please note that these new A-B-C Zone designations are different from the Borough's 1-2-3-4 trash and recycling pickup schedule.

If you have any questions regarding your brush, leaf and snow zone, please feel free to contact the Borough offices, 732-747-0241, Ext. 215

# Borough Administrator's Notes

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING YOUR 2015 PROPERTY ASSESSMENT

On January 1, 2016, Monmouth County will implement year three of the Assessment Demonstration Program. The previous model of having an outside company perform revaluations, approximately every ten years, to determine property valuation has been replaced by annual reassessments by the local Tax Assessor. It is very important that residents realize that the assessed value of their property will most likely be revised on an annual and ongoing basis. As such, property owners should be sure to carefully review their new assessment, listed on the 2016 Notification of Assessment postcard which you should receive by December 1, 2015. If you have a question regarding your assessment, you should contact the Borough's Tax Assessor, Gregory Hutchinson. Please note that property assessment appeals must be filed with the Monmouth County Board of Taxation no later than January 15, 2016.

#### SMALL BUSINESS SUPPORT IS SO IMPORTANT

One of the things we can all agree on is how essential our downtown business district is to the character of our community. Whether you are grabbing a bite to eat, a quart of milk or a gift for a friend, being able to shop in town is so easy. When you shop local, you get none of the aggravation that comes with a trip to the mall, or a big chain store. Please keep in mind that our local merchants need your support during the upcoming holiday season, and all year long, or they will not be able to stay in business. The thought of Fair Haven without a vibrant downtown is almost hard to imagine. Please keep that thought in mind and make a conscious effort to shop here in Fair Haven!

In closing, on behalf of the Mayor and Council and the entire Borough staff, I want to wish all of our residents a joyful holiday season and a very happy and healthy 2016. If you have any comments, questions, or concerns, feel free to contact me at my office by calling 732-747-0241, or via my Borough email account, <a href="mailto:tcasagrande@fhboro.net">tcasagrande@fhboro.net</a>.





# BALANCING FUN AND SAFETY





There are any number of Fair Haven properties that have a portable basketball hoop which is located within the Borough's right-of-way. While we are very understanding that the hoops are a great source of fun, the location of these portable basketball hoops in the street, on the sidewalk or hanging over into the street, creates specific challenges. The safety considerations associated with street passage, trash collection, utility work, brush/leaf collection, and snow removal made it necessary to institute a policy that balances fun and safety.

Please kindly review and comply with the Borough's policy on portable basketball hoops, as follows:

- All portable basketball hoops must be completely removed from the Borough's right-of-way from November 1st through March 31st, annually. Please be sure that they are completely out of the street and they must not be placed within ten feet of the curb, or edge of pavement.
- Portable basketball hoops may never block a sidewalk.
- Portable basketball hoops that are placed in the street will be reviewed on a case by case basis by the Police Department and their final determination will be based on the traffic patterns for the individual location.
- Portable basketball hoops that are allowed to be in the street must have reflective tape on both the base and the pole.
- Portable basketball hoops placed in the right-of-way may not have garbage or recycling containers placed within ten feet of the hoop.

I thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation as the Borough's Code Enforcement Department will be enforcing this policy throughout the year, particularly in the winter months. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions, or comments.

Best regards,

Theresa S. Casagrande, Borough Administrator



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### From the Clerk's Desk

#### OFFICE OF THE CLERK

Please be advised that there will only be one Council Meeting this month which will be held on Monday, December 21, 2015 beginning 7:00 p.m. in the Borough Hall Council Chambers.

A reminder that the 2016 Reorganization Meeting will be held on Monday, January 4, 2016 at 7:00 pm, in the Borough Hall Council Chambers, 748 River Road and Council will meet Monday, January 25, 2016 beginning at 7:00 p.m.

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The GOVERNING BODY for 2016 is as follows:

Mayor: Benjamin J. Lucarelli

Councilmembers: Aimee Humphreys, Eric Jaeger, Robert Marchese, Jonathan Peters, Susan Sorensen and Rowland Wilhelm, Jr.

There will be two more **RABIES CLINICS** held by the Monmouth County Regional Health Commission in January as follows:



Saturday, January 9, 2016, 10:00 am-12:00 noon @ Tinton Falls Municipal Complex

Tuesday, January 12, 2016, 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm @ Brielle Fire Hall

PLEASE HAVE DOGS ON A LEASH AND CATS IN A CARRIER. ANIMALS MUST BE SUPERVISED BY AN ADULT. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT: 732-493-9520.

#### DOG REGISTRATION

On behalf of the Dog Registrar, please remember to renew your dog and/or cat license. All dog and cat licenses expire on December 31, 2015.

The 2016 licenses will be sold beginning January 4, 2016. A grace period will be granted until January 31, 2016; after that date, a \$5.00 penalty per month will be assessed. Rabies vaccinations must be renewed for 2016 if the vaccination expires prior to November 1, 2016.

Please reference the Borough's 2016 Calendar for Council Meeting dates, as well as other important dates and information.

**Tree removal permits** are required for trees 10" or more in diameter at breast height even if they are diseased or dying. The fee is \$25.00 per tree unless the tree is found to be diseased or dying then there is no fee. The application can be downloaded from the Borough's website through the forms option, Municipal Clerk and there will be a list of various forms/applications.

\*\*\*Just a reminder that Street openings are not permitted between November 15 and March 31 of any year unless it is determined by the Mayor and Council to be of an emergent nature and upon the recommendation of the Director and/or Assistant Director Public Works.

Allyson M. Cinquegrana, RMC

Borough Clerk

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# The Sixty Second Annual COMMUNITY APPEAL

Dear Fair Haven Community:

On behalf of the Mayor and Council, and the residents of Fair Haven, I want to thank the residents who generously contributed to this year's campaign, as well as the organizers of the annual Fair Haven Community Appeal drive. The distribution of those donations are as follows:

#### **COMMUNITY APPEAL DISTRIBUTION:**

\$3,425 Rec Commission

\$5,645 Library

\$1,000 Post Prom

\$1,100 Bicentennial Hall

\$2,660 Interfaith Neighbors

\$2,550 The ARC

\$1,075 Girl/Boy Scouts

\$2,635 Mental Health

\$1,200 Shade Tree

\$4,625 Fields Natural Area

**TOTAL DONATIONS—\$25,917** 

# Ordinance 30-7.18 Storage of Boats

Please be advised that after November 1, boats and boat trailers shall not be placed or stored in any front or side yard on any lot situated in a residential zone in accordance with Borough Ordinance 30-7.18 - Storage of Boats. All boats parked or stored shall be properly registered. Any boat placed or stored on a lot must be the property of the resident owner or resident tenant of the lot.

Failure to comply with Borough Ordinance may result in a summons from Code Enforcement. Any questions, please visit our website at www.fairhavennj.org or call 732-747-0241.

# Fair Haven Business Association

Thanks to everyone who donated blood at our recent blood drive; 37 pints collected!

Thanks to our co-sponsors, the Knights of Columbus and the Central Jersey Blood Bank.

Fair Haven Tree Lighting and Holiday Stroll will be Friday, Dec. 4th. Firetruck drops Santa off in the park at 5:30 pm for visits and photos with children. Tree Lighting at 6:00 pm. Holiday Stroll 5-7:30pm throughout the River Road East business district for open houses, attractions and free food and drink.

# FUN---FUN---FUN! DON'T MISS THIS MAGICAL COMMUNITY EVENT!

# NEW EVENT!! Fair Haven "SHOP THE TOWN" night will be Thursday, Dec. 10 from 5:00-9:00 pm.

Stores throughout town will open late and offering specials, refreshments and musical entertainment. A trolley will be travelling up and down River Road so you can shop the east side near Fair Haven Hardware and the west side near Acme and Shutters. Plan a fun night of shopping with your friends in our beautiful town. We hope you'll come out to enjoy this new event.

Check out our website <a href="www.infairhaven.com">www.infairhaven.com</a> to learn more about the Fair Haven Business Association and the 50+ Fair Haven businesses that are members. We're also on Facebook!

Fair Haven has restaurants, stores, doctors, dentists, vets, salons, attorneys and services of every kind. Dollars spent in Fair Haven stay in Fair Haven. We appreciate it when you shop local!

# MONMOUTH COUNTY RECYCLING

For more information regarding Recycling opportunities in Monmouth County please click on the following link:

http://co.monmouth.nj.us

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# ANJEC Grant Helps Fair Haven Purchase GIS Surveying Equipment



Greg Wright of the FH Environmental Commission, Dave Becker of the FH DPW, Ken Dorward of the FH Shade Tree Commission, in the FH Natural Area off Ridge Rd

A 2014-2015 Grant from ANJEC has enabled Fair Haven to purchase equipment necessary to automate and improve the efficiency of certain Borough operations done under the auspices of the Fair Haven Environmental Commission and the Fair Haven Shade Tree Commission. Greg Wright, a member of the Environmental Commission, was the project leader. Initial training has been undertaken by the Department of Public Works, the Shade Tree Commission and the Environmental Commission.

The new systems, consisting of a Samsung Tablet with GPS capabilities and a connected GPS Satellite Receiver, now permit more precise measurements to be made in Fair Haven with automated auxiliary features such as annotations to be included. An example is where the auto-

mation of hazardous Borough tree locations are to be recorded, so that the trees might be tracked, possibly trimmed and possibly cut down if they are on public land and in danger of falling as an unpredictable future event. Previously, the trees and their sites were manually recorded and referred to an arborist for remediation or to a tree contractor for removal. Location was indicated on paper, describing the nearest street address or distance from a marker such as a fireplug, leaving room for error. With the new equipment, the GPS is placed at the spot and the exact location coordinates are recorded by longitude and latitude (to within up to 2-3 feet) and placed on an electronic checklist for further reference. At the same time, annotations are made of the observed condition of the tree and a photo of the tree is retained to

avoid any misidentification. It will be particularly useful in the Fair Haven Natural Area and recreation areas, as well as curbside tree sites.

Other applications are to map, design and maintain trails, define wetlands more precisely using a County Database and various surveying projects in the Borough.





Dave Becker and Ken Dorward identifying a tree by location and a photo for future reference.

#### Fair Haven Wants You!

#### **VOLUNTEER INFORMATION SURVEY**

The following are the Boards, Commissions and Committees where volunteer opportunities become available. Please complete the survey listed below and return to the Borough Hall or mail to Borough of Fair Haven, 748 River Road, Fair Haven, NJ, 07704. Your information will be forwarded to the appropriate Chairperson. Please be advised that even though you sign up for a certain Board, Commission, or Committee, this does not guarantee an appointment.

<u>OPPORTUNITIES</u>	<u>INTERESTED</u>	<u>COMMENT</u>
Environmental Commission		
Fair Haven Fire Department		
Fair Haven First Aid		
Fair Haven Fields Advisory Committee		
Historic Preservation Commission		
Library Board		
Planning Board		
Recreation Committee		
Shade Tree Commission		
Zoning Board		
Foundation of Fair Haven		
Fair Haven Seniors		
Be A Good Neighbor		
NAME:		
ADDRESS:		
PHONE:		
EMAIL:		

#### SIGN ORDINANCE FOR BUSINESSES CONDUCTING WORK IN FAIR HAVEN

PLEASE BE ADVISED—CHAPTER 30, SECTION 7.24, Subsections c 6 and 14 do NOT allow for business advertisement signs on a lawn or fence where work is being done.



#### PART-TIME CROSSING GUARDS NEEDED

Anyone interested in becoming a part-time crossing guard, please contact Patrolman John Koetzner at Police Headquarters at 732-747-0241 x329 or stop in at Police Headquarters to pick up an application!!!

### News from Parks and Recreation

Thank you for supporting our fall events! A special thank you goes out to everyone who dressed up for the Halloween parade!



On FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4TH the TREE LIGHTING/HOLIDAY STROLL will take place at Memorial Park. The event will begin at 5:00 pm and run until 7:30 pm. Children will have the chance to take a picture with Santa! There will music, refreshments, and fun activities for the children.

On Sunday, December 13th the Hanukkah Celebration and Menorah Lighting will take place. The ceremony will begin at 3:00 pm and will be held in Memorial Park.

Do you want updates on sports sign ups, special events, and more?? Sign up for our Recreation E-blast! Please send an email to Recreation@fhboro.net and we will sign you up!

Thank you for your support of Fair Haven Recreation!

Follow us on Twitter @ FAIRHAVEN\_REC

### Fair Haven Seniors

Calling all Fair Haven Seniors - 55 and up..... Join us for conversation, activities, dessert, coffee and tea at our monthly (*Third Tuesday of each month except July and August*) at 1:00 p.m.\*\* at the Community Center located behind the Police Department at 35 Fisk Street. Our group welcomes new (and old) members. Off-street parking available, no stairs to climb. Call Ruth Blaser at 732-842-4228 with any questions. We hope to see you soon! \*\*Unless changed due to holiday or activity.

### ~PLEASE JOIN US~

Fisk chapel AME Church is having a BUS TRIP to the "Westchester Broadway Theater!!!

DECEMBER 16TH. It's a dinner theater and a Christmas show. Contact Sonia Reevey 732-747-5583. ALL ARE WELCOME!!

# Library News.....

A very dear friend of ours at the library passed away this past summer and we have missed her greatly. Ruth Palmer was an extraordinary volunteer at the library. She did anything to help out wherever and whenever you needed help. She always had a smile and a great story to tell you, she loved to read celebrity biographies and would tell you all the details. Ruth was kind and thoughtful and was a fixture on Monday mornings for over thirty years.

Ruth retired from a 40 year teaching career and was the President of the Retired Teachers of Essex County and the State of New Jersey. She was an active member of the Tower Hill First Presbyterian Church of Red Bank and loved to help with the summer bible camp. We miss her great smile and her quiet and kind way. Ruth will always be remembered by all of us here.

The library has joined with the Battleship New Jersey, The Cooper Hewitt and the Guggenheim Museum to provide passes for our patrons to visit these institutions. They can be checked out, one museum at a time for one week. Please stop in to check out the passes along with instructions and info on each location.

As always our children's librarian, Miss Laura, has a great time with our younger patrons.

Photo by Jennifer Bennett



Have a Safe and Happy Holiday Season!

# Fair Haven Police Department

#### REMINDER ABOUT OVERNIGHT PARKING

Overnight Parking is in effect from November 1st- April 1st from 2am-5am on all Borough streets. If you need to park a vehicle in the street during these times, please call # 732-747-0991 to be put on the overnight parking list for that night. If you need an extended period of time, please come into Police Headquarters Monday-Friday 9:30 am-2:30 pm and fill out a request for extended overnight parking. The Police will be enforcing this Borough Ordinance, so please follow the procedures.

#### **BOROUGH ORDINANCES**

Remember not to leave your vehicles in the street if there is a chance that it may snow. Also, after any snow fall it is your responsibility to shovel the sidewalk in front of your residence and on the side (if you have a corner property).

#### **HOLIDAY SAFETY TIPS**

- If you are going on vacation for the holidays, be sure to contact Police Headquarters @732-747-0991 and have your house put on the Homes Watch List, which will alert patrols to monitor the area.
- When shopping, be sure to park in a well-lit area, even if you arrive during day-light hours, it may be dark by the time you leave.
- Be aware of your surroundings, that includes people and vehicles, and walk with confidence.
- Have your keys out and ready to get into your vehicle, try to keep your hands free.
- Check the interior of your vehicle through the windows before you enter for anything suspicious.
- Put packages in the trunk or under seats so they are not visible from the outside and always keep your doors locked.
- Do not carry a lot of cash on you, try to bring and use credit cards instead.
- Be sure to report any suspicious activity to the proper authorities.
- If you are shopping on-line, make sure you only use secure, familiar, reputable sites and pay by credit card.
- Don't give out any personal information such as your social security number online; prevent becoming a victim of identity theft.

Photo-copy all of your important documents that you keep in your wallet (ie...credit cards, driver's license, club cards, etc...) and keep the copy in a safe place. This will help in reporting if they are ever lost or stolen.

#### **DRUNK DRIVING**

Please drive safely and remember Drive Drunk Get Pulled Over. But more importantly, you could injure or kill an innocent person. Always use a designated driver before you choose to drink and drive.

#### **GUN SAFETY**

If you own a weapon, please store your weapons in a locked gun safe and unloaded in a secure environment inaccessible to children and other adults. If you no longer wish to own your weapon (s), firearms may be turned over to the Police Department for destruction at any time.

#### CRIME PREVENTION

This time of year is when a lot of car burglaries seem to take place. Please be sure to always lock your vehicle doors and remove all personal items from view, especially at night, even if your vehicle is parked in your driveway. The first step to fighting crime is preventing it from happening. Always make sure that your house doors and windows are locked when you are not home and to set alarm systems if you have them. If you are going out of town, please contact police headquarters @732-747-0991 to be put on the Homes Watch List.

Please be vigilant when you are at airports, train stations, major events, etc... look for any suspicious items left alone, suspicious behavior by a person or anything else out of the ordinary. Please report any suspicious incidents immediately to the proper authority.

#### Newsletter of the Borough of Fair Haven

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**Councilwoman Aimee Humphreys Councilman Jon Peters Councilman Robert Marchese Councilman Rowland Wilhelm** Councilwoman Susan Sorensen Councilman Eric Jaeger

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Director of Engineering/Public Works/Planning Board Engineer - Richard Gardella

Assistant Director of Engineering/Public Works - Nicolas Poruchynsky

Code Enforcement/Zoning Officer - Nicolas Poruchynsky

Parks & Recreation - D.J. Breckenridge **Construction Code Official - Dennis Peras**  Non- Emergency Police 732-747-0991

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All Other Borough Meetings as Noticed at Borough Hall

#### **BOROUGH MEETINGS**

#### Borough Council Meeting

Tuesday, December 21st, 7:00 p.m. Re-organization, Monday, January 4th, 7:00p.m.

Monday, January 25th, 7:00 p.m.

#### Recreation Committee

Tuesday, December 1st, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 5th, 7:30 p.m.

#### Zoning Board

Thursday, December 3rd, 7:15 p.m. Thursday, January 7th, 7:15 p.m.

#### Planning Board

Wednesday, December 9th, 7:15 p.m. Wednesday, January 13th, 7:15 p.m.

#### Historic Commission

Tuesday, January 26th, 7:00 p.m.

#### Shade Tree

Wednesday, December 2nd, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, January 6th, 7:30 p.m.

#### **Environmental Commission**

Monday, December 7th, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, January 27th, 7:30 p.m.

#### Garden Club of Fair Haven

Members of the Garden Club of Fair Haven were glad to see friends & neighbors enjoy our Small Standard Flower show "Fall Into Autumn." We were delighted the President of the Garden Club of New Jersey, Susan O'Donnell, attended and viewed our nearly 200 horticulture exhibits. It was a beautiful display of flowers & plants entered by members, grown despite the summer heat & drought.

December is starting off to be a busy rush towards the holidays as we prepare decorations for Borough Hall and the club's planters along Memorial Park. Our members pay special attention to our flower arrangements made for the Meals on Wheels recipients for the holidays. Additional club committees work on making the holiday season a time to enjoy.

Our next meeting is December 2nd at the FH Community Center at noon will include a special holiday luncheon. Afterwards our design chairmen will conduct a workshop to demonstrate the art of making glass ornaments which will include small plants & moss.

GCFH meetings are open to the public and anyone interested in attending, should call Kathleen Mullarkey 732-224-0198. (especially important this month as supplies need to be ordered for our holiday workshop).

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all!

#### **WINTER SAFETY TIPS**

- A good ice scraper
- Good winter wipers and tires with good traction on your vehicles
- Keep a blanket, flashlight, spare batteries and an extra change of clothes in vour vehicle
- Always let someone know where you are going

- Have your chimney swept yearly and furnace checked/oil tank filled
- Stock your pantry
- Have a phone with a cord in the event of a power outage and make sure your cell phone is always charged
- Have a flashlight and battery operat-
- Dress for the weather- dressing in layers is recommended