FOCUS on FAIR HAVEN

This Month In Fair Haven

TRASH COLLECTION

APRIL

**Trash - Zones 1 & 2**
- Monday, April 4th
- Monday, April 11th
- Monday, April 18th
- Monday, April 25th

**Trash - Zones 3 & 4**
- Tuesday, April 5th
- Tuesday, April 12th
- Tuesday, April 19th
- Tuesday, April 26th

MAY

**Trash - Zones 1 & 2**
- Monday, May 2nd
- Monday, May 9th
- Monday, May 16th
- Thursday, May 19th
- Monday, May 23rd
- Thursday, May 26th
- Monday, May 30th

**Trash - Zones 3 & 4**
- Tuesday, May 3rd
- Tuesday, May 10th
- Tuesday, May 17th
- Friday, May 20th
- Tuesday, May 24th
- Friday, May 27th
- Tuesday, May 31st

Please be advised that the Borough of Fair Haven is now using NIXLE for EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS.

To sign up, please log onto
http://local.nixle.com/register/

OR Logon to our Borough Website www.fairhavennj.org

and Click on the link under “EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION”

APRIL

*Brush and Leaves may be placed curbside, in separate piles, a few days prior to your Zone Pick Up week.*

MAY

*ONLY Brush may be placed curbside a few days prior to your Zone Pick Up week.*
Dear Fair Haven Residents:

With spring approaching, the Borough’s Department of Public Works will be very busy preparing the Borough’s parks, fields, and facilities for the many upcoming spring and summer activities that will take place here in Fair Haven. Equally important, with spring yardwork going on all over town, they will be working on an ongoing basis to keep our streets clear of brush and leaves.

Hopefully, by this point in time, most residents are aware of the Borough’s new three zone pickup schedule for brush and leaf pickup. If you have not already done so, please take a minute to familiarize yourself with your new brush and leaf zone, which can be found in the 2016 Municipal calendar, in the month of March, or can be accessed on our Borough website: www.fairhavennj.org. Please note that these new A-B-C Zone designations for brush and leaf pickup are different from the Borough’s present Zones 1-2-3-4 for trash and recycling pickup.

The other major change to our brush and leaf pickup schedule will be the clearly assigned pickup weeks, designated by your new zone. The purpose of this change is so residents will know the specific week that the Department of Public Works will be picking up brush and leaves, in their zone, each month. We are asking residents to please wait and only put your brush and leaves to the curb on the Thursday to Sunday before your designated pickup week. Once the DPW picks up on your street, during your designated week, they will not return again to your street until your next designated pickup week. As such, once the DPW Crew has picked up on your street during your designated pickup week, please hold all brush and leaves on your property, as opposed to in the street, until the weekend before your next designated pickup week.

The reason for this change is very simple: we are trying to keep the Borough’s streets as clean and free from debris as possible, all year long. That goal is simply unattainable if residents are putting brush and leaves to the curb, all over town, each and every day of any given pickup month. In the interest of community pride and environmental friendliness, we are asking for the cooperation of all residents, as we strive to deliver DPW services in an effective and efficient manner which also keeps our streets clean and safe.

If you have any questions regarding your brush and leaf zone, please feel free to contact the Borough offices, 732-747-0241, Ext. 219. I thank you for your anticipated cooperation and I welcome your suggestions for future enhancements to the efficient delivery of DPW services, throughout the year.

Best regards,

Theresa S. Casagrande, Borough Administrator

MONMOUTH COUNTY RECYCLING

For more information regarding Recycling opportunities in Monmouth County please click on the following link: www.visitmonmouth.com/reclamation/
FAIR HAVEN DAY CELEBRATION UPDATE
SATURDAY, JUNE 11, 2016

The Borough of Fair Haven will be celebrating “Fair Haven Day” on Saturday, June 11, 2016, from 3:30 PM to the conclusion of the fireworks. This event is put on by The Foundation of Fair Haven.

We will once again have great music and fun activities. Food options will include a picnic by Brennan’s, Seafood from Lusty Lobster, and Desserts from Booskerdoo.

Tickets will be sold at Borough Hall in late May. Look for additional times on weekends and the week leading up to Fair Haven Day. Ticket prices, as follows:

- $10.00 for the Brennan’s Picnic
- $5.00 for a choice of a Lusty Lobster Seafood Offering
- $2.00 for a Booskerdoo Dessert

We will also be having a special ONLINE ONLY offering – “Friends of Fair Haven Day 2016” – it is a way for you to donate to this great community event as well as get your tickets early.

The Foundation of Fair Haven is pleased to announce the launching of our new website. We will have updates, photos, ways to volunteer, buy tickets, donate and sponsor, and more. Also, please “like” our page on Facebook. www.foundationoffairhaven.org.

Back by popular demand - we are also pleased to announce that New Jersey American Water will have their “Puddles Van” at the event, providing drinking water for all. In the interest of the environment, as well as eliminating trash on our beautiful Fair Haven Fields, we are encouraging all of our residents to bring reusable sports bottles to Fair Haven Day so that they can be filled with water from NJAW’s Puddles Van. We will also be selling Fair Haven Day Water Bottles as a useful keepsake.

Sponsorships- As in the past, the Foundation of Fair Haven, which is a 501C-3 tax exempt charity, has been raising funds to help offset the cost of the Fair Haven Day activities. If anyone is interested in helping to directly fund this June 11, 2016 community wide celebration, The Foundation of Fair Haven has a variety of Fair Haven Day sponsorships, which are available to both individual residents and companies. Please contact the Foundation of Fair Haven member, Marie Noglows, at marie.noglows@comcast.net if you are interested in sponsoring this fine annual event.

Please make sure that you thank the Fair Haven Business Association for sponsoring many extra fun attractions at Fair Haven Day, Please also be sure to support our local businesses, as a vital downtown is part of what makes Fair Haven so charming and our business owners need you to shop local to be able to stay in business.

Volunteers – Lastly, this event could not be possible without all the great volunteers. Look for updates on ways you can contribute.

TOWN-WIDE YARD SALE - The Borough of Fair Haven will be holding a “Town-Wide Yard Sale” on SATURDAY, MAY 7, 2016. This annual event has proven to be a very successful way for our Borough residents to do some spring cleaning and to take advantage of yard sale customers who like to shop all around town. Yard Sale Permits, which cost $7.00 per household, are required and they are available at Borough Hall, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Thursday nights until 8:00 p.m. The Borough’s Department of Public Works will extend the bulk drop-off hours for Saturday, May 7, 2016. Drop-off hours will be from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., which will allow residents who host a yard sale to dispose of any unwanted items at the end of the day.
From the Clerk’s Desk

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

I am re-listing the Council meetings for the months of April through December 2016. All meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted:

Monday, April 11, 2016  Monday, April 25, 2016
Monday, May 9, 2016    Monday, May 23, 2016
Monday, June 13, 2016  Monday, June 27, 2016
Monday, July 18, 2016* Monday, August 15, 2016*
Monday, September 12, 2016 Monday, September 26, 2016
Tuesday, October 11, 2016 Monday, October 24, 2016
Monday, November 14, 2016 Monday, November 28, 2016

Monday, December 19, 2016

*Workshop meeting at 5:30 p.m. with a 7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting to follow

BULK DROP OFF will be held on the FIRST Saturday of the month in April (April 2nd) at the Recycling Center (corner of Allen and Third Streets) between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

The hours for the May 7th Bulk Drop Off will be 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Remember….if you are bringing an appliance (refrigerator, air conditioner, humidifier, etc.), you must pay for an appliance sticker ($15.00 per item) which can be obtained through my office.

The TOWNWIDE YARD SALE will be held on Saturday, May 7, 2016 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. You must register through my office. The permit fee is $7.00. The Public Works will hold monthly bulk drop off on Saturday, May 7th from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

BOAT LAUNCING PASSES are available through my office with a fee schedule as follows:

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Please be advised that the Annual School Election will be held in conjunction with the GENERAL ELECTION on TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2016.

Remember….your sample ballot advises you where to vote. If you are registered and are unable to vote at the polls, you may vote by Mail In Ballot (a/k/a Vote by Mail). Please keep in mind there is a procedure and time lines for voting by mail.

Voting Districts 1, 2 and 5 will vote at the Knights of Columbus, 200 Fair Haven Road.

Voting Districts 3, 4 and 6 will vote at the Community Center, 35 Fisk Street.

Allyson M. Cinquegrana, RMC/CMR
Borough Clerk
* PARKS and RECREATION NEWS *

There are a ton of Fair Haven events on the horizon to help us move forward into the SPRING and SUMMER seasons!

**SUMMER CAMPS:** The 2016 Fair Haven Recreation summer camp schedule has been released.

*This year’s camps will include…*

BASEBALL, FIELD HOCKEY, GOLF, LACROSSE, MAD SCIENCE, MOVIE MAKING, MULTI SPORTS, RUGBY RUNNING, SOCCER, AND TENNIS.

In addition to these camps, the Fair Haven Summer Rec N Crew Camp registration is now open. *There will be a late fee assessed to all Rec N Crew Camp registrations received after May 13th.*

Further information, including registration procedures for all camps can be found online at [http://fairhavennj.org/content/recreation.html](http://fairhavennj.org/content/recreation.html) under the “forms and resources” section on the right hand side.

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**Baseball/Softball Opening Day:** On Saturday, April 9th Fair Haven Baseball/Softball will have their opening day parade. The parade lineup will begin at McCarter Park at 8:45 a.m. The parade will leave at 9:00 a.m. and march towards Fair Haven Fields.

**FISHING DERBY:** This year’s Fishing Derby will take place on Saturday, May 7th at McCarter Pond. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m.; fishing will take place from 9:00AM – 10:00 a.m.

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**MEMORIAL DAY**

The **Memorial Day Parade** will take place on Monday, May 30th. Pre-parade line up will begin at Knollwood at 8:45 a.m. and the parade will be set for a 9:00 a.m. start.

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**FATHER/DAUGHTER DANCE**

**A GREAT SUCCESS!!!**

Thank you for all who attended the 2016 Father Daughter Dance. The dance was held on two dates this year: Friday, March 4th and Saturday, March 5th. We had just about 350 participants this year, consisting of 1st -5th grade girls and their fathers. As always, Fair Haven Recreation thanks the residents for their continued support of our special events.

Best regards,

DJ Breckenridge

*Director, Fair Haven Parks and Recreation*
Library News: Captain Jack came to visit!

Jenkinson’s Aquarium paid a visit to the library this past February with a very important visitor. A penguin known as Captain Jack! He greeted the children and they were mesmerized by him. They learned all about the many species of penguins and where they live and raise their families. Did you know only four species of penguins live at the South Pole? Jack was gentle and just as curious about everyone as they were about him. Captain Jack had many visitors even one of our police officers and his family. Jack posed for many pictures as he walked around the children and behaved beautifully. It was a fantastic visit.

When you stop in at the library be sure to ask about our Museum Pass Program; it has been very popular and the passes go out all the time. The program has been made possible by the generous donations of our citizens to the Community Appeal program. Thank you very much!

Museums participating:
The Guggenheim  *  The Cooper-Hewitt Smithsonian Design Museum
The American Museum of Natural History  *  The Battleship New Jersey

We will be adding some additional museums and programs later this year.

Be A Good Neighbor
THANK YOU is not enough!!!
This past winter’s huge snowstorm was extraordinary. . .and the snow shoveling efforts of the Knollwood School student volunteers were also EXTRAORDINARY! Our appreciation also goes to the students’ parents whose encouragement and support set an admirable example of caring for others.

This important program, which benefits our seniors and disabled residents, makes a big contribution to our community and strengthens the link between generations.

Plans are in the works for a spring celebration of the program. . .so stay tuned.

—The Be A Good Neighbor Committee
FAIR HAVEN’S ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION UPDATES THE ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE INVENTORY

Ralph W. Wyndrum Jr.
Environmental Commissioner

Twice in the past, (1991 and 2004), our Environmental Commission has undertaken its duty to provide timely Environmental Resource Inventories (ERI), under its enabling Legislation and under the Municipal Land Use Statutes. Twelve years have passed since the last Inventory and considerable change has taken place. In early 2016, we undertook the task to develop a new Inventory. The inventory will use text and visual presentations to document our Borough’s natural resources as well as environmentally important characteristics of our physical, man-made infrastructure. As noted in the state statutes, the Inventory is meant to provide a baseline document to assist our Planning Board and Zoning Board, our Open Space Committees and the Council in issues related to their responsibilities for the borough’s public health, residents’ welfare and the general physical well-being of the borough. The current plan is to produce a document (it will be 40-50 pages) entirely written by members of the Commission, who represent a well trained and professional group, that can complete the task without the usual and expensive external consulting organization’s support. The Planning Board may then adopt the final document as “an appendix or conservation element of its Master Plan”. The ERI is cited as a foundation for ordinances, legal defense, open space and stormwater plans, water resource preservation and other planning assessments.

Over the last several years, your Environmental Commission has been involved in projects to improve the quality of life in Fair Haven while recognizing the need to carry out successful but cost effective projects. A recent project includes a Rain Garden Project at the Municipal Complex which accepts the polluted stormwater from the parking area and adjacent building roofs and funnels it for natural cleaning into the aquifer below instead of diverting it to the Navesink River. It is hoped this model will be used elsewhere in the borough in the near future. We have also sponsored three large cleanups of Fourth Creek with the cooperation of groups including the Boy Scouts and the RFH Environmental Club. Most recently, with the aid of an ANJEC grant, we acquired GIS equipment which will help automate the identification and removal of dangerous and unhealthy large trees on public property, as well as mapping of wetlands and improvements in the Natural Area. The Natural Area Committee is already planning work this spring which will use the equipment.

Shade Tree Commission Notes

The Shade Tree Commission is mandated and is State recognized to focus on tree growth and health in Fair Haven's public spaces.

Arbor Day Activities

- **Fair Haven Library Arbor Day event for kids K-4**
  Tuesday, April 26th, from 3:15-4:00 p.m.

- **Knollwood School Poster contest open to all students**

  Entries must be submitted by April 15 to the school Principal's office
  Judges will select one first place winner for each grade, 5th through 8th. Winners will be announced on April 20, 2016. Each winner will receive a $50 gift card to a local business.

Town-wide FREE Tree Distribution:

Get your free seedling to plant. The Commission will have them out during the Bulk Drop Off at the DPW Garage.—Saturday, May 7 from 9 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The Mission:

“Fair Haven trees are an important resource for all of our residents. The trees’ presence is aesthetically pleasing, is beneficial to our physical and mental health, adds value to our properties, and supports the overall wellbeing of the varied ecosystems which surround our Borough. It is our mission to preserve, protect and expand this urban forest in order that these benefits will still be available to future generations. To this end, we will develop a healthy, safe and sustainable shade tree inventory in the public areas of our municipality. With a focus on the systematic protection of existing and new plantings, we will work to maximize the environmental and socio-economic benefits of our community trees while minimizing the cost and liability associated with poor quality inventory.”

Join Us! Contact us to join the Commission. Help beautify and keep our community safe.

Fair Haven is a 2015 Tree City USA Town 15th Year of Recognition!
ARE YOU READY TO GET YOUR HANDS DIRTY? It’s time to think about your gardens and come to the **Garden Club of Fair Haven’s Annual Plant Sale.** The dates are Friday, May 6th from 4-7pm and Saturday, May 7th (9am till noon) at the Fair Haven Firehouse grounds, River Rd. Sale is rain or shine. This year plants will include perennials, many grown by our members, specialties and boutique items such as flowering shrubs, herbs, hanging baskets and decorative planters. We will offer some new varieties of perennials also. We will be having a 50/50 and refreshments available. Proceeds from our sale help us fulfill our goals of encouraging civic beauty, environmental concerns and projects in the Borough of Fair Haven.

Trish Sullivan is our scholarship chairperson again this year and anyone interested in applying for our scholarship, please contact her at 732-741-5482. Thank you and we’ll look forward to seeing you at our Plant Sale.

**Garden Plot Sign-Up!**

The **Fair Haven Fields Gardens** have scheduled their **2016 OPEN HOUSE and GARDEN PLOT Sign-up for SUNDAY, APRIL 3rd between 12 and 2 pm** at the Fair Haven Community Center behind the Police Department.

**The Fair Haven Fields Gardens offers all area gardeners 20’ by 20’ plots for a $50 annual fee. In 2013, the Gardens were improved with full deer fencing for the entire garden.**

If you are a returning gardener but are able to make the open house, please email Duncan Jay at fhfieldsgarden@gmail.com to request your previous plot. Please do not make payments until your plot is confirmed.

**The $50 per plot fee remains unchanged.**

We are also looking for volunteers to help with various tasks throughout the season. Anyone with desktop publishing experience who could assist in creating brochure for the garden would help in our outreach for new gardeners.
CRIME PREVENTION

Fraudulent Scams- There have been reports of residents receiving calls from someone claiming to be part of the IRS and asking for personal information. The IRS will never call you on the phone, they will only mail out letters. So if you receive a similar call it is best not to answer it if your Caller ID identifies the organization or if you do answer to ask them to send their information by mail and hang up.

Solicitors- If a solicitor comes to your door please ask them to see their ID and permit. Never let anyone in your home and report the incident immediately, as the police will know who is permitted to be in town soliciting.

DOGS

Please make sure that your dog is always on a leash anytime it is off your property. Especially, when you visit the Nature Trails. Fair Haven has a leash ordinance and everyone needs to cooperate and abide by it. Also make sure that you always clean up after your dog and update the license yearly at Borough Hall. Contact police headquarters @732-747-0991 if your dog does run away from your home so we can contact you in the event someone finds your dog. Also call to report any violations observed.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

A reminder to mark your calendars. This year’s National Night out will be held Tuesday, August 2nd @ the Community Center, behind Police Headquarters. This is the 14th year that we are participating in this nationwide event. It's a great night for friends and family members of the community to get together and get to know the Officers of the Police Department. There are many fun events planned for this year that will be announced at a later date.

For more information please contact the event coordinator Det. Stephen Schneider @ 732-747-0241 x331 or sschneider@fhboro.net

Traffic Safety

We would like to remind everyone to follow all of the traffic laws. Since the weather is getting warmer, there will be a lot of children out playing and riding their bicycles and we want to make sure the streets are safe for them. Be sure to stop at all stop signs and look both ways for pedestrians, bicyclists and other vehicle traffic before entering the roadway. Be sure to follow the speed limit and not follow too closely to the vehicle in front of you.

Be sure to stop at all traffic signals that are red and even yellow unless it had just turned yellow when you were within 25 ft. of the intersection. Also make sure to stop for any pedestrian that has entered a crosswalk.

If you follow these laws, it will help to make your travels more safe and enjoyable.

Cell Phone

Reminder that all drivers are not permitted to talk, check voicemail, text, read texts, play games, etc… on their cell phones or operate any other devices while driving. Drivers are permitted to use a hands free device to talk only on cell phones while driving.
Calling all Fair Haven SENIORS—55 and up!!!
Join us for conversation, activities, trips, 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.

IMPORTANT NOTICE *** April’s meeting will be a Luncheon and it will be held at a local restaurant on April 12th. For more information please contact Ruth Blaser.

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SPRING
SENIOR TRIP PLANNED
APRIL 13, 2016—Botanical Garden, New York—Price $50.00—Leaving from FH Firehouse by 8:45 a.m.—Lunch on your own —Two (2) places are in the Garden to purchase lunch.