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Our Twenty-Fourth Year!

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Borough Hall Office Hours

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



Memorial Day Services Monday, May 31

8 a.m. American Legion
9:15 a.m. Cedar Grove Cemetery
9:45 a.m. Triangle
10:15 a.m. Lauer Playground

Miss Gibbsboro Pageant
Thursday, July 1
7 p.m.
Lakeside Manor

South Jersey Magazine Cites Best Area Towns

Gibbsboro Fifth among Small Towns

Only Camden County Small Town on List

The May issue of South Jersey Magazine includes an analysis of Burlington, Camden, and Gloucester County towns and ranks the best communities. The study used “analytic Hierarchy process (AHP) to compare average residential property values, property taxes paid, crime rates and quality of schools. **Based on that data, Gibbsboro was rated the fifth best small town in the Tri-County area!**

Towns were separated into two categories based upon population with Gibbsboro falling into the small town group consisting of communities with populations under 7,000. Gibbsboro was the only Camden County small town to make the top ten. Of the large towns Haddonfield was tops with Voorhees Township third. They were the only Camden County towns in the top ten.

The South Jersey Magazine study affirms our belief that our town is among the best in South Jersey! The article can be found in their latest issue.

Borough Facilities Available for YOUR Use



Bowling Anyone?

The Borough's recreation center at Pole Hill Park is available for private use by our residents. The recreation facility includes a kitchen, pool table, shuffle board table, and two regulation bowling alleys including bowling shoes and bowling balls. Residents can use the facility for just a \$25 fee. The facility is ideal for birthday parties.

Our dining annex is now operational and is ideal for catered affairs for up to 120 guests. Residents can use that facility for just a \$300 fee. Use of the dining annex includes the recreation center. All fees from the recreation center and dining annex are used to support the centers and Pole Hill Park.

Our athletic complexes and bikeways can also be used by groups for special events or fund raisers. We are building two soccer/field hockey fields at Pole Hill Park and reconstructing baseball facilities at the Cricket Field. All fields are expected to be available for use by spring of 2011 or sooner. The Borough has adopted a comprehensive policy for the use of municipal facilities that is available online from at the Borough's website: www.gibbsborotownhall.com.

Applications must be submitted to the Borough clerk at least sixty (60) days in advance of scheduled date of use. For more information check the website or contact the Borough Clerk, Anne Levy, at 783-6655 extension 105.

Eastern Camden County Regional School District Budget Defeated

Council Approves \$450K Cut in Tax Levy

While the local school district budget was approved by Gibbsboro voters, the budget for Eastern Regional High Schools was narrowly defeated. The regional budget was approved by Gibbsboro and Berlin Borough voters but voters in Voorhees Township defeated it by a margin that exceeded the margin of victory in Gibbsboro and Berlin Borough. As a result the governing bodies of the three sending municipalities are charged with reviewing the budget and recommending cuts to the governing Board of Education (BOE). The review was complicated when the BOE voted to extend the existing union contract for a year just days after the defeat.

The Mayors of the three sending municipalities met with the administration twice to review administration and programs and to assess corresponding appropriations and potential cuts. The result of the process was a recommendation to remove \$450 thousand from the tax levy through a reduction in salaries that will be realized through announced retirements and anticipation of roughly \$350 thousand in revenues that will be available to the district through reserves and employee contributions for health care. The recommendations will not further reduce employment. A number of recommendations were supplied to the district for consideration to realize additional savings.

All three municipalities approved the recommendations. The BOE may accept the recommendations of the three governing bodies or appeal. Indications are that the BOE will accept the changes. For Gibbsboro taxpayers acceptance of the recommendations will result in a very small tax decrease in the regional school district tax bill.

Construction Official News

The Construction Official is available in the Construction Office on Tuesdays from 5 - 6:30 pm. Certificate of Continuing Occupancy (CCO) inspections and re-inspections are performed on Saturdays. Realtors, property buyers and sellers should plan accordingly.



...providing

"Teen Lounges" and Hope

for teens facing life-threatening illnesses



www.victoriousfoundation.org

5K Run/Walk Fundraiser Held In Gibbsboro

The Alicia Rose Victorious Foundation, headquartered at the Paintworks in Gibbsboro, held its annual walk/run on May 23 along United States Avenue and the Gibbsboro bikeway system. The organization raises funds to build teen lounges at pediatric centers around the United States that serve children facing life threatening illnesses. To learn more about the organization, email them at info@arvf.org or call them at (856) 784-0615.

IN MEMORIAM

Council President Lewis "Wimpy" Williams
March 16

Lieutenant Gerald "Jerry" Bonsall of the Voorhees Township Police Department
April 24

Councilman Robert "Bobby" Richardson
May 10

Trash/Recycling Reminders

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

Cardboard can now be placed curbside with recyclables.

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

Saturday trash collection will be available from June through August.

Miss Gibbsboro Pageant

Lakeside Manor

Thursday, July 1

7:00 p.m.



First Place Prize \$250.00
First Runner Up \$150.00
Second Runner Up \$100.00



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

The Rules are:

- 1. Contestants must be between the ages of 13 and 18.**
- 2. Pageant is only open to residents of Gibbsboro.**
- 3. Contestants must be available during their one-year reign to represent Gibbsboro at public events.**

Contestants will compete in both Casual and Formal Dress. Contact Borough Hall at 783-6655 extension 105 for an application. Applications are also available online at:

www.gibbsborotownhall.com

ESSAY CONTEST

**Open to
Girls & Boys!**

Prize for Best Essay—\$100.00
to be awarded at the Miss Gibbsboro Pageant

**Open to
Girls & Boys!**

The Gibbsboro Civic Pride Committee proudly announces that the Essay Contest is open to *female and male* Gibbsboro residents between the ages of 13 and 18! Applications, including rules and essay topic, are available at Borough Hall or online at www.gibbsborotownhall.com.



*Gibbsboro Night
at the Riversharks
Monday, July 19th at 7:05pm*

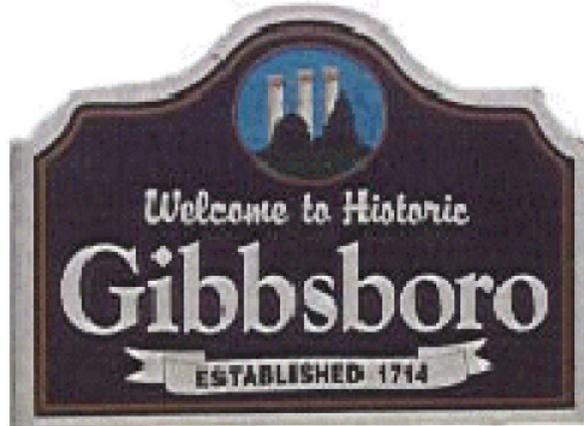
Join your Gibbsboro neighbors and friends at
Campbell's Field on
Monday, July 19th for a great night out!

Game Time: 7:05pm
Gates open at 6:05pm
Watch the Riversharks take on the
Southern Maryland BlueCrabs!

Dollar Mondays!

Select concession items will only be \$1!

- Hot dogs
- Popcorn
- Soda
- Ice cream and more!



Two ways to order!

Log on to www.riversharks.com and use the group code "**Gibbsboro**" to receive a \$5 ticket!
Or fill out the order form below and mail it in!

Gibbsboro Night at the Riversharks

Number of upper box tickets _____ x \$5 = Total enclosed _____ (To receive discounted tickets orders must be received in advance)
Checks may be made payable to the Camden Riversharks and sent to:

Camden Riversharks
Attn: Mark Schieber
401 N Delaware Ave
Camden NJ 08102

Questions?

Contact Mark at the Riversharks at 856-583-0031
or mschieber@riversharks.com



www.riversharks.com

OFFICE HOURS

BOROUGH HALL		CONSTRUCTION/ASSESSOR OFFICES	
		The Assessor is available by appointment.	
Monday through Thursday	9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Tuesday	Noon - 8:00 p.m.
Tuesday Evening	5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Monday, Thursday, Friday	9:00 a.m. - Noon
Friday	9:00 a.m. - Noon	CCO inspections are performed <u>weekly</u> on Saturday.	
TAX COLLECTOR/SEWER CLERK		LOCAL ASSISTANCE DIRECTOR	
		Call for an appointment.	
Tuesday	10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Monday through Thursday	9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday	9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Tuesday Evening	5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
		Friday	9:00 a.m. - Noon

PHONE NUMBERS

Borough Hall	783-6655
Tax Assessor	Extension 107
Tax Collector	Extension 103
Municipal Court	Extension 104
Borough Clerk	Extension 105
Construction Office	Extension 107
Local Assistance (Welfare)	Extension 150
 Public Works	 784-2111
 Gibbsboro Library	 435-3656
 Sewer Emergencies (Bommer Plumbing)	 783-6721 *** 24 HOUR SERVICE ***
 New Jersey One Call (Utility Mark Out)	 1-800-272-1000
 Gas Leaks	 1-800-582-7060 *** ALSO CALL 911 ***
 Police/Fire	 911

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DAY	DATE	EVENT	TIME	PLACE
Tuesday	5/25	Zoning Board	8:00 p.m.	Borough Hall
Wednesday	5/26	Council	8:00 p.m.	Borough Hall
Monday	5/31	BOROUGH OFFICES CLOSED MEMORIAL DAY – HOLIDAY		
JUNE				
Monday	6/7	Environmental Commission	7:30 p.m.	Borough Hall
Tuesday	6/8	Primary Election	6 a.m. – 8 p.m.	Gibbsboro School
Tuesday	6/8	Gibbsboro Board of Education	8:00 p.m.	Gibbsboro School
Tuesday	6/22	Zoning Board	8:00 p.m.	Borough Hall
Wednesday	6/30	Council	8:00 p.m.	Borough Hall
	CHANGED DATE			
JULY				
Thursday	7/1	Miss Gibbsboro Pageant	7:00 p.m.	Lakeside Manor
Sunday	7/4	INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION		
Monday	7/5	BOROUGH OFFICES CLOSED INDEPENDENCE DAY HOLIDAY		
Monday	7/12	Environmental Commission	7:30 p.m.	Borough Hall
Tuesday	7/13	Planning Board	8:00 p.m.	Borough Hall
Tuesday	7/13	Gibbsboro Board of Education	8:00 p.m.	Gibbsboro School
Tuesday	7/27	Zoning Board	8:00 p.m.	Borough Hall
Wednesday	7/28	Council	8:00 p.m.	Borough Hall
AUGUST				
Monday	8/2	Environmental Commission	7:30 p.m.	Borough Hall
Tuesday	8/10	Planning Board	8:00 p.m.	Borough Hall
Tuesday	8/10	Gibbsboro Board of Education	8:00 p.m.	Gibbsboro School
Tuesday	8/24	Zoning Board	8:00 p.m.	Borough Hall
Wednesday	8/25	Council	8:00 p.m.	Borough Hall

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49 KIRKWOOD ROAD
GIBBSBORO, NJ 08026

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LOCAL POSTAL PATRON
GIBBSBORO, NJ 08026

Gibbsboro Remembers

42 Years

Memorial Day Services

RAIN OR SHINE

Monday, May 31

ALL TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE

8:00 am

American Legion Post 371

9:15 am

Cedar Grove Cemetery

9:45 am

**American Legion Memorial
(Triangle)**

10:15 am

Lauer Playground

PFC Joseph Lauer
USMC

Gibbsboro Resident
KIA May 31, 1968
Vietnam

PFC Gary Francis Cysewski
US Army

KIA September 11, 1968
Vietnam
Interred at Cedar Grove
Cemetery

