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Celebrate Gibbsboro Day 2014

Borough Hall Office Hours

Monday – Thursday 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Tuesday Eve 5 – 8 p.m.
Friday 9 a.m. - Noon

Halloween Parade
October 25
1:45 p.m.
Borough Hall

Gibbsboro Day
November 1
10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Pole Hill Park

Leaf Collection Starts
November 3

Election Day
November 4
6 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Saturday, November 1 Gibbsboro will celebrate 300 years as a community with events for the whole family. The day starts at 10 a.m. with a “Meet & Greet” for the community to meet local government officials and enjoy great music and light refreshments through 2 p.m.

We will dedicate our bikeway at noon and have a bike rodeo for children at 12:30.

Remember at 11 A.M. to pick up the list for our scavenger hunt. It’s designed to be fun for the whole family and you may win a prize!

And don’t forget to pick up a **free** tercentennial pin. Commemorative staff shirts will also be on sale – first come, first serve!

Dear Residents and Business Owners:

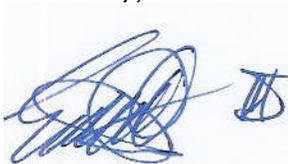
In accordance with the Borough's Tier A Municipal Storm Water General Permit, the Governing Body has adopted various ordinances to regulate the impact of storm water and pollutants on the environment. As part of our required Local Public Education Program, we are sending this letter to you annually to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

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

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

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Edward G. Campbell, III". The signature is stylized and somewhat cursive, with a small mark to the right of the main signature.

Edward G. Campbell, III
Mayor



BOROUGH PHONE NUMBERS

Borough Hall	783-6655
Chief Financial Officer	Extension 101
Deputy Clerk	Extension 102
Tax Collector	Extension 103
Sewer Clerk	Extension 103
Municipal Court	Extension 104
Borough Clerk	Extension 105
Construction Office	Extension 107
Tax Assessor	Extension 149
Welfare Director	Extension 150
Fire Official (Non-Emergency)	Extension 151
Public Works (Non-Emergency)	Extension 180
Police (Non-Emergency)	Extension 200
Police Chief (Non-Emergency)	Extension 201
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/Emergency	911

Borough Hires New Recruits for Police Department

New Borough Patrolmen John Geisel, Christopher Morrotto, and Vincent Henry (pictured above left to right) took the oath of office at the September meeting of the Borough Council as Gibbsboro's newest patrolmen. At the same meeting Sean Brown (above left) was sworn in as the new Corporal for the police department.

Camden County Awards Gibbsboro Two (More) Recreation Grants

The Camden County Freeholder Board has voted to approve two grants for \$25 thousand each for proposed recreation projects in Gibbsboro. The first will fund the purchase and installation of playground equipment for the Lauer Park Playground on Hilliards Road. The second grant will pay to pave a portion of the bikeway that runs along Berlin Road. Both projects will be completed this winter.

New Library Hours

Summer hours have ended and fall hours have begun. The library hours are:

Tues. 10-2 and 6-8
 Wed. 12-3
 Thurs. 6-8 except on 3rd Thurs of the month
 Sat. 9-12

Stop by and check out the latest best sellers for adults and young adults.



Worth Repeating: Fall Home Safety Tips

- "You can still protect your valuables even if an intruder makes it inside your house, but you have to prepare for the worst case scenario, too. The burglars want to get in and out as fast as they can, so you need to make it hard for them to find anything worth taking," Bounds said.
- Don't put your valuables in obvious places. Get a hollowed-out book or a fake wall outlet. Put your family heirlooms and other precious items in there.
- Video record each room to prove what was in there for a police report. You may think you know what you have, but close your eyes and try to recount everything that's in the room with you. Most people will find that it's very hard to do.
- List all the serial numbers of expensive items on one list, and if you're really concerned, you can etch your name and address on valuables like your TV and stereo. This makes it harder to sell on the black market and is something of a deterrent to thieves.
- Finally, many local police departments maintain something called a "vacant house list" when you travel for an extended period of time, like a week or more. Police will drive by and check on your house when you're gone. If a criminal knows the police are watching your house, most won't want to take the chance of breaking in.

Home and School Association Clothing Drive Fundraiser

The HSA is collecting usable clothing, shoes, belts, handbags, linens, stuffed animals & toys in support of a fundraiser for their activities. Drop off your contribution at the school basketball court on November 14 from 7 to 11 a.m. or 5 to 8 p.m. If you have any questions please contact Lisa Davies at daviesl@verizon.net.

Gibbsboro Day November 1, 2014



Above – **The Cricket Club Life Cup** which was awarded to the winning Cricket Club in an annual match between Linden (now Lindenwold) and Gibbsboro . The tournament was held from 1900 through 1903. The cup was in the possession of Frederick James Mantle, a former manager of the John Lucas Company, later Sherwin-Williams, plant in Gibbsboro. He came from England and was an avid cricket player. His granddaughters, Rosemary Fritz Foster and Shirlianne Fritz Johnson, who grew up in Gibbsboro, came to possess the cup and just returned it to Gibbsboro!

Celebrating 300 Years of Gibbsboro!

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Light Refreshments ~ Giveaways ~ Music ~
~ Scavenger Hunt ~ Historic Displays ~ Souvenir Tee Shirts for Sale
Bikeway Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

“Meet and Greet” local government leaders, businesses, and your neighbors starting at 10 a.m. through 2 p.m. with light refreshments and music. See town exhibits.

11 a.m. - Photos of the most senior Gibbsboro Residents and all who have resided in the Borough for 50 years! We are looking for all Seniors over 80 and residents that have been in Gibbsboro more than 50 years to attend.

Noon - Bikeway Ribbon Cutting & Scavenger Hunt Starts!

12:30 p.m. Bike Rodeo providing 1st through 4th Graders Bike Safety Skills Courses – Bring bike and a helmet!

Saturday, November 1

**10 am - 2 pm Senior Center at Pole Hill Park
(GPS address: 250 Haddonfield-Berlin Road)**



POSTER CONTEST

for

GIBBSBORO'S 300th

ANNIVERSARY!

- Design a 22" x 28" poster board commemorating the 300th anniversary of Gibbsboro
- Contest open to all children living in Gibbsboro from Kindergarten to 8th Grade
- Prizes for each grade level
- Include name, grade level and contact information on the back of the poster
- All poster entries must be delivered to Borough Hall by October 21st at 8 p.m.

**Winning posters will be
announced at
GIBBSBORO DAY!**



**GIBBSBORO
DAY**

**November 1, 2014
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Gibbsboro Senior Center
at Pole Hill Park**

**Refreshments | Commemorative Photos | Giveaways | Music
~ Bike Rodeo at 12:30 p.m. for Grades 1-4 ~**

Dateline Gibbsboro

1714 George Matlack built a saw mill on the South Branch of Cooper's Creek.

1838 The first public school is built in Gibbsboro.

March 1849 – Joseph Foster purchases the Ford Grist Mill on Silver Lake on behalf of John Lucas and the new paint company.



October 1, 1882 - The cornerstone for the Church of St. John in the Wilderness was laid at the intersection of Haddonfield-Berlin Road and Clementon Road near Foster Avenue. The building opened its doors in March of 1883.

1883 The “Gibbsborough” Post Office is officially established.

October 10, 1887 – The first locomotive rolls into Gibbsboro from Lucaston along the rail spur.

July 15, 1893 – Passenger train service is initiated between Gibbsboro and Lucaston. The fare is four cents.

October 25, 1896 - St. Andrew's Roman Catholic Church was established as St. Edmund's Mission along Berlin Road near its intersection with Marlton Avenue. The Gibbsboro United Methodist Church also was built at this time. The ground for this structure was donated by Albert Lucas.



1899 Voorhees Township secedes from Waterford Township. Albert Sayers of Gibbsboro is one of three petitioners to incorporate Voorhees.

August 7, 1901 – John Lucas died in the St. Charles Hotel in Atlantic City, NJ.

January 9, 1909 - A new Gibbsboro Public School is dedicated. The four classroom school building is now our Borough Hall.

March 8, 1924 - Gibbsboro secedes from Voorhees Township and is incorporated.

1930 Sherwin Williams purchases John Lucas Company.

1952 Gibbsboro girl becomes Miss New Jersey - A 20 year old college student from Gibbsboro, who represented Camden County in the Miss New Jersey Pageant, Mary Henderson Parker of 201 Kirkwood Road, won that title and competed in the 1952 Miss America Pageant.



1974 Gibbsboro's fiftieth anniversary celebration is held with a parade and carnival at the Cricket Field.

August, 1978 During the summer of 1978, the Sherwin-Williams Company announced the closing of its John Lucas Division in Gibbsboro. This marked the end of 129 years of continuous paint manufacturing at the site as well as the loss of some 200 jobs.

July, 1981 - Developer Robert K. Scarborough purchased the 22 acre Lucas Paint Works from the Sherwin-Williams Company. In converting the facility, Mr. Scarborough razed the 250-year old grist mill and later demolished two of the Lucas family homes on Clementon Road.

November 20, 1985 – At about 3:00 a.m. an arsonist set fire to the Gibbsboro Boro Hall.

2014 – Gibbsboro celebrates its tercentennial.

Leaf Collection

Gibbsboro has again contracted with Voorhees Township to provide for two curbside leaf collections for Gibbsboro residents. Please place **unbagged** leaves curbside. Do not include any other organic material (branches, grass clippings, etc.) or inorganic (plastics, paper, etc.) with the leaf piles. Once the collection team has completed a street they will not return until the second pass. If you miss the second pass in December your leaves will not be collected curbside. It is important to get your leaves curbside prior to the start of collection.

The first leaf collection will begin **Monday, November 3.**

The second leaf collection will begin **Monday, December 8**



Residents should rake leaves and place curbside. If leaf collection has already taken place in your area do not place any additional piles curbside until the second leaf collection is scheduled to begin since the collection truck will not return to your area until then. If you have any questions, please call Borough Hall at 783-6655.

Miss Gibbsboro Pageant Highlights



**Valerie Eachus
Miss Gibbsboro 2014**



Haley Smith - Best Essay



Halloween Parade

Saturday, October 25

2:00 p.m.



**This year's parade will
once again take place in the Borough Hall/Gibbsboro School parking lot.
Judging will begin at 1:45 p.m.**

The parade will march from the parking lot turning left onto Kirkwood Road, right onto Lambert Lane, right onto Winding Way, right onto Lauer Lane and proceed back to the parking lot. Prizes will be awarded and refreshments will be served.

Please join in the fun and enjoy Halloween with the community of Gibbsboro.

In the event of rain prizes and refreshments will be distributed through the Gibbsboro School to school children.

Curfew for Mischief Night and Halloween (October 30 and 31) will be 8:00 p.m.



Trick or Treat hours for Halloween (October 31) will be from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

WEATHER INFO: CALL 783-6655

(NO RAIN DATE)

Halloween Tips from the Poison Experts

- Trick-or-treat at homes of friends and neighbors you know — never accept candy or fruit from strangers.
- Supervise children when sorting and consuming candy — be sure all edible items are in original packaging, and are separated from non-edible items. Never allow children to eat candy until it has been inspected by parents or caregivers.
- When trick-or-treating at night, children should use a flashlight or glow stick to light the way and allow them to be seen in the dark.
- Trick-or-treaters should wear brightly colored costumes made of flame resistant materials.
- Remove Jack-O-Lanterns with lit candles inside them from doorsteps. Candles can be easily knocked over by children and pets.
- Liquid from a broken glow stick is usually non-toxic, but if your child ingests it, call the poison experts if you are unsure or have any questions.
- Wash hands or use a hand sanitizer after trick or treating, petting animals or picking pumpkins and apples.
- Use non-toxic face paint or make-up as an alternative to wearing a mask.
- Beware of peanuts or peanut oil in candies, for those with allergies.
- Be mindful of pets. Treats such as chocolate can be poisonous to dogs or cats.
- Make sure any items that can cause choking, such as hard candy, are given to children of an appropriate age to avoid choking.
- Always keep medications safely stored in locked cabinets and out of reach of children. Some medications, which come in various colors, look similar to and can be easily mistaken for candy.
- Avoid drinking fresh, unpasteurized cider.
- “Bee” aware — yellow jackets are often active around farms and garden centers during the warm days and cool

NJPIES hot line is the first line of defense (800-222-1222).

**BOROUGH OF
GIBBSBORO
49 KIRKWOOD ROAD
GIBBSBORO, NJ 08026**

**PRSRT STD
U. S. POSTAGE PAID
CHERRY HILL, NJ
PERMIT NO. 118**

**LOCAL POSTAL PATRON
GIBBSBORO, NJ 08026**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October

Saturday	18-Oct	Camden County Household Waste Collection Event	8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Camden County Public Works Complex 2311 Egg Harbor Road, Lindenwold
Saturday	25-Oct	Halloween Parade	1:45 p.m.	Borough Hall
Friday	31-Oct	Halloween		

November

Saturday	1-Nov	Gibbsboro Day!	10 a.m. - 2 p.m.	Pole Hill Park
Monday	3-Nov	First Leaf Collection Starts	7:00 a.m.	Town Wide
Tuesday	4-Nov	Election Day	6 a.m. - 8 p.m.	American Legion

Tuesday 11-Nov Veteran's Day - Borough Offices Closed

Tuesday	11-Nov	Gibbsboro Board of Education	7:30 p.m.	Gibbsboro School
Tuesday	11-Nov	Planning/Zoning/Historic Preservation Board **	7:00 p.m.	Borough Hall
Wednesday	12-Nov	Borough Council	7:00 p.m.	Borough Hall
Thursday	14-Nov	HAS Clothing Drive Fundraiser	7-11 a.m. 5-8 p.m.	School Basketball Court

Thursday 27-Nov Thanksgiving Day - Borough Offices Closed

Friday 28-Nov Day After Thanksgiving - Borough Offices Closed

December

Tuesday	2-Dec	Tree Lighting	7:00 p.m.	Lucas Park/ Gibbsboro School
Monday	8-Dec	Final Leaf Collection Starts	7:00 a.m.	Town Wide

** Call (856) 783-6655 X105 to verify that there is business for a meeting to be held.