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Our Twenty-Second Year!

September 2008

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Mayor

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Borough Hall Office Hours

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



Fire Prevention Night
Monday, October 6
7 p.m.

Halloween Parade
Saturday, October 25
4:00 p.m.

Trick or Treat
Friday, October 31
2 – 7 p.m.

Affordable Housing Decision: Court Rules with Gibbsboro

On July 22, in a unanimous decision, the Appellate Division of the New Jersey Superior Court ruled in favor of Gibbsboro on the Fair Share Housing Center's appeal challenging the approval of Gibbsboro's regional contribution agreement (RCA) with Woodlynne by the Superior Court and the Council on Affordable Housing (COAH).

The decision paves the way for Gibbsboro to pay Woodlynne \$1.4 million in exchange for 56 affordable housing unit credits. That represents 50% of Gibbsboro's second round obligation. Soon after Gibbsboro entered its agreement with Woodlynne, the legislature banned RCAs. As a result, this agreement may be the last of its kind in New Jersey.

Not the End

In a related matter, the Borough Council voted to join an appeal of COAH's latest third round affordable housing rules. Gibbsboro joins more than 225 other New Jersey municipalities in opposing the third round rules. In recent years the approach taken by the New Jersey Legislature and COAH is completely inconsistent with the NJ Fair Housing Act. Our local Council is unanimous in believing that the approach being dictated by the state will have a major adverse impact on New Jersey taxpayers. We are joined in that belief by most of the state's municipal leaders.

Our mayor has been appointed to the NJ League of Municipalities' Housing Committee which is assisting in lobbying for changes to state housing laws.



FLASHBACK: Fall 1978

In September 1978, thirty years ago, the factory that put Gibbsboro on the map, and was the reason for its creation as a town, produced its last gallon of paint. By the end of the year, the trains stopped coming to town, the gates were shuttered, and the last few employees were laid off. The closure of the Gibbsboro Sherwin-Williams factory ended more than 125 years of continuous paint production in Gibbsboro and was the final chapter for a business that was a worldwide leader in the evolution of modern paints, varnishes, and dyes and host to state and national events.

If you have historic photographs or interesting anecdotes - share them! For information contact the Borough Clerk.

The photographs are circa 1979, courtesy of Ellen Egan.





Calendar of Events



DAY	DATE	EVENT	TIME	PLACE
Monday	10/6	Fire Prevention Night	7 – 9 p.m.	Fire Hall
Monday	10/6	Environmental Commission	7:30 p.m.	Borough Hall
Wednesday	10/8	Council	8:00 p.m.	Borough Hall
Tuesday	10/14	Planning Board	8:00 p.m.	Borough Hall
Tuesday	10/14	Gibbsboro Board of Education	8:00 p.m.	Gibbsboro School
Saturday	10/18	Camden County Household Special Waste Collection	8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	County Complex Lindenwold
Saturday	10/18	Hoagie Sale	10:00 a.m.	Fire Hall
Wednesday	10/22	Council	8:00 p.m.	Borough Hall
Thursday	10/23	Historic Preservation Commission	7:30 p.m.	Borough Hall
Saturday	10/25	Camden County Electronics Recycling	8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	County Complex Lindenwold
Saturday	10/25	Halloween Parade	3:30 p.m.- 4:00 p.m.	Borough Hall Parking Lot
Saturday	10/25	Halloween Beef & Beer	8:00 p.m. - Midnight	Fire Hall
Tuesday	10/28	Zoning Board	8:00 p.m.	Borough Hall
	10/30 & 31	Curfew	8:00 p.m.	
	10/31	Trick or Treat Hours	2:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	
Sunday	11/2	Buffet Breakfast	8:00 a.m.	Fire Hall
Monday	11/3	Environmental Commission	7:30 p.m.	Borough Hall
	11/3	First Leaf Collection		
Tuesday	11/4	Election Day	6:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.	Gibbsboro School
Tuesday	11/11	Planning Board	8:00 p.m.	Borough Hall
Tuesday	11/11	Gibbsboro Board of Education	8:00 p.m.	Gibbsboro School
Tuesday	11/25	Zoning Board	8:00 p.m.	Borough Hall
Wednesday	11/26	Council	8:00 p.m.	Borough Hall
Thursday	11/27	Historic Preservation Commission	7:30 p.m.	Borough Hall

Phone Numbers

Borough Hall	783-6655
Borough Clerk	Extension 105
Municipal Court	Extension 104
Construction Office	Extension 107
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

Ladies Auxiliary Announce Breakfast Change

The Gibbsboro Fire Company Ladies Auxiliary would like to thank the many patrons for attending their monthly pancake breakfasts. Unfortunately, the cost of hosting the pancake breakfast has risen to the point that they are no longer profitable and a format change was necessary.

Our new fundraiser will include five buffet breakfasts on November 2, December 7, March 1, April 5, and May 3. The cost will be \$7 for adults and \$5 for children. Seniors will receive a discount. Please come out and enjoy breakfast with us and thank you for your continued support of our activities.

Special Needs Registry Available for Disaster Preparedness

The New Jersey Office of Emergency Management has contracted with Delta Development Group to maintain a registry of special needs individuals to assist first responders during an emergency. If you have special needs, include major health issues, a disability or other special needs consider registering. Information is available by dialing 2-1-1 or visiting www.registerready.nj.gov.



Leaf Collection

Autumn has arrived, the leaves are starting to fall, and soon the raking will begin!

Once again Gibbsboro will be partnering with Voorhees Township to provide curbside leaf collection for Gibbsboro Residents. You must arrange to have your leaves curbside before the equipment reaches your neighborhood. The equipment must cover an area greater than ten miles so return trips are impossible.

Please place **unbagged** leaves curbside. Do not include any other organic material (branches, grass clippings, etc.) or inorganic (plastics, paper, etc.) with the leaves.

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

The second leaf collection will begin **Monday, December 15th**.

Residents should rake leaves and place them curbside by Sunday, November 2nd. 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, extension 105.



Annual Halloween Parade

Saturday, October 25

4:00p.m.



NO RAIN DATE: In the event of rain, prizes and refreshments will be distributed through the Gibbsboro School to school children.

To be eligible for prizes, meet at the Borough Hall/Gibbsboro School parking lot at 3:30 p.m. Judging will begin at 3:45 p.m. Prize distribution will begin after the parade.

The parade route will be from the parking lot turning left onto Kirkwood Road, right onto Lambert Lane, right onto Winding Way, right onto Lauer Lane and back to the parking lot. For weather information call Borough Hall (856) 783-6655 press "0" for public announcements.



Please join us on
Saturday, October 25th,
from 8pm - 12am

Costumes Encouraged
Prizes to be Awarded
Food • Beer • Set-Ups
• Basket of Cheer
DJ • Door Prizes • 50/50s

at the Gibbsboro Fire Hall

Tickets: \$20

in advance,

\$25 at the door.

Call Mike Kelly at 783-8168,
Mark Hojnowski at 782-0920,
Gary Christy at 784-0327,
or stop by the fire hall.

Gibbsboro Fire Company #1 is having a
**HALLOWEEN
BEEF & BEER**
to benefit the Repair the Roof Fund!

GIBBSBORO VOORHEES LIONS CLUB

"WE SERVE"

(Serving Gibbsboro and Voorhees for over 50 years)

We are your local Lions, members of the Gibbsboro Voorhees Lions Club, and we are SOLICITING YOUR HELP in providing GIFT BOXES FOR OUR TROOPS. The 328th M.P. Company, which is based at the Cherry Hill Armory, is being deployed to IRAQ for 12 to 15 months.

These CITIZEN SOLDIERS are the SONS and DAUGHTERS, HUSBANDS and WIVES, are OUR NEIGHBORS and from nearby towns.

We are coordinating our efforts with their Family Assistance Leader and the Camden Light Artillery, a group of Retired Veterans, to accomplish our Goal. Some of the items most requested by Units that have been deployed are as follows:

RAZORS	POWDER	MAGAZINES	KOOLAID
TOOTH PASTE	BABY WIPES	DVD'S	PRETZELS
MOUTH WASH	BODY WASH	CAN DIPS	CHEESE ITS
TASTY CAKES	and any other snack that won't melt in transit		

We will be packing and sending about 200 GIFT BOXES in mid November. What we would like from you are DONATIONS of these items or FUNDS to purchase them, since we are VOLUNTEERS, ALL DONATIONS AND FUNDS WILL BE USED TO PACKAGE, PURCHASE AND MAIL THE BOXES.

These items, please only NEW ITEMS, or MONIES to purchase them can be dropped off or mailed BY OCTOBER 15, 2008 to GREEN LEA GARDEN CENTER, 204 ROUTE 73, VOORHEES, NJ. 08043. CHECKS should be made out to GIBBSBORO VOORHEES LIONS CLUB, "SUPPORT OUR TROOPS".

If you have any questions you may contact Joseph Scioli at

856-783-4705 or email him at

ginjoe214@comcast.net

THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT IN THIS MOST WORTHWHILE PROJECT.

GIBBSBORO VOORHEES LIONS CLUB

We are a Local Service Organization supporting efforts in our community for over 50 YEARS. We are seeking additional members to further strengthen our club. If this type of service to people in need is something you would like to be involved with, we WELCOME and INVITE you to come out and see what LIONS are all about. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Mondays at Ventura's Restaurant on Route 73 in Voorhees at 5:30PM.

For more info, call Lion Joe Scioli 856-783-4705 or email him at ginjoe214@comcast.net

Camden County Recycling Information

Camden County Public Works Complex

2311 Egg Harbor Road, Lindenwold

Call 858-5241 for more information

<http://www.camdencounty.com/community/household.html>

Household Special Waste Collection Day

October 18

Collection Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Electronic Recycling Collection Event

October 25

Collection Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Camden County is sponsoring an Electronics Recycling Collection Event for all Camden County residents. Recycling your electronics keeps dangerous materials such as lead, mercury, cadmium and chromium from being released into the environment.



Brianna Guattari Miss Gibbsboro 2008

The 38th Annual Miss Gibbsboro Pageant was held on June 30th at Lakeside Manor with Meredith Donker, Brianna McCullough, Alyssa McFerren competing for the top honor. In a close competition, Brianna Guattari was selected to represent Gibbsboro for the next year. Meredith Donker will serve as first runner-up. Escorts included Mathew Ruff, Steven Greer, Brennan McFarland, and Garret McFerren. Sophia Baker, Cate Kleeman, Josephine Sandoval, and Jamie Gontowski presented flowers to the contestants.

Ellen Egan at 80 Local Icon Celebrates Milestone

Friends, neighbors and family of former Borough Clerk Ellen Egan gathered on Sunday September 14th to celebrate the big day. Ellen remains an active member of the community serving on the Environmental Commission, tending to flower beds at the Borough Hall, Triangle, and Lucas Park, and as an active member of her church, St Andrews.



State: 2009 Pension Costs to Rise by up to 35%

The New Jersey Division of Pensions has notified municipal governments that state-managed pension plans for municipal and state employees will require significant cash infusions for 2009. PERS, which provides pensions for non-police, public employees will see premiums rise by 8.9%. PFRS, which provides pensions for police and firemen, will require premium increases of 35%. These increases are borne by municipal property taxpayers. The state covers school pensions with income tax revenues.

Planning Board Adopts Re- Examination Report

On September 9, at its regular meeting, the Gibbsboro Planning Board adopted a re-examination report of the Gibbsboro Master Plan. New Jersey municipalities are required to review the Master Plan at least every six years. In its review, the board recommended considering creating additional office zones or retail zones to expand the tax base. The board also recommended revising, and possibly expanding, the redevelopment zone at the former Micro Warehouse building at the Paint Works.



NEWS RELEASE

UNITED STATES POSTAL INSPECTION SERVICE

Philadelphia Division

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

August 22, 2008

Contact: Postal Inspector Reginald L. Wade Jr, 267-688-6217, Rlwade@uspis.gov

Local Post Office Robbed ***Armed assailants rob individual at Gibbsboro Post Office***

Gibbsboro, NJ – Postal Inspectors are offering a reward of up to \$50,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the individuals responsible for the robbery of the Gibbsboro Post Office.

On Thursday, August 21st at approximately 6:00 pm two suspects robbed an individual at the Gibbsboro, New Jersey Post Office, at gun point. The assailants were both black males. The first suspect was described as having a slender build, medium brown skin complexion, possibly having freckles or scars across the bridge of his nose and cheeks, and was wearing a baseball hat. There is no description of the second suspect at this time. Both suspects should be considered armed and dangerous.

This offense is a violation of Title 18 Sec. 2114 and a conviction carries a fine of \$250,000 and penalty of up to 25 years.

Please contact the US Postal Inspection Service, Philadelphia Division at 1-877-876-2455, option number 2, with any information.

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Permit #30

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