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**Our Thirty-seventh Year!**

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## **Borough Hall Office Hours**

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



**Memorial Day  
Services**  
Rain or Shine

**Monday, May 29**

## **New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJ DOT) Highlights Gibbsboro Project**

The NJ DOT was in Gibbsboro filming a promotion for their Local Aid bikeway program. Gibbsboro's multi-purpose system has become a prime example of how a functional transportation system can be created to provide safe, cost-effective passage for bikers and walkers of all abilities. Our design is cost-effective because it is bi-directional and thus only needs to be built on one side of a major road.

Video was recorded at Generations Memorial Park, a location between the current Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) project and the next phase of the Gibbsboro system just south of the park. When both projects are complete it will be possible to travel the entire length of 561 on a safe, behind the curb, paved path.

The video included segments with Mayor Campbell and the borough's engineers, Key Engineers of Berlin. The promotional video should be released to the public later this summer and will be locally posted. Thanks NJ DOT!



# *Friends of Gibbsboro*

## *Craft Night*

Come out for a night of fun with the Friends of Gibbsboro and make the star door/wall hanger shown above. No experience necessary. Adults only event!

*Light refreshments and water provided.*

### Time & Location:

Thursday, May 11 / 7PM – 9PM  
Gibbsboro Senior Recreation Center  
772 Pole Hill Park Drive  
Gibbsboro, NJ



*\$30 per person – all supplies included*

*Register today to reserve your spot!*

*Any question or to register email [boydbearlover@comcast.net](mailto:boydbearlover@comcast.net)*

*or text (856) 993-3990 (Dawn Smith)*

*Payment by Venmo or cash!*

*You won't want to miss out on this FUN event!*

*All proceeds will be used toward upcoming town events and projects!*





## Wow! Students Really Clean Up!

Organized by the Gibbsboro Environmental Commission, students from Eastern High School and residents participated in two cleanup days in March. Pictured left are the spoils of the student's efforts around the Blueberry Hill Trails. Great job!



## Transportation Alternatives Project Nearly Complete

The Borough's contractor, Think Pavers, is putting the final touches on the project that has completed two segments that close gaps in the Borough's multi-purpose path system on Lakeview Drive (Camden County route 561). The construction project was federally funded and supplemented with NJ DOT funds to make improvements to the intersection at Milford, Marlton, and 561 for pedestrians and bicycles. The federal grant also funded the new lighting along the path.



## Get Real-Time Gibbsboro Information!



Residents can receive important, official information directly through Nixle. Messages will be delivered by email, SMS text message, and over the web.

Information can be received online and through email. Residents can receive messages by phone as part of their text messaging plan - otherwise standard text message rates apply. The system is simple to use and provides an easy sign-up process. Register now and learn more at [www.nixle.com](http://www.nixle.com).



## Borough Seeks Funding to Restore Lucas House

One of the most historic properties in Central Camden County has been slowly getting returned to its past glory. Listed on both the New Jersey and National Registers of Historic Properties, the John and Harriet Lucas House has been under the stewardship of the Borough for nearly a decade.

To date the Borough and Camden County have partnered to make six investments in the property – mostly to preserve and restore the dozens of beautiful windows around the property. The state of New Jersey, through the NJ Historic Trust (NJ HT), invested \$50K in a detailed preservation plan that reviewed the architectural history of the property and laid out a plan for its preservation. Last year the NJ HT provided another \$50K to prepare construction drawings to lay out the details for major restoration. We are now ready to seek the big bucks to put this property back into use!

In March, Mayor Campbell submitted a request for Congressionally Designated Spending, also known as an earmark, requesting \$750K in a special appropriation. In April the Borough Council approved an application to the NJ Historic Trust for \$500K in funding.

We thank the many residents, professionals, employees, and elected officials that have supported and continue to support this worthwhile project that is a part of nation's history!



# **SUPERFUND UPDATE**



## **United States Avenue Multi-Purpose Trail (Green Trail)**

- The multi-purpose trail reopened to pedestrians and bicyclists on Friday, April 14. The trail will be reconstructed with porous concrete following all remediation at the United States Avenue Burn Site.

## **United States Avenue Burn Site Remediation**

- Remediation continues - work will be focused on the east side of United States Avenue with some restoration activities ongoing along the railroad track area.
- Groundwater wells were reinstalled in the railroad track area on April 21st to allow for ongoing groundwater monitoring. This work is not expected to impact use of the multi-purpose trail.

## **Former Manufacturing Plant (AKA Paintworks) Sampling**

- Additional pre-design investigation work will continue in and around 1 and 7 Foster for the next couple of weeks.

## **Other Work**

- Monthly fence/security system inspections in the Hilliards Creek Wildlife Refuge took place on Tuesday, April 18th.

**All schedules are subject to change due to weather and other field conditions.**

## Major Land Use News Approvals

**SonRaj LLC's** site plan application to redevelop several lots along North Lakeview Drive was approved by the Planning Board at the March meeting. The applicant has demolished two existing homes at 101 and 103 Lakeview Drive and will be rehabilitating the former bank building at 95 North Lakeview Drive to be a cannabis dispensary. Their tenant, **One Green Leaf, LLC**, has been granted an annual class 5 cannabis license to operate. A rendering of the renovated building and streetscape improvements is shown below.



**Creekview Development Company LLC** received a bulk variance and a certificate of appropriateness (CoA) to construct a new home at 74 West Clementon Road (block 58.01 lot 9.05).

**Rim Haidar** was granted a certificate of appropriateness (CoA) to install solar panels on a home at 25 West Clementon Road (block 19.01 lot 7).

### ALL MEETINGS IN-PERSON.

**Gibbsboro Planning/Zoning  
Board Meets Monthly**

**Fourth Wednesday  
7 p.m.  
Gibbsboro Senior Center**

**Borough Council  
Meets Monthly**

**Second Tuesday  
7 p.m.  
Borough Hall**



## Pending Land Use Applications Scheduled for April 26

### Use Variance

**Anne-Marie & Cory Bailey** are seeking a use variance to incorporate an in-law suite at 77 Winding Way (block 114 lot 1).

### Certificates of Appropriateness (CoA)

**Adam Campbell** is seeking a CoA for the installation of solar panels at 18 Yarmouth Way (block 18.06 lot 12).

**Sherwin-Williams** is seeking a CoA to demolish warehouses at 2/4 Foster Avenue to enable Superfund remediation.



**Looking for 4<sup>th</sup> of July  
Participants!**

Floats  
Convertibles  
Antique Cars  
Civic Groups

For information contact "Friends of  
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**NEW  
PICKUP DAY**

➤ Effective the week of May 1st ◀  
**Your trash and recycling pick up schedule  
will be changed from  
TUESDAYS to FRIDAYS**



*Gibbsboro town wide Yard Sale*  
Saturday, May 6th 9-2

**COMMUNITY  
YARD  
SALE**



Contact Mary Anne 856-357-4387  
\$5 donation for advertising



**51<sup>st</sup> Miss Gibbsboro  
Pageant**  
June 27 7 pm  
Senior Center

**Q2 Property Taxes**  
**Due May 1**

**2023 Sewer Bill**  
**Due July 1**

**Coffee & Tea in the Garden**  
**July 15**