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**Our Thirty-Eighth Year!**

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## FUN FACTS

### First Post Office

**1883** - The "Gibbsborough" Post Office is officially established.

### First Train

**October 10, 1887** - The first train rolls into Gibbsboro from Lucaston along the United States Avenue rail spur.

### Passenger Train Service

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

### Borough Hall Office Hours

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



### Independence Day Celebration

**July 4**

**Parade 9:00 a.m.**



Borough offices will be closed on July 4 in observation of Independence Day.

Trash and recyclable collection the week of Independence Day will be collected on Saturday.



**September 28, 1907** - The United Towns Fair is held in Gibbsboro.

### Schools

**1838** - The first public school is built in Gibbsboro.

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

# MORE FUN FACTS

## First Church

**1856** - **John and Harriet Lucas** helped found the Union Sunday School.

**1974** - Gibbsboro's fiftieth anniversary celebration is held with a parade, and carnival at the Cricket Field. The grand marshal of the parade is 100 year-old Spanish-American War veteran **Kurg Lewis**.



## Miss New Jerseys

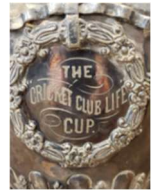
**1952** - Gibbsboro girl becomes Miss New Jersey - A 20-year-old college student from Gibbsboro, who represented Camden County in the Miss New Jersey Pageant, **Mary Henderson Parker** (above, left) of 201 Kirkwood Road, won that title and competed in the 1952 Miss America Pageant.

**2024** - **Kelly Stout** (above, right) of Freedom Village, is the reigning Ms. Wheelchair New Jersey.

**June 2022** - **Brielle O'Donnell** is selected as the 50th Miss Gibbsboro at a Miss Gibbsboro Reunion Event. The 2020 and 2021 Miss Gibbsboro pageants are cancelled because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**1980** - Gibbsboro resident and decorated Vietnam veteran **Carlton Sherwood** is a contributing member of the Gannett News Service team that is awarded the *1980 Pulitzer Prize public service gold medal*. The award was for a series investigating a fund-raising scandal involving the Pauline Fathers of Doylestown, Pennsylvania and the Vatican's role in the cover up. Sherwood was known for his efforts on behalf of veterans and was the producer of "Stolen Honor". As part of the Borough's 1974 Fiftieth Anniversary celebration a "speakeasy" is held at Sherwood's Kirkwood Road property.

## Cricket Anyone?



**1900 - 1903** John Lucas brought a passion for Cricket from England. Teams from Lindenwold and Gibbsboro played a multi-year tournament at the Cricket Field with Gibbsboro prevailing 3 matches to 1.



**September 24-25, 1915** - At the Camden County Fair, held at the Cricket Field, **Ashline**, owned by a Gibbsboro resident, won the race. Yes, there was a racetrack at the "Cricket Field"!

**January 15, 2018** - Former Councilman, Mayor and Eastern High School Athletic Director **Joseph Hartmann** receives the 2018 Philadelphia Sportswriter's Ed Snider Distinguished Humanitarian Award.

**July 2022** - Gibbsboro product **Brittany Read** played professional women's lacrosse and helped Team England win a bronze medal while also earning *All-World Team* honors at the World Lacrosse Women's Championship in Towson, Maryland.

**July 11, 2023** - Gibbsboro resident **Zach Galen** pitches in MLB's all-star game.



# INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION



## JULY 4

**PARADE** - Begins sharply at 9:00 a.m. at the Gibbsboro Fire Hall  
**Classic and Antique Cars Desired!**

**ROUTE .** Hilliards Road to Kirkwood Road, up Kirkwood Road to Lambert Lane, Lambert Lane to Winding Way, to Cedarcroft Road to Haddon Avenue, to Lucas Boulevard and ending at the Cricket Field.

### ENTRY POINTS FOR PARADE PARTICIPANTS (IMPORTANT)

1. Floats, marching groups, and vehicles will form at **8:30 a.m.** at the Fire Hall on Hilliards Road.
2. Bicycles, tricycles, baby coaches, wagons, will form on Ridgewood Road at **8:30 a.m.** for registration and judging prior to entering the parade as it passes on Cedarcroft Road.

**No judging will occur at the Cricket Field. Participants must enter the parade at the points indicated above to be eligible for prizes. All parade trophies will be presented at the Cricket Field following the parade. Refreshments will be served after the trophies are presented.**

### FIELD GAMES, LIVE MUSIC, AND EVENTS *(to begin approximately 10 a.m. at Cricket Field)*

*PEANUT SCRAMBLE (Bring a bag)	BOYS UP TO 4 YEARS	GIRLS UP TO 4 YRS.
*SHOE SCRAMBLE	BOYS 5 & 6 YEARS	GIRLS 5 & 6 YEARS
*SACK RACE	BOYS 7 TO 9 YEARS	GIRLS 7 TO 9 YEARS
*WHEELBARROW RACE	BOYS 10 TO 11 YEARS	GIRLS 10 TO 11 YEARS
*3-LEGGED RACE	BOYS 12 TO 14 YEARS	GIRLS 12 TO 14 YEARS
SOFTBALL THROW	BOYS 15 TO ADULT	GIRLS 15 TO ADULT
EGG TOSS	COUPLES 18 AND OVER	
HOLE-IN-ONE CONTEST	BOYS 17& UP	GIRLS 17& UP

- For special needs children please see the event coordinator to participate in an alternate event, if available.



**Rain Date: July 5**  
**Info Call (856) 783-6655**  
**Extension 105**



**Second Rain Date: July 6**

**July 5<sup>th</sup>  
2024**

**Gibby 100!**

**4pm  
to  
12am**

**American Legion Post 371 & The Cricket Field**

**Rain date July 6th**

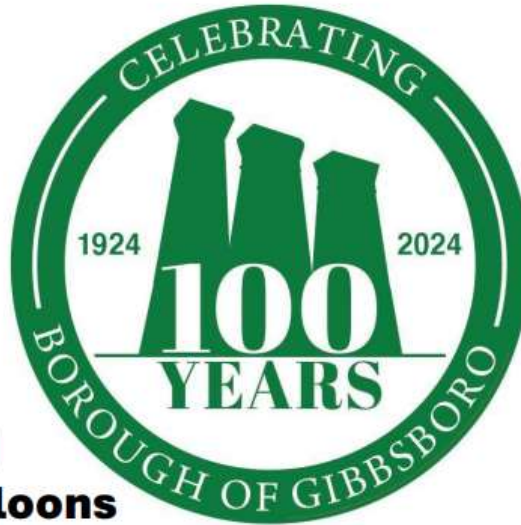
**Live Bands**

**Teenage FBI  
Millennial Pause  
Midnight Soundtrack**

**Bouncy House**

**Yard Games**

**Face Painting and  
Balloons**



**Beer Garden**

**Food  
Trucks**

**Corn Hole  
Tournament**



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**LOCAL SEWER  
PAYMENTS  
DUE JULY 1**



**Free Family Event  
Gibbboro Community Garden**

1000 Pole Hill Park Drive

SATURDAY, JULY 13, 2024 AT 10 AM – 1 PM EDT

**Coffee & Tea in the Garden**

Public · Event by Gibbboro Community Garden Events

AMERICAN LEGION POST #371 PRESENTS

100TH ANNIVERSARY  
CELEBRATION



# TOURNAMENT

*Save the Date*

**FRIDAY, JULY 5TH @ CRICKET FIELD**

21 LAKEVIEW DRIVE N, GIBBSBORO, NJ

Starts @ 5:00 pm

\$20 per team to enter (no singles)

24 team maximum

(First 24 registrations received/paid)

Ages 21 and older to play!

**Raindate:  
July 6th**

All proceeds are being used for prize money!

Register by June 28th!

Registration forms available in the Town

Crier and by emailing

[boymbearlover@comcast.net](mailto:boymbearlover@comcast.net)

Attention: Cornhole

## CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION FORM

Name Player #1 \_\_\_\_\_

Name Player #2 \_\_\_\_\_

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return completed form, along with the registration fee by emailing [bovdbearlover@comcast.net](mailto:bovdbearlover@comcast.net) Attn: Cornhole, dropping off or by mailing by June 28<sup>th</sup> to:

Chris Karcsh  
Gibbsboro Boro Hall  
49 Kirkwood Road  
Gibbsboro, NJ 08026

(Payment by Cash  
or Venmo) / @Dawn-Smith-209\*

### CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

First bag will fly on the Cricket Field Friday, July 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm (Raindate: July 6<sup>th</sup>)

#### FEES AND AWARDS

- \$20 Non-Refundable Entry Fee per team (2-person teams)
- Awards to 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place teams

#### TEAM COMPOSITION

- Teams can be any combination of male and female players (2 males, 2 females, 1 male and 1 female)
- Ages 21 and up welcome
- 24 team maximum (so get your registration in since it will be on a first-come first-serve basis – **\*registration is not complete until we receive a registration form and payment – you will receive confirmation by email**)

#### STANDARD RULES

- Boards would need to be 27 feet apart from front to front (regulation).
- Players pitch bags in an underhand motion. A player must pitch the entire match with the same hand or arm, except in the case of a medical emergency.
- Players cannot step past front of board when throwing.
- A player must wait for the previous bag to come to a complete stop before pitching the next bag.
- No touching, adjusting or aligning boards during an inning. Players may only align boards between innings.
- If a player believes they have thrown all bags, clear for the board for the next inning, but then realize they missed a bag, the inning ends and the points are scored as if the inning ended and the missing bag is forfeited.
- Purposely interfering with an opponent's pitching motion will disqualify the player and result in a forfeiture of the game.
- Any act deemed excessively poor sportsmanship will disqualify a player and result in forfeiture of the game.
- Pregame Coin Toss – prior to the beginning of the game, the winner of a coin toss will determine the playing lanes and sequence of play.
- An inning is completed when both teams, pitching from one board, pitch all eight bags (4 each).

#### SCORING

- Each bag on the box = 1 point
- Each bag in the hole = 3 points
- Any bag touching the ground or "bounced" onto the box **DO NOT COUNT** and are to be removed prior to the next bag thrown by the opposing team
- Total points for each team are calculated using only those points that were not canceled out. **Example:**
  - Team 1 throws 1 bag in the hole and 3 bags land on the box for a total of 6 points;
  - Team 2 throws 1 bag in the hole and 2 bags on the box for a total of 5 points;
  - Then Team 1 receives 1 point for that round.
  - The 1<sup>st</sup> team to score 21 points or more will be declared the winner.

## **Sherwin-Williams / Hilliards Creek Superfund Site Update**

The Sherwin-Williams Company (Sherwin-Williams) is working with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) to investigate and remediate environmental conditions associated with past industrial operations at the former paint manufacturing plant in Gibbsboro. Remediation design and construction activities are being performed in a phased approach over several years.

### **Current Project Unit:**

Remediation of soils on the Former Manufacturing Plant (also known as the Paint Works) property at the base of Silver Lake is underway. The project is expected to take approximately one year to complete and will include:

- Lowering of Silver Lake by approximately five (5) feet to reduce pressure on the dam
- Temporary relocation of the lake outflow to allow for remediation of the existing underground culvert
- Installation of steel sheet piles to support deep excavations
- Excavation of soils to EPA-approved depths, followed by backfilling the excavations with clean fill
- Management of excavated soils followed by trucking and disposal at an EPA-approved off-site landfill
- Replacement of the underground culvert and the Hilliards Creek headwall south of Foster Avenue
- Restoration of parking lots, sidewalks and the boardwalk at the base of Silver Lake
- Construction of Vista Park at the corner of Foster Avenue and East Clementon once the Borough of Gibbsboro provides the required permits

Safety protocols will be in place throughout the remediation activities:

- Groundwater and rainwater encountered during remediation will be treated prior to discharge into Hilliards Creek
- An EPA-approved community air monitoring program will be implemented during soil work
- Water trucks and street sweepers will be used to reduce nuisance dust
- A biodegradable foam will be used during certain operations to control nuisance odors
- An EPA-approved vibration monitoring program will be in place during construction activities

The community should expect:

- Work will generally occur on weekdays between 7:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.
- The wooden boardwalk at the base of Silver Lake will be closed to the public for the duration of the project.
- Foster Avenue will be closed to thru traffic starting in late August 2024 and continuing into 2025.

### **Future Project Units:**

- Remediation of soils on additional Former Manufacturing Plant parcels south of Foster Avenue.
- Dredging of Silver Lake, Bridgewood Lake, Kirkwood Lake and remediation of sediments in Hilliards Creek.

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## Independence Day Celebration Call for Volunteers

**JUDGES:** The Borough is looking for volunteers to assist in judging parade participants. If interested please contact Amy Troxel, Borough Clerk, at (856) 783-6655 extension 105.

**CONVERTIBLES:** Vehicles and drivers are needed to participate in the annual Independence Day Parade. If you own a vehicle and are willing to drive a contestant from the Miss Gibbsboro pageant, please contact Christine Karcsh ([karcsh@gibbsborotownhall.com](mailto:karcsh@gibbsborotownhall.com)) or Amy Troxel, Borough Clerk, at (856) 783-6655 extension 105 ([boroughclerk@gibbsborotownhall.com](mailto:boroughclerk@gibbsborotownhall.com)).

