

A Community Newsletter from the Mayor and Council

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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Local scouts have been busy attaining advance awards. In the Girl Scouts, the Silver Award was attained by Emily Rorty, Jaclyn Ludwig, Lori Oppenheimer and Sarah Gelotte. A Troop 54 Boy Scout Court of Honor was held for Richard Saunders, Thomas Brown and Kevin Brightly who earned the coveted rank of Eagle Scout.



At a recent Mayor and Council meeting, several parents were recognized as tribute was paid to their sons who are currently deployed to active military service. The families include:

- Arline and Tom Dench, Spec. Tim Dench, U.S. Army
- Barbara and Kevin Dolan, Lt. Com. Chris Dolan, U.S. Navy
- Linda and Ray Essig, Capt. Jeffrey Essig, U.S. Army
- Roberta and Stanley Kober, Capt. Erik Kober, U.S. Army
- Betsy and Wally Peterson, Sgt. Walter Peterson, U.S. Marines
- Diane and Raymond Rebholz, 2nd Lt. Kevin Rebholz, U.S. Air Force
- Nancie Solomon, Lt. Joshua Solomon, U.S. Navy
- Wendy and Mark Statuto, Lt. Jr. Gr. Sean Statuto, U.S. Navy
- Nancy and Oscar Zambelli, Capt. Paul Zambelli, U.S. Marines

A REMINDER:

As of April 1st
Solid Waste
collections
resumed the
twice a week
schedule until
October 31, 2005

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Several changes have taken place within the ranks of our employees. In the Department of Public Works, James Montag was promoted to the vacant position of Assistant Superintendent and Jeff Pattman assumed the responsibilities of foreman replacing James Montag.

In the borough hall, we welcome Laura Borchers as the Acting Borough Clerk. Laura comes from Midland Park where she was Administrative Assistant to the Borough Clerk. Her title will remain Acting until she completes her certification courses.

In the police department, Greg McBain was appointed as a full time dispatcher.

In the volunteer fire department, recently appointed regular member, Ed Iannelli is attending Firefighter 1 training at The Bergen County Law and Public Safety Insitute. Junior members, Joseph Sanzari, Jr., James Rorty, and Ryan Stewart are also taking Firefighter 1. Matthew Menzel, David C. Peiffer and Peter P. Vella have just been appointed to the department as regular members.

Chris Raimondi, resident, local businessman and Ho-Ho-Kus volunteer fireman, was selected as the 2004 Bergen County Volunteer of the Year Award.

Congratulations to the Ho-Ho-Kus School staff and 7th and 8th grade students for their outstanding performance of "Crazy for You".



Alison Crossley, a senior flute performance major at Carnegie Mellon University, has been invited to participate in the Inaugural Gala in Qatar. Eight hundred guests are expected including the president of Carnegie Mellon and the Royal Family of Qatar.

Town residents, Tom and Carolyn McGurn, have been named honorees for the annual Bergen-Hudson Red Cross Gala.

After fifteen years of faithful service, Dorothy Becica has resigned from the Worth Pinkham library staff and is relocating to Pennsylvania.

The Ho-Ho-Kus PBA Association has honored Police Sergeant Chris Minchin and Officer Jamie Bodart for their recent arrests of two individuals for conspiracy to commit burglary. These arrests solved a series of burglaries in near-by towns and halted one in Ho-Ho-Kus.



FINANCIAL GRANTS

After three years of applying for grants to add handicapped bathroom amenities on the first floor of the Borough owned historic Ho-Ho-Kus Inn, the Borough has succeeded in obtaining a \$49,824 from the Northwest Bergen share of the federally funded Community Development Block Grants. Our thanks to former Mayor Rusty Thompson and Borough Administrator Catherine Henderson for their perseverance and diligence in bringing this cause to a successful conclusion.

As in the many years in the past, the Borough has used financial assistance from various sources. One source was the New Jersey Department of Transportation's Municipal Aid Program which funded the resurfacing of Section 1 of Blauvelt Avenue. In July, 2004 the Borough applied for additional monies to reconstruct Section 2 of Blauvelt Avenue which includes the resurfacing from Sheridan Avenue to Lakewood Avenue.

Proposed applications include sidewalks for the school and drainage for Arbor Drive.

OTHER MAYOR AND COUNCIL NEWS

Passed an Ordinance increasing handicapped parking spaces.

Retained the services of Capital Alternatives – a grant writing firm.

Completed and introduced 2005 budget.

Reaffirmed request to DOT for funding of traffic light at Lloyd Road and Hollywood Avenue.

WELCOME ABOARD!

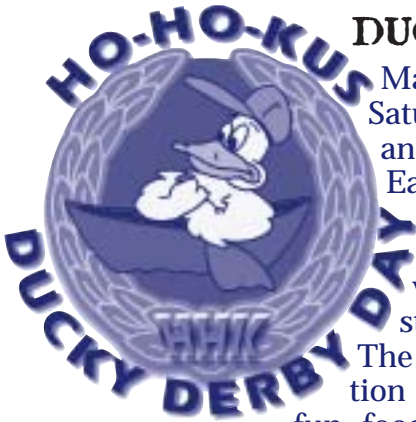
New appointees on the various Boards include:

Kristine Nylund	Board of Health
James Pierson	Planning Board
Lee Flemming	Zoning Board
Carlin Sherlow	Library Board
Dave DeLuca	Recreation Commission
Peter O'Rourke	Recreation Commission
Rev. Richard Bierwas	Local Emergency Management Council

PRIMARY ELECTION

Primary Election Day is Tuesday, June 7th. Voter registration and a change of name and/or address is May 9th. The deadline for filing a Political Party Affiliation Declaration form is April 18th. Affiliation forms are available in the Clerk's Office in the Borough Hall. Newly registered voters are considered "undeclared" or having no political affiliation. A registered voter could remain in the undeclared category by never voting in a Primary Election and only voting in the General Elections.

A newly registered voter, or undeclared voter, who would like to be affiliated with the Republican or Democratic parties could declare themselves on Primary Day. Only Republicans, Democrats or Undeclared may vote on Primary Day.



DUCKY DERBY DAY

Mayor Thomas Randall has proclaimed Saturday, June 4, 2005 to be the first annual Ho-Ho-Kus Ducky Derby Day. Each of the one thousand (1,000) rubber duckies may be adopted by a loving child or adult and then the whole flock will be set loose from a starting point on the Ho-Ho-Kus Brook. The winners will receive prizes. In addition to the Derby, the afternoon promises fun, food and games.

Ducky Derby Day will benefit the Borough's recreational activities as well as local non-profit organizations. For more information, call the Ho-Ho-Kus Recreation Commission at 201-934-3994 or e-mail at hkhkcreation@aol.com.

TREE CITY USA

The Borough has been recertified as a Tree City USA for the fifth consecutive year. To qualify, Ho-Ho-Kus maintained, and in 2005, increased its financial commitment to the program. The Borough continues to comply with all of the requirements, including the annual observance of Arbor Day.



AMBULANCE CORPS

The Ho-Ho-Kus Volunteer Memorial Ambulance Corps is celebrating its 50th anniversary of continuous service to the

residents of Ho-Ho-Kus. During that time, Ho-Ho-Kus residents have volunteered to assist and help their neighbors in time of need.

The Corps is seeking new volunteers who are interested in taking training required to become an Emergency Medical Technician. Any adult over 18 may become a member.



C.E.R.T VOLUNTEERS

The Borough is seeking volunteers for the Community Emergency Response Team and the Community Alliance Program through the Borough. For more details, call Police Chief Greg Kallenberg at 201-652-1700



WEBSITE

The Borough's own website, www.ho-ho-kusboro.com is up and running. Visit the site for information concerning: meeting date changes, calendar, board member listings, department information and recreational contacts.

This is an evolving process and we hope you enjoy it.

REMINDER

Child Identification Kits are still available. Just come to the police station for them.

WATER SPRINKLING SCHEDULE

As a State Water Conservation requirement, the following schedule has been adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus that until further notice the use of water from the Municipal System for outdoor sprinkling shall be limited to three (3) days weekly, as specified below:

AREA 1. Residents south of Hollywood Avenue and west of East Saddle River Road, on **TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS and SATURDAYS.**

AREA II. Residents north of Hollywood Avenue and all those east of East Saddle River Road on **WEDNESDAYS, FRIDAYS AND SUNDAYS.**

and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that limited exceptions will be granted by special request to the Water Superintendent.

