

Borough Hall  
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PO Box 174  
Harrington Park, New Jersey  
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201-768-1700  
www.hpboro.net



# Harrington Park Newsletter January 2011



**2011  
GOVERNING  
BODY**

**MAYOR**  
Paul A. Hoelscher

**COUNCIL  
MEMBERS:**

Tom Betancourt  
Planning Board  
Board of Adjustment  
Construction  
Fire Department

Gregory Evanela  
DPW  
Recycling  
Building & Grounds

John J. Dunlea  
Finance  
Admin. & Exec.  
Grants  
Web-letter

Michelle Ryan  
Bd. of Health  
Sanitation  
Liaison Bd. of Ed.

Jonathan Roth  
Recreation  
Environmental  
Personnel  
Performance Eval.

Glenn Quantmeyer  
Police  
Municipal Court  
Public Assistance

**DPW-Mark Kiernan 201-768-0944**

**Thursday Recycling:**

**Paper, Cardboard, Junk Mail January 6 & 20**

**Cans, Glass, Metal January 13 & 27**

**The Recycling Center is still open 6 days a week.**

**Garbage pick up is Wednesday ONLY**

**Chipper truck will be around town through mid January for curbside Christmas tree collection. If you use a tree bag, please take off prior to leaving your tree at the curb**

**Please shovel your snow to the left of your driveway (facing your house) to help eliminate some of the plowed snow landing in your driveway opening.**

**Staking out your property boarder with reflectors helps the plowers know where your lawn is located.**



**Borough Hall will be  
CLOSED**

**Monday, January 3, 2011**

**May everyone have a healthy and happy  
New Year from the Staff at Borough Hall.**

**BUREAU OF FIRE  
PREVENTION**

**Thomas E. Simpson  
Fire Marshal  
201-768-2585**

**Remember to remove your live tree and decorations from your home as soon as possible. Lighting and heat dry the natural material quickly and could cause a fire.  
Be safe and smart for the New Year.**



# Town FYI...

## BOROUGH MEETINGS

At Borough Hall

**Mayor and Council:**

**Sine Die Jan. 2 11:30am**

**ReOrg. Jan. 2 Noon**

**Agenda Meeting: 7pm**

January 10

**Regular Meeting: 7pm**

January 17

**Board of Adjustment:**

January 26 8pm

**Board of Health:**

January 10 7:30pm

**Environmental Comm.:**

January 5 8pm

**Library Board:**

7:30 at Library-Jan 5 & 19

**Planning Board:**

January 11

**Recreation Commission:**

TBA

**Mayor's Open House:**

Appointments made on request.

## MUNICIPAL COURT

*2nd Wed.*-5:30 pm

**Court Administrator:**

Lindsay Taglieri

201-768-0500

Court Clerk Hours:

Monday: 12:30pm-2:30pm

Tuesday: 8am-10:30am

Wednesday: 11am-3pm

2nd Wed. 12:30pm-4:30pm

Thursday: 12:30pm-2:30pm

Friday: 12:30pm-2:30pm

## Acting Borough Clerk

**Registrar**

201-768-1700

[hpboro@optonline.net](mailto:hpboro@optonline.net)

- Raffle Licenses
- Notary Public- 9am-4:30pm
- Resident Feedback
- Registrar

### Raffle Licenses

Raffles or 50/50s, all organizations need to apply for alcohol and/or raffle licenses. Please come in to get all the forms and paperwork. The application process takes a couple of weeks.

## **Boy Scout Troop 616**

*Fred Fisher 201-784-8197*

Meetings-Mon. at the Comm. Church.

The Boy Scouts collect used computer ink cartridges and cell phones to recycle. Drop them off at Borough Hall.

## **BSA Venture Crew 616**

CO-ED HIGH ADVENTURE PROGRAM

FOR YOUNG ADULTS AGES 14-21

CONTACT TOM BETANCOURT AT

[toms court@gmail.com](mailto:toms court@gmail.com)

## **Harrington Park Girl Scouts**

Susan Evanella, SUM 201-784-5752

HP Girl Scouts has 11 active Troops for girls 5-17

Registration forms available at: [hpgirlscouts@gmail.com](mailto:hpgirlscouts@gmail.com)

## **Cub Scout Pack 111**

Cub Master Jeff Hargrove 201-768-6578 [Jeff@thecig.com](mailto:Jeff@thecig.com)

Cub Scouts is open to all boys grades 1-4

Join us a one of our regular Pack Meetings



## **Junior Women's Club of Harrington Park**

Leslie Galioto 201-750-4998

Dana Sir 201-784-7908

Make a difference in our town.

Meetings: 7:30pm

2nd Wednesday at the HP Library



**SPELLING BEE**  
Open to all 4th & 5th  
Grade residents of HP  
January 18th at the HP School  
Look for info in your child's  
backpack soon



## **First Friends Playgroup**

[HPFirstFriends.com](http://HPFirstFriends.com)

Join our email list for upcoming events.  
Groups available for babies, toddlers & pre-schoolers

Diane McTigue at [FirstFriendsHP@aol.com](mailto:FirstFriendsHP@aol.com)

We invite you to join in the fun!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Sign up for our email list to receive info about group discounts to Disney shows, circus, etc.

Everyone is welcome to buy show tickets at our discounted rate.

**HPVAC SPONSORED RAFFLE  
BENEFITS**

**BOY SCOUT TROOP 616**

**VENTURE CREW 616**

**TO PURCHASE 50/50**

**Tickets**

**contact**

**Tom Betancourt at**

**201-750-3330**



**Spring is around the corner...**

**2011 Tennis Badges**

will be available after Feb. 15th  
More information will follow on  
where to purchase one and how  
much they will cost.

These funds help keep our  
tennis courts in  
playable condition



**Club 60**

***Ed Higgins, President***

***Rita-201-768-6664***

***Mary 201-768-6502***

**Meetings 2nd Fridays at Community Church**

Happy New Year to all our friends  
in Harrington Park.

Our next meeting will be Friday January 14, 2010

At 11:30am dues will be collected-\$15 per person

**We are still looking for a member's black coat that has been lost since the last meeting. If you have a coat in your closet that is not yours, please bring to our meeting and we will swap.**

**Blood Pressure**

**January 14th at**

**Community Church Noon**

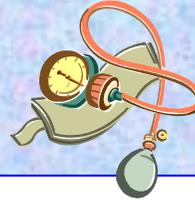
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**January 19th**

**Borough Hall**

**Call for time**

**201-768-8790**



**MAYOR'S TASK FORCE**

**FOOD PANTRY NOW**

**AVAILABLE AT BOROUGH HALL  
FOR THOSE WHO NEED HELP  
DURING TIMES OF ILLNESS OR  
FINANCIAL DIFFICULTY.**

Confidential Hotline:

**201-768-0873**

**JOB OPPORTUNITY**

**LUNCH AIDES NEEDED- AA/EOE**

If interested go to [www.HPSD.org](http://www.HPSD.org)  
(information tab, Community)

and complete the non-teaching  
application. Return a complete packet  
including the application and required  
information to:



**Dr. Adam Fried  
Harrington Park  
School District  
191 Harriot Avenue  
Harrington Park,  
New Jersey 07640**

**Please, When walking, biking or jogging if it is dark out (morning or night) please make sure you are visible.**

**Wearing Light colored clothing/  
reflective materials and carrying  
a flashlight facing the traffic, will  
help drivers see  
you better!!!**

**If you are walking your  
dog, a reflective leash or  
collar will help drivers  
see your pet as  
well...and don't forget  
to pick up after your dog...thanks**



## 2011 PET LICENSE REGISTRATION FORM

Your pet(s) license(s) expires 12/31/2010. You must renew your pet(s) license(s) no later than January 31, 2011.

**A dog and a cat in the same household must be registered on separate forms and with separate forms of payment.**  
 Multiple dogs can be submitted on one form and multiple cats can be submitted on one form. Additional forms can be obtained at Borough Hall, on the website ([www.hpboro.net](http://www.hpboro.net)), or you can copy this one.

**Mail the following items to:**

Borough of Harrington Park, 85 Harriot Avenue, P. O. Box 174, Harrington Park, NJ 07640-0174  
 Please indicate on the envelope "Dog License" or "Cat License"

- 1) Completed registration form
- 2) **Payment for each cat:** \$10.00 payable to the H.P. Board of Health
- 3) **Payment for each dog:** \$14.20 if unspayed/unneutered  
 - or - \$11.20 if spayed/neutered  
 - make either amount for dogs payable to the Borough of Harrington Park
- 4) **Proof of rabies vaccination for each pet being licensed** - per State statute, current rabies vaccination must be valid through the end of October 2011. If the vaccination expires prior to this date your pet cannot be licensed and a late fee will be assessed each month until the rabies is renewed. If you have concerns about re-vaccinating prior to the current expiration date, please have your veterinarian contact us at 201-768-1700.
- 5) **Proof of spay/neuter**

\*\*No licenses will be issued until January of 2011\*\*

Owner's name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Check One: \_\_\_\_\_ DOG(S) or \_\_\_\_\_ CAT(S) email address: \_\_\_\_\_

DOG/CAT (Circle One)  NAME (Print Below)	N (New) or R (Re- new)	M or F	Spayed/ Neutered Indicate Yes or No	A G E	BREED	HAIR <small>S=Short M=Med L=Long</small>	COLOR	Date Of Last Rabies Vaccine	Exp. Date Of Last Rabies Vaccine	FEE
										\$
										\$
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										\$



**TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**\*\*\*\*Late fees of \$10.00/month will be assessed on registrations received after January 31, 2011. Unlicensed dogs/cats are subject to a summons.**

## Harrington Park Building Department

### When is a Building permit required?

The following is not a complete list but it shows the most common work that **requires permits**.

- Additions
- Re-roofing
- Siding
- Kitchen replacement
- Bathroom replacement
- Hot Water Heaters
- Any interior demo of a structure
- New Deck or replacement
- New porch
- Pools
- Boiler, furnace or new central air conditioning
- Pre-fab fireplaces
- Chimney liners
- Basement finishing
- Lawn sprinklers
- Any electrical work that is not an ordinary repair
- Any plumbing work not an ordinary repair
- Oil Tank removal or Installation
- Window replacement of different type or size.

**Building Department Office- 201-768-2585**

**Nick Lepore: Const. Official/ Zoning**

Office Hours: Tuesday 9:30am-12

Wed.: 11am-12:30pm

Thurs.: 1pm-2:30pm

**Joe Zavardino: Fire Sub Code Official**

**Building Code Official**

**Tuesday and Thursday**

12:30pm-3:30pm

**Joe LaMastra: Plumbing Inspector**

**Tuesday and Thursday**

3:15pm-4:45pm

**Gerald Hennessey: Electric Inspector**

**Tuesday and Thursday**

12noon-2pm

**FOR BUILDING INSPECTIONS CALL**

**201-768-2585**

**FOR FIRE, PLUMBING AND ELECTRIC**

**INSPECTIONS CALL**

**201-768-7110**

**Leave a message with a phone number,  
please**

### Why is it important to obtain a permit?

- To help ensure your contractor is not a "fly by night" is insured and licensed.
- To ensure your work is done to minimum code and safety with inspections.
- With a permit State law requires final inspections & approval prior to last payment to the contractor.
- To provide documentation of work done in the event of a dispute or insurance loss.
- The Building Department Inspectors work to protect your interest not the contractors.
- If you wish to sell your house many times file searches are request to confirm any work done was approved and inspected.

It is required by state law and failure to get permits  
may subject you to penalties.

**Please, when in doubt if permits are required  
give us a call,  
we will be glad to help you.  
Call: 201-768-7110**

**Harrington Park Library  
Judy Heldman 201-768-5675**

**MON, WED, THURS  
10am-9pm  
TUES & FRI 12 noon- 5pm  
SAT 10am- 1pm  
SUN 1pm-4pm  
Closed  
January 17 for  
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**

**LIBRARY BOOK CLUB  
January 25th, 2010 1PM  
*Excellent Women*  
Barbara Pym  
Books available at the Front Desk  
No Sign-up necessary  
Refreshments Served**



***BEAUTY IN COMMON PLACES***

**Exhibit of photographs by Leslie Young.  
Her photos reflect her trips to local venues  
in the area.**

***As a teacher, Ms Young mentored students in Middle  
Schools on basic photography and dark room skills.***

**Family Reading Contest**

**January 1-February 28**

**Be the family to read the most minutes!**

**Sign up today to receive details on how you can  
win a great prize basket!**

**Superhero Event**

**Calling all Superheroes to the Library on  
Friday, January 28th, 4pm.**

**Grades K-1 only**

**You can become your own super hero, pick  
your name, take an oath and design a mask  
and cape. Games, too.**

**Please sign up at desk, space is limited**



**Story Time Schedule  
Wednesdays 10am 18 months-3 years old  
Thursdays 2pm 3-5 years old  
No sign up necessary**

**GENTLE YOGA  
Join us upstairs on  
Fridays at 10am for a FREE  
gentle yoga class by a  
Professional instructor  
No experience necessary  
Dress comfortably and bring a mat!**

**Historical Society**

Gerri Gibney 201-768-2615

**Meeting January 3, 2011**

“Abraham Lincoln: Man of Sorrow”

A first person living presentation by

Bob Gleason from the

American Historical Theatre

Guests welcome, reception afterwards

Please join us!

To Join the Historical Society

Contact Lou Apa 201-767-8325

Membership dues are only:

\$10 per individual, \$15 per family, \$5 Youth

Meetings and Events Brochure available

Join us on History Day, Heritage Weekend,

Tours of the Old Burying Ground and

monthly lectures and presentations.

**Garden Club of Harrington Park**

**Contact: Gerri Gibney -- 201-767-7828 / Themerchantmouse@aol.com**

***Thursday January 6, 2011 at 7:30 in the Harrington Park Library***

**MEMBERS' NIGHT**

***A Slide Show and Tell of members own gardens, garden they have visited or any thing else GARDEN!***

***Bring in Your Problems:***

***Open discussion on gardening concerns.***

***January Floral Contest:***

***Chasing the Winter Blahs***

***Join us for a fun and enjoyable evening***



Garden Club President Gerri Gibney  
Presents Williamsburg Styled  
Centerpieces and holiday  
decorations with historic flair  
at the December Make It and Take It  
Meeting of the Garden Club.

**Harrington Park Woman's Club**

Barbara Savoye President 201-768-6825

**Meeting**

**Tuesday January 4, 2011**

**1:30pm**

**Lenape Culture:**

**An Introduction to American Indian Life in New Jersey**

Presented by Beverly Friend,

New Jersey Council for Humanities

Horizon Speakers Bureau

**General Meeting will be held prior to lecture at 12:30pm**

# What's Happening 'round Town!

**Our Lady of Victories  
Roman Catholic Church**

**Beefsteak Dinner**

**January 22, 2011**

**7pm**

**OLV Knights of Columbus**

**Council #14483**

**Adults \$30 12 and under \$15**

**For tix call the OLV Rectory at**

**201-768-1706**



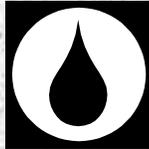
**St. Andrew's Church**

**BLOOD DRIVE**

**Sunday, January 9 11:30 am-3pm**

**Please donate-stop by or call  
ahead for a time slot.**

**201-768-0819**



**Thursday Evening Fitness Classes**

For all fitness levels-work at your own pace  
Lose weight, decrease cholesterol, increase muscle  
and energy.

Email HPFitnessNight@gmail.com for details

**Community Church**

**Parents Day Out 201-768-2796**

9am-12:30pm

Children 2 1/2-5 years old

**Youth Group-7th-12th gr,-Sundays 6:30pm**

**Women's Circle**

Meetings held monthly at the church are a good time for  
fellowship and devotions.

Lydia Circle-Sunday, Jan. 9 at 11:15am

Deborah Circle-Tuesday, Jan. 11 at 7:30pm

Rachel Circle-Wednesday, Jan. 12 at 1:30pm



**Save the date:**

**April 2nd-Men's Communion Breakfast**

Chris Canty and Perry Fewell-from the NY Giants  
will be the guest speakers

**Community  
Church**

**201-768-2457**

**Worship and  
Sunday School  
10am**

**St. Andrew's  
Episcopal  
Church**

**201-768-0819**

**Worship  
Sunday 10:15  
Sunday School  
10AM**

**Our Lady of  
Victories  
Roman Catholic  
Church**

**201-768-1706**

**Weekend Mass  
Schedule  
Saturday  
5pm  
Sunday  
7:30am  
8:15 am (Latin)  
9:30am**



## ***For The Mayor's Desk....***

### ***CHIEF DAVID J. MOPPERT RETIRES***

As a Councilman, on September 1, 1977, I was pleased to be part of the Council that hired David Moppert as a patrolman in Harrington Park. For more than thirty-three years he has served the Borough in various capacities. Dave has served as:

Juvenile Officer	Discovery Officer
Firearms Officer	Computer Officer
Investigator	Domestic Violence Liaison

In 1983, Chief Moppert received a valor award for meritorious service from the Bergen County Chief's Association, for the apprehension of two armed individuals on Lynn Street. That same year Dave attained the rank of Sergeant. In 1990, he was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant. Since January 1, 1998, Dave Moppert has functioned as our Chief of Police.

We thank Chief Moppert for this years of dedicated service to the Borough of Harrington Park. We also wish him many happy and healthy years of retirement.

The Council has appointed Lieutenant Albert Maalouf as "Officer in Charge" following Chief Moppert's retirement on December 31, 2010.

### ***A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO OUR DPW***

Prior to the noon hour on Monday, December 27, 2010, I made a tour of the Borough to check on the condition of our roadways. Within a twenty four hour period our DPW had every street opened following a snow fall in excess of two feet. In addition, all of our emergency service areas were cleared. Most Borough owned properties were completely ready for our residents' use.

Our hardworking, dedicated crew includes Superintendent Mark Kiernan as well as:

Kevin Murphy, Forman	Steven Nappi
John Russo	Tom Simpson
Russell Carpanini	Stephen Skonier

Gentleman, our residents are very appreciative of your time and effort on our behalf. As you travel the northern valley area you will recognize how fortunate we are to have the service of our DPW. Thank you.

### ***IMPORTANT WINTER SNOW TIPS***

For your personal benefit and well being, I would like to remind you of two important snow related matters.

In October, 2010, NJSA 39:4-77.1 went into affect. As of this date, you are required to remove snow from the roof and sides of your vehicle. Failure to comply could result in a fine of \$25-\$75. If personal injury or property damage occurs, the fine could be as high as \$200 -\$1000.

Secondly, current Borough Ordinances prohibits you from plowing or shoveling snow into the roadway once the street has been cleared. If you contract for snow removal, please inform the person of this fact.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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## **From the Mayor Desk (cont...)**

### ***HALL OF FAME CANDIDATE***

In early December, I became aware of the fact that Harrington Park's Mel DiGiacomo has been nominated for the International Tennis Hall of Fame in Newport, Rhode Island.

Mr. DiGiacomo is a former ***Citizen of the Year*** and has a long record of service with the National Tennis Association. Many of his photographs have been featured in various monthly tennis magazines.

Congratulations are extended to Mel for his service to the Borough of Harrington Park and the world of professional tennis.

### ***2011 BUDGET PREPARATION UNDERWAY***

The Mayor and Council has begun work on the 2011 municipal budget. As you know this portion of your property tax makes up 20% of your total bill.

This year a 2% "cap rate" has been imposed on local governments by our State officials in Trenton. There are, however, exemptions to the new "cap rate".

Under the leadership of Councilman John Dunlea, we will work to keep our portion of the tax package as low as possible. The Mayor and Council, as well as Anne Murphy, our Chief Financial Officer, and Gary Higgins, our Auditor, are all working to reduce the cost of local services while trying to maintain the level of quality you are accustomed to and deserve.

Please remember that most of the tax problems we face in New Jersey are the result of actions that have taken place over the recent years in Trenton. True reform of our property tax problems requires major changes in how we tax the public for local, county and state services. Until the Senate moves to a broad tax base to support educations, not much will change.

### ***NEW 9-1-1 AND DISPATCH SERVICES APPROVED***

On December 20, 2010, the Harrington Park Council joined the other six towns that make up the "Interboro Regional Communications Network" on approving the consolidation of these services with the County of Bergen.

The Bergen County "state of the art" facility in Mahwah will be the base of operations. The agreement is for five years at a combined cost of \$290,000 per year. This move will save the "Interboro" over \$200,000 per year.

The agreement will take affect on January 1, 2011, or as soon thereafter as possible. Our portion of the money saved should help control the cost of providing these important safety and security services.

**Best wishes for the New Year,**

*Mayor Paul A. Hoelscher*

