

Eastampton Township News

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Mayor Anthony Zeno, Deputy Mayor Jay Springer, Council Member Robert Apgar, Council Member Eddie Besko and Council Member Dominic Santillo

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Eastampton Township News is generally published on a monthly basis to provide residents with pertinent information and reminders related to Eastampton Township and the surrounding area. The Township views this as another important means of keeping residents informed about our community.



Observed Holiday

Municipal Offices are closed **Thursday, November 28 and Friday, November 29** in Observance of Thanksgiving. Offices will reopen on Monday, December 2, 2019 at 8:30 a.m.

Attention Residents- <u>Trash Collection Schedule Change for the Week of Thanksgiving</u>. Township offices are closed on Thursday, November 28 and Friday, November 29. Therefore, <u>trash collection for residents whose trash is normally collected on Thursdays will be collected on Monday, November 25</u>. Tuesday and Wednesday trash collection will not be affected. Please contact (609) 267-5723, ext. 210 for any additional information.

Tax Payments are due November 1st. For your convenience we have a lockbox that you may drop your payment in anytime, located next to the back doors of the Manor House. You may also bring your payment to the window on the 1st floor of the Manor House between the hours of 8:30am-4:30pm M-F. If your tax payment is made after November 10 you will be subject to Tax Sale in December. Eastampton Township Now Accepting Online Tax Payments. Residents can make payments online via ACH, e-check, credit card or debit card by visiting https://wipp.edmundsassoc.com/Wipp/?wippid=0311. An administrative fee will be assessed by the company processing the transactions. For additional information, contact the Tax Collector's Office at 609-267-5723, ext. 213.

Tax Sale Information. All unpaid property taxes, sewer or other municipal charges which remain unpaid as of November 10, 2019 are subject to the annual Municipal Tax Sale scheduled for December 20, 2019. All outstanding charges must be paid by November 10, 2019 to avoid the scheduled tax sale. Contact the Tax Collector's Office at (609) 267-5723, ext. 213 for additional information.

Township Council Meeting will be held on Monday,
November 18th at 7:00 pm. Come out and meet your Mayor and Council members.

Eastampton Township Police Department would like to welcome the newest member of our department, Special Class II Officer Ronald Borden!



(Pictured left to right: Council Member Eddie Besko, Council Member Jay Springer, Mayor Anthony Zeno, Special Class II Officer Ronald Borden, Council Member Robert Apgar, Council Member Dominic Santillo)

Ptl. Borden was sworn in by Mayor Anthony Zeno at the Township Council meeting on October 15, 2019. Ptl. Borden comes to ETPD having started his law enforcement career in Burlington Twp. Police Department. He would eventually work a full career and retire from Gloucester County Sheriffs Department.



Welcome to Eastampton Officer Borden!

Eastampton would like to extend further appreciation to the sponsors of Eastampton Day held on September 22, 2019. Mayor Anthony Zeno and Township Council presented Certificates of Appreciation to several sponsors during the Township Council meeting on October 15, 2019.





General Election is <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>November 5 from 6 am – 8 pm.</u> Individuals also can **Vote by Mail**. Registration forms and vote by mail application forms can be obtained online at <u>www.njelections.org</u>. Questions can be directed to the Municipal Clerk's office at 609 267-5723, ext. 209.

Vote by Mail Voters may apply for a ballot in-person in the county clerk's office anytime up to 3 p.m. on the day before an election. Ballots issued over-the-counter may be taken directly to the Board of Elections on the first floor at 50 Rancocas Road to be voted and turned in.

Voters also have the option of returning their ballot by mail. Voted ballots must be received by the Board of Elections before polls close on the day of the election when delivered in person. A mailed ballot may be postmarked by Election Day and must be received by the Board of Elections within 48 hours to be counted.

A public question for Eastampton Township residents will be on the ballot: "Shall the Township of Eastampton continue to dedicate a portion of the local tax levy to fund the Township of Eastampton's Open Space Trust Fund for a period of no more than twenty (20) years?"

In 1998, Eastampton Township residents approved a referendum to dedicate a portion of the local tax levy for a period of no more than twenty (20) years for the acquisition of open space, farmland preservation, and the creation of active and passive recreational facilities. This referendum approval created Eastampton Township's Open Space Trust Fund. Through another binding referendum in 2009, the permitted uses of the Open Space Trust Fund were amended to now also include allowing the Open Space Trust Fund to be used for maintenance of open space and recreational improvements constructed in such areas within the Township.

A "yes" response to the above question would permit the Township to continue dedicating a portion of the local tax levy to fund the Township of Eastampton's Open Space Trust Fund for another period of no more than twenty (20) years with the permitted uses of the Open Space Trust Fund remaining unchanged. A "no" response to the above question would terminate the dedication of the local tax levy to fund the Open Space Trust Fund. Funds currently in the Open Space Trust Fund would be permitted to be used for the Fund's purpose but no additional funds would be raised.

Meet Your New Carts (Color of actual carts will be green)



Eastampton Township will transition to a fully automated trash collection system, similar to recycling collection. This is tentatively scheduled to begin in February, 2020. Every household in the Township will receive one new 96-gallon wheeled cart that hold approx. 8-9 average filled 13-gallon bags of trash. Once your new cart has been provided, only solid waste that has been placed inside the bin will be collected. Trash placed at the curb in any other receptacles will not be collected.

Why are we moving to an automated system?

The automated truck is faster, more efficient, requires less trips to the landfill which reduces fuel costs, provide safer working conditions for trash collectors, and reduces the number of Public Works employees from three per truck to one. The hinged lids help to keep rain water out of cans, and reducing trash weight. Other towns that have moved to automated trash collection have reported an overall reduction in the amount of trash collected. In addition to time and cost savings, the new collection system will keep our neighborhoods neat and clean, and will improve safety on residential streets.

What are the benefits?

These carts are easy to maneuver, are very durable, reduce weight through the hinged lid that keeps rain water out of the cans, and are as animal-proof as possible. Each cart will also contain an RFID (Radio Frequency Identification) tag to track down missing/stolen carts.

How do I prepare my cart for weekly collection?

All trash should be bagged before being placed in the cart, and the lid must close tightly, with no material sticking out of the cart. Cart handles and wheels should be facing the house, with the lid opening facing the street.

What do the new carts look like?

Eastampton Township has selected a green cart to differentiate from the color of the recycling cart. All trash carts will have the Township logo on the side, and will be linked to your address via a serial number embedded in the plastic.

How do I get the new cart?

They will be delivered directly to your home or property. No appointments are necessary, and you do not need to be home to receive your new trash cart.

I already have a rolling cart at home, can I use that one?

No. Only those carts provided by the Township will be compatible for pickup with the new automated truck, and are the only carts that will be collected.

What do I do with my cart if I move?

Carts are issued and owned by the Township and must remain at the property/address to which they are assigned.

The new carts look big. Are they easy to wheel around?

They are easier to maneuver than a similar-sized trash can. They are designed for weight distribution and safety for easy movement to the curb even when they are full. They are senior-friendly, and roll easily on all types of terrain. It is easier to pull the cart uphill and push downhill.

Will the new carts take up more space?

The footprints of the carts are not very different from current recycle bins or a typically sized trash barrel.

When will we receive our new carts?

Carts will be scheduled for delivery in January. The Township will continue to update residents regarding the timing of receipt of the carts, along with when the new program will go into effect.

Are the new carts animal-proof?

They are the most animal-proof available, but if you encounter any problems with animals you can use a bungee cord to secure the lid to the lift bar. Please remember to remove the bungee cord on your collection day or your cart will not be emptied.

Will collection of bulk items (sofas, mattresses, other furniture) change?

No, Bulk items will continue to be collected according to our existing bulk pick up scheduled and guidelines.

Please visit Cascade Cart Solutions for more information at http://www.cascadecartsolutions.com/

Recreation Events

Eastampton Township Council in conjunction with the Eastampton Township Recreation Committee hosted the **Back to School Skating Party**. The event was held on October 10, 2019 from 6:30-8:30 pm at Holiday Skating Center. A great time was had with good music and cool moves by the participating skaters!



Trunk or Treat- Pumpkin Contest on Friday, October 25, 2019 from 6:00-7:00pm.



1st Place Winner!



2nd Place Winner!

3rd Place Winner!

Hayride/Bonfire- October 25, 2019 from 7:00-10:00pm.





There was a huge crowd to enjoy the many fun things to do at Eastampton's 2019 Hayride/Bonfire!





Attention Residents: Drivers are urged to use extra caution and watch for white-tailed deer as deer mating season begins. Peak mating season for deer in New Jersey runs from late October throughout November and into mid-December in all areas of the state. "Deer are involved in

thousands of collisions with motor vehicles in New Jersey each year, with the highest number occurring during the fall mating season," Division of Fish and Wildlife Director Dave Golden said. "We urge all motorists to be especially alert to the possibility of deer suddenly darting onto roadways and to be aware of things they can do to reduce the risk of a collision and possible serious injury to themselves or their passengers."

Being extra vigilant for deer will become even more important when daylight saving time ends at 2 a.m. on Sunday, Nov. 3. Most commutes will then align with the periods when deer are most active, and lighting conditions may be the most difficult for driving.

To report a deer carcass on an interstate or state highway, call 1-800-POTHOLE (1-800-768-4653) or go to the New Jersey Department of Transportation's website to fill out an online form. For roads within Eastampton Township please call the Municipal offices at 609-267-5723 x200 or the Eastampton Police Dept. at 609-261-1717.

Burlington County Recycling Program. Get the latest recycling updates on shredding events, schedule changes due to inclement weather and more with the free Recycle Coach smartphone application. The application is available on iTunes and Google Play app stores for Burlington County residents.

Register to Receive All Eastampton Township Announcements. The Township will continue to notify residents of pertinent information through our website, Facebook page and email notification system. To register for the email notification system, "control and click" on the link below:

http://www.eastampton.com/content/85/87.aspx Household Battery Recycling. Do Not Recycle Alkaline Batteries, such as AA, C, D, or 9 Volt. Put them in your household trash. Rechargeable batteries come in the same sizes and are used for laptops and toys. Rechargeable batteries include Nickel Cadmium (Ni-Cd), Lithium Ion (Li-Ion) and Small Sealed Lead Acid (SSLA/Pb). Recycle these at Home Depot, Lowes, Staples and other locations listed at www.Call2Recycle.org. *Never put batteries in your recycling! Batteries have caused fires at recycling centers!

America Recycles Day is a Keep America Beautiful national initiative focused on promoting and celebrating recycling. Recycling is an opportunity for residents to help keep their communities clean and vibrant. More than 2,000 events are planned nationwide for America Recycles Day on November 15, 2019.

"For more than 30 years New Jersey has been a national leader in recycling, recognizing the positive impacts it has on our environment, economy and efforts to protect and conserve natural resources," said Paul Baldauf, Assistant Commissioner for Air Quality, Energy and Sustainability. "America Recycles Day is an opportunity to remind everyone that recycling keeps communities clean, safeguards public health and improves the overall quality of life. This is one way everyone can make a real difference in protecting the environment every day."

Residents can do their part by keeping nonrecyclable items such as plastic bags, propane tanks and used syringes out of curbside and workplace recycling bins. Recyclable items are valuable raw materials used to make new products and should not be mixed with other materials.

Efforts to recycle have far-reaching environmental and economic impacts that help reduce the need for new landfills and incinerators. A 2015 economic impact study released by the Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries showed that the nation's scrap recycling industry is similar in scope to that of the data processing, dental and automotive repair industries. In addition, an earlier National Recycling Coalition report found that the recycling and reuse industry adds almost \$6 billion annually to New Jersey's economy.

For more information about America Recycles Day, visit www.americarecyclesday.org/pledge

To learn more about recycling in New Jersey, visit www.recycle.nj.gov.

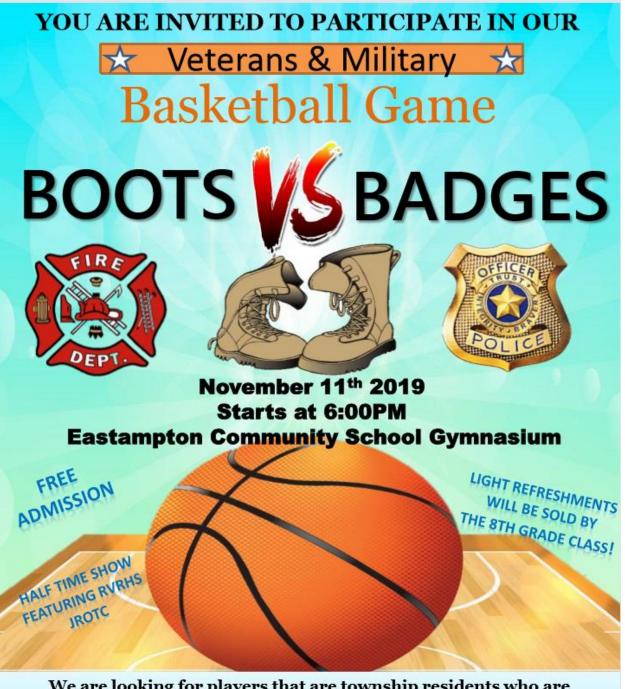
For tips on how to reduce waste production, visit www.nj.gov/dep/dshw/recycling/source_red.htm.

For information on what each of New Jersey's 21 counties recycles, visit www.nj.gov/dep/dshw/recycling/design-recy-county.pdf or check with your county's recycling coordinator at www.nj.gov/dep/dshw/recycling/county-recycling-coordlst.pdf.

Halloween Composting article - "Putting Jack To Work: How To Wickedly Compost Pumpkins" - https://earth911.com/home-garden/putting-jack-to-work-how-to-wickedly-compost-pumpkins/

Boots vs. Badges

Come out and enjoy a great game while supporting our Police, Firefighters and Veterans on Tuesday, November 11, 2019!



We are looking for players that are township residents who are Veterans, Active Duty, National Guard or Reservists Please contact Kim-Marie White for more information at kwhite@eastampton.com or call 609-267-5723 x209 All profits and monetary donations will benefit the Veterans & Military Affairs Advisory Committee and the 8th Grade Class of 2020

Sponsored by the Eastampton Township Veterans & Military Affairs Committee

Designer Bag Bingo

Have fun while trying to win a fabulous bag November 15, 2019!



If paying by cash/check, please send to school in a sealed envelope marked PTA- Bag Bingo. Include your Name, phone # and email address.

Checks payable to Eastampton PTA.

Dog Licensing

Required to be Licensed Each Year. Dog licenses are valid for the current calendar year, and expire annually on December 31. We will begin next year's licensing on January 1, 2020. The cost for the month of January is \$10.00 for a neutered/spayed dog and \$13.00 for a non-neutered/spayed dog. A \$2.00 per month additional fee will be assessed for each dog registered after January 31. (You can also mail your dog license application and payment along with a self-addressed stamped envelope to save a trip). In addition to normal business hours of Monday through Friday, 8:30am to 4:30pm, the Manor House will be open to license dogs on Saturday, January 18, 2020 from 9:00am to 12:00pm.

Please note that the **rabies vaccination must be valid through November 1, 2020 by NJ State Law** to obtain the dog license. <u>It is recommended to review your dog's rabies vaccination expiration date now to avoid any delays in your 2020 licensing.</u> The Burlington County Animal Shelter hosts a **FREE** Rabies Clinic the 3rd Tuesday of the month from 3:00-4:00 pm. (They are closed on holidays, and suggest calling to ensure they are open before bringing your animal to the facility).

The Burlington County Animal Shelter is located at 35 Academy Dr. in Westampton, and their phone number is 609-265-5073.

Animal Control personnel are permitted to inspect current licenses for all dogs residing within the Township. Licensing information may be obtained in person at the Manor House or by calling (609) 267-5723, ext. 200.



Save the date for Eastampton's Annual Tree Lighting and Arrival of Santa Claus on the firetruck on Friday, December 6th at 7:00pm at the Manor House!

Holiday Bazaar is Saturday, December 7th from 10:00am-2:00pm. at the ECS cafeteria. We are looking for all crafters, artisans, designers, makers and businesses! Pick up some wonderful holiday gifts for someone else, or yourself!



EASTAMPTON TOWNSHIP RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE HOLIDAY BAZAAR FORM SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2019 AT EASTAMPTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL 1 STUDENT DRIVE, EASTAMPTON, NJ 08060

VENDOR REGISTRATION

Name: Phone: Company:			
		Address:	
		Email: (Important): DESCRIPTION OF ITEMS TO BE SOLD: NUMBER OF TABLES REQUIRED: (Please circle one) 1 TABLE: \$20.00 2 TABLES: \$35.00	
Applications are taken on a first come first This event is for new items only. Table fee is non-refundable (Please advise outlets)			
Proceeds benefit the Eastampton Townsh Each Vendor please donate (1) one new to tag tree and please bring new item with y Event time: 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. (se Refreshments will be available for sale.	oy (any value, grades K - 8th) for the gift you at set-up.		
Form must be returned by November 22,	2019		
Signature	Date		

Mail this registration back along with check made payable to: Eastampton Township

Attention: Christina Miller, Eastampton Holiday Bazaar, 12 Manor House Court, Eastampton, NJ 08060. Any questions please email cmiller@eastampton.com or call 609-267-5723 x201

Eastampton Township is not responsible for any missing or stolen money/items at bazaar. Vendors must stay with their tables duration the event.



Veterans Job Fair

<u>Thursday, November 7, 2019 from 5:30-7:30pm</u> at the <u>RCBC</u> Mount Laurel Campus, Student Success Center. Presented by Rowan College at Burlington County's Workforce Development Institute in partnership with the Burlington County Veterans Rountable, The American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Free and Open to ALL Military: Active Duty, Veterans, Guard & Reserve, Spouses and Dependents (18+).

Please arrive professionally dressed and bring several copies of your resume. Participants must be at least 18 years of age to participate and we kindly ask that there are no children at this event. Interviewing and Networking Workshops are available at 4:30 pm with possible "on-the-spot" interviews!

For Employers

Employers hiring for full and/or part-time positions are welcome to participate. Space is FREE but limited. Please contact (856) 242-5602 to reserve your employer space. Registration closes Monday, November 4.

Participating Businesses:

1-800-GOT-JUNK NJ Department of Corrections

2020 Census

Avalon Police Department

ResCare

Bancroft Transamerica
Burlington Township Police Department NJ Courts
GEM Mobile Health NAF HRO
Geo Technology Associates, Inc HD Supply

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For more information, visit <u>rcbc.edu/veteransfair</u>. This event is free and open to the public.

Historic Smithville Park & Smith's Woods 803 Smithville Rd., Mt. Holly, NJ 08060.

Creepy Creatures. Saturday, November 2nd 2:00-3:00 pm.

Join Naturalist Kate Forte to understand the importance of the creepy species you see on a daily basis! Why do worms still move once they're cut? Can toads give you warts? Are snakes smooth or slimy? Come find out these answers and much more! Register online. Meet in parking lot A on Meade Lane.

Looking at Leaves. Thursday, November 7th 10:00-11:00 am.

In this session (schools are closed for the teacher's convention), children ages 5-12 are welcome to join us for fun with fall leaves. Students will start off collecting different leaves that have fallen on the ground and try to find what tree the leaves came from. We will look at the size, color, shape, and differences between the various kinds. Then we will do leaf rubbings with crayons as a conclusion. Bring a bag to collect leaves in. An adult must be present with the children for the duration of the program. Register online.

Evening Arts Instructional Drawing Workshop. Friday, November 8th 6:30-8:00 pm. Smithville Mansion Annex Gallery,

Drawing is a significant classical medium to create art. This workshop will provide instruction for practical skills and help further the artists drawing techniques. Please feel free to bring your own drawing materials, but paper and pencils will also be provided. Instructor: Lee Stoner.

Healthy Hike. Thursday, November 21st 11:00 am- 12:00 pm.

Did you know that getting out in nature for as little as a half hour a week can help improve your overall mood as well as reduce blood pressure? In this new series, hike along with Naturalist Kate Forte in various parks while learning about the natural world around us. Register online.



Event may end prior to 1pm if shredding trucks reach capacity.

NO NEED TO LEAVE YOUR CAR! Our staff will HELP unload your confidential documents. (LIMIT 4 BAGS/BOXES OF UN-SHREDDED DOCUMENTS WEIGHING NO MORE THAN 10 POUNDS EACH)

We can also take your pre-shredded paper

CONFIDENTIAL FILES ONLY including bank and credit card statements, tax returns, etc. (staples or paper clips are okay).

Need more information? Call (609) 499-1001 or email recycle@co.burlington.nj.us

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Identification required. No businesses or non-profits, please.



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