



## **MAYOR'S MESSAGE — Happy Birthday New Jersey – next year it's our turn...**



*Brian C. Wahler*

**N**ew Jersey was born 350 years ago and Piscataway will celebrate our 350<sup>th</sup> birthday next year — 2016.

While we may not agree on everything we do agree New Jersey has a fantastic shoreline. We also have turnpikes, parkways, and many other highways crisscrossing the state and, of course, there's "Jersey attitude". There are more than a few of us who probably would have to acknowledge that.

At a recent event the New Jersey Chamber of Commerce saluted inventors and the State's rich history of innovation. It included those born in

New Jersey or those who made significant progress while working in the state and whose accomplishments forever changed our lives. Albert Einstein was cited as one of the most unique and incredible men in history and his name is synonymous with genius. On the list also was Thomas Edison, most prolific inventor in history followed by Selman Waksman, called the "father of antibiotics". Astronaut Buzz Aldrin of Montclair walked on the moon and Allen DuMont developed the first commercially sold television set. Alice H. Parker patented the home heating system and Alice Paul, an activist, won women equal rights, like the right to vote. And Elizabeth Colman White cultivated the blueberry into a \$40 million dollar industry by devising new varieties of blueberries that could be cultivated. These are but a few of the thousands of individuals from New Jersey who have significantly impacted our lives. No doubt there are New Jersey people working today who will, someday, be included on this prestigious list.

As you will note elsewhere in this newsletter our Community-Wide Cleanup Litter Day is just around the

corner and we hope many of you will participate. The Public Relations Commission is busy working on our Annual Street Fair and the Cultural Arts Commission is busy lining up wonderful bands for our enjoyment in July and August in Columbus Park. And don't forget our Memorial Day Parade and our July 4<sup>th</sup> festivities and fireworks. We have a busy spring and summer season ahead of us. These activities couldn't happen without the talents and energy of the many volunteers who help put these programs together. We are very grateful for their expertise and for what they so generously give back to their community.

Our parks and neighborhoods will be in full swing during the upcoming months with a lot of activity by both children and adults. After this past winter everybody is anxious to be out and about. I remind you to please be considerate of your fellow citizens and pick up after your animals. If not complying with this directive (Ord. 5-21 & 3-18) you may be subject to a summons and a fine.

Should you have questions or suggestions please feel free to contact my office at 732-562-2301.

## **PRIMARY ELECTION INFORMATION**

**TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2015. Polls are open from 6 a.m. — 8 p.m.**

- Voter Registration Deadline for Primary Election — May 12, 2015
  - Deadline to apply for Mail-in-Ballot by Mail— May 26, 2015
  - Deadline for In-Person Mail-in Ballot Applications for Primary Election by 3 p.m. at County Clerk's Office — June 1, 2015

***For information or questions, call the Township Clerk's Office at 732-562-2310.***

## Township Telephone Directory

Operator Assistance: 732-562-2300

Police.....	732-562-1100
Fire/Rescue .....	732-562-2333
Const. & Bldg. Regulations/Housing .....	732-562-2325
Engineering/Planning/Zoning .....	732-562-6560/6570
Finance .....	732-562-2316
Fire Prevention .....	732-562-2315
Health Office .....	732-562-2323
Job Service/Youth Referral .....	732-562-2304
Libraries: Kennedy .....	732-463-1633
Westergard .....	732-752-1166
Mayor's Office .....	732-562-2301
Municipal Alliance Substance Abuse	
Task Force .....	732-562-2373
Municipal Court .....	732-562-2330
PCTV Cable TV/Channel 15 .....	732-562-2305
Personnel .....	732-562-2308
Police:	
Detectives .....	732-562-2366
Juvenile .....	732-562-2371
Records .....	732-562-2378
Service .....	732-562-6577
Traffic .....	732-562-2345
Public Information .....	732-562-7627
Public Works .....	732-562-2390
Purchasing .....	732-562-2320
Recreation .....	732-562-2382
Recreation (Program Cancellation) .....	732-562-2389
Senior Citizen Center .....	732-562-1133
Social Services & Welfare .....	732-562-2304
Sterling Village .....	732-699-0033
Tax Assessor .....	732-562-2328
Tax Collector .....	732-562-2331
TDD's: (Hearing & Speech Impaired) .....	732-752-2371
Police .....	732-562-2306
Westergard .....	732-752-2371
Township Clerk .....	732-562-2310

## Township Calendar

### APRIL

- 3 GOOD FRIDAY-TOWNSHIP OFFICES CLOSED
- 8 Planning Board/Regular Meeting – 7:30 p.m.
- 9 Zoning Board/Regular Meeting – 7:30 p.m.
- 14 Township Regular & Agenda Meeting – 8 p.m.
- 21 Township Regular & Agenda Meeting – 8 p.m.
- 22 Planning Board/Regular Meeting – 2:30 p.m.
- 23 Zoning Board/Regular Meeting – 7:30 p.m.
- 28 Township Regular & Agenda Meeting – 8 p.m.

### MAY

- 5 Township Regular & Agenda Meeting – 8 p.m.
- 13 Township Regular & Agenda Meeting – 8 p.m.
- 14 Planning Board/Regular Meeting – 7:30 p.m.
- 14 Zoning Board/Regular Meeting – 7:30 p.m.
- 19 Township Regular & Agenda Meeting – 8 p.m.
- 25 MEMORIAL DAY-TOWNSHIP OFFICES CLOSED
- 27 Planning Board/Site Plan/Subdivision – 2:30 p.m.
- 28 Zoning Board/Regular Meeting – 7:30 p.m.

### JUNE

- 4 Township Regular & Agenda Meeting (Thurs.) 8 p.m.
- 10 Planning Board/Regular Meeting – 7:30 p.m.
- 11 Zoning Board/Regular Meeting – 7:30 p.m.
- 11 Township Regular & Agenda Meeting (Thurs.) – 8 p.m.
- 16 Township Regular & Agenda Meeting – 8 p.m.
- 24 Planning Board/Regular Meeting – 2:30 p.m.
- 25 Zoning Board/Regular Meeting – 7:30 p.m.
- 30 Township Regular & Agenda Meeting – 8 p.m.

*Please note that the only official Township Website is listed below. There is no other official Township Website. The Township has no control over other sites with somewhat similar Web addresses.*



**Piscataway  
Website:  
[www.piscatawaynj.org](http://www.piscatawaynj.org)**

## YOUR ELECTED OFFICIALS

Brian C. Wahler  
Mayor  
916 East Lincoln Avenue  
732-699-9225

Chanelle McCullum  
(At Large)  
62 Morris Lane  
732-878-2854

Camille Fernicola  
(At Large)  
237 Westfield Avenue  
732-463-0813

Gabrielle Cahill  
(At Large)  
1003 River Road  
732-235-1920

Frank Uhrin  
(Ward 1)  
52 Desna Street  
732-968-6088

Jim Bullard  
(Ward 2)  
21 Independence Court  
732-463-3927

Steven D. Cahn  
(Ward 3)  
986 Sunset Road  
732-748-1224

Michele Lombardi  
(Ward 4)  
76 Carlton Avenue  
732-968-2460

..... *Piscataway Happenings* .....

**JOIN THE PISCATAWAY CLEAN TEAM**  
**Saturday, April 18, 2015 (Rain date: Sunday, April 19, 2015)**

**YOU are invited to join with members of the Piscataway community in a COMMUNITY-WIDE CLEANUP LITTER DAY. *YOU can make a difference!***

The aim of this community-wide clean up day is to focus on litter prevention, waste reduction, and beautification of our Township. By participating you will help reduce litter, minimize waste and beautify and improve the landscape in our community. You will help to make our community a better place to live, work and play. You may register your group, your business, your neighborhood or yourself using the form below. A registration form is also on the Piscataway Web site: [www.piscatawaynj.org](http://www.piscatawaynj.org). For additional information, contact the Mayor's office at 732-562-2301.



**REGISTRATION FORM**

**Registration Deadline: FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 2015**

**NAME (individual/group):** \_\_\_\_\_

**INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP CONTACT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-MAIL ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**HOME ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TELEPHONE (specify work, home, cell):** \_\_\_\_\_

**NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS (estimate):** \_\_\_\_\_

*Return Registration Form to Clerk's Office, 455 Hoes Lane, Piscataway, NJ 08854*

*Participants will be assigned a clean-up area on Saturday, April 18, 2015*

*Sign in 9 to 10 a.m. Piscataway Little League Building • Free T-shirts and Refreshments*

**PISCATAWAY'S 24<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL STREET FAIR**

**SATURDAY, May 9<sup>th</sup> – 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. (rain or shine)**

**PISCATAWAY TOWN HALL LAWN - 455 HOES LANE**

*Sponsored by the Public Relations Advisory Commission*

**100 CRAFTS & FOOD VENDORS, PONY RIDES, FACE PAINTING, LIVE MUSIC, ENTERTAINMENT, DJ, KIDDIE RIDES, DANCE PERFORMANCES \*\*\*FUN FOR ALL AGES\*\*\***

Entry fee for Food Vendors: \$100.00 — Merchant Vendor Fee: \$40.00. All commercial food vendors must hold a valid food license from the Township of Piscataway. Organizations wishing to sell food should contact the Piscataway Clerk's Office at 732-562-2310. Food vendors will be assigned a special area. A 10' x 10' booth space will be provided for all craft vendors. Vendors are encouraged to bring a 10x10 tent and must supply their own table. NOTIFICATION OF YOUR BOOTH SPACE/ASSIGNMENT WILL BE MAILED THE WEEK PRIOR TO THE FAIR. Non-Profit organizations seeking a booth space and who are not selling foods are exempt from the entry fees. Available spaces are limited. For additional information, call 732-562-2301 or e-mail: [Pwaypublicrelationsadvisory@gmail.com](mailto:Pwaypublicrelationsadvisory@gmail.com).

**NOTE: You can download the application from the Piscataway Web site: [www.piscatawaynj.org](http://www.piscatawaynj.org). Return application to: Piscataway Public Relations Commission, 455 Hoes Lane, Piscataway, NJ 08854. All checks make payable to: Piscataway Public Relations Commission**

**DEADLINE FOR FEES: APRIL 15, 2015**

# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS INFORMATION

505 Sidney Road • 732-562-2390 • Please park in the visitor lot facing Sidney Road. Enter through building's main entrance

### RECYCLING CENTER MINI-DUMP CENTER HOURS — YEAR 2015

Tuesdays.....2 p.m. - 8 p.m. (Gates close at 7:45 p.m.)

Thursdays..... 2 p.m. - 8 p.m. (Gates close at 7:45 p.m.)

Saturdays.....8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (Gates close at 4:15 p.m.)

Sundays, Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Holidays.....Mini-Dump CLOSED

*HOLIDAY CLOSINGS: April 3/Good Friday & May 25/Memorial Day*

- \* Recycling/Trash Center Coupons and Recycling Center ID Passes have been mailed to all residential property owners. The Piscataway Township 2015 Recycling ID card **MUST BE PRESENTED AT THE GATE**, along with Driver License as Proof of Residency. The Rules and Hours of the Center were enclosed in the mailing.+
- \* Coupons are required for bagged brush, lumber, household debris, carpeting, furniture and all other acceptable non-recyclable materials.
- \* Coupons are required for grass disposal and may be purchased in the Tax Office starting March 30, 2015 - 8:30 a.m. -12:20 p.m. & 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Cost per Coupon is \$1.00, minimum purchase - two (2). **COUPONS PURCHASED IN 2015 ARE ONLY GOOD FOR THE CURRENT YEAR.**
- \* Coupons are not required for disposal of recyclable materials. This includes all recyclables picked up curbside, in addition to batteries, two (2) tires, motor oil, antifreeze and metal. Brush may be brought to the Mini-Dump but cannot be longer than five (5) foot lengths or greater than four (4) inches in diameter.
- \* Residents are encouraged to recycle hazardous household material and paint at Middlesex County locations on the designated dates and times. For information call: 732-745-4170. REMINDER: WE DO NOT ACCEPT ANY HAZARDOUS WASTE OR TOXIC WASTE MATERIALS, CHEMICALS OR PAINTS AT THE DPW MINI-DUMP.
- \* All residents entering the Mini-Dump must have their vehicles properly insured, inspected and registered in Piscataway. NO TRUCKS LARGER THAN HALF TON PICKUPS ARE ALLOWED AND NO TRUCKS WITH SIDEBOARDS ARE ALLOWED. Pickup trucks and full-size vans are required to surrender two (2) passes per visit.
- \* ELECTRONIC WASTE: now accepted at the Recycling Center.
- \* Residents can schedule two (2) Bulk Trash pick ups and one (1) Brush pick up from January to mid-October. Branches must be bundled and tied - NO BAGGED BRUSH IS ALLOWED. During the summer months there may be a 6-8 week wait.

*Middlesex County Textile Recycling Bags are available in the Public Works Office.*

## PISCATAWAY SENIOR CENTER – OFFICE ON AGING – 732-562-1133

A Grandparents Support Program, a collaborative program of COPSA Geriatric Services and the Senior Center, is designed to provide important information, education, and emotional support and guidance to grandparents (ages 60 and older). Join the group on the second Thursday of the month at 12:30 p.m. in the Senior Center.

Spring events and programs include: APRIL 10-Spring Fling (11 a.m. -1 p.m.); APRIL 14-Karaoke with the Silvertones; APRIL 15-Financial Planning for the Second Half of your Life (10 a.m.); APRIL 28-Quibblertown Jazz Band Friends (10 a.m.); MAY 8 - Speech and Hearing Tips for Memory (10 a.m.); MAY 11 - Mother's Day Breakfast (10 a.m.); MAY 12-Contagious Optimism/Dr. Colleen DeGeorges (12:30 p.m.); MAY 13-Senior Rights Hot Topics/Jim McCracken, New Jersey's Long-Term Care Ombudsman (10 a.m.); MAY 15-Clockmaking in Colonial East New Jersey/David Sperling (Tea) (12:30 p.m.); MAY 29-Senior Prom (11 a.m.-1 p.m.); JUNE 10-Robert Wood Johnson Health Fair (9:30 a.m.-12 noon); JUNE 15-Writing Your Memoir in 5 Minutes (Tea)-(12:30 p.m.).

### *And then there's winter's aftermath...P O T H O L E S*

\*To report POTHOLES on Piscataway Township Roads: contact the Department of Public Works at 732-562-2390.

\*To report POTHOLE damage to your vehicle: email James Hercek at [jhercek@piscatawaynj.org](mailto:jhercek@piscatawaynj.org). Please send him the time, date and location of the incident and include photos of the damage and a copy of the repair invoice.

\*To report POTHOLE damage on Middlesex County Roads (Metlars Lane, New Durham Road, New Brunswick Avenue, New Market Road, River Road, South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, South Washington Avenue, Stelton Road, Vail Avenue, Walnut Street, Washington Avenue, West 7<sup>th</sup> Street) visit: <http://www.co.middlesex.nj.us/highwaysbridges/complaint-start.asp>.

\*To report POTHOLES on State Roads - Route 18 (including Hoes Lane and Route 287) visit: <http://state.nj.us/transportation/commuter/potholeform.shtm>.

# BITS & PIECES

 Congratulations to **Saheela Ibraheem**, a Piscataway resident who four years ago, stepped onto the campus of Harvard University, a freshman in college at only 15 years of age, and one of the youngest students in the university's history. She was once named one of the world's smartest teenagers and 13 top US colleges, including Princeton, MIT and Columbia offered her scholarships. Set to graduate in May from Harvard, Saheela, now 19, is studying neurobiology and hopes to one day become a professor. We wish her continued success!

 Congratulations to Piscataway **Police Lt. Robert Garnecki** who successfully completed and graduated from the FBI National Academy. Congratulations also to **Police Officer Frank Hackler** who was promoted to Lieutenant in February 2015. Lieutenant Hackler has been a Piscataway Police Officer for 28 years.

 **Piscataway Rotary Club will hold their Fifteenth Annual "Taste of Piscataway" fundraiser on Monday, May 11, 2015.** The event will be held at the Radisson Hotel, 21 Kingsbridge Road, Piscataway, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. You are invited to attend and sample food from local restaurants and Wine from around the world. Funds raised will be used for the many local and international projects of the Rotary Club. Tickets are \$35.00. For tickets or more information, call 732-699-1431.

 Accolades for **Piscataway Library** for being on the TOP of a list from Huffington Post acknowledging libraries around the country that successfully serve their communities beyond just books! Other libraries include Philadelphia Library, Free Library of Philadelphia, Oakland Public Library, Toronto Kitchen Library and Spokane Public Library. Congratulations!

 *Do you have a question for the Mayor?* On the first Monday of each month residents have the opportunity to speak to Mayor Brian Wahler. The program, EYE ON PISCATAWAY, airs live from 8 to 9p.m. on Channel 15, (PCTV)-Cablevision, Channel 40 and 42, Verizon, and for viewing Live Streaming and On Demand: <http://www.piscatawaytv.peg.tv>. The call-in number is: **732-562-2305**.

 Congratulations to Piscataway Zoning Board Member, **Gilda M. Morales**, on receiving the President's Honoree Award from the Women's Political Caucus of New Jersey. Ms. Morales has a master's degree in public administration and each year, the Department of Women's & Gender Studies at Rutgers University presents the Gilda Morales Award for Outstanding Student Activist in her honor. Over the years she has served in a variety of leadership roles with the National Women's Political Caucus and Women's Political Caucus-New Jersey.

 History is not a metaphor for life...it IS Life! So...BECOME a PARTNER in HISTORY and join Piscataway's own museum, **Metlar-Bodine House Museum**. NEW MEMBERS are invited to join The Fellowship for Metlar House and are encouraged to volunteer for any of the many committees that keep the museum open, such as: tours, events, research, gift shop, education, newsletter, gardens, and more! Visit the museum's Web site: [www.metlarbodinehousemuseum.org](http://www.metlarbodinehousemuseum.org) for details or call the museum at 732-463-8363.

 Remember to check out our PCTV On-Demand player to see what new videos have been posted. You can, e.g. catch the interview Mayor Brian Wahler did with Piscataway H.S. Girls Basketball Head Coach Dave Kosa and 2015 GMC MVP Kendra Williams after the Team's win over Monroe for their 3<sup>rd</sup> straight GMC Championship Title. Visit: [www.piscatawaynj.org/pctv](http://www.piscatawaynj.org/pctv) and scroll down to the "Sports" folder.

 Each month the Cultural Arts Commission displays the work of a different artist in the Municipal Building Gallery, 455 Hoes Lane. On display in APRIL: DARE Students drawings and painting expressing their take on the fight against substance abuse. The public is invited to a reception on Monday, April 27 from 5 to 9 p.m. MAY will feature the Juried Art Show participants; JUNE: Artist to be announced.

## **TAX OFFICE REMAINS OPEN...**

For the convenience of our residents the Tax Office will remain open during lunch time from 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. beginning Friday, May 1, through Monday, May 11, 2015 for tax collection.

# DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION – 732-562-2382

[www.piscatawaynj.org/recreation](http://www.piscatawaynj.org/recreation)

## *Tennis anyone?*

Between April and November, Township residents 18 or older can reserve a tennis court at Columbus Park *only*, for one hour per day - Monday-Friday - between 5:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. (Court reservations operate on a first-come, first-serve basis and are not required for weekends, or all other weekday hours). Court reservations began on Monday, March 30. To reserve a court, you must register *in person* with Piscataway Recreation to obtain a "Tennis Identification Card". Proof of Piscataway residency is required. There is no charge for the I.D. card, or to reserve a court. After obtaining an I.D. card, reservations can be made by calling the **Recreation Office – 732-562-2382** - between 9 a.m. and 4 pm. *only*.

**\*\*All Returning Cheerleaders** must bring completed registration forms and a current wallet or passport-sized photograph to the Municipal Building (Chambers), 455 Hoes Lane on Tuesday, April 15 - 6 to 8 p.m. or Wednesday, May 6 - 6:30-8:00 p.m. **\*\*Registration forms for 2015 Pop Warner Football and Cheerleading** are available online at [www.piscatawaynj.org/recreation](http://www.piscatawaynj.org/recreation) or can be picked up at the Recreation Office — 8:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. **\*\*All Football Returning Football Players** must bring completed registration forms and a current wallet or passport-sized photograph to the Academy Street building, 129 Academy Street, 7 to 9 p.m. on either **May 11 or May 13**. Player must be present to be weighed in. No paperwork will be accepted unless player is present.

For information on **NEW Football** Player Registration and on **NEW Cheerleader** Registration, check the Web site: [www.piscatawaynj.org/recreation](http://www.piscatawaynj.org/recreation). Also on the Web site: information on the **Open Gym Program** (summer only), **Adult Men and Adult Women Softball Leagues** (fees apply), and on the **Adult Walking and Jogging Club**.

*Is this the year you made a resolution to learn or improve your computer skills? There are free opportunities in Piscataway for you to do JUST that.*

If you are a senior citizen, try the One-on-One half-hour sessions being offered at the **Senior Citizen Center**. The private tutoring classes are held Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10 a.m., 10:30 a.m. or 11 a.m. These classes allow you to learn at your own pace and to learn exactly what you want to learn. For information, call the Senior Center at 732-562-1133.

**Piscataway Library** offers computer classes on a regular basis at both branches of the library. Classes are free of charge and are approximately 90 minutes each. *Space is limited and registration is required.* Not all listed classes are offered each month; contact the Reference Desk - 732-463-1633, ext. 6, or check out the complete listing of computer and technology classes at: <http://piscatawaylibrary.org/technologytraining>.

For beginners: *Mouse Skills, Getting to Know Your Computer and Introduction to the Internet*. No prior experience necessary. Those looking to brush up on their Microsoft Office skills, e.g. *Introduction, Intermediate* and advanced classes in *Microsoft Office 2007*, as well as *Excel, PowerPoint, Publisher, Word and Windows 8.1* are offered. If you have questions about using your laptop, tablet, or Smartphone, stop in at Kennedy Library most Mondays from 2 to 4 p.m. or Thursdays from 10:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m.

## ***CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION TO AUDITION SINGERS...***

The Cultural Arts Commission is looking for a few good voices to sing the Star Spangled Banner at the Township's Summer Concert Series held in July & August. If you can sing our National Anthem a-cappella and are, at least, a high school junior, we invite you to audition on Wednesday, April 22 at 7:30 p.m. in the Piscataway Municipal Building, 455 Hoes Lane. **PRIOR REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.** To register, call Kitty Juttner, Chairperson @ 732-563-4117.

## **The 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Juried Art Show will be held from May 4 to May 29, 2015.**

Artist over the age of eighteen are invited to submit their artwork on the following dates: Friday, May 1— 6:30 p.m.-9 p.m. and Saturday, May 2 — 9:30 a.m.-12 noon. Cash prizes will be awarded. Each artist may submit two (2) original works, no copies. Entry fee is \$15 for one piece and \$25 for two pieces. Please note that all artwork must be properly framed and have wire hangers securely attached. Art with bracket hangers will not be accepted. Also, no nudes will be accepted. Size limit is 42"x42". For a prospectus of rules and regulations, send a stamped self-addressed business size envelope to: Juried Art Show, Piscataway Cultural Arts Commission, 455 Hoes Lane, Piscataway, NJ 08854. All artwork must remain on display for the entire length of the show. Please do not enter any art that you will not be able to leave for the entire show.



# Library Notes

www.piscatawaylibrary.org



\*\*\*Check out the many interesting, enlightening and/or fun programs that Piscataway Library is offering to our residents this spring. **\*\*CRAFTERS WITH A CAUSE:** anyone who can knit, crochet, quilt, or has any other skill that can be used to make projects that can be donated to an organization is invited to be a part of this group. Meetings will be held the first and third Wednesdays at Kennedy Library beginning April 1 at 7 p.m. **\*\*FUEL UP TO PLAY 60,** presented by the Library Teen Advisory Board. Join in on Sunday, May 3 from 2-4 p.m., Kennedy Library, for an afternoon filled with physical activity! Learn about **FUEL UP** while participating in fun fitness challenges, games, and more. This program is open to grades 4-12. To register call 732-463-1633 ext. 6.

\*\*\***FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY SPRING BOOK SALE - KENNEDY LIBRARY - Wednesday, April 15 - \*SPRING PREVIEW NIGHT- 6:30-8:30 p.m.\*SPRING PREVIEW NIGHT for Members Only. "Get the pick of the crop"!**

**No limit on purchases! *Not a member?* You may join on Preview Night for as little as \$5.**

**Thursday, April 16 — 10 a.m.-8:30 p.m.**

**Friday, April 17 — 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m.**

**Saturday, April 18 — **\*\*BAG SALE — 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m.****

**Sunday, April 19 — **\*\*BAG SALE — 1 p.m.-4:30 p.m.****

**\*\*April programs:** April 8-Country Line Dancing; April 22-Eating for Energy; April 23-Special Education Rights of Special Needs Students in Public Schools; April 29-Financial Literacy Fair; April 30-Contagious Optimism Wellness Group. All are being held at Kennedy Library at 7 p.m. April 28-Financial Planning: Budget, Bank, and Save for Your Future Success, 7 p.m. at Westergard Library. For May and June programs visit the Library Web site: [www.piscatawaylibrary.org](http://www.piscatawaylibrary.org).

**Library closings: April 3-Good Friday; April 5-Easter Sunday; May 10-Mother's Day; May 23, 24 and 25-Memorial Day Weekend.**

## SENATOR BOB SMITH, District 17

*"Once New Jersey's open space has been developed, we can't get it back"!*

*by Senator Bob Smith*

In a township that once included many farms, we all know that once a farm has been turned into a development of homes, it will never again be a field to grow our world famous New Jersey corn or tomatoes. Once we replace a forest with a mall or retail complex, deer and wildlife will never again have those trees as their natural habitat. Simply put, once New Jersey's open space has been developed, we can't get it back!

This past November the voters of the Garden State demonstrated just how important protecting our parks, forests, beaches, rivers, lakes, farmland and historic resources were to them and for the health and enjoyment of generations to come. Public Question #2 passed with a vote of 925,121 to 503,031. Here in Middlesex County it passed by a greater than 2 to 1 margin and voters in our township voted overwhelmingly in favor of the ballot questions. This constitutional amendment shifts an already dedicated earmark of the Corporation Business Tax (CBT) revenue to include funding for open space projects such as Green and Blue Acres, historic and farmland preservation projects.

By way of history, many of you will recall that last year marked the first time in decades that the state did not make an investment in Green and Blue Acres or historic and farmland preservation. This was unacceptable and required action on part of the legislature to ensure measures were taken to preserve our remaining open space. New Jersey's Green Acres program began in 1961 and is one of the oldest and most successful land preservation programs in the country. For most of that time, Green Acres was funded by periodic bond acts. Over the years we have had 14 public questions pass to protect our open spaces, 12 of which were bond acts. As Chairman of the Senate Environment and Energy Committee I introduced Senate Concurrent Resolution 84 and led the charge to ensure that we, in the legislature, took the necessary steps to get the question on the ballot so that the people of our state could make the decision to make open space a state priority as defined in our Constitution in perpetuity. This was the fiscally responsible way to take care of our open spaces for the health and benefit of our citizens forever.

Now we in the legislature are working to implement the funding authorized by the voters so that the CBT funds work correctly. I authored and released an implementation bill which is moving through the legislative process by way of discussion and hearings. On March 9, 2015 it was released from the Senate Environment and Energy Committee and will move on to be considered by the Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee. Your comments and suggestions are always welcome. Please do not hesitate to call: 732-752-0770 or email: [senbsmith@njleg.org](mailto:senbsmith@njleg.org).

# Piscataway Community TV News

Do you have a little budding artist at your house? If so, they'll want to watch *Drawing with Mark*! Using a fun child-friendly approach, Illustrator Mark Marderosian teaches children the step-by-step fundamentals of drawing with the help of his animated friends! *Drawing with Mark* airs Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays at 9 a.m., and Saturday mornings at 10 a.m.

Perhaps music is something your child really loves. We have that covered too! Watch *Mr. Socks World of Rock*. The show features live musical performances in the studio, guest musicians, and a variety of funny and educational video sketches that provide social and educational lessons through music in a way that is relatable and fun for younger children. Watch *Mr. Socks World of Rock* every Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Like classic movies! If so, you want to tune in each Saturday at 11 p.m. to *Classic Movies with Ron MacCloskey*. Each week Ron and a guest, with extensive knowledge of a certain film or actor, will discuss a public domain film followed by the full-length airing of that film. April films include: **April 4** — *The Stranger* starring Edward G. Robinson, Loretta Young & Orson Wells. **April 11** — *Jack and the Beanstalk* starring Abbott and Costello. April 18 — *Double Dynamic* starring Jane Russell, Frank Sinatra & Groucho Marx. **April 28** — *The Terror* starring Boris Karloff & and a very young Jack Nicholson.

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Cablecast Schedule for Spring 2015

Channel 15 (Cablevision) serves Bound Brook, Bridgewater, Dunellen, Green Brook, Manville, Middlesex, Piscataway, Raritan, South Bound Brook  
Channel 40 & 42 (Verizon) serves Berkeley Heights, Bound Brook, Branchburg, Fanwood, Franklin, Manville, Mountainside, New Providence, North Brunswick, North Plainfield, Piscataway, Somerville, South Bound Brook, South Brunswick, South Plainfield, Summit & Warren

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
9:00 AM	Drawing with Mark	Peek-A-Boo Turtle	Drawing with Mark	Peek-A-Boo Turtle	Drawing with Mark	Community Notices	Community Notices
9:30AM	Community Notices	Community Notices	Community Notices	Community Notices	Community Notices	Peek-A-Boo Turtle	
10:00 AM	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	Drawing with Mark	
10:30 AM	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	Destination Tomorrow	
11:00 AM	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	NASA 360	
11:30 AM	Look Great, Feel Great	Seniorcize	Look Great, Feel Great	Seniorcize	Seniorcize	Keeping Up with Cool	
12:00 PM	Aging Today in Middlesex County	Aging Insights	Dialogue with Doris	Sharing Miracles	Aging Today in Middlesex County	YA Visions	
12:30 PM	Access New Jersey	Access New Jersey	Old Ways in NJ	Spotlight on Middlesex County	In the Fight	Classroom Close-up	
1:00 PM	Health Talk	What Matters Most	Sharing Miracles	NPTV – Non Profit Television	The Folklorist	Community Notices	
1:30 PM	Money Matters TV	Law on the Line	Inside with Valerie Persaud	Classroom Close-up	On the History Trail		
2:00 PM	Community Notices	Community Notices	Community Notices	Community Notices	Community Notices		
2:30 PM	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓		
3:00 PM	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓		
3:30 PM	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓		
4:00 PM	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓		
4:30 PM	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓		
5:00 PM	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓		
5:30 PM	↓	↓	↓	↓	Talking about Movies	Journey to the East	↓
6:00PM	Y A Visions	NASA 360	YA Visions	Peek-a-boo turtle	Friendship Set to Music	↓	Medical Tips You Need to Know
6:30 PM	RIF Exchange	Law on the Line	Destination Tomorrow	Money Matters TV	↓	Dialogue with Doris	Classroom Close-up
7:00 PM	Aging Insights	Health Talk	Mr. Socks Rocks	Medical Tips You Need to Know	Eye on Piscataway (replay)	On the History Trail	Eye on Piscataway (replay)
7:30 PM	Spotlight on Middlesex County	Aging Insights	Law on the Line	Friendship Set to Music	↓	Old Ways in NJ	↓
8:00 PM	Eye on Piscataway (replay)	Dick Craig's Not Just Rock and Roll	NPTV – Non Profit Television	↓	Access New Jersey	If Plants Could Talk	Gospel Central
8:30 PM	↓	Access New Jersey	Aging Insights	Health Talk	Dick Craig's Not Just Rock and Roll	Sidewalks	↓
9:00 PM	Sudz in Country	Classroom Closeup	Spotlight on Middlesex County	Journey to the East	Sidewalks	On the Loose	NPTV – Non Profit Television
9:30 PM	In the Fight	Medical Tips You Need to Know	Dick Craig's Not Just Rock and Roll	↓	Keeping Up with Cool	↓	Sidewalks
10:00 PM	Keeping Up with Cool	On the Loose	Bongo Boy Rock and Roll Show	What Matters Most	On The Loose	Serendipity	Community Notices
10:30 PM	Inside with Valerie Persaud	↓	Health Talk	Dick Craig's Not Just Rock and Roll	↓	Dick Craig's Not Just Rock and Roll	
11:00PM	Sidewalks	Bongo Boy Rock and Roll Show	The Folklorist	Sudz in Country	Serendipity	Classic Movies	
11:30PM	Community Notices	Community Notices	Community Notices	Community Notices	Bongo Boy Rock and Roll Show	↓	
12:00 PM	↓	↓	↓	↓	Community Notices	↓	
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