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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Many of our various 2016 Capital Road Projects have begun and even more are set to begin the construction phase. Achieving our goals requires continued significant consideration into improving our infrastructure, and we will continue to evaluate the Township's roads to identify where to allocate the available funding by priority. I am proud to say that since I have been in office, we have done a lot and continue to increase the funding available for Capital Road Improvement projects. As always, I thank you for your patience during the process.

As the school year draws near, I would like to remind all to be careful and remain mindful of the changing traffic patterns. All drivers should be especially aware of school bus and pedestrian safety. For more information on guidelines for traffic safety, please follow this link:

http://www.nj.gov/education/finance/transportation/training/BusSafety.pdf

I would especially like to express my gratitude to the Bridgewater Township Police Department, our local firefighters, and rescue squad volunteers for continuing to ensure the safety of our residents and safe travels on our roads. Thank you for your commitment despite the adversities you may face.

As always, if there is anything our office can do to help, please feel free to reach out!

-Mayor Hayes

9/11 HEROES RUN



When: September 11, 2016 at 2:00pm

Where:

EthiconRt. 22 WestBridgewater, NJ 08876

Contact:

Bridgewater@911HeroesRun.org

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Service Spotlight on Booker & Zinc-Shop Bridgewater's Featured Vendor

Locally Inspired,

Hand Crafted Cocktails

Eat Local, Drink Social

Booker & Zinc At The Bridgewater Marriott

Booker & Zinc, a premiere sponsor of the Shop Bridgewater Property Tax Reward Program, offers residents a 15% tax credit when using your Shop Bridgewater Card!

"Our culinary and service commitment is to provide our guests with a menu that is creative, yet familiar to your senses in a social setting. We strive to incorporate as many local, New Jersey, fresh, seasonal and sustainable products available in both our kitchen and bar. Our menu will satisfy a wide range of palates. Some featured items include, farm fresh salads, wood grilled flatbreads, sharable appetizers, and regional inspired entrees. Our mixologists take pride in creating simple and fresh

hand crafted cocktails for your enjoyment. Industrial elements such as iron and zinc combined with textural fabrics, reclaimed woods, and vintage imagery are woven together to embody a vibrant and contemporary vibe. We provide communal and farmhouse tables, a private dining area, as well as open dining spaces for social and interactive gathering. Join us for breakfast, lunch, or dinner!"

For more information on Booker & Zinc call (908) 541-8940 or visit:

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For more information on our shop Bridgewater Program, click below: http://www.bridgewaternj.gov/?s=shop+bridgewater

Check out and "Like" our Shop Bridgewater Facebook page! https://www.facebook.com/ShopBridgewater/?fref=ts

Fourth of July Celebration at the Middlebrook Encampment



Mayor Hayes celebrated the 240th Anniversary of the adoption of the Declaration of Independence at the Middlebrook Encampment.

The ceremony consisted of patriotic music, a presentation of Colors, a Historic Reflection, and a Benediction by Mayor Fazen of Bound Brook. Mayor Dan Hayes addressed the crowd with a Welcome Speech and that can be found <u>HERE</u>.

Above: Mayor Hayes and local recipients of American Citizenship Awards

National Night Out at Somerset Patriots Stadium



On August 2nd, Bridgewater Township held its first Annual National Night Out at the Somerset Patriots Stadium.

The Bridgewater Township Recreation department was represented by Lynne Hurley and Aly Gust who gave out flyers and information about our programs and also handed out sunglasses from Chris Poulsen, Director of Health and Human Services.

Chief Caravela and the entire police department represented the township in an exemplary fashion. They put tattoos on children, had several giveaways and when talking with the children and the parents they epitomized the true meaning of community.

Summer Playgrounds Fun!



Above: Playground Trip to Cheesequake Park

Below: Fireman Water Day at Milltown



Another successful season of **Bridgewater Recreation's** Summer and Pee Wee Playgrounds programs has drawn to a close. Over 600 residents ranging in age from 4 to 14 enjoyed sports, games, crafts, making new friends, catching up with old friends, and more! Our oldest participants also had the opportunity to venture out on some field trips; campers could spend a morning playing at the Branchburg Sports Complex, enjoy the

beach at Cheesequake State Park, or cheer on the Somerset Patriots at a day game. Our youngest campers were thrilled by visits from police officers and enjoyed some water fun when visited by local firefighters. The Recreation Department and Playgrounds Staff thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to provide this program for our residents and plans have already begun to make 2017 bigger and better!

Three Bridgewater Residents Celebrate 100 and

Up Birthdays



On August 9th, three members of the Bridgewater Township Senior Citizen Center celebrated their statuses as centenarian citizens.

Mary DiNuzzo and Grace Smith are turning 100, while Leocadia (Lee) De Carlo is turning 105 this year. The event was coordinated by the Senior Citizen Center and featured presentations and entertainment, provided by CareOne at Somerset Valley, including a champagne toast to being part of this elite group.

Above: During the celebration, Chris Poulsen, Director of Health and Human Services, presented them with Mayor Proclamations on behalf of Mayor Hayes. Afterward, there was a special dance by the Roxies a local dance troupe of three Somerset County senior women. Cent' Anni!

Mazda North American Operations Relocates to Bridgewater



SJP Properties announce the relocation of Mazda's Northeast Regional Office to Somerset Corporate Center in Bridgewater in the fall. Its new space at the Somerset Corporate Center II, will span 8,000- square feet, neighboring companies such as Qualcomm, Merrill Lynch, and Linde Americas.

Welcome to Bridgewater Township!