



# The Lebanon Lantern

Autumn 2013

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Photo submitted by Michele Saharic

**Life is full of surprises! An automobile accident on Route 78 created new families for many dogs.**

Story following.



When the fire alarm goes off, the members of the Lebanon Volunteer fire Company never know what to expect. At 2:25am on Saturday, July 20, several members, who responded to the alarm, found that their lives would change dramatically.

The call was for a motor vehicle accident on Rt.78 East. A Chevy Suburban from Georgia rolled over trapping the driver and passenger in the front seat. They were transporting 14 homeless dogs to a no kill shelter in Maine.

Upon arrival on the scene, it was determined that the Jaws of Life needed to be used to cut the occupants out of the car. There were 2 people and 12 dogs all trapped. The driver and passenger were cut free, and sent to the hospital for minor injuries. Then the dogs, six of them 8-week old puppies, were taken out of the wreck. It was discovered that a puppy and a full-grown dog had been ejected from the car and were missing. A quick search in the darkness ensued, but finally the decision was made to clean up the scene. Just before leaving the scene, firefighter Tommy Lapczynski noticed movement in the tall grass beside the road. It was the missing puppy.

Chief Saharic and his wife, Michele, an EMT, took that puppy and two other dogs with suspected injuries to Crown Veterinary Specialists, a 24 hour animal hospital in Lebanon, for immediate care. They were later taken by Animal Control Solutions to Hunterdon Hills Animal Hospital to join the other dogs.

The Saharic's daughter, Marlaina, and her fiancé Tucker Harding, who is a member of the fire department and was on the call the prior night, visited the dogs in the hospital and fell in love with the puppy that had been ejected. The founder of the no kill shelter in Maine was contacted and eagerly agreed to allow Marlaina and Tucker to adopt the puppy. He was appropriately named "Flip", and is currently enjoying life in the Harding's house on Main Street. Tucker and Marlaina were married on September 7<sup>th</sup>.

Two other firefighters, who responded to that early morning call, have also adopted dogs. Justin Badger and Ron Lapczynski are now the proud owners of adopted dogs. Friends of Marlina and Tucker, John and Becky Malcolmson, who were visiting from New Hampshire, also decided to adopt one of the dogs, and the fire chief's niece, Emily Sella, also adopted a dog.

Tucker Harding, Justin Badger, Tommy Lapczynski, all who responded to the early morning call, along with fellow firefighter Alex Patetta, are fairly new members of the fire department. All of these men have recently completed a very complex training semester to qualify to drive and operate the fire trucks. They had to pass pump school in order to operate the pumps on the apparatus. They also had to go through a very detailed training schedule given by the senior members of the fire department. They had to learn the function and location of every piece of equipment on the trucks, as well as learn all the roads in the towns we support, understand the vehicles, and pass a Chief's final exam.

All four men passed all these requirements, and now Lebanon Borough has four more volunteer firemen trained to respond anytime the alarm sounds.

# **RECREATION COMMISSION NEWS**

On behalf of the Recreation Commission, we would like to thank the following businesses for their generous donation to our project to refurbish the basketball court and basketball hoops in our community park.

**CONSTRUCTION SPECIALTIES**

**BOURBON STREET LIQUORS**

**LEBANON CHEESE COMPANY**

**CLINTON HONDA**

**SCARPONI BRIGHT FUNERAL HOME**

**LEBANON DOOR COMPANY**

**VAN DOREN OIL COMPANY**

**THE DOGGETT CORPORATION**

**CHARLES KROWICKI, D.M.D**

**OGORZALEK FAMILY AGENCY, LLC**

**A PATULLO POWER WASH, INC.**

**JOSEPH P. MOGLIA & DAUGHTERS, LLC**

Donations still being accepted at Borough Hall, or can be mail to: 6 High Street Lebanon, NJ 08833. (Please make checks payable to Lebanon Borough Recreation.)

**Thank you again for your generous donation.**

**Lebanon Reformed Church**  
**100 Brunswick Ave, Lebanon, NJ 08833**

[www.lebanonreformedchurch.org](http://www.lebanonreformedchurch.org) (908) 236-6167 [lebanonrefchurch@aol.com](mailto:lebanonrefchurch@aol.com)

You are always welcomed at Lebanon Reformed Church. The Pastor for our 11AM Sunday worship service is Rev. Tom Jones. His inspirational sermons are relevant to today and appeal to all ages. He is very friendly and well liked. Tom and his wife Debbie live in Alexandria Township. He teaches science at DVRHS, and enjoys the outdoors, hiking, kayaking and running. Rev. Jones' call to ministry includes: Hunterdon Hospice, a member of the Executive Board of Trustees for Family Promise, and a volunteer Chaplain at Hunterdon Medical Center.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL and VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

You may know Melanie Ikenon as the young woman in the photo surrounded by children on the cover of the Summer Lantern. Melanie is a Sunday school teacher and has been nurturing the LRC children since 2008. Sunday school is held at 9:45-10:45am for preschool through middle school children. Melanie also provides nursery care for young children during worship services. Melanie led the Vacation Bible School program. Many children from the community attended. They read Bible stories, built and rode on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July float, made greeting cards for military personnel, and raised and released Monarch butterflies. Melanie is finishing up her last semester at Kean University, where she will graduate with honors with a degree in Early Childhood Education P-3 and Psychology. Melanie also volunteers on the High Bridge Emergency Squad as an EMT.

**MINISTRIES**

SUPPLY DRIVE FOR TROOPS was a huge success. LRC members partnered with the community to support hometown Marine, Cpl Wallace J. Crowley III and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion 8<sup>th</sup> Marines. We thank Clinton ShopRite and their employees for their help and all who contributed for our troops deployed in Afghanistan. It's not too late if you would like to contribute. Details are on LRC website.

GRACE REFORMED, our sister church in Newark, came to Lebanon and filled their van with gently used household items, clothing and food donations. The vinyl flooring needed for their vestibule was donated by Mill Direct Carpet and Rug Mart. A new steel door was donated by Home Depot. All this was installed by LRC volunteers and friends.

FAMILY PROMISE OF HUNTERDON COUNTY guests enjoyed the meals we prepared and the companionship we shared Sept.2, 3 and Sept.9, 10.

**GET CONNECTED**

LANTERN READERS are encouraged to submit their prayer concerns to LRC email.

40<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CROP WALK Sun. Oct 27. Support this opportunity to help the hungry to grow their own food by joining the LRC Crop Walk Team. Details are on LRC website.

INQUIRER'S CLASSES in three sessions will provide information about LRC and an opportunity to learn about Reformed Church theology and history. The third session will encourage and enable you to know your spiritual gifts. The community is invited to attend these meetings here at the church beginning Oct 6<sup>th</sup> at 12:30pm.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY meets 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wed. evening each month from 7-8pm in the Skunk House. Please check our message board in front of the church or website for dates.

HALLOWEEN REST STOP will be open in fellowship hall during town wide Trick-or-Treat. You'll find plenty of treats and a welcoming place to rest.

CHANCEL AND BELL CHOIR- Bells practice Mon. at 7-8:30pm, singers practice on Thurs. at 7-8:30pm. We have a spot saved for you.

### **Lebanon Borough Sewerage Authority**

The Lebanon Borough Sewerage Authority would like to acknowledge Leona Burton. Mrs. Burton has been actively involved in our community for 59 years. Leona served as the initial Secretary-Treasurer of the LBSA from January 1980-1992 and continues her service as a Commissioner to the Authority from 1997 through the present time. This past summer, Mrs. Burton celebrated her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. In grateful and continuing appreciation, we wish you the best of times to come.



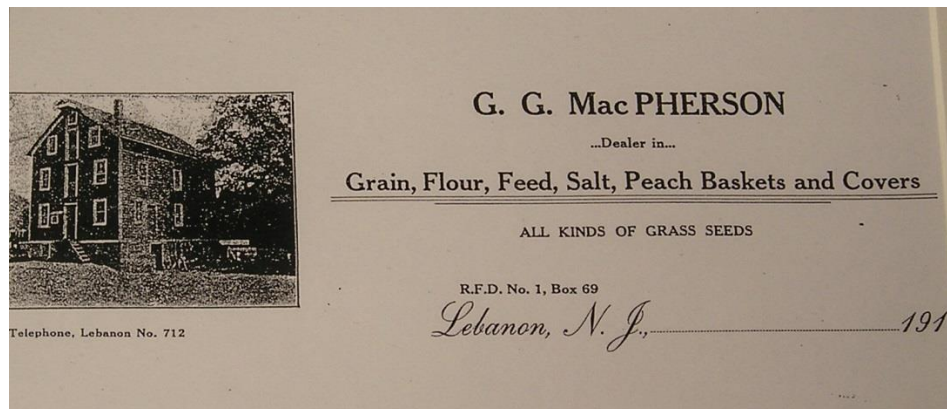
### **Did You Know?**

Brunswick Avenue had at least five different names over the years; the Great Road from Easton to New Brunswick, the high road, the road to Mrs. Shannon's, Church Street and finally Brunswick Avenue. What is now Brunswick Avenue ran east through the Commons to Blossom Hill Road where it met the low or swamp road.

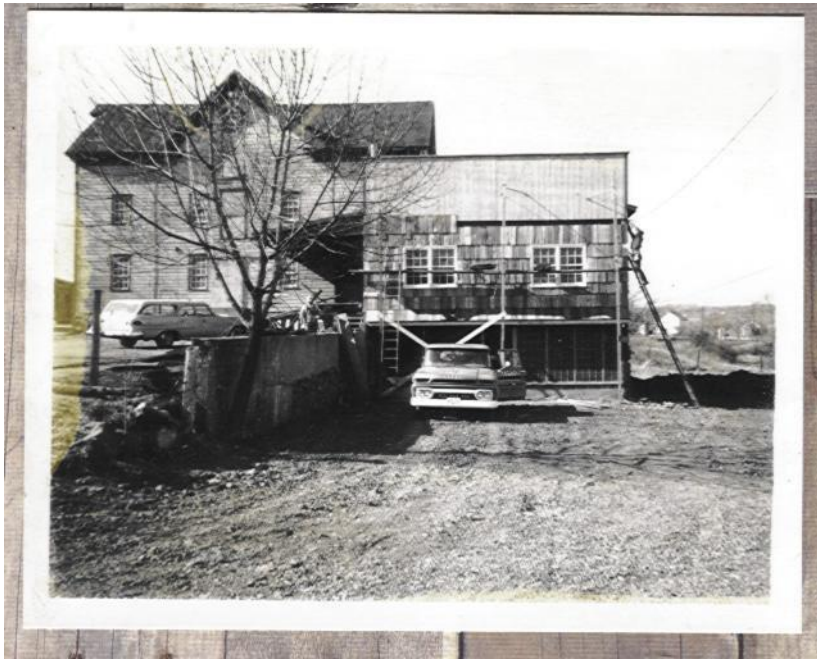
## Historical Committee

As previously mentioned, next year will be the 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of Hunterdon County. Our committee plans to host a town walking tour, and separately, at least one cemetery tour. But why wait to next year? October should be a good month for a town walking tour, and a great opportunity to try out our program for the events next year. A walking tour is a great interactive way to learn about our Borough, and at the same time we can learn what aspects of our history are of interest to our residents. A notice will be posted on the town bulletin board once a date has been set. The Lebanon Borough Historic District includes 248 contributing structures so there is plenty to see and talk about.

We still are looking for photos, and since it is 2013 that means a photo even as late as 1963 is 50 years old and therefore of interest. Here are two photos that came to us courtesy of Mr. Wilson who lives near what was originally a 1799 mill built by Aaron Stout. It was acquired shortly after that by "Big" Mike Shurts (as opposed to his son also Mike). Eventually it was the Round Valley Mill owned by McPherson, and subsequently purchased around 1960 by Elwood Heller who ran a very popular antique auction business. In the 1990s, it was expanded into a retail shopping center called the Grist Mill Commons, and is now known as the Oasis Commons. The large residence on Main St. has been part of the complex for many years.



The Mill House



Grist Mill 1960s

### **Did You Know?**

The beech tree is one of the longest living shade trees, examples live as long as 300 to 400 years! Barring some unforeseen calamity the copper beech on the lawn of Boro Hall should be around far longer than any of us.

### **The Lebanon Borough Seniors Club**

The Lebanon Borough Senior Club meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month at 10:00AM. Membership is open to anyone over the age of 55. Membership dues for Lebanon Borough residents is \$15.00 paid yearly and non-residents the yearly dues is \$20.00.

Rite Aid Pharmacy has volunteered to give flu shots at our September meeting to those members who would like to receive it. The cost is covered by Medicare or private insurance if one has it. For members who have neither, there will be a charge.

**10/22/2013** Golden Oktoberfest, Plazl Brauhaus, Pomoma, NY  
Trip Cost: \$60.00 Members \$72.00 Non-members  
Enjoy a day of music, dancing entertainment and Gemutlichkeit!  
Pick up – 8:30Am Return time TBD

Make checks out to the Lebanon Borough Senior Club. All trips leave from behind Lebanon Plaza by the Tile Barn. If you are interested in this trip, or need additional information please call Mary Ann at (908) 236-8291.

### **Lebanon Senior Club Officers**

President	Jo Hobbie 236-7525
Vice President	Dorothy Blackford 236-0165
Secretary	Barbara Tichy 236-2855
Treasurer	Leona Burton 236-0130
Hospitality	Dorothy Bolinski 236-7839 and Joann Burke 537-9632
Membership	Helen Pappas 236-7112
UPDATE Editor	Kathy Reid 236-6795
Technical Manager	Lisa Saharic 236-2425

## **The Lebanon Borough Shade Tree Committee**

Now is a great time to plant a tree, the root system will have time to expand right through December and garden centers are looking to clear out many of their unsold trees and shrubs. Look for form, not for size, choose a tree with a strong central leader and side branches that are along the leader not all from one spot. A state forester informed me that if you planted two trees, a one inch diameter tree and a three or four inch diameter of the same variety, in five years the smaller tree would be larger! All recently planted trees should be mulched, but please NO VOLCANOES! Keep mulch at least six inches from the trunk, this is very important.

## **Environmental Commission**

This is the best time of the year to repair, re-seed, or sod your lawn. Cooler temperatures encourage root growth and the evening dew provides additional moisture. It is also a good time to fertilize as the food will be put directly to use now that the heat of summer has passed. Take care in not over fertilizing especially if you are near one of the brooks as all of our streams are classified as trout breeding or C-1 the highest designation in use for classifying streams.

### **Did You Know?**

David Miller Kline married Elizabeth Hager on Dec 28, 1805, the eve of his 21st birthday, which would be the day his apprenticeship to his uncle David Miller was completed. David and Elizabeth had 10 children. He opened his first store in New Germantown (now Oldwick) in 1805, but relocated to Lebanon in 1807. He later built the Lebanon Hotel.



### **Round Valley United Methodist Church**

30 Main St., Lebanon, [www.roundvalleyumc.org](http://www.roundvalleyumc.org)

Rev. Andrew Paek (908) 236-2232

Confirmation classes will meet Sept 15th and 29th at the church at 3 pm. Call the church if you wish to have your child attend.

We will again participate in the Town Wide Garage Sale on Sept 21st. Rental spaces are \$15 and with a table \$20. Call 236-8519 to reserve. We will serve food as well. The Cluttered Closet Thrift Store will be open also.

We will have our 2nd Annual Korean dinner on Oct 26th. Our first Korean dinner was such a success that people have asked that we do it again. All food is authentic! More information will be on the marquee and in the local newspapers when we have that information.

Join us for the Hunterdon County CROP Walk for Hunger. Get sponsors and help support this worthy cause. The date is Sunday, Oct 27th @ 1:00 pm at the Landsdown Trail in Clinton, NJ.

Please watch our marquee for other events that may be scheduled.

## Lebanon Borough School

The Lebanon Borough School is proud to welcome their new Chief School Administrator, Dr. Robert S. Sutter. Dr. Sutter has been a tremendous asset to the school since his arrival July 1, 2013. Dr. Sutter has been influential with regards to "kicking off" our school year on a positive note!

The Lebanon Borough School would like to take this opportunity to welcome Mrs. Debbie Thompson (music instruction) and Mrs. Carol Koop (art instruction). Mrs. Debbie Thompson brings a love of music and the performing arts to the Lebanon Borough School, and she is extremely excited to showcase this talent at our annual winter concert. Mrs. Koop is an Illustrator and enjoys taking photos of plants and flowers. Her work can be found by accessing her web-page. Mrs. Koop's email address is: ckoop@lebanonschool.org.

The Lebanon Borough staff is excited about the arrival of the new iPads this year! The school has added iPads to each classroom. The fall provides outstanding educational opportunities for students.

The preschool class is learning each other's names by reading the story Chicka Chicka Boom Boom by Bill Martin Jr. and creating a bulletin board with this theme. For many of them, this is their first school experience so they are learning the routine.

The kindergarten class has been learning to cooperate and share with others. The kindergarten have been listening to stories, writing in a daily journal, and learning in centers. The students will also be learning about the monarch butterfly life cycle, Christopher Columbus' exploration, and family and community helpers.

First grade will be learning about their "home family", their "school family", and our community, including Firefighters during Fire Prevention Week. The first grade students will begin their study of living and non-living things with plants, and observe the plants in our school garden from the spring. The first grade will be making collages on their iPad of living and non-living things.

Second grade, along with kindergarten, will be learning about Monarch butterflies, their life cycle and habitat. The second grade will be raising Monarch caterpillars and observing them as they emerge from their chrysalis' later this month. The students will also be learning to distinguish a moth from a butterfly.

In conjunction with their science and social studies curriculum, students in third grade will prepare a section of their garden, which is located outside their classroom, to be a "Lasagna" garden: a no-dig, layered garden space using recycled materials, that saves water and promotes sustainable agricultural practices. A lasagna garden does not grow pasta! This style of gardening will teach students how to reduce their carbon footprint by using common materials to build upon a garden space. Third grade will grow garlic and eventually some spring herbs. The garden will be organic, as their starter bulbs were certified organic. The lasagna bed will be pesticide free.

The fourth grade class will be learning about New Jersey. The fourth grade students are planning to begin studying the human body in science. They will be researching New Jersey lighthouses and creating a presentation to showcase their work.

The fifth grade students have been getting to know each other's unique talents and abilities. The fifth grade students are beginning their study of ancient history by learning how archaeologists do their jobs. Once again, the fifth graders will practice writing a friendly letter by writing to servicemen and women stationed in Afghanistan.

The sixth grade students are beginning by choosing officers for student council and creating a photo journal. The students in sixth grade are also honoring the heroes of 9/11 by providing the men and women of Lebanon Borough Fire Department with letters and an American flag pin. They will also be researching information in order to conduct a Veteran's Day assembly. All veterans are welcome to attend! .

Please be on the look out for the Walking School Bus. If you would like to support your local school, you can become a PTA member. The first PTA meeting is September 23rd at 7:30. For more details, you can contact them through the following email: pta@lebanonschool.org. The PTA also encourages you to "like" them on Facebook.



# Annual Halloween Parade and Trick or Treating

Come Join Us In

Costume for a Parade!

**Where: Round Valley Methodist Church on Main Street**

**When: October 31st**

**Time: 7:00 pm**

**The Parade will continue to Lebanon Borough School**

**For Prizes and Treats!**

**Trick or Treating will take place in Lebanon**

**from 4pm until 7pm**





# Annual Tree Lighting

Sunday, December 1st

6:30 PM

96 Main Street  
(State Police Building)

Follow the Parade to

## A Visit from Santa

Lebanon Borough School

All Purpose Room

Approx. 7 PM

All Ages Welcome!



Refreshments and Gifts

Courtesy of the Recreation Commission

### **Giving Tree at Boro Hall**

Please consider taking a tag from our Giving Tree

at Boro Hall. The item needed and Charity

is located on the tag.

Please place all donations under the tree

by December 18th.



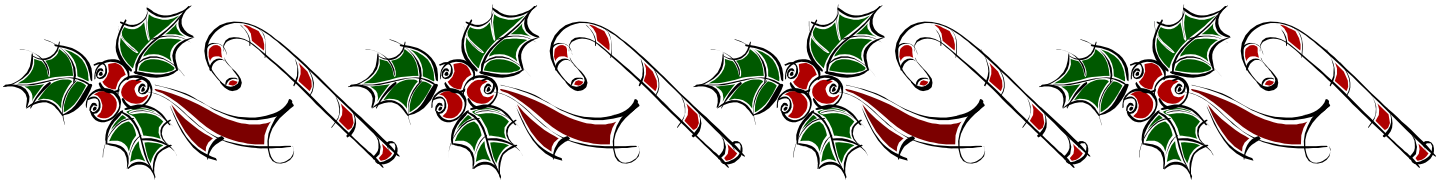
# Burning of Greens

Holjes-Sheppard Park

January 6, 2014 at 7:00PM

Lebanon Fire Company will provide  
curbside tree pick up

between December 31 and January 6<sup>th</sup>.



## The Twelfth Night

Please join the Lebanon Borough Recreation Commission

For the Traditional Crowning of the King and Queen

All Purpose Room of Lebanon Borough School

Refreshments and Cake will be served.

**RAIN DATE FOR THIS EVENT WILL BE JANUARY 8, 2014!**

### Did You Know?

The general Road naming convention in Lebanon was to call private roads lanes. We have Alpaugh Lane, Knox Lane (now a public road), Sloan's Lane, and Voegtlen Lane.

**To Advertise in The Lebanon Lantern** and reach almost 700 addresses within the community for the four publications, the annual charge will remain the same in 2012:

\$ 50 business card size

\$ 75 quarter page

\$150 half page

\$300 full page

Please contact the municipal office at 236-2425

## The Borough of Lebanon Governing Body

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### GETTING MARRIED

Download your Marriage Application at [www.lebanonboro.com](http://www.lebanonboro.com)  
Present the completed application 30 days before your event at  
the Borough Hall with your partner and a witness.

**THE COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE ENCOURAGES COMMENTS AND ARTICLES.**

Submission deadline for the Winter Edition is Friday, December 6, 2013.

You can email your submission to: [bschmidt@lebanonboro.com](mailto:bschmidt@lebanonboro.com)

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