



THE LEBANON LANTERN

WINTER 2026

Celebrating Lebanon's 100th and America's 250th

My walks with my wife, Mary Beth, and our pug, Mayor Pugsley, are more than just routine; they are a daily appreciation of our community. We soak in the sights and sounds that define us: neighbors catching up over fences, the energy of families at **Holjes-Sheppard Memorial Park**, and the welcoming bustle of the **Lebanon Pub**. These moments provide the perfect backdrop for reflection as we prepare to honor the major milestones of the coming year.

This year is a monumental milestone. We are marking the **100th Anniversary** of the **Borough of Lebanon**, standing side-by-side with our nation's **250th semiquincentennial celebration**. It is a dual birthday that reminds us that while the American story is written in history books, it is lived out in small towns just like ours.

Reflecting on Lebanon's first century, it isn't the buildings or municipal ordinances that come to mind. It is the rhythm of our traditions that bind us together.

Who among us doesn't feel that surge of childhood wonder when December rolls around?

We wait for the distinct wail of the siren — not signaling an emergency but announcing joy.

We watch **Santa Claus** perched on a sleigh pulled by **Lebanon's Finest**, weaving through our neighborhoods. I can still picture my kids and our neighbors peeking out their windows

and running down driveways to catch a glimpse of Santa each year. That is the heartbeat of this town.

Our True Colors

And when the winter frost gives way to the humid glory of July, we show our true colors.

Because this year marks America's 250th birthday, our annual **Fourth of July Parade** feels heavier with pride, yet just as light with celebration. If I close my eyes, I can smell it: the sizzling of grilled hot dogs. I can taste the cold beer or root beer in one of our commemorative glasses. It is a day when Main St. is a sea of red, white, and blue bunting while antique cars and firetrucks roll by.

Our extended family always joins us here in Lebanon to celebrate this special day with our kids for a celebration that few other towns can rival!

We are a community that shares. Nothing exemplifies this quite like our **Town-Wide Garage Sale**. It is our annual treasure hunt. It is a day when the map of Lebanon becomes a treasure map, and we wander from lawn to lawn. We don't just buy a vintage lamp or a stack of paperbacks; we exchange stories. We see the history of a family laid out on folding tables, and we

find new homes for old memories.

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SNOW REMINDERS

**PLEASE POINT YOUR SNOW BLOWER ON YOUR LAWN,
NOT ON THE SIDEWALK OR THE STREET!**

No Parking Dec. 1-April 1

**No overnight parking on any public street or road in the Borough of Lebanon
between the hours of 12 midnight and 6 a.m.**

from Dec. 1 through April 1 (Ordinance #2018-04)

**Please clear your sidewalks within the first 12 hours of daylight after a snowstorm to avoid
fines. (Ordinance #88-18)**

CELEBRATING LEBANON'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY

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Cherishing Traditions, Looking Forward

As we look toward the next century for Lebanon, and the next era for the United States, let us hold tight to this small-town magic. Let us cherish the cul-de-sacs where we learned to ride bikes, the events that mark the passing of our years, and the neighbors who became family. And let us also look forward to new traditions.

Happy 100th Birthday, Lebanon! And Happy 250th Birthday, America. Here's to the history we have made, and the treasures we have yet to find. As the prior owners of our home told us over 32 years ago "living in Lebanon is like living in a Norman Rockwell painting," and it has been just that and exceeded our expectations every day!

Mayor Jim Pittinger



Here Are Some of the Exciting Plans to Celebrate Lebanon's 100th Anniversary

(Events and dates are subject to change)

- January–May 15** — Lebanon Poetry Contest. An all ages contest celebrating "Our Town Through Time." The Recreation Committee will review entries and choose the winners. Winning poems will be displayed and placed in the time capsule.
- March** — Lebanon History Talk. Local historian **Joe Hauck** will present stories, photos, and artifacts showcasing Lebanon's past.
- June** — Music in the Park. An outdoor concert evening featuring 2-3 local bands, food vendors, and family fun.
- July** — Lebanon Borough Parade Float. The Recreation Committee will proudly represent Lebanon Borough with a themed float in the annual Fourth of July parade.
- July/August** — "Then and Now" Walking Tour. A self-guided tour showcasing Lebanon's historic sites and their modern-day counterparts.
- August** — Somerset Patriots Town Game. Community outing at TD Bank Ballpark for Lebanon Borough residents to celebrate the centennial summer.
- Dec. 6** — Centennial Gala. An evening to celebrate residents and sponsors at the Polish American Club, featuring live music and dancing to close out the centennial celebration.
- December** — Light Up Lebanon. A town-wide luminary display to culminate the centennial year and ring in the holiday season.
- December** — 50-Year Time Capsule Initiative Placement. Contents to include: Winning poems, 2026 town directory, photos, town map, letters to future residents, anniversary. To be opened in 2076 as part of Lebanon's 150th Anniversary.

RECREATION COMMITTEE EVENT HIGHLIGHTS AND PLANS

The **Recreation Committee** hopes this update finds everyone well. Here are some highlights from our recent events and what is coming up for Lebanon in 2026.

Our **Halloween Mad Scientist** event was a scary success. Residents enjoyed a spooky presentation filled with demonstrations displaying various scientific principles. There were sweet treats and temporary Halloween themed tattoos as well as a picture booth for creepy selfies.

On Dec. 7, **Santa and Mrs. Claus** were escorted through town by the **Lebanon Borough Fire Department** and brought to Borough Hall for the annual tree lighting. After the tree was lit, residents were able to meet Santa and Mrs. Claus and take pictures with them. A fun Christmas tree craft was given to kids to take home and refreshments were served. We hope everyone enjoyed putting together their Christmas tree keepsakes.

The Recreation Committee made sure all the letters dropped off at the Santa Mailbox were sent to the North Pole for Santa to answer. Also at 96 Main Street, we hope you enjoyed our newest decoration: the Christmas tree of lights.

The **Lebanon Borough New Year's Day 5k** on Jan. 1 was a wonderful way to kick off the 2026 with a new event in honor of the centennial of the borough (See the photos on page 7). Also, the annual **Twelfth Night Celebration** on Jan. 5 is always a fun event.

Thank you for your continued support and participation in our community events. We look forward to seeing you at our future events. If you have any questions or ideas, please feel free to email lporcello@lebanonboro.com.

Lebanon Borough Sewerage Authority

2026 sewer billing statements will be mailed at the end of February/early March.

Q1 payment is due: **March 30** Q2 payment is due **June 30**

Q3 payment is due **Sept. 30** Q4 payment is due **Dec. 30**

Please include the correct account number or the sewer service address or the Block, Lot (qualifier if applicable) on your payments.



SNOWFLAKE SUDOKU

Name:

Address:

COMPLETE THE SUDOKU PUZZLE AND TURN INTO BOROUGH HALL BY FEBRUARY 1, 2026 FOR THE CHANCE TO WIN A PRIZE. SPONSORED BY THE LEBANON BOROUGH RECREATION COMMITTEE

SNOWFLAKE SUDOKU

Instead of numbers, use these letters to fill in the grid just like a regular sudoku:

S N O W F L A K E

There is only one rule to sudoku: Every row, column and box of 3x3 cells must contain each letter shown above exactly once. Good luck!

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LEBANON BOROUGH SCHOOL FIRST HALF HIGHLIGHTS

As we look ahead to the New Year, Lebanon Borough School has much to celebrate. The past several months have highlighted the strength of our students, the dedication of our staff, and the close partnership between the school and the Lebanon Borough community.

Student Learning Beyond the Classroom

One of the highlights of the fall was our TREP\$ Marketplace, an entrepreneurship program that allows students to design, market, and sell their own products. Through this experience, students developed creativity, problem-solving skills, financial literacy, and confidence. The Marketplace was a wonderful example of learning that extends beyond the classroom, and the enthusiasm and pride shown by our students were evident to everyone who attended.

A Memorable Winter Concert

Our Winter Concert was another special moment for the school community. Students delivered a joyful and thoughtful performance that reflected weeks of practice and teamwork. The concert showcased the importance of the arts in our school and would not have been possible without the dedication of our music teacher, the support of staff, and the encouragement of families.

Flexibility During Park Construction

This fall also brought changes to daily routines as park construction near the school requires adjustments to outdoor spaces, schedules, and traffic patterns. Our students and staff have demonstrated commendable flexibility and a positive attitude throughout this process. Learning continues smoothly despite the challenges, and we appreciate the patience and cooperation of families, as well as the borough's ongoing communication and collaboration.

Board of Education Focus Areas

The Board of Education continues to engage in thoughtful discussions on topics important to students and community members. In the coming months, the board will be exploring two significant items.

First, the board is reviewing the possibility of sixth-grade students attending Clinton Public School as part of a send-receive relationship. This exploration includes careful consideration of academic programming, student transitions, transportation, and long-term planning for the district.



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LEBANON BORO NEW YEAR'S 5K: A SMASHING SUCCESS!



THE GARDEN CLUB SPRUCES UP LEBANON FOR THE HOLIDAYS!



FLASHBACK: WHEN TOWNHOUSES CAME TO LEBANON

When a family moves to a new state or municipality they typically learn about the available utilities and amenities. Fifty years ago in Lebanon, that would have included municipal water, electricity, telephones and a fire department. There was also a local K-6 school, a tiny municipal office and local shops and businesses. Some of these come to be from planning, some from progress and others from tragedy.

This article is about what happened in Lebanon since 1975 and how other improvements came about.

When the warm days of summer came that year, there was an aroma in the air that wasn't pleasant. I soon learned that installing a sewer system was a very big and controversial topic in town. Opponents were concerned about the cost, or they had good septic systems. Residents with failed septic systems were reluctant to spend money to install a new septic that might have to be abandoned if sewers were installed. The mayor at this time was **Don Carlson**, who had succeeded **Bill Young**, who had been mayor for 20 years. Both Don and Bill were in favor of the sewer project. To my knowledge, that was one of only two times they agreed on anything!

Don believed sewers would improve the town, bring in commercial development, and expand the tax base. Don also had a bad septic and a large outbuilding that he wanted to convert into a two-family residence.

Bill owned the former Radley farm which, in 1975, was called Edgerton (that's a story that goes back before the American Revolution). The property was around 30 acres and Bill wanted to build a large townhouse project. Bill's project was opposed by many. Some residents liked the country flavor of the beautiful farm, others were just jealous of his success.

Bill was an officer in WWII and when he came home from the war he ran for mayor and succeeded his uncle **Erastus Sutton**, who had been mayor for 14 years from 1935 until 1948. Bill was elected for 10 two-year terms. Over that time, he also was an executive at the Hunterdon County National Bank and played an important role in the management of the Hunterdon Medical Center.

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The groundbreaking for Lebanon Commons. Pictured, left to right, beginning fourth from left: Tobias Schindler, project developer, Jim McCarthy, planning board vice chair, Ida Van Doren, planning board member, Bill McIntyre, planning board chair, Susan Woods, planning board secretary, Bill Shurts, planning board attorney.

LEBANON BOROUGH SCHOOL FIRST HALF HIGHLIGHTS

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Second, the board is also examining the feasibility of continuing to offer tuition-free preschool. This discussion focuses on providing early learning opportunities for families while considering facilities, staffing, and sustainable funding.

Both of these topics will be discussed in upcoming Board of Education meetings, and decisions are expected to be made over the next few meetings. Community input and engagement remain an important part of this process.

Looking Ahead to 2026

As we enter the New Year, Lebanon Borough School remains focused on student well-being, high-quality instruction, and meaningful learning experiences. Families can look forward to continued enrichment opportunities, strong communication, and a school culture rooted in collaboration and care. At Lebanon Borough School, we truly believe we are **Better Together**, and we look forward to building on this foundation in the months ahead.

Thank you to the Lebanon Borough community for your continued support of our school and our students.

Better Together,
Bruce R. Arcurio, Ed.D.

THE SMART PATIENT'S SURVIVAL GUIDE TO MEDICAL BILLING



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Medical bills are confusing, stressful, and all too often incorrect. The good news is you don't have to accept every charge or threat you get in the mail. Below are practical steps, important protections, and real resources to lower costs, correct errors, and protect your credit.

Fast Facts

- **A large share of medical bills contain mistakes** such as duplicate charges, coding errors or services you never received, so always check your **Explanation of Benefits (EOB)** carefully.
- **Federal protections prevent surprise balance bills** for many emergency visits and certain out-of-network services. The **No Surprises Act**, passed in 2022, is your safety net for those situations.
- **Hospitals must publicly post prices** and offer cost estimators under **Federal Hospital Price Transparency Rules**. Use those tools to estimate costs ahead of time.

New Jersey has strengthened protections around medical debt.

State law restricts reporting of medical debt to credit agencies and limits collection practices for specific debts.

First Steps When You Receive a Bill

1. **Don't panic and don't automatically pay.** Read the bill and any EOB from your insurer. The EOB explains what was billed, what the insurer paid and what you owe.
2. **Request an itemized bill and the medical codes.** Ask the hospital or doctor for a full, itemized invoice and the CPT/ICD codes used. Many errors show up only when you see line-by-line charges. If you were charged for a test or procedure you didn't receive, dispute it.
3. **Compare the bill to your EOB.** Confirm dates of service, provider names, and billed amounts. Look for duplicate services or expensive "facility" fees that don't match the EOB.

If it's an emergency or unexpected out-of-network charge, check the No Surprises Act protections. You generally should not owe balance billing in many emergency situations or certain non-emergency services at in-network facilities.

How to Dispute and Resolve Charges

- **Write or email the provider and keep a record.** Send a clear dispute to the hospital's billing office and to your insurer. Include dates, copies of the itemized bill/EOB, and why you dispute each line. Track call dates, names of the representatives you spoke with, promised follow-up, and outcomes.
- **Use federal dispute tools when applicable.** If your provider charged you \$400 or more above a "good faith estimate" for non-emergency services, you may be eligible for the Federal Patient-Provider Dispute Resolution process. This independent process can review large discrepancies.
- **Ask for financial assistance and prompt-pay discounts.** Hospitals and many physician practices have sliding scale programs and you may qualify for reduced bills or bill forgiveness.
- **Negotiate.** If an error is not obvious but the bill is high, ask for a lower amount or a payment plan with no interest. Ask if they'll accept a single lump sum at a reduced rate.

Collections and Your Credit Score

Recent federal and state actions have significantly reduced the harm medical bills can do to your credit.

- **The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB)** and practices by the major credit bureaus have moved toward removing or limiting medical debt on credit reports. Federal rules and proposals in recent years aim to reduce or eliminate medical debt reporting.
- New Jersey's **Louisa Carman Medical Debt Relief Act** restricts when medical creditors or collectors can report medical debt to consumer reporting agencies and imposes other consumer protections. The law voided certain past violations and prevents reporting for many medical debts. You can check the law's specifics and dates of service to see if you're protected.

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THE SMART PATIENT'S SURVIVAL GUIDE TO MEDICAL BILLING

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Bottom Line: If a debt collector claims they will or have reported medical debt to a credit agency, ask for proof. In New Jersey, many medical debts can no longer be reported and federal changes have reduced the presence of medical collections on credit reports.

Common Traps and How to Avoid Them

- **Assuming hospital bills are final.** They're often negotiable or wrong.
- **Mixing medical bills with credit-card debt rules.** If you charged medical care to a credit card, that is different. It is treated like other unsecured debt and will appear on your credit report unless it is paid.
- **Ignoring small bills.** Unpaid balances, even small ones, can go to collections and trigger hassles. Dispute or negotiate early.

Where to Get Help

- **Provider or hospital billing office** Always start here for itemized bills and payment plans.
- **Your health insurer** Confirm what they paid and whether the provider billed correctly.
- **CMS-Hospital Price Transparency & PPDR** Explains hospital pricing rules and federal dispute options.
- **CFPB** Guidance on medical debt and credit reporting changes.
- **The New Jersey Department of Banking & Insurance/Attorney General** Guidance on state consumer protections, how to file complaints and local enforcement of N.J. medical debt laws.

Medical billing can be messy, but knowledge is power. You can reduce your financial risk by checking bills carefully, using federal and state protections, and calling providers early to negotiate.

Please feel free to email me at BaldingerM@lebanonboro.com for a Smart Patient checklist on how to dispute a medical bill.

Councilwoman Marlene G. Baldinger, RN



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT LEBANON REFORMED CHURCH

Lebanon Reformed Church is a place of worship, fellowship, and community connection and we have many opportunities for all ages to join in!

- **Boro Babies Playgroup** Every Tuesday, 9:30–11 a.m. A free, welcoming playgroup for infants and toddlers (ages 0–3) and their caregivers. Enjoy playtime, songs, stories, and fellowship with other families.

Sunday School Renovations We are excited to begin improvements to our Sunday school spaces, including a new modern classroom with state-of-the-art technology, a handicap-accessible restroom, and a new ramp for safe access to our building. These upgrades reflect our ongoing commitment to providing a welcoming and engaging space for all.

Upcoming Events

- **Jan. 16 Parents' Night Out**, 6–8 p.m., featuring a movie, craft, and pizza! Sign up here: <https://forms.gle/V5vsolSL31HWZ9kQA>
- **Feb. 20 Family Book Bingo Night** 7 p.m. An evening of fun and friendly bingo! Winners will choose from a variety of books as prizes for all ages. We are also accepting new or gently used book donations to help stock our prize table. Bring the whole family and enjoy a cozy night together!
- **Wednesdays during Lent:** Soup and Studies Series-Schedule forthcoming. Please check our website and Facebook for updates.
- **March 27 Adult Craft Night** 7 p.m. Join us for a fun, hands-on craft night!

We invite you and your family to join us in worship, fellowship, and service. For more details, visit www.lebanonreformedchurch.org or follow us on Facebook at Lebanon Reformed Church.



WHEN TOWNHOUSES (AND SEWERS) CAME TO LEBANON

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In the mid-1960s, he acquired the farm at a public foreclosure auction for reportedly \$30,000. As a comparison, the stone building at Cokesbury and Main sold for a mere \$6,500. There were jealous people who didn't understand that with the purchase he also got all the debts, mortgage, back taxes etc., and a rundown property. When I first saw it in 1975, it was a beautiful property with a restored vintage residence.

Borough Council moved forward with the townhouse project. Public meetings had to be held in the firehouse to accommodate the crowd. The meetings were very spirited. I had the opportunity to discuss the project with Bill. I explained my concern and he told me about the benefits of the project.

The Borough moved forward and in 1978 received a grant from the state Economic Development Administration for \$90,000. The money was used to build a dry line along the length of Brunswick Ave. This was followed by state and federal grants, which, along with prudent management by our clerk **Leona Burton**, left the Borough with only 18% of the balance to finance a new sewer system. The initial rate was \$80 a quarter, a rate that didn't change for over a decade.

Tobias Schindler, a developer, purchased Bill Young's property and ground was broken for the 160-unit Lebanon Commons. The name came from a pre Revolutionary War deed that mentioned that there was a commons on the property. The project had fits and starts which is typical for such a large project.

The project attracted **Elizabethtown Gas**, a welcomed alternative to oil. Cable TV was another amenity that came to town.

Another challenge that confronted the borough several years after the Commons was completed was that the **Lebanon Board of Education** was forced to close or improve the K-6 school building. The deficiencies and hazards in the 1910 structure were too large to upgrade and repair. A walking school was a big factor in attracting young families to Lebanon. The additional tax base made bonding for a new school a possibility. The senior residents in the Commons understood the value of a walking school, and how it would make Lebanon a more desirable place to live. One resident in particular, the late **Kathy Reid**, did a great job explaining that to the homeowners in the Commons. And today we still benefit from our Lebanon Borough School on Maple St.

By Joe Hauck

NEW JERSEY'S NOR'EASTERS

While sitting and listening to the weather forecasts about a coming nor'easter, a memory of the beach hit me. It reminded me of the past as a young lad. Going back to when I was 15 years old with a group of youngsters who cleaned the beach in Sea Bright. Armed with a 4-foot-wide wooden rake, we started work at 5 o'clock in the morning until we finished at about 10 in the morning. This everyday summer job was a valuable experience that formed my work ethic.

That job provided me with an education about the beach and the Atlantic Ocean. It let me observe both the rock jetties and the beach along with those species living there. They consisted of horseshoe crabs, grass shrimp, calico crabs, hermit crabs, fiddler crabs, star fish, green sand worms, eels, clams and sand crabs, just to name a few. I also observed the many fishermen who fished from the jetties for a variety of fish. The fish cruised the beach looking for food provided by the aforementioned beach population.

This continued evolution of oceanic life, however, is now being threatened by the replenishing process of pumping sand onto the beach due to the need for beach restoration. The replacement of sand, however, can be a negative because it smothers those beach species. That replenishment will cost the New Jersey taxpayers millions of dollars as the number of nor'easters continues to rise. Since Mother Nature causes this expense of sand replenishment and the smothering of species, I suggest the following:

Allow Mother Nature to replace sand as previously recognized by the railroad companies that protected their tracks for years.

Build jetties along the beach to capture sand that is naturally carried along with the tides. That sand is carried from south to north on a continued basis. The U.S Corps of Army Engineers could verify this movement and work on a feasibility study to confirm. They could also recommend the jetties be constructed in a slightly southeast direction to collect that sand as well as breaking the force of the sea from that position. The positioning will also result in the process of each action of the surf to provide for a reaction knocking down the following wave.

The aforementioned suggestions would create more jobs in New Jersey while saving the beaches and eventually reducing taxpayers' burden.

Lex Saharic
OEM Coordinator

VOORHEES HIGH SCHOOL RAISES \$13K FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Seven years ago, the **Voorhees High School Unified Program** attended the Special Olympics New Jersey Dash & Splash in Asbury Park for the first time. What began as a new opportunity has quickly grown into a beloved annual tradition — one that brings recognition to our small-town program with big hopes for the future.

In November, 50 members of the Voorhees High School Unified Program took part in this year's Dash & Splash by running a 5K and/or plunging into the freezing ocean. Unified Club members were challenged to fundraise on behalf of both Special Olympics New Jersey and their own program at Voorhees High School.

For the third year in a row, Voorhees Unified earned first place statewide for fundraising for Special Olympics New Jersey, bringing in \$13,321. They also won "Highest Team Participation" in the state, with 50 splashers braving the cold on Saturday morning. Two students — Annie Tramutola and Sebastian Duckworth — finished in the top five for individual fundraising, each raising nearly \$2,000. In the 5K, three Voorhees students placed in the top 20: Zeke Hanley, Dylan Vernick, and Sophia Painter, who was also the 3rd overall female finisher.



Once again, Voorhees Unified was proud to take part in another unforgettable Dash & Splash and to embody the message that they were truly "freezing for a reason." And that reason? Continuing to show what it means to Live Unified.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

January 2026

All meetings are held at Borough Hall unless otherwise noted.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5 Snr Bingo 1 p.m.	6 Historical Cmte 5 p.m.	7 Snr Game Day 1 p.m.	8	9	10
11	12	13 Garden Club, 6 p.m. Land Use 7 p.m.	14	15 LBSA 7:30 p.m.	16	17
18	19 Martin Lu- ther King Jr. Day	20	21 Snr Game Day 1 p.m. Council 7:30	22	23	24
25	26	27	28 Senior Mtg 1 p.m. Rec. 6 p.m.	29	30	31

February 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Snr Bingo 1 p.m.	3 Historical Cmte 5 p.m.	4 Snr Game Day 1 p.m.	5 Enviro/Shade Tree 5 p.m.	6	7
8	9	10 Garden Club, 6 p.m. Land Use 7 p.m.	11	12	13	14
15	16 Presidents' Day	17	18 Snr Game Day 1 p.m. Council 7:30	19 LBSA 7:30 p.m.	20	21
22	23	24	25 Senior Mtg 1 p.m. Rec. 6 p.m.	26	27	28

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

March 2026

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2026 TRASH AND RECYCLING CALENDAR

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Borough of Lebanon

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LEGEND

Trash Collection (every week)

Recycling Collection (every other week)

Holiday (No pickup that day)

Town Cleanup – Bulk item collection at curb

- Shaded days are the pick-up days for Trash/Recycling.
- Pick-up Time: Collection begins as early as 5:00am. We recommend placing your material at the curb the night before to avoid missing your service.

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HELP US CARE FOR UNION CEMETERY: VOLUNTEER

Do you have loved ones buried at Union Cemetery in Lebanon? Are you interested in local history, or do you want to see this peaceful resting place well maintained for many years to come? If your answer to any of these questions is yes, you're invited to make a difference by volunteering with the Union Cemetery Association.

Association volunteers have completed the foundational work of creating bylaws and ensuring the cemetery is in compliance with rules and regulations. Moving forward, becoming a member will involve attending quarterly meetings and helping with cemetery cleanup twice per year. For more information, email unioncemetery100@gmail.com or visit our website at www.unioncemeteryoflebanon.org.

Maintenance and Cleanup Notes

If you added Christmas decorations to a loved one's grave, now is the time to clean them up. All decorations must be removed by the end of February to keep the cemetery looking its best.

Thanks to all who donated to help replace the 145-year-old cemetery wall! We have a BIG goal of raising \$200,000. This will take some time, but we are committed to doing everything we can to raise the needed funds. You can be part of this critical project by mailing donations to the Union Cemetery Association of Lebanon; Attn: Treasurer; PO Box 100; Lebanon, NJ 08833 or by visiting our GoFundMe account, which is accessible through our website.

You can donate in honor or memory of a loved one, and with your approval, donation information will be shared on our website. The Association is also exploring ways to recognize donors on the new wall. Thank you in advance for your community spirit and your generosity! We are looking forward to unveiling a beautiful new wall that everyone can enjoy.



LBSA HONORS COMMISSIONER GLEN CHANDLER



*The Lebanon Borough Sewerage Authority recently celebrated the contributions of Commissioner **Glen Chandler**. Pictured (l-r) commissioners William Colantino, Richard Burton, Glen Chandler and Benedict Valliere.*



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State Police - 908.730.6100

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