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FROM THE MAYOR



Hello Friends and Neighbors,

Home stretch to spring! Hopefully we have seen the last of this crazy winter with its ups and downs in temps!

We will be having our traditional Easter Egg Hunt event after a two year hiatus, see the Recreation page 16 for details. Also, please do not miss the note on pages 3 and 4 about the upcoming NJ Ban on disposable bags- BOTH plastic and paper. Thanks to the generosity of our local businesses and residents, the town has purchased two reusable bags for each household. Please see page 4 to learn how to get yours.

I am looking for a few volunteers to help me establish a welcome packet for new residents. It should only involve a few meetings to get it established, Then just a meeting periodically to update. Please reach out to me at my contact information below if you are interested in helping out.

Welcome to our new CFO, Cameron Keng and all the best to Jen Mooney.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone as the warm weather welcomes us to get out more!

As always, if you have any suggestions, comments or questions please do not hesitate to reach out to me.

All the Best,

Jim Pittinger

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NEW BAG LAW EFFECT MAY 4

From the NJ DEP Website:

<https://www.nj.gov/dep/get-past-plastic/>

How Does this Law Impact My Business?

Ban on Single-Use Carryout Bags:

- Beginning May 4, 2022, the law prohibits all Stores (including retail), Food Service Businesses, and Grocery Stores from selling to, or providing their customers with, single-use plastic carryout bags. In addition, Grocery Stores larger than 2,500 square feet may not provide or sell single-use paper carryout bags, and instead may provide or sell only reusable carryout bags.

- Definitions:

- "Store" is any grocery store, convenience store, liquor store, pharmacy, drug store, or other retail establishment.

- "Food Service Business" sells or provides food for consumption on or off the premises, including, but not limited to, establishments such as a restaurant, café, delicatessen, coffee shop, convenience store, grocery store, vending truck or cart, food truck, movie theater, or business or institutional cafeteria, including those operated by a government entity.

- "Grocery Store" is a self-service retail establishment that occupies at least 2,500 square feet, and that sells household foodstuffs for off-site consumption, including but not limited to fresh produce, meat, poultry, fish, deli products, dairy products, canned foods, dry foods, beverages, baked foods, or prepared foods.



Reusable Carryout Bags:

- A "reusable carryout bag" must be:
 - Made of polypropylene fabric, PET nonwoven fabric, nylon, cloth, hemp product, or other washable fabric; and
 - Have stitched handles;
 - Be designed and manufactured for multiple reuses.

Ban on Polystyrene Foam Food Service Products:

- Beginning May 4, 2022, the law prohibits all persons and food service businesses from selling/offering for sale any polystyrene foam food service product and prohibits all food service businesses from selling/providing any food served in a polystyrene foam food service product.

- The following products are exempt until May 4, 2024

unless otherwise extended by the DEP:

- Disposable, long-handled polystyrene foam soda spoons when required and used for thick drinks.
- Portion cups of two ounces or less, if used for hot foods or foods requiring lids.
- Meat and fish trays for raw or butchered meat, including poultry, or fish that is sold from a refrigerator or similar retail appliance.
- Any food product pre-packaged by the manufacturer with a polystyrene foam food service product.
- Any other polystyrene foam food service product as determined necessary by the DEP.
- A "polystyrene foam food service product" is defined as a product made, in whole or in part, of polystyrene foam that is used for selling or providing a food or beverage, and includes but is not limited to a food container, plate, hot or cold beverage cup, meat or vegetable tray, cutlery, or egg carton.

- Further exemptions and requests for waivers for polystyrene foam food service products may be submitted to the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) on forms to be prescribed.

Contact for the NJDEP Division of Solid and Hazardous Waste is singleuseplastics@dep.nj.gov or 609-984-4250

Requirements for Single-use Plastic Straws:

- Beginning on November 4, 2021, food service businesses shall only

provide a single-use plastic straw to a customer upon request by the customer. Food service businesses are required to keep an adequate supply of single-use plastic straws. Stores may continue to sell packages of single-use plastic straws and provide/sell a beverage pre-packaged by the manufacturer with a single-use plastic straw, i.e., juice boxes

Penalties for Non-compliance and Enforcement:

- A person or entity that violates the law will be warned for a first offense, may be fined up to \$1,000 per day for the second offense, and may be fined up to \$5,000 per day for the third and subsequent violations. Violations of a continuing nature constitute an additional, separate, and distinct offense for each day that is deemed a violation.

The DEP, municipalities and any entity certified pursuant to the "County Environmental Health Act" are authorized to enforce the law.

NEW BAG LAW EFFECT MAY 4

2 FREE REUSABLE BAGS!!!

Thanks to the generosity of many of our local businesses and residents, every LEBANON BORO household can pick up TWO reusable bags. Please stop by Boro Hall during normal business hours to get your bags:

Lebanon Boro Municipal Building

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HISTORY OF LEBANON'S LOGO

Anyone who lives in the Borough of Lebanon will pick up on the fact that our mayor, Jim Pittinger, enjoys making our town logo public. Besides using it for official business you might see it on clothing, mugs, glasses, key chains and in numerous other ways. This Christmas it was put on ornaments to be given out as prizes for the "Snowman in the Window" contest.

As a member of the Historical Committee and wife of the logo designer, I thought it might be fun to write down the history of the town logo as I remember it.

Basically the idea to initiate a logo came under discussion in 2003 with Mayor Lisa Uchirin and Council. A contest was held for residents to submit suggestions but nothing was decided upon at that time. Later in 2007, when Mark Paradis was mayor the discussion came up again. The idea was to offer a \$50 savings bond prize and have the grammar school students participate.

My husband Jim, a graphic designer, and member of the Historical Commission, envisioned that a child's drawing very likely would become our town's logo. As a graphic arts professional and a person who knew



something of the town's history, he picked up his pencil and went to work.

His black and white logo design depicts a small town nestled beside Round Valley in the Cushetuck Mountains. The turnpike village of 1852 was originally named Jacksonville. The logo shows a church representing our original one, which dates back to 1760 and was on Cherry Street by the old graveyard. The orchards in the logo are peach orchards. The Lebanon Peach Exchange was an early cash crop for the residents of Lebanon. Our crop was carried out of town by the Central Railroad completed in 1850, which is also depicted in our logo.

In 2007 the Borough officially adopted the black and white logo as its town seal. Later an outside firm was hired by the Borough to apply color to the original black and white design. I remember Karen Sandorse, our town clerk at the time, was thrilled with the array of colors to choose from.

Jim's work came at no cost to the Borough. They got to keep their \$50 savings bond.

Jane Farmer



Clark Road Paving Project



Clark Road between Route 22 and Main Street is scheduled to be repaved as soon as weather permits in 2022!



Daylight Savings Time March 13th

As we spring into Spring, don't forget how to dispose of yard waste!

[Yard Waste Management - YouTube](#)

www.nj.gov/dep/dwq/pdf/rutgers_grass.pdf



Branch Chipping coming this spring!

Check the Boro website and electronic board for dates!

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LEBANON HISTORY

Lebanon's Roots:

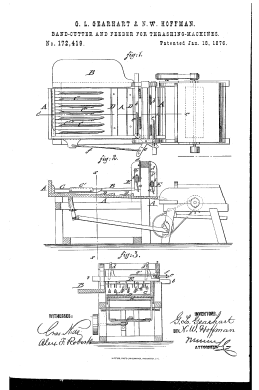
Agriculture and Transportation

By 1750 Lebanon and the area surrounding it had been divided up into large farms or plantations. Wherever roads were needed and built, small businesses followed. The Great Road from Easton to New Brunswick ran thru Lebanon on a dual path. What is today Main St. was the low or swamp road and Brunswick was High Road. In 1817 the Low Road became a State owned toll Turnpike and Brunswick was abandoned. Washington's surveyor's mapped both roads and General Sullivan marched his troops to Easton to join Washington before the critical victory in Trenton. The one map indicates the old church off Cherry St. as a landmark. A century later the railroad provided fast access to city markets. The Cushetunk



Dairy (now the Cheese Factory) and Hoffman Brothers Machinery built their businesses beside the tracks. The Hoffman's were granted at least two patents for farm machinery. Lebanon's fertile limestone soil along with numerous streams and springs was ideal for a variety of crops. In the later part of the 19th century peach orchards were abundant.

Mansfield Eick was a nurseryman who produced large numbers of small trees for farmers to stock their orchards. His letter from 1886 notes 17 different varieties for sale, none are available today. Minimum order was one thousand trees for \$50.



Joe Hauck
Historical Committee Chair

Please reach out to Joe if there is anything specific on Lebanons history you would like to see featured at: catskilljoe@yahoo.com

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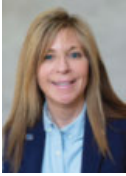
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Spring Into Fitness and Stay Healthy



Councilwoman Marlene G. Baldinger
RN, ARM, CPHQ, CPHRM

We all have heard from our doctors that exercise can protect us from disease, help us lose weight and extend our lifespan. Medical studies too, have proven the important reasons to exercise and here are a few to consider:

Exercise Slows the Aging Process: Aging muscles have trouble regenerating. They have fewer and less efficient mitochondria, the energy powerhouses of our cells. Exercise, especially when it is high intensity, increases the number and health of mitochondria, essentially helping to reverse aging at the cellular level.

People Who Exercise Are Happier: Exercise can alleviate symptoms of depression and help you better cope with stress and anxiety. Studies show that just getting up and moving around may make you feel happier.

It May Lengthen Your Lifespan: Exercise has been linked to reductions in mortality from all causes.

Exercise Improves Your Body Composition: Most people gain fat as they get older. It seems inevitable. Lifting weights and following a good diet have the opposite effect. They help you put on muscle and lose fat, even if you are older than 60.

It Can Boost Your Brain Health: Studies of aerobic exercise have found that it protects your memory and helps stave off cognitive decline as we age.

Exercise Improves Your Microbiome: Studies show that exercise can drastically improve the composition of the trillions of microbes that live in the gut, which may be one reason it strengthens the immune system, fights inflammation and helps with weight control.

As we approach Spring in Lebanon Borough, here are some tips to start a fitness routine - and stick to it - so you can make exercise less intimidating, more fun and eventually second nature.

Ditch the All-or-Nothing Attitude: A little exercise is better than nothing, so adding just modest amounts of physical activity to your weekly routine can have a profound effect on your mental and emotional health.

Be Kind to Yourself : Don't beat yourself up about your current fitness level or your supposed lack of willpower. Instead, look at your past health choices as opportunities to learn and grow.

Get Medical Clearance First: If you have health concerns such as heart disease, asthma, diabetes, high blood pressure or limited mobility, talk with your doctor

before you start to exercise.

Warm Up: Warm up with stretches—active movements that flex the muscles you'll be using, such as leg kicks, walking lunges, or arm swings—and by doing a slower, easier version of the upcoming exercise.

Cool Down: After your workout, it's important to take a few minutes to cool down and allow your heart rate to return to its resting rate.

Drink Plenty of Water : Your body performs best when it's properly hydrated.

Listen to Your Body: If you feel pain or discomfort while working out, stop! If you feel better after a brief rest, you can slowly and gently resume your activity.

Get Up, Go and Take a Walk: Walking briskly for just 22 minutes a day will help you to reach your minimum weekly goal of 2.5 hours of moderate-intensity exercise and in the process, lower your risk of heart disease and obesity.

Explore the Trails of Round Valley Reservoir : One of the many benefits of living in our community is the opportunity to walk and hike around Round Valley's 10.2 miles of trails, surrounded by the beautiful reservoir. Spending time in nature can release endorphins, the brain's feel-good chemicals that improve mood and relieve stress.

Make it Social: Studies suggest that social support motivates people to exercise. That way, they can support you, motivate you and hold you accountable and vice versa.

Choose Activities that Make You Feel Happy and Confident: Pick activities that fit your lifestyle, abilities, and taste.

Get the Whole Family Involved: There are many ways to exercise as a family and by doing so you set a great example for their future. Take a family walk, do seasonal activities or even play upbeat music to boogie to while doing chores can be productive and fun.

Recognize the Rewards: People who exercise regularly tend to do so because of the rewards it brings to their lives, such as more energy, better sleep and a greater sense of well-being

Harness the Power of the Community: Having others in our community root for and support us whether in-person or online can keep your motivation strong. Spring into good health this year and think of physical activity as a positive lifestyle choice for today and always. It's best to start with easy exercise goals you know you can achieve. As you meet them, you'll build self-confidence and momentum. Then, you can move on to more challenging goals. I look forward to seeing you on the road again this year.

If you would like to request a specific healthcare topic for The Smart Patient column, please email me at: mbaldinger@lebanonboro.com.

Each edition, Lebanon Limelight, will highlight one of our residents and share personal insights about them and their interests.

“Do your best, be honest”

About Henry:

A few years ago my children gifted me a DNA test. I am 50% Irish, 25% German and 25% French.

I am 95 years old as of December 25, 2021. Always received both birthday and Christmas presents.

Originally from Philadelphia, I graduated from high school in June of 1944 and enlisted in the U.S Army serving in the Pacific with the 81st Infantry.



For 38 years, I was a manager for the accounting department of Burroughs Corporation (now known as Unisys). The plant closed and I was transferred to Newark, Flemington and Warren, NJ.

What is something that people would be surprised to learn about you?

I like skiing and bowling.

If you could give advice to your 20-year-old self, what would it be?

Do your best, be honest. The country was attacked and I enlisted. My mother had to sign the forms because I was too young. I felt that it was a time to be loyal and to serve our country.

Out of nowhere, you are presented with a time-traveling phone booth. You can go anywhere in the past. Where do you go and why?

I would like to go back to the beginning of time, travel throughout all of all history, even back to the dinosaurs.

How long have you lived in Lebanon Boro?

Since 1969 and have seen a few changes. The town had the old septic system and then came sewers, the Round Valley Reservoir project and the building of several condominium communities.

What guiding principle do you try to live by?

Be honest...you may not get there quickly but over time, it pays to be honest.

Can you name all of your neighbors to the left of your house?

Yes, I live in a pretty stable neighborhood, a few neighbors have been here 40 plus years.

Memorable moments in your life:

My life is memorable, I was married for 45 years, three sons, became a widow and then married again at age 85. My family is now eight children and 26 grandchildren. My wife's son, Dr. Ronald Karnaugh represented the United States as a swimmer in the

1992 Summer Olympics.

You are stranded on a Desert Island, who is with you and why?

My wife, Jane. She's a good cook.

Tell me your life story:

I am amazed that I lived so long, my mother lived until she was 106 years old. Other than good genes – “keep moving, be involved in your community, be active mentally and physically. Prior to the pandemic, I had a gym membership.

What do you enjoy most about living in Lebanon Boro?

Quiet town, friendly people.

What's the most amazing thing you've ever witnessed or experienced?

World War II

What is your favorite book?

National Geographic Magazine, Alfred Hitchcock's Mystery Magazine and The Handy History Answer Book.

What guiding principle do you try to live by?

I have been on the town planning board for 30 years. I would encourage others to get more involved and not to wait until there are changes that you disagree with to act. As an involved community member, you get to know what's going on in town and you meet your neighbors. It's a way to keep the community as a community. So please, get involved and lend a hand!



Furthest place traveled from where you grew up.

Tokyo, Japan. Stationed there while in the Army. Really enjoyed the architecture, did not learn any Japanese.

What is your hope for the future?

I would like peace and for everyone to get along. I don't understand a lot, but there is no longer room for negotiation or discussion in our public discourse.

Technology has its place, but also has led to less human connection. We need to get back to talking to our neighbors.



If you would like to be featured or suggest someone to be featured in the next edition of Lebanon Limelight, please email lantern@lebanonboro.com with subject line- Limelight.



Stormy Skies

Its not the heat or cold, it's the humidity and jet stream.

For more than 20 years, a large part of the tropical North Atlantic Ocean has been warmer than usual causing more moisture to evaporate and fuel strong North-east storms and hurricanes. The amount of vapor in the atmosphere has increased about four percent since the 1990's. A wetter atmosphere provides extra energy and moisture for the jet stream to position storms of all kinds. According to data from the American Meteorological Society, mid latitude storms are feeding on the extra vapor too, creating more precipitation. Although carbon dioxide is the more recognized problem, water vapor is a more impactful greenhouse gas by far. Because it absorbs a greater amount of the infrared energy radiated off the planets surface than other greenhouse gases, thus trapping more heat.

A doubling of atmospheric carbon dioxide concentrations alone would warm the globe approximately one degree Celsius, but feedback loops make the temperature rise twice as much. Even through disappearing sea ice may be dramatic, the extra vapor

causes evaporation, which traps heat and creates even more warming representing the strongest feedback loop in the climate system.

We can reduce the effect indirectly by reducing the warming caused by emissions of carbon dioxide and methane, as well as propagating trees that absorb carbon from the air.

This also raises the question of why we remove trees from the center islands of highways, thus allowing more carbon monoxide along with head on motor vehicle accidents on our highway systems.

At least we know that Spring is around the corner and the pandemic is on the wane.

Any questions or concerns please feel free to contact Lex Saharic O.E.M Coordinator at (848)207-6823 or by email oem@lebanonboro.com

I would like to welcome the Office of Emergency Management team for 2022.

Lebanon Borough Office of Emergency Management

Lex Saharic: Coordinator

Corey Garrabrant: Assistant Coordinator

Marlene Baldinger

Bob Junge



Lebanon Borough Fire Company

STATION 18 "FIGHTIN 18"

****MEMBERS WANTED****

Are you looking to make a difference in your community? Do you enjoy challenging yourself and acquiring new skills? Has giving back to your community been a dream but you weren't sure how to make it a reality? Now's your time to shine! Ages 16 and up, please contact us to learn how to gain free training, gear, learn life-saving skills and best of all make new friends who become family.

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Firehouse fund drive will be going out in mail mid March



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Two per household. While supplies last! *Available after April 1, 2022*





South Branch EMERGENCY SERVICES

Meet South Branch Volunteer EMT Melanie Sloyer

She Uses Skills Acquired as a Teacher to Help Patients & Guide Young Volunteers

Melanie Sloyer was 17 the day her cousin and other volunteer EMTs came to her high school to talk with students about joining the ambulance squad.

They would have so much time to spend together if she joined, her cousin told her that day in 2008. "I ran two calls with him as an observer, and that was it. I was hooked!" Melanie remembers.

She joined High Bridge Emergency Squad – one of the two squads that merged to form South Branch Emergency Services – and became a volunteer EMT at age 18. In the years since, Melanie has become a special education teacher at Holland Township School, a deacon who is in charge of

the children's programs at Lebanon Reformed Church, wife to Derrick and mom to 7-month-old Wesley.

But Melanie still finds time to serve her community with her squad: She was one of the leaders guiding the merger of High Bridge and Clinton First Aid & Rescue. She's now SBES's vice president. And Melanie leads the cadet program, where she works with SBES's youngest volunteers - people as young as she was when she first joined.

"Right now, my motivation is our Cadet Program," she said. "I love it because teens are truly exploring what EMS (emergency medical service) is. I hope I can help them have a positive experience and maybe be the segue that leads them to become an EMT, like others did for me."

The SBES Junior's Program provides a path for interested 16- and 17-year-olds to learn about emergency medical care and prepare to take the EMT class and test, which are offered right at SBES's training facility. Melanie makes sure that in addition to CPR, first aid, problem-solving and time management, the cadets learn how to make patients comfortable, including those who are differently-abled or

have a special needs.

"If a child is non-verbal, for example, they may not be able to use words to tell us how they are feeling or what has happened, but as EMTs, we need to obtain that kind of information," she said. "I talk to them about finding other ways to communicate, such as drawing pictures, using sign language, even typing on a phone."

Melanie has used these same skills on calls. "Sometimes, it's as simple as asking other people at the scene if a person who is non-verbal has a communication board – a board with pictures they can point to communicate," Melanie said.

Using the skills she has acquired through her work as a teacher to help other people when they need her most is a wonderful feeling, she said. "I have found my niche and my space at SBES using my skill set."

Want to use your unique skills to make a difference in your community? Whatever your talents and interests, there's an emergency or non-emergency role waiting for you at South Branch Emergency Services. Sign up, learn more, or ask a question at SBES365.org



News from the Lebanon Borough Sewerage Authority

A big "Thank You" to Ed Cichone

At the LBSA's recent annual reorganization meeting, Chairman Ed Cichone "retired" as chairman but remains a commissioner. LBSA commissioners and staff would like to acknowledge and thank Ed for over 30 years of service to LBSA, many of which were as chairman. Thank you, Ed, for all you have and continue to contribute to LBSA and our community!

Our current Board:

Chairman: Richard Burton

Vice Chairman: Gregory Crawford

Commissioners: Glen Chandler, Edward Cichone and Ben Valliere

2022 LBSA billing statements

The 2022 sewer billing payment stubs will be mailed before March 30, which is the first quarter due date.

Please remember to watch what you flush!

Please help us maintain a safe and problem-free system by remembering to be careful what you flush and send down your drain. Back-ups in the system affect all of us and could cost you! As a reminder, please read the regulation regarding prohibited materials below.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY - RESOLUTION No. 13-2021

Prohibited Materials - Blockage Cleanout

1. All types of paper towels and cleaning materials, feminine hygiene products, diapers, flushable wipes, and like type materials are prohibited from being disposed of in toilets and drains within the sewer service area of the Lebanon Borough Sewerage Authority.

2. Any and all back-ups of individual premise sewer lines and the main sewer

trunk shall be traced to their source and the sewer system user and/or property owner shall be liable for all costs and expenses incurred to clear and/or relieve the blockage.

3. A fee of \$250.00 plus the actual cost of clearing the line blockage, shall be assessed to the property owner/user and must be paid with the next quarterly sewer installment due from the user. Such fee if unpaid, shall become a lien upon the property, and failure to make payment of the lien shall result in the immediate filing of a Lien Notice with the Lebanon Borough Clerk's Office/ Assessor's Offices/Search Officer, and a separate Notice of Lien shall be recorded against the property in the Hunterdon County Clerk's Office, and the property will be subject to the annual, public lien sale conducted for tax and sewer delinquencies. This Resolution shall become effective on February 4, 2021.

Please visit our website for more LBSA information and to make online payments (there is an additional fee for online payment). <https://www.lebanonboro.com/Departments/lebanon-borough-sewer-authority>

4TH OF JULY PARADE



Wear Your Lebanon Borough Pride to the 75th Anniversary Lebanon Fourth of July Parade!

2022 marks the 75th anniversary of the Lebanon Fourth of July Celebration, and we want everyone in Lebanon Borough to be able to share in this once-in-a-lifetime event. This year, when you attend the Parade and the Picnic in the Park that follows, you and your family can be decked out in official Lebanon Fourth of July 75th Anniversary T-shirts! This is your opportunity, by filling out the form below, to order a white T-shirt, printed in color on the front with this year's Parade logo, to proudly support this annual tradition in our remarkable small town.

The Celebration Committee will be in touch later in the Spring with details on the Parade and Picnic, but the time to order your T-shirts is now. The Celebration Committee will have only a limited number of T-shirts for sale on the day of the event. Complete the form below indicating number of shirts by size, return the form and your check to Lebanon Celebration Committee, P.O. Box 158, Lebanon, NJ 08833. T-shirts will be available for pick-up at Boro Hall, 6 High St, week of June 27. *Orders must be received by April 30, 2022.*

T-Shirt Order Form

Yes, I want to pre-order 75th Anniversary Lebanon 4th of July Commemorative T-Shirts @ \$10.00 per shirt:
Please indicate number of T-Shirts by size:

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<https://www.lebanonboro4thofjulyparade.com/>

We also invite you to join the Lebanon Celebration Committee meetings on the 4th Wednesday of each month, at 7:30 pm in the Council Room of Borough Hall. We need your ideas, your enthusiasm, and your time to make this year's milestone Parade a day to remember.

Yes, I want help make this year's milestone 75th Anniversary Parade the best one yet!

Yes, I want to be a part of the 75th Lebanon 4th of July Parade Celebration Committee!

Please add my e-mail address to your distribution list for scheduled monthly meetings, starting in March, 2022.

Name: _____

Email Address: _____

SCHOOL UPDATES



Lebanon Borough

SCHOOL DISTRICT

A Message from Mr. Arcurio

Greetings! We are looking forward to the winter weather subsiding and the emergence of spring! As of this submission date, we are in the process of developing and finalizing our plans for the March 7th lifting of the statewide universal mask mandate in schools. Our goal is to have an optional masking plan that is clear, sensible, safe, and effective. As we move to the endemic phase of Covid-19, we will continue to progress and alter our practices as the situation evolves. We are committed to moving forward and continuing to address our students' academic and

social-emotional needs.

As we move forward we already have field trips and assemblies scheduled for the Spring. We are looking forward to our Field Day, Spring Concert, and Promotion Ceremony. Our PTA has student and family events planned. We are looking to partner with our receiving school, Clinton Public, to have our teachers and students work together to provide transition activities for our sixth graders moving up to seventh grade.

It is a blessing to lead a supportive school community that understands the nuances of balancing our school program with caring for the health of

our children, teachers, and ultimately the community at large.

Bruce Arcurio

Superintendent, LBS

Highlight: LBS Preschool Program
Lebanon Borough School offers a comprehensive integrated preschool program for students ages 3 and 4. The program is led by Mrs. Farrell, our preschool teacher, who is NJ certified in Early Childhood Education and Special Education. She is Orton Gillingham trained and utilizes these techniques for some of our more advanced preschool readers. We follow the Creative Curriculum and offer a hybrid program with 3-year-olds in the morning, 4-year-olds in the afternoon, and we offer an optional full-day program for 4-year-olds who will be going to kindergarten the following year. Children must reach the age for each program before October 1, 2022.

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Through the Creative Curriculum, we dive into different units of study (clothing, balls, wheels, trees, recy-



cling, water, buildings, exercise) that last about 4 weeks each. We look at what we know, what we want to know, and what we learned throughout each unit. Through hands-on activities, play, and exposure to literature we learn the skills needed to succeed in daily life and school, including:

Academics (alphabet skills, numbers skills, rhyming, opposites);

Life skills (handwashing/hygiene, independent coat

skills, independent snack skills); and

Social skills (sharing, taking turns, talking nicely to others, playing games, solving problems).

LBS Preschool is a wonderful and affordable option for our community. Our half-day programs are \$250 per month and the full-day program is \$500 per month. An added benefit for those who will attend our Kindergarten is the specific preparation students receive in being LBS Kindergarten-ready! Space in preschool is limited. If you are interested, please see the registration information below.



Kindergarten and Preschool Registration

It is time to start thinking about registering for preschool and kindergarten! The 2022-2023 school year will be here before we know it. If you have a child who will be 3 or 4 before October 1, 2022, please consider our integrated preschool program. If your child will turn 5 before that date, they are eligible to register for our Kindergarten. There is more information on our website. Registration forms can be found there too. We will be scheduling orientations in the summer as we get closer to the new school year.

**Registration Information for
Preschool &
Kindergarten**

can be obtained at
www.lebanonschool.org, the
main office, or by calling:

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CLINTON PUBLIC SCHOOL



Greetings from Clinton! The Board of Education began a Strategic Planning initiative this winter inclusive of neighbors, community members, friends, teachers, and school district administrators to create a shared vision for the future Clinton Public School. This process is facilitated by the New Jersey School Boards Association. We are discussing the strengths of the district, the challenges that we face, and ways in which we can tackle those challenges. All CPS families have been invited and we extend the invitation to future CPS families as

well. You can follow along from our meeting minutes posted on our website, www.cpsnj.org, or come to campus to participate. Our next meeting is March 21, 2022 at 7:00 in the CPS all purpose room.

As we exit winter, one sure sign of spring is the CPS Musical! This year our students are performing Cinderella! Evening performances are scheduled for March 23 and March 25 in the CPS all purpose room.

Our CPS PTO is gearing up for an action packed spring! Please save the following dates:
Spring Book Fair Monday, March 28 through Friday, April 1.

12:45 Dismissal April 6

Harlem Wizards Vs. CPS Teacher/Staff Game Friday, April 8 7:00 p.m. at NHHS
Spring Recess April 15-22

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Seth Cohen, Superintendent/Principal, Clinton Public School



The second semester and 3rd marking period began on Jan-

The North Hunterdon-Voorhees Regional High School District is proud to recognize the selections for the 2021-2022 Governor's Educator of the Year Program: Teachers: Michael Owdij, Science teacher at North Hunterdon High School and Reid Kirby, Social Studies teacher at Voorhees High School, also the Educational Service Professionals: Ann Semanchik, Special Education ESP at North Hunterdon High School and Patricia Tomczyk, School Nurse at Voorhees High School. Congratulations to these valuable and hardworking education professionals!

uary 25, 2022, but the district is already planning for next year. Students have already submitted their course requests for the 2022-2023 school year. The Board of Education approved the 2022-2023 school calendar, please visit the district website, www.nhvweb.net, to view the calendar. Freshman Orientation is scheduled for Wednesday, August 24, 2022, with the first day of school for all students on Thursday, August 25, 2022. 8th graders should save the date for the North Hunterdon PTSA's eighth Grade Move Up Dance from 7:00-9:00pm on Friday, May 6, 2022.

Spring sports get underway at the beginning of March. Please come out and cheer on our athletes! This year both high schools have added Boys Volleyball as a spring sport. We wish the Boys Volleyball teams good luck in their first year! Check the high school's athletics website for the sports schedule, <https://www.nhvweb.net/nhhs/home/>.

The last few months of the school year are full of activities, including Spring Concerts on May 12 and 19 at 7:00pm in North Hunterdon theater (free admission), Spring Cabaret on May 7th at 7:00pm in North Hunterdon theater, spring recess (high school closed April 15-22), Junior and Senior Proms, awards nights, and of course graduation of the Class of 2022! Please check the high school websites for upcoming event information.

UPCOMING BORO MEETINGS

Town Council 7:30 PM

3rd Wed of Month, Boro Hall

Planning Board 7:00 PM

2nd Tue of Month, Boro Hall

Historical Committee 5:00 PM

1st Tue of Month, Boro Hall

Environmental Committee / Shade

Tree Committee 5:00 PM

1st Thur of Month, Boro Hall

Recreation Committee 6:00 PM

4th Wed of Month, Rec Building

Sewage Authority 7:30 PM

3rd Thur of Month, Boro Hall

All are welcome! Please check Boro website www.lebanonboro.com for any changes to meeting schedule or call Boro Hall at 908-236-2425



Lebanon Seniors,

The Seniors of Lebanon Boro meet every 4th Wednesday of the month at the Boro Hall at 10 AM. Come and join us to meet friends and make new ones.

We have BINGO the 2nd and 4th Monday at 1 to 3 PM. Come and join the fun and laughs! No trips have been scheduled yet. I will keep you informed if and when this happens.

I hope to see you.

Stay safe, Your Senior Club President, Maddie

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2. Find the Bunny feet spray painted around town and submit entry, all correct entries will be in a drawing for a PRIZE!

EASTER EGG HUNT

April 9th 10 AM Holjes-Sheppard Memorial Park

Rain Date: Sunday, April 10th (12 PM)



Spring Yard SALE

Tentatively planned for May 14, check town website www.lebanonboro.com and message board by firehouse for updates. Rain Date May 15th.

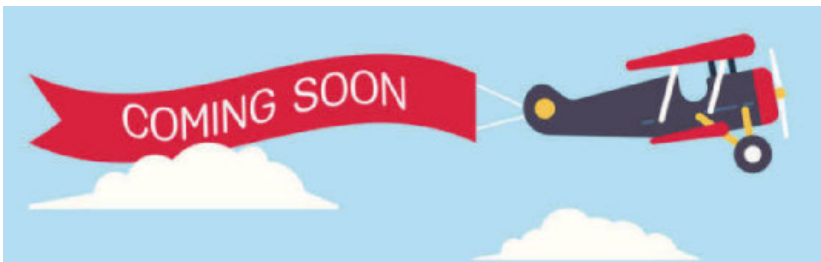


Movie in the Park—May 21-8 PM

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Tentatively planned for May 21, check town website www.lebanonboro.com and message board by firehouse for updates.



LEBANON RECREATION EVENTS 2022

Get involved! Recreation Committee meets the 4th Wed of each month at 6 PM at the Recreation Building, 96 Main St, Lebanon

See Boro website for any updates or changes

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|-----------------------------|---|
| Easter Egg Hunt | April 9th, 10 AM Holjes-Sheppard Memorial Park, Rain Date April 10th, 12 PM |
| Spring Yard Sale | May 14th, 8-3, Rain Date May 15th |
| Movie Night | May 21st, 8 PM Holjes-Sheppard Memorial Park |
| Fall Yard Sale | Oct 1st, 8-3, Rain Date Oct 2nd |
| Music in the Park | Oct 8th, (time TBD) |
| Halloween | Oct 31st |
| Tree Lighting / Santa Visit | Dec 6th, 96 Main St |
| Burning of the Greens | Jan 6th |

NOTE All dates/times are subject to change please check Boro website for any updates.

www.lebanonboro.com

GIRL SCOUTS



In February, Girl Scout Troop 80457 visited North Hunterdon High School (NHHS) during a rehearsal of *The Little Mermaid*. The girls were given a behind-the-scenes look at the planning and work that goes into the making of a musical production. The Troop includes Lebanon Borough students Bella Carlucci, Susie Abeles and Daelynn Mora.

The tour started in the auditorium where they watched a tap number featuring Ariel, Scuttle and bird characters. From there they went to the choir room to see the Chefs rehearse *Les Poissons* and then visited the band room to hear the orchestra. Fourth grader Bella Carlucci enjoyed seeing the instruments and said that being there made her think about what it will be like to be a student at North.

When rehearsal ended, Director Mary Hopta and Vocal Music Director Heidi Peterson stayed to show the girls the stage. They got to see the water scenery rise and had a chance to pose on Prince Eric's ship. "Seeing the band, actors and choir practice together was amazing," said Susie Abeles. "I can't wait to do something like that."

A highlight of the tour was getting a peek into the dressing room where the costumes are kept. Daelynn Mora was particularly impressed that the students made many of the costumes as well as the show sets and props. "We loved having the girls come behind the scenes with us. It is always great to meet the next generation of actors and see theater come to life in their eyes," said Hopta.

The Girl Scouts were grateful for this unique opportunity and plan to attend a performance of the show together.

Girl Scout cookie sales start in January and we thank you for supporting our local troops. Is your daughter interested in Scouting or would you like to learn more? Please email us at gshnjserviceunit81@gmail.com. Our



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BOY SCOUTS



Over the past few months, the Scouts from Lebanon's BSA Troop 200 have been busy. They've welcomed new members, gone camping, swimming and hiking, held a Court of Honor, conducted a leaf clean-up in the Borough, held their annual Turkey Bowl, marched in Clinton's Christmas Parade, collected food for the local food pantry and participated in the annual Klondike Derby.

Recently, Troop 200 Scout, **Phil LaBelle** passed his **Eagle Board of Review**, becoming the Troop's 92nd Eagle Scout. Phil's project included erecting a historically accurate 'snake fence' and planting fruit trees at the historic Vought House in Clinton Township.

Owen Maslanka was elected **Senior Patrol Leader** for a second term. Assisting him will be **George Gregory** and **Ryan Senger**. In February, members of the troop participated in **Scout Sunday** at Lebanon Reformed Church, their charter organization.

In the coming months the Scouts will be camping at Frost Valley in Upstate New York where they'll have the opportunity to cross country ski, snow shoe, snow tube and traverse a ropes course. They'll also cross the Delaware for a weekend camping trip to Treasure Island, one of the first Boy Scout Camps and the home of the Order of the Arrow, (Scouting's honor society). Over Spring Break, eight members of the troop will head south to Sea Base for a week of high adventure camping and activities in the Florida Keys.

This spring, keep an eye out throughout the Borough as you'll see several Troop 200 Scouts working on their Eagle Scout projects!



Adventure is waiting, join us! Troop 200 meets on Monday nights at Lebanon Reformed Church and goes on many adventures throughout the year. New patrols are forming, for more information follow BSA Troop 200 on Facebook, Troop 200 NJ on Instagram or reach out via Troop200NJ@gmail.com.



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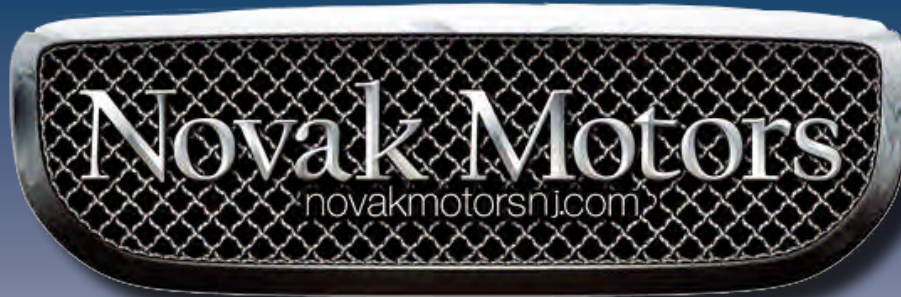
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