

April - June 2023



The Town Crier

What's New In

Newfield Borough & The Newfield Business Alliance

THE MAYORS CORNER

Recently, our Board of Education, in conjunction with the Pittsgrove Township and Elmer Boards of Education, released the results of a feasibility study recommending that Newfield Students transition from the Franklin and Delsea school districts to a regionalized Pittsgrove Township school district. The study, funded by the NJ Dept. of Community Affairs (DCA), seems to indicate that a tax savings may be achieved with this move. School taxes in Newfield account for almost 58% of our total tax obligation, by far the

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NEWFIELD RECREATION

Please mark your calendars with the dates of these Newfield Recreation events:

April 1: Easter Egg Hunt: Grab your baskets and come to the Grove. The hunt starts at 10am sharp to collect Easter Eggs filled with treats and Golden Eggs with prizes. When they're gone, they're gone. Children will be divided into age groups 0-2, 3-4, 5-7, 8-12. Mr. Easter Bunny will join us to take photos with the children. Join us for a morning full of fun. Rain Date: April 2, 1pm.
May 20: Spring Clean Up Community Yard Sale: One man's

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PUBLIC WORKS IMPORTANT DATES

Public Works will begin flushing hydrants in May with expected completion in June.

The Everett Marshall III Public Works Complex will be open for bulk drop-off on the following days: Wednesday, April 5th 6-8 pm; Saturday, May 6th 8 am – Noon; Wednesday, June 7th 6-8pm; Saturday, July 1st 8am – Noon.

The Gloucester County Solid Waste Complex will be taking Household Special Waste Drop Off in South Harrison Township on Saturday, April 8th from 8 am - 2 pm; and at the Gloucester County Road Department in Clayton on Saturday, May 20th from 8 am - 2 pm. For more info on HSW drop off go to: <https://www.gcianj.com/county-recycling/household-special-waste/>.

NEWFIELD PUBLIC WORKS

Spring Leaf & Limb Recycling Pick Up: April 1st – May 7th.

Leaves must be raked to the curb in a windrow (long line) no further than 6 feet from road's edge. NO BAGGED LEAVES, NO GRASS CLIPPINGS! DO NOT place any trash, branches, stones, dirt or debris in the windrow. Please have a minimum of 6 feet between leaves and branches placed at curb. Leaves and limbs may be placed curbside starting April 1. The last day to place them at the curb is May 7, with nothing placed curbside until pickup is schedule in the Fall.

NEWFIELD SHRED DAY EVENT

Newfield Public Works will be hosting another Shred Event on Friday, April 14th from 9am – Noon at the Everett Marshall III Public Works Complex. Residents may bring any documents that need to be shredded. PLEASE BRING PAPER ONLY! Staples and paper clips are acceptable, but please NO plastic bags, boxes, metal binders or clips! This event is being held in cooperation with the Gloucester County Board of Commissioners.

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or information on how to become a vendor.

Self-funded through donations and fundraising efforts, The Newfield Recreation Committee is focused on cultivating a greater sense of community through organized events and activities – for all ages. "Donations are Appreciated and Welcomed"

NEWFIELD BOROUGH

Hours: M-F 8:30 am – 4 pm

Emergency Services:
Police & Fire

911

Police: 697-0577
Fire: 697-4851
Ambulance: 697-0098
Library: 697-0415
Public Works: 697-4332

Borough Hall
Clerk: Toni Van Camp
Water Clerk: Ext. 10
Tax Assessor: Ext. 16
Construction/Zoning: Ext. 20
Ext. 39

NEWFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY HAPPENINGS

Here are some of our programs continuing this Spring...

Wise Ones Story Time for children ages 2-5 Thursdays 10:30. Join us for music, stories, an easy craft and togetherness with our friends.

Itty Bitty Baby Time for our littlest patrons ages 6-24 months. Our goal is to make the Library the place your child looks forward to coming to week after week. Join us Tuesday mornings at 10am for songs, stories and friendship. **New Time!**

Adult Craft Our over 18 group can enjoy a monthly craft on the second Thursday of the month at 2 pm. We have some fun things coming up including "Spring Baskets", "Embroidery Hoop Button Garden", and "Gentlemen's Tie Wreath". Check our website or Facebook page to view our craft of the month.

Ongoing programs include **1,000 Books Before Kindergarten** for children birth until kindergarten. Stop in to pick up your log and return after every 25 books for a prize.

New for Teens is **100 Books Before Graduation**. Teens Grades 9-12 can participate. Stop in for your free pen and notebook to keep track of what you read and return after reading every 25 books for a prize

The end of June starts our 2023 Summer Reading Program "All Together Now". There will be fun programs and events for the family. Keep an eye on our calendar so you don't miss a thing.

Our ongoing fundraiser features a Wawa Shortie coupon for \$6. These coupons can be redeemed at any Wawa and have no expiration date. The Library receives \$2 for every coupon sold. Stop in the Library to get yours to help us out in a delicious way.

New programs and events are always being added. For the most up-to-date happenings, check us out on Facebook or our calendar at www.gcls.org/calendar/newfield.

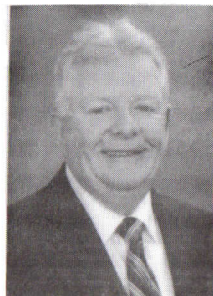
Our Capozzi Multipurpose Room is available to rent for showers, presentations, training sessions, small gatherings, etc. Please call 856-697-0415 for more details.

Space is limited, please register online or contact YOUR Library to secure your place at all our programs.

**For additional information, contact Library Director
Carol Thomasson at 856-697-0415**

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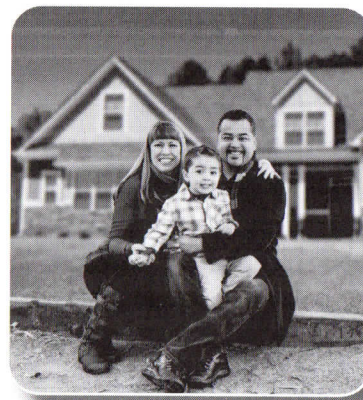


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MAYOR'S CORNER *(Continued from Page 1)*

largest portion, followed by Municipal at 22% and County at 20%. So, savings in our school taxes must always be given serious consideration. The feasibility study was just the first of many steps necessary before any change can be made, with the last step being a referendum, by you, the voters. The full study can be found on the Pittsgrove Township Board of Education website, pittsgrove.net, and comments may be made at comment@pittsgrove.net. Additionally, Newfield along with the Delsea, Franklin and Elk Boards of Education are currently awaiting funding from the DCA to test the feasibility of staying in a regionalized Delsea Regional school district, which would have the added benefit of keeping our children where they are. We are closely monitoring the progress of the Delsea Regional DCA funding with our goal of making sure our residents have all the information they need to make an informed decision.

I would like to thank Newfield Public Library, and the awesome volunteers of our Events Committee for hosting a wonderful Read Across America event at our library, celebrating the birthday of Dr. Seuss, and remind everyone of our upcoming Easter Egg Hunt to be held in the Grove on Saturday, April 1st at 10 am.

Finally, the Town Crier is packed with useful information on dates, times and events regarding our Spring leaf and limb collection, an upcoming shred event, and information related to trash and recycling days and protocols.

Chuck Grova, Mayor

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trash is another man's treasure. Join our Community Yard Sale which will start at 8am by registering in person at the Municipal Building or online using the link on our Facebook page. A map will be created with participating addresses. Registration closes May 13. Rain Date May 21.

June 16: Movie in the Park: Meet us at the Grove at dusk to enjoy snacks, popcorn and the movie "Sing 2". Kona Ice will be present for a refreshing treat! A great night for family and friends.

October 7: Newfield Day Festival: Come out to the Grove from 12-5pm for a spectacular afternoon for the whole family to celebrate our community. There will be a kid zone packed with inflatables, games, food, vendors and so much more. Contact us through our Facebook page with questions

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NEWFIELD RECYCLING INFORMATION

The Borough is being charged an extra fee weekly because of plastic bags in our recycling carts" **PLEASE BE VIGILANT!** There should be **NO** plastic bags, i.e., trash bags, single use bags, etc. in your recycling carts! Please place clean, dry cardboard at the curb on recycle days only! Please remove all packaging materials, i.e., styrofoam, peanuts, airbags, etc. from any cardboard being recycled. The packaging materials are not recyclable and should be disposed of with the trash.

RECYCLE CARTS ONLY ACCEPTABLE MATERIALS

Newspaper and Paper, Cardboard (no wax), Plastic Bottles labeled #1 and #2 on the bottom, Glass Bottles and Jars of any color, Aluminum and Tin Cans.

NON ACCEPTABLE MATERIALS

Appliances, PLASTIC BAGS, Batteries, Food Scraps, Medical Waste, Diapers, Human Waste, Clothing, Needles & Syringes, Ceramics, Porcelain, Cookware, Coat Hangers, Mixed Rigid Plastic, Electronics, Windows or Plate Glass, Mirrors, Lawn Chairs and Tables, Tires and Rims, Propane Tanks, Mattresses, Pizza Boxes, Plastic Bottle Caps.

If you have received a Warning Sticker or Door Hanger for incorrect trash or recycling, it is important for you to contact Public Works at 856-697-4332 so we can work together to rectify the problem. **ATTENTION LANDLORDS:** Please forward all information you receive regarding Borough trash and recycling pickup to your tenants. It is the tenant's responsibility to follow trash and recycling laws, but they need to be informed.

ATTENTION TENANTS: If you need help receiving info on trash or recycling pickup, please contact us at 856-697-4332 and we will be glad to help! Please remember there should be **NO PROPANE TANKS** of any size placed in the trash or recycle bins. Please be vigilant!

RECYCLING IS THE LAW!

NEWFIELD RECYCLING INFORMATION

All Trash and Recycling carts must be placed curbside by 6:30 am the day of scheduled pickup: Wednesday for Trash and Friday for Recycling, and should be removed the same day.

Additional details are noted in the Borough's Property Maintenance Code 307.4 Storage and Placement for Collection.

A. Storage. All receptacles containing rubbish or garbage which are not being placed for collection or disposal shall be stored in such a manner as to minimize the potential negative impact upon the adjoining property owners, reasonably inconspicuous from adjacent streets. Receptacles should be stored indoors, in sheltered storage areas or, if kept outdoors, receptacles should be stored at the rear of each private dwelling not closer than 15 feet from the boundary of the property or located in such other place as the owner, lessee, tenant, occupant or agent of the premises may be reasonably certain that the receptacles will not interfere with the health, safety, and welfare of an adjoining owner.

B. Placement. No containers shall be placed for collection prior to sunset of the evening before the scheduled collection day, nor shall containers remain at the roadside later than 9:00 pm the day they are collected. Also, please remember we do not pick up any bulk items in the trash cart or curbside. There should not be any yard waste, i.e., grass clippings, twigs and leaves placed in the trash or recycling carts.

**If you have any questions, please call Public Works at
(856) 697-4332**

**IF YOU WASH
YOUR CAR IN THE DRIVEWAY,
YOU MIGHT AS WELL WASH IT
IN THE LAKE.**



**Rain washes pollutants into storm drains which
flows directly into our streams, lakes,
rivers and the ocean.
So what can you do?**



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WHAT'S THE PROBLEM WITH WASHING YOUR CAR?

Washing your car on a paved surface can allow the soapy wash water and other pollutants, like oil and grease, to run off into a storm drain. Most soap contains phosphates and other chemicals that, in large amounts can contaminate your drinking water, as well as kill fish, wildlife and plants. The soap, together with the dirt and oil washed from your car, flows into nearby storm drains, which flows directly into lakes, rivers and the ocean. The phosphates from the soap can cause excess algae to grow, which can be harmful to the water quality.

YOU CAN HELP!

- Take your car to a car washing facility, rather than washing it yourself. Commercial car washes treat and recycle the water.
- If you can't get to a car washing facility, wash your car on an unpaved surface and use biodegradable soap.
- Organize a Car Wash Fundraiser for a local organization. Visit www.cleanwaterNJ.org to learn how.

WHY SHOULD YOU CARE ABOUT CLEAN WATER?

Stormwater pollution is one of the greatest threats to New Jersey's clean water supply. Clean water provides access to safe drinking water, places for recreation, commercial opportunities, healthy wildlife habitats, and adds beauty to our landscape. Rain washes pollution from streets, parking lots, and lawns into storm drains, then directly to our streams, rivers, lakes and oceans.

Did you know more than 60 percent of water pollution comes from things like motor oil, fertilizers, pet waste, and detergents? By sharing the responsibility and making small, easy changes in our daily lives, we can keep common pollutants out of stormwater.



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