

Harding Township Civic Association

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

December 2019

WE CAN NOW RECYCLE PLASTIC BAGS

The Recycling Center at the Dept. of Public Works will continue accepting plastic bags as it did during the Library’s very successful plastic bag collection program. CLEAN plastic bags can be put in the white box with green letters located between two of the big dumpsters.

Virtually any bags will be accepted if CLEAN: Produce bags, store bags, ice bags, ziplok, cereal box liners, case over wrap, bread bags, newspaper sleeves, dry cleaning bags, bubble wrap, and plastic e-commerce mailers.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Board of Ed Commences Budget Process for 2020-21 School Year

The budget will be developed under the following guidelines:

1. Develop a prudent budget that is aligned with the district’s instructional priorities, addresses the needs of all our students and allocates sufficient funds to ensure professional development for staff.
2. Maintain district’s fund balance at a maximum level permitted by State law.
3. Maintain staffing configuration and curriculum programs for the 2020-2021 school year. (i.e. small class size)

4. Continue to ensure that the budget and financial planning process is integrated and aligned with district priorities and includes planning objectives based on statewide assessments and the 2019-2024 HTS Strategic Plan.
5. Continue to be value-oriented and conservative in the expenditure of public moneys, respecting its effect on local taxpayers.
6. Continue to provide financial support for the revision of curriculum as per the Curriculum Review Cycle.
7. Allocate funds for the District Technology Plan, all leased equipment, and for Capital Improvements, as detailed in the Long-Range Facilities Plan and Comprehensive Maintenance Plan, and as recommended by the Facilities and Finance Committee.
8. Continue to fund all programs and services and foster educational excellence, working within the confines of the 2% property tax cap, as per State law.
9. Derive budget expenditures from competitive supplier quotations, whenever appropriate, official data and actual expenditures from previous years. The concept of zero-based budgeting shall be followed.

PLANNING BOARD

Planning Board Notes for October 28, 2019

The main order of business was to get input from the public on the Master Plan Reexamination and the Open Space and Recreation Element which are subject to periodic review. These plans are used by the Township Committee, the Board of Adjustment and the Planning Board to guide decision making relating to township development activities, and cover such matters land use, zoning and quality of life. The Township Planner, McKinley Mertz, collected input from the public. The first area covered "Priorities for Harding 2030," and included such topics as Agriculture and Farming, Historic Resources and Rural Character. The second area covered "Goals, Targets and Visioning for Harding 2030," and included the challenges facing Harding and potential solutions for the challenges. There were also two visual preference surveys which invited input on the "Commercial Architectural Character in Harding" and "Open Space and Recreation in Harding." Members of the public expressed their preferences with colored dots (yea and nay) on the various alternatives that were presented. After the data were collected, the Board engaged

in a lengthy discussion on what form the planner's reports would take. Many felt the current plans were in good shape and only need to be marked up with suggested changes, rather than starting with blank sheets. The Board was assured that only recommended changes would be made to bring the plans up to date.

Mr. Saulnier reminded everyone about next month's public meeting to discuss the Master Plan. One issue that has bubbled up recently is noise, particularly that of chain saws being used in the middle of the night. Mr. Hall reported that the GHK Realty Application for Fawn Hill Farm on Spring Valley Road has officially expired, and a new application would need to be filed. Most of the meeting was used to review amendments to the Hurstmont re-development plan. The original plan was formed prior to the designation of a re-developer, and the re-developer who has been designated is proposing amendments. The Board must determine if the changes are consistent with the Master Plan. Town Planner McKinley Mertz walked through the revisions. The classification of the facility is being changed from a "continuing care retirement facility" to "a la carte." This will allow townhouse owners to re-sell their properties and buy into amenities. Physical aspects of the development (driveways, lighting, access, signage, etc.) were reviewed. The developer is allocating two acres for a public walking trail. A more sophisticated septic system is being proposed to handle the daily volume. Impervious coverage is being increased due to road widening required by the Fire Department. Parking will be underground, and the architectural style of the buildings will include natural materials throughout. Landscaping and tree planting were included in the plan. The Board concluded the changes were consistent with the Master Plan, and a resolution to that effect (along with recommended changes) was approved. The Board will have the opportunity for further scrutiny of the re-development when the final plans are submitted for approval

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

Township Committee Meeting - October 21 - Nothing Exciting

The October 21 Meeting of the Township Committee had no surprises.

The finances of Farm at Harding were reviewed again but no decision was made nor ordinance introduced regarding a possible disposition. We covered this potential transaction in the October Thumbnail so readers can check that report out - in fact the September meeting communicated more insight into the contemplated transaction than the October meeting. In very brief summary, The Farm at Harding, our Township owned low income housing project (at Kitchell Rd and Woodland Ave), loses money and is facing likely large capital costs over the next 10 years. Harding

can get rid of the facility with a sale to the Housing Authority of Madison and then use the proceeds and other COAH funds to retire the debt.

Committee person, Nic Platt, told attendees about a new cell phone app (called Boxcar) that can solve the problem of parking for train commuters. Again we wrote about this in last month's Thumbnail. You can get the app on Apple store app.

Lastly, Harding's financial professional, Andy Fiore, reviewed Township finances through Q3. The bottom line is that Township is tracking at or better than budget.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

The November 2 meeting addressed the following matters:

1. The Master Plan Review by the Planning Board and what areas require our attention and consideration.
2. Among the issues requiring review are our open space and recreational needs, whether or not we are in conformity with Green Acres requirements, and the revision of the Route 202 Corridor with respect to changes for the construction of the Affordable Housing.
3. The Master Plan is required by State Law to be reviewed every 10 years. The Plan reflects the way the Township develops.
4. The goal of the Plan is to protect water, land, open space, and wildlife and conservation, generally.
5. Public input, recommendations, and concerns would be appreciated.
6. The Rolling Knolls recommendation for disposal have been postponed pending a meeting between the EPA and the Fish and Wildlife Commission; and further discussions were had on the Living Landscape and doing additional census on healthy flora and fauna, anticipating the lecture on this matter by Dr. Doug Tallamy.

HARDING LAND TRUST

Harding Land Trust kicks off this holiday season with gratitude for our donors, friends, and members. With your continued support, we can preserve and maintain the rural character of our community!

Congratulations to this year's "Celebrate Harding" Photo Contest winners and participants.

Sponsored by Harding Land Trust, Kemmerer Library, and Madison PhotoPlus, a reception took place at the Kemmerer Library last month to honor the winners and celebrate all the participants. A special thank you to our accomplished Photo Contest judges, Jane Kendall, Christopher Allyn, and Ashleigh Scully. Photos are on

display at the Library for the next several weeks. Don't miss your chance to see these beautiful photographs taken by our youngest residents.

Harding Land Trust Renews National Accreditation

Americans strongly support saving the open spaces they love. Since 1990, The Harding Land Trust, has been doing just that for the residents of Harding. HLT is pleased to announce it has renewed its land trust accreditation - proving once again, as part of a network of over 400 accredited land trusts across the nation, it is committed to professional excellence and to maintaining the public's trust in its conservation work. "Renewing our accreditation shows HLT's ongoing commitment to permanent land conservation in Harding, said Nik Bjorkedal, HLT President. "We are a stronger organization than ever for having gone through the rigorous accreditation renewal process. Our strength means all the special places (open vistas, hiking trails and environmentally sensitive areas undeveloped) will be protected forever, making Harding an even greater place for us and our children."

HLT provided extensive documentation and was subject to a comprehensive third-party evaluation prior to achieving this distinction. The Land Trust Accreditation Commission awarded renewed accreditation, signifying its confidence in HLT's strength and high standards of operation.

"It is exciting to recognize HLT's continued commitment to national standards by renewing this national mark of distinction," said Tammara Van Ryn, executive director of the Commission. "Donors and Members can trust the more than 400 accredited land trusts across the country are united behind strong standards and have demonstrated sound finances, ethical conduct, responsible governance, and lasting stewardship."

HLT is one of 1,363 land trusts across the United States according to the Land Trust Alliance's most recent National Land Trust Census. A complete list of accredited land trusts and more information about the process and benefits can be found at www.landtrustaccreditation.org. For more info on Harding Land Trust please visit www.hardinglandtrust.org, or on Instagram/Facebook.

New in town?

For more information about HLT or to receive our mailings, invites, and/or eblasts, please call 973.267.2515 or email us at contactus@hardinglandtrust.org and follow us on Facebook and Instagram.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Many thanks to all who attended our Annual Antique Show and Sale! Once again, it was a big success!!

Please mark your calendars for our Annual Meeting, January 23, 2020. Patricia Sanftner of Washington Association will be speaking to us about the Schuyler and Hamilton families of Morristown. And yes, the Hamiltons as in the Hamiltons of the Broadway play!

The meeting and lecture will be at 7:30 in the basement meeting room of Christ the King.

Free for members , \$5 for non members. Hope to see you there!!

NEW SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER

New School Board Member replaces Kim Macaulay

Mrs. Kim Macaulay, long time board member, is resigning from the Board. Dr. Alexander Anastasiou has been chosen from a strong group of four candidates to take the vacant seat until the Board's reorganization in January 2021. Dr Anastasiou is a practicing pediatric dentist and teaches at the Rutgers University School of Dental Medicine. He was also Board President of the Essex County Dental Society.

BRIDLE PATH ASSOCIATION

Happy Holidays members! Our Bridle Path holiday party will be December 15 so keep an eye on your email for an Evite invitation with the details. We will be nominating and voting for positions opening up on the board during the party so please drop by if you can and cast your vote! It has been an interesting year weather wise on the trails and its always fun to try every old wives tale to guess what the winter will bring us, but here's to hoping its a mild one with a nice long spring!

Don't forget - See Something/Do Something: if you're riding and see "something;" do something. Don't leave a hole, broken glass, fallen branches, etc. that could cause harm to you or your horse, or make the trails impassable, go without action. If you personally cannot correct the situation, please email dorothymccann.dm@gmail.com and the Trail Maintenance committee will be notified. Social Media: Please visit our Facebook Page at Harding Township Green Village Bridle Path Assoc. ; and, when visiting our Facebook Page, don't forget to "Like" our Page! Happy Trails. As always, remember no motor vehicles of any type are permitted on the HT/GV Bridle Path Trails!

THE RAPTOR TRUST

Hawks, Eagles, and Falcons, Oh My!

Sunday, December 8th at 1 pm:

Learn about awe-inspiring wingspans, super speed, precision vision and other amazing adaptations these daytime (diurnal) raptors use for hunting and survival. We'll discuss some Raptor Trust success stories and investigate some of the inspiring local efforts to help conserve birds of prey. Space is limited. Please go to <http://theraptortrust.org/event/hawks-eagles-and-falcons-oh-my/> to register! Ages 7 and up, \$10 per person.

Visit Our Gift Shop for Unique Holiday Items and More

If you are looking for unique gifts for yourself or a bird lover you know, stop by our local store: <http://theraptortrust.org/visit/> You'll find great gift ideas, birding books for children & adults, hand-crafted jewelry, stuffed animals, Raptor Trust apparel and more. You can also find great gifts by visiting our Online Gift Shop: <http://theraptortrust.org/visit/gift-shop/> On-site store hours are 9 a.m to 4 p.m. every day during fall and winter months (starting September 15). During the spring and summer months our hours are 9 a.m to 6 p.m. All sales support the work of The Raptor Trust.

NEW VERNON FIRST AID SQUAD

Avoiding Falls

Falls are second only to motor vehicle accidents in the number of calls that the FAS responds to each year. Whether it is a fall from a ladder, down the stairs or simply a fall from a standing position, generally speaking, falls impact older residents more frequently and more severely than younger residents. Young or old, falls can result in serious trauma, from broken bones, bleeding, including internal bleeding, strains, sprains and even possibly death.

What can you do to minimize falls?

When using a ladder, check to make sure that the ladder is functionally stable and is in good condition. Make sure the feet of the ladder are firmly planted and level.

Never go above the recommended highest step (generally the step below the top step). Use a ladder or step stool, not a chair, to reach the top shelf.

Clear stairs. Do not place items on the stairs to later be taken upstairs. Items on the staircase may not be seen by someone going up or down and could result in a loss of balance and a fall.

Check throw rugs to make sure that they do not move and lie flat. If the throw rug will slide on the floor below or a corner can flip up, a trip hazard exists. While

elderly persons are most at risk for falls from throw rugs, anyone could trip and fall possibly striking their head on a nearby object.

Be safe, check your home for trip hazards.

The First Aid Squad continues to need volunteers to provide the 24/7 coverage that Harding residents have enjoyed. Please consider volunteering now, or to learn more about the First Aid Squad, contact:

- Lotte Newlin - 862-812-9997
- Steve Fullenkamp - 973-714-1739
- Larry Weppler - 917-838-3332

Or email us at this address: JoinUs@NVVFD.org
We are “Neighbors helping neighbors.”

GREAT SWAMP WATERSHED ASSOCIATION

Post-Thanksgiving Day Hike

Sunday, December 1, 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

GSWA Conservation Management Area (CMA), 83 Tiger Lily Ln., Morristown, NJ

We all did it - we went for that extra helping of mashed potatoes... used a little extra whipped cream on our pumpkin pie... there's no shame in that, especially when you head outside for a post-Thanksgiving hike and walk it off! Join Hazel England, GSWA Director of Education & Outreach, Land Steward, and come check out all the great work our volunteers have been doing throughout the year as we take you end-to-end tour of the CMA and contiguous trails. Enjoy the new boardwalks across the trails and marvel at the new native plants that have replaced the invasives. You won't want to miss this Thanksgiving treat! This event is free to all GSWA members; a \$10 donation is appreciated from non-member adults, \$5 for children. Registration is required. Register at GreatSwamp.org or call 973-538-3500.

Behind-the-Scenes Talk & Tour at the Refuge

Saturday, December 14, 10 AM - 12 Noon

Helen C. Fenske Visitor Center

32 Pleasant Plains Rd, Basking Ridge, NJ 07920

Join us for an adventure at the Great Swamp National Wildlife Refuge and bring your camera! We will kick-off this private tour with a brief talk by Nic Platt, GSWA Board President, on the history of the Great Swamp that nearly became a jetport. Next up, a special behind-the-scenes tour of the wildlife management area, which is not open to the general public. Staff from GSNWR and GSWA will help you identify wildlife and migratory birds, and we may even be graced by a bald eagle or two! Come help us

celebrate the 60th anniversary of the newspaper article that sparked the saving of the Great Swamp. This tour is co-sponsored by GSWA and GSNWR. Registration is required. Register at GreatSwamp.org or call 973-538-3500.

Jockey Hollow Then, Now, and What Might Have Been
Saturday, December 21, 1:00-3:00 PM
Morristown National Historical Park
Jockey Hollow Visitor Center
(appx.) 600 Tempe Wick Road, Morristown, NJ

To commemorate the 60th Anniversary of the first public announcement of the proposed 10,000-acre jetport, we invite you to spend the afternoon with nature and history. Together we will explore Jockey Hollow's past, its present, and what might have been if the landmark victory over the jetport never happened, and the Great Swamp didn't exist. This special event is provided in partnership with Morristown National Historical Park and GSWA. Registration is required. Register at GreatSwamp.org or call 973-538-3500.

HARDING TOWNSHIP PTO

Kick off the Holiday Season! The HTS PTO will host two great family events on Saturday December 7th. Come and enjoy a hearty and delicious Pancake Breakfast (9AM-11AM; Cafeteria; Kids \$5, Adults \$10) before heading over to the Holiday Shoppe (9AM-2PM; Room M105; admission free) for some early shopping! The annual Holiday Shoppe offers children the fun experience of choosing holiday gifts themselves and the joy in giving that extra-special "secret" something to family and friends. The program creates wonderful memories, as well as a lesson on how to budget their money. Come choose from a wide selection of gifts in a variety of price ranges. We look forward to seeing you and the kiddies there! Proceeds from these events support the HTS PTO.

NEW VERNON FIRE DEPARTMENT

Santa Claus is coming to our town aboard a New Vernon Volunteer Fire Department fire truck. Yes, on the nights of **December 7th and 8th** between 5:00 and 8:00 PM, we will be making the rounds with Santa to visit your children. In the event of an **extremely** bad rain or snowstorm on either or both evenings we will make arrangements to have Santa meet children at the firehouse on the following weekend.

Given the growth of our community in recent years, it is not possible for us to stop at every single house or go up all the long driveways that we have in

Harding. We are, therefore, arranging for central stops in certain areas where children from a given road or neighborhood can gather at an approximate time to receive their individual gifts and talk with Santa. In addition, we will stop at as many homes as possible along the roads where a central gathering place is not practical. In order to determine which houses we should visit, we are asking each of you to return the card that will be sent to every Harding resident in November to tell us whether you have children and would like us to stop. It is most important that these cards be returned to us **before November 29th**, or we will not be able to arrange a stop at your house!!

If you did not receive a postcard in the mail with the route information to arrange Santa to stop, or with any questions, *please email Fire Chief Peter Finkle, nvvdchief@gmail.com.*

Again this year we are proud to be a collection for the Marine Corps Toys for Tots Program for less fortunate children. Toys for Tots accepts only new, unwrapped toys. Toys can be given to Santa's helpers at the time of Santa's visit.

GREEN VILLAGE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Santa's Arrival and Tree Lighting

Sunday, December 8, 2019 at 6 p.m.

hosted by the Green Village Fire Department

Families can come and watch as Santa arrives by fire truck to light up the tree at the Green Village Fire House. After Santa lights the tree, he will proceed into the firehouse to hear the children's holiday wishes. Complementary refreshments and cookies will be provided by the Auxiliary of the Green Village Fire Department.

Prior to Santa's arrival, you are welcome to join your neighbors at the United Methodist Church in Green Village for their annual Hot Dog Supper. Beginning at 4:30, you can enjoy hot dogs, chips and hot chocolate complements of the Green Village United Methodist Church. At 5:45 the group will walk from the church down a nostalgic luminary lit road singing Christmas carols to await Santa's arrival.

Music will be performed by the Chatham Brass Quintet. Both events are free and all are welcome. Additional information can be found at www.greenvillagefire.com or on our facebook page.

Raffle Drawing

Tuesday, December 17, 2019 at 8 p.m.

hosted by the Green Village Fire Department

Tickets are now available for the Green Village Fire Department's annual raffle. The raffle consists of six drawings. The prizes will be based on a percentage of the gross proceeds (1st - 20%; 2nd - 10%; 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th - 5%). The purchase of a \$100 raffle ticket enters you in all six drawings. With only 200 tickets available, they will be sold on a "first come, first serve" basis. To purchase a raffle ticket, please visit our website at www.greenvillagefire.com to print a form. Simply fill out the form and mail it with your check (payable to Green Village Fire Department) to Green Village Fire Department, 529 Green Village Road, Green Village, NJ 07935. If sending a check, please note "Raffle" on the envelope. We will fill in your stub and forward your ticket to you. The drawings will be held at 8 pm. Winner need not be present. If you need any additional information, please email us at greenvillagefire@gmail.com

E-Mail

You can stay informed of the Green Village Fire Department's upcoming events by visiting our website at www.greenvillagefire.com and subscribing to our email list using the "subscribe to email" button. There you can also choose your email preferences.

GREEN VILLAGE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, December 8, 2019

Green Village United Methodist Church, 500 Spring Valley Road

Join us for hot dogs, cocoa and Christmas carols starting at 4:30pm. At 5:45pm we will take a luminaria walk to the Green Village fire house. At 6pm Santa is due to arrive to light the Christmas tree and visit with the children.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Toddler Time continues to meet on Wednesday mornings from 9:30 until 11:30, with the exception of December 25 and Jan 1. Don't miss the **December 18 Toddler Time Christmas Party!**

Join the fun and a tasty meal at **Let's Lunch!** on **Wednesday, December 18** at noon. For seniors, not yet seniors--indeed anyone who enjoys congenial company, lively conversation, and tasty food.

Longest Night December 22 at 7pm: There is a lot of darkness in our world today, from natural disasters to the continued polarization of our politics. On the darkest week of the year, we invite all people to come together seeking light and hope. This

is a contemplative service offering prayer, music, and time for reflection. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Christmas Eve Services: Family Service 5:00 pm: Join us for a fun and festive time together as we celebrate Christmas. This service will be engaging for people of all ages. **Candlelight Service 11:00 pm:** Our quieter and more formal Christmas celebration: carols, a reflection, and music by candlelight as we usher in Christmas Day.

CENTER FOR MUSICAL EXCELLENCE

CME, completing its 9th season, concludes the second year of its well-received *Music Made Here* concert series with a “Winter Gala Celebration” on **Sunday, December 8 at 3 pm** at The Presbyterian Church on the Green in Morristown. It will feature a star-studded cast of international musicians performing a variety of musical treats from Mozart to the Beatles. A celebratory dinner following the concert at the nearby Westin Governor Morris will honor two distinguished senior CME Board members and longtime Harding residents, David Schultz and Anne Thomas, for their steadfast and continuing support. For information and tickets to these two events, see cmemusic.org. It promises to be a happy way to usher in the festive season!

HARDING TOWNSHIP SENIORS

December 5: Trip to Radio City Christmas Spectacular

December 12: Christmas luncheon at Basking Ridge Country Club

THE KEMMERER LIBRARY

Operating Hours: Monday-Friday: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday: 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Sunday: Closed.

If you would like to add your email address to the Library notifications of programs, please send an email to desk@hardinglibrary.org.

Unless otherwise noted, we ask that you register for our programs in advance. Sign-up, on our website (www.hardinglibrary.org) or at the library desk, in person, or by phone 973-267-2665.

Children’s Programs:

Toddler Story Hour, every Tuesday, 10:15 a.m.

Pre-school age kids and their caregivers are invited to drop in each week for stories,

songs, movement, and a simple craft with Miss Kryssi and Miss Casey.

Bookworms Book Club, Sunday, December 1, 3:00 p.m.

Join the Bookworm boys and girls to discuss 'Wonder' by R.J. Palacio and then enjoy the movie with popcorn and movie snacks.

Holiday Crafternoon, Monday, December 16, 3:45 p.m.

School-age children are invited to make a cute, craft stick Santa ornament with Mrs Maxwell. Registration requested, please.

Adult Programs:

Holiday Kissing Balls with Dee Wilson, Wednesday, December 4, 1:00 p.m.

Due to popular demand, we are bringing you junior garden club for adults! Join Dee to make a beautiful, holiday kissing ball to take home. Class size limited. Registration by end of Monday, December 2 please, to ensure sufficient supplies.

Scarf tying, Friday, December 6, 1:00 p.m.

Bring a scarf and Vicki will show you multiple ways to use it to look your best this holiday season! Registration requested, please.

Monthly Movie Matinee: 'Blinded by the Light', Wednesday, December 11, 2:00 p.m.

An inspirational drama set to the music and lyrics of Bruce Springsteen. Based on Sarfraz Manzoor's acclaimed memoir 'Greetings from Bury Park', it tells the story of a teenager of Pakistani descent growing up in England in the 1980s. It is described as a joyful story of courage, love, hope, family and the unique ability of music to lift the human spirit. Popcorn and cookies available. Registration not required.

Holiday Singalong, Thursday, December 12, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Join us around the piano in the library reading room for some favorite songs, festive treats and holiday cheer!

Adult Book Group, Tuesday, December 17, 1:30 p.m.

Drop in to join the book group's discussion of 'Say Nothing: A True Story of Murder and Memory in Northern Ireland' by Patrick Radden Keefe.

Monthly Blood Pressure Clinic, Thursday, December 19, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. (please note change to usual schedule).

Drop-in to have your blood pressure checked by Public Health Nurse, Kathy Basile. No need to register.

American Red Cross Blood Drive, Tuesday, December 31, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Be the lifeline patients need this holiday season: please give blood with the Red Cross. As a special thank you, donors will get a gift while supplies last!

Weekly Activities:

Gentle Yoga, Mondays (with M.J.) and Thursdays (with Susan), both at 10:30 a.m. Our very popular classes continue. \$10 suggested donation per class, please.

Mah Jongg Club, Thursdays, 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.
Social play. All levels are welcome.

Card Club, Fridays, 10:00 a.m.
Canasta, Shanghai Rummy and more! Social play. All levels welcome.

FRIENDS OF THE KEMMERER LIBRARY

Local Art Display

The Friends of Kemmerer Library are excited to announce that the works of local artists will be on display on the first floor of the Library! The art will be displayed throughout the year and will be for sale.

Beginning the first week in December, you can view watercolors and oils by William Grau depicting East Coast scenes. His work is reminiscent of the landscapes created by Albert Bross, Jr. Mr. Grau's daughter, Nancy McClelland, is the landscape architect of the original foundational planting for the Library.

Also on display will be the woodworking talents of Craig Newton. Craig creates beautiful jewelry boxes, pen/pencil holders, banks and much more in different varieties of wood.

Please visit the Kemmerer Library to see these unique works of art.

Our 4th Annual Christmas Tree Chipping is scheduled for the weekend of January 4, 2020. See next month's *Thumbnail* for further details.

HARDING TOWNSHIP CIVIC ASSOCIATION:

Thumbnail & Website News and Announcements

If you have a submission for the **January 2020 Thumbnail** please email to: htca@mail.com by **Friday, December 20th, 2019**. MS Word is the preferred format, thank you!

Current and past issues of the Thumbnail, as well as the Directory are available on our Website: www.HardingCivic.org. Send questions or comments about *Thumbnail* to editor to: HTCA@mail.com or PO Box 72 New Vernon, NJ 07976

HARDING TOWNSHIP RECYCLING

2019 Recycling Schedule

December 14, 28

Hours of Operation:

Wednesdays: 7 am - Noon (7- 9am self service)

Every other Saturday: 9 am - noon (see schedule dates)

Commingled Recyclables: Consists of all aluminum and tin cans, glass bottles, all plastic bottles and containers with the Recycling symbol, and #1, 2, 4, 5 & 7. Try to crush plastic bottle to conserve space. Please remember no plastic or paper bags.

Commingled Mixed Fiber: Recycling: consists of all paper, cardboard, newspaper, office paper, magazines, and books. Please put loose or shredded paper in paper bag. Please flatten all boxes or fill with other paper products.

Other Accepted Items: Batteries; automotive (car) and household (rechargeable accepted); Automotive and light truck tires, (on or off rim), Propane tanks (BBQ size only) and fluorescent bulbs (tube and compact).

E-Waste items accepted: Computers, monitors, laptops and televisions cannot be put into household trash. However, all E-waste items including printers, copiers, fax machines and all computer peripherals can be brought to the Harding DPW recycling center at the regular hours of operation.

Recycling Questions: Please contact Tracy Toribio at Harding Department: 973 267 2448, Mon- Fri 8:30 am to 3 pm.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Environmental Commission
Seniors: Christ the King Church
Planning Board
Historical Preservation Committee
Board of Health
Board of Education
Board of Adjustment
Township Committee Executive
Township Committee Public
Harding Open Space
Harding TWP Civic Association

Meetings as noted

1st Wednesday
2nd & 4th Thursday
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