

Magnolia's COMMUNITY CONNECTION



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Fall 2013

From the Desk of the Proud Mayor of Magnolia

Dear Neighbors,

This past Spring/Summer was a very busy time in Magnolia. Rachel Domanich was crowned as Miss Magnolia 2013 and Kierra Mercado was also crowned as our Little Miss Magnolia 2013. Our 4th of July activities included the presentation of our Magnolia Medal to former mayor Thomas McDonough and our Volunteer of the Year was to William Marshall. The parade seemed to go on forever with our floats and our organizations that were well represented. We held our first BBQ Cook-Off that made Albertson Avenue smell really good. Everyone seemed to have a good time and we are already looking forward to next year.

National Night Out was also a hit with two great softball games. The first game was Magnolia Little League vs. the Magnolia Public Safety team and Magnolia Little League won the first game. Our second game was Magnolia Public Works vs. Magnolia Softball and Magnolia Softball won that game.

Our Fall and holiday season looks just as busy but I do want to thank the Camden County Freeholders for our flu site this year. Magnolia's flu shots will be on Thursday, October 24th from 9:30 to 11:30 am at the community center. Please come out and join me as I get my flu shot.

I also want to let everyone know that Magnolia will be participating once again in the America Medicine Challenge. We will be collecting old/unused medications at our senior luncheon on Saturday, December 14th. Please clean out your medicine cabinets and put all your old prescriptions in a bag (We don't need the prescription bottles or prescription names on the medications). The Magnolia Police Department will be disposing all of the medications in a safe way. Last year our box was overflowing so there will be 2 boxes available. The prescription drop off will be available to all of our residents not just seniors, so just stop in and drop off.

I would also like to welcome a few new businesses to Magnolia

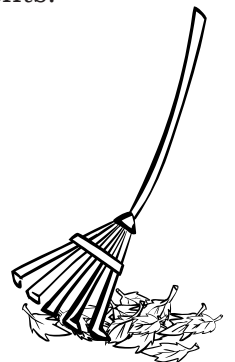
- Cibo Fresco Pizzeria (Evesham Ave)
- Lunacy Brewing Company (Davis Road)
- Lyons Tree Service (Davis Road)
- Royal Cracovia Restaurant Bakery & Bar (Opening Soon)
- Taco Bell (White Horse Pike near Magnolia Garden Villiage)
- Red Apple Spa (White Horse Pike)



Please see the information in our newsletter concerning our upcoming fall and holiday events.



BettyAnn
BettyAnn Cowling-Carson
Proud Mayor of Magnolia





Upcoming Borough Events:

- October 24th - Flu Shots - 9:30-11:30 pm at the Community Center
- October 20th-26th - Halloween House Decorating contest
- October 30th - Halloween parade - 6:30 pm at the Borough Hall
- October 31st - Trick or Treating - 3-7 pm
- November 5th - Election Day - 6 am-8 pm at the Community Center
- November 11th - Veterans Service - 7 pm at the American Legion
- November 16th - Model Train Show - 9 am-3 pm at the Community Center
- December 6th - Tree Lighting - 7 pm at the Borough Hall
- December 14th - Breakfast with Santa - 9 am at the Community Center
- December 14th - Senior Luncheon - 2 pm Community Center
- December 15th-21st - Christmas House Decorating contest
- January 4th - 2014 Re-organization - 2 pm at the Borough Hall



DIRECTOR of FACILITIES, RECREATION & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Councilman Donald Wilson

We are in need of volunteer chaperones to help us re-open Thursday "Open Gym Night" at the Community Center.

All rental information is on the application available on our website www.magnolia-nj.org.

DIRECTOR of PUBLIC WORKS & TECHNOLOGY

Councilwoman Paula Bonamassa

TRASH AND RECYCLING

NO CONTAINERS FOR TRASH SHOULD BE OVER 50 POUNDS!!

If they are, they will **not** be picked up. Also, trash should not be placed at the curb any earlier than 6:00 p.m. the night before pick-up.

LEAF SCHEDULE

Mondays – beginning October 21st; pile curbside- you may mix grass with leaves. **If you have a storm drain, please keep clear at all times.**

SEWER

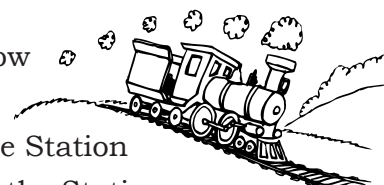
There is 24 hour Emergency Service, please call (609) 868-2552.

Just a reminder: the Borough is not responsible for damages caused by sewer backup resulting from fixtures below ground level. Installation of backwater valves is the responsibility of the property owner, (ordinance # 15.205-1).

MAGNOLIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

President Mert Gardner

- Saturday, Oct. 12th, from 11 am to 1 pm (Station) - Fall Hoagie Sale
- Thursday, Nov. 7th, @ 7:00 pm (Borough Hall) - Guest Speaker: Jane Peters Estes on Civil War Nurses – (in association w/ the South Jersey Antique Dealers)
- Saturday, Nov. 16th, from 9 am to 3 pm (Community Center) - Train Show
- Saturday, Nov. 23rd, from 12 noon to 3 pm (Station) - Pie Sale
- Friday, Dec. 6th, & Saturday, Dec. 7th, from 6 pm till 8 pm - Santa @ the Station
- Friday, Dec. 13th, & Saturday, Dec. 14th, from 6 pm till 8 pm - Santa @ the Station



Always looking for new members; please call Mert Gardner 856-784-4263.

Visit our new website: magnoliatrainstation.com

PUBLIC SAFETY

Councilman Anthony DePrince

CHIEF OF POLICE OFFICE

Chief John Evans

The Magnolia Police Department would like to remind all residents that school is now back in session and to be cautious of children walking to and from school. Parents are urged to take a few minutes to speak with your children about safety while they travel to and from school.

All parents are reminded that the curfew hours are 9:00PM to 6:00AM (School Nights) and 10:00PM to 6:00AM during the weekends and nights when there is no school on the following day. All Parks are closed at Dusk. This ordinance will be strictly enforced.



The Magnolia Police Department will continue to conduct random unannounced foot patrols at the Magnolia Public School as part of the officers daily patrol duties. It is the goal

of the Magnolia Police Department to safeguard students and staff at Magnolia Public to foster a safer learning and teaching environment.

The Holiday season is fast approaching, please make sure while you are out shopping, that you are always aware of your surroundings when walking in parking lots and opening your car door. Parents ensure that an adult accompanies your child while they are out Trick or Treating and they have reflective material on their costume.

Officer Kevin McGowan is the Borough's Code Enforcement Officer. If any residents have a Code Enforcement complaint, please lodge your complaint through the Borough Website or the Code Enforcement voicemail at 1-856-783-1520 ext. 206. Please continue to take pride in your property and keep it maintained.

The Magnolia Police Department would like to congratulate Crossing Guard, Eleanor Park who retired after 33 years of dedicated service to the children and residents of Magnolia. We wish Ms. Park all the best for a happy and enjoyable retirement.

Lastly, please continue to assist your Police Department if you see suspicious or criminal activity. Please remember to call (856) 783-4900 (Dispatch Center) to report an incident that is occurring or contact (856) 784-1884 ext.200 for the "Tip Hotline".

DIRECTOR of CODES, LICENSING, STREET LIGHTING & PLANNING and ZONING

Councilwoman Mary Martz

CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT

Reminder: the Construction Office is open Monday eve. from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Pitfalls to avoid when hiring a contractor

- Ask to see the contractor's NJ State HIC license.
- DO NOT give the contractor a deposit for more than the value of the material.
- If the material amount is sizeable, ask the contractor for a quote from the supplier. Issue a check in the exact amount of the quote directly to the supplier. An otherwise - reputable contractor may not have the funds or credit to start you job but should but should be willing to break down the material / labor / profit and overhead split.
- Typical hourly rates are running between \$25.00 and \$100.00 per hour depending on the size of the contractor's company and whether or not he is doing the work himself. Overhead and profit should be in the area of 10% & 10% respectfully.
- DO NOT take the building permit out yourself, make the contractor do it. If he won't there is probably a reason so find another contractor.
- Make all payments by check, not cash regardless of any discounts the contractor may offer.
- Last but not least, under NJ State Law, final payment is not due to the contractor until final inspections have been made by the Building Department and a certificate of approval has been issued.

DOG AND CAT LICENSING

Remember there is an Ordinance prohibiting more than 2 dogs and 2 cats per household. Our free rabies clinic is Nov. 2nd at the Ambulance Squad; 10am-12pm, it is open to all residents of Camden County.



GIRLS SOFTBALL FUNDRAISER

MAGNOLIA GIRLS SOFTBALL

1st ANNUAL BEEF & BEER

Saturday, November 23, 2013 • 7:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Hi-Nella Bar & Grill (*formerly Richeez*)
709 S. Warwick Rd. • Hi-Nella, NJ 08083

\$25.00 per person

Please see any member to purchase.

Did You Know...

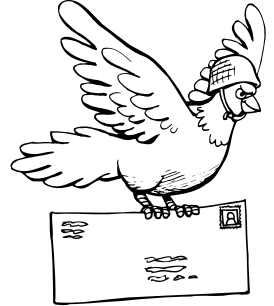
For your convenience, there is a notary at the Borough Hall. This is a free service. Please do not sign the document prior to coming to the hall and be sure that you have identification with your signature so that a comparison can be done.



Don't forget to set your clocks back during the night of Saturday, November 3rd. We'll all welcome the extra hour of sleep!

Vote by Mail is Now Available from the Office of the County Clerk

Vote by Mail has replaced Absentee Voting in the State of New Jersey. It allows a voter to vote without going to the polls on Election Day. You can apply by completing an application and sending it to the County Clerk. Your application must be received seven (7) days prior to the election. You can also apply in person to the County Clerk's Office up until 3:00 pm the day before the election. Stop by Borough Hall for an application now.



SOME OF OUR MAGNOLIA RESIDENTS PROUDLY SERVING THEIR COUNTRY:

Lt. Col. Thomas Euler - Evesham Ave

Nick Collazo - Jackson Ave

Alex Arno - Evesham Ave.

***If we missed anyone not on list, please call.*

Also let us know of their homecoming so they will be acknowledged.



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Magnolia, NJ 08049

