

Lebanon Township News

Winter 2017/2018



December, January,
February

Best wishes
to all for a very
happy holiday
season and a
healthy and
happy New
Year!

Municipal Building
530 West Hill Road
(908) 638-8523

Hours:
Monday – Friday
8:00 AM – 4:30 PM

Recreation Commission & Historians

Sunday, December 3rd

Tree Lighting and Visit with Santa

A FUN, FESTIVE HOMETOWN EVENING FOR ALL!

COME CELEBRATE THIS TRADITION WITH FRIENDS AND
NEIGHBORS AT THE ANNUAL TREE LIGHTING.
THIS JOYFUL NIGHT FEATURES A VISIT FROM SANTA,
MUSIC AND MERRYMAKING!

Lebanon Township
Municipal Building
530 West Hill Road

4:30PM

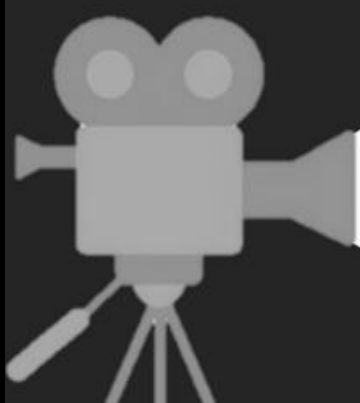
CAROLING * REFRESHMENTS
PICTURES WITH SANTA

Please bring a donation
for our local food pantry

Sponsored by the Recreation Commission and Historians Committee



Recreation Commission & Friends of Memorial Park



PRESENTING

THE DESCENDANTS

AND DINNER FROM TONY'S BISTRO

Advance ticket purchase required
See website for details
www.lebanontownship.net

DATE & SCREEN TIME
Friday, February 9 at 6PM

WHERE
Station 3 - 528 West Hill Road

COST
Adults \$5 / Children Free

ADMIT ONE

SPONSORED BY THE LEBANON TOWNSHIP RECREATION COMMISSION



SATURDAY, JANUARY 13TH

Fire & Ice Winter Festival

SAVE THE DATE

Details coming soon!
Information will be posted on our website:
www.lebanontownship.net

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Police Department

Important Information Regarding Animal Control

Lebanon Township residents should call Police Dispatch at (908) 638-8515, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to report a found or lost dog or other animal control situation.

Although our township retains the services of a properly trained, New Jersey certified animal control officer, Animal Control Solutions, LLC, the firm's responsibilities within Lebanon Township are coordinated through, and in conjunction with the Lebanon Township Police Department. The police can also provide contact information for animal incidents that may fall under the jurisdiction of another organization such as the New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife or the New Jersey SPCA.

Using our police as the first step helps to streamline the process, reunite our residents with their lost animals more quickly and also helps control costs to both the township and residents.

If you need more information or have any questions, please contact Committeewoman Beverly Koehler at koehler@lebtwp.net or leave a message for her at (908) 638-8523.

Safety Information from the Police Department

On the Road:

- The township recently passed a resolution to establish speed limits on township roads that were not previously posted. Most roads, with a few exceptions, are posted at 35 MPH. Police urge motorists to be observant, drive with care and comply with the new speed limits.
- Winter is approaching. Please take care of mechanical issues with your vehicles, especially tires. Also, it is not only illegal, but can be extremely hazardous to drive with snow on your vehicle.
- Residents are prohibited from pushing, plowing or throwing snow onto roadways. Our Road Department works very hard to keep the roads clear and safe. Please comply with this ordinance.
- Stay focused on the task at hand! Eliminate the distractions; the phone call and the text can wait. It is not worth a life.

At Home:

- Please check your smoke detectors, change the batteries, and test them often.
- When emptying fireplaces and woodstoves of ashes and cinders, use a metal bucket and put the contents outside away from any structures.
- Secure your home
 - Most burglaries are committed at unsecured locations

- Lock doors and windows, even if at home
- Look lived-in; don't let papers and mail build up
- Be watchful for your neighbors and friends.
- If you see something, say something - suspicious vehicles or persons.
- Telemarketing Scams! Unfortunately we have had many residents fall victim. Law Enforcement DOES NOT solicit via phone. We will not call you and threaten arrest if you do not pay someone's bail. If you don't recognize the number, don't answer!
- Remember the old adage, "nothing is free in this world." Don't fall for free vacations, money or prizes.
- NEVER divulge your personal information (i.e., Social security number, date of birth, credit card, driver's license number, etc.). These are just some ways to fall victim to credit card fraud.

Lebanon Township Police Department Installs New "Project Medicine Drop" Box to Help Residents Dispose of Unused Medications, Prevent Prescription Drug Abuse

The Lebanon Township Police Department announced that it has joined the New Jersey Attorney General's "Project Medicine Drop" initiative, and has installed a Project Medicine Drop box at Police Headquarters. This can be done anonymously and with no questions asked.

This announcement makes it easier and more convenient than ever for Lebanon Township residents to take an active role in the fight against the nationwide epidemic of opiate and heroin abuse, which often is fueled by the abuse of prescription painkillers.

"Project Medicine Drop" is a natural addition to our commitment to help improve the public safety and quality of life in Lebanon Township. It will encourage our residents to be fully aware of the potential for abuse presented by otherwise beneficial medications.

The department's new Project Medicine Drop box is located in the vestibule at police headquarters at 530 West Hill Road, Glen Gardner, NJ (Lebanon Township). Residents may visit the Lebanon Township Police Department at any time, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year, to dispose of their unused or excess medications. After normal business hours, call (908) 638-8515 to have an officer meet with you at headquarters to access the drop box.

Many addictions start at home with prescription drug abuse. Talk to your teens about drugs, and get help if needed.

Museum



TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON MUSEUM
57 MUSCONETCONG RIVER ROAD
HAMPTON, NJ 08827
(908) 537-6464

Merry Christmas Dear Readers,

Holidays 2017 are here once again. Your Lebanon Township Museum will be dressed to the nines with eleven decorated windows and a festive holiday party on Saturday, December 9, from 1:00 - 5:00 pm with hot soup and bread. We look forward to you stopping by.

2017 Christmas ornaments are here as well as some pottery and books. Visitors are asked to bring a gift for the women veterans at Haven North in Glen Gardner. A variety of sizes in women's casual clothing and personal care items would be greatly appreciated.

Enjoy the Holidays!

Joan Lucas, Curator
 Deanna Kinney, Assistant Curator

Museum Hours:
Tuesday & Thursday 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Saturday 1:00 - 5:00 PM

The museum is supported by the Township of Lebanon under the guidance of the Township Historians and the general operating grants of the Hunterdon County Cultural and Heritage Commission.

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Historians

Lebanon Township Historians

Local historical groups are the keepers of amazing, little-known outposts of preservation that keep our past legible. Our very own Lebanon Township Museum is a former one-room schoolhouse, which has been recreated by the Township of Lebanon Historians who renovated the building on Musconetcong River Road prior to opening the museum in 1981. The schoolroom includes memorabilia of the 19th century as well as slates with soapstone and other items schoolchildren would have used. Upstairs are the permanent exhibits, a Lenni Lenape Native American exhibit, farm tools, old books and more.

Personal Histories Preserved for Community Memory

For millennia, written records have provided essential clues to the past. Through letters, diaries and unpublished writings of many types, and also through the audible, visual and electronic records of recent times, researchers have been able to study and understand much about the history of particular families, communities, businesses, and organizations, the history of specific events and the history of the United States in general. Letters, emails, diaries, photos, and other material accumulated over the years give vital and unique information regarding your life or the history of your family. These materials obviously matter to you, and they may be important to your community as well. Whether or not members of your family attained a degree of fame, they have contributed to the heritage of a certain place and time. When you donate your personal or family records your family history becomes a part of your community's collective memory.

Your Personal Records Could Have Historic Value

Photographs, letters, diaries, scrapbooks, genealogical information, articles, brochures, fliers, awards/certificates, videos/audio tapes are just some of the types of material in personal and family records that are valuable for historical research. **The Historians are currently looking for photographs pertaining to and depicting life in Lebanon Township. In addition, we are interested in speaking with anyone who has done genealogical research on their family or who has a family tree they would be interested in sharing.**

If you have this type of material, please email the Historians at museum@lebtwp.net or call (908) 637-6464. We welcome the opportunity to review your material. The Museum is open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 am - 5:00 pm and Saturdays from 1:00 - 5:00 pm. Find more information on Facebook at facebook.com/LebanonTownshipMuseumHistoricalSociety.

Historians

Historical New Hampton Day Books on Display at the Lebanon Township Museum

The Lebanon Township Museum at New Hampton has on display two old day books from the general stores at New Hampton.

The first day book details the names and purchases made by residents from January 13, 1830 through March 16, 1833. It also details the “Memorandums of Notes and Due Bills of Joseph Johnston” which lists names of those who owed money to Mr. Johnston and those whom were sued before Judge Warne, Judge Smith, Judge Fritts, and Judge Banghart by Mr. Johnson in 1831.

Some of the names of the residents of New Hampton in the day book are recognizable today. Some of the names include: Peter Wilson, Samuel Freely, Robert Bowlby, John Wyere, Norris Fritts, Esq., John Force, Widow Crivling, John Hicks, Captain John Lance, Captain Aaron Winnings, Peter Apgar, George Hardy, Samuel Vannata, William Cyphers, Thomas Stewart, and many more.

The purchases include: ½ gallon of gin ... 62 ½ cents, 1 iron

shovel ... 50 cents, ½ gallon of whiskey ... 30 cents.

The second day book, dated October 24, 1846 through April 30, 1848, is the day book of Robert Simonton and lists purchases by New Hampton residents as follows: David Johnston, Daniel McCann, William Baker, Peter Castner, Mr. & Mrs. Dusenbery, Daniel Huffman, John Smith, David Simonton, Widow Sarah Petty, Ira Vought, Samuel Shafer, George Walters, James Ross, Charles Force, David Drake, Elan Allen, George Duckworth, Samuel Shields, and many more.

These purchases include: 2 lbs. coffee ... 20 cents, 1 skein silk ... 6 cents, 4 window glass ... 20 cents, cash lent to John Smith ... \$21.00, 1 corn broom ... 19 cents, and a dozen eggs ... 10 cents.

Ironically, prices did not change much from the 1830s to the 1840s.

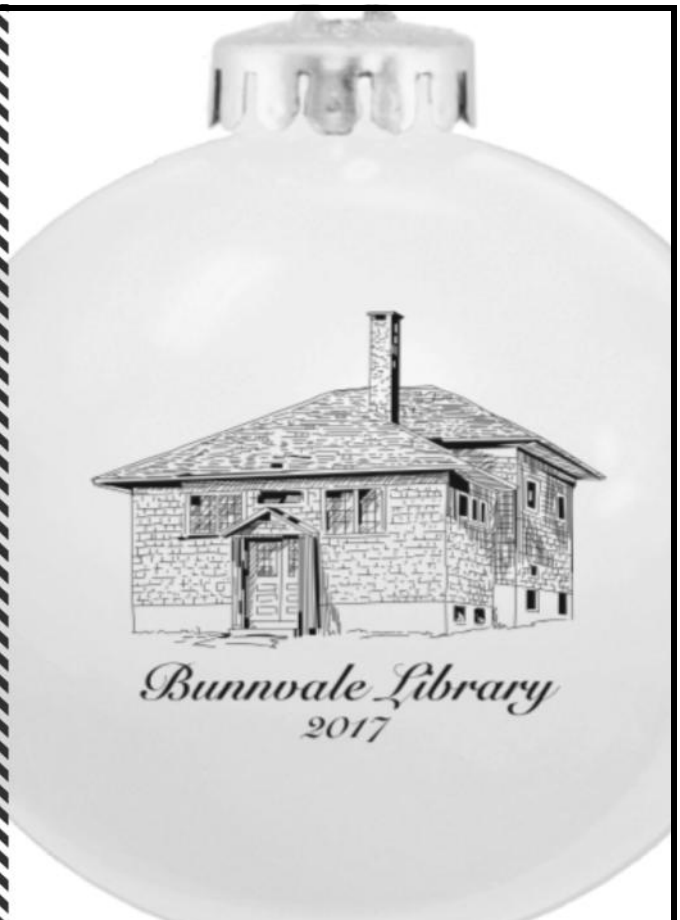
These day books make very interesting reading and can be viewed at the Museum during regular hours along with other interesting items and books. Perhaps you can find a relative among the names mentioned in the books.

Season's Greetings

FROM THE HISTORIANS COMMITTEE

The Lebanon Township Historians are proud to offer the second ornament in a series. This year's ornament features Bunnvale Library (formerly Bunnvale School). This local gift helps you and your loved ones showcase your hometown pride. Whether you've lived here all your life, or it's where your roots are, or it's your new home, our community becomes a part of our identities.

Ornaments are available at the Township Museum, Bunnvale Library and the Municipal Building for a suggested donation of \$5 each. The Township Historians will also be selling them at the LTVFD pancake breakfast on Sunday, December 10th from 8-11:30AM.



From the Deputy Clerk

Dog License Renewals Due in January

HAPPY 2018!! Well, it's almost here, and it will be time to renew your dog's license! In December, a reminder card will go out. On the address label it has the rabies expiration date of your dog. If it is highlighted, it means the rabies vaccination is expired, or will be, and it will not be good for the license renewal for 2018.



There are several **FREE Rabies Clinics** available in Hunterdon County. You can check on the Hunterdon County website, www.co.hunterdon.nj.us/health/rabiesclinics.html for a list of them.

If you attended the Lebanon Township Rabies Clinic, you do not have to send in your rabies certificate. Your dog's rabies information will be updated automatically; you only need to send in your payment for the license renewal. If you prefer, you can stop by the Municipal Building and get the license in person.

Payments can be made in the form of check or cash; exact amount please. We do not accept debit/credit cards.

Do you "Bill Pay" on line with your bank? You can make the Lebanon Township Dog Account (LTDA) one of your "Payee" accounts and just send \$14 for an unaltered dog or \$11 for an altered dog. This is an option if the rabies certificate is valid until October 31, 2018.

If you have any questions regarding your dog's rabies vaccination expiration, you have moved, or no longer have a dog, please call Kim at (908) 638-8523 x10.



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Califon, New Jersey 07830

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Mary Beth Hamorski, VMD
Jeff Salatiello, VMD

www.califonanimalhospital.com

Bunnvale Library



News from the Library ...

The **Book Club** meets the fourth Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Library. We will be reading the *No. 1 Ladies Detective Agency* by Alexander McCall Smith in January and *Where'd you go, Bernadette* by Maria Semple in February. There will be no meeting in December. Please call the library for more information.

The Knitting and Crocheting Club meets on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the library. Novice and experienced knitters and crocheters are welcome to join.

The Ann Rambo Curio Cabinet will feature Cynde Ruggiero's collection of antique cookie cutters in December, Christine DeLorenzo's "what Grandma made" doll clothes in January, and a collection of knitting and crocheting items from the club in February.

Story Time for children ages 2 to 5 years is held Friday mornings from 10:00 -10:45 am on December 1, 8, 15; January 12, 19, 26; and, February 2, 9, 23. Please call to register.

Bunnvale Library accepts books, especially children's books, movies, audios, and music donations that are gently used. Please do not put in the book drop or leave outside when we are not open. The Library does **not** accept text books, encyclopedias or magazines. Please call first before donating any of the above items.

Hours: Wednesday 1:00 - 8:00 PM
Thursday & Friday 9:00AM - 5:00 PM
Saturday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Telephone: (908) 638-8884

Environmental & Open Space Commission

Well Testing in Lebanon Township

One of the first elements in Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs* is water. It is a basic requirement of all living things. Fortunately, it is the one element over which we, in Lebanon Township, have direct control. As most of our homes are serviced by private and semi-private wells, it is up to the individual homeowner to maintain his or her well. The best way to find out what your well may need to produce the highest water quality for you and your family, is to have your well water tested every year. That's where we, at the Environmental & Open Space Commission, come in.

For the past six years, each May we have offered community well testing. This event has been facilitated by Raritan Headwaters Association (RHA) of Bedminster. They allow us to inexpensively test your well water. On a designated day, residents pick up the well test kits they choose and bring back their water samples to the Municipal Building. Volunteers sort and then deliver the samples to the RHA office. They are picked up by a state-certified laboratory for analysis. Test results come directly to RHA, and they share the results directly with residents. No individual results are shared with any other agency. This program makes the important practice of regular well testing even easier and more convenient for residents.** We offer a basic test which covers Total and Fecal Coliform and Nitrates as well as tests for Arsenic, Lead, Iron, Manganese, Volatile Organic Compounds, Pesticides, Radon, and Gross Alpha.

Lead has been one of the most frequently found toxins in our water. There is no acceptable level of lead. It generally originates from copper piping with lead solder and older or Chinese made plumbing fixtures. New homes often have no copper pipes, so lead may be less of an issue. Although it may not originate in your well, the drinking water is impacted.

Iron is a common element in our area and although it may not pose tremendous health risks, it discolors the bathroom fixture and laundry results. It can be filtered at the well tank.

Most water issues can be remediated by keeping your septic tank, as well as your neighbor's tank, pumped every three years, and by filtering your water. Whole house water filter systems are available, as well as point of service units in the faucet, and hand held water filters, such as Brita or Pur products.

See the chart on the right and keep an eye out for the next well test date this Springtime!

* *Maslow, A.H. (1943). "A theory of human motivation". Psychological Review. 50 (4): 370-96. doi:10.1037/h0054346 – via psychclassics.yorku.ca*

** <https://www.raritanheadwaters.org/protect/well-testing/>

Test	Fee	Reasons to Test	Possible Sources
Basic: Total Coliform & Fecal Confirmation, Nitrates	\$60	Cloudy water and/or recurrent gastrointestinal complaints from people drinking water. High levels of nitrates are harmful to infants and pregnant women	Cracks in well casing, faulty seal or seepage near well — septic system problems — stormwater runoff — seepage from fertilized land
Iron	\$15	Discoloration of laundry or plumbing fixtures, rust stains and/or bitter or metallic taste	Naturally occurring deposits — industrial wastes
Manganese	\$15	Discoloration of laundry or plumbing fixtures, rust stains and/or bitter or metallic taste	Naturally occurring deposits — industrial wastes
Lead	\$25	Harmful to pregnant women and children. Can cause physical or mental development problems in infants or children and kidney problems or high blood pressure in adults	Corrosion of household pipes, fittings and/or solder (soft water may be more corrosive than hard water)
Arsenic	\$35	Can cause increased risk of cancers, gastrointestinal ailments, diabetes and cardiovascular impacts	Naturally occurring deposits — wood preservatives
Volatile Organics (62 chemicals)	\$95	High levels can cause liver, nervous system disorders, irregular heartbeat, high blood pressure, anemia and cancer	Underground storage tanks — Gas stations — landfills — hazardous waste sites — septic systems
Pesticides (18 chemicals)	\$135	High levels can cause birth defects, cancer and damage to the nervous system	Runoff from farms, golf courses and/or residential areas
Radon	\$50	Can be ingested or inhaled as gases are released from the water into the air. Exposure to radon in drinking water can lead to lung cancer	Naturally occurring, produced by the breakdown of uranium in soil, rock and water. Can enter the home through well water
Gross Alpha	\$80	Can be ingested, or inhaled as gases that are released from the water into the air. Exposure to gross alpha emitters in drinking water can lead to lung cancer	Erosion of natural deposits of minerals that are radioactive — may emit alpha radiation, which can enter the home through well water



SHARON GROBEN #1 AGENT AGAIN in 2016*

Realtor®/Sales Associate, Lebanon Township Resident

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Thinking of Buying or Selling? Call Sharon!

Cell 908-303-9385

Email me at GoGroben@earthlink.net. Visit my website to view all the listings on the Garden State MLS at SharonGroben.com

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Sharon is the Lebanon Township Expert with **PROVEN RESULTS!**



JUST LISTED in Lebanon Township

7 Country Woods Drive
4 Bedrooms, 2½ Baths
Offered at \$600,000

See the Visual Tour at www.JumpVisualTours.com/252432

Expansive Colonial set on 3 private & open acres loaded w/curb appeal & backing to woods. Desirable cul-de-sac neighborhood. Two-story foyer, gleaming wood floors, formal living room flows to dining room perfect for entertaining, private office w/French doors. Vaulted ceiling conservatory/rec room. Huge gourmet kitchen w/center island breakfast bar, granite counters, maple cabinetry & large breakfast room w/entertaining buffet. Open concept w/an expansive sun room & a family room, both off the kitchen. Cathedra ceiling family room w/fireplace & wall of windows. Vaulted ceiling master bedroom suite w/walk-in closet. Lavish master bath w/soaking tub under windows, stall shower & two sinks. All bedrooms are generously sized. Dual staircases. Paver patio. Three car garage. Tranquil yard. Automatic built-in generator.



JUST LISTED in Lebanon Township

7 Rolling Hills Way
4 Bedrooms, 2½ Baths
Offered at \$530,000

See the Visual Tour at www.JumpVisualTours.com/253131

Designed to take advantage of great views of preserved farmland this well-maintained Colonial sits on 3.41 acres in a desirable neighborhood. Open floor plan. Expansive great room. Large kitchen w/oak cabinetry & big breakfast area. Private 1st floor library. Mudroom w/pantries. 2nd floor laundry room. Master bedroom w/2 walk-in closets. Huge master bath w/Jacuzzi jetted tub & stall shower. All bedrooms are generously sized. Tons of updates- New roof & granite kitchen counter-tops (2017), stainless steel appliances (2016), energy efficient Bosch™ geothermal central heat/AC unit (2015) Andersen™ tilt-wash windows. Two porches. Garden. Country living by 1,100+ acres of county parkland but you still have easy access to shopping & commuting Rts. 57, 31, 78 & 80. Great schools including Blue Ribbon Voorhees High School.

2017 SOLD & UNDER CONTRACT Listings by Sharon Groben

Just SOLD!
66 Forge Hill Road
Lebanon Township
SOLD Price \$535,000

SOLD in 2017
494 W. Hill Road
Lebanon Township
SOLD Price \$435,000

SOLD in 2017
11 General Morgan Ln
Lebanon Township
SOLD Price \$632,000

SOLD in 2017
149 Hollow Brook Rd
Lebanon Township
SOLD Price \$555,000

SOLD in 2017
311 Turkey Top Rd
Lebanon Township
SOLD Price \$545,000

SOLD in 2017
314 Jeffrey Lane
Lebanon Township
SOLD Price \$520,000



LEBANON TOWNSHIP LAND FOR SALE! 23 Dewey Lane - \$85,900 - Approximately 3.01 Acres

- Located on a quiet country road
- Seasonal mountain views
- Bring your horses!
- Build your dream home
- Bordered by trees & hedgerows
- Circular gravel driveway in place
- Cleared, mostly level property
- Septic, well & electricity in place

Highly Likely to Recommend



- Local knowledge: ★★★★★
- Process expertise: ★★★★★
- Responsiveness: ★★★★★
- Negotiation skills: ★★★★★

My Latest Review— 10/12/2017

"We feel lucky to have found Sharon to guide us through the process of selling our home... She is honest, hard working, and very responsive. She put a lot of time and effort into marketing our home. She held many open houses and we had multiple offers within 6 weeks. If you are looking for a realtor to help you buy or sell a home, look no further, Sharon is the realtor you want to choose!"

Read all of my reviews at Zillow.com/profile/Sharon-Groben/#reviews



*in Lebanon Township for Dollar Volume & Individual Properties Sold in 2016. This representation is based in whole or in part on data supplied by the Garden State Multiple Listing Service, LLC ("GSMLS"). GSMLS does not guarantee nor is in anyway responsible for its accuracy. Data accurate as of 11/1/2017. Data maintained by GSMLS may not reflect all real estate activity in the market. If your home is currently listed with another broker, this is not intended as a solicitation of that listing.

SHARON GROBEN #1 AGENT IN LEBANON TOWNSHIP PRESENTS... *A Lebanon Township Showcase of Homes*



Offered at \$890,000

46 Pleasant Grove Road
4 Bedrooms, 3 Full Baths, 2 Half Baths
JumpVisualTours.com/227694

Stunning 4200 sq ft NEW CONSTRUCTION! Designed to take advantage of the unsurpassed panoramic views. Spectacular open & level 4 acres backing to Teetertown Ravine Nature Preserve. Impeccable stylish detailing. White oak flooring on both levels. Exquisite tile. Lavish baths. Expansive, open, flexible floor plan. Raised hearth gas fireplace. Porch. Gourmet kitchen w over-sized center island bar, quartzite counters, tile back-splash, entertaining buffet area & premium stainless steel appliances. Dual masters each have luxurious baths w air tubs & stall showers. 2nd floor master w large veranda. Huge recreation room w wall of windows. 2 laundry rooms. 2 staircases.



Offered at \$799,900

33 Woodland Heights Circle
5 Bedrooms, 5 Full Baths, 2 Half Baths
JumpVisualTours.com/227696

Expansive Colonial w separate 1st floor in-law suite. Gourmet kitchen w Plain & Fancy custom cabinetry, high-end stainless steel appliances & granite topped center island breakfast bar. Living & dining room w tray ceilings. Family room w floor to ceiling field-stone fireplace. Master bedroom w separate sitting room. Master bath has soaking tub & stall shower. All big secondary bedrooms including 2 w en-suite baths. In-law suite w kitchen, dining & living room w dual sided fireplace, bedroom & full bath. Office. Finished daylight walkout basement w full bath. Dual staircases. Sauna. Wrap around deck. Patio. In-ground pool. 5-acre view lot in cul de sac. 4-car garage.



Offered at \$499,900

167 Buffalo Hollow Road
4 Bedrooms, 2 Full Baths, 1 Half Bath
JumpVisualTours.com/245992

Pristine & updated! 1.54 acres w/stream adjacent to park. Rocking chair front porch. Hardwood floors. Large formal living & dining rooms. Kitchen w/oak cabinetry, tile backsplash, granite topped center island, desk area, pantry & sliders to rear deck. A granite topped bar between the kitchen & family room is perfect for entertaining. Cathedral ceiling family room w/wood-burning stove. Private office. Master bedroom suite w/two closets including a walk-in. Lavish master bath w/jetted tub, stall shower & skylight. All bedrooms have ample closet storage. Finished basement recreation room. Enjoy your private yard & babbling brook. Great location & commute.



Offered at \$425,000

16 Whiteoak Ridge Road
4 Bedrooms, 2 Full Baths, 1 Half Bath
JumpVisualTours.com/227697

Updated Colonial located in a convenient neighborhood. Large formal living room w over-sized window. Elegant dining room w bump out bay window. Renovated kitchen w custom cabinetry, quartz counters, decorative tile, pantry & sliding glass door to rear deck w pergola. Recently added between the kitchen and the family room is a Silestone topped breakfast bar that supplies additional seating & storage. Spacious vaulted ceiling family room has a brick wall w wood-burning fireplace. Master bedroom retreat w organized walk-in closet. Newer master bath w stall shower & beautiful tile. Finished basement recreation room. Private 1.5 acres with natural setting.



Offered at \$425,000

4 Spruce Run Road
3 Bedrooms, 2 Full Baths, 1 Half Bath
JumpVisualTours.com/234606

Own a piece of history! Original Parsonage w period detailing -pumpkin pine floors, pocket doors, moldings & high ceilings. Expanded & renovated w attention to detail. NEW SEPTIC just installed! Foyer w transom topped double entry doors & beautiful staircase. Living room w original ornate moldings, medallion, decorative marble surround fireplace & access to deck. Large room w bump out bay window, built-ins & pocket doors opening to kitchen is great for a formal dining room. Renovated kitchen w center island, granite counters, abundant cabinetry, garden window, subway tile & breakfast room w fireplace. Spacious vaulted beam ceiling family room addition. Master bedroom w 2 closets & bath. Mudroom. Wine cellar. Front porches. Expansive deck. Paver surround in-ground pool. Private, landscaped 1.66 acre property.



Offered at \$649,900

UNDER CONTRACT!
204 Meadow View Lane
4 Bedrooms, 2 Full Baths, 1 Half Bath



Offered at \$579,900

UNDER CONTRACT!
10 Dewey Lane
4 Bedrooms, 2 Full Baths, 1 Half Bath

For additional information, please contact Sharon Groben, cell 908-303-9385

Sharon is very pleased to welcome Patricia Croghan as her new assistant.

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Education



The Lebanon Township PTA is Working Hard to Improve the Quality of Education in our Community

The Lebanon Township PTA (LTPTA) is working hard to *Build Our CommYOU*nity. We provide enrichment beyond the classroom curriculum by funding activities and events like book fairs, author visits, theater week, assemblies, 8th grade dinner dance, 4th grade farewell, and much more. By supporting the LTPTA, you are supporting your school and your children.

Any local resident, at least 18 years of age or older, with an interest in supporting our schools, whether you have school-aged children or not, is welcome to join the PTA. By becoming a PTA member, you can connect with other parents, learn about important news and upcoming events, and have a voice in the programs we support. We are more than halfway to our goal of 300 members for the 2017-2018 school year. Dues are \$10 annually and you can download the membership form from our web site.

Throughout the year, we raise money through membership, fundraising and donations. Our new *Wildcats Out & About* events allow us to partner with local businesses by hosting a dining and/or shopping event where a portion of the sales are donated back to the LTPTA. This is a win-win for our

community. To find out about upcoming events and fundraisers, like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/LTPTA/, or visit us on the web at <http://lebtwppta.org/>.

Product Labels Committee Update

Attention Lebanon Township parents, teachers, grandparents, and anyone else who has helped to support our schools. Great job, everyone! Thanks for all the Box Tops you've submitted! Keep up the good work.



Clipping Box Tops is an easy way to help earn cash for our schools. Each one is worth 10¢ and it really adds up! Just look for the pink Box Tops logo on hundreds of products. All you have to do is clip them and send them to school. Last school year, we earned \$1074.00 for our school from Box Tops. This school year, our goal is to beat that number. Be on the lookout for competitions and an upgrade to the collection box at Valley View School. Collection boxes are available for your convenience at the Municipal Building, Bunnvale Library, Valley View School and a newly added box at Woodglen School. For more information on Box Tops, including a list of participating products, go to BTFE.com. Be sure to sign up as a member (it's free!) so you can check out our school's earnings details and get access to coupons and bonus offers.

Unfortunately, the Labels for Education program is coming to a close. Only UPCs with the Labels for Education logo will be accepted and redeemed for points. The deadline to submit UPCs is January 2, 2018. Only submissions with the barcode and logo will be counted. If you have any questions or are interested in joining the Product Label Committee, please contact Claudia Wenger at (908) 617-5119.

From Valley View School

KINDERGARTEN

If you have a child eligible for 2018-2019 kindergarten at Valley View School, call our office at (908) 832-2175 or email sunkel@lebtwpk8.org and include your child's name, birth date, mailing address, phone number, and parents' names. Valley View kindergarten is a full day program. Children must be five years old by October 1, 2018. We are in the process of developing our kindergarten census with registration packets scheduled to be mailed in March.



PRESCHOOL

The Lebanon Township School District offers a preschool program for children ages 3 and 4. There are a limited number of

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spaces given out by a lottery drawing. The lottery drawing for the 2018-2019 preschool will be held at the February 2018 Board of Education Meeting. Updated application forms and general information will be available starting in January.


The morning session is from 8:40 AM to 11:10 AM and the afternoon session is from 12:30 PM to 3:00 PM. A teacher certified in both general and special education teaches the classes, assisted by paraprofessionals. All children must be toilet trained prior to entrance into the program and parents are responsible for transportation to and from the program and tuition.

LTEF Launches 100 Squared Campaign

The Lebanon Township Education Foundation (LTEF) has launched its annual 100 Squared Campaign. The premise is simple - 100 donations of \$100 will yield \$10,000 for our schools and community education. All contributions are tax deductible and assist the foundation in making great things happen in our classrooms and schools.

2017 highlights include a new Audio Visual system at Valley View School, IPADs for Kindergarten technology stations and a STEM assembly for 4th graders hosted by Da Vinci Science Center!

LTEF has funded major capital improvements including the Valley View School playground and the Woodglen School sport court. We are continually adding new classes and courses to our community education calendar. For donation information or volunteer opportunities, please visit the LTEF website at ltefuture.org.



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Recycling

Recycling News

Not only is recycling the right thing to do, it is also the law in New Jersey. Hunterdon County and Lebanon Township work together to try to make recycling convenient. Please check the recycling page of the Hunterdon County website, www.co.hunterdon.nj.us/recycling.html, for information about special county hazardous waste and electronics recycling events.



For residential recycling, materials are accepted at each of the following locations:

1. The township recycling depot on the third Saturday of each month between 8:30 and 11:30 AM behind the Municipal Building.
2. The county residential recycling program at the Transfer Station in Annandale. The hours at the transfer station are 7:00 AM to 4:30 PM Monday through Friday and 7:00 AM to 1:00 PM on Saturday.

ITEMS ACCEPTED FOR RECYCLING:

- **Aluminum cans:** Only empty beverage cans will be accepted. Other aluminum items WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
- **Cardboard, chipboard & brown paper bags:** Corrugated, chipboard (boxboard) and brown paper bags will be accepted. Cardboard should be tied or placed in another cardboard container (box). Cardboard with food or food residue WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
- **Glass bottles and jars:** Food and beverage container glass with rings and caps removed will be accepted. All containers MUST be emptied and rinsed. Cups, drinking glasses, dishes, ovenware, window glass, lead crystal, TV tubes, light bulbs, mirrors or any other type of glass product WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
- **Hard covered books**
- **Junk mail & office paper:** Un-shredded junk mail and office paper will be accepted. Junk mail and office paper should be tied or placed in a cardboard container (box). Shredded or bagged junk mail and office paper WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
- **Newspaper:** Newspaper tied with string or twine will be accepted. Newspaper bound in tape or other materials WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
- **Paperback books**
- **Plastics bottles # 1-7:** Plastic bottles # 1-7 that originally contained liquids are accepted. All containers MUST be emptied and rinsed.
- **Telephone books**
- **Tin and bi-metal cans:** Are accepted if all food and other residue have been removed. Labels do not have to be removed.

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Community News

CHANGEWATER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Pastor Sarah Borgstrom and husband Josh Lee welcomed a new baby boy in October. We look forward to Pastor Sarah's return from leave on December 17, 2017

Church answering machine: (908) 689-6605

WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US FOR WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS AT 9:00 AM

SPIRITUAL THURSDAYS

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

November 16 and December 21, 2017

January 18, 2018

Adversity in personal or family lives, and troubling news of natural disasters and political strife in the world can heavily influence how many feel during the holidays. The best solution to all our difficulties is with God. The doors of our Church will be open to everyone searching for peace, comfort, and solace. The atmosphere at the church is designed to be helpful in relieving stress, anxiety and sadness through individual prayer, at a time when it is needed most.

Making a spiritual connection with God, in your own way, can be powerful. Visitors are welcome to stay for five minutes, fifteen minutes or the entire hour depending on their particular needs. There is no formal service, no collection is taken. We encourage you to visit.

BLUE CHRISTMAS

7:30 pm

Monday, December 18, 2017

This short, structured service, designed to acknowledge grief and sadness during the Christmas season, will include hymns, scripture readings and a homily, and is for those who are having difficulties with the holiday season.

For so many, Christmas is a time of hopeful anticipation. It is a season of promise. But, with the longer nights and the gray clouds, for many people, Christmas is a harsh reminder of a life that once was. The gathering aims to carve out a time of quiet reflection to shed tears if they come, to hold hands if needed, and to know that we are not alone. Whether this is the first Christmas without a loved one, or if it seems you are hurting from a loss for as long as you can remember, this service is a reminder that it is okay to mourn, even at Christmas. It is a service to remind us that God is always the answer.

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Morning Worship 9:00 AM

Joyous Evening Candlelight Service 8:00 PM

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AMPHIBIANS: AESTIVATION AND HIBERNATION

By Doug Diehl

All animals need to adapt to difficult conditions. Amphibians, such as frogs and salamanders, are cold blooded with little ability to protect themselves from exposure to extreme hot or cold and to dehydration. Aestivation is summer low activity or sleep during hot, dry conditions. Hibernation is low activity or sleep during the winter.

Salamanders will aestivate by burrowing themselves under leaves on a forest floor. The leaves or soil tends to keep moisture from evaporating from their bodies and stabilizes their body temperature while hiding from predators.

Winter demands a more elaborate action where burrowing must be deeper into the substrate to get below cold or freezing conditions. In the case of frogs, it may be a bottom of a pond.

As winter begins to turn to spring, wake up and migration to vernal pools and ponds takes place. This is the beginning of a new life cycle for such amphibians as spotted salamanders, marbled salamanders and a small frog called the spring peeper. When we hear the spring peeper call, we know early spring is here.





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Community News

Cub Scout Pack 92 Launches their *Adopt-A-Soldier* Community Service Project

On Tuesday, September 19, 2017, during the Pack Meeting of Lebanon Township’s Cub Scout Pack 92, Cubmaster Matt Walls launched the *Adopt-a-Soldier* community service project. William “Bill” Gooley and Thomas “Tom” Carpenter from the High Bridge American Legion Post 188 gave a speech about the history of the High Bridge American Legion Post, their time serving in the military and the importance of honoring our soldiers and veterans. The Pack will be adopting four soldiers; two are locals that attended our schools and two were given to us by the American Legion Post. The Scouts will be sending letters, pictures and care packages throughout the year to each soldier. These packages will consist of basics such as dental floss, instant coffee, puzzles, and snacks.

In Pack 92, our scouts learn all the great values inherent to Cub Scouting: duty, responsibility, confidence, and more! We do this through fun, educational and values-minded events such as museum sleepovers, family campouts, plus our civic-minded service projects: food drives, community clean-ups and now, the *Adopt-a-Soldier* program. To learn more about the *Adopt-a-Soldier* program, please contact Nicole Walls, Assistant Cubmaster, at (908) 832-2811 or by email at Nicki2125@hotmail.com. For more information about Cub Scout Pack 92, please visit our website at <https://lebanontownship92.mypack.us>.



William “Bill” Gooley, pictured above, and Thomas “Tom” Carpenter, pictured below, of High Bridge American Legion Post 188 address Cub Scout Pack 92.





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Tom McKee	(908) 638-5020	mckee@lebtwp.net
Mike Schmidt, Deputy Mayor	(908) 537-9496	schmidt@lebtwp.net
Brian Wunder	(908) 832-2042	wunder@lebtwp.net

<u>MEETINGS</u>	
Meetings held at the Municipal Building unless otherwise specified	
Township Committee	7:00 PM 1st & 3rd Wed
Board of Health	6:30 PM 1st Wed as needed
Planning Board	7:00 PM 1st Tues
Board of Adjustment	7:30 PM 4th Wed
Environmental and Open Space Commission	7:00 PM 3rd Mon
Park Committee	7:00 PM 2nd Mon
Agricultural Advisory Board	7:00 PM 2nd Mon
Recreation Commission	7:30 PM 1st Thurs
Library Committee	7:30 PM 2nd Wed at the Library
Historians	7:00 PM 2nd Thurs at the Museum

<u>FIRE - POLICE - EMS</u>	
Police Emergency	911
Police Dispatch	(908) 638-8515
Chief, Jack Gale	(908) 638-8516
Office Manager, Kathy Goracy	(908) 638-8516
Emergency Medical Services	911
Fire Department Emergency	911
Chief, James Crampton	(908) 638-4550
Fire Official, Gary Apgar	(908) 638-8523
Open Burn Fire Permit (Andover Forestry Off.)	(973) 786-6350
Office of Emergency Management	
Coordinator, Alan Goracy	(908) 832-7158
Tewksbury Township Municipal Court	(908) 832-7684
Hunterdon County Board of Health	(908) 788-1351

<u>SCHOOLS</u>		
Valley View School	Grades K – 4	(908) 832-2175
Woodglen School	Grades 5 – 8	(908) 638-4111
Voorhees High School	Grades 9 –12	(908) 638-6116

<u>TOWNSHIP CONTACTS</u>			
Township Clerk, Registrar of Vital Statistics	Karen Sandorse	(908) 638-8523 x11	
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Tax Collector	Mary Hyland	(908) 638-8523 x15	Hours: Wed & Fri 8:00 AM-4:30 PM
Assessor	Laura Whitaker	(908) 638-8523 x17	Hours: Wed 8:00 AM-4:30 PM
Planning Board Clerk & Board of Adjustment Secretary	Gail Glashoff	(908) 638-8523 x22	
Recycling Coordinator	Joann Fascenelli	(908) 638-8523 x19	
Zoning Officer	John Flemming	(908) 638-8523 x20	Hours: Mon & Wed 1:00 PM-4:00 PM
Animal Control	Police	(908) 638-8516	
Department of Public Works	Warren Gabriel	(908) 537-2850	
Recreation Commission	Maria Naccarato		Email: recreation@lebtwp.net
EOS Commission / Green Team	Adam Duckworth		Email: lebtwspeosc@gmail.com / LTGreenTeam@gmail.com
Webmaster & Newsletter	Karen Newman		Email: karennewman@embarqmail.com
Bunnvale Library		(908) 638-8884	Hours: Wed 1:00-8:00, Thurs & Fri 9:00-5:00, Sat 9:00-2:00
Township of Lebanon Museum at New Hampton		(908) 537-6464	Hours: Tues & Thurs 9:30 AM-5:00 PM, Sat 1:00-5:00 PM
Hunterdon County Transfer Station		(908) 236-9088	
Construction Office, Christy Hoffman Farm, 108 Rt 512, Califon, NJ 07830		(908) 832-5552	Hours: Mon-Fri 8:30 AM-4:00 PM
For scheduling use of the Municipal Building Meeting Rooms or reserving the Memorial Park pavilion or fields, contact the Municipal Building at 638-8523 x10.			

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<i>Calendar</i>		
<u>December</u>	<u>January</u>	<u>February</u>
3 - Tree Lighting and Visit with Santa	13 - Fire & Ice Winter Festival	1 - Deadline for Spring Newsletter
9 - Museum Holiday Party	14 - Fire Department Pancake Breakfast	9 - Dinner and a Movie
10 - Fire Department Pancake Breakfast	20 - Recycling	11 - Fire Department Pancake Breakfast
16 - Recycling		17 - Recycling

<i>Newsletter Notes</i>		
Publishing Schedule		Advertising Costs
Winter	Dec, Jan, Feb	Deadline for input Nov 1
Spring	Mar, Apr, May	Deadline for input Feb 1
Summer	Jun, Jul, Aug	Deadline for input May 1
Fall	Sep, Oct, Nov	Deadline for input Aug 1
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