



FUN AT TOWN PICNIC
By local artist, Joyce Levine

GLANCE AT 2010...

a very good year for the Township of Washington!

Costs were reduced and revenues were increased as much as possible to balance a loss of state aid (\$184,000), an increase in storm-related costs and damages, increases of 12-23% in contracts for leaf removal and recycling, and increases in utilities.

Being frugal has its rewards. The administrator and treasurer scrutinized the 2010 budget and prepared a resolution canceling approximately \$137,000 from that budget so that it can be used for 2011. The Council agreed and passed the resolution. Preparing the budget for 2011 will be a tough nut to crack due to 15-17% increase in health coverage, increase in pension costs, a reduction in valuation, more tax appeals, and a lesser tax collection rate.

BUDGET

Acting Administrator Lilly Chin instituted a new budget process using the Edmunds Management System, our municipal financial accounting software. The new process is more efficient by providing actual expenditures from the previous year which helps in analyzing accounts for potential savings or reorganization. We continue to use the zero-based budget approach.

RECYCLING

Due to your diligence in recycling especially paper, the Township received a rebate of \$55,952.24 for 2010. This far exceeds the \$23,364.99 we received for 2009. With expenses constantly rising, it is important to increase our revenue stream where possible. Keep recycling!

DISPOSAL

Greenstar Recycling donated three document shredding events and one electronic recycling event including the trained personnel to operate the equipment. These events were so successful that in 2011 we will continue with the document shredding and add more electronic recycling events, all donated again by Greenstar. Not only will this benefit the environment, but help you comply with the e-waste recycling law that went into effect January 1, 2011, which requires residents to recycle computers, monitors, and TVs. The law does not cover mice, keyboards, cell phones, answering machines, and other small electronics. Currently, however, you can bring all your e-waste to Westwood's recycling center as arranged by the shared services committee of Councilmen Hrbek and Cascio and myself.

TAX BILLS

In the past, the printing of our tax bills was outsourced. In 2010, Acting Administrator Lilly Chin implemented a plan to print them through the Edmunds System, saving approximately \$4,000 each time tax bills are printed at the town.

GRANTS

Acting Administrator Lilly Chin worked with the Pascack Valley Administrators to apply for an increase in Community Development funds for Senior Citizen activities. They were successful in getting an additional \$1,900.

One year ago Councilman Fred Goetz and I were sworn into office with enthusiasm and the promise of working together with the Administration to make changes to the Township and bring with us, much needed new ideas. We had big hopes such as the continued progress from the old council to bring a much needed cell tower to the Township, implementing shared services with surrounding towns, bringing back and introducing family activities for our residents, and getting a professional Administrator to help run the town on a daily basis - just to name a few, and some of our works are now finally becoming a reality. We also hope over the next 3 more years to do much more.

We, along with Rich Hrbek, Glen Beckmeyer, and Steve Cascio of the Council, would like to continue to improve our fields, increase our recreation programs, and implement more "green" solutions along with many other ideas. Most importantly we want to hear from the residents to see what they would like to see improved, change or applied in the Township. Some of our ideas are becoming reality and others have been running into obstacles, but we remain steadfast to make the Township a better place to live and offer all possible services that many other surrounding towns offer.

The Council is committed to the Township of Washington and will continue to do its best for our residents. We have an obligation to the residents of this town that elected us to do the right thing. We believe everyone in the Township has a voice and we encourage new faces to come to our meetings and voice their concerns, support, and complaints, and along with the regulars that attend, make us aware of any new situations. Our council meetings this year have been mostly marathon sessions with a few of the same residents stressing their opinions on some of the same issues. We do appreciate everyone's input, but understand; we as a Council, as I said, were elected to do what the Council feels is right for the people of this municipality. Five or ten people cannot show us public opinion, so we need our citizenry to get more involved. We will have some old issues and some new issues that will be introduced this year, and we are sure they will not be easy issues to deal with, but it will be in the best interest of the town to move forward and give the town the change it needs.

The budget for 2011 will be difficult and we will be looking at what is in the best interest for our residents in keeping our taxes low. We will go line by line and eliminate any unnecessary or frivolous spending. We are a little bit wiser than last year and will make sure all departments receive equal cuts if need be. We all need to remember, it is better that a team runs the town like a business, and a business that succeeds comes from a team effort.

I hope everyone had an enjoyable holiday and we look forward to 2011.

*Thank you,
Joe D'Urso
2010 Council President*

*And your council
Rich Hrbek
Glen Beckmeyer
Fred Goetz
Steve Cascio*

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In addition, Mrs. Chin worked extremely hard to apply for a Clean Energy Program Grant and an Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant. She was successful in getting both which means that the Township will complete approximately \$83,000 of projects for \$13,000 due to the \$50,000 NJCEP and the \$20,000 EECBG. The projects include replacing the broken air conditioning system at the firehouse and furnaces at the Ambulance Corps and Road Department.

Mrs. Chin's "energy" didn't stop there because she is now applying for another energy grant for 2011. She deserves a thank you for all the work involved in meeting with the representatives to inspect all the buildings, completing the paperwork, and working with the departments to accomplish the goals.

CELL TOWER

The contract was awarded to Verizon with AT&T and T-Mobile as the three carriers at this point. There are still some issues of placement at the location and tower design. Hopefully, they will be resolved very soon and tower will become a reality in late spring of 2011.

WEBSITE

Heather A. Henry, website manager, designed our new and improved website which launched on August 18, 2010. Highlights include a Colonial theme adhering to our Township history, organizational and functional improvements, grouping of relevant links, a rotating slideshow presenting seasonal images from the Township, and a Google based search engine that provides better access to specific information and improved navigation. For later this year, Mrs. Henry will be adding subsites and *communitypass*, an online sign up for recreation programs. Also, she is setting up an e-read notification system; see the website for details on how to register for community updates.

OEM (OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT)

The Office of Emergency Management was expanded to include a committee of residents who have knowledge and/or skills in related areas such as communications, emergency services, public safety, health, utilities, etc. At the organizational meeting,

OEM Director William Cicchetti discussed goals and objectives, various certifications for members, duties, and possible establishment of a CERT, Community Emergency Response Team.

Currently, one of the main responsibilities of the OEM deputies, Sgt. John Smith and Corporal Reo Fasciano is to gather information and prepare reports on various storms and provide the information to the state OEM and/or to FEMA (Federal Emergency Management) for statistical purposes and to qualify for expense reimbursement. We will be receiving \$39,537 for costs incurred during the no-name hurricane of March 12-17, 2010. Yes, it does take a long time to reimbursed—better late than never!

POLICE DEPARTMENT

After more than 40 years of service to the Township, William Cicchetti, our 4th police chief, retired on May 1, 2010, earlier than expected to save the Township approximately \$80,000. He subsequently became Director of the Police Department and is using his knowledge, expertise, and commitment to the Township to work with the new chief.

On October 12, 2010, Randy B. Ciocco became the 5th chief of the Police following Chiefs Bill Beppler, Chet Johnson, Justin Georgetti, and Bill Cicchetti. It has been a 37-year journey for Randy Ciocco starting as a patrolman in 1973 to a detective, detective sergeant, lieutenant, captain, and now Chief of the Department.

His arrival at this position presents a new world of challenges to him and a new chapter in the history of the department and of the community as Chief Ciocco takes on this important leadership role in the 21st Century. As acting chief last year, he already demonstrated very well his ability to be chief by improving communication with the public including more press releases and a Twitter page that can be found at www.twitter.com/washtwppolice; being proactive in dealing with situations; raising expectations; and reducing the number of regular overtime hours from 4,406 in 2009 to 3,300 in 2010. Chief Ciocco has a realistic view of the pressures of today's economy and the demands to do more with less.

DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL FACILITIES

Under the leadership of Director Chris Riedel and

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Superintendent Bobby Hamilton the Road Department was well prepared to handle whatever came their way. The members did an excellent job keeping our streets “snow free” in the three major snowstorms of February 10, February 25/26, and December 26/27, 2010. They also kept us “afloat” during the devastating no-name hurricane that lasted from March 12 through March 17, 2010. Let us not forget the windstorm of May 8, drought watch of August 4, flash flooding of August 22, and Hurricane Earl on September 2/3.

Several factors helped to accomplish the goal: teamwork, strategizing before storms to formulate a game plan, use of ice-begone (green salt) because of its staying power, brining, a new Smithco sweeper and blower that can rake up even the smallest amount of debris on the fields, and a new multifunctional pickup truck that has been invaluable in the recent snowstorms.

In addition, the Road Department worked very hard to meet the needs of Town Day and other municipal events including Memorial Day Parade, 9/11 Memorial Service, Tree Lighting, and Veteran’s Day Service.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS AND INFORMATION

Dina Burke, new director of Public Affairs and Information, did an excellent job on Town Day including designing the field layout on CAD, developing the project plan, selecting food vendors, working to get insurance for rides, scheduling the entertainment, getting sponsor signs printed, and working with the police for children’s fingerprinting. Her energy and enthusiasm is second to none. Dina worked with Heather A. Henry as the new website was “under construction.” This involved much time and effort on both their parts and has certainly improved communication and contact with the community.

In terms of *The Citizen* newsletter, Dina was thrilled that the organizations and departments were so interested in submitting information. As a matter of fact, each of the two editions had 12 pages! I thank the residents who sent us pictures of various storms and events—I really appreciate and look forward to more participation. Also, we received many comments on the improved format, graphics, original artwork, features, and pertinent information. Good job, Dina.

TOWN DAY

There was no larger undertaking than Town Day 2010. What a great success—what a lot of work! The volunteerism and participation was phenomenal. Committee members worked day and night for three months to organize everything but it was worth every minute of it as we watched nearly 2,000 residents enjoying the day. Memories from that day are presented later in this *Citizen*. The generosity of our sponsors especially Oritani Bank plus a very resourceful committee made Town Day affordable. Residents and businesses have already pledged support for 2011. If you are interested in helping this year, please contact Bernadette at 201-664-4404. You will be glad you did!

RECREATION

Judy Monocky, Director, and Margaret Koesel, Superintendent, worked hard to enhance recreation. Township programs exceeded our expectations with enrollments of 307 in summer recreation, 176 in lacrosse, 72 in wrestling, 364 in basketball, 74 in traveling basketball, 139 in football, 104 in cheerleading, 70 in men’s basketball, and 130 in men’s over 35 softball. We share the teen center and a special needs program with Westwood. Baseball, softball, and soccer are run by independent groups. Coaches from the football program worked with volunteers and the Road Department to make improvements at Memorial Field.

I am sure that you heard the great news that our junior football team won the NBJFL Super Bowl on November 20, 2010, by beating Paramus 21-14. What a game...and what an accomplishment! The team made history by winning the first super bowl game ever in more than 30 years of Township recreation. The junior team composed of 5th and 6th graders had a “believe” motto that took them to victory. My motto is, “Let’s do it again next year.”

GOLDEN SENIORS

Members of the Golden Seniors spent months collecting and organizing items for a Garage Sale to raise money for scholarships and a donation to the ambulance corps. It was a lot of work. They also collected and delivered items all year for a food pantry. About 24 members volunteered to sponsor games at Town Day; the bean bag toss, ring toss,

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breaking balloons with darts and ping pong ball toss game were big hits. Over 175 happy gold fish found new homes that day.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

This department actually had two new directors last year. Dr. Steven Cascio was appointed director in January but resigned several months later to be appointed to a vacated council seat. At that point, Michelle Beltram, a member of the Board of Health, became its Director.

Dan Levy, health officer, implemented the H1N1 flu program supported by a federal grant. In addition, he spent a lot of time inspecting various properties for violations and issuing summonses where necessary.

AMBULANCE CORPS

The Ambulance Corps answered 796 calls in 2010; they are always there for us. They participated in every event we had, raised funds to run the corps, helped in every storm, provided oxygen, and went to certification classes to keep abreast of current developments in medicine. Please put this volunteer group on your donation list if you can—they certainly deserve it!

FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Fire Department answered 285 calls in 2010; they are always there for us. They participated in every event we had, raised funds to sponsor events and purchase items, responded to fire and other emergency calls including using the Jaws of Life in auto accidents, answered 35 calls in the no name

hurricane alone, and helped out in every storm. Please put this volunteer group on your donation list if you can—they certainly deserve it!

LIBRARY AND FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

The library continued to offer a varied collection, patron services, programs for children, and many informative and entertaining programs even though hours were reduced due to budget cuts. The Friends of the Library had several fundraisers such as book sales and membership drives to supplement programs and to enhance the library including Wii Gaming and the Children's Summer Programs.

GREEN TEAM

The Green Team held its first townwide cleanup last year on April 17 with some 30 volunteers "sprucing up" parks, fields, and open spaces. They also sponsored a booth at Town Day and are working to earn enough points for the township to become a Sustainable New Jersey Community.

WCTV

This volunteer group deserves a sincere thank you for all the time and effort they put into providing yet another avenue of communication to the public. In addition to taping major events such as Town Day, Memorial Day Parade, and Tree Lighting, they respond quickly to our request to post information or emergency notices.

Sincerely,
Janet Sobkowicz, Mayor

Mark Your Calendar ...

**This year the
School Budget Election is
Wednesday, April 27, 2011.**

Detailed information was sent to residents in the Cardinal Connection Newsletter. If you need to register to vote you can get a copy of the forms on the Township website at www.twpofwashington.us. You can select "Elections / Voting" from the menu on the left side. If you have any questions, you can contact Mary Ann Ozment, Elections Officer, at 201-664-4425 at the Town Hall.

SIGN UP FOR E-NOTICE

In an effort to provide up-to-date information on topics and events of interest to residents, the Twp. of Washington will now provide an on line subscription service that YOU control. This free "E-Notice" service will allow you to keep in touch with upcoming town events, alerts, traffic situations to name a few. Please take a minute to visit www.TwpofWashington.us and click on the **Join Our Email List** button located on the home page to sign up.

Thanks,
Heather A. Henry
Website manager

SNOW...

...from start to finish in 2010! As you recall, two major snowstorms blanketed our town on February 10 and February 25/26 in 2010. On December 26 and 27, a third snowstorm left some 20" of snow and drifts as high as seven feet. Or, was it the first significant storm of the 2010-2011 winter season? Either way, we met the challenge! Actually, the highest amount of snow recorded was in Rahway with 32 inches. According to the National Weather Service, this storm also generated a rare meteorological phenomenon known as thundersnow in which thunder and lightning occur concurrently



It has for the Road Department. They did an excellent job with snow removal, continuing to make improvements. They also go out to clear up any problem areas as necessary. Residents may have been upset with snow being plowed where they had already done driveways and walkways, but there was too much snow with nowhere to go. I want to thank our emergency services personnel including ambulance, fire, emergency management, police, and road department in dealing with the storms. They keep our community safe. I also want to thank the many individual residents who helped neighbors as necessary and/or helped to dig out fire hydrants. It shows the great community spirit that exists in the Township.



with the falling snow. On December 27 the storm had deepened to 961 millibars (28.4Hg), equal in pressure to that found in a Category 3 hurricane. In addition, there were dramatic, white-out conditions resulting from high winds measuring some 40 to 50 miles per hour, speed at which the snow fell, and lightness of the snow due to the cold temperatures. So much for the December 2010 blizzard. "It was very fast moving, and all its ferocity was mid-afternoon to the midnight hours," said Walter Drag, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Mount Holly.

Let us not forget that in between these snows we experienced a devastating hurricane that lasted from March 12 through 17, a windstorm on May 8, a heat spell in July that was the second hottest on record behind 1998, a drought watch in August, flash flooding on August 22, and Hurricane Earl in September!

...from start to finish in 2011? Two major snowstorms blanketed our town on January 7 and January 11/12, 2011. Sounds like a repeat performance. Does practice make perfect?



Photo by Pat Ryan

***When The Going Gets Tough,
The Tough Get Going!***

*Thank you,
Mayor Janet Sobkowicz*

RESIDENT INFORMATION FORM

For your convenience the police department has attached a Census Form in the Citizens. If you would like the police to maintain this information for emergency basis please fill out and return it to police headquarters at:

350 Hudson Ave, Attn: Sgt David Mino

All of the information provided is considered

sensitive and is used only as a tool to provide the best possible emergency services to the residents of the township. This information is submitted solely on a voluntary basis. If you have any questions or concerns as to the necessity of this information, please feel free to contact us a communitypolicing@washtwppolice.org.

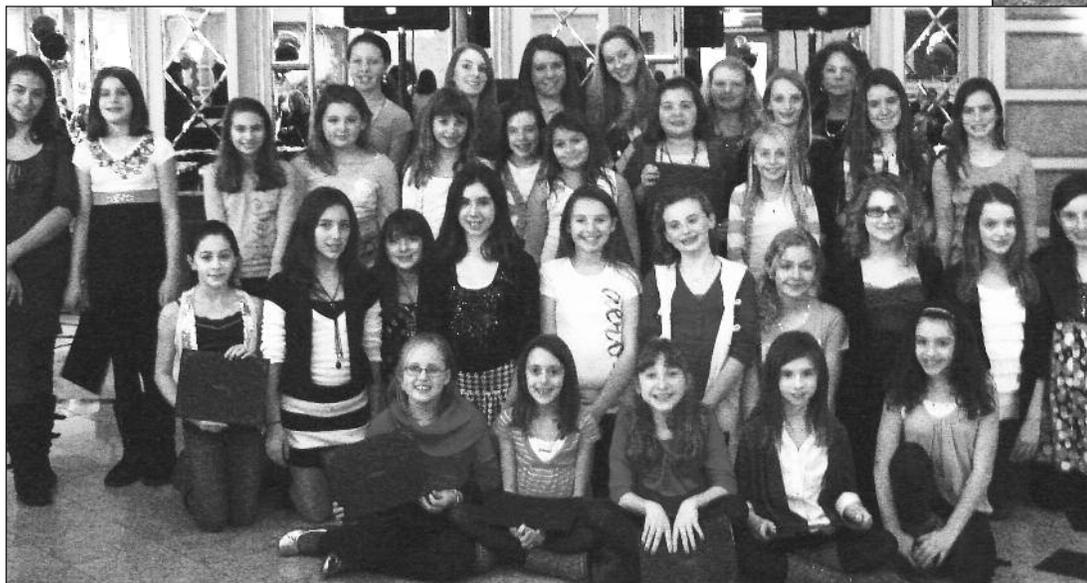
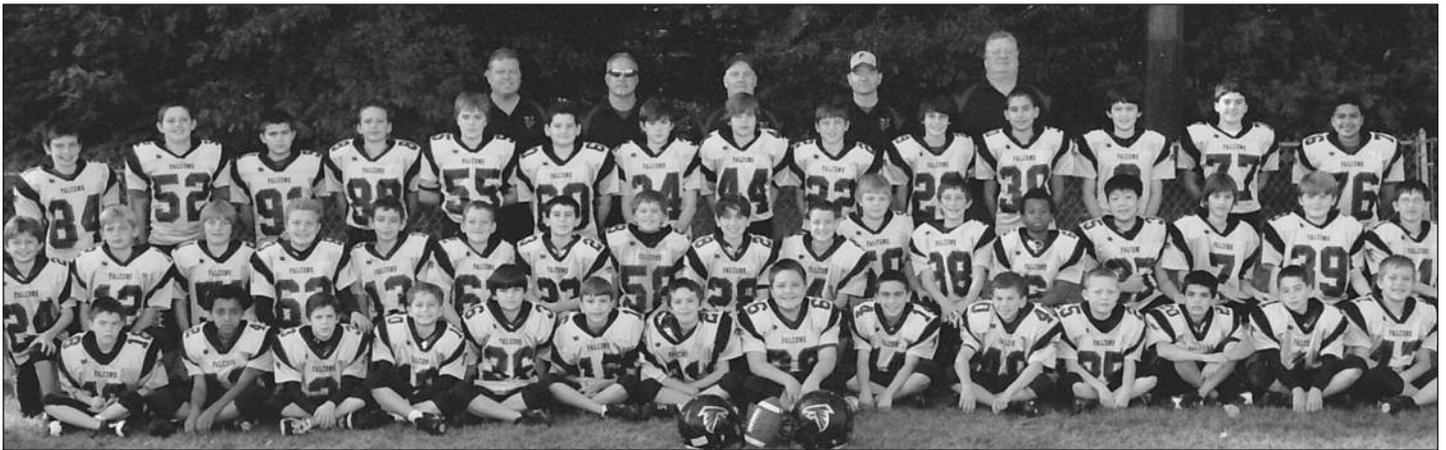
TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT -- RESIDENT CENSUS FORM			
Name:		Spouse's name:	
Address:		Phone Number:	
Ownership information (circle one): Resident: owns / rents this house.			
If resident rents, please list the owner's name, address, and phone number:			
All occupants:	Last name	First name	Date of birth AND age
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Emergency phone numbers (include residents work numbers, relatives, friends and neighbors):			
1) Name:	Home #:	Cell #:	
2) Name:	Home #:	Cell #:	
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4) Name:	Home #:	Cell #:	
ALARM INFORMATION: (FILL OUT ONLY IF YOU HAVE AN ALARM)			
ALL HOMES WITH AN ALARM MUST REGISTER ANNUALLY WITH THE POLICE DEPARTMENT			
Registration number:		Registration expiration date:	
Type of alarm (circle all that are applicable): Burglar / Fire / Medical Alert / Other:			
How is the Police Dept. notified when the alarm is activated? (circle all that are applicable):			
Dialer to Police HQ / Private agency notifies Police / Other:			
Miscellaneous alarm information:			
Medical information -Check here if no one in the house has any serious medical problems:			
List the names and medical problems of any household member who has a medical condition or is handicapped:			
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2) Name, medical condition:			
3) Name, medical condition:			
Miscellaneous medical information:			
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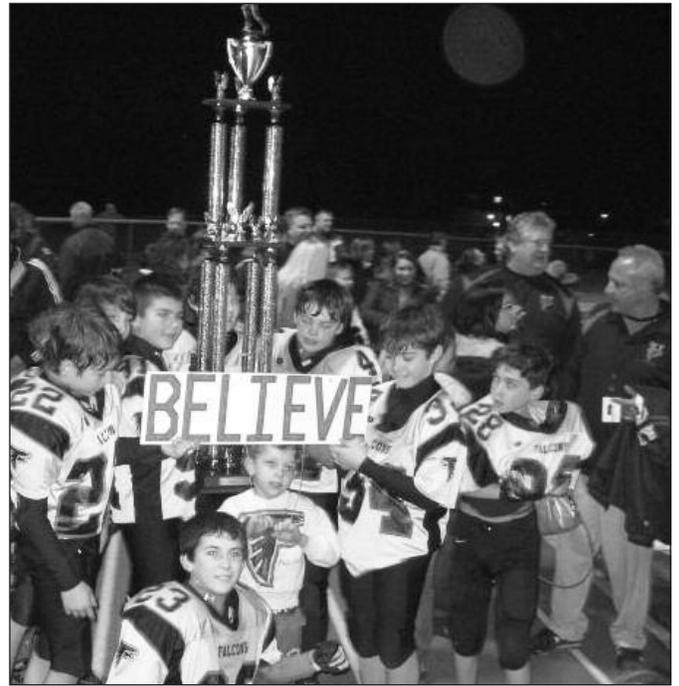
JUNIOR FALCONS WIN SUPER BOWL!

Congratulations to the Twp. of Washington Junior Falcons for beating Paramus 21-14 this past November in the 2010 NBJFL Super Bowl. For the first time in the 30+ year history of the recreation football program, the Junior Team brought the championship trophy home. With sheer determination, a team motto of "Believe" and an inspiring last minute David and Goliath story, these 5th & 6th graders rose to the occasion and played their hearts out. Being in the bleachers that night was quite an experience leaving most who attended without a voice from cheering so loud for their team. It was amazing to see the entire visitor side cheering section packed to capacity with friends and family all wishing our boys well. The celebration continued in

the weeks that followed with a float in Westwood's Home for the Holidays Parade and a live presentation ceremony on WCTV in which the Mayor presented each player and coach with a certificate of appreciation for their hard work and efforts through out the season. The boys continued to be cheered on as they had all season by the Falcon Junior Cheerleaders also in attendance that night. To top the evening off, the team was gifted a large banner commemorating the victory that is sure to be hung with pride in Falcon territory next season!

Sincerely,
Heather A. Henry
Website Manager





Believe

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE... GET INVOLVED!

We are looking for volunteers to help with our Memorial Day Parade. If you are interested in being a part of this important day, please attend our first meeting on Tuesday, February 22, at 7 p.m. in the 3rd floor conference at the Town Hall. If you would like to be on the committee but cannot make the first meeting, call Bernadette at 201-664-4404 to register. Hope to see you on February 22!

Convertible Cars and Antique Cars are needed. Please contact Bernadette at (201) 664 - 4404 if you can provide a car and/or drive in the parade.

Sincerely,
Dina Burke
Director of Public Affairs & Information

Mother Seton Council #5427 Knights of Columbus received the Star Council Award, which is recognition from the K of C Supreme Council in New Haven, CT. This award is given to Councils that have met their membership and insurance quotas and have at least four projects in all six service program areas. The service programs are: Church, Community, Council, Family, Respect for Life, and Youth. Mother Seton Council added 28 new members, had 30 projects, and donated \$37,000 to charity during the July 2009-June 2010 Columbian Year.

Our second annual Knights' Decathlon was held on Sunday, October 3, and it was a great success. A group of 18 adults and 10 kids participated in a variety of athletic events, which included basketball free throws, football and wiffleball toss, horseshoes, and closest-to-the pin golf. John Smyth defended his title as adult champion, and the brother and sister duo of Bobby and Madison Catherman tied for the kids' crown. The event was blessed with wonderful weather, and everyone had fun competing in the events while also enjoying the wonderful assortment of food and refreshments provided by Banquet Chairmen Bob Catherman and Steve Timpanaro. The event raised over \$400 for our charity fund.

Our annual Memorial Mass to remember our deceased brothers was held at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church on Sunday, November 7. The service included a solemn roll call of the deceased and musical accompaniment by the OLCG Choir. The Fourth Degree Color Corps provided escort services. Many families and friends of the Council's deceased members attended the mass and the brunch that followed at the K of C Hall. Thank you, Chairman Jack Kenney, who organized the event again this year.

A Charity Beefsteak Dinner was held on Friday night, December 10, at the council hall. A full house enjoyed the dinner that included appetizers of shrimp cocktail, Buffalo chicken wings, and baked stuffed clams, sliced filet mignon beefsteak (all you can eat), coffee or tea and dessert, and an open bar. The affair, organized by Bob Catherman and Steve Timpanaro, raised \$5,590 to support Hyundai Hope on Wheels helping kids fight cancer.

The Winter Food Drive to collect non-perishable food goods and personal hygiene items to help the needy through local food pantries took place on Saturday, December 11, 2010. Thanks to Chairman

Jim McPeak and all his volunteers who collected 200 bags of goods and also received \$200 in other donations. .

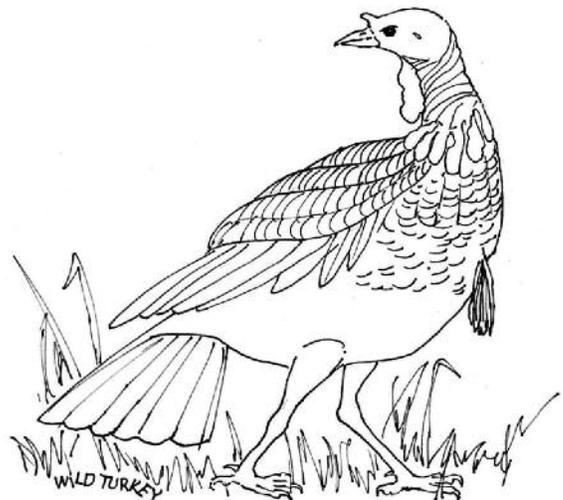
In the Christmas tradition of sharing, the council invited members of the local Chapter of ARC of Bergen County to join us for our annual Christmas Party for members and guests in the community on Sunday, December 12. ARC is devoted to promoting and improving services for people with developmental disabilities. The Christmas Party started at 1:00 p.m. with refreshments for everyone. Around 2 p.m. there was entertainment for the children, parents and grandparents for an hour or so. Following this activity was a very special arrival of Santa at 3 p.m. to distribute gifts to all the children. The Christmas atmosphere was all about as the K of C Christmas tree was decorated, seasonal music was in the air, the Yule logs were ablaze in both fireplaces, and food and refreshments were served. Thanks to Chairman Paul Elterlein for organizing the event.

Upcoming events in the new year include the Free Throw Contest on January 22, the Super Bowl Party on February 6, the Wine and Cheese Party on February 12, the ARC Canteen on March 4, and the St. Patrick's Party on March 11. We will issue press releases for all these events. You can also get all the details for these and all our other activities at our web site (www.kofc5427.org).

We will continue to issue press releases for all our K of C events, which are carried by Community Life, Pascack Press, the CATHOLIC Advocate, OLCG bulletin, WCTV, and the Township web site.

Jim Dugan, Past Grand Knight

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Picture by Local Artist Bob Todd

A FESTIVAL OF THANKS...

*you made our Family Festival a success
for approximately 2000 people!*



To The Committee Members... who worked countless hours designing, planning and putting this wonderful family event together.

Laura Bloch / Dina Burke / Lilly Chin / Cynthia Connelly / Kay Coppola / Victoria Dolan / Jim Dugan / Eugene Greco / Rick Hanley / Judy Monocky / Mary Anne Murphy / Mary Scherer / Tom Sears / Janet Sobkowicz / Gloria Switlyk / Carolyn Vinagre



To Joyce Levine... thank you for creating our Family Festival Logo.

Ambulance Corps... was there to do blood pressures and health awareness and volunteer their time for our residents.



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To the Entertainers/Presenters... who visited us to display their arts, knowledge, and skills.

Basketball Tournaments by Gerry Carretta / DJ Bill Phayre / DP Martial Arts, Westwood / Maywood Dance / Zumba by Linda Bliss Zumba by Stacie DeSena / Motorcycle Demonstration by Lt. Rich Skinner



Fire Department... who had many volunteers at the Fire Prevention booth and the smokehouse, made a financial contribution, and gave a lot of support.

To The Food Vendors... thank you for understanding when I asked you to give our residents food tasting for \$1 or less, for thinking outside the box and for being kind and generous.

Granita Grill, Westwood / Dairy Queen, Twp of Washington / Ice Scream Ice Cream, name change to, Sweets of Yesterday, Dumont / Blue Moon, Woodcliff Lake / Wing Lee, Twp of Washington / Quilly's, Fairlawn / Gyros & Goodies, Twp of Washington / BackWoods BBQ & Grill, Twp of Washington





Food Donations... thank you for your generosity and kindness.

Kettle Korn from Assemblyman Robert Schroeder, Twp of Washington / Diamond Rock Water, Ridgefield / Dunkin Donuts, Hillsdale Porky Products, Carteret

Information Booths... volunteers gave their time and effort to set up a booth, provide information, a friendly smile, some conversation and give-a-ways.

Bethany Church / Clearview Cinemas / Cub Scouts Pack 228 / Cub Scouts of America / Fantastic Sam's Salon / Girl Scout Troops 411, 415, 309, 1420, 1516 / George School PSO / Green Team / Life Savers, Inc / Middle School PSO / Sonia & Ben Aufiero Nutritional Products / National Honor Society HS / Oritani Bank / Project Graduation / Renee Kuhn Face Painting / Students for our Community Services / Twp of Washington Ambulance / Twp of Washington Fire Department / Twp of Washington Library / Twp of Washington Police Department / Washington School PSO / Westwood Washington Twp Education Foundation / Contemporary Woman's Club / Gilda's Club



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Knights of Columbus... volunteered to provide security and assistance during the entire event.

Raffles... Many residents and businesses donated raffle prizes and many residents took surveys to help improve the raffle next time. Yes, it will be re-designed, you will not need to stop what you are doing to come to the other side of the field to collect your raffle.

American Women / Amir Jewlery / Applebee's / Bacari Grill / Bagel Emporium / Bonefish Grill / Dog House Grill / Gabriella Hair Salon / Gold's Gym / Our very own Golden Seniors / Harold's Deli / I Ate at Rao's / Iron Horse / Kennedy's Kreation's / Learning Express / Nail Tree / Panera Bread / Rao's Restaurant, NY / Sanzari's New Bridge Inn / Sports Expert / Verizon Wireless

Road Department... thank you for everything from A to Z...bleachers, tables/chairs, electricity, measurements, setup and break down, keeping the area safe and clean, helping booths set up, hanging sponsors signs and much, much more!!!

Sponsors... were kind and generous in helping to make the Family Festival larger than originally possible.

Oritani Bank / PNC Bank / TD Bank / Approved Clinder Testing / Arrow Stationery / Azzolina & Feury Engineering / Bob Doxey / Buldo Sanitation / Burke Built Construction / D.C. Sports, Inc. / D. Gayle Loftis / Highway Traffic Supply / Lerch, Vinci & Higgins / Let it Grow / Marangi Waste industries / M&M Supplies / Quest Environmental / Ridgewood Press



T-Shirt Sponsor... De & De Athletics Wear did a great job working with a very frugal committee that wanted a design that would promote our logo and the generous businesses and organizations who paid to be represented on the shirt. It is a great reminder of the Festival throughout the year. T-Shirts are still available for \$5 at Town Hall.

Burke Built Construction, Inc. / Coldwell Banker, Ghada Abbasi / De & De Athletics Wear / Dr. Andrea Mattia, DDS / Greenstar Recycling / Hywel Plumbing & Heating / Let it Grow, Inc. / Men's Over 35 Softball League / Rain Flow Sprinklers / Stone Mill Contractors & Garden Center / Township of Washington Ambulance Corps. / Township of Washington Fire Department / Wildridge Getty



To our Volunteers... thank you for your time, energy and smiles as you helped our residents by answering questions and providing guidance throughout the sunny 5 hour day.

Neil Amentano / Sara Amentano / Joe Ayoubi / Glenn Beckmeyer / Ezio Bioletti / Frank Bottini / Tracey Brandenburg / Zac Braulin / Steve Cascio / Scott Clause / Cathy Cooke / Joe D'Urso / Jim Delaney / Carol Dixon / Terry Dunn / Vic Fadini / Lori Farquhar / Donna Fuscaldo / Kyle Felte / Ryan Felte / Katie Fisher / Rania Fragoso / Irene Fraser / Grace Fulco / Bernadette Galli / Stephanie Gaudelli / Barbara Geiger / Deb Gehringer / Grace Girgis / Sam Girgis / Fred Goetz / Julissa Gomez / Mike Hess / Mark Holmes / Richard Hrbek / Erica Huber / Suzanne Huber / Jennifer Imperial / Tim Imperial / Pastor John James / Susie James Fran Karabin / Jack Kenney / Kevin Lawton / Sherina Leu / Robert Leu / Anne Li / Jim Maloney / Mary Mazze / Bridget McGlone / Ken McKim / Diane McKim / June McManus / Jim McPeak / Bob Meier / Jane Meier / Ben Mena / Marie Miller / Rich Miras / Aura Mooreman / Mike Moriarity / John Murphy / Emi Naitubu / Josephine Padovano / E.J. Padula / Scott Parker / Cecilia Pawlowski / Jerry Rider / Loretta Rigg / Lauren Rigg / Jill Robinson / Edward Robinson / Rebecca Roy / Susan Saitzyk / Julia Scherer / L-Roy Scherer / Lianna Scherer / Mary Scherer / Rita Sehn / Becky Silverstein / Delores Snyder / Clara Sobkowicz / Jodi Stellacci / Fran Sullivan / Fuga Uluiviti / Betsy Varughese / Bliss Varughese



Photos by Russ Voss



WCTV... Emily Kratzer, Fred Voss, and Russell Voss did video interviews and took pictures so we can remember this event.

Website... Heather A. Henry constantly updated our website so residents would know about the activities as well as whether we were having the Festival, since the weather two days before consisted of long heavy days of rain.

George Washington... Our very own Vito Trause dressed up as George Washington and made the Festival so festive. He made a lot of people smile.

Hope everyone enjoyed themselves!

Sincerely,

Dina Burke

Director of Public Affairs and Information

HUMC NORTH

As you may have heard, Hackensack University Medical Center (HUMC) adopted a new strategy in their quest to reopen the Pascack Valley Hospital—they filed a petition with the NJ Department of Health for a certificate of need to operate a new hospital at the location of the old Pascack Valley Hospital. The Township Council passed a resolution supporting this effort. If you are also interested in supporting the HUMC North, you may write to Commissioner Poonam Alaigh at the address below. Please send a copy of your letter to Bernadette Pomykala at Town Hall, 350 Hudson Avenue, Township of Washington, NJ 07676. If you have any ideas, comments, or suggestions, please let us know.

Thank you, Janet Sobkowicz, Mayor

Poonam Alaigh, MD, MSHCPM, FACP
Commissioner of NJDHSS
Department of Health and Senior Services
P.O. Box 360
Trenton, NJ 08625-0360

GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARDS

Gina Boylan



Gina Boylan grew up in Washington Township. She is a senior at Westwood Regional Jr. Sr. High School and is involved in volleyball, and various school clubs. She has been a Girl Scout since she was a Daisy in troop #1144. The Gold Award is the highest accolade a Girl Scout can earn, and only 12% of all eligible scouts attain it. This project requires over 65 hours of leadership, dedicated exclusively towards your specific project. For her Girl Scout gold award project she chose to work with the girls from Bergen Center for Child Development. This was an amazing experience to be giving someone else an opportunity to become girl scouts themselves. These girls face daily developmental challenges and struggle to achieve success. Over the past fifteen months, 17 girls from BCCD ages 10-19 became girl scouts, and earned badges, and participated in team building and experienced valuable life skills.

The New Jersey Girl Scout Council approved her project almost immediately.” It was my girl’s enthusiasm, interest, and dedication that motivated me,” said Gina.” She mirrored her own troop and established and implemented all Girl Scout policies, followed the Girl Scout laws, and established leadership by showing good examples. Gina’s Girl Scout troop became more responsible and confident through new and rewarding experiences and her troop soared to new horizons.

The girls from BCCD are overjoyed and delighted to be Girl Scout of America. “I felt so inspired by their positive feedback and their parents too were so appreciative and thankful for this wonderful opportunity” Gina said. During the past year Gina has scheduled her meetings to incor-

porate her troop to work with each individual at their level to accomplish tasks. “This experience has been very rewarding” she said. I have seen firsthand how representing Girl Scouts can transform people and make lasting positive impressions. “I have made a difference in the lives of these wonderful girls” Gina said. The girls at BCCD smile and feel more confident. “Girls Scouts taught me everything I know and I was able to use my leadership skills to give back to the community. Over the past 13 years Gina’s co leaders, Pat Cassidy and Annette De Sciora have shown great leadership, dedication, and support for their entire troop#1144. She thanks them for utmost time and volunteerism. Gina visits Bergen Center frequently and plans to keep in touch while in college.

Jillian Atchue



Jillian Atchue of the Township of Washington has earned her Girl Scout Gold Award. Jill’s project was all about helping senior citizens do things that may be easy for most of us, but a challenge for them. Her 65 plus hours included everything from cleaning out closets to feeding Alzheimer’s patients. Her goal was to help 40 to 50 people and she and her team of volunteers have well surpassed that goal. The project has long since been completed but her work goes on. She spends as much of her free time as possible with her new friends at a local assisted living facility with the reminiscence residents. Jill intends to major in Social Work in college. Jill has all great memories of growing up in scouts. Trips, meetings, and many good times. When asked what scouts meant to her, she replied, “Girl Scouts has taught me so much about life, people, and myself.”

TOWNSHIP GIRL SCOUTS COMPLETE GOLD AWARD PROJECTS



Michelle Chin

Michelle Chin, a girl scout from Township of Washington Troop 1041 and a 2010 graduate of Immaculate Heart Academy, earned her Gold Award this past September. For her project, Michelle created a website and booklet dedicated to nutrition, fitness and health tips for college students and their families. As a high school student transitioning to college, Michelle felt that this first year could be a very stressful period, so she researched relevant issues, interviewed experts in the various fields and also interviewed current college students to compile this very useful information. Her project has been on display at IHA and the Township of Washington Library. Her website is <https://sites.google.com./site/collegenutritionandhealthtips/> and her booklet is called "College Survival Tips: Nutrition, Health, and Wellbeing".

Emily Abrams

Emily Abrams, a girl scout from Township of Washington Troop 1041 and a 2010 graduate of Ridgewood High School, earned her Gold Award this past September. For her project, Emily felt it was important to highlight the life experiences and good advice of today's Bergen County senior citizens. Emily visited several area assisted living residences, interviewed many seniors and created an iMovie video entitled "Bergen County Seniors Remember the Good Old Days" in which the seniors recall important events and happy times. Emily put together a celebration for the participants and presented each with a copy of the video to share with their families. She also created a booklet called "Bergen County Seniors Advice to the Younger Generation" after surveying seniors from our own Township Golden Seniors club.



RAGAMUFFIN PARADE

The Twp. of Washington's Annual Ragamuffin Parade sponsored and run by the Twp. of Washington Fire Department was held on October 30, 2010.

Pictured are Chairman of the parade Michael Cardillo, Vice- Chairman Michael Issowitz, Mayor Janet Sobkowicz and firefighter Rick Schroeder. Also pictured are parents and children that participated in the parade.

FRIENDS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON LIBRARY

The Friends enjoyed a very productive autumn season. In November, we were able to make a donation of \$500 to the library, earmarked for the purchase of large print books. While there is a great demand for these books by the members of our community, they are more expensive than regular print books to purchase, and a restricted budget caused a short supply.

Our Fall Basket Raffle, the "Good and Plenty Basket", was very successful. The winner of the basket was Andrea Ferraro, who lives in the Township. Congratulations, Andrea! Included in the basket of goodies was a gift certificate to Shop-Rite, a certificate for a free entrée at the Iron Horse Restaurant, and a gift certificate to Banchetto Feast Restaurant, as well as a variety of products to be enjoyed. Watch in the spring for our next basket raffle!

The Friends sponsored a special children's program held in December, Bob Conrad's "Magical Winter Wonderland", a magic/puppet show. We hope all the children who attended enjoyed the

show. In addition, a supply of the Township History Coloring Books will be donated to the children's library for distribution. These books feature many designs by local artists, and provide an opportunity for discovery and discussions of our town.

In January and February, the Children's Librarian is planning a special early learning program called "Baby Signs", sponsored by the Friends. This program will show parents how to teach babies to communicate by using simple gestures before they are able to speak. Check with the Library for the details.

Once again, we wish to thank the patrons of the library for their support of our fundraisers. The library is an important "social and intellectual" part of our community and welcomes young and old to use it.

The Friends meet in the Library, usually on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM. To check on the meeting date, or if you would like more information, please contact the Library or stop by the Circulation Desk.

EDUCATION FOUNDATION

The Westwood Washington Township Education Foundation will be holding its 4th Annual Gala at Season's restaurant on March 16, 2011. The Education Foundation has donated \$175,000 to our schools in the last 3 years! The Education Foundation will be holding a new online auction at www.biddingforgood.com from February 15 to March 20 including priceless items such as a table for 4 at world famous Rao's restaurant, and one of a kind goods and services from our faculty and staff including cooking classes, tutoring, babysitting, sports lessons, etc. For an invitation, sponsorship opportunities, ejournal ads, 50/50 ticket sales and raffle ticket sales please visit www.wwrdsd.org/edfoundation, send an email to wwtef@yahoo.com or call Brenda Cirillo, President at 201 314-9994. Please support our schools and our children!



AWARD OF EXCELLENCE FROM AAA

Last fall, the Twp. of Washington Police Department earned the "Award of Excellence" from AAA North Jersey, for the eighth year in a row. We were one of only 9 towns in northern New Jersey to be so recognized. This award is based on enforcement of motor vehicle laws, educating the public on safety issues, traffic engineering and pedestrian safety.

*Congratulations are in order
for all of our Police Officers who
contributed to the effort.*

WINTER WEATHER SAFETY TIPS

The winter weather can be scary when you're not prepared. Here are a few safety tips that can help make the winter more bearable and safe.

Our community warns the public about severe weather:

- Siren - One long even tone siren at 6:30am, 7:00am or 7:30am represents school closing, see WWRSD.ORG website or call 201-664-0880 for more details. Seven cycles of a variable tone (a gradually increase in sound) represents a fire.
- TV / News 12 New Jersey / WCTV(ch 77 or 24) / Radio / TwpofWashington.us – for State of Emergency information
- Please do not call the police department for information you can receive from the above, we need to keep the phone lines open for emergencies during these storms.

Listen to emergency broadcasts.

Know what winter storm warning terms mean:

- Winter weather advisory: expect winter weather conditions to cause inconvenience and hazards.
- Frost/freeze warning: expect below-freezing temperatures.
- Winter storm watch: be alert; a storm is likely.
- Winter storm warning: take action; the storm is in or entering the area.
- Blizzard warning: seek refuge immediately! Snow and strong winds, near-zero visibility, deep snow drifts, and life-threatening wind chill.

Avoid overexertion:

- The strain from cold temperatures and heavy labor like shoveling, pushing a car, or walking in deep snow may cause heart attacks in older and less physically fit individuals.
- Ask a friend or a neighbor to help you shovel, or go to the market for you if you need help.

Winterize your car:

- Keep your gas tank full at all times, this will avoid your gas line from freezing.
- Make sure your car has antifreeze.
- Make sure your tires have good traction and are inflated to the right pressure.
- Make sure that your heater and defroster work.
- Make sure that your battery is not more than 3 years old, and that it can carry a full charge.
- Make sure you have a good ice scraper.

Adapted by the CDC Winter Weather Checklist

Health Awareness Regional Program of

Hackensack University Medical Center

ELECTRONICS MUST BE RECYCLED

ELECTRONICS CANNOT BE PUT IN THE GARBAGE

BRING TO THE BOROUGH OF WESTWOOD
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
MONDAY THRU FRIDAY
6:30 A.M. TO 2:45 P.M.
SATURDAY
8:00 TO 12:00 P.M.

TO REDUCE THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT CAUSED BY IMPROPER DISPOSAL OF COMPUTERS AND ELECTRONICS, TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON RESIDENTS ARE REQUESTED TO DROP OFF THEIR COMPUTERS AND ELECTRONICS TO THE RECYCLING CENTER.

THE ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED ARE:

COMPUTERS, LAP TOPS, MONITORS, KEYBOARDS, PRINTERS, FAX MACHINES, MODEMS, SPEAKERS, TELEVISIONS (NOTE CONSOLES), RADIOS, TELEPHONES AND VCERS

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL DOG & CAT OWNERS

2011 FEES AND LATE FEES

Dog and Cat licenses are both renewable during the month of January, 2011 and can be obtained from the Township Clerk's office Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Cat licenses are now renewable the same time as Dog licenses.

You must have proof of current rabies shot and neutering if you are obtaining a license for the first time or if your dog or cat has been vaccinated or neutered/spayed during the year.

Due to State of New Jersey regulations, if your rabies shot expires PRIOR TO NOVEMBER 2011, you will have to get a new shot before the end of January in order to get a license.

Fees are as follows:

Neutered/Spayed-Dog	\$10.00
Un-neutered/Un-spayed-Dog	\$13.00
Neutered/Un-neutered-Cat	\$10.00

Late fees are as follows:

2/1/11 – 2/28/11	\$ 5.00
(NO EXCEPTIONS) 3/1/11 - thereafter	\$25.00

If you no longer have a dog, please notify the Township Clerk's Office, or if you have any questions you may call 664-4425.

**THERE WILL BE NO REMINDER CARDS SENT OUT. YOU MAY
USE THE CARD BELOW TO OBTAIN A LICENSE THROUGH THE MAIL.**

PLEASE SEND STAMPED, SELF-ADDRESSED ENVELOPE

Name of Owner _____

Address of Owner _____

Phone No. _____ Name of Dog _____

Breed _____ Sex _____

Date of Birth _____ Color & Markings _____

Hair Type _____ Size _____

e-Mail Address _____ Spay/Neutered Date _____

Make Checks Payable to: Township of Washington

Mail to: Township Clerk
350 Hudson Avenue
Township of Washington, NJ 07676

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON 911

Please be aware:

1. If you dial 911 from your cell phone, while in the Township, the call is routed to either Bergen County Police or Paramus Police and then routed to the Township of Washington Police. To save time in an emergency situation, residents may consider programming the police phone number (201) 664-1140 into their cell phone's speed dial or listing for "In Case of Emergency" listing on your cell phone.
2. If you dial 911 from your residence (landline) phone, your call will be placed directly with the Township of Washington Police.

Emergency Cell Phone Calls Do Not Work the Same as Landline Calls

When you make a 911 call on a cell phone, you are sending signals through the air that are picked up by the nearest cell tower in the area. While the location may be narrowed down to a general vicinity it isn't enough to tell the dispatcher exactly where to find you.

The Federal Communications Commission has required that all wireless carriers be able to pinpoint your location for the 911 dispatchers, but the rule is coming in phases and there are plenty of exceptions.

When you call 911 from a cell phone, the call often lands in a regional center. Therefore a dispatcher in a different town or county may answer your call. In order to get help to you as quickly as possible you should give the following two pieces of information to the dispatcher immediately:

1. Tell the call-taker which town you're calling from.
2. Tell the call-taker what type of emergency you have.

Different emergency services use different dispatch centers. With the right information, the call-taker will transfer you to the right center.

Any Cell Phone Will Work When Dialing 911

Wireless carriers are required to complete 911 calls, even when the phone is not activated. Any phone that turns on and can receive a signal is capable of making a 911 call.

However, keep in mind that if the phone you are using is not activated, there is not a phone number assigned to it. That means if you happen to get disconnected from the dispatch center, you must call 911 back. They will not have the information to call you back.

Be Calm – Speak Clearly

Professional 911 dispatchers are trained to obtain information from you quickly and efficiently. They have a well prepared script of relevant questions for every situation. Listen carefully, and answer as concisely as you possibly can. Make sure you give the dispatcher a detailed account of your location so responders can find you quickly and easily.

The FCC says 30% of all 911 calls come from cell phones. With this simple advice, you can call for the help you need from your cell phone but keep in mind calling from a landline will always generate an exact address.

The Twp. of Washington Police Department suggest that if you have an emergency in town and are only able to call from a cell phone, it would be quicker to dial headquarters directly at 201-664-1140.

REVERSE 911

In an emergency situation our police department will notify the Bergen County Police to issue a reverse 911 call. You will receive emergency information on your residence land line phone (not your cell phone) from the Bergen County Police.

Please NOTE, and this is IMPORTANT, if the call does not come through clearly or your answering machine does not record correctly try the following before calling the police department. Lines to the police department should be kept open for emergency situations.

- First try speaking with your neighbor or someone you know in town.
- Check our website for information.
- Check your e-mails, if you signed up for e-notification, emergency information will be sent to you via e-mail.
- Call the Town Hall at (201) 664 - 4404
- Check WCTV (ch 77 or 24)

If these attempts fail, and you still need clarification, call the police department at (201) 664 – 1140. Do not call 911 unless it is an emergency.

Celebrating 50 Years
M. Hope Diggs, President
Flo Hanneman, 1st President
Lillian Molosh, Past President
Virginia Zanetich, Past NJSFWC President
August 10, 2010

**GENERAL FEDERATION
of WOMEN'S CLUBS**



M. Hope Diggs
The Contemporary Woman's Club of Washington Township
Township of Washington , NJ

Dear Ms. Diggs,

On behalf of the membership of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, I extend our best wishes and congratulations to you upon the celebration of 50 years of service to your community and state as a member of a GFWC club. What a noteworthy milestone this is! It gives me great pleasure to recognize the commitment and dedication with which you have served in The Contemporary Woman's Club of Washington Township for these many years. Both GFWC New Jersey and the General Federation of Women's Clubs celebrate with you.

Please know that your devotion to volunteer community service with The Contemporary Woman's Club of Washington Township is very much appreciated. You have spent these years contributing to GFWC's proud tradition of achievement, but more importantly, you have helped ensure the continuation of that legacy into the future.

Please accept sincerest congratulations from all of us at the General Federation of Women's Clubs. We wish you fifty more happy years of continued membership!

Sincerely,

Carlene Garner
International President

THE GREEN TEAM

The Green Team has been meeting monthly, working with the Township of Washington Administration on the municipal energy audit, and planning upcoming projects. The very popular Town Clean Up Day will be held again in April. Last year approximately 30 residents, including a Girl Scout troop, were assigned areas and cleaned up debris around town owned fields and parks. Information and sign ups for this year's event will be advertised on the town's website soon (twpofwashington.us) as well as the electronic bulletin board. And, speaking of websites, the Green Team is working on our own website which will be up and running in the near future.

Green Star, the town's recycling company, has donated containers to be used for recycling on our athletic fields. This generous gesture will help the town's recycling efforts in a large way. Anyone who has been involved in any sports program knows that there is an enormous amount of drinks consumed at practices and games. Until now there have been no dedicated refuge containers for the recyclable bottles.

Starting this spring, with everyone's cooperation, our fields will be much less littered and this will create a positive impact on our community. Also, let us know where you think the town should have recyclable containers.

* Green Team tip for 2011 – Send your child to school and sporting events with a reusable drink container– it will save money and the cut down on waste.

A sampling of a few more projects scheduled for this year includes a planting project adjacent to the Fire House on Washington Avenue to keep the dirt from eroding along the new wall that was constructed in the summer of 2010, charting the town's carbon footprint, and implementing strategies to save energy within the municipal buildings by working on the improvements suggested in the energy audit. Also, the Green Team is committed to gain certification through Sustainable Jersey. If you are interested in joining the group please email the greenteam@twpofwashington.us.

GIRL SCOUT SILVER AWARD TROOPS 1266 AND 351

The Girl Scout Silver Award was bestowed upon the members of GS Troops 1266 and 351 in a ceremony officiated by Mayor Janet Sobkowicz on October 15, 2010. In addition to the Silver Award itself, the Girls Scouts also received a Proclamation from the Town Council and recognition from the Golden Seniors, as represented by Mrs. Kay Coppola.

Girl Scouting's second highest honor was earned by these young women for planning, co-ordinating and executing the re-institution of Town-Wide Camping for the Washington Township Service Unit. Over 80 Township Girls and family members attended the fun and informative weekend where skills and activities such as fire safety/building; wilderness shelter; fishing; hiking/trail marking; night hiking; box-oven baking were enjoyed.



Pictured: A. Solimando, L. Romeo - co-leader 1266, A. Recchia, JS. Romeo, JK. Romeo, Mayor Sobkowicz, C. Cherry - WT Co-SUM; L. Rigg - WT Co-SUM, K. Coppola, Pres. Golden Seniors, M. Azzolina co-Leader 1266, N. Kalish, C. Solimando - Co-Leader 351, K. Oppenheim, E. Recchia - Co-Leader 351. Seated: J. Guma, M.A. Azzolina, J. Senkevich, D. De Joie, R. Matasker

MEETING SCHEDULE

TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETINGS - 7:30 p.m.

MAYOR/DIRECTORS

3rd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.

PLANNING BOARD

1st and Last Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

3rd Tuesday, 8 p.m.

BOARD OF HEALTH

2nd Tuesday, 8 p.m.

MUNICIPAL COURT

1st and 3rd Thursday, 3:30 p.m.

Meeting dates are subject to change
by the respective bodies due to holidays, etc.
All meetings are held in the Municipal Courtroom.

WCTV CABLE TV

2nd Monday, 8 p.m.

MUNICIPAL COMPLEX

DIRECTORY

MAYOR: Janet Sobkowicz *664-0361
COUNCIL PRESIDENT:
Fred Goetz 313-4500
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Joe D'Urso 220-0529
Richard Hrbek *664-9344
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TOWNSHIP CLERK:
Mary Ann Ozment 664-4425
DIRECTORS:
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DMF: Chris Riedel 664-3268
ENGINEERING: David Frank *476-1962
FINANCE: Jacqueline Do 666-8804
FIRE: Tom Sears *666-4153
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PUBLIC CABLE TV: Bob Visich *358-2626
PUBLIC LIBRARY: Juliette Sobon 664-4586
PUBLIC HEALTH: Michelle Beltram 666-8512
RECREATION: Judy Monocky 666-3312
E-mail address for The Citizen: adminsec@twpofwashington.us
All Emergencies – Police, Fire and Ambulance 911
Police 664-1140
*Home Number

Thank You

from Your Volunteer Fire Department

The Townships Volunteer Fire Department would like to thank all those who supported the department's activities throughout the year.

Continuing its 45 year tradition of Christmas Tree Sales, Pascack Valley residents purchased trees, wreaths, grave blankets and other accessories. According to Fire Chief Christopher Meier, we are the only department in the Pascack Valley that offers this. Residents are able to come out to the firehouse, purchase a good product and support the volunteers at the same time. It is a win, win situation.

On December 19th, Santa Claus came to town and visited every street in the township. Since Santa's elves were busy getting ready for Christmas, Santa asked some of the firefighters to act as his elves, and to hand out candy canes to the towns' children.

The department is looking forward to 2011, when we will be holding our annual Easter Egg Hunt in April, where children and adults alike will race across the George School field collecting candy filled Easter Eggs. The Department will also host it annual car show in June in the Westwood High School East Parking lot. The car show has become a favorite event for automobile and motorcycle enthusiasts. There will be plenty of good food, soft drinks, prizes, and music with lots of cars and motorcycles on display.

On behalf of the more than 45 volunteer firefighters, I would like to thank the residents for their continued support. You can always visit us on the web at www.wtfd.us.

Sincerely,
Christopher Meier
Fire Chief, WTFD

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