



# MILLSTONE TOWNSHIP

## Newsletter

DECEMBER 2020

### 2020 TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

Fiore Masci - Mayor  
Nancy Grbelja - Deputy Mayor  
Gary Dorfman      Al Ferro      Michael T. Kuczinski

### **HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE TOWNSHIP CLERK'S OFFICE:**

**2021 DOG LICENSES:** All dogs 7 months or older are to be licensed each year. The 2021 Dog Licenses can be purchased at the Municipal Building between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday in the Municipal Clerk's Office, Room 105 starting January 4, 2021. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, please mail your fee along with proof of rabies and neutering/spaying to 470 Stage Coach Road, Millstone Twp., NJ 08510. Neutered/Spayed dog fee is \$12.00 and Non-Neutered/Non-Spayed dog fee is \$15.00. A late fee of \$10.00 PER DOG goes into effect May 1, 2021 for all residents who have not renewed their dog's license for the current year.

The Township had their very first "Drive-Thru Rabies Clinic" in November at Millstone Park and would like to thank Dr. Petranto for volunteering his services.

**RECYCLING DATES:** December 2, 16, & 30; January 13 & 27

### **MUNICIPAL OFFICES CLOSED:**

December 24th - Day before Christmas  
December 25th - Christmas Day  
January 1st - New Year's Day  
January 18th - Martin Luther King Day

### **OPRA NOTIFICATION:**

An Appellate Division ruled that if you give any government agency your email or physical address it is subject to OPRA (Open Public Records Act).



Township Committee Reorganization Meeting will be held on  
January 6, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at 215 Millstone Road.

### **A NOTE FROM MAYOR FIORE MASCI:**

I'm not sure where to start so I'll keep it short and sweet. Let me just say ...THANK YOU!

Thank you to every single Millstone Township resident for allowing me to serve this amazing town for the last 12 years. First as a Committeeman, Deputy Mayor and Mayor. It's been a wonderful ride full of learning experiences and there's nothing better in life than to learn. Thank you again and "Addio" as they say in the old country.

God bless everyone and may you and your families have a Happy & Healthy New Year!!





## Millstone Township Fire District commenced providing Emergency Medical Services as of December 1, 2020



The Millstone Township Fire District officially took over providing Emergency Medical Services for Millstone Township residents commencing December 1, 2020. The Millstone Township Committee handed over the keys to a brand new ambulance that they had purchased and donated to the Millstone Township Fire District Board in a shared service agreement.

Due to Covid-19 epidemic, the presentation was very small. A more public ceremony honoring the occasion and the many former Millstone First Aid volunteers will be planned at a more appropriate time. This historic event was the culmination of years of declining volunteerism and the quality of services being provided to the residents.

There were many people involved in making this happen but Committeeman Mike Kuczinski, Lt. Mike Maloney & Lt. Alan South were instrumental in getting this accomplished. Mayor Fiore Masci, Township Committee Members Nancy Grbelja, Gary Dorfman and Al Ferro; Fire Commissioner Chairman Anthony Marra, Commissioners Larry Cier, Marie Reed, Gene Semanchick and Jim Carbin; Volunteer Chief John Fiore and Millstone Township Administrator Kevin Abernethy should also be commended for their efforts in structuring this for the residents of Millstone Township.

## Register for e-Bulletins

With the winter months upon us, we encourage all residents to sign up for e-Bulletins and receive valuable Township information via the website. Each time the web site is updated you will receive notification, via email (e-Bulletin), informing you what has been updated along with a link that will put you directly to the revised/new information. In addition, e-Bulletins will be used as another method to update residents in the event of an emergency or issuance of a municipal advisory such as road closures, down power lines or safety alerts.

To sign up, please visit the Township's website at [www.millstonenj.gov](http://www.millstonenj.gov) and select "Register for Millstone e-Bulletins" on the home page.



### A Message from Monmouth County Health Department 3 KEY STEPS TO TAKE WHILE WAITING FOR YOUR COVID-19 TEST RESULTS

1. Stay home and monitor your health to help protect your friends, family and others. If you have been in contact with someone with COVID-19, stay home and away from others for 14 day after your last contact with that person. Monitor your health. Watch for symptoms of COVID-19 which may appear 2-14 days after exposure and can include: Fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty in breathing, tiredness, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea.
2. If you are diagnosed with COVID-19 a public health worker may call to check on your health, discuss who you have been around, and ask where you spent time while you may have been able to spread COVID-19 to others. Think about everyone you have been around recently. This will be important information to give health workers if your test is positive. For example, have you gone to work or school? Gotten together with others while dining, gone to a gym, had in person appointments, doctor, dentist, barber or salon? Have you had friends or family to your house or gone to their house, ridden in a car (Uber or Lyft) or taken public transportation? Been inside a church, synagogue, mosque or other places of workshop?
3. If a public health worker calls you, **answer the call** to help slow the spread of COVID-19 in your community. Discussions with the Health Department are confidential. Your name will not be shared with those you came in contact with. The Health Department will only notify people you were in close contact with (within 6 feet for more than 15 minutes) that they might have been exposed to COVID-19. Your personal and medical information will be kept private and only shared with those who need to know, like your health care provider.

You can reach the Monmouth County Health Department at (732) 431-7456 for further information.

# BASKETBALL



**Registration is Open!**

**Teams for 1<sup>st</sup>- 12<sup>th</sup> drafted end of December**

Open to Millstone Boys and Girls Grades 1st - 12th

Open to Allentown Boys and Girls grades 9th - 12th

Season Runs: January - March

**Registration Fee: \$100.00**

**(Fees won't be collected until mid-December pending change in COVID- restrictions)**

## REGISTRATION DEADLINE

*Registration deadline will be three days before the first player draft or the first scheduled game, whichever applies (specific dates to be determined and will be posted on the website). After the registration deadline, participants will be waitlisted, and their team placement will be determined by team availability. Although every effort will be made, there are no guarantees that another team/coach will be available. Once placed on a team, fees for waitlisted participants will be due.*

Visit the Recreation Department website to register:

[www.millstonerec.org](http://www.millstonerec.org)



## Boys & Girls Lacrosse

Program Runs:

March - June

**Girls 1<sup>st</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> ; Boys 2<sup>nd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>**

Registration Fees:

Girls 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> -- \$75.00 recreation & \$50.00 Booster fee

Boys 2<sup>nd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> -- \$75.00 recreation & \$100.00 Booster fee

Girls 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> -- \$75.00 recreation & \$100.00 Booster fee

**(Fees won't be collected until mid-January)**

Must have a valid US Lacrosse Membership to play! This membership cannot be acquired through the recreation office.

Become a member ONLY through

[www.uslacrosse.org](http://www.uslacrosse.org)

The cost is an additional \$30 which must be renewed annually!

Proof of membership is required prior to registering.

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### *Tips for Parents During This Stressful Time*

Many parents think they are doing the right thing by trying to shield their children from stress and anxiety by hiding their own feelings. But research shows that children can usually tell when their parents or family members are under stress, no matter how hard they try to hide their own anxiety. Let's face it, the last months have been hard on everyone, but parents need to be mindful of their self-care needs so they are equipped emotionally to handle the anxiety and stress their children feel as they navigate through the life changes brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The truth is, that it is not really possible or even the best thing to shield children from all stress and anxiety. And if parents don't manage their own negative and stressful emotions, they can actually transmit these to their children. Even very young children are sensitive and in-tune with their parents' emotional state.

In fact, by saying that everything is fine when it isn't parents send a mixed message that is confusing for children and sends the message that we should avoid feeling negative emotions or that we don't think they can handle upsetting news. This doesn't mean that we should share every detail of our stress with children or ever take out our stress on them, but discussing upsetting issues with children in an age-appropriate way can actually lay a strong foundation for helping children develop appropriate coping skills for the future and avoid negative coping skills such as substance misuse and aggression.

Being honest with them about your own stress in troubling situations is important. But don't share more information than is needed. By modeling positive ways that you handle stress and ways in which you practice self-care you are actually being a great role model of emotional resilience for your children. This is a skill that will serve them well as they navigate their own stresses and anxiety in the future. Have an honest and real conversation with your child and ask them what they are worried about. Then just listen.

This work is hard, and as parents we worry so much about our children and want to meet their every need. So parents here are some positive things you can do for yourself:

1. Prioritize physical health and activity.
2. Establish a routine for yourself and your family.
3. Have regular family meetings to discuss important issues.
4. Focus on what you can control.
5. Be kind to yourself, most importantly.

*For additional information and resources contact the Millstone Alliance to Prevent Substance Abuse at [www.millstonealliance@gmail.com](mailto:www.millstonealliance@gmail.com).*

## CHRISTMAS TREE PICK UP

Please have trees out **PRIOR** to  
**January 11th**

- No artificial trees, wreaths, trimmings or lights
- Please place the tree at curbside, next to your driveway
- Only one pass will be made on each road

**NO EXCEPTIONS!**

**For more information,  
please call the  
Department of  
Public Works  
at 732-446-6774**



## WANTED OLD TIME PHOTOS!

Precious pictures from the past that you might not think are special, but to us, they're history.

Pictures of our Township (20 years or older) or festivities that were held in here.

We won't take the original and your donation will be recognized when the photo is displayed in the Township buildings.

Do you have or know someone that would like to share their special memories? Please contact us. Our Historic Preservation Commission would love to interview you!

**PLEASE!**  
**We can't save our HISTORY without you!!!!**

*Please email our Town Historian  
at [save-history@optonline.net](mailto:save-history@optonline.net)*

# RECYCLING

## Official Notice: To Residents and Businesses of Millstone Township

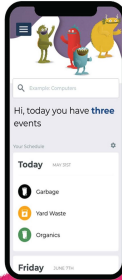
Recycling is mandated by the State, County and Municipal Statutes.

All residents will separate newspapers, glass bottles and jars, tin and bi-metal cans, plastic containers, aluminum cans, corrugated cardboard for collection and ultimate recycling of materials.

### Curbside Recycling Guidelines:

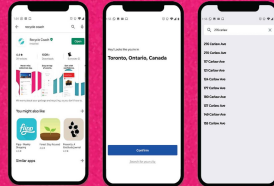
- Residential recycling is to be placed curbside on recycle days only before 6:00 AM. Recyclables should be placed loose in container 32 gallons or smaller. **Please do not place your recyclables in a plastic bag, as they will not be picked up.**
- Recycling complaints / missed pick-up: Call Central Jersey Waste & Recycling at 609-771-8005.

 **recycle coach**  
in Millstone  
Download now.

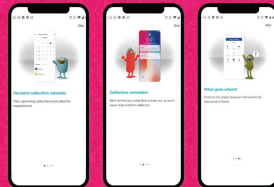


### Install & setup

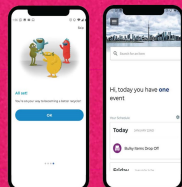
1. Locate Recycle Coach in iTunes App or Google Play Store. Set up your address.



2. Learn the staple features of the app.



3. You're on your way to becoming a better recycler! All things recycling and waste is at your fingertip.



### What you get:

- ✓ A personalized collection schedule
- ✓ Custom pick-up reminders
- ✓ Sort your waste correctly. With the "What Goes Where?" search tool
- ✓ Boost in your recycling knowledge and more!

Okay Google, ask Recycle Coach if I can recycle this chip bag?

amazon alexa

works with the Google Assistant



## MILLSTONE TOWNSHIP

2021 Recycling Collection Dates

Every 2 weeks beginning 1/13/2021	WEDNESDAY
JANUARY	13
	27
FEBRUARY	10
	24
MARCH	10
	24
APRIL	7
	21
MAY	5
	19
JUNE	2
	16
	30
JULY	14
	28
AUGUST	11
	25
SEPTEMBER	8
	22
OCTOBER	6
	20
NOVEMBER	3
	17
DECEMBER	1
	15
	29

# THE TOWNSHIP OF MILLSTONE

For the convenience of the residents, the Recycling Center located at the Department of Public Works, 899 Perrineville Road, is open during the week and will continue to be open on weekends.

**Wednesday: 11a.m. - 3 p.m. and Saturday/Sunday: 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

Closed on Christmas Day and New Year's Day

## SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING

### MANDATED RECYCLABLES



Glass bottles & jars



#1 & #2 plastic bottles, jars, and jugs



Aluminum, metal food, & beverage containers



Loose metal jar lids & steel bottle caps



Paperback books



Junk mail, envelopes, post it notes, greeting cards, etc.



Newspaper, magazines, circulars, brochures, inserts, etc. (no bags, do not tie & bundle)



Telephone books



File folders, office paper



Corrugated cardboard & paper bags



Paperboard boxes (cereal, pasta, tissue, etc.)



Paper towel roll inserts

For more information visit:



AIM FOR MAXIMIZED RECYCLING



**NO**  
Shredded paper!



- NO** Plastic bags
- NO** Plastics other than #1 and #2 (identified above)
- NO** Plastic (or paper) to-go containers, cups, straws, or utensils
- NO** Plastic film, wrap, or bubble wrap

- NO** Pizza boxes
- NO** Styrofoam of ANY kind
- NO** Frozen food, ice cream, or frozen juice containers
- NO** Organic material or food waste
- NO** Hoses or hangers

### DID YOU KNOW?

Many times residents who are concerned about the environment want to recycle properly. However, items such as window glass, plastics that hold personal hygiene products, or other products that manufacturers print with the "recycling triangle", can't be recycled. Placing even a small amount of these items in our recyclables can cause the entire truck load to be rejected. When this occurs the truck is sent to the landfill and none of it is recycled. This is the leading reason why recycling costs are going up.

**PLEASE HELP US KEEP MILLSTONE TOWNSHIP GREEN AND CLEAN!  
DON'T PLACE ITEMS THAT ARE NOT ON THE RECYCLING LIST IN YOUR RECYCLING!**

# Clarksburg and the American Revolution

By Donald Petry

How many of you have driven down County Road 524 AKA Stagecoach Road in Clarksburg and knew that it was a major route to Philadelphia back during the 1700s? How many knew the Route mentioned was also used by British troops during the American Revolution on their way to Freehold Court House and the Battle of Monmouth? This is very true and the information I am about to share with you took place during the Revolutionary War right here in Clarksburg.

During the Battle of Monmouth Campaign, June 1778, British General Sir Henry Clinton evacuated the City of Philadelphia and started to march his army across New Jersey to Sandy Hook. There at Sandy Hook, Clinton could safely ferry his army back to New York City which had been occupied by British military forces and Loyalist since 1776. Before General Clinton approached Allentown, he had split his army in two sections. The first under General Cornwallis would proceed to Allentown and the second by General Knyphausen with his Hessian troops would protect Clinton's flank. At the end of the day General Knyphausen would reach Imlaystown and spend the night in a wheat field. General Clinton would arrive in Allentown and occupy the town.



**Picture of Revolutionary War reenactors**

The next morning, June 25th would be hot and very humid causing many casualties. Clinton marched out of Allentown on a road leading him on a rendezvous with Knyphausen at Imlayston. That road in question might be today's present I-95. After meeting up the British and Hessian column which stretched for some twelve miles with troops, wagons, and material marched on present County Road 524 (New Canton-Stone Tavern Road/ Stagecoach Road) to Clarksburg, all the while being harassed by colonial militia.

When the British Army arrived in Clarksburg, General Clinton rested his troops. Using the Rising Sun Tavern as his headquarters, which was located on Route 524 AKA Stagecoach Road and Route 571 and no longer exists, his troops encamped on a field just across from the tavern. After a night's rest, Clinton proceeded with his army on Route 524 AKA Stagecoach Road reaching Freehold Court House (today Freehold Borough) that evening.

Today, Monmouth County Road 524 AKA Stagecoach Road is a well-traveled roadway and certain sections of it are protected land. In a few years the Country will be celebrating the 250th anniversary of the American Revolution and because of this, I am working along with the Millstone Township Historic Preservation Commission to have the British Route marked so that generations will know how important Clarksburg was during the Revolution War. With ongoing research, we hope to have the Rising Sun Tavern, the British campsite, skirmish locations, and Route 524 all marked with signs explaining what took place during the time of the Revolution War.

Reference:

Lender, Mark. Stone, Garry. Fatal Sunday: George Washington the Monmouth Campaign. Oklahoma Press. 2016.  
Mount, Jean. History of the Township of Millstone.

***All Meetings Take Place In The Court Room At The Municipal Building, 215 Millstone Road.***

***Due to COVID-19, meetings are also held electronically. Instructions To Attend/ Observe The Meetings are listed on the agendas posted on the Township website at [www.millstonenj.gov](http://www.millstonenj.gov). Members of the Public are welcome and encouraged to participate in the electronic meetings. The meetings will be held via Zoom. There are two options to join the Meetings 1) through the Zoom App via a smartphone, computer or tablet via video link, or 2) phone audio using the Zoom meeting access information.***

**Monthly Meetings for December 2020**

- 2 Township Committee Meeting .....8:00 p.m.
- 3 Municipal Court .....12:00 p.m.
- 7 Recreation Commission Meeting..... 7:30 p.m.
- 9 Planning Board Meeting .....7:30 p.m.
- 9 Shade Tree Meeting .....7:30 p.m.
- 10 Agricultural Advisory Council Meeting .....7:30 p.m.
- 14 Environmental Commission Meeting.....7:30 p.m.
- 16 Township Committee Meeting .....8:00 p.m.
- 17 Open Space Preservation Council Meeting .....7:30 p.m.
- 21 Municipal Court .....1:30 p.m.
- 21 Office of Emergency Management - Community Center.....7:00 p.m.
- 23 Agricultural Advisory Council - Cancelled .....7:30 p.m.
- 24 Day before Christmas - All Municipal Buildings are Closed
- 25 Christmas Day - All Municipal Buildings are Closed
- 30 Board of Adjustment .....7:30 p.m.

**Monthly Meetings for January 2021**

***Dates are Tentative***

- 1 New Year's Day - All Municipal Buildings are Closed
- 6 Township Committee Reorganization Meeting .....7:00 p.m.
- 11 Recreation Commission Meeting .....7:30 p.m.
- 11 Environmental Commission Meeting.....7:30 p.m.
- 13 Planning Board Meeting .....7:30 p.m.
- 13 Shade Tree Meeting .....7:30 p.m.
- 14 Municipal Court .....12:00 p.m.
- 18 Martin Luther King Day - All Municipal Buildings are Closed
- 18 Office of Emergency Management - Community Center.....7:00 p.m.
- 20 Township Committee Meeting .....8:00 p.m.
- 21 Municipal Court .....12:00 p.m.
- 27 Agricultural Advisory Council .....7:30 p.m.
- 27 Board of Adjustment .....7:30 p.m.
- 28 Open Space Preservation Council Meeting .....7:30 p.m.



***To contact the 2020 Township Committee***

- Mayor: Fiore Masci..... 732-735-1872
- Deputy Mayor: Nancy Grbelja ..... 732-915-6964
- Committeeman: Gary Dorfman ..... 732-446-4249, ext. 3200
- Committeeman: Al Ferro ..... 732-446-4249, ext 3202
- Committeeman: Michael T. Kuczinski ..... 732-446-4249, ext. 3203

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