

# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

## HYDRANT FLUSHING

The Moorestown Department of Public Works has a comprehensive hydrant flushing program that is implemented in the spring and fall every year. Our goal is to ensure water quality is maintained at its optimal level and to properly maintain the Township's water distribution lines and hydrants. Flushing moves water through the pipes at a high velocity so that a scouring action is created. Water is then discharged through a fire hydrant, which in turn removes any material buildup from the pipe. The material removed from this process is harmless and requires no special treatment. Use of this flushing technique is critical to the maintenance of water quality and your water system.

Water service should not be interrupted although in some cases you will experience a drop in pressure or volume for a short period. If the water appears discolored, we recommend that you give it a few hours to clear up then run your **COLD** water faucet until you're sure that the water has cleared. Never run the hot water as the discolored water will enter your hot water heater un-necessarily causing the need to run your water longer. **Avoid doing laundry until you are sure the water is clear.**

## LEAF COLLECTION

Following our normal procedure, we will be making TWO collection rounds per each district. As always, we need your help to make the operation work efficiently. It is very important to place your leaves according to this schedule, as leaves placed for collection after the scheduled dates will not be collected by Public Works.

If you are planning a special social function at your home during the leaf collection month, please remember Public Works cannot accommodate special leaf removal requests and still remain on schedule for the rest of the Township. Residents using a landscaping service should notify their landscaper of the FALL schedule. Landscaping contractors may use the Township Composting Facility on Creek Road for leaves collected in Moorestown Township. A permit must be obtained by the contractor by contacting the Office of Public Works, 601 East Third Street, prior to starting work.

The Department sincerely appreciates your cooperation in this effort.

'Tis the season for leaf collection, so please remember to follow these important rules.

- As per the Code of the Township of Moorestown, Chapters 92-17 and 92-22, leaves may **NOT** be placed in the street or travel way and pursuant to State Storm Water Management Regulations, leaves may **NOT** be placed within 10' of storm drain inlets. Rainfall and melting snow must be able to flow down the street and into the storm inlet.
- Never let your children play in leaf piles in or near the street.
- Travel a safe distance from leaf collection vehicles and do not attempt to pass these vehicles while they are operating.
- To help our crews perform in a safe and efficient manner, please do not park on the street during your collection week, if at all possible.

Please remember,

- There may be times when the quantity of leaves in one area is so heavy that the leaf collection crews will need to spend additional time in that area. Please be patient. The crews will move into your area as close to the schedule as possible.
- There may also be times when the crews get behind schedule due to the weather conditions and equipment problems.
- Street sweeping is part of the leaf collection process. Since the street sweeper moves at a slower pace and the operator must wait until the area is clear of all leaves, street cleanup will often take longer than pickups.
- An early snowfall seriously hampers our leaf collection efforts as those same trucks and employees will be needed to plow the streets.
- Residents may dispose of leaves every other Saturday between noon and 4pm at the compost facility, located on Creek Road, between Borton Landing and Centerton Roads. (See Schedule Below)
- The 2012 Fall Leaf Collection Schedule for your area will be posted on the Township's website in the near future.

## HOLIDAY TRASH SCHEDULE and BRUSH AND BULK ITEM PICKUP SCHEDULE

Holiday	Date	District 1	District 2	District 3	District 4	Business Districts	
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Labor Day	Sep 2	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	No Change	No Change
Columbus Day	Oct 10/14	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	No Change	No Change
Thanksgiving	Nov 28 and 29	No Change	No Change	No Change	Wednesday	Tuesday	Tuesday
Christmas Day	Dec 25	No Change	No Change	Thursday	Friday	No Change	No Change
New Year's Day	Jan 1	No Change	No Change	Thursday	Friday	No Change	No Change
<b>Brush Pickup</b>	Curbside by 7am	1 <sup>st</sup> Monday	2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday	4 <sup>th</sup> Monday	2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday
<b>Applicances, Metals, Tires</b>	Curbside by 7am	1 <sup>st</sup> Friday	2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Friday	4 <sup>th</sup> Friday	2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Friday

All brush 12" in diameter or less is to be cut in 3' lengths and neatly placed at the curb by the above referenced Monday for pickup sometime that week. Brush less than 3" in diameter can be bundled, tied and placed with regular trash for collection. Weight limit per bundle – 60lbs - **No Brush Collection in November or December.** Please remember to schedule your trimmings and clean up projects to coincide with Brush Collection!

## BRUSH AND LEAF DROP-OFF SCHEDULE

September 7 and 21	<b>2014</b>
October 5 and 19	January 11 and 25
November 2, 16, and 30	February 8 and 22
December 14 and 28	March 8 and 22

## SIDEWALKS AND BIKEPATHS

**Did you know that it is your responsibility to maintain the sidewalk adjoining your property; and for some, bike paths, too?** Please be a good neighbor and remember to clear debris, growth and snow from these passage ways. When low lying tree branches, ground debris, snow and ice are present, safe/enjoyable passage can become very difficult. Thank you for your assistance. Please call 235-3520 if you have any questions.

**TOWNSHIP COUNCIL**  
**Stacey F. Jordan, Mayor**  
**Christopher Chiacchio, Deputy**  
**Victoria Napolitano**  
**Greg Newcomer**  
**Phil Garwood**  
[towncouncil@moorestown.nj.us](mailto:towncouncil@moorestown.nj.us)

**TOWNSHIP MANAGER**  
**Scott Carew**

**TOWNSHIP CLERK**  
**Patricia L. Hunt, RMC, CMR**

## MUNICIPAL OFFICE LOCATIONS

**Mailing Address**  
**2 Executive Drive, Suite 9**

Hours of Operation: 8:30am-4:30pm  
 Phone: 856-235-0912  
 Website: [www.moorestown.nj.us](http://www.moorestown.nj.us)

**OFFICE LOCATIONS**  
**2 Executive Drive-off N Lenola Rd**  
**Suite 9A**

Township Manager  
 Township Clerk/Vital Statistics  
 Tax Collector  
 Tax Assessor  
 Finance  
 Human Resources

**Suite 9B(ack)**  
 Recreation

**Suite 10A**  
 Municipal Court-Administrative Ofc  
 Court Sessions at Maple Shade Court  
 200 Stiles Avenue, Maple Shade

**Suite 10B(ack)**  
 Community Development  
 Planning and Zoning

**111 West Second Street**

**Construction Office**  
 Library (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor) 8am-4pm  
**Library**  
 856-234-0333

**1245 North Church Street, Suite 2**

**Police Department**  
 856-235-1405 - Administration  
 856-234-8300 - Central Communications

**601 East Third Street**  
**Public Works**  
 856-235-3520  
 8am-4pm

# Moorestown Messenger

Sept – Dec 2013

## AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

As required by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Moorestown has implemented a stormwater management plan. Accordingly, we must notify all residents and businesses about ways that each of us can improve the quality of stormwater runoff.

Stormwater is the primary conduit for pollutants to seep into groundwater and ultimately into the deeper aquifers, which supply our drinking water. Did you know that pet waste left on the ground and the fertilizers applied to lawns contain chemicals and other pollutants, which can leach through lawns into the groundwater underneath? Waste can also be left behind by waterfowl and wild mammals who may be attracted by ill-advised feeding stations.

This waste can be carried by stormwater into drains and culverts eventually ending up in our streams, rivers and lakes. Even leaves, lawn clippings and other yard waste that is not properly disposed of can wind up washed or blown into streets and then carried into nearby drains. This further degrades our waterways. By making small changes in the way waste is handled and treated, each of us can have a profound impact on the quality of our groundwater and waterways.

As required by state regulation, Moorestown has enacted ordinances to regulate activities that are harmful to the quality of our waterways and groundwater. For example, we have ordinances that regulate pet waste, litter, improper disposal of waste, wildlife feeding, yard waste and illicit water connections - all of which are intended to ultimately reduce pollutants that are carried by stormwater. I invite you to view these ordinances in our "Township Code Book" link at [www.moorestown.nj.us](http://www.moorestown.nj.us).

Please join me and Township Council in working to keep our waterways and groundwater clean and free from pollution. Let's work together to protect our critical resources so we can give the gift of a cleaner environment to our children. If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact a member of our dedicated Environmental Advisory Committee via the Township offices.

Sincerely,  
 Stacey F. Jordan, Mayor

## TOWNSHIP'S ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE INVENTORY UPDATED



*Chet Dawson, Amy Miller, Barbara Rich*

An updated Environmental Resource Inventory (ERI) was recently delivered to Moorestown Township Offices by Amy Miller of the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission. This replaced the outdated 1989 ERI that was developed by STEM volunteers. This publication documents the natural and community resources of Moorestown Township, Burlington County, New Jersey. The natural resource information includes descriptions, tables, and maps of: land use; soils; drinking water, aquifers, and wells; surface waters, including watersheds, streams, lakes, wetlands, and floodplains; impacts on water resources and surface water quality; impervious coverage; vegetation, including wetlands, forests, and grasslands; animal communities; threatened and endangered species; Natural Heritage Priority Sites; Landscape Project Priority Habitats; and known contaminated sites. Community resources that are briefly described include population, transportation, township utilities and services, historic sites and buildings, and protected open space. A short history of the community is also included.

A copy can be found in the Moorestown Township Library and a digital copy is maintained by the DVRPC and is available through their website ([www.dvrpc.org](http://www.dvrpc.org)). You can also get a link to it on the Township Website by going to Boards and Committees and then under Environmental Advisory Committee going to latest news.

## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

### FALL 2013 MOORESTOWN LEAF COLLECTION SCHEDULE

As per the Code of the Township of Moorestown; Chapter 92; § 92-17 and § 92-22 leaves may not be placed in the street or traveled way and pursuant to State Stormwater Management Regulations, leaves may not be placed within ten (10) feet of storm drain inlets

#### FIRST COLLECTION

REGULAR TRASH COLLECTION DAY	LEAVES TO BE RAKED CURBSIDE BY 7:00 A.M.	DATES OF COLLECTION
DISTRICT 3 WEDNESDAY	OCTOBER 21	OCTOBER 21-OCTOBER 25
DISTRICT 2 TUESDAY	OCTOBER 28	OCTOBER 28-NOVEMBER 1
DISTRICT 1 MONDAY	NOVEMBER 4	NOVEMBER 4-8
DISTRICT 4 THURSDAY	NOVEMBER 11	NOVEMBER 11-15

**ONLY ONE PICK-UP WILL BE MADE ON EACH STREET DURING THE COLLECTION WEEK. LOOSE LEAVES SHOULD BE COLLECTED CURBSIDE. IF YOU BAG YOUR LEAVES, PLEASE PLACE AT CURBSIDE DURING YOUR DESIGNATED WEEK ONLY, AND KEEP THEM AWAY FROM TRASH RECEPTACLES.**

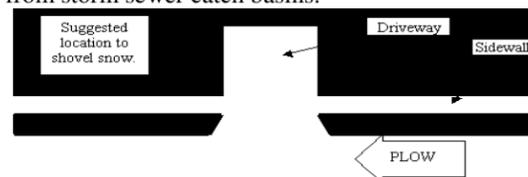
#### SECOND COLLECTION

REGULAR TRASH COLLECTION DAY	LEAVES TO BE RAKED CURBSIDE BY 7:00 A.M.	DATES OF COLLECTION
DISTRICT 3 WEDNESDAY	NOVEMBER 18	NOVEMBER 18-22
DISTRICT 2 TUESDAY	DECEMBER 2	DECEMBER 2-6
DISTRICT 1 MONDAY	DECEMBER 9	DECEMBER 9-13
DISTRICT 4 THURSDAY	DECEMBER 16	DECEMBER 16-20

Bagged leaves or leaves placed in waste receptacles **will not** be collected with your normal trash. All leaves must be separated from household trash. Bagged leaves will be burst open for pick-up during the scheduled leaf pick-up program. Leaves should not obstruct the sidewalk or be placed in the roadway.

#### HERE ARE SOME WINTERTIME TIPS THAT MAY BE OF ASSISTANCE TO YOU

- Pile snow from your driveway on the downstream side of the driveway. Then, if the plow hits the pile, it will be moved onto the grassy area and not back into your driveway. See diagram.
- If you are leaving town for an extended period of time (holidays, vacations, etc.), find suitable off-street parking. This will ensure your car's safety, as well as, assist in our snowplowing efforts.
- Be a Good Neighbor and help others who may not be physically able to shovel or who may find walking on the snow or ice too treacherous - reach out to your senior neighbors.
- Children should not play in snow piles or snow banks at the side of the road.
- Be kind to service personnel. Place your trash/recycling containers on a cleared area. Do not perch them on top of snow piles.
- Remember, under local law, it is your responsibility to clear the snow from the sidewalk in front of your property. Also, when the snow is not cleared, the treacherous conditions make it difficult for children walking to school, shoppers in the downtown area, the postman, meter readers, and others.
- Help prevent street flooding and icing – Clear snow away from storm sewer catch basins.
- For your safety and the safety of your property, assist the Fire Department by clearing the area around the fire hydrant.



#### ◇ ANNOUNCEMENTS ◇

##### TAX DEPARTMENT

The Tax Office would like to remind you that 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Property Taxes are **DUE NOVEMBER 1, 2013**  
Pay onsite at 2 Executive Drive, Suite 9A or mail all payments to 2 Executive Drive, Suite 9A, Moorestown, NJ 08057

##### TOWNSHIP OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED

**Sept 2** – Labor Day, **Oct 14** – Columbus Day and **Nov 11** – Veterans Day, **Nov 28 and 29** – Thanksgiving  
**Dec 24 at noon and 25** - Christmas  
See the Holiday Trash Collection Schedule

##### MOORESTOWN FACEBOOK AND TWITTER

In an effort to keep residents informed about current and ongoing projects and issues, Moorestown is now on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/moorestowntownship>) and Twitter ([twitter.com/moorestowntwp](http://twitter.com/moorestowntwp)).

##### SPECIAL GENERAL ELECTION Wednesday, October 16, 2013 / 6am to 8pm

##### GENERAL ELECTION

**Tuesday, November 5, 2013 / Polls Open–6am to 8pm**  
Last Day to Register to Vote – 10/15  
“Vote by Mail” Applications by Mail Due to County – 10/29  
“Vote by Mail” Applications In-Person - 11/4 by 3pm  
“Vote by Mail” Ballots Due to County by Close of Polls - 11/5

##### POLL WORKERS ARE NEEDED

If you are interested in earning extra money and carrying out a civic duty, you may consider working the polls on Election Day. Experience is not necessary and training will be provided by the County. If you would like more information, please contact the County Board of Elections at 609-265-5062 or 5161.

#### ♪ UPCOMING EVENTS ♪

##### AUTUMN IN MOORESTOWN

Saturday, October 12 – 9am - 4pm

##### HALLOWEEN PARADE

Sunday, October 20 – 3pm

##### CANDLELIGHT NIGHT

Friday, November 1 – 6pm - 9pm

##### HOLIDAY PARADE

Saturday, December 7 – Noon

#### A Reminder about “Leash and Pooper Scooper” Laws

The Township regularly receives complaints about dogs running at large and owners failing to clean up after their animals. Chapter 65 of the Township Code regulates “Dogs.” Under this chapter, penalties against violators may be enforced. So, for the health and safety of your family and neighbors, please be sure to leash your dog and clean up after your animals.

Did you know that animal waste from pets can pollute our waters? When left on the ground, pet waste is washed by rain and melting snow and ice into storm drains that carry it to our rivers, lakes, the ocean and drinking water. Animal waste contains a high concentration of nutrients as well as bacteria and disease-causing microorganisms that can cause problems. Pet owners or anyone who takes your pet for walks must properly dispose of the waste by picking it up, wrapping it and either placing it in the trash or flushing it unwrapped down the toilet. Clean and plentiful water is important to our families, our environment, our economy and our quality of life – so please do your part in keeping our waters clean.

### 2014 DOG LICENSING AND FREE RABIES CLINIC



All dog licenses expire on January 31st of each year and must be renewed by then. You may obtain a 2014 license by mail (preferred) or in person at the Municipal Clerk's Office, 2 Executive Drive, Suite 9A (off of Lenola Road). Dog license renewal applications and payment must be **postmarked** by January 31. Renewals received that are not postmarked by the 31st will incur a late fee for each license. So, **please**, make every effort to renew your dog license by the 31st. Applications are online and will be printed in the next newsletter.

Moorestown will be holding its annual FREE Rabies Clinic on January 18, 2014 from 9am until 12pm at the Public Works Garage, 601 East Third Street. (Snow date-January 25, 2014). Licenses will be sold at the clinic – Payment by check only – **no cash**.



Please remember to change your smoke alarm batteries on Sunday, November 3, when you change your clocks back one hour.

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