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BOROUGH HALL HOURS

ADMINISTRATION/ CLERK	Monday to Thursday 8:00am - 4:30pm Friday 8:00am - 1:00pm
CONSTRUCTION	Monday to Thursday 8:00am - 4:30pm Friday 8:00am - 1:00pm
TAX/SEWER COLLECTION	Monday to Thursday 10:00am - 2:00pm Friday 9:00am - 1:00pm
POLICE FRONT DESK	Monday to Thursday 8:00am - 4:30pm Friday 8:00am - 1:00pm

SPOTLIGHT ON DETECTIVE ADAM CARUSO

Meet Detective Adam Caruso: A Journey To Law Enforcement

Detective Adam Caruso's journey to law enforcement began in Livingston, NJ, where he was born. As a child, he moved to Long Valley, NJ, and attended the West Morris school system. A proud graduate of West Morris Central High School's Class of 2013, Adam was not only a standout on the football field for the Wolfpack but also a dedicated member of the Yearbook Club.

After high school, Adam pursued his education at Morris County College and Thomas Edison State University. Determined to serve his community, he applied to the Ocean County Police Academy, graduating in 2015. His first position in law enforcement was with the Seaside Heights Police Department as a Class II Special Officer.

Seeking an opportunity closer to home, Adam joined the Peapack & Gladstone Police Department in 2016 as a full-time officer. His dedication and hard work have made him a valued member of the department.

Outside of his career, Detective Caruso leads a vibrant life filled with hobbies and passions. He enjoys aerobic workouts, spending time with his loyal German Shepherd, discovering new Italian dishes, singing karaoke, and exploring different travel destinations.

Detective Caruso's story is one of commitment, community, and a zest for life that shines both on and off duty!



DOG LICENSING RENEWAL - Don't Miss the Deadline!

As we ring in the New Year, it's time to renew licenses for your furry friends! Renewal notices have been sent to all residents of Peapack and Gladstone with registered dogs. This year, we're offering several convenient options to make the process quick and easy:

In-Person: Stop by and have your dog's license processed on the spot

By Mail: Send your renewal form along with the required information and payment (checks only) by mail

Online: Visit our website to register your dog online at your convenience

We're also pleased to offer the added flexibility of credit card payments for both in-person and online transactions. **Please note:** a 2.65% or a \$3.00 minimum surcharge applies for credit card payments through *Municipipay*.

To avoid a \$10.00 late fee, be sure to complete your dog's licensing renewal before March 1, 2025. We hope this system feels even more familiar and user-friendly this year, making it easier than ever to keep your pets compliant and safe.

VISIT US AT: WWW.PEAPACKGLADSTONE.ORG

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NOTES FROM THE MAYOR

MAYOR MARK A. CORIGLIANO

A YEAR IN REVIEW

With 2024 past and 2025 upon us, I would like to take some time to review some of the changes to our landscape that have occurred or will be occurring in the near future.



Let's start with land development. The biggest event of the year was the opening of the Pendry Hotel at Natirar. Located on the 90 Acres area of the park, this elegant and discreet hotel offers recreation, dining and a remarkable spa to its guests. The adjoining event space is perhaps the finest in New Jersey, if not in the entire tri-state area. Both the hotel and the event space are anchored by the original and restored Kate Macy-Ladd Natirar Mansion, which includes a new restaurant and bar, Ladd's Tavern.



Earlier this year, the ownership of the Pfizer campus was transferred to Melillo Equities, owned and operated by a Borough resident, and is slated for redevelopment.

Unfortunately, large corporate campuses are no longer desirable in our State. The Pfizer campus is planned to be redeveloped into a combination of senior living, assisted living and a small extended-stay style hotel.

Too many other former corporate campuses in New Jersey sit empty and unused and we are fortunate to have a plan in place to make the Pfizer campus once again productive and to provide a home that will allow folks to enjoy their senior years as part of our Borough. The conceptual plan for the campus will include a number of walking trails that will connect to Liberty Park.



The beginning of the redevelopment of Lackawanna Avenue by Melillo Equities has begun with the renovation of the former Beval Saddlery building into shops and I am advised that an application for a brewery in a repurposed building is forthcoming to our Land Use Board.

Melillo Equities is also renovating the former FinPro/PG Bank building on Route 206 into a self-storage facility.

As you read this, ground may have already been broken for an affordable housing complex adjacent to Komline Park. This project, which is part of the Borough's Round III Affordable Housing obligation, will include two group homes and 20 townhouse-style homes. Much of this redevelopment includes the adaptive reuse of existing structures such as the Ladd Mansion and the Beval and FinPro buildings making what is old, new again.

There are a few other projects occurring here and there, including new trails and preserved farmland that you may also notice.

All of these projects will not only enhance our distinct village but will help maintain our tax base as costs continue to increase and the demands put on local government grow. Your Council, our Administration and I are all committed to maintaining our Borough's bucolic feel and affordability (for New Jersey, that is!) and it is to this end that we work.

With best wishes for a happy and healthy new year ahead.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark Corigliano', written in a cursive style.

Mark A. Corigliano
Mayor

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T-Ball



ATTENTION RECIPIENTS RECEIVING SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY BENEFITS

New in 2025 – Single Combined Application:

The State has made it easier for seniors and those receiving Social Security Disability in New Jersey to apply for Property Tax Relief with a new, simplified process. The goal is to make the filing experience more straightforward and efficient. They have a single combined application for the Senior Freeze (Property Tax Reimbursement), ANCHOR, and Stay NJ programs for residents 65 and over, or those collecting Social Security Disability Benefits. They will determine your eligibility for you and send a letter with the specific benefits you qualify for.

Starting in February, online filing and a mail-in form will be available at NJ Division of Taxation - Property Tax Relief Programs.



In Summary:

All three of those programs will be combined to one application called PAS-1 for the following individuals:

- seniors aged 65 or older
 - disabled homeowners
 - mobile homeowners.
- This Application will be sent out to residents by state by early March
 - Applications due back by 10/31/2025
 - This year there will be an online application option also at NJ Division of Taxation - Property Tax Relief Programs.
 - Non-senior homeowners and renters will use a separate form which will be out this summer and do not contain liquid.

References:

Next for N.J. property tax relief?
There is a new application for ANCHOR, Senior Freeze - nj.com



PG RECREATION

DAN DOLAN
RECREATION COORDINATOR

Winter is here ... Spring is right around the corner....

“Winter Rec” for kids in Grades K-2 is underway (Tuesdays @ 4:30pm (1/7 – 3/11)) as is Somerset Hills Youth Basketball (Grades 3 – 8 travel/ rec level). Our basketball program is a joint effort with Bernardsville with practices and games in both municipalities. Also, Grades K-2 Clinics are being held at the Bedwell School on Saturdays. Lastly, Youth & Adult Open Gym has begun.

Before we know it, Spring and Summer will be upon us! Our PG T-Ball program for kids ages 4-6 starts in April - Community Pass registration is open through March 31st. We can always use coaches so please consider helping. For kids 7 years of age and older, Somerset Hills Baseball Club offers Instructional - Minor - Major - and Travel softball and baseball for PG, Bernardsville, and Bedminster kids. Check out the SHBC website for more information, including registration.

PG Community Day is set for Saturday, June 7th. Join us for rides, a dunk tank, a DJ, games, ice cream, and contests!

And, be on the lookout for PG Summer Rec Camp registration in February. Summer Rec is beloved by all and this year it will run Tuesday, June 24th – Friday, July 25th. It is available to kids entering kindergarten through 8th grade, As noted above, if the interest is there we will offer Tennis and Pickleball lessons for both adults and kids!

Register for PG Rec programs online:
<https://register.capturepoint.com/peapackgladstoneborough>

Bernards Township Health Department

Vaccines for the Homebound



A Nurse will bring the vaccine and administer it to you at your home.

**If you or someone you know is homebound,
call Patti Pane, RN, BSN at
(908) 204-3068.**

For residents of:

Bernards Township, Bernardsville, Chester Borough,
Long Hill Township, Mendham Borough, and Peapack and Gladstone



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www.bernardshealth.org - Info: 908-204-3070

Contractual Health Agency for:
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Bernardsville Borough
Chester Borough
Long Hill Township
Mendham Borough
Peapack & Gladstone Borough

NEW JERSEY LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES TAKE-AWAYS

COUNCILWOMAN JULIE M. SUETA

I recently had the pleasure of attending the New Jersey League of Municipalities Conference in Atlantic City. It was my first time at the conference. With over 17,000 attendees and 700 exhibitors, the conference is the largest municipal gathering in the United States. An esteemed organization, "The League" has been holding this convention for 109 years! That said, there was lots to see and do.

I had the pleasure of attending many professional development sessions. The amount to choose from was overwhelming - in a good way! I found myself interested in so many topics, I wish that I could have been two places at once!

Being in the music education field and co-owning a small family business, I have been in a booth and helped facilitate workshops since I was 12. Being on the opposite side of things took a bit of getting used to.

The sessions that I attended were in a moderation format with many experts sharing their experience. I felt like this was a unique opportunity since most sessions were not presented by one person. For example, the session on solar that I attended had the Mayor of Madison (who implemented solar in their town), a scientist, a member of the NJ Sustainable Project and a Green Team member. The varied experience of the panel enabled participants to ask questions that would be answered based upon the panel members' specific field of expertise. This format was consistent with all of the sessions I attended, and I found it quite effective.

The Exhibit Hall provided a great opportunity to visit with vendors and organizations from all over the state. I appreciated that everyone I met shared their contact information and offered to provide the benefit of their own experience and research. There is a commonality that all attendees share. They have passion for the capacity in which they serve, and all are looking to do the best they can for their community. I cannot wait to attend next year!

One of the sessions that I enjoyed the most was regarding recycling. I thought I would provide some of the tips that were recommended at the session.

While we do not typically associate working for a recycling company to be a dangerous job-it is and especially if you are recycling the wrong things. I was shocked to learn that working at a plant is the 7th most dangerous job in the United States. It is important to do what we can do on the local level to ensure safety. For example, batteries can cause fires. It is important to recycle **ONLY** what is marked on your cans.

- **Do NOT** wish cycle - putting things in recycling that should not be placed in there because you feel guilty about throwing them out.
- Keep the cardboard the proper size so it fits in the container and is broken down to the extent possible.
- Make sure you place bottles in the bottom of the can to ensure safe disposal. Broken glass is very dangerous and causes injuries. Many times, if your recycling can is empty, dropping a bottle into the can may cause it to break.
- **Do NOT** place items in plastic bags.
- **Do NOT** recycle anything smaller than a credit card.
- **Do NOT** try to recycle food or drinks. Make sure all items are dry and do not contain liquid.

Being vigilant with what and how we recycle prevents injury, prevents fires and can even prevent death to those working at the plant. The automation process reduces trash collection, increases the ability to recycle, saves money and lowers emissions. It is important to do our part as residents.



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RECYCLING SCHEDULE

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GILL ST. BERNARD'S BOYS' SOCCER TEAM

HONORED WITH MAYORAL PROCLAMATION FOR NINTH STATE TITLE

On Tuesday, December 17, 2024, Mayor Mark Corigliano honored the Gill St. Bernard's Boys' Varsity Soccer team with a special Proclamation celebrating their remarkable achievement of winning a ninth state title.

The ceremony, held in recognition of the team's dedication and success, was attended by Head of School Sid Rowell, Director of Athletics Jenn Noon, Head Varsity Coach Tony Bednarsky P '08, '10, '14, '17, and Assistant Coach Tim DiBisceglie '13. This milestone underscored the team's enduring excellence and their significant contribution to the Gill St. Bernard's community and beyond.

Congratulations to the boys' soccer team and the entire GSB community who supported them in this incredible achievement.



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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS - WINTER GUIDELINES

BRAD FAGAN, DPW DIRECTOR

Winter has arrived, and with it comes the inevitable snowfall that transforms our neighborhood into a winter wonderland. However, it also brings the responsibility of snow removal to ensure the safety and accessibility of our streets and sidewalks. Here are some important guidelines and tips to help you navigate snow removal effectively:

- **Clear Sidewalks and Driveways:** It is essential to keep sidewalks and driveways clear of snow and ice to prevent accidents and ensure safe passage for pedestrians. Shoveling your sidewalks promptly after a snowfall is not just a courtesy; it's a safety measure.
- **Avoid Blocking Fire Hydrants:** When clearing snow, be mindful not to pile it around fire hydrants. Accessible fire hydrants are crucial for emergency services and can save lives in the event of a fire.
- **Remove Curbside Items:** Before the snowplows arrive, please remove any portable basketball hoops, trash bins, or other items from the curbside. These objects can obstruct plowing operations and may get damaged by the equipment.

- **Park with Care:** Adhere to the Borough snow ordinance by avoiding parking on the streets when roadways are covered with snow. This allows snowplows to maneuver more effectively and clear the roads efficiently.
- **Assist Neighbors in Need:** If you have elderly or physically impaired neighbors, offer to help them with snow removal. A little kindness goes a long way in fostering a supportive community.
- **Use Safe Snow Removal Techniques:** When shoveling snow, take breaks to avoid overexertion and use proper lifting techniques to prevent injury. Consider using ice melt products to keep surfaces safe and slip-free.
- **Stay Informed:** Keep an eye on weather forecasts, updates from local authorities and any emergency notices. Staying informed helps you prepare and respond effectively to snow events.

By following these guidelines, we can ensure our community remains safe and accessible during the winter months. Let's work together to keep our neighborhood clean, safe, and enjoyable for everyone.

*Thank you for your cooperation and dedication to maintaining our community!
Stay warm and stay safe!*



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