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Borough of Merchantville, New Jersey

Merchantville Borough Newsletter

Delicious autumn, My very soul is wedded to it, and if I were a bird, I would fly about the earth seeking the successive autumns .

By George Eliot

3rd SUCCESSFUL PRESERVATION PROGRAM ENDS

The Borough of Merchantville along with the Township of Pennsauken and the City of Camden has successfully completed another Neighborhood Preservation Program. This was the first NPP that included three municipalities in one target area. Maple Avenue was the center of the area and many improvements have taken place over the life of the program.

Over one hundred homes, business properties and rental units received grants to renovate their property. The program brought in over \$2,000,000 in funds to the area. Wellwood Park received Green Acres funding. Other improvements throughout the target area were, curb and sidewalk replacement for homeowners, ADA handicap accessible curb cuts, Victorian streetlights, banners, flags, holiday decorations, park improvements including snack bar doors, refrigerator, baseball backstop, trash cans, benches, gazebo repairs and painting along with sidewalks replaced around the park. Myrtle Avenue received new sidewalks and curbing and the replacement of the sewer on Maple Avenue.

A Resident Organization was formed as part of the grant requirement. One of the projects that the Resident Organization was instrumental in bringing back was the concert in the park program from years ago. Wednesday in Wellwood offers free concerts and art in the park for six Wednesday evenings during the summer. Children can make a different project each week, offered by local art teachers and the families can stay for the concert. The music is provided by local bands from the area. For the past two years, "Crusin' Nights" have been added to the series and two Wednesday evenings, antique cars line up in the park for an evening of old cars and oldies music.

While this program has come to a close, the Borough recognizes the importance of and ongoing need not only in Merchantville but also adjoining communities to continue the Neighborhood Preservation Program in our area. An application has been submitted to the Department of Community Affairs for another joint service grant between three municipalities. We will update you on the progress. For now, thank you for the support of the Neighborhood Preservation Program.

Denise Brouse, NPP Program Manager

Giant FLEA MARKET

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22nd

9 AM - 2 PM in WELLWOOD PARK

Sponsored by:

THE WOMAN'S CLUB OF MERCHANTVILLE

Spaces: \$16.00 (Bring your own table)

Reservations: Call Jan Hanson @ 856-663-8318 / JanWH@aol.com



5th Annual Town Wide Yard Sale

Saturday, September 22nd (Rain or shine)

Registration: \$15.00

Registration includes lawn sign, maps and advertising.

Pick up a form at the Borough Hall Annex
or print one out @ www.merchantville.com

Information: 662-2474 Ext. 121 / dbrouse@merchantvillenj.gov

All residents must register with the Borough in order to have a yard sale on this date!



Borough Council Meetings

Occur on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month upstairs in Borough Hall from September to May and on the 2nd Monday of the month during the summer. They are open to the public and minutes are available to the public on the town website or at Borough Hall after they have been approved.

2007 COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Aug. 28 - Board of Education Meeting, 7:30 p.m. Public Library
Aug. 28 - Planning Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m. Borough Hall
Sept. 4 - Historic Preservation Meeting, 7:30 p.m. Borough Hall
Sept. 10 - Borough Council Meeting, 7:30 p.m. Borough Hall
Sept. 11 - EMD Woman's Club Meeting, 7:30 p.m. Community Center
Sept. 11 - Board of Education Meeting, 7:30 p.m. Public Library
Sept. 11 - Planning Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m. Borough Hall
Sept. 19 - Woman's Club Meeting, 12:00 p.m. Community Center
Sept. 22 - Giant Flea Market, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Wellwood Park
Sept. 22 - Townwide Yard Sale, 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Sept. 24 - Borough Council Meeting, 7:30 p.m. Borough Hall
Sept. 25 - Board of Education Meeting, 7:30 p.m. Public Library
Sept. 25 - Planning Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m. Borough Hall
Oct. 2 - Historic Preservation Meeting, 7:30 p.m. Borough Hall

Information about Borough, Community & Organization meetings and events can be found @ www.merchantville.com. For updates and additions to the Calendar please visit the Borough website.

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BOROUGH NEWSLETTER PUBLICATION SCHEDULE

JANUARY 6th
FEBRUARY 24th
MARCH 17th
MAY 19th
JUNE 30th
AUGUST 18th
OCTOBER 6th

(Submissions due by September 22nd)

NOVEMBER 17th

(Submissions due by November 3rd)

Email newsletter submissions to:
newsletter@merchantville.com

Delivery concerns should be directed to:
Community Affairs Officer
Fred Kohler @ 856-662-2474 ext. 120

Robert Kelly, County Engineer, together with his design staff and traffic study engineers will be attending the Sept. 24th. Council Meeting to once again discuss the purposed Park, Chestnut, Gilmore intersection.

To: Our Business Owners and Residents:
From: Frank M. North, Mayor
Subject: Parking Meter Fees

A petition recently circulated throughout the business district by a private resident, requesting that parking meter limits be changed, has been presented to this office for consideration.

Prior to purchasing and installing the replacement parking meters in 2005, there were numerous meetings held and a parking survey taken, to evaluate the type of meter to be selected, the amount to be charged and length of time allowed for parking. The discussions and input included local businesspersons, business association members, councilpersons and police department representatives.

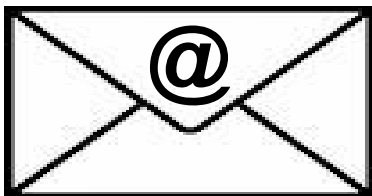
As with many matters, time permits us to examine the positive and negative impact of our decisions. This year, as the Master Plan is updated and the downtown continues to evolve, we will again assess the future parking needs of our businesses and their patrons.

As many of you may know, Merchantville was recently awarded a Parking Study Grant from the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission. It is my recommendation that we include concerns about parking meters and time limitations within the study. At the conclusion of this study a determination to modify or maintain current practice will be made.

In keeping with this, I am asking that all business owners participate more actively in Merchantville's Business & Professional Association. With an organized, well-supported and purposeful association advocating on your behalf we can look forward to a strong and prosperous future. Put the merchant back in Merchantville. You can make a difference today!

Thank you
Frank M. North, Mayor

MUNICIPAL EMAIL



**A merchantvillenj.gov email
directory is available online
@www.merchantville.com
For all municipal officials,
employees, boards and
commissions.**

THANKS RICK and GOOD LUCK!



Rick Thomas will be leaving his job as Borough Clerk on Tuesday, September 14th to take the position of Assistant Administrator of Branchburg Township. Branchburg is located in Somerset County, has a population of 15,000, a \$15 million budget and 100 employees. Rick will be reporting directly to the Administrator and be involved in a variety of daily activities including handling several projects, overseeing all purchasing operations, capital project management and budget planning. Thanks for six years of dedicated service and best wishes in all your future endeavors!

Pumpkin Patch!

Join us at the Merchantville Community Center, 212 Somerset Ave. on Saturday, October 20th from 10:00 am until 1:00 pm. Come out and enjoy pumpkin picking and decorating, crafts and games for the kids, baked goods and refreshments. Dress in costume or come as yourself. The beautiful fall weather and onsite playground will top off a great day of family fun!



Tina Schmidt will be hosting two **Flea Markets** on **Saturday, September 22nd and October 27th**. They'll take place on the front side lawn of First Presbyterian Church at the corner of Maple and Centre Streets. From Antiques, home made jar goodies, to all kinds of animal toys for people and pets to help promote an animal rescue. The weather should be good so come on out to take a stroll! Vendors accepted.

Fee: \$20 for a 12x10 spot.

For information: call Tina at 856-662-0357.

Dear Editor:

On behalf of myself and all I want to thank everyone involved in the wonderful 10th Annual Merchantville Car Show. The Merchantville Police, The Merchantville Fire Department, The Merchantville First Aid Squad and the Merchantville Highway Department. And especially Kevin Greening, Jim Irwin and Tom and Mike Rhea and all their staff. This event is one of the best anywhere and the time and effort they all put in is unreal. It is a real positive for our great community.

Jeff Brown



MERCHANTVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY 2007 FALL PROGRAM CALENDAR

Saturday, 9/8 thru 12/15 (11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.)

For Children age birth to two years and their caregivers.

MERCHANTVILLE LITTLE ONE'S PLAYGROUP: Join us for a chance to meet our youngest members and make new friends! We have lots of books, toys and pillows for use.

Wednesday, 9/5, 10/3, 11/7, 12/5, 2007 (6:00 - 9:00 p.m.)

For Adults

MERCHANTVILLE FALL FILM FORUM: Bring your dinner in a sack, we'll provide bottled water, snacks and stimulating discussion about the night's featured film classic.

Wednesday, 9/12, 9/19 (3:30 p.m.)

For Children grades 2 and above

FALL WREATH MAKING CLASS: Join us to make a fall wreath with fabric and straw.

Wednesday, 9/19 (6:30 - 9:00 p.m.)

For Adults

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY FUNDRAISER-ANTIQUE

APPRAISAL EVENING: Bruce Dooley and Kaysi Weeks will appraise your antiques for \$7.00 per item (no written guarantee will be given). All proceeds will benefit the Library. Light refreshments will be served.

Wednesday, 9/26, 10/17, 10/24 (3:30 p.m.)

For Children grades 3 and above

BOOK BINGO DESCRIPTION: Join us for book bingo, snacks and prizes for all!

Wednesdays, 10/3, 10/10 (3:30 p.m.)

For Children grades 2 and above

FALL LEAVES: Now that the leaves have turned and are beginning to fall, join us to paint and decorate your own fall tree.

Tuesday, 10/23 (3:00 p.m.)

For all ages

MR. MALCOLM PRESENTS SCOOPY DOO! Enjoy an interactive story telling presentation of your favorite Canine!

Wednesday, 11/14 (3:30 p.m.)

For Children grades 3 and above

PET BASKETS: Join us and make and decorate a pet treat basket for your favorite pet, real or stuffed.

Monday, 11/26 (3:00 p.m.)

For all ages

MR. MALCOLM BEGINS OUR HOLIDAY SEASON! Enjoy interactive story telling to Kick Off the Holiday Season!

REGISTRATION REQUIRED FOR ALL PROGRAMS.

For registration and information call: 856-665-3128

THE POLICE DEPARTMENT urges Borough residents to call the police should they see or hear anything strange or unusual in their neighborhood. This includes people soliciting for any reason.



Anyone that wants to go door to door in the Borough **MUST REGISTER** with the police department.

Should someone come to your home for any reason and you do not feel "comfortable" about them, call the police. This could even be a person from a utility such as a meter reader.

They must have proper identification. Even if they do and you are not sure, call the police. Let the police investigate.

DON'T CONFRONT these people, let the police handle them. If they are legitimate they will not mind the police checking.

Please do not feel embarrassed about calling the police. They are here to make your home and your neighborhood as safe as possible. It is their job not a bother for them to investigate anything that might be hazard in your area.

If you are not sure if the problem you want to report is an emergency or not, dial 9-1-1 and let the police determine if it is an emergency. **PLEASE CALL!** If you have a non-emergency question for the police, you call 856-662-0500 24 hours a day. For normal weekday business or questions you can call 856-662-0507 or the Community Affairs/ Crime Prevention Office at 856-662-2474 ext. 120

Work on updating the Master Plan continues . . .

As additional sections are completed mid to late August, they will be published and available on the Merchantville website @www.merchantville.com. Copies may also be obtained at the Borough Clerk's office.

A Public Hearing regarding the revised Master Plan is scheduled at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 25, 2007 at the Community Center. The hearing will cover all of the sections of the revised Master Plan.

To facilitate consideration of your comments or suggestions regarding the draft sections as they are completed, you are encouraged to provide your thoughts to the Planning Board and/or Ragan Design Group (RDG). E-mails may be sent to rdgmgt.rdg@verizon.net prior to the September 25th meeting. The Borough Clerk's office will also accept written comments for the Planning Board and/or RDG.

Pennsauken Roller Hockey Registration Open to All Pennsauken & Merchantville Residents

Ages: 6 years old through High School

Dates & Times: At the Pennsauken Library
Thursday, August 16 from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm &
Saturday, August 18 from 10 am - 12 noon

Dates & Times: At the Pennsauken Rink (River Rd.)

Monday, August 20, Wednesday, August 22 &
Friday, August 24 from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Registration Fees:

14 & older: \$85.00 for 1st team, \$25.00 for 2nd team
12 & under: \$65.00 for 1st team, \$25.00 for 2nd team

USA Hockey In-Line Insurance Required:
\$30.000, good through August 31, 2008

For more information:

email pennsaukenrollerhockey@hotmail.com
Or call Kathy Laufer @ 856-304-3839

MERCHANTVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY



The Borough of Merchantville has received a Certification of Eligibility for the Community Center (formerly the Merchantville Country Club clubhouse).

It is eligible for listing in the New Jersey and National Registers of Historic Places under National Register criteria A and C, for its local significance in the areas of recreation and architecture.

Our building still reflects its 1920s appearance, when it was remodeled from a 19th-century carriage house into a 1920s clubhouse, according to the design plans of an unidentified architect who skillfully melded Colonial revival elements into a Tudor Revival design, showing a considerable appreciation of the historical styles from which he borrowed. We are delighted to have this certification in place. Come Fall, we will be working on a local list of historic buildings which we deem should be identified as historic to our community and should be protected.

MOTHERS HELPING MOTHERS

We are a local, non-profit group of SAHM and part-time working moms who meet on the first and third Friday of the month in Merchantville. Moms are from the Burlington and Camden county area. Our meeting include refreshments, open discussions, speakers and/or an activity while our children are cared for in a well staffed nursery. We also have kid's socials, moms night out, playdates, book clubs and community service projects. Please contact Sharon at 856-764-0828 for more information and check us out at mothershelpingmothers.com.

Discover the Difference of our Downtown!

Vegetarian Option Opens at the Circle

Zizi's vegetarian takeout has opened to rave reviews at 177 S. Centre St. in Merchantville. Uniquely different, Zizi's promise food enthusiast a truly enjoyable alternative eating experience.

Rooted in Central Jersey, our signature dishes are infused with international flavors to create distinctive tastes. Zizi's menu features fresh and flavorful dishes to satisfy even the most discerning palates.

Their natural Low-Carb meals contain NO ANIMAL MEAT! Entire menu selections are VEGAN, free from egg and dairy. While most of their foods are made of soy protein, a few are based on other sources of plant protein, grains, legumes, nuts, fruits and vegetables, land & sea. They use 100% soy oil - no cholesterol and Zero grams of trans fat

Hours are Monday through Saturday, 11:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Local lunch delivery is available. Call 856-317-1949. You can view their menu on the borough website or check out their website @ www.zizis2go.com

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856-304-3839 or 856-308-9536
SisterSales@Century21.com

Clip, Crop & Paste

We are excited to add some new classes and events taking place during the Fall months at **Stop and Crop Scrapbooking Shop**.

We will be offering Mom & Me , Beginner programs, and Teen nights. We are also in the process of incorporating fundraising and private event cropping. As always, our shop is open for Friday and Saturday night cropping and we always look forward to seeing new faces.

Also remember, with school just around the corner, Stop and Crop is a great place to come to enhance your school reports or projects. With die cut machines, stickers, paper and embellishments you will be able to add that extra details to your work.

For more information, please feel free to visit our website at www.stopandcropscrapbooking.com, call the shop at 856- 662-7357 or stop in to take a look around.

A REASON TO SMILE

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all our patients who made this year's Smiles for Life Campaign a success.

Through the efforts of Dr. Sapienza and our dental team we raised nearly \$3000.00 to aid children's charities. Half of the amount was donated to the Go 4 the Goal Foundation and the remaining funds to the Garth Brooks Teammates for Kids Foundation.

Since joining the campaign four years ago, Dr. Sapienza has raised over \$17,000.00. Over 500 children's charities have benefited from these funds in the past six years.

This was part of an annual campaign organized by the Crown Council, an association of elite dentists throughout North America, of which Dr. Sapienza is a member. Community members were provided with complimentary teeth whitening treatments and they in turn made a donation to the Smiles for Life Foundation.

Thanks again to all who were involved this year!

What's new at the MPWC.....

The Merchantville-Pennsauken Water Commission congratulates Geri Tabako on her recent retirement. Throughout her 7 years of service with the MPWC, Geri's set a standard for excellence and placed a high level of priority on the quality of service that we provide to all of our customers. She will truly be missed by all. Good Luck, Geri!

Brandy Eisenmann has been recruited to replace Geri and will serve as the organization's Director of Customer Service. Brandy, a career professional, comes to the MPWC with special skills and a strong commitment towards serving the communities and customers relying on our safe drinking water. She remains available to assist you with any of your questions, concerns or issues relative to the service we provide.

The MPWC is also please to announce the appointment of **Richard Spafford, P.E.** as our in-house Engineer. Rich comes to us with a strong background in water distribution, treatment and project management. This critical addition to the MPWC team will assist us with franchise expansion on the waterfront and Petty's Island, other developments, infrastructure assessment, maintenance and upgrades and will be responsible for coordinating all MPWC projects.

We congratulate other employees who are celebrating service anniversaries with the MPWC:

David Dorofy - Service Technician for 27 Years
Thomas Kelly - Plant Operator for 15 Years
Michael Evans - Plant Operator for 1 Year

Highest Quality Drinking Water – Lowest Possible Price!

The 2006 Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) has been sent to every household served by the Water Commission. This CCR includes a summary of our water quality, general information about the Merchantville-Pennsauken Water Commission and reports on testing done during the 2006 calendar year. The MPWC water quality still meets, and in some areas, exceeds the water quality standards established by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection. If you have not received your CCR Report you can download or view a copy from our web site at www.mpwc.com or contact Brandy Eisenmann at our main office Monday through Friday from 8:30 am through 4:30 pm at 856-663-0043.

ATTENTION TAX PAYERS: The grace period for August 1st taxes, third quarter has been extended to August 31st. If taxes are not paid by this date interest will be calculated from the Statutory due date of August 1st. If you have any questions please contact: Michelle McKinney @ 856-662-2474 x104. Thank you.

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Chapel-Maple development goes forward

After receiving Borough Council approval at the start of 2007 this proposed redevelopment of the old Shell station property, by RLC III, LLC, was unanimously approved by members of the Historic Preservation Commission at their September 7th meeting. The plans will be on the agenda for consideration by the Planning Board at their 9/11 meeting. As soon as revised site and building plans for the redevelopment are submitted they will be available online @ www.merchantville.com and at the municipal office on Maple Avenue.

Homestead rebate checks mailed

The Division of Taxation began mailing approximately 1.2 million homestead rebate checks in August. Learn more about this on the borough website.

Clean Communities grants available

The Borough of Merchantville will offer \$200.00 Clean Communities Grants to groups and organizations from town. A limited number of grants will be available in the spring and fall at a rate of one per month. An area will be designated for clean up, weeding and planting. Groups must consist of at least 10 members and have adults included, plan to work at least two hours. Trash bags, gloves etc will be provided by the Borough. After the work is completed a check will be sent to the group for \$200.00. Juniors, Girls Scouts, Boy Scouts, Church groups etc. may sign up. Space is limited and groups will be accepted on a first come first served basis. Help keep our Borough beautiful!

Discover the Difference of our Downtown!

Sandals/Beaches Resort Night

Custom Travel Services, located at 221 N. Centre Street will be holding a Sandals/Beaches Information Night for the public on 9/13 at 6:30 p.m.

Refreshments will be served and a booking discount will be extended to those who attend. Please RSVP to Georgiann at 856-663-0444. Hope to see you!

The Country Bloom

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Discounts up to
50% off

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The Country Bloom

13 North Centre Street • Merchantville, NJ
856-662-2003



Thursday & Friday, 9/27 and 9/28

11:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, 9/29

11:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.



**Monday -
Friday 10:00
to 6:00
Saturday
11:00 to 6:00
Sunday**

1:00 to 5:00

Original Art Collections

19-21 South Centre Street • 856-488-

Discover the Difference of our Cafes & Restaurants

Merchantville Diner • 24 South Centre Street • 856- 663 - 8500

The Collins House Restaurant • 2 S. Centre Street • 856-661-8008

Sal's Pizza • 43 South Centre St • 856-665-8388

Grand China • 39 South Centre Street • 856-661-0212

Vincent's Pizza • 17 West Park Avenue • 856-663-8879

Half Moon Café • 7 East Park Avenue • 856-662-8844

Taste Café • 6 East Park Avenue • 856-662-4888

Nando's Pizzeria • 177 South Centre Street • 856-486-1900

Zizi's Vegetarian Restaurant2Go • 177 South Centre Street • 856-317-1949

Buzzy's Pizza • 134 East Park Avenue • 856- 662-2222

M & M Deli • 618 West Maple Avenue • 856-486-1118

MERCHANTVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Registration: By appointment only beginning the week of August 27th.

Please call 856-663-1091 ext. 10 and leave a message and the secretary will return your call to schedule an appointment.

Class Lists: Will be posted at the school during the last week in August.

Schedule:

Wednesday, September 5th - early dismissal at 12:30 p.m. *Grab 'n Go lunch will be served.

Thursday, September 6th - early dismissal at 12:30 p.m. *Grab 'n Go lunch will be served.

Friday, September 7th - full day of classes



REGISTRATION IS CURRENTLY IN PROGRESS! REGISTER NOW!

CALL 856-665-5879 to register or email mmcloone@stpetersschool.org

Admission & Registration

Pre-K 3 - half day program: Tues. & Thurs. from 9-11 a.m.

Pre-K 4 - half day program with 3, 4 or 5 day option: Tues. & Thurs. from 12:00-12:30 p.m.

A child must be 4 years of age on or before September 30th or 3 years of age on or before September 30th. One must provide a birth certificate, a complete and up-to-date record of all immunizations, and a non-refundable registration fee of \$65. Additional information is available at www.stpetersschool.org.

Fall Open House: Sunday, October 14, 2007 in the Lower School

Hot Rod online features Merchantville's Car Show

In case you missed any of the spectacular sights at the 10th Annual Merchantville Main Street Sock Hop & Car & Bike Show on Saturday July 7, 2007 you can enjoy a picture gallery courtesy of Hot Rod Online. The show had over 850 cars & bikes in attendance with over 12,000 spectators filling the streets from end to end with 9 DJ's spin turns all day long. Log on to www.hotrodhotline.com... click on Show Coverage ... scroll down to July 9, 2007 ... and relive the day while viewing 13 pages of car show photos!

Merchantville EMD Hosts "Bunko Game Night"

Do you like to play "Bunko"? Do you know how? For all those who enjoy a night of hilarious fun and laughter, please save the following date-- September 14, 2007 at 7:00 PM. The Merchantville Evening Membership Department of the Woman's Club of Merchantville will be hosting a "Bunko Game Night" at the Merchantville Community Center, Somerset Ave. and Greenleigh Court, on Sept. 14 at 7:00 PM. Advanced sale tickets will be sold for \$10 each; bring a bag of groceries for the South Jersey Food Bank and receive a \$2 rebate. There will be prizes given to winners as well as door prizes. Complimentary refreshments will be served. Tickets will not be sold at the door; if you would like to attend, please call Peg at 856-488-2309.

Upcoming events sponsored by the Camden County Board of Freeholders in conjunction with Dept. of Health & Human Services, Div. of Senior & Disabled Services/Special Events:

Caring for Aging Loved Ones Conference, "Bringing It Down to the Essentials" on October 4, 2007 from 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Hotel, 109 9th Avenue, Runnemede NJ. FREE! Light refreshments served. Topics include: Home Care & Respite Programs, Housing Options, Health Insurance Counseling, Legal Issues and more.

18th Annual Senior Health Awareness Fair SAVE THE DATE! October 11, 2007 RAIN or SHINE from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Jack Curtis Stadium, Cooper River Park, Pennsauken. Kick off of Camden County's Flu Shot Program. Free boxed lunches to Camden County Seniors age 60 years or older. Enjoy community, county and state exhibits offering information on available programs & services in Camden County as well as entertainment and door prizes!

To register, call Division of Senior & Disabled Services @ 1-877-222-3737 or visit website @ www.camdencounty.com