

Borough of Haworth

Please keep for reference

NEWSLETTER

Winter 2017



There are lots of changes happening in Haworth. Please read this newsletter and check our website at www.haworthnj.org for details and updates.

~ January 2017 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 NEW YEAR'S DAY	2 Borough Offices Closed Branch Chipping West side	3 7:00 – Council Reorganization Meeting 7:30-Zoning Board 7:30-Shade Tree Garbage Pickup	4 Recycling	5	6 Garbage Pickup	7
8	9 7:00 - Library Board 8:00 – Recreation Commission Branch Chipping East side	10 7:30 – Council Meeting Garbage Pickup	11 Recycling	12 7:30 – Board of Health	13 Garbage Pickup	14 12:00-1:00 RABIES CLINIC
15	16 MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY Boro Offices Closed Branch Chipping West side	17 Garbage Pickup	18 8:00-Planning Board Recycling	19 7:30-Parks & Playgrounds	20 Garbage Pickup	21
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29	30 Branch Chipping West side	31	Notes:			

Winter 2017

Dear Haworth Neighbor,

Happy New Year and best wishes for a happy and healthy year in 2017. Your Council has already held two meetings to make plans for the year ahead and to continue improving the services provided to residents. Changes already in place for 2017 include restoring side yard garbage pickup service and appointing a new Police Chief, Michael Gracey. You can read more about these changes in this newsletter. In addition, plans are moving forward to continue the downtown area improvement with renovations to Terrace Street and Terrace Street park. In the Spring, we will also have a Grand Opening for the new Pavilion and restroom at Memorial Field, which was significantly accomplished by grants from Bergen County and volunteer labor. Please read this newsletter and continue to check the web site for more and up-to-date information about activities in Haworth.

Mayor John Smart

~ February 2017 ~

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5	6 8:00 – Recreation Commission Branch Chipping East side	7 7:30-Zoning Board 7:30-Shade Tree Garbage Pickup	8 Recycling	9 7:30 – Board of Health	10 Garbage Pickup	11
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~ March 2016 ~

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FROM THE BOROUGH CLERK'S OFFICE



**MARK YOUR CALENDAR
FREE RABIES CLINIC - JAN. 14TH,
12:00 PM to 1:00 PM
AT THE MUNICIPAL CENTER - FOR
ALL DOGS AND CATS.**

Dog and Cat licenses must be renewed every year in January. If your dog or cat has a rabies vaccination that expires in 2017, we can still issue the license but will hold it until your confirmation of an updated rabies shot. Look for flyer in early January for more information.

RECYCLING NEWS

Now that we are separating our recyclables, please be aware Miele Sanitation has one truck picking up the papers and a different one picking up the glass, plastic and metal.



LEASHING OF DOGS

All dogs must be leashed when on public streets, in parks or any public place and are not permitted to run at large in any public area or on any private property other than that of the owner.

**OWNERS ARE REQUIRED TO
CLEAN UP AFTER THEIR PETS IN A
PROMPT AND SANITARY MANNER -
VIOLATORS WILL RECEIVE A SUMMONS.**

CERTIFIED COPIES OF MARRIAGE LICENSES

If you need a certified copy of your marriage license and were married in Haworth, call the Borough Clerk's Office.

APPLIANCES Call Borough Hall, 384-4785 to pick up appliances, including hot water heaters, metal file cabinets, metal furniture, bikes, etc.

I M P O R T A N T



New Garbage Contract for 2017

Pails will no longer have to be brought to the curb.

The new contract is for side yard pick-up.

**This is for household garbage only.
Extra garbage will still have to be brought to the curb.**

Recycling will still have to be brought to the curb also.

THE HAWORTH POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEET THE CHIEF....

On December 1st, Michael P. Gracey was promoted from Lieutenant to Chief of the Haworth Police Department (HPD) after a comprehensive interview process during which input was sought from all members of the HPD. Lieutenant Gracey should be a familiar face to most residents as he has been a member of the HPD for 27 years. From his initial assignment as a dispatcher, Chief Gracey rose through the ranks to police officer, sergeant and then Lieutenant. Having served in almost every role in the HPD at one time or another, Chief Gracey stands well qualified to lead the HPD and to place his own stamp on a police department which is among the most respected in the Northern Valley.

Growing up in New Milford and then settling in Dumont, where he currently resides with his wife and four children, Chief Gracey has long been active in the community. As Chief of the HPD, he plans to be a visible presence in the Borough and looks forward to regular interaction with the residents whether at Borough Hall, at annual Borough events or elsewhere.

Good luck Chief Gracey!

Holiday Season Burglary / Fraud Awareness

The Haworth Police Department would like to remind residents to remain vigilant during the holiday season. Residents can limit the likelihood of becoming a victim of theft and fraud by taking several proactive measures.

Before reading any further, please take a moment to sign up for our emergency notification system Nixle if you have not already done so. Nixle is used to send important notifications to Haworth residents by email, SMS/text message, and/or the web. Notifications may include information pertaining to emergency shelters or major road closures, as well as other relevant safety and community event information. The system is simple to use and provides an easy sign-up process. Once registered, residents may customize from what other area agencies they receive information. Please visit www.nixle.com to sign up, and consider liking the Haworth Police Department on Facebook at www.facebook.com/HaworthPolice where we post many of the same emergency messages as well as important messages and information are also posted on the Borough's website - www.haworthnj.org.

As was previously announced on Nixle and Facebook, the borough recently experienced several burglaries to unlocked motor vehicles on the east side of town between 12/11/2016-12/12/2016. The tips below are extremely effective and cannot be stressed enough. The Haworth Police Department would like to highlight these tips, along with others, for preventing and recognizing various thefts, frauds, and scams that can easily spoil your festive spirit.

Burglary Prevention Tips – Motor Vehicle and Residential
Protect your vehicle by:

- Locking the doors. Realize that if you have a garage door opener in the vehicle, it can be used for easy entry into your home.
- Not storing keys or valuables in your car

- Keeping purses, sunglasses, spare change, or other high value items out of sight. Realize a visible charger indicates to a burglar the possible presence of a valuable device hidden inside.

Make your house appear occupied by:

- Putting lights on timers and adjusting them for the season.
- Installing motion-sensing lights around your residence.
- Quickly picking up your newspapers and mail. Suspend delivery while you are away.

Protect your home by:

- Always locking your doors
- Setting your audible alarm system
- Installing surveillance cameras (if not, strategically position “dummy” cameras).
- Looking out for your fellow neighbors. Ask each other to keep an eye on the house while you are away.
- Not posting on social media when you will be away from home!
- Avoiding typical hiding places for valuables such as bedroom drawers, jewelry boxes, closets, etc. Safes can help, but they should be hidden, preferably not in the bedroom, and secured to the floor/wall with lag bolts.
- Keep quality photos of all valuables. In the event that something is stolen, photos will help us to recover the valuables and identify them as yours. It also helps us to disseminate them to other agencies.

Report the following:

- Suspicious vehicles circling the area or parked on the block
- Suspicious people approaching your neighbor’s front door, driveway or rear yard on foot.
- Strangers who knock on your front door or ring the doorbell. If you answer they may come up with a random story or claim they have the wrong house. Burglars have utilized this strategy to see if you are home. If they don’t get an answer, they’ll force their way in through a door or window.
- Utility workers requesting to enter your home that seem suspicious. In the past, burglars have posed as utility workers in order to be granted entrance into a home. Always request to see their identification. When in doubt, call the police to verify.
- Bottom line, trust your instincts and call the police when something doesn’t seem right.

Scam / Fraud Awareness Tips - A simple Google search can be an excellent source of various scam descriptions. In this writing, we wish to focus scam-related themes to protect yourself during the holiday season:

- ***If it’s too good to be true, it probably is!***

This age-old adage is perhaps the best litmus test for spotting a scam. If you’re shopping for that high-end item and find it for a fraction of the price from an

unknown retailer, start to ask yourself why the item is so heavily discounted. Is it a stolen good? Is it counterfeit? Is it an attempt to steal your information? Will they send the item upon payment? If you learned of the item from a classified advertisement, can you trust the intentions of the seller?

- ***Preying on your generosity***

It’s the season of giving, and that doesn’t have to change! Just take a second to think whether the person or organization you choose to give to is on the up-and-up. Visit their website, speak with representatives, and ask questions. Consider checking “charity checkers” through numerous online databases.

- ***Tech-savy cons***

Various news media recently highlighted the dangers of “fake apps” for exclusive retail shopping deals that appeared in the Apple App Store. No app store is immune from this problem, and app stores usually locate and remove the fraudsters in a timely fashion. Before downloading apps, read through the details and ratings. Misspellings and having very few reviews are potential signs of a “fake app.”

Phishing emails are still one of the most common methods of tech-involved theft. Question the validity of every email you receive. Avoid immediately downloading or clicking any “links” within an email. Instead, consider visiting the website yourself by typing out the address in your browser. Look for the “s” in the address “https://www.____.com” when sharing personal or financial information to ensure the session is secure. If a link is sent to you by a relative, call or text them to confirm they are actually the one who sent it.

Thank you for taking the time to read our column. If you found it helpful, please considering sharing it with a friend, relative, or neighbor. From the bottom of our badges, the Haworth Police Department would like to wish you a fun-filled, fraud-free holiday season as well as a happy, heedful, and healthy new year!



HAWORTH SENIORS
Most meetings are held at the First Congregational Church Hall unless otherwise stated.

**** ALL MEETINGS & PROGRAMS REQUIRE A 5-DAY RSVP ****

Call Margaret at 201-384-4785.

ANNUAL DUES OF \$20.00 (Oct 2016 – June 2017)

There are no meetings January, February, July, August & September.

TUESDAY, March 21st, 12:00 Noon
ST. PATRICK’S DAY
POLICE LUNCHEON

Everyone wear something green –
by order of the Chief!

Do you live alone and do you know about Operation Reassurance? This program is part of the Haworth Police Department. When you sign up for this program, they will give you a number to call each morning before 10:00. If they do not hear from you, they will call you, and if they do not get an answer, they will come to your home to check on you. This is a wonderful program that can give you much security, or reassurance, that someone is looking after you. For more information, call the Police Department at 201-384-1900.



The Haworth Senior Van is available five days a week, 9 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. for doctors' appointments, hospital visits, grocery shopping and mall shopping. Have you been taking advantage of it? Just call 201-385-3577, leave your message on the answering machine and John will get back to you.

BERGEN COUNTY also operates a van service for all Bergen County residents over 60 years of age or disabled with a doctor's note. Hours are Monday through Friday, 10 AM – 2 PM. Reservations require notice a week in advance to go anywhere in Bergen County. The service is free, but \$1.00 is requested. Please call 201-368-5955 for reservations.

NOTES FROM FRIENDS OF THE HAWORTH LIBRARY



Thanks to all 88 readers who took part in the Friends of the Library's "Jane Eyre" Read-a-thon. We finished in 22 hours, 15 minutes, with each of the 88 reading roughly for fifteen minutes each. We started out with a bang, with members of the Bronte Society at the Bronte Parsonage Museum reading the first chapter, via Skype (initially they had hoped to read from the dining table where Charlotte actually wrote "Jane Eyre," but there was no wifi signal—they settled for the Library). There's a slideshow of the event on the Friends' Facebook page, and also on YouTube—just search for Friends of the Haworth Library Jane Eyre, and it should come up.

Also on Facebook—take a look at the page that gives you a glimpse into some little known facets of Haworth history: Haworth Stories, Treasures and Tales from the Library's Local History room. <https://www.facebook.com/haworthnjhistory/>

We also just wanted to mention a few of the ways your Friends' contributions have recently been helping the library: Miss Nita's music classes, the scarecrow event, Korean magazines, materials for children's programs, the new (cold) water fountain, the holiday concert and party, new signage in the Children's Room, the talk by Bronte scholar Deborah Lutz, archival supplies for the local history room, museum passes, and our renewed green lawn out front....

....Which is a natural lead-in to the next item... we'll soon be launching a fundraising campaign for the Friends. We haven't actively asked for donations since the addition was completed—we thought your wallets should take a break—but programming, for all ages, especially needs our help now, which means we'll be needing your help. We'll be sending something out in the mail, so keep an eye out. You can also donate at the Friends' website, haworthfriends.org. MANY thanks to the Haworth 5K for its recent generous contribution to the Friends—a great start to our 2017 fundraising.

Haworth Municipal Library



I'd like to thank the Haworth community for the warm welcome and for all its support. It is an honor to work for such a great community, a community which created a library that Haworth residents can be so proud of. Now I have the very important role of filling the library with great programs and services - one that I hope to succeed in with your help.

Community involvement is key for the library's success. I strongly suggest that all Haworth community members have their own library cards. If you haven't been to the library for a long time, just stop by and check your library account.

To extend our idea of involvement, the library has created a teen volunteer program called Jr. Library Council (JLC). JLC members will help the library with library programs and receive community service hours. This program is for Haworth teens in grades 6 and up and will meet once per month. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Denise Lester, Youth Services Librarian at denise.lester@haworth.bcls.org. Winter storytime programs will resume the week of January 16th and will be followed by a Yoga with Kids program in February. The full schedule and details will be available on the library's website.

Our adult movie program is coming back on the 1st Wednesday of each month and new first-run movies will be shown at 2 pm and 7 pm. We also have a Social Security Workshop on Wednesday, January 25th at 7 pm, and an Estate Planning Workshop on Wednesday, March 8th at 7 pm. The Zen Meditation program continues every Monday at 7:30 pm, and ESL class meets every Monday at 11:30 am.

We are eager to bring programs that our community wants and we need your voice. My door is always open for your suggestions and ideas. Looking forward to seeing you the library!

Shinae Hyun, Library Director



Join the Scouts in Haworth for Fun and Adventure!

Troop 73 Boy Scouts meet most Mondays at 7:30 PM at the Firehouse. Come with us to enjoy camping or for a day of scout skills in the snow at the Klondike Derby. Call Scoutmaster Achilles Gatanas at 201-725-9534 or email agatanas@gmail.com for more information on membership, events and volunteering.

Pack 373 Cub Scouts have many fun meetings and special activities upcoming including the Pinewood Derby. Call Rob Deutsch at 201-315-0803 or email rdmgmt@optonline.net for more information.



SHADE TREE COMMISSION

Dear Haworth Neighbors,

Haworth's identification as The Town of Tall Trees has endured for over a century. During World War One, for instance, a young soldier stationed at nearby Camp Meritt wanted to know the name of the town he'd passed through with all the big trees. After the war, he returned, found it was Haworth, settled here, married and later became its mayor.

Our mission is to maintain Haworth's image as The Town of Tall Trees.

Here are the Top Ten Practical Reasons for big trees:

1. Trees help purify the air we breathe by absorbing pollutants.
2. Trees increase property values and improve the tax base of communities.
3. Trees improve neighborhood appeal, attracting businesses, shoppers and homeowners.
4. Trees cool our cities and towns by reducing heat generated by buildings and paved surfaces.
5. Tree shade, properly placed, can save an average household up to \$250 annually in energy costs.
6. Trees reduce the amount of pollutants in sewer systems, saving communities millions of dollars in water treatments costs.
7. Trees soften harsh building lines and large expanses of pavement, making urban and suburban environments much more pleasant.
8. Trees provide habitat for birds and other wildlife, maintaining a balance with nature, even in urban

areas.

9. Trees reduce the amount of water-borne pollutants that reach streams and rivers.
10. Trees reduce levels of domestic violence and foster safer, more sociable neighborhood environments. (NJ Shade Tree Federation)

In addition to the benefits that big trees provide to your property, the trees that line the side of the road adjacent to your land also serve in the same valuable ways.

As such, the seventeen trees that we recently planted on Borough easements, without cost to our neighbors, carry the express understanding that we, at the HSTC, plant, care for, and replace easement trees, as needed, and you, as neighbors, water new Borough trees in the heat of summer.

Please tell us if you want a tree planted on your easement, without cost to you, by calling the Borough Hall. A newly planted Borough tree is an ongoing commitment to conserve Haworth's uniquely magical, country-forest image and heritage.

In the event a Borough tree is taken down without authorization, a penalty of \$1,500 is assessed for first-time offenders, \$2,000 thereafter.

We invite you to participate in the PLANT-A-TREE PROGRAM:

1. **BOROUGH EASEMENT PLAN:** Plant a tree or trees on the easement between the road and your property. You buy the tree and the HSTC will plant it.
2. **MEMORIAL TREE FUND:** Plant a Memorial Tree at a special site, in memory of a loved one.
3. **DONATION:** Make a contribution to the HSTC towards the planting of trees on Borough property.
4. **REPLACE-A-TREE FUND:** Choose a Borough tree that you like that is unhealthy or dying, and plant another tree nearby to grow and replace it when it goes.

Purchasing and planting in the PLANT-A-TREE PROGRAM will cost approximately \$250 to \$500, depending upon species and size, and is generally limited to large shade trees.

If you are interested in participating in the PLANT-A-TREE PROGRAM, please get in touch with the HSTC, at the Municipal Building. Checks may be made payable to "The Borough of Haworth," marked HSTC PLANT-A-TREE PROGRAM. Your much-needed financial

support is greatly appreciated.

Please visit the Haworth Tree Farm on Valley Road.

Our ultimate objective, as always, is to Keep the Canopy Over Haworth Green—Your Haworth.

Thank you,
The Haworth Shade Tree Commission

HAWORTH RECREATION



Spring Egg Hunt
Saturday, April 8th
10:00 AM Sharp – 11:00 AM
Memorial Field
Toddlers to Second Graders



**STILL AVAILABLE
STREET SIGNS FOR SALE
\$20.00**

Limited Quantity

**DPW members are replacing the old street signs in town with new State compliant green ones.
Call the Borough Clerk's Office at 201-384-4785 to order.**

2017 HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION



Saturday, March 11th
*****BERGEN COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY*****
Foot of Empire Blvd., Moonachie, NJ



Sunday, April 30th
*****BERGEN COMMUNITY COLLEGE*****
400 Paramus Road, Paramus, NJ

Rain or Shine, 9 AM - 3 PM

Pick up flyer at Borough Hall for more details on what is acceptable and directions to collection sites or go to www.bcua.org.

2017 ELECTRONICS, MOBILE PAPER SHREDDING & TIRE EVENTS



April 9th
*****BERGEN COMMUNITY COLLEGE*****
400 Paramus Road, Paramus, NJ



Rain or Shine, 9 AM – 2 PM



Recycling

The more you recycle, the better it is for the environment and for your tax bill.

Please remember paper has to be separate from glass, plastic and aluminum.

Paper Products including coffee cups, newspapers, magazines, catalogues, junk mail, coupons, envelopes (plastic windows need **not** be removed), writing paper, printer paper, gift wrap, tissue paper, brown paper bags, gift bags, books, hard cover books, paperbacks, telephone books, cardboard egg cartons, cardboard and corrugated boxes, **including PIZZA boxes**, unsoiled paper towels and napkins.

Plastic of any size or shape with numbers 1, 2 or 5.

Glass, including jars & bottles. **NO PLATE GLASS or LIGHT BULBS.**

Aluminum, steel & tin in the form of cans (coffee, soda, tennis ball, pet food, etc.) aluminum foil, metal bottle caps, foil wrappers for candy and snack bars, chip bags, etc. **NO METAL HANGERS.**

ALL FOOD CONTAINERS/PACKAGING MUST BE RINSED.

No plastic bags of any kind, frozen food microwave trays, pesticide/chemical containers.

No paint containers or Styrofoam of any kind, rubber hoses, flower pots.

No plastic toys of any kind, coolers, electronics, drain pipes or tool boxes.

ALL FOOD CONTAINERS/PACKAGING MUST BE RINSED CLEAN OF FOOD DEBRIS.

As you know, it is the law and Haworth's ordinance calls for recycling of all paper, aluminum, cans, bottles, plastics, and more. **Please take advantage of the Household Hazardous Waste and Tire and Computers/Electronics Collection Days, which are provided by the Bergen County Utilities Authority.**



Help Us Remember Your Hero!

Help Haworth Show Our Patriotic Community Spirit

Your donation of an American Flag will be flown proudly throughout Haworth beginning this Spring. A label with the name of your Hero will be sewn on to the white heading (spine) of the flag with waterproof material.

(60) 3 x 5 flag (flown along Haworth Ave) \$25

(6) 5 x 8 flag (flown on buildings) \$45

Please contact Gina Duffy at duffy@haworthnj.org or Boro Hall for any additional information.

All donation checks must be made payable to "Borough of Haworth" and mailed/brought to Borough Hall, 300 Haworth Ave.

THANK YOU FOR CONTRIBUTING TO THE BEAUTY AND COMMUNITY SPIRIT IN HAWORTH!

I would like to donate a flag to fly in honor of my Hero!

_____ 3x5 _____ 5x8 Total Amount: _____

What you want the label to say (no more than 30 letters) _____

DOCUMENT SHREDDING EVENT



**BRING YOUR CONFIDENTIAL & PERSONAL
DOCUMENTS TO**

THE TERRACE STREET PARKING LOT ON

SATURDAY, MARCH 11TH

FROM 9:00 AM TO 1:00 PM



**THERE WILL BE A NEXCUT SHREDDING TRUCK THERE TO SHRED
ALL YOUR CONFIDENTIAL PAPERS.**

**DO NOT BRING HARDCOVER BOOKS, MAGAZINES,
NEWSPAPERS, PHOTOGRAPHS OR X-RAYS.**



**THERE WILL BE A CAMERA SYSTEM WHICH ALLOWS
RESIDENTS TO OBSERVE THE SHREDDING OPERATION.**

Your Mayor and Council

John Smart, Mayor

Glenn Poosikian – Ambulance Corps, Shade Tree Commission, Ethics Board, Municipal Court

**Andrew Rosenberg - Police Department, Police Auxiliary, Zoning Board, Planning Board,
Real Estate, Contracts**

Anthony Volpe – Department of Public Works, Recycling, Building Department, Parks & Playgrounds

Michael Bain – Library, Recreation Commission, Chamber of Commerce

Larry Weiss – Finance, Swim Club, Environmental Commission

Regina Duffy - Fire Department, Seniors, Tennis, Board of Health