

### **General Election Results**

A t the November 6, 2018 General Election, voters elected Daniel Kwasnik and James Waltman and to fill three-year positions on the Township Committee.

### **Annual Holiday Decorating Contest**

C elebrate the Holidays and light up the house, and the trees, and the bushes, and the lawn....it's time once again for the Annual Holiday Decorating Contest!

But no matter how great a job you do, you must remember to register in advance by calling (609) 397-3240 extension 205 or email deltwprec@gmail.com. Be sure to leave the lights on from 6-9pm on Sunday, December 16th and Monday, December 17th for judging.

### **Breakfast with Santa**

O n December 16, from 7:30am to Noon, the Sergeantsville Volunteer Fire Company will hold a breakfast at the firehouse on Rte 523 with a special guest: Santa!

### **Recreation Commission Public Meeting**

The Recreation Commission is holding a public meeting to solicit input for updates to the Recreation Element of the Township Master Plan. The Meeting will be on Saturday, January 26, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. at the Town Hall. Light breakfast will be provided.

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### Editorial

As people, we often wonder where we've come from and who our ancestors were. We may know their names or have seen their faces in photographs but since we've never met them, we don't really know them. Some people have their DNA analyzed to find out more about their past. A friend was surprised to find that despite years of Polish family traditions, she was not Polish but mostly Irish. I found out when in my 40's, that my unusual Italian maiden name was not a family name for generations, but rather, like happened to so many, the result of a clerical error at Ellis Island.

That longing to connect with the past is also part of the reason we celebrate the longevity of our local institutions. This year, the Sandy Ridge Church celebrated its 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, while the Amwell Church of the Brethren celebrated 285 years of worship. Who were the early residents who came to worship every week? What were there hopes and dreams? Could they imagine that their churches would still be standing and serving the community for so many years?

I think that down deep, people then and now have the same hopes and dreams: a healthy family, safe shelter and enough food to sustain us. So, from the Township Committee, Township Employees and Volunteers, we wish you Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, and a safe, healthy, and abundant New Year.

- Susan Lockwood, Editor

## **On-Street Parking Prohibited** in Snowstorms

Whenever an accumulation of snow interferes with the normal flow of traffic in the Township, parking on Township roadways is prohibited until the roadways have been sufficiently cleared of snow.

Prohibiting on-street parking assists the Township public works crews in removing snow more quickly and safely which in turn results in a timelier return to full access to roadways for residents and emergency responders.

The full text of Township Ordinance 1993-33 pertaining to this matter can be viewed on the Township website.

### Meet Your Neighbor: Dorothy Gilde

by Susan Lockwood

When you enter Sergeantsville from the south, you look across a farm field and see the village spread out before you. You can thank Dorothy Gilde for preserving that view. Dorothy Gilde was born Dorothy Wischner in Jersey City. When she was one year old, her parents Albert and Anna moved her and her two older brothers, Harold and Edgar, to a 20-acre farm near the covered bridge in Delaware Township.

Mrs. Gilde's earliest memories are of owning a cow for milk to make butter, horses to plow the fields, and lots of chickens.

As a girl, she helped candle, box, and size eggs so that each week her father could go to Jersey City to cover his "egg route." She remembers climbing on top of the hay in the hay wagon, until her father shooed her off, and riding on the plank for flattening the ground pulled behind the plow. Dorothy's best friend was Virginia Dooley (Kurr) who lived in Rosemont. They "were like twins" riding their bikes everywhere. They remained best friends for life. Together they skated on the pond by the covered bridge with other local youngsters. Her father created an "ice sleigh" for them and her mother would bring out a "picnic lunch" when everyone was skating. She says they also sledded down Pine Hill Road.

Brother Harold was eight years older than she, so in 1947 Dorothy's Dad gave Harold the farm and moved the rest of the family to the 42-acre farm in Sergeantsville where Dorothy still resides.

Dorothy's husband Alfred was also from Jersey City. He was seven years older than she, and friends with her brothers. She says her Mother told her that she insisted while the boys played marbles they had to rock Dorothy in her cradle. When the family moved to Delaware Township, Alfred continued to visit. When Alfred became a Marine and went into the service during WWII, Dorothy wrote letters to him for his mother. After returning from the Service, Dorothy and Alfred were married in 1947 in Jersey City in the Zion Lutheran Church where both sets of parents had been married and where Dorothy and her brothers were baptized.

Alfred also loved to farm, so he moved to Delaware Township to live with Dorothy and her parents. On their farm they had 13 cows, pigs, and chickens. They raised hay and corn and had a vegetable garden. Alfred helped her father with his egg route in Jersey City.

In 1957, Dorothy accompanied a friend to RCA in Branchburg. Although not seeking a job herself, her friend convinced her to fill out paperwork so they could work together. Dorothy got the job but her friend did not. She ended up working for RCA for 32 years, assembling transistors. Mrs. Gilde's beloved husband passed away in 1996. A few years later, Mrs. Gilde decided to preserve her farm in Sergeantsville. She said that she wanted to preserve it because "it was a wonderful time when people farmed" and she wanted her farm to remind everyone of that time. The farm was preserved in 2006.

At 87 years young, Dorothy Gilde lives in her home with her nephew Bill Reed. She is active with the Delaware Township Seniors' Group assisting when she can with trip organizing. She says, "I love Delaware Township. I'll never move away. It is my home forever."

### Hunterdon County Strategic Park and Open Space Plan

Hunterdon County has completed a draft Hunterdon County Strategic Park and Open Space Plan. This comprehensive plan identifies our community's collective park and recreation needs and enables proactive planning for the future of the County Park System.

The Strategic Park and Open Space Plan draft will be adopted as an element of the County's Master Plan and has been introduced by the County Planning Board for public comment. Based on public input from previous public hearings and comments and questions submitted to the Board, the draft has been revised and reintroduced.

The County is accepting questions or comments on the revised draft via phone (908) 788-1490, letter to Hunterdon County; Route 12 County Complex; Building #1; 314 State Route 12; PO Box 2900; Flemington, NJ 08822-2900 or via a comment form found on the County's website. The deadline for comment or question submission is December 5th, 2018.

The Hunterdon County Planning Board will hold a public hearing about the revised plan on December 6th, 2018 at 8:15 am in the Planning Board Conference Room, located at the Route 12 County Complex, Building #1, 314 State Route 12, Flemington, NJ 08822.

### **Ice Skating Rink**

The Recreation Commission is working with Delaware Township School Board to reopen the temporary ice skating rink at the School. Please check the township web site for updated information.

### **Hunterdon Helpline**

H unterdon Helpline (HH) began 49 years ago as a teen hotline, answering calls from teens about any subject or need and providing them the connection to appropriate programs and services. Over almost five decades, Helpline has evolved to where it is today: a 24-hour helpline answering the needs of at-risk populations trying to navigate the system and find answers to their life challenges.

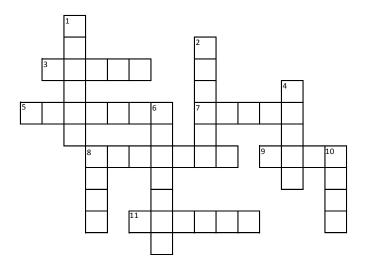
In addition to First Assist, the umbrella division of Helpline that answers a client's first call, Helpline has a variety of programs and services to assist with emergency needs and family, health and employment needs. Partnering with other organizations in the county, Helpline links clients to their programs and services when appropriate after assessing the client through the intake process.

Helpline offers a wide variety of services. Divisions include: First Assist; Senior & Disability Services; Literacy Services; Hunterdon Hispanos; Community Translation Center; Wellness4Success; and WORKconnectivity.

For example, Hunterdon Helpline runs a Telephone Reassurance service for seniors that provides daily check-ins. A client is called once or several times a day to make sure all is well, medicine is taken, meals are not forgotten Sometimes just a friendly chat is all that is needed to brighten someone's lonely day.

For more information about Hunterdon Helpline, contact: www.helplinehc.org or info@helpolinehc.org or 908-782-4357.

### **Crossword: Winter Wonderland**



ACROSS

- 3. Mukluks, e.g.
- 5. Lost by 3 little kittens
- 7. Hot milk drink
- 8. Cardigan, e.g. 9. Snow runners
- 11. A source of warmth
- Famous snowman
  Eaves dropper?
  Cold weather jacket
  Neck warmers
  Let it \_\_\_\_\_\_
  Luge or skeleton

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### **Open Space Coordinator Needed**

The Township's Open Space Coordinator, Bob Hornby, left to take a job with the Hunterdon County Farmland Preservation program. Therefore the Township is seeking a new Open Space Coordinator.

An Open Space Coordinator works to preserve Farmland and Open Space lands on behalf of the Township. The successful candidate must do the following:

1. Work with property owners, informing them of all options for preserving their land and from beginning to end, walks them through whichever process works best for their land;

2. Work with attorneys, surveyors, and appraisers to complete the technical information required for land preservation from inception to closing;

3. Work with State, County and Non-profit agencies to obtain funds for land preservation projects;

4. Attend meetings during the day on behalf of the Township, with the State, County and Non-profit agencies as needed;

5. Attend evening meetings with the Township Open Space Committee;

6. Keep track of Open Space funding;

7. Apply for State, County and Federal grant and other funding to effectuate open space preservation; and

8. Maintain the Township's Open Space Plan, Planning Incentive Grant plan, and Targeted Farm list to satisfy requirements for State, County, Federal and other funding.

The Township will provide assistance to the chosen candidate to learn the intricacies of the open space and farmland preservation programs. This is an hourly position with limited hours. The salary will be based on experience but ranges from \$10 to \$20 per hour. Please submit a letter of interest to Jodi McKinney, Delaware Township Clerk, EOE by January 15, 2019 at Jmckinney@delawaretwpnj.org or call (609) 397-3240 x 205 for any questions.



Crossword answers next issue.

### **Bridge Watch**

# St. Baldrick Says 'Thank You!'

**F** or the sixth year in a row the St. Baldrick's Head-Shaving Event and Auction held at Sergeantsville Fire House on September 30th was a huge success. The event surpassed its annual goal of \$40,000 and is showing a six year total over \$305,000. The St. Baldrick's Foundation is the largest private funder of childhood cancer research grants. Funds collected locally have funded four promising new research projects.

In addition to the head shaving, live and silent auctions, food and music, this year's event featured card making for inpatient children at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center. It was truly heartwarming to see the community come together in an effort to take childhood back from cancer and I offer my sincerest thanks to all who continually support the event and help to raise awareness of the desperate need for funding childhood cancer research. It was truly an amazing day of community spirit.

A heartfelt thank you to: the Boy Scouts who swept up hair and taught younger children wood crafts; the Girl Scouts who made and instructed others on card making; the DTS students who distributed swag bags and thanked the shaves; the DTS Class of 2018; and to shavees, volunteers, attendees and those who contributed, thank you!

If you were not able to attend the event and wish to make a donation, please visit www.StBaldricks.org . And, if you missed the event, please mark your calendar for September 29, 2019 as Sergeantsville Fire Company hosts the 7th Annual St. Baldrick's Event. Plan now to join us next year and be a hero to a kid fighting cancer!

In the mean time, be sure to look for the St. Baldrick's float at the annual Holiday Parade in Flemington on December 9th as we partner with Jersey Mike's for one last fundraiser in 2018.

### JCP&L: Critical Customer Care Program

I f any member of your household depends on electrically operated life-support equipment, please call JCP&L at 1-800-662-3115. JCP&L will send a form that must be completed and signed by your doctor each year to verify that you have life-support equipment. When the completed form is received, your name will be added to JCP&L's critical care list.

The list will be used during power outages to contact all critical care customers by telephone if the outage may affect electric service for more than 24 hours. In addition, the list will be provided to County and municipal Offices of Emergency Management. There is no charge for this service. JCP&L also recommends that customers have a contingency plan such as a battery backup. If you have any questions about the Critical Customer Care Program, or to sign up, please call 1-800-662-3115. In your neighborhood, you may be surprised to find that you have one or more of our Township's 23 historic bridges that are listed on the State and National Registers of Historic Places.

These bridges fall into one of two categories: stone-arch or truss (either wooden or metal).

What makes these bridges historic? A bridge will qualify for historic registry status primarily based on the age of the stone work or truss construction, and its good, original condition. (Not whether or not George Washington rode across it!) Hunterdon County in general has a wealth of beautiful early bridges which fall in these categories.

The Township is fortunate that so many of our bridges are registered as historic because this status provides some additional protection against wholesale bridge demolition and replacement with modern materials and design when bridge repair or restoration is required.

Sometimes things go bump in the night and we discover at first light that our neighborhood bridge, which may be on the list of historic properties, has been damaged in some way. When this occurs, notify our Township Clerk, Jodi McKinney (609 397-3240) and our Township Public Works Dept. (609 397-3530) immediately, as public safety could be at risk.

But beyond that, the repairs should be properly addressed. The Township's Historic Advisory Committee (HAC) is notified immediately of bridge damage and will be in touch with the Hunterdon County Superintendent of Bridges to review the damage and to be certain the repairs will not be so extreme as to disqualify the structure from its Historic Registry status.

The County and Township public works departments are aware of the public interest and value in preserving our historic structures, and traditionally cooperate with each other and the Township Committee when these historic structures are damaged. The County also works closely with the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO).

The Delaware Township Historical Society (DTHS) has created a listing of all historic bridges in the Township which has been shared with the Township and County Public Works Departments for their reference when responding to damage reports, or when planning scheduled bridge upgrade or repair work. We will also post this list on the Township website for your reference.

The HAC and DTHS encourage every citizen to be a Bridge Watcher! Do not hesitate to report any damage or other activity you observe that is affecting our bridges to the Township Clerk or Public Works Department.

Our bridges are treasures that deserve to be respected, protected and admired. Check out your closest neighborhood bridge and keep an eye on it.

### The Bridge Newsletter Celebrates 20 Years and Seeks New Volunteers

The Township's newsletter first began with Volume 1, Issue 1 in December 1998. Back then, few had heard of "social media" although "online" communication was growing.

The first edition had the name "Homestead," but also included a "Newsletter Naming" contest so the community could suggest a more appropriate name. The winners were Cindy and Mick Chianese who provided the name, "News from The Bridge, Covering Delaware Township." We also sought a logo design and Christopher Dane provided the logo that we still use today.

The first editorial board was comprised of Judy Allen, Christine Frenchu, Marfy Goodspeed, Nora Mathews, and the late Mimi Upmeyer.

In the second issue, we introduced the "Meet Your Neighbors" column and described it as "an ongoing column devoted to interesting people, places and businesses in Delaware Township." The first "neighbor" in 1999 was the Whiskey Run Herb Farm and since then we have highlighted 80 people and/or businesses that make Delaware Township vibrant and interesting.

As we begin to embark on a New Year, the Newsletter Committee is grateful for all of those who have volunteered in the past, but we need more help. The Newsletter Committee meets four times per year for one hour to plan out each article and then each Committee member researches and writes their own articles. We are open to new ideas to continue and refresh The Bridge.

Would you like to help? If so, please complete the volunteer form on the Township's website and submit it to Township Clerk Jodi McKinney. If you have any questions, please contact Susan Lockwood at (609) 397-4265 or at slockwood@delawaretwpnj.org

### Delaware Township School Calendar

December 22: Early Dismissal December 24 to January 1: Winter Recess (School Closed) January 2: Classes Resume January 21: Martin Luther King Jr. Day (School Closed) Expression 15: Staff Davalamment (School Closed)

February 15: Staff Development (School Closed) February 18: President's Day (School Closed) March 15: Early Dismissal - Conferences/In-Service April 18: Early Dismissal - Spring Recess April 19 to April 26: Spring Recess

### **Open Space Report for 2018**

Delaware Township continued its active farmland preservation program in 2018, adding a 72nd farm with 45 acres for a total of 5,095 acres preserved throughout the township.

Delaware Township leads Hunterdon county in both the number of farms and the number of acres preserved. It is ninth in NJ for number of acres preserved, one of only 77 municipalities with over 1,000 acres, and is fourth in the state in number of farms.

Hunterdon County ranks first in NJ for the number of farms preserved and second in total acreage. Since 1986, a \$3.8 million local contribution has been matched by county, state, federal, and non-profit funds towards a total investment of over \$37 million, money returned directly to the taxpayers. Preserved land remains in private hands and on the tax rolls. Delaware Township has an additional 1,800 acres preserved with Green Acres funding.

Delaware Township residents also benefit greatly from the efforts of non-profit groups working within our watersheds. Fall and winter is a great time to visit the many areas run by the New Jersey Conservation Foundation along the Wickecheoke Creek Preserve and explore the Lockatong Preserve, protected through the efforts of the Hunterdon Land Trust. And a bit of trivia, the first Hunterdon County Park was our very own Wescott Preserve near Rosemont.

### **Pipeline Update**

The various townships involved in the fight against the PennEast pipeline continue to await the decision of the Federal Court regarding access to private property. Many months ago, PennEast went to Court seeking access to residents' properties because it had received approval from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for its pipeline.

However, because no State approvals have been received, residents and the townships argued that it was premature to allow PennEast to begin taking private property. Recently, additional information was requested by the Court and it appears that a decision is imminent.

### **Holcombe-Jimison Farmstead**

For information on activities at the Holcombe-Jimison Farmstead go to www.holcombejimison.org.

The Museum's normal hours are: Open all year Wednesdays from 9:00am till 12:00pm, Every Sunday 1pm - 4pm, May through October. Tours can be arranged for any day.

# **Community Calendar**

Township Offices: December 24: Christmas Eve—Closing at Noon. December 25: Christmas—Closed. December 31: New Year's Eve—Closing at Noon. January 1: New Year's Day—Closed. January 21: Martin Luther King Day—Closed. February 18: President's Day—Closed.

All residents are invited to attend any and all Township meetings. Your participation and input are very important.

**Township Committee:** 7:30 p.m. 2nd & last Monday - 12/10, 1/14, 1/28, 2/11, 2/25, 3/11

**Planning Board:** 7:30 p.m. 1st Tuesday - 12/4, 1/8, 2/5, 3/5

**Board of Health:** 7:30 p.m. 1st Monday - 12/3, 1/7, 2/4, 3/4

**Open Space Committee:** 7:30 p.m. 3rd Monday - 12/17,1/22, 2/18, 3/18

**Agricultural Advisory Committee:** 7:00 p.m. 1st Tuesday - 12/4, 1/8, 2/5, 3/5

**Board of Adjustment:** 7:30 p.m. 2nd Thursday - 12/13, 1/10, 2/14, 3/14

**Recreation Commission:** 7:30 p.m. 1st Monday - 12/3, 1/7, 2/4, 3/4

**Environmental Commission:** 7:30 p.m. 3rd Wednesday - 12/19,1/16, 2/20, 3/20

**D.T.M.U.A.:** 7:30 p.m. 1st Thursday - 12/6, 1/3, 2/7, 3/7

**Shade Tree Commission:** 7:30 p.m. 4th Thursday, 1/24, 2/28, 3/28

**Historic Advisory Committee:** 7:30 p.m. 2nd Wednesday - 12/12, 1/9, 2/13, 3/13 **Newsletter Committee:** Quarterly

# Hunterdon Harmonizers Perform at Hunterdon County Library on December 12th

The Hunterdon Harmonizers, which are a Barbershop Chorus, is presenting a concert at the Hunterdon County Library on Route 12 (314 Rt. 12) in Raritan Township on Thursday, December 12th at 7:00 p.m. Refreshments will be provided. However, space is limited so please make a reservation by either calling (908) 788-1434 or going online to www.hclibrary.us

## Free Rabies Clinic: December 1 - 10 am to 12 Noon

Y ou are welcome to attend the free rabies clinic at the Township Public Works Department on December 1 from 10:00 to 12:00 noon. Pets must be on a leash or in a carrier. You can obtain a three-year rabies vaccination for pets one year old and over, or a oneyear vaccination for pets under a year old.

# PLEASE CHECK YOUR RABIES CERTIFICATES TO SEE IF YOUR PET NEEDS A VACCINATION.

Your current rabies shot CANNOT EXPIRE BEFORE NOVEMBER 1, 2019. For example, if your rabies certificate expires 8/16/19 your pet needs to be vaccinated before you can receive the license. If you cannot attend the December 1 Clinic, contact the Hunterdon County Health Department at 908-788-1351 or visit http://www.co.hunterdon.nj.us/health/ rabiesclinics.html to learn about free clinic dates offered by other municipalities.

### Early Reminder: Dog/Cat License Renewals January 1, 2019 - February 28, 2019

T o renew your dog and/or cat license for 2019, applications must be received after January 1 and post -marked before February 28. Please do not submit the re -new request before January 1. There is also a drop off box at the police station next to the brick walkway available 24/7 before Feb. 28.

Licensing applications can be found on the Township website, at the Police station (visit Monday through Friday, between 8am and 3pm), and at the free rabies clinic December 1, 10 am to 12 noon at the Township garage. If your application is not postmarked by February 28, beginning March 1, 2019 late charges will be added. There are no exceptions. If you have tenants on your property, please let them know.

### **Senior Citizens**

Meetings are at Sergeantsville Volunteer Fire Company. For membership info, call President Sandra Krahling at 609-397-0145.

**December 5:** Meet at **12:00 Noon** for Christmas Party with Frankie M.

# **Church Corner**

### Amwell Church of the Brethren

40 Sandbrook Headquarters Rd, Stockton, NJ Tel: 609-397-4842 Web: www.amwell.org

**Dec. 24 7:00pm:** Christmas Eve service **Dec. 31:** Watch night service 8:00pm - 12:00am. Fun, fellowship, food and pray in the New Year.

Wed night: Bible study at 7:00pm. Come and journey through the book of Acts. Friday night: Youth group at 7:00pm Sunday school: 9:15 a.m. and worship service at 10:15am

Listen on Sunday mornings, 7:30am, on WDVR 89.7 fm to the previous week's message.

### **Cornerstone Christian Church**

226 Locktown-Sergeantsville Rd, Stockton, NJ Tel: 908-237-5227 Web: www.ccc-hc.org Email: pastor-keith@ccc.hc.org

Dec. 24 6:00pm: Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

**Sunday Worship :** Service at 10:30am **Sunday School:** For all ages beginning at 9:15am

### Sandy Ridge Church

47 Sandy Ridge Road Stockton NJ 08559 609-397-0371 Email: sandyridgechurchnj@gmail.com Facebook: Sandy Ridge Community American Baptist Church Web Site: https://sandyridgechurch.wixsite.com/srbc

Worship: Sunday mornings 11:00am Sunday School: Sunday mornings 11:00am Bible Study: Wednesdays 7:30pm Choir: Thursdays 7:30pm

**Dec. 2 12:00pm:** Church holiday sanctuary decorating and luncheon

**Dec. 23 11:00am:** Special holiday music during the worship service

**Dec. 24 7:30pm:** Candle Light Christmas Eve Service **March 2019:** Watch for information on our annual flea market.

Thank you to everyone who made our 200th anniversary celebration a huge success!

### Sergeantsville United Methodist Church

624 Rosemont Ringoes Rd., Stockton, NJ (609) 397-2333 Follow us on Facebook Online at www.sergeantsvilleumc.com

**Dec. 19 7:00pm:** Longest Night service. This is a service of hope for those struggling to find joy and light in the Christmas season.

**Dec. 24 10:00pm:** Special Candlelight Christmas Eve Service.

Advent Worship: Each Sunday in Advent we will prepare to celebrate the announced coming of our Savior. Wonderful Advent and Christmas music will fill the sanctuary.

**Club 3:16:** Our elementary school youth group meets weekly every Thursday from 4 to 5 pm **Worship:** Sunday mornings at 10:00am

The Revs. David Mertz and Marissa van der Valk are both new to the church, and would welcome you to the life of the church wherever you are on life's journey.

# **Recycling Depot**

O pen every weekday from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Township Garage on Rt. 523. Call Recycling Coordinator Kathy Klink at 609-397-3240 Ext. 208 with any questions.

# Breakfast at SVFC

The Sergeantsville Volunteer Fire Company will continue its wonderful Sunday breakfasts into 2019. The dates are January 20, February 17, March 24, April 21, and May 19. More dates in future newsletters. Breakfast runs from 7:30am to 11:30am.

The cost is \$8.00 per person, \$7.00 per person for active duty military and age 65 and over, \$4.00 for children aged 5 to 10, and children under 5 free.

# **SVFC Fishing and Flowers**

The Sergeantsville Volunteer Fire Company will hold its Fishing Flea Market on Sunday, March 17, from 9:00am to 3:00pm.

The SVFC will hold its Easter Flower Sale on Friday, April 19 and Saturday, April 20 from 9:00am to 5:00pm. Many varieties are on sale.

# **Support Local Businesses**

T his holiday season, please support our local businesses here in the Township.

Delaware Township Hunterdon County, NJ Township Hall P.O. Box 500 Sergeantsville, NJ 08557

### **Basketball and Volleyball Available**

I f a little exercise is in order before the holidays hit, volleyball and basketball are held in the Delaware Township School gym and cafeteria, open to all township residents through April. It is not a formal league and no pre-registration or sign up is necessary, just show up and play.

Offerings include men's volleyball, men's basketball, women's basketball, Teen/Co-ed basketball/ volleyball, and indoor soccer. There are no activities on nights school is closed, check www.dtsk8.org for a calendar. There are high hopes for the ice rink to be up and running once again this winter, hours and location have yet to be determined.

<u>Township Contact Information</u>: Phone: 609-397-3240 Fax: 609-397-4893 Web: www.DelawareTwpNJ.org

#### The Newsletter Committee Editor: Susan Lockwood Editorial Board: Mary Coffey, Sally Gullette, Bob Hornby, Alison Wehringer.

Logo Design: Christopher Dane Layout and DTP: Russ Lockwood Volunteers Welcome: Call Susan Lockwood 609-397-4265

### **Volunteers Needed!**

elaware Township is guided by the interests, talents, and expertise of its individuals. Volunteers staff numerous committees that help guide the important decisions that affect the present and future of Delaware Township. Time commitments vary greatly, it all comes down to right the person for the right place. If you would like to volunteer, now is the time to express your interest. Appointments are on a rolling basis to allow new ideas and experience to mesh into successful advisory boards. Citizen boards include: Agricultural Advisory Committee, Board of Adjustment, Board of Health, Environmental Commission, Flood Hazard Mitigation Committee, Historical Advisory Committee, Open Space Committee, Planning Board, Quarry Compliance Committee, Recreation Commission, and the Shade Tree Commission. The Newsletter is also looking for volunteers. In addition, the Delaware Township Fire Company is constantly on the lookout for help.

Please visit the Township website at www.DelawareTwpNJ.org . There are descriptions of the various boards along with current members and minutes to give an idea of what has been happening. There is also a link to the volunteer form. The completed forms should be mailed to Jodi McKinney, PO Box 500, Sergeantsville NJ 08557 or hand delivered to the town Hall as soon as possible so they may be brought to the attention of the Township Committee for appointments in December with terms starting in January.