



The Elk Township EDGE



A newsletter designed to keep Elk Township residents informed, in-touch and involved

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MESSAGE FROM MAYOR BARBARO

Dear Elk Resident,

I hope everyone had a pleasant Thanksgiving with your family. As winter now begins to set in on our town, we should all enjoy the beautiful scenery Elk has to offer. Much of our wildlife is continuing to show itself as you drive around town. It is not uncommon to see dozens of wild turkey, or deer grazing near one of our farm fields. If you keep your eyes to the sky, you will even see numerous Red Tail Hawks, and our new family of Bald Eagles that are beginning to soar above the skies over Lake Garrison and Haynicz farm. These are the picturesque views that make our town one of the best places to live in South Jersey.

I want to take a moment to thank Committeeperson Michele Doyle for her service to Elk Township. For the past 3 years she has been an honest voice for the residents of our town. As the liaison to our Environmental and Agricultural Committee's, she has worked hard to keep Elk's natural resources something we can all be proud of. During her tenure on the Township Committee, she also served as Deputy Mayor, and was a driving force with her contributions to

our Recreation Committee, and "Elk Day" over the past several years. On behalf of the entire Elk Township Committee I want to say, "Thank You for your time of service to our town". I wish Michele all the best in her future endeavors.

As we say goodbye to Committeeperson Doyle, I welcome the return of Committeeman Wayne Swanson and our new Committeeman Elect, Mike Pantaleo. Wayne and Mike have been actively involved in our town, and I look forward to working with both of them. I will continue to work with the entire committee for the betterment of Elk, and continue to encourage those residents who wish to get involved to do so.

I hope you have a safe and happy Holiday Season with your family and friends, and a wonderful New Year.

Mayor,

Phil Barbaro



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Coordinated by Committeeperson Michele Doyle with the help of the Committee Members, Debbie Pine Elk Township Clerk & Elk Employees. Comments are welcome in writing, by phone, 478-6669 or Via e-mail mpoisker@aol.com

ELK TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT**December 2009**

The Elk Township Police Department is committed to providing a meaningful and responsive law enforcement service to the residents of Elk Township. We are sworn to preserve the peace and enforce state and local laws. Our officers are committed to serving the community in such a manner which not only promotes community awareness, but remains sensitive to the needs all residents.

The Elk Township Police Department would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy and New Year. Residents are reminded to be vigilant and report all suspicious activity by calling **911**. If anyone has any concerns or questions regarding the police department you can call me at 856-881-6688 or email me at cdefalco@elktownshipnj.gov.

Crime/Activity Statistics from July 2009 thru November of 2009

Calls For Service: 3,044
MV Summons: 1,087

Arrests: 105
MV Crashes: 74, (29 Injuries)

The Elk Township Community Watch is always looking for members. If anyone is interested in joining our Community Watch Program or just to attend a meeting, please call Mr. Robert Tate @ 881-4046 or Lieutenant Walter Garrison @ 881-6688.

On November 19, 2009, Elk Township along with over 440 local police departments and sheriff departments in all of New Jersey's 21 counties hosted collection sites for Operation Medicine Cabinet. New Jersey was the first state in the nation to coordinate a statewide effort to rid homes of unwanted and unneeded prescription drugs of all types. Many local and statewide prevention and enforcement organizations participated in the operation. Operation Medicine Cabinet New Jersey was deemed a huge success. Over 9,000 pounds of prescription and over-the-counter medicine was collected within the state and turned over to the DEA Newark Division, for disposal. Residents are reminded that you can turn in any unused or unwanted prescription medication to us at any time to be destroyed. Prescription drug abuse is on the rise and parents must understand that the majority of juveniles that abuse prescription medication report that they obtained them from their parent's medicine cabinets within their own home. We as parents have to educate ourselves on how to prevent these medications from falling into the hands of our children. The following organizations have a lot of information available on their websites to help educate the public about prescription drug abuse: *The New Jersey Poison Control Center, Partnership for a Drug Free America, The Office of National Drug Control Policy and the National Institute on Drug Abuse*. The Drug Enforcement Administration has a downloadable, full color guide on their website called "*Prescription for Disaster*", to help educate parents on what to look for and how to keep our children drug free. If anyone has any questions or would like to discuss any problems in regards to these issues please contact me at the number or email above.



Family Pet News



Elk Township 2010 Dog Registration begins January 4.

All dogs must be registered by
March 31, 2010.

Purchasing a license

Licenses can be purchased in
the Clerk's Office
Monday, Tuesday, and Thurs-
day from

9:15am to 4:15pm,
Wednesday 9:15am to 5:45pm
and Friday 9:15am to 2:45pm.

Licenses can also be
purchased by mail.

Put your check or money order
in a self addressed envelope
along with a copy of the rabies
certificate and mail them to the
clerk's office.

License(s) will be returned to
you by mail.

Please send the attached
registration form with your
payment.

An after hour drop has been
installed in front of the munici-
pal building. Follow the direc-
tions for a license by mail.

License fees (per dog)

Spayed or Neutered
\$6.00

Non-spayed/ Non-neutered
\$9.00

Late fee per dog (After 3/31/10)
\$5.00



Free Rabies Clinic

This year's rabies clinic
will be held on
Saturday,
February 6th, 2010,
in the Municipal Garage.

Dogs will be
vaccinated from
10:00 to 11:30am and
cats from 11:30 to 12:00
noon.

**ALL PETS MUST BE
ON A LEASH**

ELK TOWNSHIP SPAY DAY

Save the Animals Foundation
in conjunction with
Animal Welfare Association
will be holding Spay Days.

**Friday March 12, 2010
Friday September 10, 2010**

**Elk Township Public Works
Building**

**Mobile surgical unit with
licensed veterinarian
Rabies & Distemper shots
given. Absorbable sutures
One low fee per cat;
Male or Female**

**Appointments are required
Subsidized by donation and
grant money**

Please call **856-218-8437** to
reserve your cat's space.
Additional information is
available on line at:
www.stafnj.org

Dog registration form

Complete this form; include a copy of current
rabies certificate from your veterinarian,
payment and self-addressed envelope. If
necessary use a separate sheet of paper to list
additional dogs. Please make payment
payable to **Elk Twp.** (do not send cash).

Owner's Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____

Zip Code _____

Telephone Number _____

Dog name

Sex: ____ Male ____ Female

Dog Size: _____

Expiration of Rabies Vaccine

MUST include paper certificate from vet.

Birth date of dog:

Hair Type: ____ short ____ long

Breed of dog: _____

Spayed/Neutered: Yes _____ No _____
Date

This form may be duplicated

Number of dog(s) registering _____

Total Amount enclosed _____

**Place this form, rabies certificate and pay-
ment in an envelope and drop in box or mail
to:**

**Elk Township
Dog Registration
667 Whig Lane Road
Monroeville, NJ 08343**

Environmental Commission Update:

With grant money received from the NJDEP, the ETEC installed nine (9) educational plaques (*see right*) along the Elephant Swamp Recreational Trail this fall. These plaques provide photos and educational information about the variety of plants, shrubs, trees, birds, wildlife, frogs, and reptiles that can be found along the trail and throughout Elephant Swamp. They have been installed at particular viewing locations corresponding with the Trail Guide prepared earlier this year (a copy of the Trail Guide can be obtained from the Township website). We are especially excited about these beautiful plaques and the educational information they provide about plants and wildlife in Elephant Swamp. We encourage for residents, children, and outdoor/wildlife enthusiasts to look for these plaques the next time you take a stroll, hike, jog, or ride along the trail.

The ETEC will be installing distance markers, benches, signs, additional stone and another gate at the trail this winter and next spring, and is in need of volunteers to help. Additionally, the ETEC is hoping to schedule a Community Clean Up Day in early spring and is seeking volunteers to assist with planning and participating in the event. If you are interested, please contact us via email at etec@elktownshipnj.gov or by leaving a phone/written message at the Municipal Building.

Winter 2009



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The Elk Township Economic Development Committee would like to welcome family practitioner, Dr. Christina Pacilio from the Salem Medical Group to our Township. Dr. Pacilio's practice joins the group of medical suites located in Elk Township on Route 77 and Ewan Road. Dr. Pacilio cares for children ages two and older and adults of all ages. She is currently accepting new patients. Please call (856) 241-2090 to make an appointment. The EDC is pleased to welcome the Dr. Pacilio's practice to our growing business community and thank all Committee and board members, as well as Township staff and professionals for their efforts. We look forward to continuing our positive growth.

The EDC is also pleased to announce that it has joined the Gloucester County Chamber of Commerce (GCCC). Elk Township, along with many of Gloucester's other localities, will now have access to a greater pool of resources for training and networking opportunities.

Please feel free to join us at our monthly meetings held at the municipal building. Schedules and contact information can be found at www.elktownshipnj.gov under the Boards and Commissions section.

R Hello everyone, I hope you are in the midst of celebrating the Holidays with your families and loved ones!!!
e I would like to thank everyone for the opportunity to have served as your Recreation Chairperson for the last 4
c years. In that time I have met many great people and have seen many Recreation Programs and Events bring
r smiles to the people of Elk Twp, both young and old. The future of the Elk Township Recreation Committee is
e bright, as it is made up of many great people who are willing to work hard and give selflessly of themselves.
a Some of the upcoming events the Recreation Committee is working on are the Senior Valentine Dinner and
t Dance, our Annual Easter Egg Hunt in the park, and our Arbor Day Celebration. The Recreation Committee will
i also be sprucing up our Parks just in time for spring and everyone to shed their winter coats and come out and
n enjoy the great weather! As always the Recreation Committee is always looking for volunteers to help out with
 our Programs and Events. If you are interested in helping out please call 881-6525 and leave a message with
 Debbie Pine our Municipal Clerk.

Thank you,
Ann Marie Weitzel



Calling All Advertisers !!!

The Elk Township Committee would like to thank all our previous advertisers for advertising in the "Elk Edge" newsletter. Your advertisement dollars help offset the cost of the publication.

As we come upon a new year we would like to offer all past businesses along with any new comers to advertise in the Elk Edge. Please note, advertising space is very limited and we are only accepting 10 business card size ads. We will be doing three publications which will be mailed in April, July and December. The cost for the ad is \$200.00 for the year. If you are interested, please send in your check made payable to "Elk Township Edge" along with a business card by February 27, 2010 and mail it to:

Elk Township Edge
667 Whig Lane Rd.
Monroeville, NJ 08343

ELK TOWNSHIP SENIOR CITIZENS' CLUB

The Elk Township Senior Citizen Club wants to welcome all residents 55 years of age and older to join with us for a day of socializing and enjoyment every third Monday of each month, at the Ferrell United Methodist Church Social Hall on Ferrell Road, just across from the Ferrell Firehouse.

Our meetings start at 12 noon, with lunch and social time. This is a great way of getting to see friends and neighbors, and meet new friends. We also have a program each month that is fun and informational, followed by Bingo. We are looking forward to taking Dinner Theatre bus trips and other outings, for all to enjoy.

It would be great to see all of you at our next meeting on Monday, January 18, 2010. We hope you can all come out to enjoy the day with us.

Just call one of the phone numbers below, for information, or to let us know you are coming.

President--Barbara Pearson 856 478-2997
Vice President--Bill Rainey 856 881-4790
Secretary--Jean Hawkins 856 881-4620
Treasurer--Marie Filappello 856 881-2890

Help Elk Township Save The Environment Recycle Electronic Waste



Drop off Location:
Public Works Garage
667 Whig Lane Road

(856) 881-6525 ext.21

Please Respect the Environment and Recycle your old Electronics!



Smile New Jersey and Elk Township ...

The Mobile Dentist is offering dental services to all Elk Township residents ages 18 months to 18 years old.

Date: January 29, 2010.

Place: Aura School.

Fee: FREE or minimal cost

For further information please call
881-4551



2010 Elk Solid Waste Disposal Calendar

EAST SIDE

Waste Management: 1-800-472-7335

RecycleBank: 1-888-727-2978

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Metal Items must be scheduled for pickup call Waste Management @ 800-633-9096

H Holiday - Next Day Pickup

Trashed and Yard Waste

Trashed and Recycling

Computers - TV's - Electronics can be Recycled

Contact Public Works at 856-881-6525x21 for Drop off Information

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