

roadways have been paved there will be less dust. Enjoy all that summer has to offer and be safe.

Lois, Suhas, Morris, and Don

#### **IMPORTANT CONTACTS**

Front Gate - 973-845-2098

(7AM-11PM Daily)

FirstService Residential (Management Company) – 973-845-2040

**Pulte Warranty** - 877-686-4379

Police, Ambulance & Fire - 911

Police Non-Emergency – 973-377-2200

Fire Non-Emergency - 973-377-3241

Borough of Florham Park - 973-410-5300

JCP&L (Electric Co.) - 800-662-3115

PSE&G (Gas Co.) - 800-436-7734

New Jersey American (Water Co.) -

800-272-1325

Florham Park Post Office - 973-377-5652

Bill Pryor Disposal Services (Trash) -

973-377-0176

Trash pickup occurs every Monday and Thursday except for certain Holidays

**Morris County Municipal Utilities** 

**<u>Authority</u>** (Recycling) – 973-285-8383

Clubhouse Hours Open Daily 5AM-10PM

(subject to change)

Indoor & Outdoor Pool Hours 11AM-7PM Daily

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# **HOA Board Update:**

As a follow up to our most recent open HOA board meeting, Management together with the HOA Board of Directors wanted to take the opportunity to kick off the initial process of the HOA Board of Directors election now that the community is at 75% threshold. Homeowners might ask, "What does that mean for the community?". When a developer (Pulte in this case) builds a community, over time that community grows as homeowners purchase the land/homes which make up the Homeowners association. There comes a point where the developer starts to have less and less control over the board/community and the decisions made. At 75% of closed homes (where the community is now), the HOA will start the process to fill the additional seats to complete the new official Del Webb at Florham Park Homeowner Association Board of Directors. There is a process for this election which is practiced in New Jersey called the "Radburn Act" which allows the election to be controlled by time sensitive deadlines and specific forms and to finalize, a closed ballot election process. The Radburn Act also takes a normal election time which would be 30 days and extends it to approximately 60-75 days to ensure compliance is met. At this point there will be (2) seats up for election. If you are interested the first step would be to fill out the "Intent to Run" for the board form. These forms will also be in the clubhouse in the front lobby. Please note the deadline for the intent to run forms will be July 11th at 5pm. If you have any other questions regarding the election process, please email Stefany at Stefany.durland@fsresidential.com

We have finalized the common area plant replacement inventory. This inventory includes townhome, flat and clubhouse areas (single family homeowners are responsible for their planting beds). The list of plants that were installed less than one year ago were submitted to Pulte on June 22 for replacement. Those over a year are being replaced by the HOA. We are waiting on a final quote from Lawns by Yorkshire for signature by the Board. Lawns by Yorkshire was given the list on June 22.

# **COA Board Update:**

June has been both a difficult and productive month as the Board continues to tackle unanticipated resident issues as they arise while at the same time trying to gain traction on addressing the broader issues that affect all of our residents.

The maintenance and Infrastructure committee is making good progress on securing contracts for basic maintenance services affecting both Townhomes and Condo Buildings and for establishing the communication services needed to provide security and report emergencies from the parking garages in the condo apartment buildings.

Townhall meetings were held separately for apartment condo and townhome owners during the month to review the basics for new residents, to review the COA financials, to provide a forum for the exchange of information and for residents to ask questions of Board members.

As of the date of this writing we see that residents are beginning to move into 3 Vanderbilt, the fourth of the five condo apartment buildings to be occupied. When three quarters of the residents at 3 Vanderbilt close on their units we'll reach the 75% of closed COA units occupied requirement for the election of two additional COA Board members. At that point, estimated to take place in August, residents will occupy four of the five COA Board seats and be in position to control our own destiny. Applications and nominations for the two resident COA open Board seats will most likely be solicited in July, following solicitation for the two HOA Board members.

With resident control of the Board comes the responsibility of guiding our community through the transition of ownership from the developer. It's critical that we have the most capable of our residents on the Board at this time to ensure we develop into the lifestyle community we all envisioned when we purchased here at Del Webb Florham Park. To that end I'm asking all of you who feel you are qualified and can contribute to the betterment of our community to step forward and apply for one of the two open Board positions. It's a unique opportunity to make a difference and regrettably a lost opportunity if we don't.

# From the Property Manager, Stefany Durland:

Dear Residents.

I am pleased to take a moment to update the community on a few things currently taking place at Del Webb. We are excited to share with you some upcoming news about our community.

First and foremost, as you may be aware we are open for the 2022 Pool Season. The main pool both inside and outside are working as well as the indoor spa. We continue to work on some issues occurring with the outdoor spa as a leak as been detected and plan to have a final update on the opening of this project too.

Secondly, I reached out to homeowners recently to give an update about Townhome planting beds. I appreciate your diligence and feedback regarding which planting beds are in need of new plants. I am working directly with Pulte to ensure those residents both in and out of warranty receive new plants very soon.

Most importantly we want you to be aware of the upcoming transition that will be taking place soon at Del Webb. We plan to start the transition process which will take control of the developer (Pulte) and allow the associations to have a majority of board seats on both the HOA and COA sides of our community. The election process will begin soon introducing the first document which will go out as a "call for candidates" Please consider running for the board as we look to our residents to ensure we deliver a very strong well rounded community.

Thank you for your patience and understanding while we work through this process.

# **Helpful Links on the Community Website:**

Delwebbfp.com

New Homeowners - <a href="https://delwebbfp.com/new-homeowners/">https://delwebbfp.com/new-homeowners/</a>

Documents - <a href="https://delwebbfp.com/documents/">https://delwebbfp.com/documents/</a>

Events (maintained by Colby) - <a href="https://delwebbfp.com/events/">https://delwebbfp.com/events/</a>

Community News - <a href="https://delwebbfp.com/community-news/">https://delwebbfp.com/community-news/</a>

FAQs - https://delwebbfp.com/faqs/

# **Instructions on Using the Front Gate-After Guard Hours (11pm-7am)**

A visitor should pull up to the box located right before the gate house. They should use the buttons to scroll for the first letter of your last name. Once they have found your name, they should press the call button. This will call your phone number. The phone number that will appear on your phone is 908-923-0564. Once you answer and confirm the caller, press "9" on your phone. That will open the gate. You do not have to be in your house or onsite for this to work. Please know, you are responsible for your guests while they are on the property.

At the February 17th Home Owners Open Board Meeting of Del Webb Florham Park, the Directors approved the following policy effective <u>Tuesday, March 1, 2022.</u>

- a) Vaccinated individuals Mask usage optional
- b) Non Vaccinated individuals Mask usage mandatory
- c) Food and beverages will be allowed. The beverage station will be reopened.
- d) Clubhouse use Restricted to Residents only. No friends, No children or grandchildren.
- e) COVID waivers required for admission to Clubhouse.
- f) Continuous monitoring of COVID situation and readjustment of rules if warranted.

#### MONTHLY QUOTE

"And these two who had battled, who had raged, who began with a passion so fierce and heady that it blinded them for years – suddenly, they treated each other as old married couples do: with tenderness, with exasperation, but always with love, polished over time so that the rough edges were no longer visible and only the smooth patina showed." -Melanie Benjamin from *Mistress of the Ritz* 

# Pickleball/Tennis Court Usage Guidelines

- 1-The use of all facilities including the pickleball and tennis courts are at your own risk.
- 2-Court hours start at 8am and end at 8pm 7 days a week. This is to limit disturbance to the homeowners/residents in the area.
- 3-Tennis court usage for 90 minutes. It can be for either singles or doubles. If there is no one waiting play can be prolonged.
- 4-Pickleball open play. No private play during the hours listed below unless courts are available.

Daily beginners sessions and intermediate sessions can be found on the TeamReach App. During open play use the paddle rack to maintain order.

- 5-Pickleball private play. Courts can be used for private play of singles or doubles at times not listed above. Usage will be on the hour for one-hour blocks. It is not necessary to rotate during private times.
- 6-Residents may bring up to 2 guests to play with them on the courts when the courts are not being used.
- 7- Be polite and courteous at all times. Please clean up after using the courts. If the lights are being used, please turn them off when play is finished.
- 8-These guidelines will be monitored and adjusted as needed.

#### IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Please be reminded that many exterior home modifications are subject to Borough of Florham Park approval. Modifications such as extending a patio, installing a generator, adding a deck and even installing a townhome privacy fence are subject to Borough approvals. Depending upon the nature of modification, an engineering letter must accompany the application. These approvals occur after the association approves your application but prior to the work starting.

Some contractors will handle this activity for the customer, but some do not. If unsure, we suggest contacting the Borough of Florham Park Zoning and Construction Office.

# A useful link for additional information:

https://www.fpboro.net/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Zoning-Application.pdf

# **Clubhouse Gym Reminders**

- The clubhouse gym is open daily 5AM-10PM.
- Please wipe down equipment after use with the gym wipes provided.
- -Please be mindful of others working out, refrain from cell phone conversations or any loud music while working out.
- If a machine isn't working, please notify the clubhouse staff as soon as possible.
- The AED Machine is now located in the gym for easy access within the clubhouse.
- TV channels can't be changed within the gym itself at this time. Each individual TV has a letter noted on it (A,B,C,D) and these are currently controlled by the TVs with the same letters in the game room and the kitchen side of the social room.



# **Facilities Committee Update:**

Much has happened since the last article was written. Vanderbilt three has opened with new residents moving in there as well as into recently completed townhouses and single-family homes. The community has reached the 75% threshold to add two more resident members to the HOA board.

The facilities committee is working closely with the HOA board to improve functionality of the community's amenities. These include the clubhouse, courts, and pools. Adjustments have been made to the court usage guidelines and continue to be monitored. Updates will be made as needed. The guidelines are posted on TeamReach. If help is needed with this app, please contact the office. Remember all of the amenities are designed for resident usage first. Also, the use of any of the courts, clubhouse, and pools are at your own risk.

The social committee hosted a successful Memorial Day barbeque. It was well attended and a July 4 party was requested and planned. It is necessary that we all clean up after eating and drinking at these events. The community does not employ a full-time custodial staff and we all have to pitch in to keep the clubhouse and surrounding areas clean.

The outdoor pool opened on Memorial Day weekend. The committee and HOA board are aware of problems such as the outdoor whirlpool not working. Every effort is being made by management and resident volunteers to make the outdoor pool area 100% functional. The pool rules are posted on the Del Webb Florham Park website. It is important for all the residents to read them prior to using the pool. Some key points are as follows:

1-no incontinence products are to be worn in the pool.

2-no glass or ceramic containers are allowed in the pool area for beverages.

3-no food in the pool area. Food can be eaten at the patio tables and must be cleaned after use.

4-There is no lifeguard on duty and swimming is at your own risk.

All of the rules and guidelines have been created to have a safe and comfortable environment at the pool and all the amenities at Del Webb Florham Park.

Thanks Steve, Helen, Harry, Jim, Mark <u>facilities@delwebbfp.com</u>

# **ARC Committee Update:**

Your landscaping, patio, deck, generator, etc. contractor should never tell you that they will take care of getting the HOA/COA to approve your project.

The homeowner is the only one responsible for applying to the ARC for project approval. Ultimately, the homeowner is responsible if your contractor tells you something is allowed which turns out to be inaccurate. These mistakes can be extremely costly to you, so don't allow your contractor to tell you something inaccurate. Please contact Management or a member of the ARC, ask questions, and please read the Guidelines before planning your project. Receive approval before scheduling the work to be done.

You are responsible for any damage that your contractor does while completing your project. Please supervise them to ensure they clean up after themselves. In addition, please ensure they do not block traffic or park on sides of the road where parking is prohibited.

We want you to have a successful project and avoid any pitfalls so please contact us with any questions. Many questions related to ARC applications can be answered by JT or Stefany at the Clubhouse or answered with a quick email.

Management email: info@delwebbfp.com

ARC email: arc@delwebbfp.com

ARC Documents (scroll to bottom): https://delwebbfp.com/documents/

# **COA Maintenance and Infrastructure Committee Update**

The Maintenance and Infrastructure Committee was created by the Condo Association Board to set a prioritized agenda of Apartment Condo and Townhome issues that require action immediately and into the future.

What all issues have in common is the need to ensure that we have a safe, secure, well maintained and owner friendly environment and that we set a path to understand and control the costs that are reflected in the assessments we pay. All of our planning looks forward to the full and eventual transfer of control of our community from Pulte to resident ownership.

Recent and on-going activities of the committee include the following:

- Selected a well-regarded janitorial service company for the Apartment Condos at a reduced cost to replace the previous provider that was billing month to month without a contract.
- Currently reviewing bids for HVAC maintenance for the common spaces like hallways and lobbies.
- Negotiating the elevator maintenance contracts. Should there be an interruption of HVAC or elevator service, the health and safety of the building residents could be compromised. Comprehensive contracts with reputable companies are the solution.
- Setting up test and inspection schedules for all required fire suppression (sprinkler systems) and life safety systems in the buildings to ensure compliance with the requirements of the Florham Park fire authorities and so that we know that these critical systems will work when called upon should they ever be needed.
- Establishing communication capability in apartment condo garages. Signals from the major cellular carriers are not currently making it through the structure into the garage This creates a condition whereby a resident could not make an emergency call should that become necessary. We are currently evaluating three vendors with systems that would remedy this problem and deliver cellular and data service to the garages.
- We also are working with the property manager to mitigate the risk of fire in townhomes. As required by
  recently passed Board resolutions, vendors to clean clothes dryer vents and to inspect and test the backflow valves in townhome sprinkler systems are being identified. Discounted rates from these preferred
  vendors are being negotiated.

The COA is operated and managed on behalf of all Apartment Condo and Townhouse Owners. Working on behalf of them is the committee's job. Alan Abramson, Tom Cedrone, Mel Nutkis, Ken Sunberg

#### **ADRC Committee:**

The Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee (ADRC) is a joint committee of the Homeowners and Condominium Associations recently formed to provide homeowners with the administrative means to a fair and efficient resolution of housing related disputes or matters involving Association or Committee functions and to informally resolve disputes between homeowners in an amicable fashion.

In the event a matter cannot be informally and amicably resolved, the ADRC will render a written decision to be enforced by the Board of Directors or Management Company. Final decisions of the committee may be appealed to a court of competent jurisdiction.

Joel Rachmiel is the committee chair, Susan Rynar and Brianne Donohue are vice-chairs and Stephen Sunshine, John Levitt and Arnie Litt completing the committee membership.

The detailed practices and procedures of the committee are available on delwebbfp.com for review.

#### INTERESTING FACTS FOR JULY

July was the 5<sup>th</sup> month of the Roman calendar until January and February were added in 450 BC. Originally it was called *Quintilis* (the Latin word for fifth), but the name was later changed to July honoring Julius Caesar who was born on the 12<sup>th</sup> of the month.

Johnson, Vermont hosts the annual Underhanded Skillet Toss during the Field Days at the County Fair. Females between 3 and 83 compete in tossing into the sizzling sky a cast-iron frying pan that was made in a near-by foundry. The older the person, the further the skillet is flung but all are in amazement as to how heavy the bacon-cooking, egg-scrambling, pancake-flipping object truly is. The local record is 47' 9".

- July 1 Canada Day celebrating the creation of the Dominion of Canada in 1867
- July 4 US Independence Day
- July 14 Bastille Day commemorate the storming of the Bastille and the start of the French Revolution
- July 29 Islamic New Year signaling the beginning of the lunar calendar
- 1776 Continental Congress approved the Declaration of Independence
- 1788 US Constitution was ratified
- 1790 Washington, DC became our nation's capital
   US Patent Office opened issuing the first patent to Samuel Hopkins of Vermont for his method of making pearlash and potash
- 1862 President Abraham Lincoln signed into law the first income tax bill
- 1863 Battle of Gettysburg began, Confederate stronghold at Vicksburg was surrendered to General Grant
- 1868 14<sup>th</sup> Amendment was ratified defining US citizenship and protecting due process and equal protection
- 1881 President James Garfield was shot and mortally wounded
- 1885 Louis Pasteur gave 1st anti-rabies inoculation to a boy bitten by a rabid dog
- 1889 Wall Street Journal is published
- 1900 Hawaii became an incorporated territory of the US until statehood in 1959
- 1917 Puerto Rico became a US territory allowing for American citizenship
- 1918 Czar Nicholas II, wife Alexandria and their 5 children were murdered by the Bolsheviks
- 1923 Insulin is introduced
- 1925 Scopes trial challenging the teaching of evolution in Tennessee schools begins
- 1935 First parking meter is installed in Oklahoma
- 1937 Amelia Earhart and Fred Noonan disappeared during their flight over the Pacific Ocean
- 1941 Joe DiMaggio hitting streak of 56 consecutive games ended in Cleveland
- 1943 Benito Mussolini was deposed after the Allied attack on Sicily
- 1945 Experimental atomic bomb "Fat Boy" was set off in a New Mexico desert Potsdam conference ended calling for an unconditional surrender by the Japanese

# **INTERESTING FACTS CONTINUED**

- 1946 Bikini swimsuit is worn at a swimming pool in Paris
- 1948 President Harry S. Truman signed an order integrating the armed forces
- 1952 Egypt changed from a monarch to a republic after a military revolution
- 1953 Fidel Castro led the rebellion ousting dictator Batista thus creating the Communist dictatorship in Cuba
   US and North Korean delegates signed armistice ending war in Korea
- 1954 Agreement was signed in Geneva ending hostilities between French forces in Vietnam and the People's Army of Vietnam
- 1957 Althea Gibson won the singles title at Wimbledon Production of the 1958 model of the Ford Edsel began
- 1963 Zip codes were introduced
- 1964 President Lyndon B. Johnson signed the Civil Rights Act
- 1965 President Lyndon B. Johnson signed Social Security Act establishing Medicare and Medicaid
- 1969 Apollo 11 Lunar landing mission lifted off from Kennedy Space center Millions watched as Neil Armstrong became the first person to walk on the moon Ted Kennedy drives car off a bridge in Chappaquiddick
- 1973 Bahamas gained independence after 50 years as a British Crown Colony
- 1975 Teamster union leader James Hoffa was last seen in Detroit, Michigan
- 1976 Raid on Entebbe airport in Uganda as an Israeli commando unit rescued 103 hostages on a hijacked Air France plane
  Nadia Comaneci received 1₅ perfect score in Olympic gymnastics
- 1991 Boris Yeltsin became 1<sup>st</sup> popularly elected Russian president in 1000 years
- 1996 TWA flight 800 departed JFK airport and exploded 12 minutes later
- 1997 F.W. Woolworth closed the last of 40 stores in operation since 1879
- 1999 John F Kennedy Jr. began the short flight to Martha's Vineyard for his cousin's wedding with his wife Carolyn and her sister Lauren aboard their bodies were found 5 days later
- 2004 Martha Stewart is sentenced to 5 months in prison for conspiracy, obstruction of justice and making false statements
- 2005 Tsunami caused by an earthquake in Indonesia Lance Armstrong wins 7<sup>th</sup> Tour de France

# Save the date.....National Night Out, August 2

The National Night Out is an annual community-building event that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, better places to live. This year's celebration will be held behind the Borough Hall. (111 Ridgedale Avenue) It will include food, giveaways, live music, a helicopter landing, entertainment for children (grandkids), and live fireworks at the end of the night. The Recreation Department will be hosting an outdoor movie, Bad Guys, starting at 8:30.

# **CAPE MAY**

**FOUNDED**: In 1620, the same year Pilgrims arrived in the New World, Dutch sea captain and explorer Cornelius Jacobsen Mey charted the area that, in 1869, was named in his honor (with an Anglicized spelling).

**THE STORY**: The city of Cape May evolved from a fishing and whaling community to seaside resort as early as the mid-1700s. Tourism blossomed in 1816 with the opening of the city's first hotel, the original Congress Hall. In 1976, the entire city of Cape May was designated a National Historic Landmark—the only U.S. city so honored. Today, Cape May boasts the second largest concentration of Victorian homes (upwards of 600) in the nation, second only to San Francisco.

**THE BEACHES:** There is a very long stretch of beach reaching down to the tip of NJ. Very much like Montauk is on Long Island (which I used to frequent oftentimes every year). I am told you can take a ferry to Delaware from there. That sounds like an awesome daytrip. There is an abundance of hotels along the shore ranging from small & intimate to quite large with 100's of rooms. Seems like going to the beach for some fun and relaxation would be the number one draw but read below for some not so well known things.

**THE SIGHTS**: The Emlen Physick Estate, built in 1879, is the only Victorian house in town open as a museum; guided tours are available daily. To see more of the city, take a narrated trolley or walking tour, many offered by Cape May MAC, a nonprofit dedicated to the area's cultural enrichment. During the holiday season, Cape May MAC conducts interior tours of additional Victorians. Cape May MAC also maintains the 1859 Cape May Lighthouse and the World War II Lookout Tower, both in Cape May Point. Each affords a panoramic ocean view. The city's oldest surviving residence, the Memucan Hughes House, built circa 1775, was a residence, tavern and possibly a brothel; it is open seasonally for guided tours. And don't miss the new Harriet Tubman Museum, dedicated in September 2020 to honor the legendary Underground Railroad activist.

**BIRDING:** Not many places in the country offer a better perch for viewing migrating birds' fly-in than Cape May in the fall. Just like us folks, birds make their way to the southern tip of the state to rest and refuel. From late August to early November, more than a million birds touch down. Eastern birds are following the seaboard path all the way to Florida for warmth during the winter months. Cape May Observatory is but one of a few places offered to come and take a tour offered by the NJ Audubon.

**NEARBY:** The Museum of Cape May County, in Cape May Court House, 12 miles north of the city, features a 1704 house with an 1830 addition, a 1780 barn, and a carriage shed with antique vehicles. Historic Cold Spring Village, an outdoor living-history museum, recreates rural life from the early-to mid-19th century. At Sunset Beach in Lower Township, you can see the visible remains of a sunken concrete ship, the S.S. Atlantus, one of 12 experimental ships built during and after World War I. This one broke loose from its moorings in 1926 and has jutted out of the ocean ever since. Other area attractions include wineries, breweries, an aviation museum and the Cape May County Park & Zoo.

# Celebrating 65 years of the Florham Park Fourth of July!

Join us on Monday, July 4, 2022 for the return of the Florham Park Fourth of July Celebration! The parade ceremony will begin promptly at 9:00 a.m. at the Company 1 Fire House. After the dedication ceremony, the annual town parade will begin (for more information about the parade route and road closures, please <u>click here</u>). Following the parade, please join us at the Boro Complex for the return of the full celebration — rides, food, games, and social garden!

In the evening, please join us at the Recreation Center fields for the firework celebration, beginning roughly at 9 pm.

We hope you and your family will join us for the return of the full Florham Park Fourth of July celebration!

# **Broadway in our Backyard**

Both the Shakespeare Theatre of New Jersey at Drew University in Madison and the Paper Mill Playhouse in Millburn have now announced their 2022-2023 seasons. The Shakespeare Theatre's season will include a production of the Bard of Avon's **Much Ado About Nothing** on the Outdoor stage at the Greek Theatre at St. Elizabeth University in Florham Park, June 29-July 31. The indoor Main Stage at the F.M. Kirby Shakespeare Theatre at Drew University will offer:.

Aug 17-Sept 4: The Metromaniacs, by Alexis Piron, adapted by David Ives.

Sept 21-Oct 9: **The Caretaker**, by Harold Pinter.

Oct 26-Nov 13: Two One-Acts by Alice Childress.

Dec 7-Jan 1: Twelfth Night, by William Shakespeare.

Tickets can be ordered by contacting the Box Office at 36 Madison Avenue in Madison by phone 973-408-5600 or e-mailing <a href="mailto:BoxOffice@ShakespeareNJ.org">BoxOffice@ShakespeareNJ.org</a>

The Paper Mill Playhouse at 22 Brookside Drive in Millburn kicks off the season with **On Your Feet,** an inspiring true story about achieving the American dream, from Oct 7–Nov 6, 2022. The other offerings of the 2022-2023 season include:

Dec 2, 2022–Jan 1, 2023: The Sound of Music.

Feb 9-Mar 12, 2023: Disney's Hercles.

Apr12–May 7, 2023: **Agatha Christie's Murder on the Orient Express.** 

May 31-Jun 25, 2023: Rent.

Tickets can be purchased by calling the Box Office at 973.376.4343 or e-mailing <a href="mailto:Subscriptions@Papermill.Org">Subscriptions@Papermill.Org</a>

#### DID YOU KNOW???

The classic fizzy egg cream has neither egg nor cream.

So how did it get its name?

Early Eastern European Jewish immigrants who came to New York City gave the drink a name that happened to sound like "egg cream" in English. The Yiddish word "echt" means real and thus morphed into "egg". Historically, it was a fountain drink made by a "soda jerk" working behind the counter in the local corner candy store and drank through a straw while sitting on a revolving stool. (Obviously, sitting on the stool wasn't mandatory, but the image it conjures up is unforgettable.)

The name stuck! However, it seems as if only those folks from New York know what an egg cream is. Ask for one if you're in Mississippi – or Nebraska – or Idaho – you will be looked upon as if you have 3 heads!!! Food historian Andrew Coe has characterized the egg cream as "a blissful moment of relief for poor people who aspired to the lifestyle of those living in the more affluent areas of uptown Manhattan".



To experience a true New York egg cream, pour 2 Tbs chocolate syrup (Fox's U-Bet was the best but any brand will do) into a glass, add 1 cup cold milk – while stirring, add ¼ cup seltzer and continue to stir. Stick a straw in it and enjoy!!



# **Bocce Night!**

Mondays at 6PM.

Come join your neighbors for some weekly games of bocce. If you have never played before it is quick and easy to learn.

#### **Home Care Contractors**

Home maintenance is always a concern of homeowners. Whether we have an emergency situation, a regular maintenance need, or a desire to renovate, selection of the right contractor is important. We have put together a list of local businesses that our neighbors have used successfully in the past. We would like to update this list as we move forward. Please send along any names that we can add next month.

#### Electricians

DeLuca Electric 732 381 6262

Jason Klein Electrical Contractors 908 391 4305

Sergio 973 296 7859

Mar Jen Electric 973 377 9131

Zinc karat Electrical Ben 973 288 1901

#### **Plumbers**

Russo Brothers and Company 973 887 1334

K. Hoeler 973 882 2803

The Real McCoy 973 900 3139

Pat Cunningham 973 985 1650

# Carpenter

Ernie Klepetz 973-727-5054

#### **HVAC**

Ron Jon 973 560 919

Air Group 973 929 2080

#### Handyman

Michael Turner 973 885 6714

Tom Budesa - (973) 666-1708

#### Landscape

Cardinal Landscape 862 204 9428

# **General Contractors**

McMahon Construction 973 948 2356

Michael Finelli 973 914 2437

Ramos Home Maintenance 301 642 0015

# Furniture Repair

Sam the Furniture Finisher 973-579-2763

# **Painters**

Hue Strong Painting 908 688 2586

#### **Vent Cleaning**

Crystal Clean 866 837 2662

Storage and Home Organization

Tailored Living 917 848 1125

John DeBello 973-896-5910

The Container Store 862-245-5990

Closets to Adore 973-822-1212

#### Interior Design

Mason Barrister Inc. 973 509 3000

John DeBello 973-896-5910

#### Awning

Majestic Awning 800 363 1181

#### Generator

Kobe Electric 908 722 5673

# Window Coverings

Melanie's Custom Cover. 973 627 3021

# **Driveway Sealcoating:**

Camasta Landscaping and Sealcoating 973-585-7007



#### FROM THE DW LENDING LIBRARY...

Thanks so much for your continued support to stock the Lending Library. As the community grows in population, our library does the same...hence, we limit the donations to the copyright date of 2012 or newer. Additional information about the library can be found at the library desk. By the way, the following locations accept used books:

Thrift Barns of Morris County – <u>www.thriftbarnsofmorriscounty.wordpress.com</u>

The Bargain Barn – 18 Pocono Road, Denville



# July 4-Independence Day

The Declaration of Independence was passed by the Second Continental Congress meeting in Philadelphia on July 2, 1776. It was published in newspapers on July 4 after some minor revisions. It was the result of widespread dissatisfaction in the colonies with increased British control. Colonists were especially opposed to a series of unpopular laws and taxes including the Sugar Act, the Stamp Act, and the so-called Intolerable Acts. It was originally drafted by Thomas Jefferson, in consultation with John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, Roger Sherman, and William Livingston.

The marking of the first days of independence during this summer of 1776 took the form in many towns of a mock funeral for the king, whose "death" symbolized the end of the monarchy and tyranny and the rebirth of Liberty. Parades, concerts, speeches, bonfires, and even fireworks were added to the celebration over the years.

In 1870 Congress made it a federal holiday and in 1942 it became a paid holiday for all federal employees.

#### REVOLUTIONARY WAR IN MORRISTOWN

General George Washington's grueling 6-month encampment in Morristown during the winter of 1779-1780 was a milestone of the Revolutionary War. Although he encamped here in 1777, he returned because of the ideal location.

Morristown was strategically situated between New York City and Philadelphia - only a 2-day march from New York. The Great Swamp and Watchung Mountains were a natural defensive barrier. Numerous roads transecting the town allowed for British counter-movements. Local homes served as quarters for staff officers. Nearby mining and timber and an adequate supply of water was readily available for sheltering the troops. The army settled in an area owned by farmer Henry Wick known as Jockey Hollow and soldiers cut down timber and constructed a "city" of more than 1000 wooden huts accommodating 12 men each.

Washington as well as his aides-de-camp headquartered at the mansion of Colonel Jacob Ford, Jr and chronicled the extreme cold to which he and his troops were exposed. It was one of the coldest on record – Morristown received over 20 snowfalls during their residence. A 2-day blizzard in January left over 4 feet of snow and led to shortages of food and other supplies. Soldiers struggled to keep warm and well-fed as conditions worsened. Many farmers were unwilling to give up their meager crops to the soldiers forcing the troops to eat tree bark, leather from old shoes and even dogs. Washington, although at first reluctant to do so, finally agreed to have his men pillage local farms and fields, gathering grain and cattle so the troops would not starve. He expressed his distress and fears to the Continental Congress that his troops, already suffering from extremely low morale, would disband for lack of supplies and pay.

In other developments during this time, Benedict Arnold was court-martialed in Morristown in 1779. Marquis de Lafayette returned from France and reunited with Washington in the spring of 1780. Alexander Hamilton, Washington's right-hand man met his future wife, Elizabeth Schuyler.

This harsh winter spent in Morristown became a symbol of patriotism and persistence. While the forces remained together despite severe adverse conditions, the "Continental Army's perseverance and determination to overcome the challenges they faced prepared them for the campaigns that would eventually secure American Independence".

There are several places in our area that can be visited: Ford Mansion and Washington Headquarters' Museum – 230 Morris Avenue

Jockey Hollow Encampment Area – Jockey Hollow Road Schuyler-Hamilton House – 5 Olyphant Place

Fort Nonsense – Chestnut Street

General Washington Equestrian Statue – Morris Avenue and Valley View Drive

Jacob Arnold Tavern Site - 20 North Park Place



# Foil Baked Chicken Supreme

Ingredients: 6 chicken breasts

1 ½ teaspoon salt Dash of pepper

2 tablespoons minced green onion

2 cans condensed cream of mushroom soup

4 tablespoons minced parsley

2 cloves garlic, minced

1 teaspoon tarragon vinegar

1/4 teaspoon thyme

Sprinkle chicken with salt and pepper. Combine remaining ingredients; spread on surface and in cavity of chicken breasts. Place each piece of chicken on a piece of foil. Fold the foil tightly around the chicken. Place on a cookie sheet and cook over coals until tender. Turn the packages once.

#### **Crab Cheesies**

Ingredients: 1 jar Old English cheese spread

1 can crab meat 1 stick butter

1 ½ teaspoons mayo ½ teaspoon garlic ½ teaspoon season salt

6 English muffins

Separate the muffins and cut each half into quarters. Mix all the ingredients and spread on the muffin pieces. Bake at 350 degrees and watch until they slightly brown. Makes 48

# **Falls Are No Laughing Matter**

Slips and trips are often subjects of humorous videos, but falls are also the leading cause of injury and injury death among older adults (65+). Every second of every day, an older adult in the United States suffers a fall. Unlike when we were young and indestructible, falls in our senior years can be costly. They can lead to broken bones, hospital visits, disability, and even death. Hip fractures, usually caused by falling sideways, can prove to be life-changing events. Despite advances in surgical outcomes, they can still result in morbidity and mortality (disease and death). Falls can be fatal for people taking anticoagulants also known as blood thinners.

In view of the dire consequences associated with falls among the elderly, I decided to seek expert advice from Del Webb, Florham Park, residents Drs. Mahesh Desai and Mark Reiner on steps we can all take to prevent falls and reduce the risk of fractures. Both (now retired) physicians emphasized that falls are preventable and do not have to be an inevitable part of aging.

**Stay physically active:** Since weak muscles can increase the risk of falling, it is vital to exercise regularly. Walking and swimming are great physical activities. Do not be afraid of playing tennis or pickle ball, just be careful, wear appropriate attire, and particularly the right footwear. Tai Chi and yoga are helpful in improving balance and making your legs stronger.

**Speak up:** Talk to your healthcare provider about fall risks and prevention. Review with him/her all your medications. Some medications may have side effects that make you dizzy. Interactions among several of your medications including over the counter supplements may increase your susceptibility to falls. Tell your healthcare provider if you get dizzy or lightheaded in going from lying to sitting or sitting to standing positions, you may be suffering from postural or orthostatic hypotension, i.e., a sudden drop in blood pressure. This condition is treatable and manageable.

**Have your eyes and hearing tested:** Even minor changes in sight and hearing may cause you to fall. Impairment of vision, particularly peripheral vision, can contribute to falls. Hearing loss can also be connected to balance issues or vertigo.

#### Falls continued...

**Do not be vain:** If you feel unsteady on your feet, consult your healthcare provider promptly and if recommended get physical therapy and use canes or walkers to prevent falls. As Dr. Reiner put it, you may look good (without assistive devices), but feel bad (after a fall). Also, women with balance issues should not wear high heels; they represent a disaster waiting to happen.

**Make your home safer**: Keep floors clutter free. Add grab bars in bathrooms and handrails on stairs. Remove small throw rugs or use double-sided tape to keep the rugs from slipping. Use non-slip mats in bathtubs and on shower floors. Keep a night light on to see where you are going. Use a sturdy ladder to reach high places in the house. If you feel uncomfortable on a ladder, get someone else to do the job.

**Keep your bones strong to prevent fractures:** While building strong bones ought to begin at an early age with good diet and exercise, taking calcium supplements and vitamin D later in life can still be helpful. So can regular physical activity. Also helpful for keeping bones strong are weight-bearing exercises.

**Miscellaneous:** Just as we have learned not to text and drive at the same time, we should also refrain from texting and walking at the same time lest we risk stumbling across the curb or some other obstacle on the street. Although the street lighting in our community is good, there are still some dark areas. Therefore, carry a flashlight on your nocturnal forays.

Florham Park Senior Citizens Center offers weekly classes in Chair Yoga, Healthy Bones and Qi Gong (similar to Tai Chi). For more information, call (973)520-8984.

# I SCREAM, YOU SCREAM, WE ALL SCREAM FOR ICE CREAM!!

It's that time of year when we all look for an ice cream shop that has great flavors and lots of choices and BIG portions. Some of us look for non-dairy flavors too. We are all very lucky in that we have so many choices that are close & local and each has its very own style. Here are just two of them.

**McCool's** is in Madison & just down the road a bit on Main Street. Besides the many flavors of Hershey's Ice Cream offered here, there is an added bonus. If you go in the evening and walk out the back door, you can hear jazz music down below because they are right next door to Shanghai Jazz which is a terrific Asian restaurant and jazz venue. This ice cream shop has been around for 17 years and has another shop in Summit. Besides ice cream in 50 + flavors, they have sorbet and Italian ices. They also have a ton of frozen yogurt flavors which you create yourself and fruit smoothies and they even have an espresso coffee bar. They were voted the best milk shake in NJ a few years ago. They also feature ice cream cakes and cupcakes. Is there anything they have left out? I do not think so!! Go and enjoy.

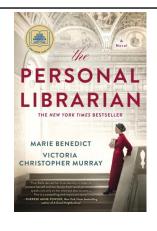
Last Licks is a few minutes' drive to Ridgedale Avenue in East Hanover. They are not even 10 years old — they opened in 2013. It must be very good because there is always a line out the door. It's different than McCool's because they make all of their own ice cream. Some folks think of the place as "the connoisseur of frozen treats". Besides all the routine ice cream offerings they are quite creative with the likes of ice cream sandwiches & pies, Oreo cookies, kisses & sliders. They offer cannolis, bananas dipped in multiple flavors of hard syrup & mini cone dippers (yum). When you look at the list of flavors they offer — it's not your typical chocolate and vanilla — the names are sometimes funny and puzzling for the flavors — for example graham slam & gingerbread cookie!! Go and enjoy — be prepared to wait a little.

# **July Book Club**

Join us at the clubhouse for our monthly book club discussions. Book club will be held two times this month. Tuesday, July 19th at 7PM and again on Wednesday, July 27th at 7PM. You only need to attend one meeting.

This month's book:

"The Personal Librarian" by Marie Benedict



# **Recent Social Events and Gatherings Around the Community**



Bingo outside on the Patio area with some beautiful weather. Look for more upcoming games of bingo outside (weather permitting) in July.









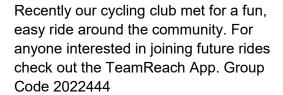
Residents enjoying the NJ Symphony Orchestra at nearby Giralda Farms for the annual Morris Music and Arts Festival.

June included many outdoor events, residents enjoying the pool, and area entertainment. The social committee is working hard on some more great summer events including a pizza night, wine and cheese, live music, Labor Day and more.

25 residents of our singles group met on the patio area for a night of dinner from Tony Boy's, beverages, and more followed by ice cream for dessert.













60 residents attended a presentation on "Climate Change and National Security" by resident Doug Simon. Each month we will try to highlight a different topic and resident. July's presentation will be on "Knee Health" with resident Mark Reiner. If you are interested in presenting please reach out to Colby.



# FLORHAM

2022 Concert season - 12 years of Community Pervice

Sunday, June 5 7:00 p.m.

Street Hassle

An energetic and entertaingly powerful band performing Classic Rock, Blues, Motown & Pop with an incrediblely powerful hom section.

Ranked among the most respected acts in local and nationwide venues "The closest thing to the King"

Jesse Garron's Tribute To Elvis

Sunday, June 12

The David Aaron Orchestra 18 piece Big Band led by David Aaron on the clarinet.

Sunday, June 26 7:00 p.m.

In Loving Memory of Ralph & Persis Loveys

Forever Ray

Sunday, July 10

Performing the exciting and uplifting music of Ray Charles, which includes The hottest musical attraction in the polka music field. 18 time Grammy a blend of styles ranging from Jazz and Blues to Country and R&B Jimmy Sturr & His Orchestra Sunday, July 17

Sunday, July 24

Beatlemania Again

award winner with 5 Gold records.

The National Touring Beatles Stage Show "Beatlemania Again" Relive the Music, The Magic & The Mania Live on Stage!

Sunday, July 31 7:00 p.m.

Separate Ways

Location: The Great Lawn of Borough Complex, 111 Ridgedale Avenue. Bring your own blankets or chairs. All concerts are free, provided to the public through donations from local residents, businesses & attendees. Food concession: Nathan's Famous food truck

The closest you'll get to see of the early-mid 80's line-up of Journey live, ever Don't miss the Ultimate Tribute to the music of Journey.

If the weather is questionable, please DO NOT call the Florham Park Police. Instead, please visit our web site:

# **MONTHLY HUMOR**

Pulte workers - you can hide from us but we'll still find you!!!



The Florham Park Gazebo Concert series is now in their 42nd season of free, Sunday night summer concerts. This annual series is put on by generous donations from residents and businesses in the area.

Many residents attended these free shows last year with neighbors. Bring your lawn chairs, blankets and there will be food concessions available from Nathan's Famous Food Truck.

In case of inclement weather or any updates, please check the website for the status of the show.

http://www.florhamparkgazebo.com/home.html

The gazebo is located just a few minutes away at: The Great Lawn of Borough Complex, 111 Ridgedale Avenue, Florham Park.

Del Webb FLORHAM PARK	₹ K	Calenda	Calendar of Programs and Events July 2022	ind Events		
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