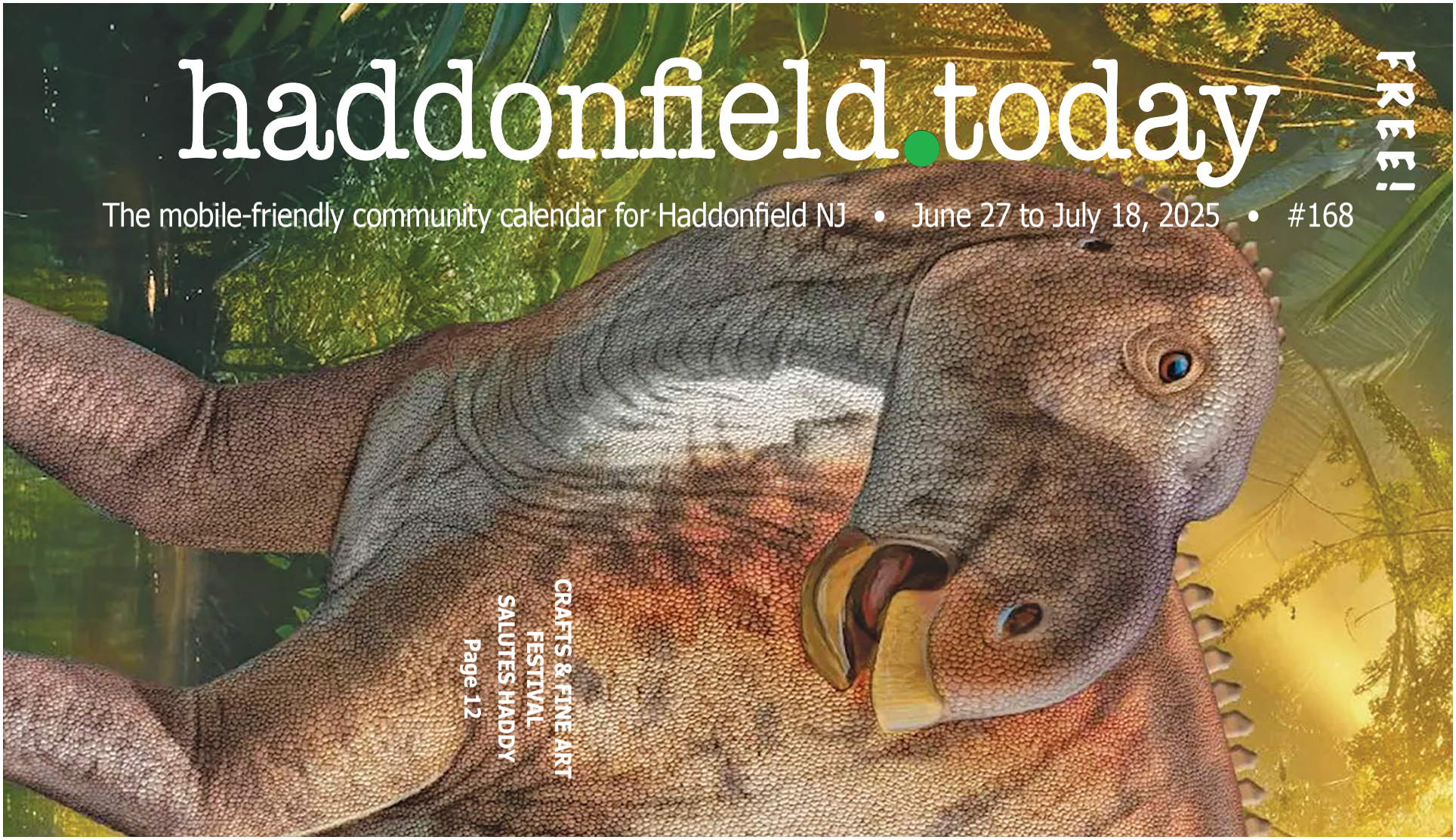
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The Word on the Street

Thousands will flock to Downtown Haddonfield on **Sat Jul 12** and **Sun Jul 13** for the annual Crafts & Fine Art Festival.

What artistic or cultural activities do you plan to engage in this summer?



*Haddonfield's **LISA QUANCI** will be volunteering at The Rufus Porter Museum in Bridgton ME. "Porter was an artist, musician, teacher, and inventor. And founder of Scientific American magazine."*



***CHIP CHAPMAN** of Haddonfield "can't even draw stick figures," so in July and August he'll engage in a different kind of artistic pursuit. "I'll be undertaking an extensive survey and evaluation of the culinary artistry of Haddonfield's outdoor eateries."*



*Noted landscape designer **DOROTHY RIVERS,** of Haddonfield, says she has "enough projects to carry me through to the end of the year. But I love it!"*

*Proud Haddonfield dad **JOE McELROY** will have primo seats at Citizens Bank Park on Sep 19 to see his son's band, Dr Dog, perform as part of the Lumineers' "The Automatic World Tour."*





*Cherry Hill's **LARRY MELTON** is looking forward to hearing Mozart's "Requiem" at the Théâtre Antique d'Orange, in France. "The venue is a 2,000-year-old outdoor theatre, built by the Romans. The performance is at night, so it will be spectacular."*



***SAMANTHA SMITH** of Merchantville is planning to check off several more state capitals as part of her quest to visit all 50. "And I'll be in my garden, helping some of the plants recover from random and senseless attacks by my cat."*

Cool off

› With very hot weather upon us, Sheri Siegel of the Mabel Kay Senior Center reminds residents that the building – a designated cooling center – will be open from 9am to 4:30pm on days when the temperature is expected to exceed 85 degrees.

"Come in and cool off ... with a jigsaw puzzle!"

Monday with the mayor

› Mayor Dave Siedell invites residents and business owners to chat with him about municipal matters of interest and concern at Jersey Java – most Mondays, from 7 to 9am-ish.

"No agenda. No speeches. Just coffee and conversation. Ready to listen, talk about what's going on in town, and connect with residents in a relaxed, informal setting.

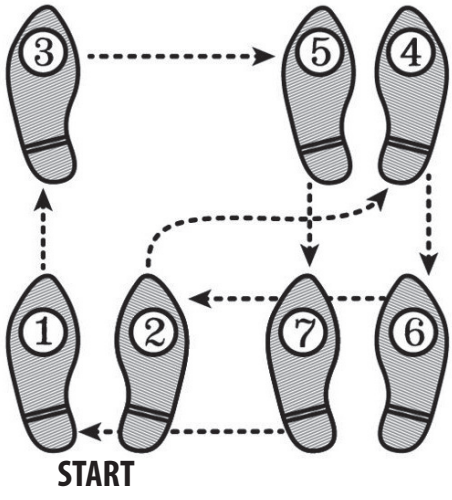
"Stop by on your way to work or school – and let's keep building a stronger Haddonfield together."

Incidentally, videos of commissioner meetings are now available on the Borough's YouTube channel: *youtube.com/@boroughofhaddonfield7313*.

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Business networking

› The Haddonfield Professional Network is a friendly group of South Jersey business people whose goal is to help one another grow by sharing resources, recommendations, and referrals.

Local business owners are invited to gather at Jersey Java (a new location) on the third Thursday of each month from 9 to 10am (a new time).

Previously, the group met at King's Road from 7:30 to 8:30am.

Next: **Thu Jul 17.**

New members are always welcome.

A heads-up will be appreciated, by email to *haddonfieldnetwork@gmail.com.*

Art – and more – this summer

› The Markeim Arts Center is offering a wide variety of classes this summer, for adults, teens, and kids, including:

- Clay Workshop: Ceramic House Numbers – **Mon July 14,** 6 to 8pm. Adults and teens.
- Teen Wheel Throwing **Thu Jul 10, 17, 24, 31,** 3 to 5:30pm. Jen Coelho.
- Kids Wheel Throwing **Wed Jul 23, 30, Aug 6, 13;** 2 to 4pm. Ages 8 to 12.
- Foundations of Pottery **Wed Jun 25, Jul 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, Aug 6, 13;** 7 to 9:30pm. Adults and teens

The instructor for the above classes is Patti Dirscherl.

markeimartscenter.org/classes.

Itir Cole's Open Door

› Commissioner Itir Cole will be at the Borough Hall each Wednesday from 12n to 2pm to meet with residents who have questions or concerns about Borough programs and services.

Also at Saxbys most Friday mornings from 8:30 to 9:30am.

Art camp

› The first few weeks and the last few weeks of Art Camp at the Markeim Arts Center are sold out, but some places are still available during the middle weeks:

- Week 3: July 7 to 11
- Week 4: July 14 to 18
- Week 5: July 21 to 25
- Week 6: July 28 to Aug 1

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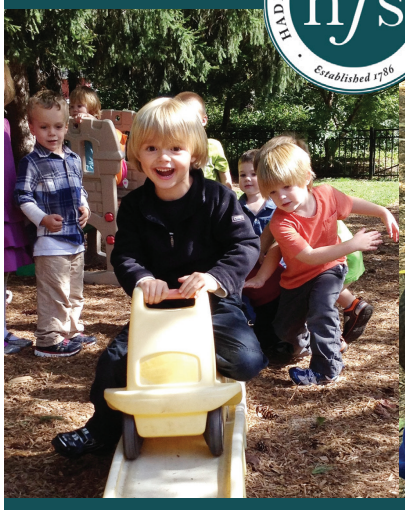
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While sipping and snacking, participants will complete two bookmarks and one card. All supplies are included.

Bring a friend and your favorite beverage! All levels are welcome.

To register, go here – bit.ly/4lkj49g – or scan the QR code ■.

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› The First Presbyterian Church is inviting "one and all" to stop into the church's sanctuary any Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday from 12n to 1pm to relax the body, mind, and spirit by listening to gentle piano music provided by Nathanael Francis.

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› A nationwide support group that comforts and helps those who have suffered a loss or who are grieving is offered at the First Baptist Church.

The group meets each Monday at 7pm. A new series of meetings will start on **Mon Jun 30** and run thru **Mon Sep 22.**

GriefShare is a safe, welcoming place where participants will discover what to expect in the days ahead and what's "normal."

Since there are no neat, orderly stages of grief, participants will learn helpful ways of coping and dealing with unpredictability – and gain solid support each step of the way.

Learn more about the program and register at *GriefShare.org* or scan the QR code ■.

Returning on Oct 4: Fall Festival

› For many years, Fall Festival on a Saturday in downtown Haddonfield was a valued opportunity for the town's non-profit organizations to connect with the community.

Sponsored by the Borough, the festival included a craft festival on Tanner Street that helped draw many thousands of visitors from near and far.

Nonprofits, sports organizations, Borough boards and commissions, and the School District set up tables and exhibits on the Kings Highway sidewalks, providing information to passers-by about their activities and programs, recruiting members, and selling merchandise.

Several years ago, the Borough decided to try a different approach, and dispensed with the long-established format. Unfortunately, the changes were less than successful.

Recently, the Haddonfield Lions Club stepped up and offered to organize a Fall Festival, along the traditional lines, in downtown Haddonfield on **Sat Oct 4.** The commissioners gave the Lions a green light during their meeting on **Mon Jun 16.**

Haddonfield-based community organizations interested in participating in Fall Festival are asked to send their key contact's name, email, and phone to *fallfestival08033@gmail.com* without delay.

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The evening program offers children age 8 to 18 – of all experience levels – the opportunity to explore a variety of choral music, work with professional voice instructors, and build friendships and confidence through music.

The schedule for the program, which is held at the Lutheran Church, is:

- Children's Choir (entering 3rd to 5th grades) – 5:30 to 6:30pm
- Concert Choir (entering 6th to -12th grades) – 6:20 to 8pm
- Cantate Singers (entering 6th to 12th grades, by audition) – 6:20 to 8:30pm

The program will end on **Fri Aug 22** with an evening performance at a Trenton Thunder baseball game.

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Questions? Email Polly Murray: *pmurray@childrensong.org*.

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Art, crafts to return in July

› Sponsored by Subaru, the 31st annual Haddonfield Crafts and Fine Art Festival will be held in Downtown Haddonfield on **Sat Jul 12** (11am to 7pm) and **Sun Jul 13** (10am to 5pm).

As in the past, the festival will feature more than 200 artists showcasing the best of fine art and craft from the region and beyond.

A curated selection of artists and crafters will exhibit a wide range of work, including ceramics, glass, jewelry, wood, fiber, paper, drawings, paintings, photography, and wearable art.

This year, artists will be invited to compete in a Celebrate Haddy contest, showcasing their unique take on Haddonfield's famous dinosaur.

Those attending will be able to visit artist booths, restaurants, and shops along Kings Hwy between Washington and Haddon Aves, on Tanner Street, and in Kings Court, where an Emerging Artists area will be located.

It will feature several new artists working in various mediums, including student glass blowers from Salem Community College, student ceramics artists from Camden County College, and work by artists from the Perkins Center for the Arts' Pottery Associates Program and the Markeim Art Center (with a dinosaur-themed make-and-take craft station for kids).

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Art of Haddy

› During the second day of the Crafts & Fine Arts Festival – **Sun Jul 13** – the Edelman Fossil Park & Museum will staff a booth at the entrance to Haddy Lane.

This new facility at Rowan University, built around a 66-million-year-old fossil-rich quarry, is rapidly becoming the premier destination for exploring New Jersey's prehistoric past.

If you're interested in duck-billed dinosaurs or local paleontology, it's a great place to learn more about Hadrosaurus and its cousins in the region.

Mark your calendar for **Sat Oct 18,** when the Rotary Club will hold an all-day and evening event at the Fossil Park – something for everyone!

Stay tuned for details.

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Haddonfield Skirmish renews relevance of local history

By Matt Skoufalos / June 17, 2025



▲ *British soldiers and Hessian mercenaries give the Continental Army a volley at the Haddonfield Skirmish. Photo: Matt Skoufalos.*

READ MORE ABOUT IT! For the rest of the story on your smartphone, scan:

› NJPen subscribers can read the rest of the story here – bit.ly/4k2NnjO – or scan the QR ■.

For the past 11 years, on the first Saturday in June, the Friends of the Indian King Tavern Museum has invited the broader community to share in its love of local history at the Haddonfield Skirmish.

A live-action staging of a pitched battle between the British Redcoats and the motley American Continental troops, the skirmish is more of a historical re-imagining than a re-enactment.

Nonetheless, it draws hundreds of guests to Kings Highway to experience how historically significant moments in early New Jersey history may have felt in the shadow of the preserved colonial tavern.

Skirmish coordinator Joseph Murphy, who established Friends of the Indian King Tavern to support the local landmark, conceived of the event with fellow Haddonfield resident Gary Stone, a former state historian at Monmouth Battlefield.

It was Stone who first suggested staging a scene outside the tavern, and had the connections with historic re-enactment groups who could perform it, Murphy said ... ■.



Rotary Club of Haddonfield: 2024-25

ROTARY'S YEAR IN REVIEW

This past Rotary year was a resounding success for the Rotary Club of Haddonfield. Through the hard work and generosity of our members and supporters, we raised significant funds to support impactful service projects across South Jersey, the region and for our international project for this year – Rotaplast International – which provides cleft lip and palate habilitation to patients in Third World countries.

One of our proudest accomplishments was awarding $20,000 in scholarships to outstanding students from multiple high schools in our county through the Rotary Club of Haddonfield Foundation. In addition, we provided over $18,000 in grants to local nonprofit groups, and donations to regional and international organizations providing water wells, and Hurricane Helene relief, to name a few. We are helping to strengthen our communities and expand the reach of our mission of service – all the while having fun with activities like our bike collection, bird seed sale, Italian wine tasting, Cooper River boat trips, Historical Philadelphia walking tour, and fireside chats.

We're already looking ahead! **Save the date** for our next Foundation fundraiser, which will be held on **October 18** at the **Edelman Fossil Park & Museum of Rowan University** – a unique and exciting venue for a day of fun, purpose, and community support.

We also want to extend an open invitation to prospective members. If you're service-minded and want to make a meaningful impact without a major time commitment, we'd love to have you join us. After all, many hands make light work – and together, we can continue doing good in our community. You won't be able to avoid making friendships along the way!

We meet at Tavistock Country Club every Wednesday for lunch, fellowship, and planning from 12:15 to 1:30pm. Guests are ALWAYS welcome to come check us out in person and online at HaddonfieldRotary.org.

It was my honor and pleasure to serve as President this Rotary year, 2024-25.

Amy James DMD, MS
Diplomate, American Board of Orthodontics

Kate Zschech, President 2025-26
Andrew Mastro, President-Elect 2025-26
Denise Stuart, Foundation Chair

Rotary
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Lunch & learn, for seniors at Mabel Kay

› Giavana Good, a physical therapist at Romash & Crowell in Haddonfield, will be the speaker at the next Something to Chew On, at the Mabel Kay Senior Center on **Wed Jul 9** from 12:30 to 2pm.

Although she treats a variety of conditions, Dr. Good specializes in balance training and fall prevention, Parkinson's Disease management, and vestibular rehabilitation (a specialized form of physical therapy designed to alleviate dizziness, imbalance, and other symptoms associated with vestibular disorders).

Sign-ups are required, to facilitate the ordering of food.
Call 856-354-8789 or email *ssiegel@haddonfield-nj.gov.*
Free for Haddonfield residents. Non-residents: Suggested $3.
A Something to Chew On is scheduled each second and fourth Wednesday.

For updates, and to read **KAIN MURPHY** obituaries, scan:

- **Charles "Chuck" A. Finnie, Jr, 82**
  June 18, 2025
- **John D. Johnson, 89**
  June 18, 2025
- **Eleanor "Norie" Wisniewski, 81**
  June 16, 2025
- **Ronald P. Sandmeyer, 95**
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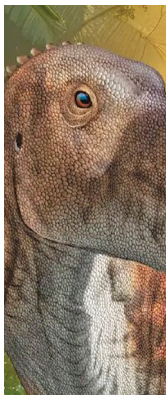
Looking Ahead (alphabetically)

Mon Aug 18	ChildrenSong's SummerSing (thru Thu Aug 21)
Fri Sep 5	Dance Haddonfield Anniversary Gala
Mon Nov 3	Fall Break at Public Schools (thru Fri Nov 7)
Sat Oct 4	Fall Festival
Tue Sep 2	First Day of Public School
Fri Oct 24	Halloween Night Market IV
Mon Sep 1	Labor Day
Sat Oct 18	Rotary at Edelman Fossil Park (Rowan)
Thu Aug 7	Sidewalk Sale (thru Sun Aug 10)
Thu Aug 7	Summer Street Feast
Thu Nov 27	Thanksgiving
Wed Dec 24	Winter Break at Public Schools (thru Fri Jan 2)

Your Events?

› On this calendar, and in the pages of *Haddonfield Today*, we list and publicize coming events sponsored by Haddonfield organizations.

Email details to *news@gumnutgroup.com* by the Tuesday before publication date.



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Pilates /PC **9[15]-10**
Chair Yoga /MK **10[15]-11**
Chair Yoga /MK **11[15]-12**
Mah Jongg /MK **1-3**
GriefShare /BC **7**

01 JUL

Sculpt & Tone /PC **9[15]-10**
Coffee & Conversation /110 **10-12**
Fitness with Mel /MK **10[15]-11**
Bridge Club /MK **12[30]-3**
Storytime /PL **1-1[30]**
Creative Retirement Workshop /MK **1-3**
Open Play /PL **1[30]-2[30]**
Toastmasters /LC **7[15]**
Planning /BH **7[30]**

02

Balance & Core /M
Pilates /PC **9[15]-10**
Coffee & Schmooze
The Joy of Painting
Snack & Craft /PL **1**
Comm. Cole's Open
Beginners' Line Da
Rotary Club /TCC **1**
Bingo /MK **1-2[30]**
Human Relations /

06

Dance Haddonfield /GC **6-10**

07

POSTPONED TO TODAY: Friday's recycling and veg waste collection
Monday with Mayor Siedell /JJ **7-9**
Pilates /PC **9[15]-10**
Lego Duplo Club /PL **10-12**
Chair Yoga /MK **10[15]-11**
Chair Yoga /MK **11[15]-12**
Rainbow STEM Storytime /PL **1-1[45]**
Lego Club /PL **1-3**
Mah Jongg /MK **1-3**
GriefShare /BC **7**
American Legion Post 38 /HQ **7[30]**

08

Sculpt & Tone /PC **9[15]-10**
Coffee & Conversation /110 **10-12**
Fitness with Mel /MK **10[15]-11**
Bridge Club /MK **12[30]-3**
Library Author Talk /V **2-3**
Friendship Bracelets /PL **2[30]-3[30]**
Library Author Talk /V **4-5**
Backyard Chickens /BH **7**
Toastmasters /LC **7[15]**

09

Balance & Core /M
Pilates /PC **9[15]-10**
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Rotary Club /TCC **1**
College Prep /PL **2-**
Robo-Art /PL **3-3[45]**
Republican Club /B
Historic Preservatio

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Crafts & Fine Art Festival /DT **10-5**
Dance Haddonfield /GC **6-10**

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Monday with Mayor Siedell /JJ **7-9**
Pilates /PC **9[15]-10**
Chair Yoga /MK **10[15]-11**
Canva DIY: *Photo Fun* /PL **10[30]-11[30]**
Chair Yoga /MK **11[15]-12**
Mah Jongg /MK **1-3**
Paint Swatch Creations /PL **2-3**
PJ Story & Craft /PL **6[15]-6[45]**
Commission Work Session /BH V **6[30]**
Harry Potter Bingo /PL **6[45]-7[30]**
GriefShare /BC **7**

15 *Haddonfield Today Deadline*

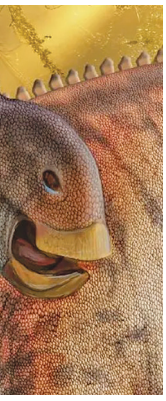
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Coffee & Conversation /110 **10-12**
Fitness with Mel /MK **10[15]-11**
Color for a Cause /PL **11-1**
Bridge Club /MK **12[30]-3**
Storytime/Open Play /PL **1-1[30]-2[30]**
Code Club /PL **1-2**
Summer Sign Workshop /PL **2-3[30]**
Zoning /BH **7**
Toastmasters /LC **7[15]**
Recreation /BH **8**

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Balance & Core /M
Pilates /PC **9[15]-10**
Summer Storytime
Coffee & Schmooze
Summer Reading C
Comm. Cole's Open
Rotary Club /TCC **1**
Beginners' Line Da
Bingo /MK **1-2[30]**
Municipal Alliance
Mystery Book Club
Plays & Players /V

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BC	Baptist Church	DT	Downtown	HL	Haddy Lane	JJ	Jersey Java	LC	Lutheran Church	MHS	
BH	Borough Hall	GC	Grace Church	HQ	Post 38, 129 Veterans Lane	KC	Kings Court	MAC	Markeim Arts Center	MK	

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Open Hours

Acme M-S 7-10, Su 7-9
Borough Hall M-F 8^{30}-4^{30}
CVS M-F 9-9, S 9-7, Su 12-5
Pharmacy M-F 9-9, S 9-5, Su 12-5
Pharmacy is closed 1^{30}-2
Greenfield Hall M W Th 1-4
Archives Center: Call 856-429-7375
Indian King Tavern Museum
W Th F S 10-12, 1-4, Su 1-4
Post Office M-F 8^{30}-4^{30}, S 9-1
Public Library M T Th 10-8,
W F 10-5, S 10-2, Su 12-4

27 *Haddonfield Today*

Chat with Commissioner Cole /S **8^{30}**
Thrift Shop /GC **10-4**
4th of July Take-Home Craft /PL **10-5**
Chair Yoga /MK **10^{15}-11**
Table-Top Games /MK **11-1**
Chair Yoga /MK **11^{15}-12**

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Farmers Market /KC **8^{30}-1**
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03 NO FIREWORKS!

CLOSING at 1 Public Library
Sculpt & Tone /PC **9^{15}-10**
Fitness with Mel /MK **10^{15}-11**
65 Club /110 **1^{30}**

04 INDEPENDENCE DAY

CLOSED Banks, Borough Hall, Mabel Kay Senior Center, Public Library
POSTPONED Trash collection, to Saturday
POSTPONED Recycling and vegetative waste collection, to Monday
Independence Day Parade /DT **10**
Independence Day Block Party /DT **12-3**

05

POSTPONED TO TODAY: Friday's trash collection
Farmers Market /KC **8^{30}-1**
Thrift Shop /GC **10-4**

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Sculpt & Tone /PC **9^{15}-10**
Art (Beginners) /MK **9-12**
Fitness with Mel /MK **10^{15}-11**
Rockin' Out with Mr Bobby /PL **10-10^{30}**
Art (Advanced) /MK **12-3**
Tai Chi /MK **1-1^{45}**
Ceramic Painting /PL **1-2**
65 Club /110 **1^{30}**
Sculpt a Luminaria /PL **6-7**

11

Chat with Commissioner Cole /S **8^{30}**
Thrift Shop /GC **10-4**
Storytime /PL **10-10^{30}**
Make & Take: *Folk Art Sticker* /PL **10-5**
Chair Yoga /MK **10^{15}-11**
Table-Top Games /MK **11-1**
Chair Yoga /MK **11^{15}-12**

12

Farmers Market /KC **8^{30}-1**
Take-Home Craft: *Mosaic Sticker* /PL **10-2**
Thift Shop /GC **10-4**
Crafts & Fine Art Festival /DT **11-7**

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/BH **7**
/PL **7-8**
7^{30}

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Business Networking Group /JJ **9-10**
Art (Beginners) /MK **9-12**
Sculpt & Tone /PC **9^{15}-10**
Once Upon a Craft /PL **10-10^{30}**
Fitness with Mel /MK **10^{15}-11**
Art (Advanced) /MK **12-3**
Tai Chi /MK **1-1^{45}**
65 Club /110 **1^{30}**
Marie Lu Watch Party /PL **3^{45}-5^{30}**
Library Author Talk /PL V **4-5**
Lions Club /TCC V **615**

18 *Haddonfield Today*

Chat with Commissioner Cole /S **8^{30}**
Take-Home Craft: *Beaded Jelly Fish* /PL **10-5**
Chair Yoga /MK **10^{15}-11**
Table-Top Games /MK **11-1**
Chair Yoga /MK **11^{15}-12**

19

Farmers Market /KC **8^{30}-1**
Storytime at the Farmers Market /KC **9-9^{30}**
Crystal Bowl Sound Bath /PL **2^{30}-3^{30}**
Grace Church at the Phillies v LA Angels **6^{05}**

Methodist Church
Memorial High School
Mabel Kay Senior Center
PC Presbyterian Church
PL Public Library
S Saxbys
TCC Tavistock Country Club
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ADDITIONS? ERRORS? OMISSIONS?
Please email news@gumnutgroup.com

Get fit this summer!

› The popular fitness classes that Sue Heindel runs at the Presbyterian Church will continue thru **Thu Jul 24**.

- Mondays and Wednesdays, from 9:15 to 10am: Pilates.
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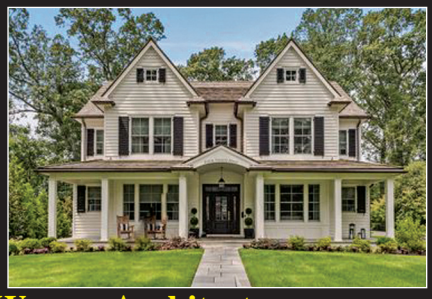
› For most of the year, the Public Library is open Mon, Tue, and Thu from 10am to 8pm; Wed and Fri from 10am to 5pm; Sat from 10am to 2pm; and Sun from 12n to 4pm.

However, from July 1 thru Labor Day: closed on Sundays.

Visit a museum – for free!

› The Public Library has passes to more than a dozen area museums and other area cultural/nature facilities that Library card-holders can access online.

To peruse the list and obtain a pass, go here – bit.ly/3HYi2Bs – or scan the QR code ■.

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Hot Sunday? Cool jazz!

› On **Sun Jul 20** at 2pm, the Tri-State Jazz Society will continue its annual summertime tradition of bringing some of its top performers together at the United Methodist Church for a jam session of familiar trad jazz tunes.

This year, Dave Robinson will return to lead the core band – the Conservatory Classic Jazz Band.

Guest musicians have pre-registered; walk-ins may be accommodated. Check with the band leader on the day of the concert. Pre-registered musicians and walk-ins will be admitted free.

Spouses, friends, and relatives of jammers pay the regular member admission of $20.

Admission for members of the Tri-State Jazz Society is $10.

Full-time students with ID, or children accompanied by a paying adult, are free.

Introductory offer: start a new, first-time, annual membership ($20) at the door and receive free admission to this concert.

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'YA' book club

› The Public Library's YA (Young Adults) for Adults Book Club will meet from 6:30 to 7:30pm on **Wed Jul 23** at Mechanical Brewery, 5 Perina Blvd, Cherry Hill.

The group will discuss *How You Grow Wings* by Rimma Onoseta.

Register here – bit.ly/43YOQ5X – or scan the QR code ■.

YA FOR ADULTS BOOK CLUB

Dance date

› Dance Haddonfield, the social dancing group that meets each Sunday night at Grace Church, will celebrate its 25th anniversary on **Fri Sep 5** with a gala buffet dinner and dance at The Legacy Club (formerly Woodcrest Country Club) in Cherry Hill.

All are welcome.

dancehaddonfield.org

Wanna chat?

› Retired men are invited to stop by the 65 Club on Tuesday mornings for Coffee and Conversation.

Discussions cover current events, sports, hobbies ... whatever comes to mind. 10am to 12n at the Clubhouse, 110 Rhodes Ave.

The club meets each Thursday at 1:30pm.

Banners to honor vets: Order now!

› The Borough Commissioners have approved the renewal of the Military Tribute Banners initiative under which banners featuring photographs of veterans with a Haddonfield connection are displayed in Downtown Haddonfield during November – Veterans Month.

The organizing committee will accept applications from **Fri Jul 4** thru Labor Day (**Mon Sep 1**). The initial cost is $150 per banner. That includes two years of display time. For those who purchased in 2024, there is no cost for 2025.

After that, the cost is $75 per year, provided the banner is still in good condition. Those who participated in the program in 2022 and 2023 may renew for 2025 for $75. The renewal deadline is **Fri Aug 1.**

Mail checks payable to "American Legion Post 38" to 129 Veterans Lane, Haddonfield NJ 08033, marked to the attention of Joe McElroy.

Questions? Call Joe McElroy at 856-428-7396.

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Creative writing for seniors

› Elinor Mattern teaches creative writing and has had poems and prose published in literary magazines and newspapers. A visual artist who has exhibited her photographs and paintings, she also speaks on many aspects of creativity and culture.

On **Tue Jul 1,** from 1 to 3pm, she will conduct a writing seminar at the Mabel Kay Senior Center. It will include activities and discussion about meaningful ways to develop creative potential and have fun in retirement.

The fee is $15 payable directly to the instructor on the day. Sign-ups are required, at *ssiegel@haddonfield-nj.gov* or 856-354-8789.

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Tee time

› It's time to register for the annual golf outing to benefit the Brad Wilby Memorial Foundation.

The date is **Mon Sep 29** and the venue this year is the Ramblewood Country Club in Mount Laurel. Shotgun start at 8am.

A Haddonfield resident, Brad Wilby was passionate about sport and being compassionate towards others. He died suddenly at age 25 from an undiagnosed and little-understood condition to which teenagers and young adults are particularly vulnerable: arrhythmogenic right ventricular cardiomyopathy (ARVC).

The mission of the foundation is to promote awareness of ARVC and sudden cardiac arrest, to provide accessible AEDs for local facilities, and to provide scholarships to graduating high school seniors.

The fee is $150 per golfer. Registration is requested by **Mon Sep 15.**

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Deadline looms for BOE

› The annual election for three seats on the Board of Education will be held on **Tue Nov 4.**

Incumbents Greg Esemplare, Jaime Grookett (president), and Linda Hochgertel (vice president) all intend to seek new three-year terms.

Residents who wish to challenge them must file a petition with at least 25 signatures of Haddonfield registered voters with the County Clerk by 4pm on **Mon Jul 28.**

Full details are available here – bit.ly/46bB9C2 – or scan the QR code ■.

The next meeting of the board will be on **Thu Jul 24** at 7pm in the High School library.

Link to **BOE INFO** .



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Marie Lu fan?

› Calling all teenage fans of action, rebellion, and dystopian worlds!

Head to the Public Library on **Thu Jul 17** from 3:45 to 5:30pm for a watch party of a live, virtual, author talk with Marie Lu, bestselling author of the *Legend, Warcross*, and *Skyhunter* series.

Lu's upcoming novel, *Red City,* has been described as *The Godfather* meets *The Magicians*.

After the stream, stick around for a discussion and creative brainstorming session where you'll dream up your own dystopian world – factions, rules, rebellions – and enjoy free snacks!

To register, go here – bit.ly/44kGjck – or ■.

Ex-Armed Services?

› The American Legion offers a wide variety of programs and services for veterans of the US Armed Forces.

They include information and resources on: healthcare options; post-traumatic stress disorder; suicide prevention assistance; federal education benefits; and career fairs and tools for translating military skills to civilian jobs. Also: assistance in understanding and applying for veteran benefits, including connecting with accredited service officers.

For details, contact the Haddonfield Post 38 commander, Rodney Thomas: 609-500-4165.

Recent Issues

Get set for Sidewalk Sale

› If you'll be spending the summer at The Shore, be sure to mark your calendar for **Thu Aug 7** thru **Sun Aug 10** and make plans to head back home for Haddonfield's annual Sidewalk Sale.

Traditionally, Sidewalk Sale offers retailers the opportunity to liquidate seasonal merchandise and clear their shelves and racks for the fall. Bargains!

The Partnership for Haddonfield is encouraging downtown businesses to stay open until 8pm on **Thu Aug 7,** when it will present a Summer Street Feast. There will be 10+ food trucks on Kings Hwy, the Camden County Stage, musical entertainment, face painting, hair tinseling, and more!

Open and shut

› The Thrift Shop in the basement of Grace Church – 19 Kings Hwy E – will be open during the Crafts & Fine Art Festival on **Sat Jul 12** and **Sun Jul 13,** but will then close until **Fri Sep 5.**

Regular days and hours are Fri and Sat from 10am to 4pm.

Donations are always welcome!

Care for kids

› Registration is open for before- and after-school care for students in grades K thru 8 during the 2025-26 school year.

The service is provided by AlphaBEST Childcare. Details and registration forms are available here – bit.ly/3gzC579 – or scan the QR code ■ in the margin.

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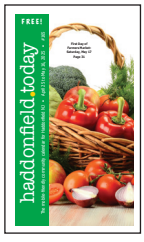
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Tech help for seniors

› The Mabel Kay Senior Center has launched a new program – Tech Tuesdays – that will enable local seniors to get answers to their technology questions from local teens (who won't get irritated when you ask them the most basic questions).

These techies can help you learn how to: block spam; clean out old emails; organize photos; create folders; use Facebook; download apps/games/calendars; Facetime with family members; silence your phone; create photo albums or photo gifts; etc.

Email *ssiegel@haddonfield-nj.org* or call 856-354-8789 to sign up for time-slot (9am to 12n).

Be sure to bring your devices and passwords.

Storytime in a historic setting

› The Public Library and the Historical Society will team up once again to sponsor Summer Story Times in the gardens behind Greenfield Hall.

Representatives of the two organizations will read stories based around Haddonfield's history to children age 4 and up.

A take-home craft will be given to each child.

The next program will be on **Wed Jul 16,** from 10 to 10:30am. To register, go here – bit.ly/3UUOZBA– or scan the QR code ■.

This program is designed for children who are accompanied by engaged adults.

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Family fun on the Fourth – I

› Haddonfield's celebration of Independence will begin at 10am on **Fri Jul 4,** when the ever-popular parade, sponsored by the Celebrations Association, steps off from Chestnut Street and makes it way along Kings Hwy to the High School.

There will be bands, floats entered by community organizations and neighborhood groups, children's decorated bicycles and wagons, antique automobiles, and (of course) fire trucks.

Thinking of participating in the parade in one of the competitive categories? Go to the corner of Kings Hwy and Chestnut Street between 8:30 and 9:30am and register in one of three categories: Non-profit community organizations; Neighborhood groups; Family groups.

All other groups should line up on Chestnut Street no later than 9:45am. Marshals will call you onto the Highway at an appropriate time.

Note: There is no rain date.

If you'd like to help the Celebrations Association underwrite the cost of presenting the parade – most of the money is used to pay the bands – you can send your donation to PO Box 15, Haddonfield NJ 08033, or donate online at *HaddonfieldCelebrations.org*.

The Association also organizes and funds the Halloween Parade and the Christmas Tree Lighting and Santa Parade.

Vacancies

› Vacancies exist on several Borough boards and commissions:

- Environmental Commission/Sustainable Haddonfield
- Human Relations Commission
- Recreation Commission

Interested? If so, go here – bit.ly/4nicZvH – to register your interest ■.

DEADLINES

Both editorial and ads:

- HT169 – Fri Jul 18
  Deadline: **Tue Jul 15**

Note: Issue 169 will last for six weeks, until:

- HT170 – Fri Aug 29
  Deadline: **Tue Aug 26**

For advertising info:
Go here: bit.ly/4fQq62m
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CALL TO ARTISTS: CRAFTS SHOW

Under the sponsorship of the Lions Club, **Fall Festival** will return to Downtown Haddonfield in its traditional format on **Saturday, October 4,** 10am to 4pm.

The festival will include a crafts show on Tanner Street, managed by Renaissance Craftables.

Crafters are invited to apply to participate in this **juried** show.

Go here: bit.ly/442wocl or scan:

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H'FIELD TODAY AD INFO

Family fun on the Fourth – II

› Haddonfield's celebration of Independence will continue from 12n to 3pm on **Fri Jul 4,** when the Borough presents a Block Party on Kings Hwy – free to all – from the Speedline to Haddon Ave.

Sponsored by Fulton Bank, the event will include live music, activities, contests, and games.

On the main music stage will be Born to Run and Down to Dream. In Kings Court: DJ Frank Staff. Plus music until 10pm at King's Road Brewing Company.

Also in Kings Court ... face painting!

Hungry? Consider entering one of three eating contests:

- At 12n at King's Road Brewing Company –

The third annual Hot Dog Eating Contest, sponsored by King's Road, Hot Dawgs, and Haddonfield Financial Planning. The net proceeds will be donated to the Haddonfield Educational Trust. Participants must be 18 years of age or older. Registration is required, here – bit.ly/3TFFdTz– or scan the QR ■.

- At 1:30pm at Kings Court –

A Pie Eating Contest for adults and teens age 16 and up. Registration is required, here – bit.ly/3T4OxjG – or scan the QR ■.

- At 2pm at Kings Court –

A Kids' Cookie Eating Contest. Registration is required, here – bit.ly/44sQ7Ci – or scan the QR ■.

Register for **HOT DOG EATING**

Register for **PIE EATING**

Register for **COOKIE EATING**

What's not On

› Some calendar notes:

- Fireworks on July 3. Not on.
- Antique Auto Show in September. Not on.
- Lions Club Flea Market in September. Not on.

However:

- Fall Festival, in its traditional format ... On! See page 8. And the notice on page 28.

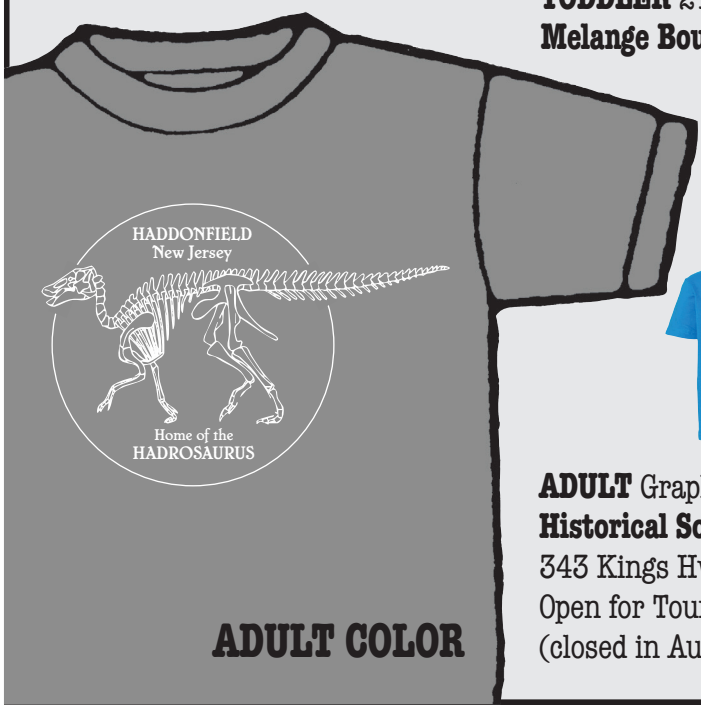
Holiday trash

› Because **Fri Jul 4** is a holiday, trash, recycling, and vegetative waste collection is not as simple as "the next day."

Here's the schedule:

- Friday's trash will be picked up on **Sat Jul 5.**
- Friday's and Monday's recycling and vegetative waste will be picked up on **Mon Jul 7.**

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Library invites all to "Color Our World"

› The Public Library's Summer Reading Program – for kids, teens, and adults – began on **Wed Jun 18,** but it's not too late to sign on and participate.

Children's reading logs may be picked up in the Children's Department. Challenges for teens and adults are available on Beanstack.

Prizes for teens will include an art basket, a music basket, and a Lego kit. For adults, the grand prize is a pottery session at the Markeim Arts Center for up to eight people. (There will be weekly drawings with a chance to win gift cards donated by Haddonfield businesses.)

The Summer Reading Challenge will end on **Sun Aug 31.** Children can drop off their completed logs and receive reward coupons any time through the summer. Winners of the teen and adult prizes will be notified in September.

Learn more and register here – haddonfieldlibrary.org/summer-reading – or scan the QR code ■.

Register for SUMMER READING

Hear ye! Hear!

› There will be a public reading of the Declaration of Independence on the steps of the Indian King Tavern Museum on **Fri Jul 4** at 9:30am.

Members of the militia (re-enactors) who helped defend the new nation will be present.

The Museum will be open from 11 am to 1pm.

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Phillies outing

› Grace Church is planning a trip to Citizen Bank Park on **Sat Jul 19** to see the Phillies crush the Los Angeles Angels.

Tickets, in Section 138 (left field foul line, lower level in the shade), are $75, and may be obtained from John Poliero: 856-655-3666.

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The Last Word



Moving into the future, giving thanks to the past

By David Hunter, publisher

When I was in elementary school, my classmates and I went by bus every Friday afternoon to another school in a neighboring town. We went there for swimming lessons. We went there because they had a swimming pool and we did not.

It was lots of fun, but it was also a bit of drag, because we spent as much time on the bus as we did in the pool.

One day, the principal announced that our school was going to get a pool of our own … if the PTA could raise half the money. For the next two years, parents and students worked their buns off, holding raffles and bake sales and carnivals. And my favorite: a contest to guess the length of the piece of string in a mason jar.

And then, just when we thought we'd reached our fundraising goal, the principal made a bombshell announcement. The cost of construction had gone up dramatically. We wouldn't get our swimming pool for another two years.

That's when my friends and I realized that by the time the pool was finished, we'd all have moved on, to the next school. It was a real bummer. We had worked so hard, yet we were never going to get to swim in that new pool. It seemed like such a waste of our time, such a waste of our effort.

Some years ago, I went back to my elementary school for a visit. And I went to see the pool. It's still in pretty good shape. I also saw the tennis courts we used to play on, still in pretty good shape. Suddenly, it occurred to me that those tennis courts were there when I was in first grade. And that the parents and students who preceded my generation had probably worked their buns off to get those courts built. And that perhaps some of the students who helped raise the money for those tennis courts never got to play on them, because they aged out.

There are numerous examples throughout our town and school district of benefits that we enjoy today because of the foresight, hard work, and generosity of those who preceded us.

One example: Elizabeth Haddon Elementary School.

Built more than 100 years ago, it was the backdrop for a ground-breaking ceremony on **Mon Jun 23** for projects funded by the Board of Education's $46.7-million bond referendum last December.



Michael Catalano (Board of Education secretary/business manager), Superintendent Chuck Klaus, Linda Hochgertel (BOE vice president) Jaime Grookett (BOE president), Matt Ritter (BOE member).

Speaking not only for the commissioners but also as a former school board member, Mayor Dave Siedell highlighted the difference between this project and those that preceded it:

"Eight years ago, we tackled a referendum that focused on fixing what was broken: roofs, systems, windows, and long-overdue maintenance. It was necessary and important. But this one – this is different. This is the first referendum in nearly 30 years that's about growing the academic mission. And the fact that it passed overwhelmingly tells you everything you need to know about Haddonfield."

Think how different our town would be without its tree-lined streets. Without the wide sidewalks downtown. If Kings Highway were bisected by an above-ground Speedline trestle. If scores of historically and architecturally significant buildings had been razed because they were not protected by our Historic District ordinance.

Let's be grateful for what we have inherited from our predecessors, and heed the Turkish proverb: "When you drink at a well, give thanks to the one who dug it."

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