

## Town of Morristown Updates From Mayor Timothy P. Dougherty

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### Morristown's New Business Administrator

Michael Rogers, the Town's Business Administrator for the last nine years, will be leaving Morristown to assume a key leadership role with the City of Summit. During his tenure, Michael made many positive contributions to the revitalization of Morristown and he will be missed. Michael has my best wishes in all of his future endeavors.



On October 13, 2015, Jillian Barrick assumed the position of Business Administrator in Morristown's Administration. Jillian has extensive experience in municipal management, planning and redevelopment. Before coming to Morristown, she was the City Administrator in East Orange where she managed an annual budget of \$135.2 million. Her rich background also includes managing an annual operating budget of \$73.0 million for the City of Perth Amboy. Jillian studied architecture and city planning at Georgia Institute of Technology, and earned a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Rutgers Newark. We are very excited to bring Jillian Barrick's broad experience, municipal insights and management skills to the Town of Morristown.

#### Highlights:

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### Schuyler-Hamilton House

Anyone familiar with the Broadway stage is likely aware that the show "Hamilton," based on the life of Founding Father Alexander Hamilton (1755 – 1804), is the hottest ticket on Broadway. Alexander Hamilton headed the Treasury during our nation's darkest hours. He made an untrusting world believe in the American economy. In many ways

Alexander Hamilton – competitive, innovative and intrepid - embodies the history of the new nation. Less known is the Schuyler-Hamilton House that is tucked away on 5 Olyphant Place, off Morris Street in Morristown. It is here that Alexander Hamilton, while serving as aid de camp to George Washington, courted the charming Elizabeth (Betsy) Schuyler and secured the approval of her father, General Philip Schuyler, to their marriage. The Schuyler-Hamilton House, with its rich history, was bought by the Morristown Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) in 1923. The DAR has beautifully maintained the museum for the past 92 years. The House is available for touring on Sundays from 2 - 4 pm or by appointment by calling 973-539-7502.



## Continuing Education



Drew University, Fairleigh Dickinson University, College of Saint Elizabeth, the County College of Morris and the Adult School of the Chathams are some of the area institutions geared to returning adults who either wish to complete a degree, transition to a new career, or just take a course for personal enrichment.

On the lovely wooded campus of Drew University, an Adult Undergraduate degree program offers special admissions consideration for adults wishing to either begin college or return to complete a degree. Or, for a substantially reduced fee, community members are invited by Drew to audit undergraduate courses. (973-408-3400)

Drew's neighbor Fairleigh Dickinson also welcomes non-traditional age students. At Fairleigh's Division of Continuing Education, adults can upgrade skills or pursue learning for the sheer pleasure of it. So whether you want to obtain a paralegal studies certificate or take FDU's Motorcycle Education Safety Program, Fairleigh's beautiful, green campus has a course for you. (201-692-6500)

A Continuing Studies program for adult men and women at the College of Saint Elizabeth is for those interested in advancing their careers by completing a degree in such fields as psychology, religious studies or management. (973-290-4605)



The County College of Morris's (CCM) Center for Business and Technology offers Microsoft Training and countless other business related courses. CCM's Enrichment classes include such fun activities as learning to cook Southern or Thai, dance classes, as well as beginning golf. (973-328-5187)



The Adult School of the Chathams, Madison and Florham Park is a non-profit, independent school that has been serving the needs of adult learners since 1937. Its core belief is that "continuous education is vital to self-actualization, personal achievement, physical and emotional well-being, and civic engagement." It offers courses like "Books you Wish You Remembered Better From High School," and many others geared to adult learners. (973-443-9222)

While each of these educational institutions have a slightly different focus, they all are committed to making a comfortable environment for the adult learner. And they're all in or nearby Morristown!

# 2015 Redevelopment Recap

My Administration continues to peruse a targeted growth strategy. We focus on win-win projects that improve the public realm and create economic and environmental resiliency to strengthen our business district and residential neighborhoods. We have worked to make each project special based on a commitment to the highest quality. As some of you may know, my initial involvement in our local government came in the form of participation on the Town’s Zoning Board. It was during those hearings that the powerful impact of development on our community (both good and bad) truly came to light. As a result, we will only advance new development projects that build upon Morristown’s strengths and create a better place to live for future generations. I am excited to share the status of our most recent projects...

## Speedwell Redevelopment - CVS

A new 15,000 SF pharmacy now sits at the corner of Spring Street and Speedwell Avenue. The pharmacy replaced a blighted long-defunct car dealership. The redevelopment project includes a host of traffic improvements and a new pedestrian plaza along Speedwell Avenue. CVS is now open and I encourage you to stop in and enjoy the new plaza.



## Speedwell Redevelopment – Phase II (Early Street)

Following the success of Modera 44, the Mill Creek Residential organization recently received approval for a second phase containing 185 apartments (15% affordable) and over 60 indoor parking spaces that will be made available to the public. As part of this next phase, the Town will lead a design process for a new public park, which will be the centerpiece of the Speedwell Redevelopment Area. With a series of porches, stoops and sidewalk gardens, the architectural approach in



Photo: Two Buildings  
Speedwell Avenue Redevelopment  
Early Street & Prospect Street  
Morristown, NJ  
Architect: [Logo]

this second phase will redefine the pedestrian experience along Early Street. The Town’s traffic engineers are also working with NJDOT to finalize the re-design of the Spring Street and Speedwell Avenue intersection, which is scheduled to be constructed in 2017.

## Market & Bank Street – Law Offices

Currently under construction is a 45,000 SF “Flat Iron” style office building at the fork created by Market and Bank Streets. This future landmark replaces buildings that have been slowly deteriorating for a number of years. The building will be occupied by the Northern New Jersey offices of the Fox Rothschild law firm. The project will also include a public art component; a pedestrian plaza; an enhanced stairwell connection between Bank and Market; as well as a new streetscape that will, for the first time, connect Bank and Market Streets.



Photo: Fox Rothschild  
Market & Bank Street  
Morristown, NJ  
Architect: [Logo]

# Upcoming Town Events

## Morristown Farmers Market (Sundays through November 22, 2015)



The Morristown Farmers Market, a Morristown Partnership activity, is being held every Sunday through November 23, rain or shine. The market is located on the Morristown Parking Authority surface parking area at Spring and Morris Streets from 8:30 am to 2:00 pm. In addition to local produce, special events are offered featuring event sponsors, local businesses, live music & more! For more information, please visit [www.morristown-nj.org](http://www.morristown-nj.org).

## Morris County Winter Farmers' Market Goes Weekly in New Location

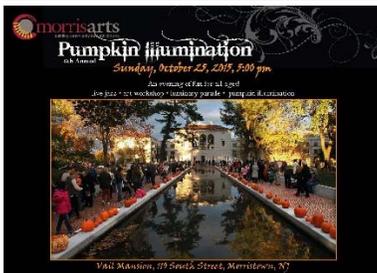
Beginning Sunday, December 6, 2015 and continuing until April 24, 2016, the indoor Morris County Winter Farmers' Market is moving to the Alexander Hamilton School, 24 Mills Street, Morristown. The Foodshed Alliance Farmers' Access Network is pleased to partner with the Morris School District and Sustainable Morristown to run this market, bringing healthy locally produced food to area residents! More details can be found at [morriswinterfarmersmarket.com](http://morriswinterfarmersmarket.com).

## 2015 Halloween Parade and Celebration

The 73<sup>rd</sup> Annual Morristown Recreation Halloween Parade and Celebration returns on Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm at the Morristown High School. Join us for an afternoon of fun and games at the High School Track led by the High School Marching Band! Judges will be looking for the most original, scariest and best looking costumes, and prizes will be given away in four age categories. Everyone will go home with a special treat.



## 6th Annual PUMPKIN ILLUMINATION hosted by Morris Arts



The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Pumpkin Illumination will be held on Sunday, October 25, 2015 at 5pm at the Vail Mansion at 110 South Street, Morristown. Bring your carved pumpkin to light at dusk for an evening of family fun for all ages! Visit [www.morrisarts.org](http://www.morrisarts.org) for more information.

## Trick-or-Treat in Downtown Morristown (rain or shine)

The Morristown Partnership is proud to present the annual trick or treat in Downtown Morristown on Friday, October 30, 2015 from 3:00-5:00 p.m. Kids of all ages are welcome. Participating businesses will have a pumpkin decal in their shop window.



## Christmas Festival at the Morristown Green



The Christmas Festival at the Morristown Green, presented by Morristown Partnership, officially opens on Sunday, November 29<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm and will light up the downtown well into the New Year. Santa is scheduled to arrive shortly after 5:00 p.m. For more information, please visit the Morristown Partnership's website at [www.morristown-nj.org](http://www.morristown-nj.org) or stop by their offices at 14 Maple Avenue, Suite 201, Morristown.

## Reminders

Morristown Recreation offers Fall Sports, Youth Programs and Adult Programs. Visit [www.townofmorristown.org](http://www.townofmorristown.org) for more information on all our wonderful programs.

Your Feedback Is Welcome

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