Mayor’s Message

Fall is officially here. As New Jersey farmers collect their final harvests of the year, I encourage everyone to visit the bountiful Farmers Market hosted by the Morristown Partnership. It runs every Sunday through November 24th behind the corner of Morris Street and Spring Street. October will also see the return of the Morristown Festival of Books and, of course, our Halloween celebration at the end of the month. I hope to see you there!

I am proud to be supporting a new partnership between J.C Reiss and the Essilor Vision Foundation’s “See Kids Soar” program. The program will provide free comprehensive eye exams, free lenses, and free glasses to qualifying students in the area. Please join us for the kickoff event on October 2 from 6 - 8 pm at 25 South Street. For more information on the program please contact office@JCReiss.com.

- Mayor Timothy Dougherty
Morristown Recreation and Mayor Dougherty invite all the witches, ghosts, skeletons and vampires in Morristown to join them at Town Hall for an afternoon of Trick-or-treating and Halloween fun on Thursday, October 31. The event will be held on the front lawn of Town Hall at 200 South Street from 3 to 5pm.

If you’ve already had your fill of candy, the event will also offer music, a pumpkin patch and an apple station.

Residential parking permit holders should take note that new residential visitor parking permits will take effect on October 15th. The new passes are available for pickup from the Clerk’s Office in Town Hall. Each household is eligible for up to four (4) visitor passes ONLY if they are current residential parking permit holders. The Clerk’s Office is located on the first floor of Town Hall and permits are available between the hours of 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Paper passes will not be accepted as of October 15th. Call (973) 292- 6636 with any questions.
Community Events

**OCTOBER 5** | Morristown Shred Event
**OCTOBER 11 & 12** | Morristown Festival of Books
**OCTOBER 14** | TOWN HALL CLOSED FOR COLUMBUS DAY
**OCTOBER 27** | Pumpkin Illumination
**OCTOBER 31** | Trick or Treat with Mayor Dougherty

**EVERY SUNDAY** | Morristown Partnership Farmer’s Market

Meetings

***Town Hall will be closed for Columbus Day on October 14th***

**OCTOBER 2** | Shade Tree Commission Meeting 7 p.m., Town Hall
**OCTOBER 2** | Board of Adjustment Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Council Room
**OCTOBER 8** | Town Council Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Council Room
**OCTOBER 9** | Special Planning Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Council Room
**OCTOBER 10** | Historic Preservation Committee Meeting, 7 p.m., Town Hall
**OCTOBER 10** | Town Council Redevelopment Meeting, 7 p.m., Council Room
**OCTOBER 15** | Parking Authority Meeting, 6 p.m., 14 Maple Ave.
**OCTOBER 16** | Board of Adjustment Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Council Room
**OCTOBER 22** | Town Council Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Council Room
**OCTOBER 24** | Planning Board Meeting, 7 p.m., Council Room
Downtown Halloween

The witching hour has arrived! Little ghoulis and goblins descend on downtown Morristown for the annual trick-or-treat on October 31 from 3-5pm.

We’re proud to continue the 25 year tradition with this safe, fun and family-friendly afternoon! Participants will be posted on Friday, October 26.

LEARN MORE

Books, Books, Books!

2019 marks the sixth year of the Morristown Festival of Books. Each festival brings new authors, exciting discussions, and another opportunity to celebrate our love of the written word! This year’s festival will take place on October 11 & 12 at locations throughout town. For more information and a full schedule, click the button below.

LEARN MORE

Curbside Leaf Pick-up Begins

Leaves can be raked or blown to the curb. There should be NO debris mixed with the leaves, this includes NO garbage, bottles, cans, brush, rocks, dirt, limbs, twigs, hedge clippings or grass clippings can be mixed in with the leaves. Leaves MUST NOT be placed in bags. Generally, leaves will be picked up by Ward as follows: Ward 1 on Mondays, Ward 2 on Tuesdays, Ward 3 on Wednesdays, Ward 4 on Thursdays. Friday leaf pick-ups will be Town-wide for any areas not completed. Check your schedule for specific dates.
Shredding Event Planned for October 5

On Saturday, October 5 a Shred Event will be held in the Town Hall parking lot from 9 am until noon. The event provides residents with an opportunity to safely and securely destroy confidential material at the low cost of $5 a bag/box.

Residents can bring up to 10 pounds in either cardboard boxes or paper bags. Shredding is limited to confidential and sensitive material only. Please recycle all other paper. No binders or magazines. Please arrive early, as the event will end when the truck becomes full.

Road Work and Construction Updates

Curb and Sidewalk Work
Miscellaneous curbs and sidewalk repairs at various locations around Town will occur into the fall, focusing primarily on tree-lifted sidewalk or sections that have become hazardous, and areas of poor drainage.

- Curb and sidewalk replacement on Oak Street is nearing completion, with pavement reconstruction and final paving tentatively scheduled to occur within the first 2 weeks of October. Road will remain open to Oak Street residents during curb and sidewalk work but will be closed for road reconstruction. Notices will be handed out to property owners prior to any work.

- Ponding at the corners of Miller Road and MacCulloch Avenue will be corrected with the installation of additional seepage pits at each corner drain. Work is expected to occur around the end of October and is expected to take between 1 and 2 weeks to complete. Minor traffic diversions will be necessary. Notices will be handed out to property owners prior to any work. School and church functions will be accommodated.

Foote’s Pond Wood Trail Improvements
New trails between James Street and Overlook Road are complete. Minor work remains to be completed in October including landscaping along Overlook Road, the installation of new trail markers and educational signs, however the trails are open for use!

Basketball and Tennis Court Resurfacing
Crack repairs, pavement repairs, resurfacing, and colorcoating will occur at Victor Woodhull Basketball Court, Elliot Street Tennis Court, Elliot Street Basketball Court, and Lidgerwood Tennis Courts beginning Monday, September 30. New basketball backboards, rims, and nets will also be installed at Elliott and Victor Woodhull Parks later this fall, as well as at Lidgerwood and Jacob Ford parks. Sports courts will be closed to use during the project, which is expected to take 30 – 45 days between all the locations.
**Tree Well Rejuvenation**
The Morristown Shade Tree Commission’s initiative to enhance the health of the municipal tree inventory continues. 25-30 tree wells, predominantly along Elm Street, will be enlarged to the standard 4’ x 8’ size over the coming weeks. Toward the end of the month, the wells will receive root invigoration by air spading and the addition of biochar soil amendment, followed in November by the installation of Flexipave flexible porous paving surface. Examples of this treatment can be seen up and down South Street. Parking restrictions will be posted ahead of time and affected residents and business owners will be notified prior to to start of work.

**Sanitary Sewer Repairs**
Select spot sewer main and manhole repairs will be done throughout town along with installation of a new sanitary line on Clinton Place. Road closures and parking restrictions will be necessary. Parking restrictions will be posted ahead of time and notices will be handed out to affected residents and business owners prior to to start of work.

**Traffic Striping**
Traffic striping will be done under the Morris County Co-Op at various locations in town and on newly paved streets. No road closures are anticipated. Minor traffic interruptions should be expected.

*Location-specific updates will be posted to the town website as projects move forward.*

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The 10th Annual Pumpkin Illumination will return to the Vail Mansion on Sunday, October 27th. The mansion is located at 110 South Street, and the event is presented by Morris Arts. Join us for an evening of fun for all ages!

- **5:00 p.m.** – Bring your carved pumpkin to the reflecting pond in front of the Vail Mansion in Morristown. Enjoy live jazz by The Lintet!
- **5:30 – 6:15 p.m.** – Workshop with artist Dan Fenelon followed by a luminary parade led by Morristown Mayor Tim Dougherty.
- **6:15 p.m.** – Pumpkin Illumination! Lighting of the pumpkins Bring your carved pumpkin to light at dusk for an evening of family fun for all ages including live jazz, an art workshop, luminary parade, pumpkin illumination and much more!
Morristown Recreation has a wide variety of fall sports, camps, & activities available for residents of all ages!

- Adult Yoga
- Karate
- Soccer, Track & Field, Multi Sports classes
- Art
- Tennis
- Basketball

Visit our website below for detailed information on upcoming sports & activities being offered.

Recreation Department

Contact Us!

If you have any questions or comments in regards to our Recreation Department, please call us at 973-292-6717 or email rec@townofmorristown.org. We’ll be more than happy to help you.

Quick and Easy Online Registration

You can register for Morristown Recreation activities right from the comfort of your home! Please visit www.townofmorristown.org. From there, click on the Community Pass Online Registration link. Setting up your account is easy. New users will click on “Create Your Account Now”, select a user name and password and enter their family’s information. Returning users will enter their user name and password to log in.
Senior Center

Grocery Shopping
Did you know the Morristown Senior Center can assist those in need with door to door pick up and drop off for grocery shopping? Please note only one family member per shopping trip is allowed and there is a three bag limit. To make a reservation call (973) 292-6690. Schedule is as follows:

Pick-up: 8:00AM (one hour shopping)
- Tuesday: Shoprite (1st and 3rd Tuesday)
- Tuesday: Kings (2nd and 4th Tuesday)
- Wednesday: Acme
- Thursday: Shoprite

Morristown 60 Plus Club
The next meeting of the club will be on October 22 at 1 pm. NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

Senior Newsletter
The seasonal Morristown Senior Newsletter is available online or if you would like to receive the newsletter by mail, please call 973-292-6690.

The Morristown Senior Center is located at 200 South Street in Morristown on the third floor. Hours are Monday - Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. For more information on services and activities please call (973) 292-6690 or visit townofmorristown.org.

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