



TOWN OF HAVERHILL SUMMER 2012 NEWSLETTER



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Letter from the Mayor

Greetings Haverhill Residents,

As I embark on my second term as Mayor of Haverhill, I reflect on the almost twenty years I have served as an elected official on the Haverhill Town Council. I was first elected in 1993, and took a one year hiatus between 1997 and 1998. I am not sure I can remember a day that I have made a decision without first considering the best interest of the citizens of Haverhill. I trust I have served you well.

Although we have added to our Town boundaries by annexing adjoining properties, and we have changed our Charter from a Strong Mayor form of government to a Council/Administrator form of government, and our population has increased to over 1600 residents, we, as a Council strive to maintain the residential neighborhood that first brought us all to Haverhill. We hope you have noticed our efforts to keep the widening of our roads at bay so we can prevent the increase in traffic and the dissection of our Town through the proposed added lanes (6 lanes as opposed to the current 4 lanes) on Belvedere Road. We urge you to support us in this effort and we will keep you informed of any proposed plans.

Hurricane season officially began on June 1, 2012. Please take the time and prepare yourself and your family in the event we do experience an active hurricane season. Inside this issue are some tips and information on how to "weather the storm!" Although the past several years have been kind to us, we cannot become complacent.

I would also remind you that school is out for summer. Please be aware of young children, walkers and bicyclists when you are backing out of your driveway or exiting your side street. If you plan to go on vacation, please cancel your mail and newspaper delivery and have a friend or neighbor watch your home while you are away. If you should happen to notice anything suspicious in your neighborhood, please do not hesitate to call the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office at 561-688-3000 (non-emergency) or 911 for an emergency.

The Town of Haverhill recently met with representatives from Palm Beach County regarding the installation of proposed wells in Haverhill Park. It is the intent of the County to install four water supply wells, one in each corner of the park. The project is being designed to minimize the impact to the park and walking trail during construction but there will be impacts and inconveniences during the probable 1 year of construction that should start in less than a year. We are hoping to have a bicycle trail installed at the same time that would connect Club Road to Belvedere Road through the park. The Town is working closely with Palm Beach County in this endeavor and will keep you informed as the project progresses.

The Town Council continues to monitor legislation that affects our community and our environment. We invite you to participate in your local government by attending a Council meeting, or by sending questions or concerns to us for consideration. The Town Council meets the first Tuesday of each month at an informal workshop that begins at noon. It is during these workshops that we discuss items of interest but take no formal action. Regular meetings are held the second and fourth Thursday of each month. Regular meetings begin at 7:00 PM and it is during these meetings that decisions are made and votes are taken. All meetings are held at the Town Hall.

We wish you all a very happy and healthy summer. I have enjoyed serving on your Council for all these years and hope to continue to do so for many more to come! Please feel free to contact me through the Town Hall!

Jay G. Joy, Mayor

HURRICANE PREPARATION IS A YEAR-ROUND JOB IN SOUTH FLORIDA !



STAY ALERT, STAY SAFE!

USE THE INFORMATION BELOW TO PUT TOGETHER YOUR HURRICANE SURVIVAL PLAN

- Purchase supplies for your Emergency Supply Kit
- Inspect your window protection for rust, missing bolts, and/or damage
- Inspect your walls, windows, garage door and roof for conditions that may allow wind damage
- Use the Surge Area Mapping System (SAMS) on pb.gov.com to see if you are in an evacuation area
- If you are in evacuation area, make an evacuation plan for you and your family
- Check your utility bills to see who provides your water, gas, and electric (Keep this information written down and handy)
- Contact your city to determine who picks up your trash and yard debris (Town of Haverhill uses Southern Waste Systems who can be reached at 561-582-6688)
- Complete the assembly of your Emergency Supply Kit. Purchase non-perishable foods and medicines last.
- Check with your doctor and/or pharmacy to determine how best to assure your prescriptions will last through a storm.
- If you need to register for the Special Needs Shelter, contact the Special Needs Coordinator at 561-712-6400
- If you live in an evacuation zone, mobile/manufactured home, are physically handicapped, or have no other means of transportation, you can pre-register for transportation assistance with Palm Tran Connection 561-649-9838
- Assess your landscaping to determine if trees need to be trimmed or ornaments removed before a storm. Remember, once a storm is named, all pick up of vegetation will cease.
- Establish a contact number with your employer if you may need to report to work immediately following a storm.
- Make arrangements in advance for your pets: either contact Animal Care and Control about pet sheltering, or ask your vet.
- Review the family plan with your family and establish who will be your out-of-town contact.
- Double-check what shelters are located near your home; do not wait until you need to go to the shelter.

Should you need any additional information or assistance regarding hurricane preparedness, please feel free to contact us here at Town Hall 561-689-0370

MATURE DRIVER CLASSES FOR SENIORS 55 & OLDER BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE SAFETY COUNCIL OF PALM BEACH COUNTY

Location: Town Hall Council Chambers

4585 Charlotte Street

Date: September 10, 2012

Time: 9 a.m. to Noon (1 hr lunch break) then 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Cost: \$10.00 per person due upon registration

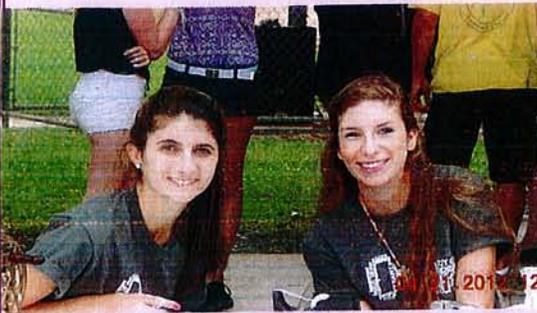
****Get an insurance discount for completing the course** Call 561-689-0370 for more details**



TOWN OF HAVERHILL'S ANNUAL PICNIC WAS ONCE AGAIN A GREAT SUCCESS!!

The Town's Annual Picnic was held this year on April 21, 2012. Despite impending severe weather forecasts there was a huge turnout. There were vendors, not for profits, great food, great games, prizes, antique steam engines, a car show and even a wonderful presentation by the Palm Beach Zoo!! Check out the video of our picnic on the homepage of our website at www.townofhaverhill-fl.gov.

Congratulations to our car show winners and thank you to all of our residents for coming out to enjoy the fun and festivities. Last but not least we want to thank all of our volunteers who made this picnic possible!!



"Honorable Mention"



"Car Show Awards"



"People's Choice"



"Mayor's Choice"



"Best in Show"



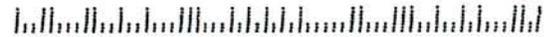
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The Town Hall will be closed Wednesday , July 4, 2012, in observance of Independence Day. The Town of Haverhill wishes everyone a safe and happy 4th of July!



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**THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETS THE SECOND AND FOURTH THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 7:00 P.M.
 A TOWN COUNCIL WORKSHOP IS HELD THE FIRST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT NOON
 ALL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND PARTICIPATION IS ENCOURAGED!**