



BOROUGH OF HAWTHORNE

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John V. Lane
Mayor

Letter from Mayor Lane

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Dear Resident,

The Borough extends its sympathy to the family, friends, and colleagues of Jeffrey Kolk. Jeffrey was a former Borough resident, a beloved teacher at Lincoln Middle School, and a golf coach at Hawthorne High School. He will be missed.

This week I followed up with a telephone call to the County regarding the pedestrian bridge in Goffle Brook Park at Vreeland Avenue. The County Deputy Administrator got back to me and informed me that the bridge needs extra permitting which the County is waiting on. In the meantime, he has contacted their on-call bridge repair contractor to schedule a time for them to complete enough work as to allow for safe access. He will let me know once he has confirmed the repair.

During the summer many of our streets were repaved and some curb work was done. While having new roads and curbs is great, I know that for many of you it was an inconvenience as the work was being done. Thanks for your patience.

The Hawthorne Memorial Pool will close for the season on Monday, September 5, at 6pm. Thank you to our Pool Manager, Rob Berger, and his assistant managers and staff for a great pool season.

On Sunday, September 11, 2022, the Borough will hold its annual 9-11 Memorial Service at the 9-11 memorial site at the corner of Goffle Road and Lafayette Avenue. This year's guest speaker is Assemblyman Brian Bergen, 25th District. In addition to Assemblyman Bergen, the Amy Hamilton-Soto Quartet will perform, accompanied by Julie Minicozzi. Please join us at 6:30pm.

The Passaic County Clerk's office will process passport applications and issue Notary oaths and veteran's photo ID cards at the Borough on Tuesday, September 13 from 10am to 1pm.

Just a reminder that Hawthorne Day is in just three weeks, on Saturday, September 24. If you would like to help sponsor or wish to be a vendor (there are still some spots open), please call my office.

Last Sunday our own Ella Alberta and her family were recognized at *Tackle Kids Cancer*, an event held at Red Bull Arena in Harrison, New Jersey, presented by Hackensack Meridian Health. *Tackle Kids Cancer* helps raise awareness and funding for cancers that affect children. Every year some

15,000 children are diagnosed with childhood cancer nationwide. Hackensack Meridian Health started *Tackle Kids Cancer* seven years ago, partnering with former NY Giants quarterback Eli Manning, who Ella, her sister, Abby, and mom and dad shared the stage with. Over the last year Ella has tackled cancer and is now in the maintenance phase of her treatment. Ella is looking forward to returning to Lincoln Middle School as an 8th grader next week! Best of luck this year, Ella. Stay strong! We are looking forward to the celebration next summer when your treatments are over and you 'ring the bell'.

To all our students, have a great year. Study hard and take advantage of all that school has to offer. Residents, please take it slow and respect the crossing guards who are assisting our children. The police will be out making sure everyone is safe. Also, please be careful particularly around the schools and be alert for children who may go in and out between parked cars as they cross the street.

Enjoy the long holiday weekend and stay safe.

Sincerely,

Mayor John V. Lane