



BOROUGH OF HAWTHORNE

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John V. Lane
Mayor

Letter from Mayor Lane

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Dear Resident,

Last Sunday marked the start of the Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce's 14th "Farmer's Market" season. Margo and I went to do some shopping, and had a chance to chat with a number of other shoppers. For those unfamiliar with the Market, I urge you to stop in and see what is available. The "Farmer's Market" is held every Sunday through October 30th from 10am – 1:30pm, in the Library Parking Lot (345 Lafayette Ave).

Congratulations to the Hawthorne High School Bears Baseball Team on all of your hard work this season. The Bears showed unwavering determination and drive throughout their season, and advanced to the NJSIAA North Jersey, Section 1, Group 1 Tournament, beating out Kittatinny 7-2 and ultimately moving on to the quarterfinals. My congratulations to the coaching staff and players for an impressive season!

I also want to recognize HHS student and author, Paul Duerr, who has written and self-published four historical fiction books; three novelettes and one novella. In addition to writing, Paul has also received the New Jersey Council for the Social Studies' "Student Recognition Award" for the high school division.

You may have noticed temporary "No Parking" signs in your neighborhood recently. These signs are part of the Borough's galvanized pipe replacement program, and are put up by the contractor working on this project. Although it may be a minor inconvenience, the "No Parking" signs allow the contractor to continue work, uninterrupted. I thank you for your cooperation as this project moves along, and I am happy to report that phase 1 of the program should be completed within the next week or two.

The Louis Bay 2nd Library has started their "Oceans of Possibilities" summer reading program for children ages 2 -11. The program, which runs through August 31st allows children to read books and earn library dollars, which they can then spend in the "Library Store". For additional information on the program, please visit the Children's Room at the Library.

On Thursday, I had the privilege of attending the ribbon cutting ceremony for the improved Rea Ave athletic field and John W. Rea House historic landscaping project. The event was very nice, and included a number of dignitaries, including County Commissioner, the County Administrator, and County Engineer to name a few. I would like to thank the County of Passaic for inviting me, as Mayor, to attend this ribbon cutting.

The “Name the Park” contest is now closed. The Committee will be reviewing the entries that were received, and a winner will be announced at our Hawthorne Day event on September 24, 2022. I want to thank all those that entered!

If you haven’t done so already, please be sure to sign up for Nixle alerts! Nixle provides important updates on emergencies and local events via text message and/or by email. There are five separate Nixle groups available and you can sign up for as many (or as few) as you’d like! Groups include “Main Hawthorne Wire”, “Hawthorne Community Events”, “Hawthorne Community Pool”, and “Hawthorne Youth Programs” and Hawthorne Government. Each group has a separate keyword to join, and you can find sign-up instructions and a description of each group on the Borough’s website (<https://www.hawthornenj.org/244/Community-Notifications>) and also on page 16 of the Borough’s 2022 Community Calendar.

Have a great weekend and a safe and happy 4th of July!

Sincerely,

Mayor John V. Lane