



## BOROUGH OF HAWTHORNE

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*John V. Lane*  
Mayor

### Letter from Mayor Lane

8-26-2022

Dear Resident,

We have asked PSE&G for an energy audit of the lighting, air conditioning, and heating systems in all of our Borough buildings to see if there is any potential cost savings. I will keep you apprised of the details of the report once I receive it.

Downes Tree Service has generously donated their services in providing and installing heavy-duty sod in the outfield of our JD baseball field and a portion of the Cubs football field. We continue to upgrade our recreational facilities, and I want to thank Downes for their continued support of Hawthorne.

The Hawthorne Police has announced their Citizen's Police Academy for 2022. The program, open to Hawthorne Residents 18+, will be held on Tuesday evenings in September and October, beginning on September 13. Space is limited, so please apply early. Applications are on our Borough website, under "Departments" "Police" "Citizens Police Academy", or you can email Detective Joe DiGeronimo at [6255@hawthornepdnj.org](mailto:6255@hawthornepdnj.org).

Last evening at the Boro Bandshell, we were treated to a performance by jazz vocalist Sivan Arbel and her ensemble. It was a terrific concert, and today we have heard great reviews by those who attended. Tonight at 7pm our HHS students will perform *Scraps, Pennies and Poets*, an original play, at the Boro Bandshell; on Sunday, the movie *Encanto* will be shown at 7pm. Please join us for two great shows.

On Sunday, September 11, at 6:30pm the Borough will hold its annual 9-11 Memorial Service at the memorial site, at the corner of Goffle Road and Lafayette Avenue.

Please mark your calendars: on Saturday, September 24 the Borough will celebrate *Hawthorne Day*. If you would like to help sponsor or if you would like to be a vendor, please call my office and speak with Ellen.

We are in the planning stages for our *Hispanic Heritage Celebration* scheduled for Saturday, October 8. I want to thank Dan Ramirez and the Committee for working so hard to put together the celebration. Also that day, the County is sponsoring *Paws in the Park*. It will be quite easy for you to stop by *Paws in the Park* and then walk over, through our 8-Acre Woods, to the Boro Bandshell where we will be celebrating *Hispanic Heritage Day*. I will have more details as we get closer to the day.

The Hawthorne Rotary Club will hold its 9<sup>th</sup> annual *Taste of Hawthorne* on October 11 at Macaluso's. Tickets can be purchased at Diamond Wine & Liquors, the Municipal Building, and Columbia Bank. You can also call Joe Walilko at 973-615-6763; the Rotary Club will have these for sale at *Hawthorne Day*, too.

The Coordinator, Director and the Stakeholder Committee for the Neighborhood Preservation Program have been working hard to improve the NPP District. They have hired an artist who will be designing and painting a mural on the outside wall of the kiddie pool. When he starts the mural, I will let you know, as we would like you to stop to watch him create this. If you haven't been down to the pool and bandshell grounds, stop by and look at all the improvements. New flowers were planted this summer around the flagpole and monument, and if I do say so myself, it looks beautiful. The permanent hanging basket brackets will be in at the end of October, and in the meantime, the temporary brackets will continue to be used for the fall hanging baskets that will be installed near the end of September. The Borough has gone out to bid to begin work at the Library, improving the front outside area for our residents to enjoy.

Enjoy your weekend and take advantage of this nice weather.

Sincerely,

Mayor John V. Lane