

# METUCHEN MESSENGER

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Dear Metuchen Resident,

This year presents Metuchen with a series of significant challenges which I hope we can turn into opportunities.

We are in a time of economic crisis in our State, our Nation, and throughout the World. Last year was the worst year for the stock market since the 1930's. Our country has endured at least 11 straight months of job cuts and the housing market is in turmoil due to tight credit and record declines in home values. With the State and Nation mired in a deep recession and the outlook for 2009 glum, maintaining or improving services and protecting our property values will be the ultimate challenge.

The Mayor and Council remains focused on providing basic municipal services and protecting the health, safety and welfare of Borough residents. We will continue to work to create opportunities, so that Metuchen is in a position to prosper when the economy improves, as it most certainly will. We need not accept past practice or the status quo. Last fall the department heads and directors submitted their department budget requests with a ten percent reduction to the Borough Administrator. All items and areas will be carefully examined throughout the budget process. Those requests are being reviewed by the council at budget work sessions. Throughout the entire process, I welcome you to call or e-mail me or any councilmember with your suggestions or concerns.

Since it is unlikely that our ailing State budget will provide aid equal to or even close to that received last year, we must work hard to acquire our fair share of State aid, and we must prepare for every alternative. We have already requested stimulus funding, through the County Planner's office, for various projects including construction of a parking structure; extension of the train station platform; storm sewer lines replacement from Main St. to Lake Ave.; construction of new sidewalks and curbs on Main St. in the downtown business area; and the resurfacing of Charles Field. Each of these projects will enhance Metuchen and benefit its residents.

I assure you that any new Borough program or service will fulfill a bona fide need and will be funded with clearly identified sources of revenue. But there are currently three areas where citizens can help stretch the taxpayer dollars. We can start with the following:

1. Improve and increase our recycling efforts. This will help cut tipping fees and increase our revenue.
2. Remove leader and sump pumps from our sanitary sewer connections. Please call DPW at 732-632-8519 to schedule a free inspection. If we reduce clean water inflow from our system, it will reduce costs to the MCUA and the strain on our own system.
3. Continue to support our volunteer and service groups such as Auxiliary Police, EMS First Aide Squad, and Fire Department.

My efforts and record as Mayor of Metuchen support my campaign policies and visions.

- ◆ Last year, a program was initiated (WEB-EM) so residents can be alerted to changes and cancellations by email or text message.
- ◆ Council meetings were recorded and made available on the web.
- ◆ A new police schedule was implemented improving morale and providing the borough with more policing hours. As important was saving the taxpayers money while providing better services.
- ◆ Numerous grants were received and established as the foundation for addressing traffic and parking issues.
- ◆ The initiation of a Historical Study Committee was established to encourage

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Thomas Vahalla

### COUNCIL PRESIDENT:

Richard Dyas

### COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Peter Cammarano

Justin Manley

Christopher Morrison

William Waldron

Richard E. Weber

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residents to voluntarily protect Metuchen treasured residences.

- ♦ The total of grants and aid received was in excess of 1.4 million dollars.

This year with all of the challenges we must face we will only be judged to be successful if we put aside personalities, egos, and especially political agenda, and work for what is best for Metuchen's residents.

Sincerely,  
Thomas Vahalla

## NEWS IN OUR COMMUNITY



### Borough Receives \$218,000 Grant

The Borough has received notice from the New Jersey Department of Transportation that a grant in the amount of \$218,000 has been awarded for the Improvements to Grove Avenue Phase II. The project will include the resurfacing of Grove Avenue from Route 27 to the municipal border with Edison.

### Borough receives Smart Future Planning Grant

The Borough has received a grant in the amount of \$60,000 for planning services to continuing the proactive community planning and implementation activities by preparing a Circulation Plan Element of the Master Plan. Borough Planner Jim Constantine will prepare the Circulation Plan based on a series of public input workshops called "Reconnecting Your Community."

### WEB-EMTM Provides 4-in-1 Emergency Notification for Local Residents



As of May 12, 2008 the Borough of Metuchen, has started using the TelVue WEB-EM™ technology which enables Metuchen emergency managers to reach residents with local, timely, accurate, and actionable emergency information via four communication methods. The technology allows Borough officials to enter a message from any Internet connected computer to communicate emergency and other messages simultaneously through Metuchen TV (MeTV) Channel 15, the Borough website, text messages to mobile phones, and email.

"This new technology will enable us to communicate with Metuchen residents via MeTV, email, text messages, and Metuchen's home page: [www.metuchennj.org](http://www.metuchennj.org) during local emergencies," said Mayor Tom Valhalla, "It doesn't simply raise the red flag in warning; it provides communities with the resources needed to communicate information before, during, and after an emergency such as a school closing, road repairs, or other event."

This system fills a critical role in emergency response by complementing the national Emergency Alert System (EAS) at a county, school district, and local level. The system allows authorized Metuchen officials to add, edit, and manage municipal channel information and content from wherever Internet access is available. The result is a communication resource that is suited to the flexibility required by Metuchen's emergency managers, school officials, and residents on the move.

"This technology will enable Metuchen emergency services to better communicate with our residents. It will allow the residents to receive valuable and accurate information as it may affect them. I would encourage all residents of Metuchen to sign up for this worthwhile program," said Metuchen Police Chief James Keane.

TelVue staffs its supporting facility 24/7/365 to insure total system reliability. Metuchen is one of three towns that participated in testing this product.

MeTV station manager, Rich

Desimone, brought the original idea to TelVue and has been active in the product's development. "As a participant in TelVue's WEB-EM™ beta test, we experienced first hand the value of this emergency capability for our residents and emergency managers," said Rich Desimone. "MeTV has always been a valuable source for community information and this new service extends our reach ensuring that all residents-even those who are not cable subscribers or are not near their TV sets-have access to critical information during an emergency."

Metuchen residents can subscribe by going to [www.metuchennj.org](http://www.metuchennj.org) clicking on the WEB-EM link and following the directions; or by going directly to [www.webem.tv](http://www.webem.tv). In addition to receiving emergency messages, residents can choose to receive notices from a number of different categories including all Borough departments and commissions, Metuchen schools, the senior center, the library, religious institutions, and civic organizations in the area. For more information, contact MeTV at 732-603-9750 or email [metv.metuchennj@verizon.net](mailto:metv.metuchennj@verizon.net)

## HEALTH DEPARTMENT



### Free Rabies Clinic 2009

Metuchen will be conducting a Free Rabies Clinic on Saturday, May 9, 2009 at Metuchen High School, 400 Grove Avenue, from 9am to 12 noon. Dogs and cats that received a 3 year shot in 2006 or a one year shot in 2008 are eligible for re-vaccination in 2009.

Licenses are required for dogs and cats and can be paid for at the Clinic. Due to the computer program, licenses and tags will be mailed the following week. **Only checks** will be accepted at the Clinic for the licenses. If residents prefer, they can bring the rabies certificate they receive at the Clinic to the Health Department Office in Borough Hall the following week and pay for their license(s) in person. If your pet has a 2009 license, please bring it with you to the Clinic. Proof of neutering or spaying is required if applicable.

**PLEASE LEASH OR CONTAINERIZE ALL ANIMALS**

If you have any questions please call 732-632-8503.

**LIBRARY**



**National Library Week 2009** will be celebrated from April 13 - 18, and the best way to celebrate is to make sure that everyone in your family over the age of 5 has a library card. Register at the front desk, select a PIN, and give us your email address also; then use your card to borrow items here or from many other public libraries in the northern half of New Jersey. When you need information, don't go to Google, but instead, access a variety of electronic databases, including our online catalog, from [www.metuchennj.org](http://www.metuchennj.org). Whether you search the catalog or the databases, have your barcode number and PIN handy.

Still stumped? Call the Library at 732-632-8526 and our professional librarians will help you with your question.

**Exhibits:**

View the following exhibits and displays during your visits to the Library:

**April:** *Student Works* - Westerhoff School of Music and Art  
*Arbor Day* - Shade Tree Commission

**May:** *Student Works* - Creative Images

**June:** *Student Works/Watercolors* - Edison Arts Society

**July:** "East to West" - Photography by Jay Johnston

**August:** *Student Works* - Metuchen Creative Kids

**Films:**

The Edna Newby International Film Series for Spring 2009 will feature the

following films:  
**April 6:** *Autumn Spring (Czech)*  
**May 4:** *Golden Door (Italian)*

The summer series will be held on consecutive Mondays, from July 13 through August 17, and we are finalizing the selections. Contact the Library at 732-632-8526 for particulars.

All international films are shown at 2 pm and 7:30 pm Don't worry if you miss a film because of illness, vacation, or a busy schedule. Titles in this series have been purchased by the Library as DVDs and may be borrowed for free for 1 week, and may be reserved through the online catalog.

**Metuchen Book Discussion Group:**

Join your neighbors for interesting conversations about books on the second Tuesday of each month, from September through May, at the Library at 7:30 pm. The remaining titles and discussion dates for 2009 are:

**April 14:** *Old School*, by Tobias Wolff

**May 12:** *Extremely Loud, Incredibly Close*, by Jonathan S. Foer

This program will resume in September.

**Summer Reading Clubs:**

Plans are underway for our traditional **Summer Reading Clubs** for kids of all ages. This summer's theme for kids is "*Be Creative @ Your Library*", the teen theme is "*Express Yourself*."

Look for more information as summer approaches, but be prepared for fun, exciting programs and events, and prizes for all ages. Our summer reading clubs are funded by the Friends of the Metuchen Library.

**Library Hours:**

Library hours of service vary during the year and we try to accommodate community needs.

**THE CURRENT SCHEDULE IS:**

**Monday - Thursday** 10 am to 9 pm  
**Friday and Saturday** 10 am to 5 pm  
**Saturday (June 27 - Aug)** 10 am to 1pm  
**Sunday (September - May)** 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The Library will be closed in order to celebrate the following holidays:

**April 10-12**  
Good Friday through Easter Sunday  
**May 23 - 25**  
Memorial Day Weekend  
**July 3 - 5**  
Independence Day Weekend  
**September 5 - 7**  
Labor Day Weekend

**Help Your Neighbor:**

The Library is a collection point for nonperishable food donations - pasta, canned meats and stews, fruits and vegetables, and baby food. Items are regularly picked up and delivered to food pantries in Middlesex County by MCFOODS, the county's food bank coordinator. So the next time canned or boxed goods are on sale, buy an extra item and drop it off at the Library. Green bins are located near the Library Place entrance. Many thanks!

**MUNICIPAL POOL**

**BANNISH THE WINTER BLUES** - The Metuchen Municipal Pool Membership



Applications are out and available in this issue, at Borough Hall or online at [metuchennj.org](http://metuchennj.org). The deadline for the early discount price is April 15, 2009. So join early and save some money. Plan to visit the pool on Memorial Day weekend, Saturday May 23, 2009 for a free Family Fun Day with food, entertainment and games to welcome the new season and the new filter. (Family Fun Day rain date is Memorial Day, Monday, May 25, 2009).

Come and see the many improvements that have taken place this winter. The pool will be open for weekends starting Memorial Day

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APRIL 2009

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MAY 2009

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- 1 Development Commission
- 2 Planning Board
- 6 Borough Council
- 8 Senior Citizen Commission  
Traffic and Transportation  
Commission
- 9 Recreation Commission
- 10 **HOLIDAY - BOROUGH**  
**OFFICES CLOSED**
- 11-18 **NATIONAL LIBRARY**  
**WEEK**
- 13 Shade Tree Commission  
Pool Commission
- 14 Library Board
- 15 Environmental Commission
- 16 Planning Board  
Board of Health
- 19-25 **NATIONAL VOLUNTEER**  
**WEEK**
- 20 Borough Council
- 21 Zoning Board  
Parking Authority
- 22 Youth Service Board /  
Municipal Alliance
- 23 Cable TV Advisory Board
- 27 Cultural Arts Commission

- 4 Borough Council
- 6 Development Commission
- 7 Planning Board
- 10 Pool Commission  
Shade Tree Commission
- 9 **FREE RABIES CLINIC**  
*(See Board of Health News)*
- 11 Pool Commission  
Shade Tree Commission
- 12 Library Board
- 13 Traffic & Transportation  
Commission
- 14 Zoning Board  
Recreation Commission
- 18 Borough Council
- 19 Parking Authority
- 20 Environmental Commission
- 21 Planning Board
- 25 **HOLIDAY - BOROUGH**  
**OFFICES CLOSED**  
**MEMORIAL DAY PARADE**  
**Municipal Pool Opens for  
Weekend Use**
- 26 Cultural Arts Commission
- 27 Youth Service Board
- 28 Cable TV Advisory Committee

- 1 Borough Council
- 2 **PRIMARY ELECTION DAY**
- 3 Development Commission
- 4 Planning Board
- 8 Pool Commission  
Shade Tree Commission
- 9 Library Board
- 10 Traffic and Transportation  
Commission  
Senior Citizen Commission
- 11 Zoning Board
- 15 Borough Council
- 16 Parking Authority
- 17 Environmental Commission
- 18 Planning Board
- 22 Cultural Arts Committee
- 24 Youth Service Board
- 25 Cable TV Advisory  
Committee

**METUCHEN EMERGENCY**

**ADVISORY**

**RADIO STATION**

**1580 AM**

Tune to this station in the event of  
an emergency or for general  
community information

**BOROUGH OFFICE HOURS**

- Borough Hall.....8am - 4pm
- Construction Official-  
Tues, Wed & Thurs.....4:30 - 5:30pm
- Library-Spring/Summer Hours.....Library News
- Public Works.....6am - 3:30pm
- Recreation Department.....8am - 4pm
- Senior Citizens Center.....9am - 4pm
- Tax Office open until 7pm on...4/30, 5/7, 7/30 & 8/6
- Borough Website.....www.metuchennj.org

**JULY 2009**

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**AUGUST 2009**

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**SEPTEMBER 2009**

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27	28	29	30			

**3 HOLIDAY - BOROUGH  
OFFICES CLOSED**

- 6 Borough Council
- 8 Traffic & Transportation Commission
- 10 Zoning Board  
Recreation Commission
- 13 Shade Tree Commission  
Pool Commission
- 15 Environmental Commission
- 16 Board of Health  
Planning Board
- 20 Borough Council
- 21 Parking Authority
- 22 Youth Service Board
- 23 Cable TV Advisory Board
- 27 Cultural Arts Committee

- 3 Borough Council
- 6 Planning Board
- 10 Pool Commission  
Shade Tree Commission
- 12 Traffic and Transportation Commission  
Senior Citizens Commission
- 13 Zoning Board  
Recreation Commission
- 17 Borough Council
- 18 Parking Authority
- 19 Environmental Commission
- 20 Planning Board
- 24 Cultural Arts Committee
- 26 Youth Service Board
- 27 Cable TV Advisory Committee

- 2 Development Commission
- 3 Planning Board
- 7 HOLIDAY - BOROUGH  
OFFICES CLOSED
- 8 Borough Council (Tuesday)
- 9 Traffic and Transportation Commission
- 11 Zoning Board  
Recreation Commission
- 14 Pool Commission  
Shade Tree Commission
- 15 Parking Authority
- 16 Environmental Commission
- 17 Planning Board
- 21 Borough Council
- 24 Cable TV Advisory Committee
- 28 Cultural Arts Committee

**BOROUGH TELEPHONE NUMBERS**

EMERGENCY-911

Police {non-emergency}.....	732-632-8500
Fire Department {non-emergency}.....	732-767-1147
First Aid Squad {non-emergency}.....	732-906-9549
Borough Hall.....	732-632-8540
Board of Education.....	732-321-8700
Emergency Closing of Schools Hotline.....	732-321-8723
Health Department.....	732-632-8503
MEtv.....	732-603-9750 - Fax 603-9871
Municipal Court.....	732-632-8505
Municipal Pool.....	732-632-8517
Planning and Zoning.....	732-632-8554
Public Library.....	732-632-8526
Public Works.....	732-632-8519
Recreation.....	732-632-8502
Senior Citizen Center.....	732-632-8524
Senior Citizen Bus Service.....	24 hour Advance Reservations 732-632-8525 9am-3pm
Tax Office.....	732-632-8510
Tree Service.....	732-632-8518

**SENIOR CITIZENS**

“Assistance with the preparation of income tax forms will be available from **February 6 - April 17**. This service is offered from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Monday - Friday on a first-come, first-served basis. There is no charge, and service is not limited to senior citizens.”

**Tax Office  
Evening Hours  
OPEN UNTIL 7 PM**

**APRIL 30  
MAY 7  
JULY 30  
AUGUST 6**

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weekend and will open full-time Thursday June 25th. Regular pool hours are 12 noon to 8 pm everyday except Saturdays and Holidays in which case the pool will open at 10 am. Special morning Kiddie Pool hours are available for parents who have children under 5 (at the discretion of the Pool Manager) in July and August.

THE POOL IS THE PLACE TO BE this summer with many special events - Family Fun Days, Float Nights, Teen and Pre-Teen Dances, Story Hours, etc. Look for the application in this issue of the Messenger and send it in. Be sure to register for the Metuchen e-Bulletin to keep informed of the many activities and special events. The Borough e-Bulletin Service is free and easy to register for. If you have any questions about the pool please call the Pool Office at 732-632-8517.

## METUCHEN RECREATION & CULTURAL ARTS



### Special Events

**Saturday, April 4th:**

Spring Egg Hunt - Myrtle Park

**Earth Day Activities - TBA**

**Sunday, May 17th**

Edison -Metuchen Bike Tour

**Monday May 25th**

Memorial Day Parade -

**Bike Decorating Contest**

**Independence Day Concert - TBA**

**Mother-Son Event - TBA**

### Coffeehouses

**Friday, March 20th** performance by "Spoonville"

**Friday, May 15th** Danny Adlerman's "Open Mic Night"

Both events will be held at the BIL Building, Middlesex Ave. Admission. Free refreshments.

### Junebug Artfest

Co-sponsored with the Metuchen

Chamber of Commerce  
Friday evenings, June 5th, 12th, 19th  
and 26th Throughout downtown  
Metuchen

### Bus Trips for 2009

**June TBA** *Grounds For Sculpture,  
Hamilton, NJ*

**Thursday, August 13th**

*The Culinary Institute of America,  
Lunch and Tour*

**Wednesday, July 15th**

*Barnes Museum, Merion, PA*

### Summer Concert Series

Free outdoor event, funded by the Middlesex County Cultural and Heritage Commission on Thursday evenings, August 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th at 8:00 pm in the Senior Center Parking lot

Check out the Borough of Metuchen's website, [www.metuchennj.org](http://www.metuchennj.org) for our complete summer activity brochure as well as detailed information on all of our special events, trips, programs and concerts.

## POLICE



### HELP PREVENT CRIME IN METUCHEN -

**Join the Neighborhood  
Watch Program - NOW!**

### What is the Neighborhood Watch Program?

It's a program designed to keep Metuchen a safe community.

### Why Is This Program Needed?

With the economy worsening, and with so many people unemployed, break-ins are increasing at an alarming rate. In fact, according to FBI statistics, a home is burglarized every 11 seconds in the U.S., with the majority occurring during daylight! And, unfortunately, break-ins are now happening in Metuchen.

Several weeks ago, the Metuchen Police Department conducted a public meeting for all residents concerning

recent burglaries in our town. One, in fact, involved a daytime break-in while the resident was at home. He had been beaten and tied up, but thanks to a neighbor who thought she saw someone who didn't belong in the area, she immediately notified the police and the burglar was apprehended.

### How Does The Program Work?

The Metuchen Police Department does a terrific job patrolling the neighborhood but they cannot be everywhere every minute. That's where we, the residents, come in. When we're home, all we have to do is be aware of what's going on outside our house and property AND at our neighbor's house and property. Using our "eyes and ears", we can spot a stranger who doesn't belong on our street. We can *hear* something that doesn't sound right outside - either in front or in back. If it doesn't look or sound right, it probably isn't. All we have to do is immediately call the police and let them handle the situation and, most likely, do our part in stopping a break-in or act of vandalism before it happens.

### Does It Cost Anything to Join?

Participating in the program is free.

### What Will Be Expected of Me?

Simply be aware of what is going on around you and in your area. Also, contact one of the people listed below with your name and those in your residence, address, phone number, and the make, model and license number of your car(s).

Attend Neighborhood Watch Meetings. During these meetings, you'll learn ways to safeguard yourself and your property against crime, Internet theft, and more. Officers Bauer and Phibbs will be on hand with great suggestions and ideas.

### How Do I Sign Up?

Contact any individual listed below: Officer Kenneth Bauer or Officer Nancy Phibbs; 732-632-8122. Neighborhood Watch Director,

Arline Zatz; 732-494-9258  
 Co-Director, Alan Regan; 732-549-8819

**Neighborhood Watch Meetings**

Will be announced in the *Sentinel*, *Metuchen Matters* cite, and via email for those already signed up.

**Crossing Guards Needed**

Currently substitute guards are being hired.

**Edgar School DARE Graduation**

June 18, 2009, 10:00am in the gymnasium.

**St. Francis Cathedral School DARE Graduation**

June 16, 2009, 9:00am in the cafeteria.



**SENIOR CITIZENS**

The Metuchen Senior Citizen Center is a drop-in facility for those aged 60 and over. A full range of services is offered, including recreation, information and referral, health screenings, counseling and income tax assistance (offered daily from through April 15). The Center, located at 15 Center Street in Metuchen, is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Minibus transportation is available for Borough residents aged 60 and over. Door-to-door service is provided free of charge for medical appointments, shopping, nutrition services and club meetings. Reservations are required 24 hours in advance and may be made by calling 732-632-8525 between 9:00 am and 3:00 pm.

A monthly newsletter, including a calendar of events, is available by calling 732-632-8524.

**Senior Citizen Commission**

The Senior Citizen Commission meets every other month at the Senior Citizen Center, 15 Center Street in Metuchen. Meetings are held at 5:00 pm and are open to the public. Future meetings include: April 8, June 10 and August 12.

The Metuchen Area Chamber of Commerce presents  
**METUCHEN MEMORIAL DAY PARADE**  
**MONDAY, MAY 25, 2009 AT 10 AM**

*Saluting our Veterans and Honored War Dead from the Revolution through Today*

The Metuchen Memorial Day Parade, presented by the Metuchen Area Chamber of Commerce, has been an annual tradition since 1927. The 2009 Parade will feature hundreds of participants, including Veterans and active duty personnel, military vehicles, marching bands, floats, flags, boy and girl scouts and civic organizations.

**This event is entirely supported by private donations.**

**We need your support!**

\$100 - Patron      Listed in the Memorial Day Ceremony program and community  
 \$50 - Donor      bulletin board at Metuchen Savings Bank, Main Street

Up to \$25 - Patriot      Listed on the community bulletin board at Metuchen Savings Bank, Main Street

*Examples:*  
 \$100 Patron: The Johnson Family in loving memory of Private First Class Joe Johnson, US Army, 1943 - 1962  
 \$50 Donor: Joseph Smith in memory of Joseph Smith, Sr., US Marine Corps  
 Up to \$25 Patriot: The Johnson Family

*Please return your donation using the coupon below:*

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Make checks payable and mail to: Metuchen Area Chamber of Commerce  
 323B Main Street  
 Metuchen, NJ 08840  
 (732) 548-2964

Sponsor Name: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Check one of the following: ( ) Patron ( ) Donor ( ) Patriot

Amount of check \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please print your dedication clearly: \_\_\_\_\_

I do not want a dedication listed  
 Please list my name  
 Please do not list my name

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*Thank you for your generous support.*

**NATIONAL VOLUNTEERS WEEK**  
**APRIL 19-25, 2009**

The Borough of Metuchen wishes to salute and thank the residents who choose to volunteer in our community and who by their demonstrated commitment and example help foster a culture of service, citizenship and responsibility. Your efforts help bring us together as families, as neighbors and as a community.

On behalf of Metuchen -  
**THANK YOU!**



### METUCHEN AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

323 Main Street, Suite B, Metuchen, New Jersey 08840-2433  
 Phone: 732-548-2964/Fax: 732-548-4094  
[metuchen.chamber@verizon.net](mailto:metuchen.chamber@verizon.net)

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Junebug ArtFest

Friday evenings in June, 7 to 10pm.

The purpose of the Junebug ArtFest:

1. **Generate increased upscale consumer traffic for local businesses.**
2. **Invigorate the quality of life in our area.**
3. **Provide an opportunity for artists to connect with a new and broadened audience base.**

Please consider becoming a sponsor of this unique event as it is funded through private donations. The following sponsorship opportunities are currently being offered:

***\$500 and up: Junebug Sponsor***

Junebug sponsors will be prominently displayed on the banner hanging across Main Street. In addition, your name will be featured in all press releases, you will receive a large ad on the promotional t-shirts, and a large ad will appear in the program.

***\$250 – \$499: Grasshopper Sponsor***

Grasshopper Sponsors will receive a small ad on the promotional t-shirt, in the program, and will be included in all press releases.

***\$100 – \$249: Butterfly Sponsor***

Butterfly Sponsors will be listed on the promotional t-shirt and in the program.

***\$50 – \$99: Ladybug Sponsor***

Ladybugs will be listed in the program.

***\$1 – \$49: Bumble Bee Sponsor***

Our thanks for your generous support of the arts and this event.

*Detach here and return by April 15, 2009*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle a sponsorship level:    Junebug    Grasshopper    Butterfly    Ladybug    Bumble Bee

Make check payable to: Metuchen Area Chamber of Commerce

Mail to: 323 Main St., Suite B, Metuchen, NJ 08840