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**Christmas
Tree Pick-up
& Recycling**



Trees may be placed curbside beginning Monday, December 28, 2015. Please make sure to have all decorations and stands removed from your tree prior to being placed curbside for pickup. Trees will be chipped and mulch will be used to line the walking path to the park. Last day of collection will be Wednesday, January 18th. No trees will be picked up after this date.



Part of what makes Bloomsbury unique, is all of the volunteer work our residents do. Our elected officials, committee members, and fire company to all past and present volunteers whom have served our Borough, "THANK YOU" for keeping Bloomsbury strong!

Please consider a volunteer position for 2016!

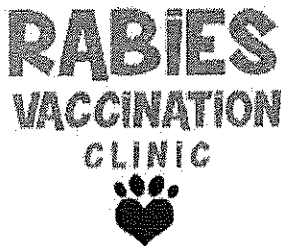
Planning Board, full and alternate members are needed. Meetings are once a month if there is business before the Board. Please contact the Borough Clerk or stop in at Borough Hall if interested.

Or please consider volunteering for one of our other commissions or committees.



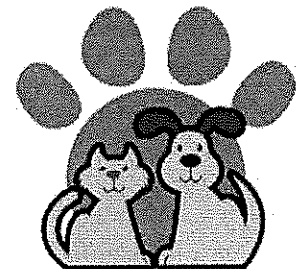
Happy
Holidays!

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS & BEST WISHES FOR A HAPPY NEW YEAR!
FROM YOUR BOROUGH EMPLOYEES & VOLUNTEERS**



2016 FREE RABIES CLINIC

**Saturday, January 16, 2016
1:00 – 2:00 PM
Bloomsbury Fire House
91 Brunswick Ave
Bloomsbury, New Jersey**



PLEASE USE PET CARRIERS OR LEASHES!!!

Pet License applications will be available for completion.

If you would like to submit your applications at the clinic, please remember you will need to include the appropriate payment, proof of rabies vaccination good through November 2016, and a self-addressed stamped envelope.

Please note – Licenses cannot be issued at the clinic.

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Hunterdon County Department of Human Services
DIVISION OF SENIOR, DISABILITIES AND VETERANS SERVICES

An ADRC (Aging and Disabilities Resource Connection)



Please check out their website to see all the offerings from your Senior Center

<http://www.co.hunterdon.nj.us/aging.htm>

All sessions are presented at the Hunterdon County Division of Senior, Disabilities & Veterans Services, 4 Gauntt Place, Building 1, Flemington, NJ - 908-788-1359

We here in Hunterdon County are fortunate to have a reliable and cost effective means of transportation around the county, the LINK system. The LINK system offers all day service throughout the Flemington/Raritan area from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9:00 am through 10:00 p.m. on Saturday. No Sunday service. Discounted fares for seniors, people with disabilities, or income eligible passengers are available. For fare and additional information, please call 1 800 842-0531.

In addition, there is the Cross County Service which serves all Hunterdon County municipalities from 7:00 am through 7:00 p.m. Monday through Friday No service Saturdays or Sundays.

All LINK vehicles are handicap accessible. No advance reservation is required. However, first time riders with special needs should call Central Dispatch at 1-800-842-0531 to discuss their requirements. In some cases curb to curb service can be arranged for pickup at the home.

So, why not leave the car at home, get a few friends together and take a ride around the County. You will even have time to stop and share a nice lunch and get back home with no stress. Make the journey part of the fun and ENJOY.



SIGN UP FOR BLOOMSBURY EMAIL ALERTS!
GET THE LATEST INFORMATION ON
ACTIVITIES AND BOROUGH NEWS

BOROUGH ORDINANCE # 108-06
CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR PETS!

PICKING UP AFTER YOUR PET (EVEN IN WINTER MONTHS)
IS NOT ONLY COMMON COURTESY,
IT'S OUR LAW, KEEP BLOOMSBURY CLEAN!



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All-terrain vehicle (ATV) or Dirt Bikes



You do not need a permit or license to operate an all-terrain vehicle (ATV) in New Jersey. However, the vehicle must be registered and you must observe the following regulations:

- ◆ Operator must be at least 14 years old.
- ◆ Always carry proof of liability insurance and current registration.
- ◆ **Use the ATV or Dirt Bike for off-road use only. Not permitted on public streets or roads.**
- ◆ If you are under 18 years old, you must enroll in the to operate an ATV Safety Institute course , if you are operating a dirtbike you must enroll in the safety course provided by dirtbikeschool.com to obtain a safety certificate*. For information on fees and duration of the course, please check their website or call (800) 887-2887
- ◆ Anyone under the age of 16 is prohibited from operating an ATV or Dirt Bike with an engine capacity greater than 90 cubic centimeters during training or while on public lands or waters or to cross a public roadway.
- ◆ Individuals cannot sell more powerful ATVs or Dirt Bikes to anyone under 16 years of age

*If you are under 18 years old and only operate an ATV or Dirt Bikes at licensed special events, you are exempt from the safety education course. You are also exempt if the ATV or Dirt Bike is used on public lands or waters or across a public highway as an incident to or in the actual performance of the operations of a farm that is adjacent to the public land and or water or public highway upon which the vehicle is being operated.

Information was provided by and additional information can be found at sites listed below:

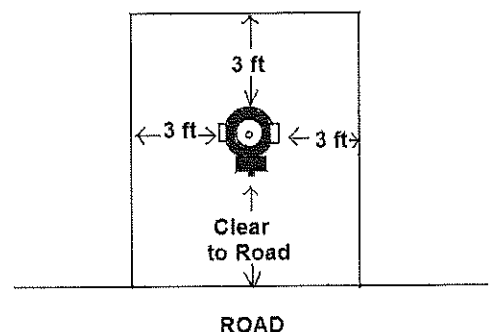
<http://www.state.nj.us/mvc/Licenses/AllTerrain.htm>

<http://www.atvsafety.gov/state/newjersey.html>

<http://www.atvsafety.gov/legislation/newjerseylaw.pdf>

Dreaming of a white Christmas?

For many across the country that is a dream fulfilled already! This past week many people saw the first snowstorm of the season. As you shovel out, Bloomsbury Hose Company asks you to clear snow near fire hydrants to help fire fighters who may need access to water to fight fire near you and your neighbors.

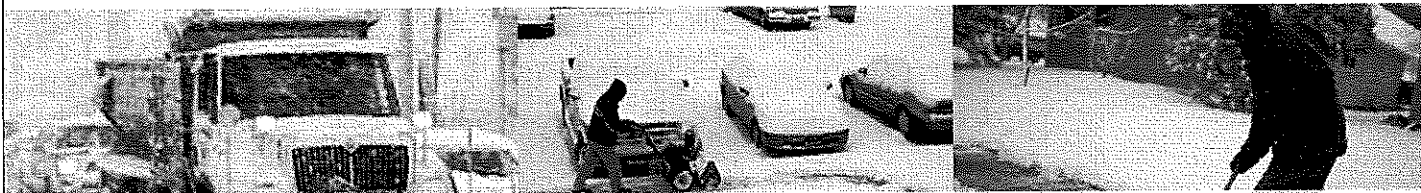


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Winter Parking - Snow Removal Regulations

Beginning on November 15th and ending March 31st there shall be **NO PARKING** on the Southerly side of Brunswick Avenue from its intersection with Church Street to its intersection with State Highway 173 during and following any period of frozen precipitation (e.g. snow, sleet, etc.) for so long as the roadway is not entirely free of accumulations of frozen precipitation. The Borough is empowered to tow any vehicle from Brunswick Avenue and impound it, which shall be released only upon payment of all fees and charges incurred as a result of towing said vehicle. The fine for any individual or corporation or other entity which violates this ordinance shall be subject to a fine not exceeding \$500.00. (Adopted April 11, 2000)

ALL VEHICLES MUST BE REMOVED FROM BOROUGH STREETS WHEN MORE THAN TWO INCHES OF FROZEN PARCIPITATION FALL

All motor vehicles must be removed from streets in the Borough when more than two inches of frozen precipitation fall and must remain off the street until 12 hours after cessation of frozen precipitation events. If the vehicle is not removed from the streets, the Borough is entitled to tow said vehicle from the streets and impound said vehicle, which shall be released only upon payment of all fees and charges incurred as a result of towing said vehicle. The fine for any individual or corporation or other entity which violates this ordinance shall be subject to a fine not exceeding \$500.00. (Ordinance #113-78, Amended March 13, 2011)

Every property owner must make sure that the entire sidewalk, both width and length, adjoining, crossing or located on their property is free of snow and ice at all times. Every property owner will be allowed 24 hours following cessation of snow to comply. The snow or ice cannot be placed on public streets. Failure to comply will result in a fine of not less that \$50.0 or more that \$500.00 for a first offense. Subsequent offenses, regardless of the year in which they occur, shall result in a fine of not less than \$100.00 nor more than \$1,000.00. Every 24 hour period or part thereof during which there is a failure to comply, shall constitute a separate and distinct offense. (Adopted April 11, 1978)

Borough Ordinance prohibit pushing or blowing snow into the roadways.

Parking during inclement weather is available at the Borough park (100 Church Street) and at the parking lot located at the corner of North Street and Gardner Street (across from old squad building).

Parking is at your own risk.

All Dogs and Cats **MUST** be licensed by **January 31, 2016** to avoid late fees.

Residents Can Not Obtain Licenses in Person (**Drop-off ONLY!**)

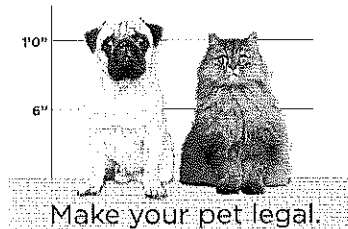
Completed applications can be dropped off or mailed to Borough Hall at
91 Brunswick Avenue, Bloomsbury, NJ 08804.

Additional applications can be obtained at Borough Hall during normal business hours
or online at www.bloomsburynewjersey.com

Fee Schedule (including late fees)

Month	Licensing Fee Per Spayed or Neutered Cat/Dog	Licensing Fee Per Non -Spayed or Non-Neutered Cat/Dog
January	\$8.00	\$11.00
February	\$13.00	\$16.00
March	\$18.00	\$21.00
April	\$23.00	\$26.00
May	\$28.00	\$31.00
June	\$33.00	\$36.00
July	\$38.00	\$41.00
August	\$43.00	\$46.00
September	\$48.00	\$51.00
October	\$53.00	\$56.00
November	\$58.00	\$61.00
December	\$63.00	\$66.00

Are you harboring a fugitive?



All applications must be accompanied by a copy of a valid Rabies Certification showing proof of rabies vaccination with an expiration date after October 31st of the licensing year.

An additional fine of \$100 per Dog and \$50.00 per Cat will be assessed for unlicensed animals found by the Code Enforcement Officer or the Animal Census Coordinator. Court fees may also apply.

FREE RABIES CLINIC – SATURDAY, JANUARY 16, 2016
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM - BLOOMSBURY FIREHOUSE

Please detach the lower portion of this sheet and return with your check made payable to: Borough of Bloomsbury for the appropriate fees, self addressed stamped envelope and proof of rabies vaccination. Do not mail cash.

Licenses **will not** be mailed back to you unless a **self addressed stamped envelope** is included!!

Owner's Name: _____ Date: _____

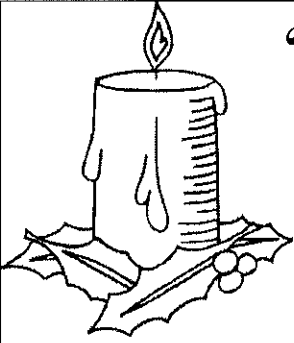
Address: _____ Phone: _____

Email Address : _____

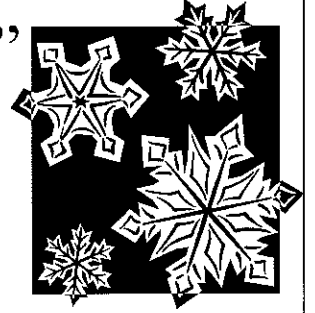
Circle One: Dog Cat SEX: M F Breed: _____ Age: _____

Color/Markings: _____ Name: _____

Circle One: Hair: S M L Spayed/Neutered: Yes No Rabies Vaccination Expires: _____



“LIGHT UP BLOOMSBURY” Annual Luminary Sale



Price: \$5.00 per ½ Dozen, \$9.00 per Dozen

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT BLOOMSBURY RECREATION YOUTH PROGRAMS

**DELIVER DATE: SUNDAY DECEMBER 20, 2015 – 9 AM TO
12 NOON**

(All Orders Delivered To Your Door!)

**In the spirit of the holidays and to recapture the beauty
of our town as in years past, please light your luminaries at
6:30 PM on Christmas Eve.**

(In the event of inclement weather, lighting will occur at 6:30 PM on Christmas night.)

Drop order form with payment at BES or Borough office, or mail to:

**Light Up Bloomsbury
Luminary Sale
91 Brunswick Avenue
Bloomsbury, NJ 08804**

Make checks payable to “Bloomsbury Recreation Commission”

Call Chris Smith at 908-370-6507 with any questions or last minute orders!

Return Order Form by December 18, 2014

_____ 1/2 Dozen Luminaries	@ \$5.00 each	\$ _____
_____ Dozen Luminaries	@ \$9.00 per dozen	\$ _____
	TOTAL	\$ _____

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

Solutions to Stormwater Pollution

Easy Things You Can Do Every Day To Protect Our Water

A Guide to Healthy Habits for Cleaner Water

Pollution on streets, parking lots and lawns is washed by rain into storm drains, then directly to our drinking water supplies and the ocean and lakes our children play in. Fertilizer, oil, pesticides, detergents, pet waste, grass clippings: You name it and it ends up in our water.

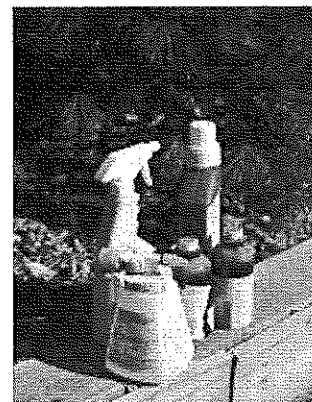
Stormwater pollution is one of New Jersey's greatest threats to clean and plentiful water, and that's why we're all doing something about it.

By sharing the responsibility and making small, easy changes in our daily lives, we can keep common pollutants out of stormwater. It all adds up to cleaner water, and it saves the high cost of cleaning up once it's dirty.

As part of New Jersey's initiative to keep our water clean and plentiful and to meet federal requirements, many municipalities and other public agencies including colleges and military bases must adopt ordinances or other rules prohibiting various activities that contribute to stormwater pollution. Breaking these rules can result in fines or other penalties.



As a resident, business, or other member of the New Jersey community, it is important to know these easy things you can do every day to protect our water.



Limit your use of fertilizers and pesticides

- Do a soil test to see if you need a fertilizer.
- Do not apply fertilizers if heavy rain is predicted.
- Look into alternatives for pesticides.
- Maintain a small lawn and keep the rest of your property or yard in a natural state with trees and other native vegetation that requires little or no fertilizer.
- If you use fertilizers and pesticides, follow the instructions on the label on how to correctly apply it.

Make sure you properly store or discard any unused portions.

Properly use and dispose of hazardous products

- Hazardous products include some household or commercial cleaning products, lawn and garden care products, motor oil, antifreeze, and paints.
- Do not pour any hazardous products down a storm drain because storm drains are usually connected to local waterbodies and the water is not treated.

- If you have hazardous products in your home or workplace, make sure you store or dispose of them properly. Read the label for guidance.

- Use natural or less toxic alternatives when possible.

- Recycle used motor oil.

- Contact your municipality, county or facility management office for the locations of hazardous-waste disposal facilities.



Keep pollution out of storm drains

- Municipalities and many other public agencies are required to mark certain storm drain inlets with messages reminding people that storm drains are connected to local waterbodies.

- Do not let sewage or other wastes flow into a stormwater system.

Clean up after your pet

- Many municipalities and public agencies must enact and enforce local pet-waste rules.

- An example is requiring pet owners or their keepers to pick up and properly dispose of pet waste dropped on public or other people's property.

- Make sure you know your town's or agency's requirements and comply with them. It's the law. And remember to:

- Use newspaper, bags or pooper-scoopers to pick up wastes.

- Dispose of the wrapped pet waste in the trash or un-wrapped in a toilet.

- Never discard pet waste in a storm drain.

Don't feed wildlife

- Do not feed wildlife, such as ducks and geese, in public areas.

- Many municipalities and other public agencies must enact and enforce a rule that prohibits wildlife feeding in these areas.



Don't litter

- Place litter in trash receptacles.

- Recycle. Recycle. Recycle.

- Participate in community cleanups.

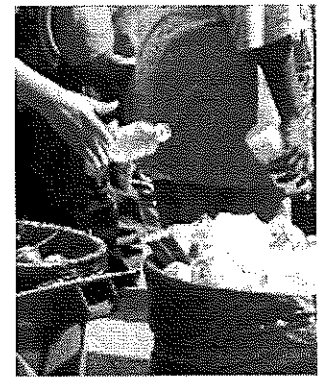
Dispose of yard waste properly

- Keep leaves and grass out of storm drains.

- If your municipality or agency has yard waste collection rules, follow them.

- Use leaves and grass clippings as a resource for compost.

- Use a mulching mower that recycles grass clippings into the lawn.



Contact information

For more information on stormwater related topics, visit www.njstormwater.org or www.nonpointsource.org

Additional information is also available at U. S. Environmental Protection Agency Web sites www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater or www.epa.gov/nps

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
Division of Water Quality
Bureau of Nonpoint Pollution Control
Municipal Stormwater Regulation Program
(609) 633-7021



www.cleanwaternj.org

