

# The Jamesburg bulletin

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Good News Travels Fast... Serving the Jamesburg Community

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- Patriotic Committee/Memorial Day Parade... Mon... 12/1... Borough Hall... 7PM
- Jamesburg Civic Association... Thu... 12/1... Holiday Party... Forsgate CC... 7PM
- Jamesburg Historical Association... December meeting has been cancelled
- Historic Carriage Rides... Thu... 12/4 & 12/11... Presbyterian Church... 7P-9P
- Train Exhibit... Sat/Sun... 12/6, 12/7 10A-4PM & 12P-4PM ... Presbyterian Church Social Hall
- Breakfast with Santa... Sat... 12/6... Jamesburg Firehouse... 8A-12P
- Friends of the Library... Sat... 12/6... Library... 10:30AM
- Jamesburg Senior Citizens... Wed... 12/10... Center on Stevens... 1PM
- Tree Lighting Celebration... Wed... 12/10... Veteran's Park... 6PM
- Jamesburg Combined Land Use & Zoning Board... Thu... 12/11... Borough Hall... 7PM
- The Santa Train... Freehold to Jamesburg... Sat... 12/13... Approx 2P-4PM... Firehouse
- Jamesburg Public Library, Board of Trustees... Mon... 12/15... Library... 7PM
- Jamesburg Borough Council... Wed... 11/17... Borough Hall... 7PM
- Santa & Friends in the Neighborhoods... Sat 12/20... All day, all over town!
- First Day of Winter... 12/21
- Chanukah... Begins 12/22
- Jamesburg Street Fair Committee... Tue... 12/23... Borough Hall... 7PM
- Jamesburg Revitalization Coalition... No Meeting... Executive Board will meet
- Merry Christmas... Thu... 12/25 Kwanzaa begins 12/26

## Jamesburg Welcomes new businesses

The 1<sup>st</sup> Block of West Railroad Avenue is busy again with two new businesses complimenting existing shops and services. Replacing That's Art and Suburban Cleaners are **Mundo Express** and **GlobalNet**.

Mundo Express address is 10A West Railroad with hours of Monday-Saturday 9AM-9PM and Sunday 9AM until 8:30PM. GlobalNet is at 12 West Railroad with hours Monday-Friday 9AM to 7:30PM, Saturday 9AM-9PM and Sunday 9AM-8:30PM. Both stores offer services that include bill pay, typing, scanning, phone cards, internet access, phone calls, WI-FI, faxing and even Spanish lessons.

In the Jamesburg Center plaza by the lake, 200 Buckelew Avenue, **Kumon Learning Center** has opened up an office on the second floor, Suite F, offering classes in Math and Reading. Hours are available by appointment. Call 732-421-8500

Finally, a new-old business is back as the **Holiday Gift Emporium** is now open above Sweet William & Thyme Florist and Gift Shop at 19 East Railroad. Open 10AM-6PM daily and on Thursdays open until 8PM. Many gift ideas from various vendors are available from Nascar Memorabilia to Crafted Jewelry to Scarves and Pashminas to the Gift Baskets, Flags and More! Check it out!

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### LET' GO SURFING...

Remember to go to [www.jamesburg.net](http://www.jamesburg.net) when surfing for goods or services. The information is free and plentiful. There are many links to businesses, Government, History and more, right in town that can provide what you need. We have over 100 business/service entities in town! The Jamesburg Bulletin can be found on the net at [www.jamesburg.net](http://www.jamesburg.net).

### **On the Soap Box: Home for the holidays**

I would like everyone to remember that we still have troops in harm's way and many will not be home for the holidays. Please remember them in your thoughts and prayers, regardless of how you feel about the war. Remember that no matter how bad it is for you right now, someone has it worse. Ask yourself the following questions: Do I have a place to live? Am I capable of sustaining myself with food and water? Can I put one foot in front of another today? Do I have any family to share my time and love? This is all we can really expect from life and anything else you get comes from the gravy boat. This is why when asked, "How are you?"; I always respond cheerfully "Every day above ground is a good day!"

Get out there and enjoy the season, the weather, the shopping, the celebrations or whatever. Most of all, enjoy just being here and being part of it all. Happy Holidays and wishes for a wonderful New Year!

"We cannot despair of humanity, since we ourselves are human beings." –Albert Einstein

"There is nothing on earth divine except humanity." –Walter S. Landor

### **Recipes for life... Sliced beef Barbeque**

This is a simple recipe for a London Broil cut that is always a crowd pleaser and can be served as a lunch or dinner entrée or a change from your game day snack menu. Here's what you will need to serve up to six people: 1.5 pounds of London Broil, sliced very thin, trim as much fat as possible. Whole thing can be done one dish. 1-Beef Boullion Cube, 3 dashes of Worcestershire Sauce, Salt and Pepper, 3 pieces of Clove, BBQ Sauce (whatever brand you like) [I prefer Masterpiece and then I play with it a bit. We like our sauce a little sweeter so we add honey or brown sugar, some ketchup and Gulden's mustard.] Anyway, place all ingredients except the BBQ sauce in a pot with enough water to cover the beef. Cook for 3-4 hours on low until beef is tender. Drain juice and save for beef gravy for another meal. Cover with BBQ sauce and simmer on low until hot. Ready to serve with mashed potatoes or rice or pasta and a salad or veggie. Or serve it on rolls as a sandwich with chips. I usually prepare the beef the day before I need it so I am not rushed.

#### The Lighter Side:

I was in a diner last week. The waiter brought me a bowl of soup that I ordered. I looked at the soup for awhile. The waiter came over and asked, "What's wrong with the soup, is it too hot? I will blow on it for you." I said "It is not too hot." He asked me if it was too cold, and I said no. He wanted to know if I wanted salt or pepper. I said no. I said I can't eat the soup. He said why not? I said, No Spoon!

Have you ever tried to enter your password on the microwave?

Sign on a bathroom wall: "Beware of Limbo Dancers!"

## News and Notes from the library

The Trustees and Staff of the Jamesburg Public Library would like to thank all who supported the library in the recent referendum. It was wonderful to see the will of the people prevail. Things to look forward to in the coming months are new notebook laptop computers, a photography exhibition, scrap booking lessons and game night. Remember that our little Library has all kinds of books, including the newest bestsellers, magazines, audio-books, free DVDs, CDs, wireless internet access, large print novels, computers with many data bases and even a free magazine swap that is very popular. If we don't have it, we can get it for you through the LMXAC consortium, which you can access from the library or on your own home computer.

December 4,5,6 & 7 we will have beautiful handmade Christmas wreaths and other small items for sale. These lovely greens come from upstate New York and are only \$20! Hurry on over...

Ongoing programs include: *Adult Book Club*-1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month at 11AM. December's novel is *Second Glance* by Judy Picoult. *Stitchin' Group*-2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month, 5:30PM-7PM. Bring any kind of handiwork (crotcheting, mending, knitting, embroidery, etc.) Good conversation and help with craft if needed.

*Children's Story Hour*-Thursdays 6:45PM-7:30PM for 3-5 year olds, *Mommy and Me*-Fridays 11AM-11:30AM starting December 12<sup>th</sup>. *Friends of the Library*-1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month at 11AM-please come and join us in planning. It was the efforts of the friends that helped keep the library open! Give us your ideas for programs and activities to keep YOUR library an interesting and vital place for all Jamesburg people.

### The Coat drive continues...

The end is near for this years Baby, Its Cold Outside Jersey Cares Coat Drive. Please bring your clean unwanted winter coats to any of the pick-up sites by December 19<sup>th</sup>. We need coats for all size children and adults.

Drop off boxes are at PNC Bank, Borough Hall, Sweet William & Thyme Florist, Monroe Chiropractic Care, Corinthian Capital and at the Schools. For more information call 732-521-1333. Help us help others stay warm and healthy this winter. Thanks to everyone that works so hard every year to keep this effort going!

### Officers elected to jca

The Jamesburg Civic Association and Jamesburg Revitalization Coalition nominated and elected officers for 2009 during their respective November meetings. The JCA re-elected all officers with Margaret Czapiga as President, Jean Corliss as Vice-President, John Czapiga as Treasurer, Richard Reinhardt as Secretary and Elliott Stroul as Sgt. at Arms. The organization meets the first Thursday of the month at Lisco's Country Café at 7PM. The public is welcome to attend and contribute positive ideas to helping others in the community. All fundraising efforts benefit local students in the form of scholarships as well as helping out specific areas of need for the Police, Fire, Rescue Squads, Food Pantry and Library. In addition, the JCA has helped special emergency family situations where possible, all in the Borough.

### Jamesburg Revitalization news

The Jamesburg Revitalization Coalition is pleased to announce that a grant from IBM has been received and plans are being finalized for a Victorian Street Clock to be purchased and erected at TD Bank, at the intersection of Forsgate Drive and Perrineville Road in Jamesburg. The clock is a double faced solar battery operated cast frame with a 19¾" face. It will rise to about 9' tall upon installation. The JRC will announce with TD Bank plans for the reveal and dedication ceremony. John Tancredi was instrumental in the grant process for this project and we praise him for his continued dedication to our community.

It is believed that PNC Bank will reveal plans for a large ornate 4 faced clock to enhance their corner of Church and West Railroad in 2009. The JRC was instrumental in the process that led to PNC's decision to go ahead with the project. Thanks to Jean Corliss for her pushing the right buttons and making the phone calls.

Finally, the Historic Carriage rides are always a treat. This year there will be new narration as the route is completely different. Call 1-877-463-6546, enter code 3939 for reservation information.

"No man that does not see visions will ever realize any high hope or undertake any high enterprise."

-Woodrow Wilson