

Hopewell Township Environmental Newsletter

A Publication of the Environmental Commission

Environmental Commission Meetings

The Hopewell Township Environmental Commission meets the second Wednesday of each month @ 7 PM except for November and December when meetings are held the first Wednesday of the month. The meetings are open to the public and all are welcome to attend.

HTEC Members

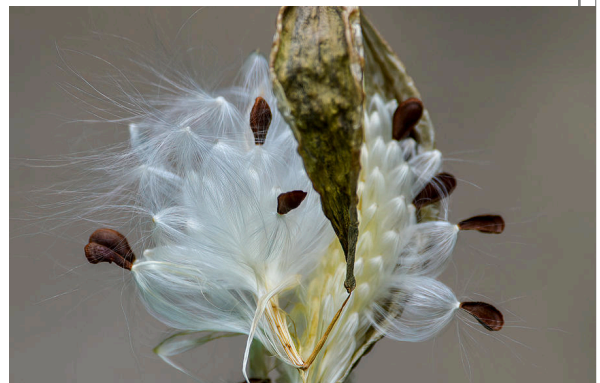
Jerry Lewis - *Chair*
 Jane Hankins - *Vice Chair*
 Beth McClain - *Secretary*
 Ken Strait - *Liaison to Land Use Board*
 Burt Doremus
 Marion Carll
 Cheryl Lalancette

Newsletters are available on the township website and the township Facebook page. Printed copies available in the municipal building.

Now is the time to plant your bulbs for next spring.

HOPEWELL DAY
 Come Meet the Environmental Commission
 Visit Our Booth
 Take the Challenge!!

- We invite you to join us on October 1, 2022 in celebration of Hopewell Day
- Visit our booth and learn what the Environmental Commission's job entails and how you can get involved
- Get information on the projects HTEC has completed
- Pick up a copy of the township trail maps, learn about the conservation area, and get information
- Get seeds and ideas for planting milkweed for the beginnings of a pollinator garden



*Hopewell Township Active
Parks and Open Space*

There are currently three parks in Hopewell Township, two of which border the City of Bridgeton - Mary Elmer Lake and Piney Point Trail. Both parks are partially located in the City of Bridgeton and are entirely managed and operated by the City. There are pavilions for picnicking. Mary Elmer Lake is a state stocked fishing lake. The third park is Bostwick Lake Park, which is primarily located in Upper Deerfield Township. Bostwick Lake is also a state stocked fishing lake and offers picnicking facilities.

State-owned lands and easements provide for wildlife management and passive recreation. These areas are collectively referred to the Cohansey River Wildlife Management Area, a total of approximately 500 acres in Hopewell Township. About 440 acres of the CRWMA are located south of Sheppards Mill Road with frontage on Maurice Creek, Cemetery Road and the Cohansey River. A gravel driveway and parking lot services that area. The entire tract is open to the public for hiking and passive recreation. A 40 acre tract of CRWMA in Hopewell is located on Sheppards Mill Road and River Road. This area is currently unimproved. The township's past 30 years of planning has been the protection of farmland and rural areas and has given consideration to environmental factors such as wetlands, floodplains, wooded sites and the protection of soils.

AND

**Take the Environmental Challenge for
kids, young and old**

- **1. Get a guide sheet at the HTEC booth (one per household)**
- **2. Select a challenge OR...come up with one of your own!**
- **3. Family members, friends or neighbors may help**
- **4. Complete the task**
- **5. Let us know what you learned during the challenge, or at it's completion by sending an email to: clerk@hopewelltp-nj.com or mail to the Township Office 590 Shiloh Pike before October 10, 2022. The HTEC will publish results and post them in our newsletter. Remember to sign your name!**
- **6. If you would like to learn more about the HTEC and its work come to our monthly meetings. We are always looking for volunteers to assist with our projects. If you are interested in joining the commission let us know**

