



Special Commemorative Edition
2017 Calendar, Municipal Guide
& Scrap Book

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1967 100th Anniversary Commemorative Book

Sesquicentennial

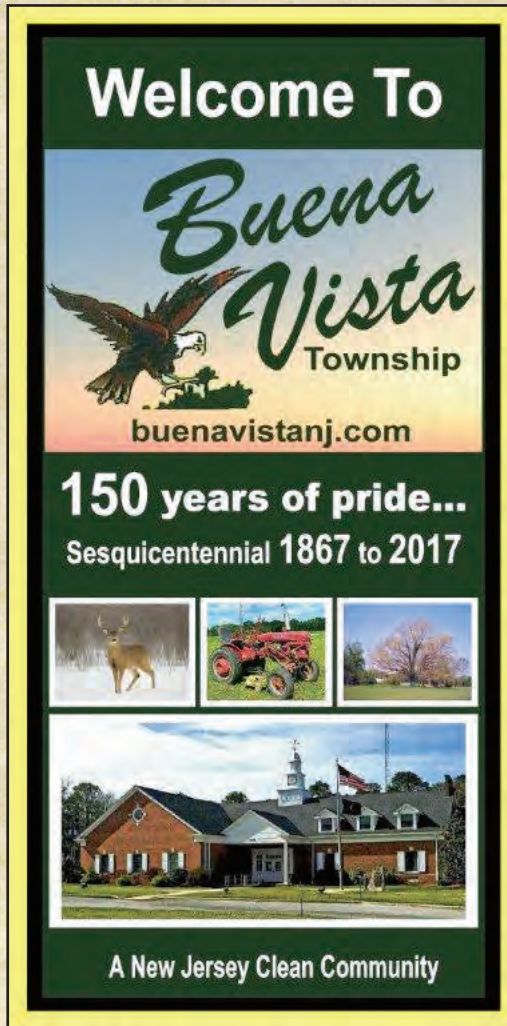
A Special Note ...

Welcome to this Special Commemorative Edition of our Annual Buena Vista Calendar. It celebrates 150 years since Buena Vista Township separated from Hamilton Township in Atlantic County to become the place we live in and enjoy the rural, farming, country and pinelands atmosphere that we are blessed with.

This calendar and collection of scrap book photos in no way depicts all our citizens, places and events that have occurred in the last 150 years to bring us to what is called the "Sesquicentennial", but we tried.

Photos and certain memories are not easy to come by. Making sure that the thousands and thousands of people who ever lived in Buena Vista Township are part of this calendar is an impossible task. For that, we apologize in advance. This calendar has been a joint effort of the Mayor's Office, Buena Vista Township Special Events Committee and the Buena Historical Society. During the course of our history, from 1867 to 1906, Folsom was part of Buena Vista Township. From 1867 to 1949, Buena Borough was part of Buena Vista Township. What we know today as Buena Borough featured businesses, offices and history that today's Buena Vista Township did not have. Since 1948, my best observation is that what we know as Buena Vista Township today featured farmlands, rural areas and more populated sections like Collings Lakes — all of which lacked the full services of a city. Buena Vista continues its long standing relationship with the State Police as our law enforcement and the majority of the community is made up of wells and septic systems. Buena Borough is more citified with its own police force and municipal utilities.

Our New Welcome Signs



We have tried to capture the flavor of the old and the new. We hope you will enjoy this presentation and save it for future generations, since this type of calendar will unlikely be seen again until we celebrate our 200th birthday in 2067.

Sincerely,
Mayor Chuck Chiarello
on behalf of the Township Committee,
Special Events Committee and
Buena Historical Society.
**"A very special Thank You to Pam
McDaniels in the Mayor's Office"**



*Today's Township Committee
Mayor Chuck Chiarello, Deputy Mayor Teresa Kelly and
Committeemen John Armato, Steve Martinelli & John Williams*



Township Committee and Staff, January 1957



*"29 Years of Service"
Mayor John Krokos*



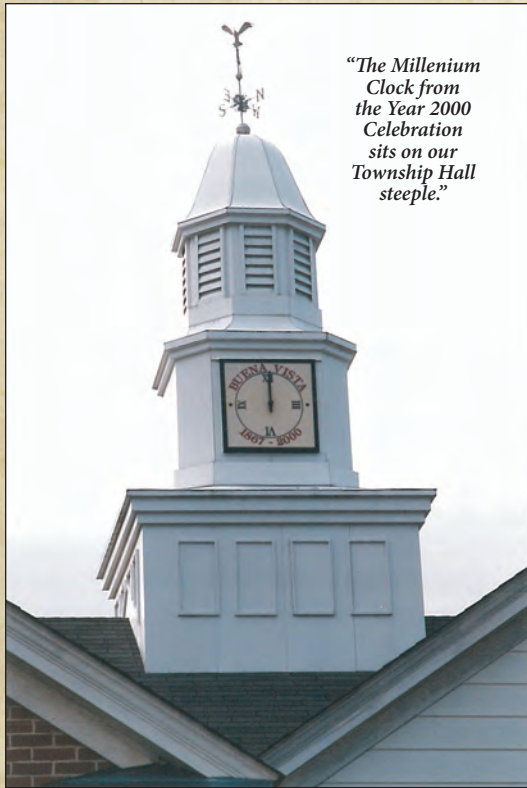
Mayor Sam Brunoizzi



*Charlie (and wife Pearl) Bylone
Township Clerk and leader!*



*First Township Committee to occupy our new Township Hall in 1979
Committeemen Fred Muzzarelli, Wilder Hines, Donald Adams,
Mayor John Krokos and Deputy Mayor Rosario "Butch" D'Amore,
Solicitor Joe Gindhart and Clerk Charles Bylone*



"The Millenium Clock from the Year 2000 Celebration sits on our Township Hall steeple."



Ground breaking at 890 Harding Highway for the opening of our Municipal Building in 1979



Mayor Chuck (and Cheryl) Chiarello after swearing in by Governor Jim McGreevey

In recognition of dedicated service to
BUENA VISTA TOWNSHIP
We honor the members of our Township Committee.
PRESENTED AT THE
BUENA VISTA COMMUNITY RECOGNITION DINNER
FRIDAY, MAY 5, 1989



Long time School Board President and public servant John Zucal



Mayor Rosario "Butch" D'Amore receives induction to the elected officials "Hall of Fame" which also includes Peter Bylone, Chuck Chiarello and Teresa Kelly



Grace Krokos, wife of Mayor John Krokos receives the portrait of her husband that hangs in the Mayor's Conference Room



Township Committee 2007 (left to right)
Deputy Mayor Teresa Kelly, Mayor Chuck Chiarello and Committee members Sue Barber, Peter Bylone and Mike Rivera



Photos of all mayors since 1949 appear in the Mayor's Conference Room

NICHOLAS BERTI • 1949-51, 1953-1964	JAMES MOBLEY 1973-77	TERESA KELLY 1992
DANTE ROMANINI 1950-59	WILDER HINES 1978-81, 1983-87	MICHAEL RIVERA 1999-2010
ANDREW LEVARI • 1950-82	ROSAURO D'AMORE • 1979-98	SUE BARBER • 2000-2014
PAUL SANGUINETTI • 1962-80	JOSEPH ARDITO 1980-82	RICHARD HARLAN 2011-2013
JOHN KROKOS • 1960-88	WILLIAM WESTCOTT 1982-84	STEVE MARTINELLI 2014
PAUL CUSUMANO JR. 1981	ROBERT JAMES 1983-88, 1994-99	JOHN WILLIAMS 2014
ALFRED ALIMENTI 1982-89	JOHN OUTSLEY 1985-87	JOHN ARMATO 2015
CHARLES BALLIWEEL 1985-89	WILLIAM FENNEN 1989-93	
HENRY LEVARI 1986-78	SYLVIA HINES 1988	
FRED MUZZARELLI • 1986-82	PETER BYLONE 1989-2013	
DONALD ADAMS 1970-79	TERRY THOMAS 1989-91	
SAMUEL BRUNETTI 1970-72, 1989-91	CHUCK CHIARELLO • 1992	

All members of the Township Committee and terms of service since 1949 hangs in the Mayor's Conference Room at Township Hall. *Denotes mayors.

Our Home Town ... Buena Vista



The old Richland Hotel still stands



Richland General Store through the generations.



Our Township Hall was built in 1979.



We hope you
enjoy this
special calendar.

Winters in Buena Vista can be a beautiful sight ...



A piece of history



235+ years of history in Richland's giant white oak.



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Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.



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5	6 Township Workshop – 7 pm	7 ▲ Tax Collector Open Until 7:30 pm	8 ▲	9 ▲ Environmental Commission – 7 pm	10 ▲	11
12 <i>Lincoln's Birthday</i>	13 Township Caucus – 7 pm Township Meeting – 7:30 pm	14 <i>Valentine's Day</i>	15 Food Pantry Open MLK Center – 1 - 5 pm Historical Society – 7:30 pm	16 Planning/Zoning Board – 7:30 pm	17	18
19	20 <i>President's Day Observed</i> TOWNSHIP CLOSED	21 ▲ Recreation Committee – 7 pm	22 ▲ <i>Washington's Birthday</i>	23 ▲ MLK Advisory Board – 7 pm at the King Center	24 ▲	25
26	27 Township Caucus – 7 pm Township Meeting – 7:30 pm	28 <i>Mardi Gras</i>	PLEASE REPORT ILLEGAL DUMPING	Dial 911 for Police, Fire, EMS	Buena Vista Township was established in 1867	

Buena Vista Township Recycling, Yard Waste & Trash Collection Information for 2017

Recycling Collection Dates:

Recycling is collected on the same day as your scheduled trash day on the following weeks:

Jan. 10-13, 24-27	July 11-14, 25-28
Feb. 7-10, 21-24	Aug. 8-11, 22-25
March 7-10, 21-24	Sept. 5-8, 19-22
April 4-7, 18-21	Oct. 3-6, 17-20, 31
May 2-5, 16-19, 30-31	Nov. 1-3, 14-17, 28-30
June 1-2, 13-16, 27-30	Dec. 1, **12-15, 26-29

Yard Waste Collection Dates:

Jan. - 13, 27	July - 14
Feb. - none	Aug. - 11
March - 10, 24	Sept. - 8, 22
April - 7, 21	Oct. - 6, 20
May - 5, 19	Nov. - 3, 17
June - 2, 16, 30	Dec. - none

Yard waste must be placed in open cans or in biodegradable (paper) leaf bags

Trash is collected every week

- Please have all materials out by 7 a.m.
- Atlantic County's recycling program is a single-stream program. Paper, cardboard, cans, cartons, glass and plastic can all be placed in one container. No plastic bags or styrofoam.
- ** ACUA's Holiday Food Drive Collection Week: December 12-15
- Earth Day Festival, Sunday April 23, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Household Hazardous Waste Days: Jan. 14, March 4, May 6, July 15, Sept. 16, Nov. 4

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"In the News"



BIPARTISAN SUPPORT — Democratic Mayor John Krokos (left) of Buena Vista Township and Republican State Sen. Frank (Hap) Farley (second from right) of Atlantic County were among guests on hand to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Battistini on their new additions to the Harding House on Route 40 in Buena Vista Township. The additions include the Garrison Room, named after the couple's son, Gary and the San Anna Room, in memory of Mrs. Battistini's sister, Anna, who died in an automobile accident, and the couple's daughter, Sandra. (Larkin photo).

John Krokos, Pauline Battistini, Sen. Frank "Hap" Farley & Joe Battistini



R&L Food Market use to be located next to the Richland General Store on Route 40

Happening This Month



Miss Buena Vista Pageant "Sesquicentennial" Edition Sunday March 5th. Come be a part of history.



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5 <i>Founding of Buena Vista Township 1867</i> Miss Buena Vista Pageant – 1 - 4 pm	6 Township Workshop – 7 pm	7 ▲	8 ▲	9 ▲ Environmental Commission – 7 pm	10 ▲ ●	11
12 <i>Daylight Savings Time Begins</i>	13 Township Caucus – 7 pm Township Meeting – 7:30 pm	14 Municipal Alliance – 7 pm	15 Food Pantry Open MLK Center – 1 - 5 pm Historical Society – 7:30 pm	16 Planning/Zoning Board – 7:30 pm	17 <i>St. Patrick's Day</i>	18 DOG/CAT RABIES CLINIC E. Vineland Fire Hall – 10 am - noon Collings Lakes Fire Hall – 1 - 3 pm
19	20 <i>Spring Begins</i>	21 ▲ Recreation Committee – 7 pm	22 ▲	23 ▲ MLK Advisory Board – 7 pm at the King Center	24 ▲ ●	25
26	27 Township Caucus – 7 pm Township Meeting – 7:30 pm	28	29	30	31	REPORT STREET LIGHTS THAT ARE BURNT OUT



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Looking at 150 Years of History ...



Dr. J.P. Cleary School Play - 1950



A Look at Bygone Days in Buena Vista Township ...



2005 Annual BVT Easter Egg Hunt at Michael Debbi Park! This year it's on April 8th (rain date April 15th). Also, at MLK Center on April 1st!



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2	3 Township Workshop - 7 pm	4 ▲	5 ▲ Food Pantry Open MLK Center - 1 - 5 pm	6 ▲	7 ▲ ●	8 Easter Egg Hunt - 12 noon Michael Debbi Park (Rain date: April 15)
9 <i>Palm Sunday</i>	10 <i>Passover begins at sundown</i> Township Caucus - 7 pm Township Meeting - 7:30 pm	11	12	13 Environmental Commission - 7 pm	14 <i>Good Friday</i> TOWNSHIP CLOSED	15 Rain Date Easter Egg Hunt Michael Debbi Park - 12 noon
16 <i>Easter Sunday</i>	17	18 ▲ <i>Tax Day</i> Recreation Committee - 7 pm	19 ▲ Food Pantry Open MLK Center 1 - 5 pm Historical Society - 7:30 pm	20 ▲ Planning/Zoning Board - 7:30 pm	21 ▲ ●	22 <i>Earth Day</i>
23	24 Township Caucus - 7 pm Township Meeting - 7:30 pm	25	26	27 MLK Advisory Board - 7 pm at the King Center	28	29
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Buena Vista Township Going Green



Recycling is the Law!

Clean Communities Mini-Grants Available

There are Clean Community Mini-Grants available to youth/community groups in Buena Vista Township to clean up lands and/or roadways within the Township. You must be a non-profit group with a minimum of 20 people per group with one adult per every 10 children. For more information and guidelines, call Buena Vista Township at (856) 697-2100 or (609) 561-5650 extension 1.

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Buena Vista Township boasts five Volunteer Fire Departments and two Volunteer Rescue Squads plus mutual aid.

Richland Volunteer Fire Co.

Buena Vista Township Fire District #1

Original fire house was built in 1925. A new fire house was built in 2011 on the same plot of ground.

East Vineland Volunteer Fire Co.

Buena Vista Township Fire District #2

Original fire house was built in 1926 and consisted of two bays and a meeting room over top. Added on two bays two more times. The new fire house was built across the street in 2012. In 2000, Richland and East Vineland Fire Companies formed the Buena Vista Township Emergency Medical Services (BVT EMS). The Squad is housed at the East Vineland Fire Station. Funding is provided by the fire companies and Buena Vista Township. In 2010, Newtonville Fire Company came on board. BVT EMS currently serves all three fire districts.

Newtonville Volunteer Fire Co.

Buena Vista Township Fire District #3

This fire company was formed in 1934. In 1963, a new fire house was built and has seen some additions since then.

Milmay Volunteer Fire Co.

Buena Vista Township Fire District #4

Milmay Volunteer Fire Co. was formed in 1943. Before the fire house was erected, the pumper truck was kept in a garage behind the Milmay Inn. In 1948, the original fire house was ready. Today it is still used and was recently renovated after the Derechio Storm in 2012. The second floor contains a banquet hall.

Collings Lakes Volunteer Fire Co.

Buena Vista Township Fire District #5

This fire company was formed in 1964 with one pumper and a double bay fire house. They have come a long way with a number of expansions and a lot of hard work. In 2003, the Collings Lakes Ambulance Squad became part of the fire department.

Forest Fire Service

Buena Vista Township is covered by three Forest Fire Sections from Division "C", Southern New Jersey.

C4 Section, Forest Fire Control Technician, Quincy Jones.

C5 Section, Forest Fire Control Technician, John Knapp.

C9 Section, Forest Fire Assistant Division Forest Fire Warden, David Achey.

*See more fire photos on July & August pages.



WWII and Fire Memorial at Milmay Fire House



Fire prevention demonstration at Collings Lakes



Fire at Wilmad Glass in August 2012.



The Richland Feed Mill fire in 1969.

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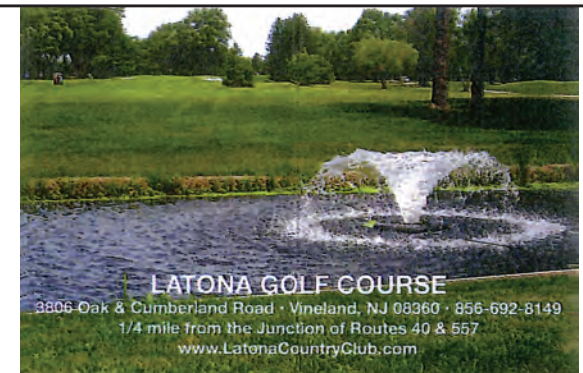
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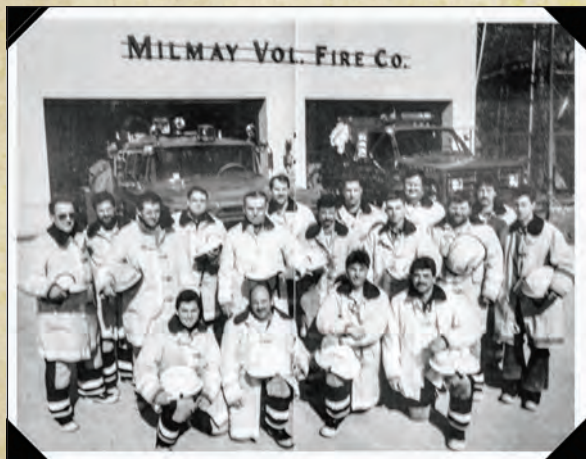


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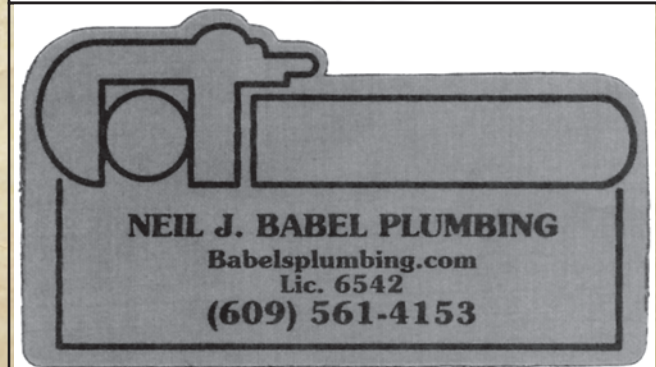
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East Vineland with their trophies and at American Pride Day



Chief Ron Ruggeri with Forest Fire Service vehicle



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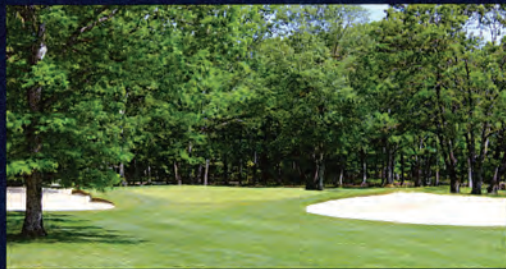
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1871	Vineland Railway Atsion to Bayside
1877	Philadelphia & AC Railway Camden to Atlantic City
1880	West Jersey & Atlantic Railroad Newfield to Pleasantvill
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Buena Vista, Buena Borough & Weymouth Township Municipal Drug Alliance

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- Natural Helpers
- Family Fun Day
- Intergenerational Program
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Teresa Kelly models a tee shirt made for the event



Kindness was recorded in the Township and our schools



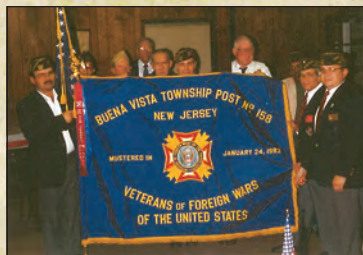
Getting ready to go to Trenton for our reward



On the steps of the State House in Trenton receiving our award



Working with our schools through the Natural Helpers program.



Our VFW Post #158



Michael Debbi Football Field lighting project with IBEW and other local electricians



Fame came to Richland with the mojito mint leaf grown on Dalponte Farms. The project was done in conjunction with Bacardi Rum and brought national and world attention when Richland became Mojito for a month. In exchange, Bacardi donated \$5000 to our Recreation Department for equipment.

Happenings in the community over the years ...



Our park in Newtonville was named after Committeeman Wilder Hines in 2003.



Waiting for the train in Richland Village.



Artist Janice Peroni and friends. We miss her ...



VFW Post #158 at a Memorial Day service at Saw Mill Park.

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Honory Township Committee from 8th Grade at Buena Regional Middle School 2016.



Cleary Kindergarten 2016 tour.

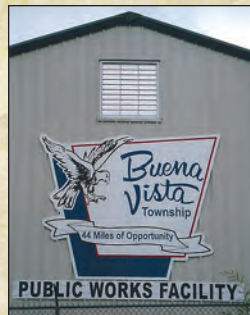


Original Public Works building dates to 1960's.



Most of our roads became asphalt from the mid 1990's on instead of oil and stone.

Public Works



Union Road near Oak Road



Ed Metzler, Supervisor



Our modern addition built in 2003



Gene Sykes, Supervisor

More Happenings ...



Independence Day 2015. Kate Volpe and Dolores Comparri



The Durham House on Cushman Avenue in Collings Lakes goes all out for Halloween in 2016



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Towns of Buena Vista

It's probably incorrect to use the term "towns," since we are only one municipality, but here are a few tidbits about our communities, neighborhoods, areas, etc.

When Buena Vista Township was created, it included present-day Buena Borough and Folsom.

Folsom, known previously as New Germany or Germantown, was part of Buena Vista Township from its beginning in 1867 to 1906 when it seceded citing the hardship of traveling to the Buena Hotel (later the Midway Inn) to vote.

Buena Borough

Landisville was founded in the 1860's by Charles K Landis. Domenic Martinelli represented Mr. Landis for 12 years, lots were sold and the town grew; it was the shopping center of the area, having over 100 businesses. The first post office was established in 1871.

Minotola - Jonas Glass was the beginning of making this place grow after George Jonas purchased 400 acres in 1892 and began his glass business. Previously called Jonas, it got the name Minotola in the late 1890's when Mr. Jonas named it in honor of a friend who was a direct descendant of the Minot Indians. This naming theory is found in a booklet entitled Minotola, NJ, published in 1907.

Of the areas that are still in Buena Vista Township, here are a few more thoughts.....

Cedar Lake

The area between Landisville and Folsom was known as Cedar Lake. It was a railroad stop. James D. Woodford was the first postmaster in 1870. Cedar Lake Wildlife Management Area (350+ acres) is there now. A project to settle the area never materialized.

Collings Lakes

Mr. Collings started growing cranberries in a bog at Cedar Lake. He sold this bog to developers in the early 1950's and they named this development Collings Lakes after him. Collings Lakes is in both Folsom, Buena Vista in Atlantic County and Monroe Township in Gloucester County.

East Vineland is a rural area, never intended to be a "town." Made up of self-sufficient farmers, it was just "east of Vineland," so no question about how this name came about. It did have a school early on, which was located on Landis Avenue just west of Union Road.

Milmay was half way between Mays Landing and Millville and that's why it is named Milmay. Land in this area with easy railroad access was sold through developers with ads in Philadelphia newspapers, and free excursions to see the land.

New Kuban was founded in 1953 by Cossack immigrants fleeing Communist Russia. Their beautiful church is on Weymouth Road is now closed; owned by the Russian Orthodox Church Outside Russia. All activities now take place in the New Kuban Historic Museum and Community Center on Don Road.

Newtonville

The streets and roads of this area appear on an 1860 map. The roads indicate a plan to have Newtonville develop into a town such as Landisville and Vineland. The planner worked with Charles K Landis. Home of the Martin Luther King Community Center, which also houses the African American Heritage Museum of Southern NJ.

Richland

Originally, the center of Richland was north of Rt. 40 along the railroad line. After Rt. 40 was put in, the town migrated to the location we think of as Richland today. Another area with property sold by developers out of Philadelphia. Richland Garden Farms was touted on one sale flyer we have seen.



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EARLY ROADS OF BUENA VISTA

By Ron Bates

The first roads were Indian footpaths used to go from their inland winter homes to their summer homes along the shore. They also used these paths for visiting other villages.

One of these paths is the "Long A Coming," reaching from Camden to Somers Point. This road went through Folsom, which was part of Buena Vista Township until the early 1900's. It was also a very important stage route.

Along this road was a tavern in Blue Anchor called "The Blue Anchor Tavern." (near St. Lucy's Church on current Rt. 73)

After the tavern a road called Blue Anchor Road headed south. This road went from Blue Anchor to a tavern called The Buena Hotel. Buena Hotel became the Midway Inn and was at the intersection of 54 and 40 where Dunkin' Donuts is now.

On its journey south, Blue Anchor Road crossed what was, and still is, Unexpected Road, going from Newtonville to Unexpected Bog. The next crossroad is Weymouth-Malaga Road. After that, the road met with Cohansey Road, going from Bridgeton to below Weymouth. At the intersection of Blue Anchor Road and Cohansey Road is Tuckahoe Road and the Buena Hotel mentioned above; that is, Routes 54 & 40.

In the mid to latter part of the 19th century, roads started finding their way to Buena from other towns. From Hammonton, 12th Street made its way to a bend on Blue Anchor Road above Weymouth-Malaga Road. This, over time, has become today's Route 54 to Hammonton.



Richland Crossing Phila. & Reading R.R.

Original minutes of the first Township meeting in 1867 from Buena Vista archives

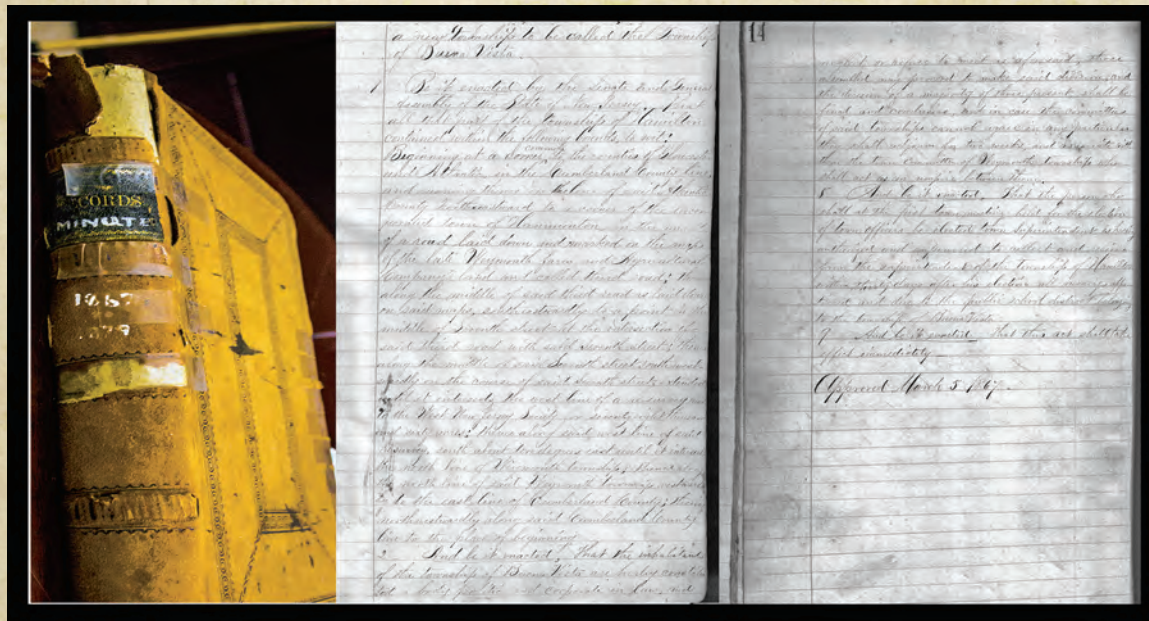


Photo by Harry Benson

First Township Committee (1867):

William Veal
Benejah Downs
John Morris, Jr
George Reick
David Brownson (Chairman)

FIRST TOWN MEETING

The first annual town meeting was to be held at the Inn of William Veal at the date and time approved for such a meeting. They were also to meet with Hamilton Township at the inn of John Champion in Mays Landing to divide properties and monies. Should there be any problems in reaching agreement, Weymouth Township officials would act as umpire.

Buena Vista Township's first election

Held at William Veal's hotel on March 13, 1867.

Names on the Poll List: 77

Ballots rejected: 0

First Schools mentioned in township minute books 1869

Amity	Oak Road	Vine Road
Downs	Buena Vista	Newtonville
New Germany		

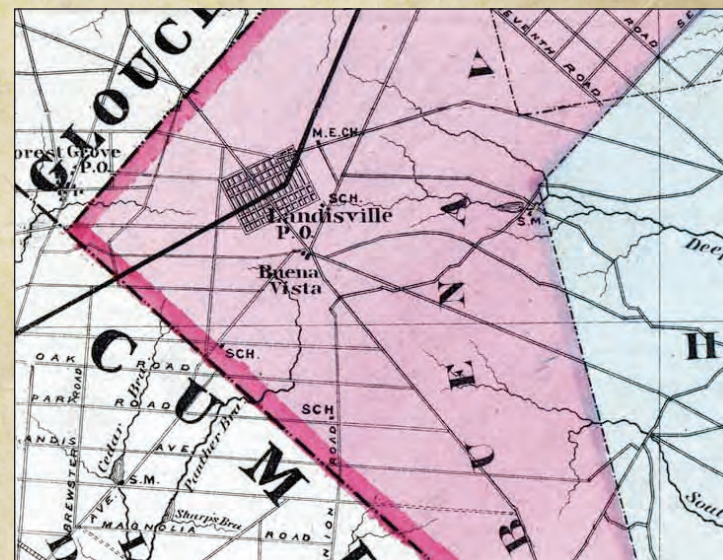
1871

Amity	Oak Road	Buena Vista
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Note: Vine Road has disappeared

Schools listed in 1916-17 tax book (100 years ago)

Buena Vista (N side of Blue Anchor Road)
East Vineland (Landis Ave W of Union)
Landisville (S side Arbor St; E of Tuckahoe Rd)
Minotola (SE corner of Pacific and West Ave)
Milmay (NW corner of High St and Tyler Ave)
Newtonville (10th and RR)
Oak Road (Oak Rd and Lincoln Ave)
Richland (Main Ave)
Wheat Road (N side Wheat Rd; E of Brewster)

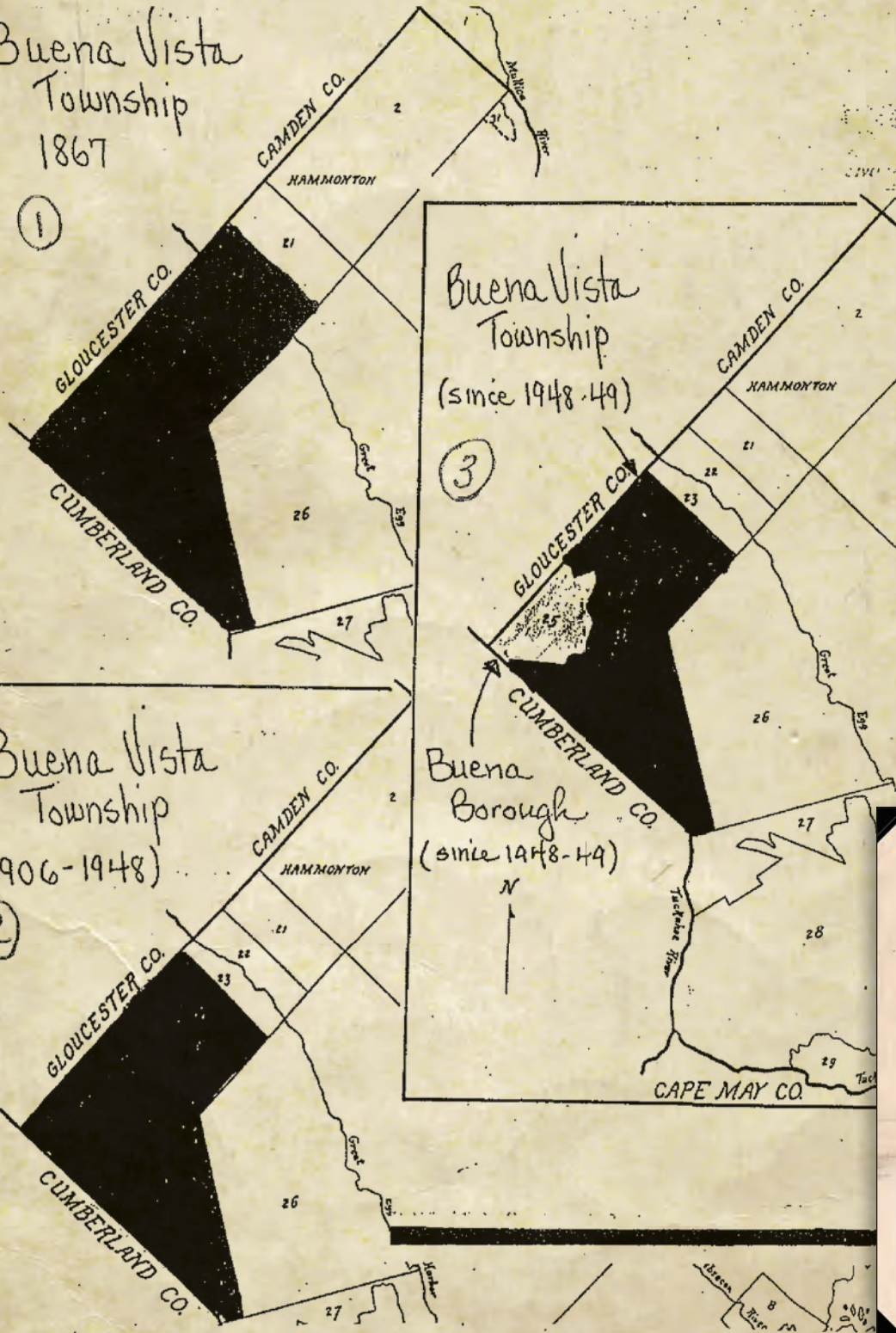


1872 - Friendship Church & Schools noted

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Buena Vista
Township
1867

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Buena Vista
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BUENA VISTA TOWNSHIP — HOW WE EVOLVED ...

Pre-Revolutionary War, it was called Great Egg Harbor Twp.
Post-Revolutionary War - Egg Harbor Township, Gloucester County
1798 - Weymouth Township, Gloucester County
1813 - Hamilton Township, Gloucester County
1837 - Hamilton Township, Atlantic County
1867 - Buena Vista Township created from Hamilton
1906 - a portion to Folsom borough
1948 - a portion to Buena borough

Source: The Story of New Jersey's Civil Boundaries 1606-1968
by John P. Snyder



1867 Min Book



Atlantic County 1872

BUENA VISTA'S ORIGINAL BOUNDARIES

Beginning at a corner common to the Counties of Gloucester and Atlantic in the Cumberland County line and running thence in the line of said Atlantic County northeastward to a corner of the incorporated town of Hammonton in the middle of a road laid down and marked on the map of the late Weymouth Farm and Agricultural Company land and called third road; thence along the middle of said third road as laid down on same map southeastwardly

to a point in the middle of Seventh street at the intersection of said third road with said Seventh street; thence along the middle of said Seventh street southwestwardly on the course of said Seventh Street extended until it intersects the west line of a re-survey made to the West New Jersey Society for seventy eight thousand and sixty acres; thence along said west line of said re-survey south about 10 degrees east until it intersects the north line of Weymouth township; thence along the north line of said Weymouth township westwardly to the east line of Cumberland County; thence northwestwardly along said Cumberland County line to the place of beginning.

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Santagata Store



Redmans' Hotel owned by Angelo Martinelli



Katie Lucchesi Store

MINOTOLA LANDISVILLE



LYRIC THEATRE—Landisville, N. J.

Landisville Diner



Hamburger's Shirt Factory.

Hamburger's Shirt Factory & Later Hoover Factory



Landisville Diner



Miss Buena Vista at Lyric Theater 1950



Original 1st National Bank of Minotola



*Mike Capizola Outside 1st National Bank of Minotola
being held by his father*



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Jonas Glass Factory Store, Minotola



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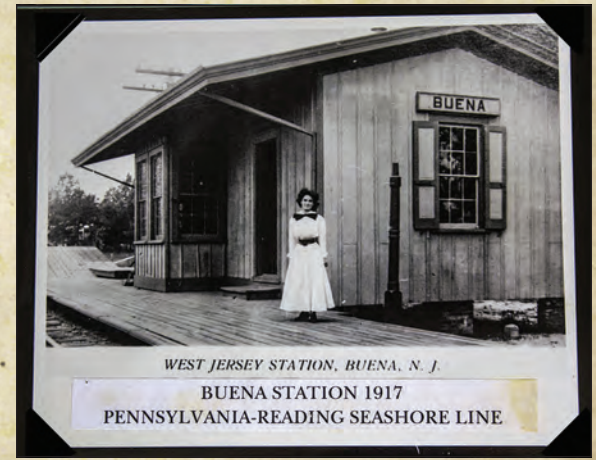
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JG Rowan Grocery



Rt. 54 School

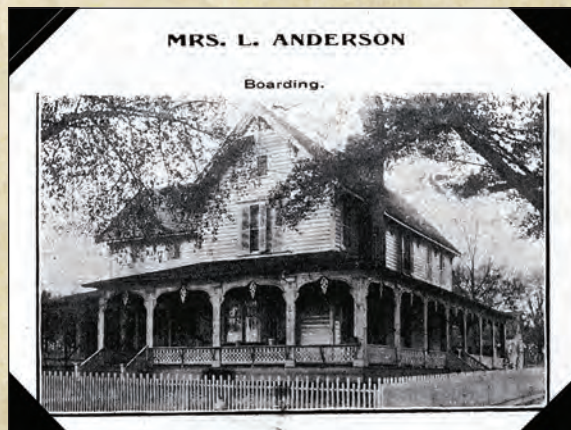
Rt. 54 School where "Library 5" Restaurant was



Catholic Church Boys Band



Battelini Garage & Vintage Tow Truck Landisville



MRS. L. ANDERSON

Boarding.

Mrs. L. Anderson & Boarding



Minotola School #2

BUENA/PANCOAST MILL



Road Along Pancoast Mill Lake



Pancoast Mill Pond



Pancoast Mill Pond



Shack to Control the Dam
at Pancoast Mill Pond
(still there)



Rambault Lilacs Farm Pancoast Mill



Rail Road Station at Pancoast Mill in Snow



Pancoast Mill Ice Skating



Friendship Church



100th Anniversary Friendship Church



Pancoast Mill 120 Years Old



2nd Pancoast House

RICHLAND



Richland General Store

Richland General Store was originally H. Amici & Co.



Richland Cabins, US Route 40



Richland, NJ Volunteer Fire Co., No. 1 July 15, 1925



St. Augustine Prep School Monastery was Originally the Wood Estate (Wawa Family)



Richland Hotel, Rizzo Building, Barbershop



Auto Road and Hotel at Richland, N.J. (Later US Route 40 and Main Avenue)



RICHLAND PUBLIC SCHOOL

Richland Public School & Now Board of Education Offices



Richland Sta.

Richland Train Station and Guard Shack



Gas Station on Route 40

RICHLAND



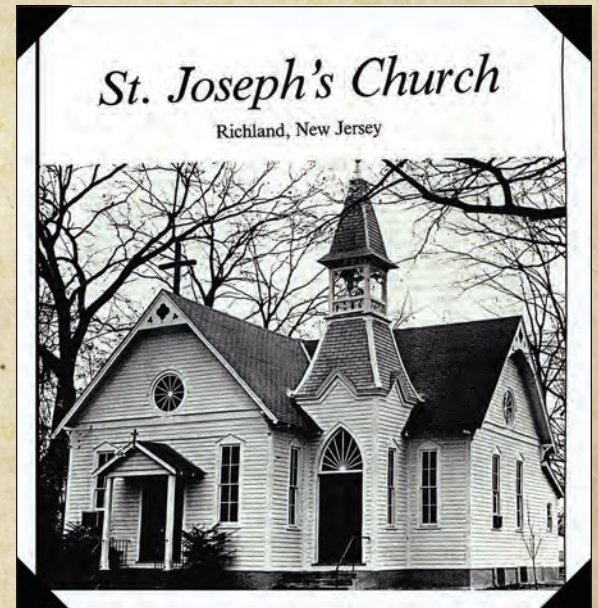
Reo Reta Spaghetti House Later Rio Rita, then Giacomo's Same Place on Route 40. Seen in the 1930's.



Giacomo's Restaurant in the 1950's. Same Place through the Decades



Richland Post Office - 1945



Church on Main & Sewell Avenues has been Baptist, Catholic & Ukrainian Gospel



Richland Post Office at 1942 Veterans Ceremony



Carlo's Esso Gas Station - 1952 (Later Gulf)



Richland 1942 Parade

RICHLAND



Country Living 1943



US Route 40 and Main Avenue Today.
State Highway 48 Back then-Near Richland General Store.
Notice Billboard and Police Car on right.



A Sailor at Tank's Bar 1942



Richland Veteran's Event 1942



Train Station and Guard Shack 1936 on Now US Route 40



AN ATTRACTIVE RICHLAND GARDEN FARM



The Gang in the snow by Tank's Bar
in Richland 1943



Richland Speeches 1945



Scouts in Richland 1945



Richland Honor Roll

MILMAY



Milmay Hotel



Milmay's 1st Fire Truck 1943



*Milmay-Yost House on Dirt Tuckahoe Road near Waldeck Avenue.
Still there, past Bertuzzi's Farm Market.*



Tobacco Farm at Waldeck Avenue



Milmay School on High Street 1920, Now a Home



Milmay Train Station



Kupetz Bar 1947



New Milmay School House – Now Gone



Summer Home of Rev. Joseph Taylor

EAST VINELAND



5 Points Gun Club



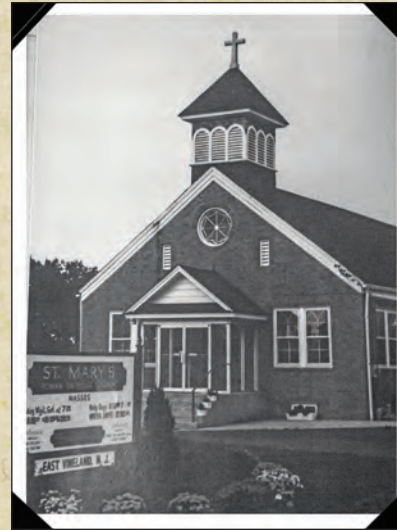
Casazza Homestead on Tuckahoe Road in East Vineland



1st Automobile in East Vineland



Anniversary Book



St. Mary's Today



FIRST COMMUNION — 1907 — REV. GIUSEPPE TARGIA.

St. Mary's Church - East Vineland 1907



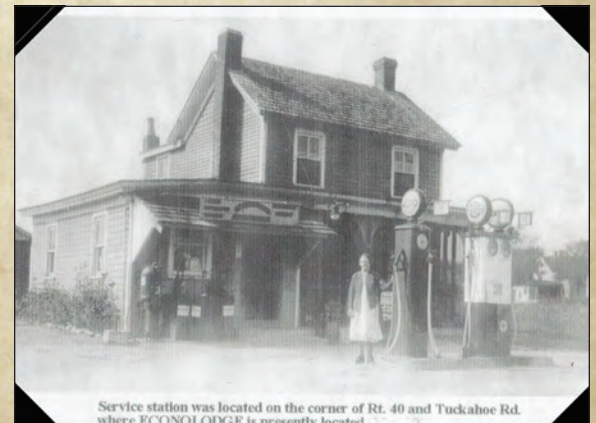
John Casazza Produce Stand (Now stands at 5 Points Intersection)



Savoy Hotel (Later Merighi's Savoy Inn)



Pagliughi's Gas Station (later, Gun Shop).



Service station was located on the corner of Rt. 40 and Tuckahoe Rd. where ECONOLIDGE is presently located

Service Station at Route 40 & Tuckahoe Road

NEWTONVILLE



*Seniors of Newtonville Bake Sale (Around 2008)
seen at Township Hall.*



Cedar Lake Dam on Jackson Road, now a wildlife management area.



Budd Mansion in Newtonville



*Dug Out House on Jackson Road Just off Route 54-
Hiding Place for Slaves, Storm Shelter*



*Bill Clark's Auto Parts on Route 54-
Home of creative steel artwork -
a Local Landmark*



*One of the Original Newtonville
Fire Chiefs Joe Beckett*



Newtonville Fire Company Officers - 2012



Cemetery on Jackson Road - 1800's



Today's Newtonville Volunteer Fire Company on Route 54



Original Newtonville School - 1922 - now a Home at Jackson Road and 10th Street

COLLINGS LAKE



Collings Lakes Vol. Fire Company, November 8, 1964



Fire Prevention Night



The Collings Lakes Ambulance Squad Became part of the Fire Company in 2003.



The Original Collings Lakes Fire Hall



Collings Lakes in Buena Vista has 600 Homes. It also has homes in Folsom and Monroe Township.



Christmas Play at Collings Lake Elementary School



Quigley Park in Collings Lakes was named after Township Committeeman John Quigley who started this Recreation Project and Township Recycling Efforts.



The Joey Reiser Playground located at the Collings Lakes Elementary School is a permanent Memorial to the young cancer victim.

PRE-COLLINGS LAKES/ FOLSOM 1867-1906

Miss Charlotte Cushman, 1853 Painted by Thomas Sully, Miss Cushman, a noted actress, purchased 495 acres of swamp land on December 2, 1866, which includes much of what is now Collings Lakes.



For nearly a century the lakes at Collings Lakes were cranberry bogs similar to the one pictured in this rare old photograph (below).



Cushman Lake was named for the actress, Miss Charlotte Cushman, who owned most of the land which is now Collings Lakes. This picture was taken from the dock at the George Hile home.
— Joseph Wilson.

NEW KUBAN

NEW KUBAN On Weymouth Road brought Cossack Culture to Buena Vista in 1953.



*New Kuban Russian Orthodox Church – 1960.
Owned by the Church of Russia just off of Route 54*



*Tony Sienczenko (Right) and
his Wife Nina (not pictured)
run the Museum*

*Inside the Museum is truly
like going back in History*



*The New Kuban Historic Museum on Don Road offers a
Museum, Cultural Events and 2 Annual BBQ's.*



Mayor Chuck Chilarello with Groundbreaking sign



Today's King Center with the A-Frame Roof Added in 2014



*Groundbreaking Ceremony in 1995 with
Rev. David Mallory, Roberta Corbitt, Deputy Mayor
Teresa Kelly, Committeeman Rosario "Butch" D'Amore
and Senator Nick Asselta.*

THE WILD AND SCENIC MAURICE RIVER PROJECT



*Vice President Al Gore was joined by Leaders
of many Towns to provide Federal Protection to the waters that
flow to become the Maurice River. It was dedicated in 1994.*

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING COMMUNITY CENTER

This project was started in 1995 and replaced 2 Trailers on the site that served as an Office and Nutrition Site. A Modular Building that served as a Harrah's Casino Training Center was purchased from Brigantine for one dollar and rebuilt on Jackson Road in Newtonville.

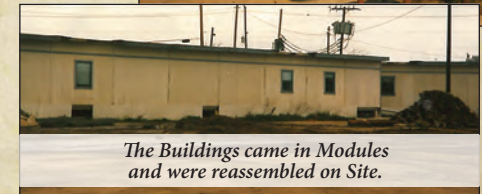
The building is 10,000 Sq. Ft.



The Center when Originally Completed in 1998.



The Center During Construction



*The Buildings came in Modules
and were reassembled on Site.*



*Mayor Rosario D'Amore joined Vice President Gore, Senator Frank
Lautenberg, Congressman Bill Hughes and others to protect this
National Treasure that has its Head Waters in Buena Vista*

THE BUILDING OF THE RICHLAND VILLAGE PROJECT (2004 AND ON)



Groundbreaking – November 23, 2004



This Building that resembled the Original Richland Train Station was moved to Route 40



A Cape May Seashore Lines Train rolled in on Groundbreaking day – November 23, 2004.



The house on Main Avenue was transported to the Route 40 Railroad Crossing and improved.



The Parking Area at the Train Station



The day of first train ride to Tuckahoe in Cape May County was pouring rain



Local Wine Connoisseur John Mahoney conducted regular scheduled wine tours on the trains in the Café Car.



The First Train enters Richland Village and breaks the ribbon to Kick-Off service on October 8, 2005



This building was a clothing factory and other things became the Patcong Valley Model Railroad



The Members of the Patcong Model Railroad Society built the inside of the above building from the ground up



This Children's Wooden Train made in Amish Country in Ohio is a popular feature of Saw Mill Park



The Sidewalks, Lights and other Improvements were part of over 3 Million Dollars in Grants Buena Vista received.



The Renovated Patcong Valley Model Railroad Building



The Lobby of the Patcong Building is used as the Buena Vista Township Visitors Center



This switch Tower located in a backyard of a home in Newfield was donated and moved to Buena Vista



Our Public Works Department renovated the WI 1906 Switch Tower and located it on the siding in Richland Village.

MICHAEL DEBBI PARK PROJECTS AND GROWTH



Michael Debbi Park is located on Cedar Avenue in Richland and contains over 215 Acres of Land and Facilities



Michael Debbi was a longtime Roads Supervisor (Public Works) who led the way in developing Buena Vista.



The Veteran's Pavilion was added in 1997



Thousands have enjoyed the Veteran's Pavilion.



The Special Events Center was a marvel of construction that is the focal point of the park, the site of summer concerts and dozens of events.



The finished project



Summer Concerts every year!



This Giant Stone was donated as a Veteran's Memorial. It adjoins the Pavilion and Court Yard.



STATE POLICE TROOP A HEADQUARTERS GROUND BREAKING 1995



A Great Day for Buena Vista as the Township Committee breaks ground with Attorney General Deborah Poritz, Colonel of the State Police Carl Williams and State Senator Nick Asselta.



A concept drawing of the State Police building located on 100 acres of property on NJ Route 54.



The Ceremony was held along the side of Route 54 on May 3, 1995. The facility officially opened on November 8, 1996.



Construction moved rapidly. The facility includes a full service garage, helicopter landing zone and a firing range.

The "State of the Art" Facility was the most modern in the State at the time. It is both a Headquarters for South Jersey Troop A and the Buena Vista Road Station.

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE IN ACTION



Committeeman
John Quigley



Committeeman
Bill Fennen



Committeeman John Armato
Halloween 2016



Smokey and Friends



Acknowledging Sam Pustizzi's
work in the BVT Parks Department



The Brunozzi Family at the
Dedication of Sam Brunozzi Way
at Michael Debbi Park



Committeeman Bob James
always involved
in Recreation



An Annual January Reorganization Meeting



Acknowledging the Welfare Board's Service



Committeewoman Sue Barber being Sworn-in



Dedication of Bob James Softball Field
at Michael Debbi Park



"It's A Toy Store" toy show



Recognizing Evelyn Hunter's Service to the Community



Acknowledging our Sports Teams.



Recognizing Tony Monfredo Jr. for saving a life.



Recognizing Ted Frank's Service to Buena Vista



Looking over a Super Bowl Trophy brought
to the Township meeting by a guest.



Recognizing Charles and Martha Reilly's Service
to the community.

TOWNSHIP EMPLOYEES OVER THE YEARS....



LaVerne Gunter, Township Clerk



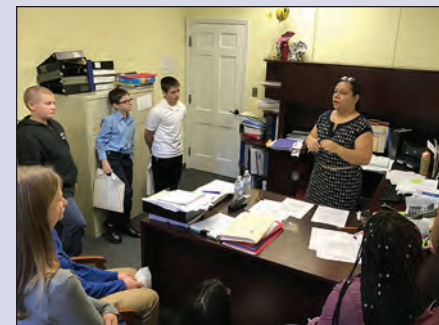
Ron Trebing, Administrator/CMFO



Pete Micheletti, Tax Collector



Memories of Mayor Sam Brunoizzi



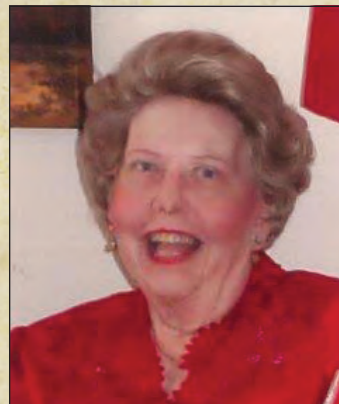
Frank Giglio, Public Works



Al Pellegrini, Zoning Officer



Linda Gonzales, Township Clerk



Diane Wertz, Tax Office



Buena Regional Middle School 8th Grade Students Tour Buena Vista Township on Honorary Township Committee Day on October 24, 2016. They are seen at Saw Mill Park, the Clerk's Office and the Administrator's Office.



Miliana Miller, Municipal Court (Left) and Pam McDaniels, Clerk's Office



Mannetta Bylone, Court Administrator



Pam McDaniels, Mayor's Office and Lisa Tilton, Township Clerk



Minnie Molinelli, Township Clerk and Karl Molinelli, Public Works



Public Works Caboose Project

SCHOOLS STARTED IN BUENA VISTA IN 1866



John C. Milanesi School on Route 40



Recognizing John Zucal and his Family



Buena Regional High School



The Milmay School from 1910 still exists as a home



Freeholder Joe Kelly at Prep School Dedication



The Bishop blesses the new hall at St. Augustines Prep School



Restaurant and Milk Route in Minotola



A Blacksmith Shop



Redman's Hall/Hotel - Landisville



Minotola #2 School - Gathering 1944

CHURCHES IN BUENA VISTA



1st Baptist Church of Richland



St. Mary's Church in Milmay, now a Christian church



St. Steven's Church in Newtonville



The Midway Inn on US Route 40 was originally a Stage Coach Stop



Teachers in Buena Vista

PEOPLE AND PLACES IN BUENA VISTA TOWNSHIP



Public Works at the Completion of the Wooden Caboose Renovation in Richland Village



Santa Resting on the Santa Express Train in Richland Village



Founder and CEO Ralph Hunter at the African American Heritage Museum at the King Center Started in 2003



Joe Giercyk and Cecelia Bachinsky at a Memorial Day Service in Milmay



Lou Amico and Friends



Betty and Carlo Merighi



Swinging at Michael Debbi Park



Chicken Farming use to be a big industry in Buena Vista

FARMING A VITAL PART OF BUENA VISTA... STILL THE "GARDEN" IN THE GARDEN STATE



The fields grow abundantly in East Vineland, Richland and Milmay



Spring at Tuckahoe Road and Route 40



Horse Farming



Farm Markets like Bertuzzi's are a treat for locals and shore bound visitors



Simone's Apple Orchards



Tomatoes on the way to the Market



Buena Vista Farmer Eric M. Hensel speaks at a Buena Historic Society Meeting in 2016



A Great Meal at 1st Baptist Church of Richland



Gloria and Joe Santini at Nancy's Store. Great memories.

BUENA VISTA HISTORY AND FACTS

A Brief History and Overview of Buena Vista Township

Written by Mayor Chuck Chiarello, January 1997 • Updated December 2016



H. Amici & Co. (Richland General Store)

In 1692 this area was part of Cape May County. By 1694 we were part of Gloucester County. In 1695 our area was called Great Egg Harbor, which was also known as New Weymouth. In 1798 we became part of Weymouth Township until 1813 when we became part of Hamilton Township. In 1837 Atlantic County was formed. On March 5, 1867 Buena Vista Township, Atlantic County was established, separating from Hamilton. Buena Vista Township today is somewhat smaller than it was when it was originally established in 1867. At that time, the areas that we know today as Folsom and Buena Borough were part of Buena Vista Township. In 1906 Folsom separated from the Township followed by Buena Borough in 1949.

The earliest settlements in Buena Vista Township can be traced to a pristine body of water known as Deep Run in the Pancoast Mill area. Wildlife and rare species can be found in this particular portion of the Township. Deep Run (part of the Great Egg Harbor River system) lent itself to an early sawmill being developed by John Campbell. Campbell originally bought land in Buena Vista Township in 1773. In 1779, he opened a tavern known as "Ye Olde Midway Inn." In 1774, the Methodist Church (Friendship Church) was established by Aguilla Down and Ambrose Pancoast. The original Friendship Church and the former site of the modern day Midway Inn are now in Buena Borough.

The Buena Vista School District was established in 1866, one year prior to Buena Vista Township being created. Several original school buildings in the Township still exist, though the earliest ones prior to 1900 are no longer standing. The school in Milmay is now a private home and was built around 1915. The first school in Newtonville still stands on Jackson Road at 10th Street, and is now a private home too.

The area known as Newtonville was planned to be developed by an acquaintance of Charles K. Landis, the developer of Vineland, but it never bloomed to its anticipated level. Newtonville has several historical cemeteries. The Collings Lakes area was originally cranberry bogs that were later filled to make lakes. A housing community was developed around the bogs there in the 1950's. Buena Vista Township's farmlands in Richland, East Vineland and Milmay truly put the word "garden" in the Garden State. Our area is noted for its tomatoes, corn, peppers and other vegetables. In our modern era, we also grow a variety of unusual vegetables for specialty purposes and greenhouse operations offer a wide variety of flowers and plants. The name Buena Vista, which means "good vision," was originally introduced to this area after the Mexican War by George B. Cake, a hotel owner, in 1848.

Buena Vista Township has a diverse, cultural background, with residents of almost every religion. Our earliest settlers were Dutch and Swedish, followed by English and Scottish, African Americans,

Germans, Irish and Welsh. Later came the Italians, Jews, Russians and Puerto Ricans. In 1953 a Russian community, New Kuban, was established on Weymouth Road.

We have vast farmlands, beautiful Pinelands, wildlife, precious bodies of water and even beaches in Collings Lakes. While most people perceive this area to be flat, we are actually on higher ground than many areas in Southern New Jersey. In the farmlands of Milmay, East Vineland and Richland, several rivers have their headwaters (starting point). The Manumaskin Drainage Basin (part of the Maurice River) along with the Tuckahoe and South Rivers (tributaries of the Great Egg Harbor River) are significant in their environmental impact to the region and start in Buena Vista.

The original reason that people came to this area was the soil that was available for farming and the sand which helped produce both sand mining operations and glass manufacturing plants. Today, soil and sand are still the primary business in Buena Vista Township. Farms are abundant and Comar is an example of the specialty glass and plastics industry that is still present in Buena Vista.

In modern times, Buena Vista Township employment is made up of people in all different backgrounds – from laborers and farmers, to business and professional people, as well as, casino employees.

Our children are educated by the Buena Regional School District which serves both Buena Vista and Buena Borough as well as students in Estell Manor and Weymouth. We are also home to the St. Augustine Prep School in Richland and St. Mary's Regional School in East Vineland.

The logo on the Township banner shows an eagle that symbolizes the Township's strength and states the slogan: "44 miles of Opportunity." In actuality, the size of the Township is 41.53 square miles. In 2000, the census showed a population of 7,436 and 2,648 homes. As we enter the year 2016, our population is estimated to be around 7,506 residents with about 2,786 homes. Ninety percent of Buena Vista Township is located within the confines of the area known as the Pinelands. The area to the west of Union Road in East Vineland is the only portion of the Township that is outside the Pinelands. The Pinelands is a natural land reserve covering 53 towns in 7 counties in southern and central New Jersey. Beneath the Pinelands is the Kirkwood-Cohansey aquifer, the largest underground supply of water on the east coast of the United States.

The Township is served by the New Jersey State Police. On November 8, 1996, the New Jersey State Police opened Troop A Headquarters, serving all of South Jersey, on Route 54 in Buena Vista. The facility includes barracks, administrative offices, vehicle maintenance, heliport and a target range.

Five volunteer fire companies service the Township: Richland, East Vineland, Newtonville, Collings Lakes, and Milmay. Each fire district has commissioners that are elected by residents within their boundaries. Tax dollars and donations are used to operate the fire companies. Three volunteer rescue squads service the Township but do not receive direct taxpayer dollars, only contributions from the Township, Fire Districts and the public. The Collings Lakes Fire



Auto, Road and Hotel at Route 40, Richland, NJ.

Rescue and the BVT EMS are based in our Township. The BVT EMS is a joint effort of the East Vineland, Richland and Newtonville Fire Companies and started operations in 2000. Collings Lakes Fire Rescue operates the former Collings Lakes Ambulance Association. The Milmay area is served by the Dorothy Rescue Squad.

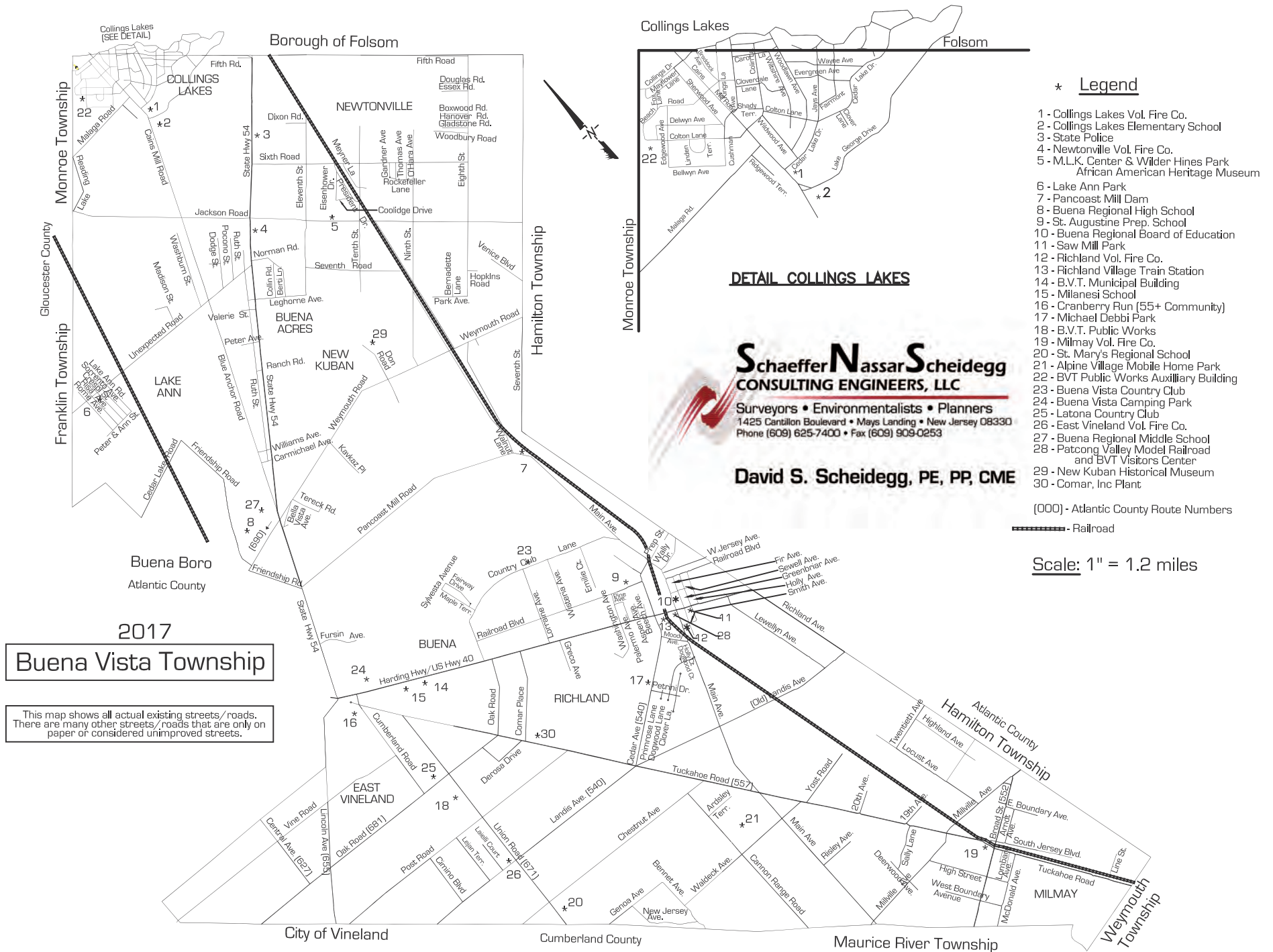
In 1998, the Dr. Martin Luther King Community Center opened in Newtonville and was joined in 2003 by the African American Heritage Museum at the same site. The Center features community programs and the Buena Head Start provided by Gateway in 2017.

Our community has a "Township Committee" form of government. There are four voting districts. Five township committee members are elected for staggered three-year terms to serve our residents. Each committee member is elected "at-large," meaning that voters from all districts of the Township vote on all their elected leaders. The Township re-organizes each January. A member of the Township Committee is selected to act as Chairperson/Mayor of Buena Vista. An additional member of the Committee is chosen to be Vice-Chairperson/Deputy Mayor. The Township Committee is the decision-making body for the government of Buena Vista Township. All daily operations are handled by the Township Administrator and the various department heads. All business for the Township passes through the Township Committee, which acts on laws applicable to our community that are established by the State of New Jersey.

Many people identify Buena Vista Township by the area they live in, such as Buena, Richland, Milmay, East Vineland, Newtonville, Collings Lakes, New Kuban, Lake Ann, or Buena Acres. Buena Vista Township is served by 10 post offices including: Buena, Milmay, Richland, Newtonville, Williamstown, Newfield, Mays Landing, Minotola, Landisville and Vineland. We are located in the western end of Atlantic County on the border with Cumberland and Gloucester Counties. Our voters cast ballots in New Jersey's 2nd Legislative District and nationally in the 2nd Congressional District. Our community has two telephone area codes, 609 and 856.

The Richland Village Project broke ground on November 23, 2004. It includes redevelopment along US Route 40 and the restoration of The Cape May Seashore Lines excursion train service which started again on October 8, 2005. Richland Village is also home of the Patcong Valley Model Railroad and the 100 plus year old Richland General Store. The Project continues to evolve.

At the writing of this brief history, Buena Vista Township is 150 years old. In 1967, the 100th Anniversary of the Township was celebrated and was quite a festive occasion. In 2017, the Township celebrates its 150th Anniversary – the Sesquicentennial. As a resident of Buena Vista Township, you can feel proud of the history and culture that your community has inherited.



OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm
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Lisa A. Tilton, RMC / Township Clerk / CMR
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ANIMAL CONTROL, Township Clerk during normal business hours 1

Shore Animal Control 1-800-351-1822
Night & weekend emergencies only call State Police 609-561-1800

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MAYOR & TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE 8

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Office hours in BVT: Monday & Friday 9 am to 12 noon
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SCHOOLS

Buena Board of Education www.buena.k12.nj.us 856-697-0800
Buena Regional High School 856-697-2400
Buena Regional Middle School 856-697-0100
Collings Lakes Elementary School 856-885-4994
Dr. JP Cleary Elementary School 856-697-8080
John C. Milanesi Elementary School 856-697-0605
Our Lady of Mercy Academy www.edline.net 856-697-2008
St. Augustine Preparatory School www.augustinian.org 856-697-2600
St. Mary's Regional School www.smrschool.org 856-692-8537

ATLANTIC COUNTY & OTHER SERVICES

Atlantic County Government – Main number	609-345-6700
Atlantic County Intergenerational Services/Social Services	2-1-1
Atlantic County Library – Mays Landing Branch	609-625-2776
Hammonton Branch	609-561-2264
Atlantic County Mosquito Control	877-643-2287
Atlantic County Transportation-Senior/Handicapped/Disabled ...	609-645-5910
Atlantic County Utilities Authority (ACUA)	609-272-6950
Atlantic County Welfare Services	609-348-3001
Board of Elections	609-645-5878
Board of Freeholders	609-645-5900
Board of Taxation	609-645-5820
County Clerk	609-625-4011
Health Department	609-645-5935
Sheriff	609-909-7200
Superintendent of Elections	609-343-2245
Surrogate	609-343-2341

ANIMAL/WILDLIFE CONTROL

Atlantic County Animal Shelter	609-485-2345
SPCA (serving Atlantic County)	609-927-6265
SPCA (serving Cumberland County)	856-691-1500
NJ Wildlife Control Unit	609-748-2044

DOG/CAT LICENSES

Renewals are required annually with a valid rabies vaccination.

(Late fee charged after March 31st)

DOG LICENSES FEES	CAT LICENSES FEES
\$12.00 Neutered	\$7.00
\$15.00 Non-Neutered	\$9.00
\$7.00 Late Fee	\$7.00

FREE RABIES CLINIC

BVT will be holding 4 free rabies and licensing clinics for dogs and cats at various fire halls in the Township during the month of March. See the calendar for details. The Atlantic County Animal Shelter also holds free clinics in Pleasantville. Call 609-485-2345 for more details.

POST OFFICES LOCATED IN BUENA VISTA

Buena	Zip Code-08310	856-697-2828
Milmay	Zip Code-08340	609-476-3215
Newtonville	Zip Code-08346	609-567-2389
Richland	Zip Code-08350	609-697-2846

OTHER AREA ZIP CODES:

Dorothy 08317	Hammonton 08037	Landisville 08326
Minotola 08341	Vineland 08360	Williamstown 08094

OTHER IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Buena Outreach (Senior Center)	856-697-1030
Nutrition Site (Senior Meals)	856-697-0698
Hammonton Family Center – Energy assistance & other services	609-567-2900
Abundant Living Church Food Pantry	609-561-6019
4 th Tuesday of each month – 5-7 pm	
Community FoodBank of Southern NJ (Egg Harbor Twp.)	609-383-8843
Impact Harvest foodbank@impactharvest.org	856-690-9397
Emergency – Police/Fire/EMS/Ambulance	9-1-1
NJ State Police – Buena Vista	609-561-1800
Gloucester County Dispatch Center	856-589-0911
NJ Transit Bus/Rail www.njtransit.com	973-275-5555
NJ Pinelands Commission	609-894-7300
NDOT www.njdot.us/transportation	609-588-6213
Pot hole/Deer Carcass Removal/Highway Complaints	
Red Cross	609-646-8330

BVT VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANIES / DISTRICTS

Emergencies Call 9-1-1

Richland Volunteer Fire Co., District No. 1	856-457-5158
East Vineland Volunteer Fire Co., District No. 2	856-213-5854
Newtonville Volunteer Fire Co., District No. 3	609-561-5593
Milmay Volunteer Fire Co., District No. 4	609-476-2020
Collings Lakes Volunteer Fire Co., District No. 5	609-561-9614

UTILITIES

Atlantic City Electric ...	www.atlanticcityelectric.com	Non-Emergency	800-642-3780
		Emergency	800-833-7476
Comcast Cable.....	www.comcast.com		800-COMCAST
South Jersey Gas.....	www.southjerseygas.com	Non-Emergency	888-766-9900
		Emergency	800-582-7060
Verizon	www.verizon.com	Repair	800-837-4966
		Customer Service	800-922-0204

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING COMMUNITY CENTER

The Dr. Martin Luther King Community Center is located at 661 Jackson Road in Newtonville. Various programs and events (some listed below) take place at the Center. Rental of the facilities requires fees and an application to be filled out at the MLK Center.

MLKCenter@buenavistanj.com

Quentin McClendon, Director.....QMcClendon@buenavistanj.com

Seniors of the Newtonville Area.....609-704-7262

Food Pantry open 1st & 3rd Wednesdays 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm

African American Heritage Museum www.aahmsnj.org609-704-5495

TOWNSHIP SERVICES and INFORMATION

ROAD MAINTENANCE, SNOW REMOVAL, POTHOLE

Our Public Works Department provides street repair and snow removal. Please address any questions or problems to the Township Clerk's office or call Public Works at 856-692-4121 & leave message. Normal hours (M-F) 7:30 am – 3:30 pm.

PARKS & RECREATION

Our Public Works Department maintains park and recreation facilities in Richland, Lake Ann, Newtonville & Collings Lakes for use by our residents. Questions about use/rental of our parks should be addressed to Clerk's Office at Township Hall (Press 1). All groups require fees & an application to be filled out & submitted to the Recreation Committee. For use/rental of Wilder Hines Park, contact the MLK Center at 609-704-7262.

TRASH & RECYCLING



Municipal trash and recycling services are provided by the Atlantic County Utilities Authority (ACUA). **Trash and recycling problems, and questions should be directed to the ACUA at 609-272-6950 or 800-613-2282 / www.acua.com.**

GENERAL TRASH RULES / REQUIREMENTS

- Residents are encouraged to limit their weekly trash to three (3) 32 gallon containers or the equivalent per collection or 96 gallon containers may be used.
- Recycling is mandatory. Make sure to separate all recyclable items from your trash for curbside pickup. Single Stream recycling makes it easy to put all recyclables in the same blue containers.
- Excess trash will be left until the next pick up date if over the limit. Please remove excess trash from the curb until the next pick up date.
- Two (2) tires per week without rims will be picked up at curbside.
- Trash containers shall be metal or plastic, water tight, have handles, not exceed 32 gals. & weigh no more than 50 lbs. when filled. Large 96 gallon containers must be on wheels. Plastic bags may be used in place of containers. Metal drums are NOT acceptable. Please secure trash from animals. Loose or non-contained trash will not be picked up.
- Bulky trash (mattress, couch, furniture) will be collected on your trash day – limit (2) items per week. Bundles of painted or stained wood should be cut in 4 ft. lengths and must not weigh more than 50 lbs. per bundle.
- ACUA collects only residential trash. Commercial, industrial, building or demolition projects must provide for their own dumpster and arrange for pick-up by a private hauler.
- Placement time: All waste materials set out for collection shall be placed at curbside no later than 7 am on collection day and no sooner than 7 pm on the evening before. All empty waste containers must be removed from curbside by 7 pm on the day of collection.
- Trash rule violations carry penalties of a \$100.00 - \$500.00 fine and/or community service may be assessed.
- Yard Waste (leaves, brush, grass, clean wood): Place loose material in labeled cans or biodegradable kraft-type bags – bags should not exceed 50 lbs.
- Brush/branches must be bundled & tied with twine & should not exceed 4 ft. in length or 4"- 6" in diameter.

BVT RECYCLING DROP OFF CENTER

The Center is open to all BVT residents – proof is required. The items below will be accepted on the 1st Saturday of each month at the Public Works Yard at 430 Union Rd. between 8 am & 12 noon (some holidays may cause dates to change).

ITEMS ACCEPTED AT NO CHARGE: appliances, metals, motor oil, brush/leaves in biodegradable Kraft-type bags, bulky rigid plastics, recyclables, e-waste, auto/light truck tires (rims must be removed) limit up to 4, truck/farm equipment tires (rims must be removed) limit up to 2 per month.

RECYCLING DROP OFF CENTER RULES

- ➔ Center is for residential use.
- ➔ None of the following will be accepted: Household trash, construction, demolition or business materials, shingles, wood (painted, stained or treated), houses, barns, sheds, wooden fences or cement.
- ➔ Recyclable items must be presorted and ready for disposal.
- ➔ The Township reserves the right to limit quantities and to refuse unacceptable items.
- ➔ You must unload yourself.
- ➔ No tipping.



SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING

Atlantic County's recycling program is a single-stream program. Recyclable items can now go together in one container: All flattened cardboard and pizza boxes, office papers, newspaper & magazines, brown paper bags, aluminum cans, telephone & paperback books, paperboard, glass bottles & jars, junk mail, tin & steel cans together in the same containers without separating. Special Plastic Note: Recycle all plastic containers with a number 1 thru 7. Please NO Styrofoam or plastic bags. Check our website for current acceptable recycling items or www.acua.com.

BLUE RECYCLING CONTAINERS



The County provides each home in Buena Vista with one recycling container. The containers are the property of the ACUA and are to be used only for acceptable recycling items. Any trash placed in the blue containers will not be removed by the ACUA. Contact ACUA for replacement containers (there may be a cost for additional containers). Blue containers purchased at retail stores may also be used. Each home is entitled to one 96 gallon recycling container on wheels.

E-WASTE (ELECTRONIC WASTE)

Curbside pickup is not available. You can drop these items off at no cost at the BVT Public Works Yard, 430 Union Road (near Oak Road) on the first Saturday of each month between 8 am and 12 noon. Items may also be dropped off at any Goodwill and other approved locations. Check the ACUA's website for options.

Items covered: TVs, monitors, terminals, CRTs, CPUs, cables, keyboards, telephones, printers, copiers, typewriters, modems, telephone mainframes, laptops, mainframe equipment, fax machines, medical equipment, lab equipment & other electronic items.

CURBSIDE LEAF MACHINE COLLECTION AREAS

Our curbside leaf machine collection will be done during the months of November, December, and April. This collection will be done only in Cedar Gardens, DeRosa Drive, Country Club area, and the Collings Lakes section of the Township. Dates will be posted on Channel 9, our website, and via flyers. All leaves must be raked to the curb by the first date announced for leaf machine pick up in the above areas. Schedule is subject to change depending on weather conditions. All other times of the year, leaves must be bagged (in biodegradable Kraft-type bags) and placed at the curb for regular yard waste collection provided by the ACUA (dates noted on our calendar). Call the BVT Public Works Department at 856-692-4121 for more details or for scheduled pick up in areas not listed above.

NON-CURBSIDE LEAF COLLECTION OR BRUSH PICK-UP AREAS

Residents are required to phone our Public Works Department to arrange for pick-up service for leaves, brush, and yard waste so that it may be scheduled in advance for pick up. There are no pick-ups in February, July or August. Residents with leaves and brush in the Curbside Leaf Collection Program (above) areas do not need to call for pick up.

ZONING OFFICER / PERMITS (Also see phone number list)

The Township Zoning Officer handles permits for many types of home improvement projects such as additions, sheds, porches, fences, patios, chimneys, pools, garages, pole barns, and home occupations. Local permits must also be completed for any state building permits listed below in advance.

STATE BUILDING PERMITS (Also see phone number list)

Building permits are required for new home construction, new roofs and shingles, siding, and certain window changes. State of NJ Construction Code Officials/ Building Inspectors handle these permits on behalf of Buena Vista Township.

PINELANDS COMMISSION APPROVALS

Many building and land projects require the approval of the New Jersey Pinelands Commission. They can be contacted at 609-894-7300 or at their website <http://state.nj.us/pinelands> where you can download an application. Residents should also speak to our Zoning Officer or State Building Inspectors before starting any projects. Additional forms for Pinelands issues can be found on the Township website.

HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM

Periodically, funds are available through the State of New Jersey Small Cities Program and Atlantic County to fix homes needing critical repairs. Loans and some partial grants are available based on income levels. Emergency programs may also be available. Please contact the Township Clerk's office for additional information.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LOANS

A revolving low-interest loan program may be available to new and existing Township businesses for facades, expansion and to create new jobs. Applications are available at the Township Clerk's office. Subject to availability of funds.

STREET LIGHTS

Residents are urged to report street lights that have burned out or in need of repair to the Township Clerk's office or directly to Atlantic City Electric by phoning 800-642-3780 or their website www.atlanticcityelectric.com. Please provide the pole number which is located on a metal plate just above eye level on each pole and the closest street location or intersection of the pole when reporting any problems.

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETINGS

All meetings are held at Township Hall. Action may be taken at all meetings.
Regular Meetings – 7:30 pm, Caucus – 7:00 pm
Held on the 2nd & 4th Monday of each month (except holidays)
Workshop Meeting – 7:00 pm, Held on 1st Monday of most months
Planning/Zoning Board Meeting – 7:30 pm, Held on 3rd Thursday of each month (except November meeting held on Tuesday before Thanksgiving)

TOWNSHIP HOLIDAYS

New Year's Day, Dr. Martin Luther King's Birthday, President's Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving Thursday & Friday, Christmas Day.

ELECTIONS

The Primary Election is held on the first Tuesday following the first Monday in June. The General Election is held on the first Tuesday following the first Monday in November. School Board Elections are now held in November. Fire Commission Elections are held on the third Saturday of February at each Fire Hall.

VOTER REGISTRATION/VOTE BY MAIL BALLOTS

Voter Registration and Vote By Mail Applications are available at the Township Clerk's office or on line at www.aclink.org.

STATE POLICE



The New Jersey State Police provides coverage to all areas of Buena Vista Township. For non-emergency calls dial 609-561-1800 or 609-561-7267. Emergency calls should be dialed through 9-1-1.

HOUSE AND BUSINESS NUMBERING

The Township has assigned numbering to all streets in Buena Vista. Your tax bill will show your street and/or mailing address. It is important to display your number. All homes and businesses are required to display property numbers. Numbers must be at least 3" high, reflective and placed where they can be clearly seen from the street in an emergency. If you have a long driveway, numbers should be posted at the end of the driveway.

CABLE TELEVISION, HIGH SPEED INTERNET & PHONE SERVICE

Cable television, high speed internet, and phone service are handled by Comcast and covers most areas of Buena Vista Township. For more information call: 1-800-COMCAST. Verizon also provides phone & internet service & can be reached by dialing 1-800-VERIZON.

LOCAL ACCESS TV AND COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

Township Committee meetings and local programs are shown on Comcast Cable Channel 9 every Tuesday between 5 pm and 10 pm. Comcast Channel 9 also shows our Community Bulletin Board around the clock when there is no other municipal programming on. Comcast Cable Channel 9 is shared between six towns in their system.

TOWNSHIP CODE BOOK

Our complete Township Code Book is now available on our website. All local Ordinances can be found there. See www.buenavistanj.com.

150 Years of Pride in Buena Vista ...



Rio Rita

1942



1936 Landisville Baseball Team



George "Squeak" Kupetz



Graduation at Dr. J.P. Cleary 1954



The Mayor of Richland



Our Lady of Victories St. Rita's Society



Oldest women in Buena Vista in 1967.
Mrs. Villa, Mrs. Rovenga, Mrs. Maruffi with Mayor Krokos



Vintage photo of the East Vineland Volunteer Fire Co.



The boys down in Milmay

Thanks Buena Historic Society



Buena Historic Society Veteran's Wall



Ida Zanni & Harry Benson



George Washington visits Buena
Historic Society. Seen with Gail Benson.



Buena Historic Meeting



A local dance.
Mike Debbi is seen in the center