



# Municipal Messenger

## Township of Morris

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### Mayor's Message By Mayor Robert E. Nace



The summer is now behind us, and we are preparing to begin extensive renovations to our Ginty and Streeter swimming pool complexes. By the time you read this letter, we will have already completed significant repairs to the water filtration systems. Shortly, construction will begin to completely renovate both pool houses. The Swimming Pool Advisory Committee is to be commended for their guidance in the renovation of these facilities.

Our Planning Board has completed the mandated Master Plan Reexamination Report and a copy is available on our web site at [www.MorrisTwp.com](http://www.MorrisTwp.com). The reexamination process was completed ahead of schedule following months of public meetings. The primary purpose of this report is to identify zoning and planning issues that will require additional study by the Planning Board.

Our Environmental Commission, under the enthusiastic leadership of Chairman Ted Largman, has actively pursued numerous projects which will help us improve our energy efficiency and promote a healthy environment. The commission has been working on numerous projects from energy audits to new recycling programs. For more details, please review the article on our Environmental Commission in this newsletter.

On behalf of all of the residents of Morris Township, I wish to thank Kathleen G. Hyland for all of her selfless dedication to this community. Kathleen has been an inspiration and model for all of us to emulate. *We will miss you, Kathleen. It's more than Irish luck to be knowing someone like you.*

### Thank You for the Honor and Privilege of Serving You By Committeewoman Kathleen G. Hyland

At the end of this year, I will be leaving the Township Committee. As a child I witnessed my father, John W. Ginty, devote countless hours to the Township. Subsequently, my late husband, Pat, served for 11 years. One could say I had Morris Township in my blood when I first ran for Township Committee in 1989.

Demographics and issues in Morris Township have changed over the years. In the late 1980's, residents were concerned about the state mandate for low and moderate income housing. This proved to be far less disturbing than many had feared. Soon thereafter other demands included the need to acquire open space, a movement I'm proud to have supported. Recently the Committee responded to the current needs with a successful Wildlife Management Program. Our Beautification Committee has and will continue to beautify the community, making it pleasing to the eyes of all residents and visitors passing through.

My involvement as a girls' softball coach and a member of the Recreation Advisory Committee kept me feeling young at heart. The greatest satisfaction though came from my work with Teen Pride, an organization dedicated to keeping our youth drug and alcohol free. The Teen Center at the Salvation Army, 24 hour counseling, and so many other wonderful programs have made a big difference in many of our youth today. If we can save one of our children and put them on the right path, the time and expense is well worth it!

Issues will come and go, but it's the citizens that have made it all worthwhile. I have met so many wonderful and dedicated people over the years—namely, our volunteer firemen and women, the Morris Minutemen, our Office of Emergency Management, and all those that serve or have served on boards and committees, the coach and managers of all our sports teams, and our employees whose professionalism is all something we can be proud of. My fellow committee members, regardless of party or faction, have been a pleasure to work with (and even argue with from time to time!).

Most of all I want to thank my family. I could not have served in public office without their strong support. My late husband, Pat; my children, Maureen, Colleen, John, and their spouses; my nine wonderful grandchildren; and my sisters Margaret, Patsy, and Mary Ag, they are truly the wind beneath my wings.

And to all the residents of Morris Township. Thank you for the honor and privilege of serving you for the last 18 years. I look forward to continuing to stay involved as a volunteer. God bless all of you.



Morris Township Committeewoman  
Kathleen G Hyland

#### Civic Leadership:

- Morris Township Committee 1990 – Present; Mayor 1993 & 1994; Member, Planning Board 1993 to 1995; Fire Commissioner; Member, Recreation Advisory Board & Beautification Committees; Former Police Commissioner

#### Volunteer:

- Chair, Teen Pride; Former Member, Morris County School of Technology Board of Education 1975 – 2005 as well as President, 1994 - 1996 and 2002 – present; Former member, 1st Night Morris Board of Directors; Chairman, Garden State Irish Festival, 1995; Grand Marshal, Morris County St. Patrick's Day Parade; Former Member, Morris Area Girl Scout Council Nominating Committee

#### Family:

- Lifelong resident of Morris Township; Married for 46 years to Patric J Hyland; Mother of three (3) children, Maureen Byrne, Colleen Loughman, and John Hyland; Grandmother of nine (9); and Co-owner Ginty's Irish Gifts