

Millstone Township: Preserving Open Space and Keeping it Clean

We have been very successful over recent years in acquiring and preserving open space in our community. Just drive by one of the “Welcome to Millstone” signs upon which you will notice that we proudly promote that we have preserved 6008 acres. But just as important as acquiring the open space is preserving the cleanliness of all of the Township’s properties. Litter throughout the Township is a detriment to our efforts to maintain our rural splendor.

The Millstone Township Environmental Commission, in conjunction with the Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed Association, sponsors an annual stream cleanup where litter is collected from the roads adjacent to the waterways in our township. Every year, approximately 1500 pounds of litter are retrieved from the streams and roadways within the Township. In addition, the Millstone Township Scout Troops perform a street cleanup on some of our most heavily traveled roads. But these isolated events are not enough to stem the tide.

The Millstone Township Environmental Commission asks all of you in our community to do what you can to help. Always put your trash in a garbage receptacle. Pick up any litter as you come across it when you can and if you witness any dumping in our community; report it to our Township Code Enforcement Officer at 732-917-2955.

In the coming months, we anticipate kicking off an “Adopt A Road” program where we will be seeking volunteer organizations or individuals to adopt sections of road, upon which litter cleanups will be performed periodically throughout the year. We welcome your feedback, ideas, and any help you can provide, to assist us in implementing this program. Please contact us via e-mail at Mariannehy@gmail.com.