



# Township of Parsippany-Troy Hills

## MAYOR JAMES BARBERIO



Weekly update of 10/10/2016

### **Morris Area Coalition for Education & Positive Choices**

I was able to receive the honor of representing the Coalition when I addressed the NJ State Legislature Judiciary Committee on October 13th, led by Assemblyman John McKeon and Morris County's own assembly man Michael Patrick Carrol. I spoke about the need for everyone to join forces and fight the latest heroin and opiate epidemic as well as alcohol abuse. I highlighted the need for towns to follow the Coalition's example by reaching out to parents and younger children in school. Accompanied by Hanover Township Committeeman, Thomas Ace Gallagher, they reiterated that education and knowledge is empowerment. The Coalition is busy at work educating parents on the latest drug trends. Ace Gallagher spoke about the need for better communication between children, parents and the school system regarding drug awareness and explained how they plan to reduce underage drinking and substance abuse. The core of the Coalition strives to promote collaboration between educational leaders, law enforcement, municipal leaders and the public. Members of the Coalition travelled to Trenton to support all the initiatives of the Coalition including: Myself, Parsippany; Thomas Ace Gallagher, Hanover Township Committeeman; Scott Rubin, superintendent East Hanover Schools; William Schievella, Morris County Sheriff's Office; Mayor Mark Taylor, Florham Park; Carol Grossi, superintendent Hanover Park Regional High School District; Eric Prach, Hanover Township police; Chief Mark Roddy, Hanover Township police; Mark Maire, superintendent Morris Plains School District; Kim Kinause, Hanover Township Substance Awareness Council and Michele Sylvin, Parsippany.



## Trunk or Treat

I invite you all to Trunk or Treat on Monday, October 31, 2016 at Veterans Memorial Park from 4 to 6 p.m. Mayor Barberio is providing a safe and fun place for Parsippany children to “Trick or Treat.” The children will go trunk to trunk instead of door to door! Decorate your vehicle and join in the fun!



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## October 2016 is the 1 year anniversary of the demolition of Greystone Psychiatric Hospital

Why does Greystone remain so significant? As stated on the Facebook page Greystone's Last Stand: 'As it is with most preservation efforts — the driving reason why people wanted Greystone to be saved was to preserve not only the physical building, but the history contained within. In many cases once a building is razed most of the stories it once held fall with it. ... In its final moments Greystone became a martyr, and through its loss communities across the country are now looking at their own Kirkbride asylums with renewed respect. Greystone no longer stands upon its Parsippany hilltop, it now exists in every asylum which has found salvation through its demise.'

