

NORTHFIELD REPUBLICAN CLUB

May, 2008

May Meeting

Date: **Wednesday, May 28**

Location: Northfield Community School

Refreshments at 7:00

Meeting to begin at 7:30

As always, join us ... and bring a friend!

Upcoming Events/ Dates

May 28: Club Meeting

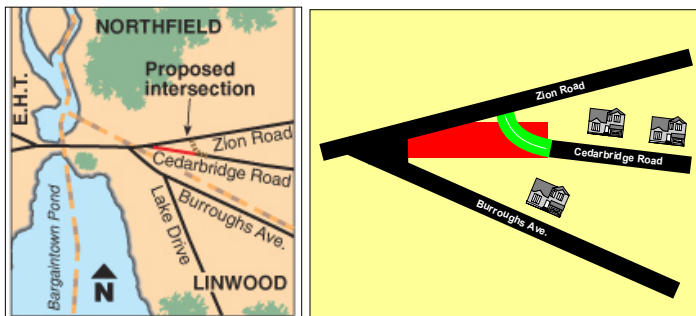
June 3: Primary Election

June 25: Club Meeting/ Membership Drive

Road Safety Improvement Coming

For decades, turning off Cedarbridge Road onto Zion has been a hazard. For the last ten years, Northfield has tried unsuccessfully to make it safer. That's changed in 2008, as Steve Vain has contributed to the effort to partner with the County to fix that dangerous intersection.

The proposed interchange will be a 90 degree intersection with Zion Road, with a concrete curb separating lanes of traffic. It improves the safety of the intersection, and has the benefit of slowing traffic onto Cedarbridge Road, a 25 mile per hour zone with child and pedestrian traffic on school mornings.



As Zion Road is a county road, the project now goes before the Board of Freeholders for approval. The start of the project is expected in 2008.

Meet Brian Smith

Brian is a lifelong resident of Northfield, and currently teaches History and Government at Mainland Regional High School, where he has taught for nine years. He and his wife, Renee, a teacher in Egg Harbor Township, have one daughter, Kylie, who recently turned two. The family resides at their home on Catherine Place.

He was born and raised in Northfield – the ninth of ten children of Len and Lois Smith. Lois, who passed away in 2002, was the Deputy City Clerk for the City of Northfield for fifteen years. The Smiths are longtime active members of St. Bernadette's Roman Catholic Church.

Brian is an active participant in Northfield All-Sports, where he has been a baseball player and a coach for many years. He is currently the J.V. baseball coach at Mainland Regional H.S, and has been instrumental as a player and coach for the Northfield team in the Atlantic County Baseball League and the Men's Senior Baseball League.

Brian graduated from Trenton State College, now the College of New Jersey, in 1993 with a B.A. in History and a minor in Political Science. Brian received his teacher certification through Richard Stockton College.

Council Corner

Cindy Kern has council news to share with the club:

- In preparation for property assessment re-evaluation, completed tax maps have been sent to the State of NJ.
- "The City Of Northfield" sign is coming to the corner of Tilton Road and Route 9, courtesy of the State of New Jersey as part of the intersection improvement project.
- The city was awarded a \$140,000 Grant last year from the NJDOT Safe Routes to School Program, for Cedarbridge Road sidewalks. Our Safe Routes to School 2008 grant application is for \$282,420.
- American flags will be hung along Shore Road from Golfview Drive to Northfield Plaza. Thanks to the Northfield Firefighters for hanging the flags before Memorial Day.