



School's Out FOR SUMMER #Summer2018 is under way!

Hit cruise control and enjoy your SUMMER, wherever that may be.

By the time this newsletter reaches you, the Old Mill Pool & Camp Algonquin are underway - Yay! There's still time to register for Camp Algonquin, 2 weeks remain! Register via Community Pass or visit Borough Hall, Monday – Friday, 8:30am – 4:30pm.

Pool news:

Beginner Yoga poolside is back for its second year. We hope you take advantage of this activity. What a super way to start your day! Back again this year are our Early Morning Lap Swim and Aqua size classes. Be sure to check www.wclnj.com for all the details.

Please take a moment to review the *Celebrate Woodcliff Lake* flyer, as you may notice we have evolved some of our events into multiple Woodcliff Lake Celebrations which will be celebrated over long weekends and throughout the year. Our hope is by doing this all of our community members will have an opportunity to participate in all or some of the Woodcliff Lake Celebrations.

We hope that you enjoy your summer and all the wonderful events we have planned for your family.

#CelebrateWoodcliffLake2018 #BESTSUMMEREVER

Elizabeth A. Calderone
Director, Parks & Recreation

SWIMMING POOL GUIDELINES

Once again it is time to open and enjoy our pools for this coming summer. I know that you have received this message many times and must be tired of reading it. However, I'll never get tired of pointing out to you the pleasures and DANGERS of having a swimming pool in your back yard.

Each year Woodcliff Lake adds a couple of dozen residential swimming pools to its inventory. Some of these are elaborate in ground concrete pools and some are above the ground vinyl pools with wooden decks and stairs or ladders. Each of these types has its own problems with regard to safety. Recently the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission did a survey on the safety of residential pools. Each year, hundreds of young children die and thousands come close to death due to submersion in residential swimming pools. It is estimated that each year about 300 children under 5 years old drown in residential swimming pools. Hospital emergency room treatment is required for approximately another 2,300 children under 5 years of age who were submerged in residential pools. This study was done many years ago. We are sure that these numbers have more than doubled since then. The following statistics came about from an extensive study done by the Consumer Product Safety Commission:

- 1) 75 percent of the children involved in swimming pool submersion or drowning accidents were between 1 and 3 years old.
- 2) Boys between 1 and 3 years old were the most likely victims of fatal drowning's and near-fatal submersions in residential swimming pools.
- 3) Most of the victims were being supervised by one or both parents when the swimming pool accident occurred.
- 4) Nearly half of the child victims were last seen in the house before the pool accident occurred. In addition, 23 percent of the accident victims were last seen on the porch or patio, or in the yard.

This means that fully 69 percent of the children who became victims in swimming pool accidents were not expected to be in or at the pool, but were found drowned or submerged in the water.

5) 65 percent of the accidents occurred in a pool owned by the victim's immediate family, and 33 percent of the accidents occurred on pools owned by relatives or friends.

6) 77 percent of the swimming pool accident victims had been missing for five minutes or less when they were found in the pool drowned or submerged. The speed with which swimming pool drowning's and submersions can occur is a special concern: by the time a child's absence is noted, the child may have drowned. Anyone who has cared for a toddler knows how fast young children can move. Toddlers are inquisitive and impulsive and lack a realistic sense of danger. These behaviors, coupled with a child's ability to move quickly and unpredictably, make swimming pools particularly hazardous for households with young children.

Swimming pool drowning's of young children have other particularly insidious features: these are silent deaths. It is unlikely that splashing or screaming will occur to alert a parent or caregiver that a child is in trouble. It was concluded that the best way to reduce child drowning's in residential pools was for pool owners to construct and maintain barriers that would prevent young children from gaining access to pools. Please call our building department for the Safety Barrier Guidelines recommended by CPSC and the Uniformed Construction Code. We would be more than happy to assist you. **However, please keep in mind that there are no substitutes for diligent supervision.**

Nick Saluzzi,
Construction Official
Borough of Woodcliff Lake
Borough of Park Ridge



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MESSAGE FROM MAYOR CARLOS RENDO



We welcomed this spring by hosting the first annual Alyssa Alhadeff Pear Blossom Festival on our causeway overlooking the reservoir, in honor of former resident Alyssa Alhadeff, who tragically lost her life in Parkland, Florida. To mark this inaugural event, Alyssa's family, along with a number of public officials, were in attendance. With music by the NERDs, food trucks, local vendors and more, we were able to raise \$1,000.00 in donations to benefit Make Schools Safe, a national non-profit organization, founded by Alyssa's parents, Lori and Ilan Alhadeff. Our special thanks to Lori and Ilan for joining us at the event and to our community for their support and attendance.

Our community garden has been a great success. All plots have been taken in this year's garden, but please look for information in the Spring 2019 newsletter if you are interested.

As many of you know, in October, the Bergen County Superintendent of Schools scheduled the referendum to break away from the Pascack Valley Regional School District and enter a send-and-receive relationship with the District. As reported, this change will save our residents a considerable amount of money in property taxes. In response to negative commentary and misinformation from River Vale and Hillsdale regarding our challenge to the funding formula, our students will still receive the same education at the same school and the staff and programs will not be impacted. We continue to send the least amount of students to the school system, yet we pay the most of the four towns in the District. For the referendum to be successful, we will need to win the vote in Woodcliff Lake and the majority of the vote in the four municipalities. If we lose the vote, we still can pursue relief in the Courts. As more information becomes available we will post on our website under Town Information.

You may have also read that the Department of Justice filed a civil lawsuit against our borough. We maintain that there was no discrimination against Valley Chabad in denying its application to build a 12,247 square foot structure on 1.2 acres of land with two dozen zoning variances. We will continue to vigorously defend the Borough. To review our complete statement, please see our website.

No Knock Registry: The Borough has a registry prohibiting salespeople to approach or knock on doors. **Vendors are more likely to visit during the warmer months so we are issuing this reminder.** To add your address to the list, download the No Knock Registry form from our website: www.wclnj.com, the form is located under Forms & Applications/Borough Clerk Forms or visit Boro Hall. There is no fee for this service. Registered addresses will be provided with a sticker to be utilized near or on the front door.

As always, please contact us with any questions. Thank you and have a great summer.

Galaxy Gardens Note

On Friday, June 29th the Borough completed the purchase of Galaxy Gardens. As has been reported, this was done through negotiations with the owner. We now are in the process of obtaining the necessary permits to begin the remediation of the property, with the final goal of creating a passive recreation area for the use and enjoyment of our residents. While we await these permits to allow work to begin, we are allowing a contractor to use the area as a staging area for the gas line upgrade being undertaken by PSE&G through much of our town. This is only temporary, but allows the contractor to keep equipment close at hand so the project can move quicker. We thank you for your patience as we continue to take the necessary steps to upgrade infrastructure and create recreational areas.

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FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Vehicles Stolen from Driveways: Woodcliff Lake, as well as area towns, are having vehicles stolen when the owner leaves the key fob in the car. Lock your car, take your keys/key fob.

In New Jersey, adults who serve, supply, or allow alcohol consumption by persons under the age of 21, can be held liable if any of those underage persons are killed or injured. In addition, parents may be held responsible if underage drinking takes place anywhere on their property, even if they're not at home when underage drinking occurs.

Scams: Several new scams have surfaced: **A caller may state that they know "your secret", and wants money not to expose you,** or that a relative is being held for ransom or has been arrested and needs money. Some identify themselves as the IRS and that the police are on the way to arrest you. Do not give personal information or send money. Please verify with this agency if you have any questions.

Ride-Along-Program: This agency has a long standing program for anyone 18 years of age, who either live or work in Woodcliff Lake to participate in a ride-along. Please call 201-391-8224 M-F from 8:00-4:00pm to register for an appointment. The program consists of a tour of our headquarters, display of our patrol car equipment, and a tour of the town.

"Chief for a Day": I would like to thank Dorchester School 5th Grade Student, Aram Rashduni, for participating in the Bergen County Sheriff's "Chief for a Day" program. "Chief Rashduni" was sworn in at the Borough Hall, assisted me and Juvenile Officer Paul Brown. He and his father had a tour of headquarters and a ride-along throughout the Borough. We then went to the Bergen County Court House for photos, a motorcade to the Greycliff for lunch and the presentation of plaques. What a great day.

Borough Code Reminders, please comply:

Outdoor Burning (Chapt. 125): Prohibits outdoor burning of materials without a permit

Noise Ordinance (Chapt. 227): Prohibits Loud and unnecessary noise/music after 9:00 pm

Borough Decals for Parking (Chapt. 250), Recycle Center (Chapt 310): Vehicles must have sticker displayed on driver side rear window in order to park in the commuter lots, or to use the recycling center.

Building Address Numbers (Chapt. 120): Homes and Businesses must have **Three Inch Numbers** near front door, visible from street. This is very important so our first responders can locate your home in the event of an emergency.

Fireworks: State Law still prohibits explosive and aerial fireworks possession or use.

Chief Anthony Jannicelli - 201-391-4977 x244
Woodcliff Lake Police Department

Board of Health

As the weather improves and our families and our pets spend more time outdoors, it is very important to be aware of the many diseases that can be spread by ticks including Lyme disease.

Ticks live in grassy, brushy, or wooded areas, or even on animals. Spending time outside walking your dog, camping, gardening, or hunting could bring you in close contact with ticks. Many people get ticks in their own yard or neighborhood. Treat clothing and gear with products containing 0.5% permethrin. Permethrin can be used to treat boots, clothing and camping gear and remain protective through several washings. Another option is to use Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)-registered insect repellents containing DEET, picaridin, IR3535,

Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus (OLE), para-menthane-diol (PMD), or 2-undecanone. Follow product instructions and do not use insect repellent on babies younger than 2 months old or products containing OLE or PMD on children under 3 years old.

Also, if you or a family member is a bike rider, WEAR A HELMET!!

Reminder: The town provides free nurse consultations and blood pressure checks every third Thursday of the month (except July and December) from 11:30 to 12:30 at the Tice Center. No appointments are required. Another summer reminder to stay healthy – wear protective sunscreen this summer!

Shade Tree Committee Article

Spring has been a busy and productive time for the Shade Tree Committee. Fulfilling requests of residents, 34 new shade trees were planted in the borough...18 were newly purchased and 15 were transplanted from our own tree farm. Although planted on town property, the homeowners are responsible to care for the new trees. Any homeowner can request to have shade trees planted on their property in the towns rightaway...just contact Borough hall and ask for an application. The next plantings will be in the Fall and requests should be made with ample time to be placed on the planting schedule.

The second application of treatment to prevent Emerald Ash Borer infestation has been completed. We are hopeful that this measure will preserve our Ash trees for future generations to enjoy.

After the storms of early Spring the DPW worked diligently clearing fallen trees and branches from our public areas. It is important that homeowners recognize potential tree hazards as well. Inspect your trees...look overhead and evaluate their health.

- Are there dead branches or limbs?
- Do branches cross or rub?
- Has the tree started to lean or appear lopsided?
- Are there signs of decay: cankers or fungi?

It is important to take care of potential issues by proper pruning and if necessary consulting with a competent and certified arborist.



Celebrate Woodcliff Lake 2018

JULY

Triple Platinum DJ – July 4th
Games, Door Prizes, Watermelon Eating Contest

Early Morning Lap Swim & Water Aerobics
Begins July 5th – August 23rd
Tuesdays & Thursdays
Early Morning Lap Swim - 6:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Water Aerobics from 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Yoga Poolside. Begins July 6th – August 24th
Wednesdays from 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Fridays from 9 a.m. – 10 a.m.

Movie Night with Trivia – July 13th
(by Tennis Courts 8pm-ish)

NEW* Cardboard Boat Regatta July 22nd 4 p.m.
rain date July 29th 4 p.m.
(at the OMP)

Family Night Under the Stars – July 27th
(at the OMP, Pool stays open until 10 p.m.)

AUGUST

See July for EMLS, WA & Yoga

Movie Night @ the OMP – August 15th
8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Reduced hours begin August 16 – Sept. 2nd
Weekdays: 12:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Weekends: 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

SEPTEMBER

Labor Day Wind Down/Member Appreciation Day
Sept. 3rd / 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
DJ, Door Prizes, Games & More!

Drool in the Pool, Woof! – Sept. 4th / 5 p.m. – 6 p.m.

BOOK YOUR PARTY AT THE POOL

****NEW THIS YEAR RAFT TIME**
Only clear rafts will be permitted in the pool.
4 hours a day: W/E: 11-1pm & 6-8pm:
W/D: 12-2pm & 6-8pm*(until reduced hours set in)

Please follow us on Facebook for up to date news & events: Wclcommunitynews  Not on Facebook?

Not to worry we have email subscription groups for each department. Visit: www.wclnj.com

WCL Department of Public Works

To Report Potholes or have questions or concerns: Call the DPW at 201-391-3172 or E-Mail dpw@wclnj.com

Recycling

- **CONTAMINATION IS A PROBLEM in the recycling industry.** Please rinse out all bottles and cans before recycling. Only plastic bottles and containers with numbers 1-7 are to be recycled at the Ecology center and on recycling p/u dates.
-Make sure all cords are intact when recycling electronics, do not remove any electronics from container. No scavenging of any kind at the center.
-Please recycle clean and dry plastic bags at area supermarkets.

Ecology Facility

Ecology Facility Hrs.: Wed. 7:30am-3:30pm, Sat. & Sun. 9:00am-4:30pm
Only residents with a valid decal may use the Ecology facility. Ecology facility may be closed during inclement weather.

Ecology center closed Wednesday, July 4th

Paper Shredding Days at the Ecology Facility/Lydecker House - October 20th, 9am-1pm, 4 boxes or bags per vehicle, residents only.

BCUA's Hazardous Waste Days (ID Required)

Bergen Community College - 400 Paramus Road, Paramus, NJ 07652 Sun., June 24 – Sun., October 14 – 9:00am-3:00pm
(Items Accepted: Aerosol Cans, Anti-Freeze, Fertilizer, Fluorescent Light Bulbs, Gasoline, Insecticides, Mercury Switches, Motor Oil, and Paints and Varnishes.)

BCUA's Computer/Electronics Recycling, Tire Recycling and Paper Shredding Events.

Bergen Community College - 400 Paramus Road, Paramus, NJ 07652 Sat., August 18 – 9:00am-2:00pm
For a complete listing go to www.bcuca.org

Alkaline batteries (AA, AAA, C, D, 9V) can be disposed in normal trash.

Keep pollution out of storm drains:

Keep leaves and grass out of storm drains - Recycle used motor oil - Never discard pet waste in a storm drain.

Sewer Dept.

The Sewer Dept. maintains 40 miles of sewer line within the Borough including 5 pump stations. **We Need Your Help!** Some of our pump stations are experiencing clogs due to cleaning wipes and baby wipes. **Do not flush wipes.** Please discard these items in the trash.

Sanitation

Check the schedule or website; Wclnj.com on holiday weeks as your regular pick up day may be rescheduled - Keep containers in good condition with tight fitting lids - Put items at the curb by 7:00AM for your cleanup day - Please call 201-391-3172 if you experience a garbage problem.

STAY GREEN & join the GREEN TEAM: Please do your part to help save WCL's piece of the planet. To join WCL's Green Team contact our Recycling Coordinator: cbehrens@wclnj.com. **REDUCE + REUSE + RECYCLE**