

RIVERDALE

NEWS AND EVENTS

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HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE



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My fellow Riverdale residents,

The holiday season is upon us in the Borough of Riverdale!

As we rush to prepare for our holiday celebrations, I hope we all slow down a bit to appreciate the true meaning of the season and enjoy the time with our family and friends.

I would like to thank Steve Schotanus and our great DPW staff for the fantastic job decorating Borough Hall. With the help of our Beautification Committee, we were able to add some new holiday decorations. Combined with the festive lawn displays at the Riverdale School, we have a nice presentation along Newark Pompton Turnpike this year for all to enjoy.

As we wind down the year, we say good-bye to longtime Councilman Garrett Astarita, who will be retiring from the Borough Council at the end of the year. Garrett has served the community for over 20 years. We thank him for his service and wish him and his wife Helen health and happiness in retirement.

On a lighter note, December of 2016 marks the 50th anniversary of the television debut of one of the great classic Christmas cartoons of all time, Dr. Seuss', "How the Grinch Stole Christmas".

I believe the story in it's simplicity captures the essence of the holiday season. I will leave you with the closing verse:

*"Welcome Christmas. Bring your cheer, Cheer to all Whos, far and near.
Christmas Day is in our grasp, so long as we have hands to grasp.
Christmas Day will always be, just as long as we have we.
Welcome Christmas while we stand, heart to heart and hand in hand"*

Enjoy your holiday. See you next month.

Mayor Paul M. Carelli



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**A SPECIAL THANKS TO
Rick Malanga**

**of Malanga's Automotive for
donating this year's Tree at the
Riverdale Borough Hall !**

HOURS

Monday 10-8 Thursday 10-8
 Tuesday 10-5 Friday 10-5
 Wednesday 10-8 Saturday 10-4

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Registration for programs is required.
 Call (973) 835-5044
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December

Adult Programs

From Saint to Santa - Monday, December 5th, 7:00 p.m.

Through centuries of art, we'll explore how a Turkish bishop evolved into one of Christianity's most beloved saints. Then, in American artwork, we'll see Nicholas change again—into Santa Claus. Dr. Michael Norris, former museum educator at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, offers this "Armchair Art tour," an illustrated conversation about art.

Gingerbread House Decorating for Adults - Wednesday, December 7th, 6:30 p.m. Sorry! This program is already full.

Film, Food and Friends - Wednesday, December 21st, 7:00 p.m. *Florence Foster Jenkins*, PG-13, 110 minutes. In the 1940s, New York socialite Florence Foster Jenkins (Meryl Streep) dreams of becoming a great opera singer. Unfortunately, her ambition far exceeds her talent. The voice Florence hears in her head is beautiful, but to everyone else it is quite lousy. Her husband St. Clair goes to extreme lengths to make sure his wife never finds out how awful she truly is.

Monthly

**Film, Food and Friends,
 Wednesday, December 21st, 7:00 p.m.**
Florence Foster Jenkins, PG-13, 110 min.

**Adult Book Discussion Group
 Monday, December 19th, 6:30-8:00 p.m.**
How Mrs. Claus Saved Christmas by Jeff Guinn.

**Photography Club
 Monday, December 19th, 6:30-8:00 p.m.**
 Meets the fourth Monday of each month.

**Gypsy Knitters
 Thursdays, 4:00-8:00 p.m.**
 Experienced knitters are welcome every Thursday to nosh & knit. Newcomers welcomed!

Holiday Closings

Saturday, December 24th and Monday, December 26th.
 We will reopen at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 27th.
 Saturday, December 31st and Monday, January 2nd.
 We will re-open on Tuesday, January 3rd at 10:00 a.m.
Happy holidays to all!



Winter 2016 Computer Programs

iPad and Tablet Users Group - Friday, December 16th, 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. New to using a tablet? Bring your device and learn the basics in this monthly workshop for tablet users looking to increase their skills and share knowledge and experience. Learn how to access public Wi-Fi, change settings, set up email, and install and remove apps. Attend once, or as many sessions as you need.

Amazon Smile - Raise money for the Friends of the Library through your Amazon purchases! The Friends have created a smile account with Amazon. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, and indicate the Friends of the Library as your charity, Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible purchase to our Friends organization! 100% of the funds raised by the Friends directly supports library programs.



NEW

We will be welcoming Hackettstown Public Library into the MAIN consortium. This now means there will be 38 libraries sharing their collections for our MAIN patrons. To allow the library records to be incorporated, the online catalog and our circulation system will be unavailable on December 5th and December 6th. Please be sure to bring your library cards with you if you visit the library on those dates, so that we make check out your materials to you.

Linda Vogel's Recipes

Beef Stew Warm up this winter with a delicious beef stew! From *Great Tastes One Pot* - Bay Books 2010, available at the library.

Ingredients:

- ◆ 9oz. baby potatoes
- ◆ 2 celery stalks, sliced
- ◆ 3 carrots, chopped
- ◆ 2 red onions, sliced
- ◆ ¾ tsp. sweet paprika
- ◆ 1 cup red wine
- ◆ 2 cups beef stock
- ◆ 2 tbsp. tomato paste
- ◆ 2 bay leaves
- ◆ 3 tbsp. parsley, chopped
- ◆ 2 lbs. of beef chuck
- ◆ 6 ripe tomatoes, chopped
- ◆ 2 garlic cloves, crushed



Directions: Cut beef into 1 ½ inch cubes. Put the beef in the slow cooker along with the potatoes, celery, carrot, onion, tomato, garlic, paprika, wine, stock, tomato paste and bay leaves. Cook on low for 5 ½ hours or until the beef is tender and cooked through. Season to taste with sea salt and pepper.

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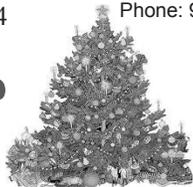
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December



Infant & Preschool Programs

Stuffed Animal Storytime - Thursday, December 1st, 5:30–6:00 p.m. Bring a stuffed friend and wear your PJs at this special evening storytime. Then let your stuffed friend stay overnight at the library with Owliver The Library Owl! For ages 2-5.

Toddler Time - Tuesday mornings, December 6th & 13th, 10:30–11:00 a.m. Complete with songs, picture books, and a craft, this storytime is designed to help your two-year old take the first steps towards early literacy. For toddlers ages 2-3 with a caregiver.

Preschool Pals - Tuesday afternoons, December 6th & 13th, 1:30-2:15 a.m. Preschoolers can develop school readiness skills by listening to longer stories, making new friends, and creating a craft at this storytime. For preschoolers ages 3-5 with a caregiver.

Wigglers & Giggles - Wednesday mornings, December 7th & 14th, 10:00-10:30 a.m. Introducing a new storytime group, this is tailored specifically for not-quite-two year olds who benefit from simple books and more movement and play in the storytime experience. For toddlers ages 1-2 with a caregiver.

Baby & Me - Wednesday mornings, December 7th & 14th, 11:00-11:30 a.m. Designed for infants who are not walking yet, this half hour of very simple books, songs, and play allows your little one to start becoming familiar with the library! For infants up to 12 months with a caregiver.

Shake your Sillies Out - Thursday, December 8th, 2:00-2:30 p.m. Calling all wigglers and gigglers, singers and dancers! Join us for this special storytime involving singing, dancing, scarves, and parachute fun! For ages 2 and up.

Toddler Free Play - Fridays, December 9th & 30th, 10:00-11:00 a.m. Play inside when it gets chilly outside! Join us when we empty the program room of everything but favorite library toys, puppets, and noisemakers so your toddlers can play safely inside with their friends! For ages 1-5.

Yoga Storytime with Ms. Michele - Monday, December 19th, 10:30 a.m. Come for stories and stretches with Ms. Michele! For ages 3-5.

Children's Programs

Annual Gingerbread House Decorating - Saturday, December 3rd, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. & 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. The annual gingerbread house decorating for kids returns! Melissa and Dennis Harsley, dedicated Friends of the Riverdale Library, will be back to help children create gingerbread houses during two decorating sessions. Please register for one of the two sessions! For grades K-8.



Read *The Gingerbread Baby* by Jan Brett
available in the picture book section
of the library.



Drop-in Coloring Club - Mondays, December 5th, 12th, & 19th, 4:00-5:00 p.m. Come warm up in the library & help us color another mural for the walls in the program room. No registration is necessary, drop in when you can! For grades K-8.

Drop-in Jewelry Club - Thursday, December 15th, 4:00-5:00 p.m. Meeting once a month on the third Thursday is this new club for all jewelry enthusiasts. We'll provide the beads and string, you bring your creativity! No registration is necessary. For ages 6 and up.

Raptor Trust Owl Visit! - Saturday, December 17th, 11:00 a.m. Whooo wants to meet some owls? You can bet Ms. Kate does as much as you do! Don't miss this spectacular opportunity to learn more about these magnificent birds and to meet a real owl from the Raptor Trust of NJ! For grades 2-8.

Paws to Read: Tales to Tails - Wednesday, December 14th, 4:00 p.m. Readers of all levels can practice reading to a friendly canine listener. For grades K-5.

Maxine Brooks enjoys a book with the adorable Cookie at last month's Paws to Read meeting. Come this month for your chance to read! Woof!



Lego Lab - Wednesday, December 21st, 4:00-5:00p.m. Bring your imagination; we'll supply the LEGOs and a great story! For grades K-5.

Mad Science Winter Workshop! - Wednesday, December 28th, 11:00 a.m. Love science? Love getting hands-on? Then come to this winter workshop and get excited for another round of excellent experiments from *Mad Science!* For grades K-5.

Cooking for Kids - Thursday, December 29th, 3:30 p.m. Come in to make New Year's Eve noisemakers, confetti and desserts with Ms. Brigitte of *Food Real Simple*. For ages 6-12.

Tween & Teen Programs

Writing & Drawing Club (2nd meeting) - Saturday, December 17th, 2:00-3:00 p.m. Let's get together again to write, draw, share ideas, and get feedback. Snacks will be provided. For grades 6-8.

Maker Mondays - Tuesday, December 27th, 3:00-4:00 p.m. Like to create and tinker? Then join us for Maker Mondays! This month we'll try our hands at book trees! For ages 8 and up.

Programs For All Ages

Star Wars Club - December 9th & 30th, 3:00-4:00 p.m. Love Star Wars? So does Ms. Kate! Join her to have fun with all things Star Wars from crafts to movie screenings. You'll love meeting other fans and getting to indulge in your favorite movies. Come and join the fun and may the Force be with you!

Drop-in Holiday Crafts - Tuesday, December 27th, 11:00 p.m. Come by and enjoy holiday crafting. No registration necessary.



RECREATION NEWS



In order to register for any of the programs below, to ask any questions or looking to volunteer for any of the programs, you may call 973-835-4060 x232 or email riverdalerec@gmail.com



Santa will reply to letters received by 12/12.



If your child would like to receive a reply to his/her Santa letter, place their letter in Santa's Special Mailbox & be sure to include your return address.



Santa's Mailbox is located in front of the Borough Hall.

Women's Fitness

In conjunction with PL Rec



Mondays & Wednesdays
7:00-8:00pm at Lincoln School

2nd Session: 1/9/17 - 3/8/17

3rd Session: 3/20/17 - 5/10/17

\$50 for 16 classes, \$35 for 10 classes, \$5 for drop-in

MEN'S BASKETBALL

in conjunction with PL Recreation

TUESDAY'S, 7:00 - 10:00 PM

Lincoln School

see Bob Brown on site to sign up

\$50 for 9 month session



Toddler Music Program

New Tuesday Session starts JAN 17
Saturday Sessions are monthly

Instructor: Jammin' with Jared **Class Location:** Community Center

Ages: 1-3 (up to 4) under 1 are free

Class Times & Cost:

Tuesdays 10:00a.m. - 8week session \$120, \$200 for siblings.
Next session will start 1/17

Saturdays 10:00a.m. - once a month \$20, \$30 for siblings.
Saturday sessions run the first Saturday of the month.

To sign up: email riverdalerec@gmail.com
Class sizes are limited.
MUST sign-up BEFORE first class.



YOGA

is postponed until after the New Year.



Enjoy the Holiday Season!



COMING SOON!

Softball Clinic

Field Hockey Clinic

Volleyball Clinic

Summer Rec Registration



RIVERDALE SCHOOL NEWS December 2016

From the desks of Riverdale School Superintendent,
Mrs. Vicki Pede, and Principal, Mr. Sean Bowe:

Our 2016-2017 Parent-Teacher Conferences have concluded with each family having the opportunity to meet with their child’s teacher(s) to hear how each is progressing toward the goals of the various grade levels. We thank you for your involvement and hope that you had some quality conversation with your child’s teacher. Again, please remember to reach out to the school at any time in order for a strong home-school connection to be made for such educational endeavors. Further, please note that school report cards are available in the parent portal section on our website. In addition, budget preparation for the 2017-2018 school year is now in full swing; your comments are always welcome however you can get them to us.

On November 9th, the students of Riverdale School District had the opportunity to thank some of our Veterans who served for our country giving us the freedoms that we enjoy today. Student leaders provided the introductions and commentary during the program for our special guests. Our teachers worked with their students for special messages to those that have served or are serving our country. Again this year, our PTA arranged flags at the entrance to our school that were purchased by staff and community in honor of a former or current service member. This was a wonderful contribution to welcome our service men and women to our building – thank you. Refreshments were provided by our food service; they were not only delicious, but also superbly displayed!

November was certainly a busy month for our students both within the classroom and outside of the classroom. Some of the November activities within our classrooms included comparisons of life today with life during the Pilgrim times, study of the Mayflower Compact, budgeting for Thanksgiving dinner using flyers from local grocery stores, study of Newton’s Laws, writing about family traditions using research and the writing process and reading a survival story such as *Call of the Wild*. In addition, our children in kindergarten enjoyed a Thanksgiving Feast while our middle school students participated in the traditional “turkey bowl” on our outdoor fields. We are so fortunate to live in such a beautiful area of New Jersey; the weather has been rather kind to us lately. The milder weather may not last much longer, so please make sure that you are registered to receive our alerts that may be upcoming!

In closing, please be reminded that a strong home-school connection is essential for a child’s success in so many ways. We encourage you to reach out to the school and join our events that help support a child’s growth as you are able. In accordance with the teachings within the Universal Design for Learning (UDL), educators are in the profession of “building brains” and together, we can teach each other even more! Have a wonderful December with your families and friends; take every opportunity that you can to learn more.

UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS AND REMINDERS:

PTA Holiday Shop	December 2	Primary Wing Area
PTA Holiday Pancake Breakfast	December 4	8:00- 12:00 Cafeteria
Basketball Season Opens	December 5	Gym
Winter Wonderland Lighting	December 6 – 6:30	School Front Lawn & Community Center
School Board Workshop Meeting Ethics Training	December 7 – 6:30	Library
PTA Meeting	December 8	6:30 - Cafeteria
Class of 2018 Babysitting Night (K-5)	December 9	6:30-9:00 Gym
Winter Concert	December 13	7:30 - Gym
School Board Meeting	December 14 – 6:30	Library
Middle School Winter Dance	December 16	Gym
Day Before Winter Break - Early Dismissal	December 23	EARLY DISMISSAL
Winter Break	December 26 through January 2	SCHOOL CLOSED



Riverdale Woman's Club

December, 2016

At their November meeting, the Riverdale Woman's Club members welcomed Gloria Carelli who spoke about the Riverdale Food Bank. Members brought donations of food to the meeting for the food bank.

Holiday dinners were delivered to several needy Riverdale families by members of the Social Services Department.

The Riverdale Woman's Club is eagerly planning their Holiday luncheon on December 11, 2016 at Timbers, Oakland at noon. The cost is \$35 and guests are invited. Please contact Kathy Olsen at 973-839-3109 for details.. A highlight of the luncheon, in addition to the delicious meal and enjoying an afternoon with friends, is the raffle of an afghan made by the talented Josephine Spenillo.

Plans for the New Year include a visit to the Culinary Institute of America, annual scrapbook fundraiser and several Arts Creative projects.

For membership information please contact Jean at 973-835-3269.

The Riverdale Woman's Club wishes all a Happy Holiday and a Happy, Healthy New Year.

BY AND LARGE

by Elaine Peacock



FAVORITE CHRISTMAS MEMORIES

Do you have a favorite Christmas memory? I think most of us have one that we recall every year about this time. It could be a special present you wanted from Santa or it could be the year that you had the starring role in the Christmas play or someone who lived far away came to spend Christmas with you.

Christmas memories have a way of making us feel all warm inside and help us to remember a special time in our lives when life was simple and uncomplicated. The older we get the more special these memories become and even though each Christmas brings new memories to treasure that one special memory seems to stand out.

So this Christmas I wish you joy and peace instead of long lines, happiness to share with family and friends, quiet moments to reflect and dream but most of all special memories to make you smile.

RIVERDALE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT



EMERGENCY: 911
Non-Emergency: (973) 831-1584

Fire Chief: Dan Sturm
Assistant Chief: Jim Regeling
Fire Administrator: Pat Cleary



Christmas Tree Safety



As you deck the halls this holiday season, be fire smart. A small fire that spreads to a Christmas tree can grow large very quickly.



PICKING THE TREE

- » Choose a tree with fresh, green needles that do not fall off when touched.



PLACING THE TREE

- » Before placing the tree in the stand, cut 2" from the base of the trunk.
- » Make sure the tree is at least three feet away from any heat source, like fireplaces, radiators, candles, heat vents or lights.
- » Make sure the tree is not blocking an exit.
- » Add water to the tree stand. Be sure to add water daily.



LIGHTING THE TREE

- » Use lights that are listed by a qualified testing laboratory. Some lights are only for indoor or outdoor use.
- » Replace any string of lights with worn or broken cords or loose bulb connections. Read manufacturer's instructions for number of light strands to connect.
- » Never use lit candles to decorate the tree.
- » Always turn off Christmas tree lights before leaving home or going to bed.



After Christmas

Get rid of the tree after Christmas or when it is dry. Dried-out trees are a fire danger and should not be left in the home or garage, or placed outside against the home.

Check with your local community to find a recycling program.

Bring outdoor electrical lights inside after the holidays to prevent hazards and make them last longer.

FACTS

- ! **One quarter** of home Christmas tree fires are caused by electrical problems.
- ! Although Christmas tree fires are not common, when they do occur, they are more likely to be serious.
- ! A heat source too close to the tree causes roughly **one in every four** of the fires.



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BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE

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The Riverdale Police Department will be accepting applications for **part time/per diem** dispatchers until December 23, 2016. Applicants do not need 911 certification. Experience preferred but not required. Applicants must have above average communication skills, be able to multi-task and remain calm under stressful situations. Schedule flexibility and availability on short notice is a must. Pay rate is \$15.00 per hour. Applications may be picked up at the Riverdale Police Department.



The first meeting of the month on November 7th was opened by President Gloria Carelli. Grace Chiesa read a piece written by Chaplain Elaine Peacock, "Music to God's Ears". This was followed by the flag salute, club pledge and singing of "God Bless America". 1st Vice-Pres. Loretta Lippens acknowledged November birthdays and those members stood, received applause, a Happy Birthday song, a birthday wish and a poem. She welcomed back several members, up-dated us on the condition of those who are ill, and asked that we remember them in our prayers.

Loretta then gave us news of interest – Bograd's will be replaced by a roller rink and go-cart track – overnight street parking will soon be in effect and there will be a \$55 fine penalty – the Black Bull Restaurant will be replacing the Golden Sakura in the near future, and 8.4 billion dollars was spent on Halloween candy!! She also reminded us to "Go Out and Vote". Peggy Peine requested that the members who are veterans stand up, and they received generous applause.

Secretary and Treasurer Reports were given. Sandy Wolf thanked those who contributed to the Riverdale School Christmas Display. Mimi Herzog announced that they will try for four trips next year, and asked for a show of hands for interest in an overnight trip. Barbara Stillwaggon is collecting checks for the Christmas Party and asked that all monies be in by the next meeting.

President Carelli has been shopping around and pricing a new Christmas Tree for the Senior Center. She will need volunteers to help pick it up at the end of the month. She also reminded us that at the next meeting our guest speaker will be Greg Santos, Nurse Liaison of the Bloomingdale and Wanaque Health Centers, who will also provide a catered luncheon.

The meeting closed earlier than usual as the voting equipment had to be set up.

The second meeting of the month, November 21st, was presided over by Pres. Gloria Carelli. Chaplain Elaine Peacock read an inspirational piece, "Prayer for Thanksgiving". Bert Santos led us in singing "America the Beautiful". 1st Vice-Pres. Loretta Lippens reminded us of the dates of the Ashley Farms cheesecake sales, and that fresh-cut Christmas trees will be available on the Glenburn Estate grounds. Also, on December 6th, there will be the Christmas Tree Lighting on the school lawn, followed by a holiday gathering at the Senior Community Center.

Gloria announced that all our files have been updated and unnecessary ones will be shredded. A motion to purchase the new Christmas Tree was made and approved. She informed us that at our next meeting we will be entertained by the Riverdale School choir and band, with excerpts from their Christmas concert. The club will provide a pizza party for all!

Mimi Hertzog announced the first trip of the new year, which will be to the Sands Casino in Bethlehem, PA. Gerry Mahler reported on forthcoming library programs, which included estate planning. Kay Boucher and Barbara Stillwaggon are finalizing our Christmas Party plans at the Paris Inn. The meeting was closed, raffle conducted, and jokes told by both Warren Sheps and Pres. Carelli.

Our Thanksgiving social began with Bert Santos entertaining us by singing karaoke solo and having members join him in a sing-a-long. Greg Santos, our guest speaker, talked about rehabilitation services at the Bloomingdale and Wanaque Health Centers, from whom we received a bountiful catered luncheon and beverages. During lunch we had a visit from a "pilgrim" (aka Bob Boucher) who received laughs and applause. He visited tables wishing everyone A Happy Thanksgiving. It was a fun day! Gloria thanked Bert, Lettie and Kay for their efforts working on this program. Thank you also to the other members who came in early and helped with moving tables and chairs, decorating, making coffee, putting out the food and beverages, etc.

Looking forward to our pizza party with the school children and our annual Christmas Party.

Presented by Kay Boucher

Religious Candle Safety

Lit candles are used in religious services, in places of worship, and in the home. Whether you are using one candle, or more than one on a candelabra, kinara, or menorah, make sure you take a few moments to learn about using candles safely.

Candle Safety

- » Candles should be placed in a sturdy candle holder.
- » Handheld candles should not be passed from one person to another at any time.
- » When lighting candles at a candle lighting service, have the person with the unlit candle dip their candle into the flame of the lit candle.
- » Lit candles should not be placed in windows where a blind or curtain could catch fire.
- » Candles placed on, or near tables, altars, or shrines, must be watched by an adult.
- » If a candle must burn continuously, be sure it is enclosed in a glass container and placed in a sink, on a metal tray, or in a deep basin filled with water.

General Fire Safety

- Matches and lighters should be stored out of the reach of children, in a locked cabinet.
- Places of worship should be equipped with a fire detection and sprinkler system.
- A home should have smoke alarms on every level, outside each sleeping area and inside each bedroom. For the best protection, interconnect the alarms, so when one sounds, they all sound. Test all smoke alarms at least monthly by pushing the test button. Replace smoke alarms when they are 10 years old.
- Plan and practice a home fire escape drill that includes two ways out of every room and an outside meeting place.



Children & Candles

Candles should be out of the reach of children and pets.

Young children should never hold a lit candle. Consider providing **battery-operated candles** for children. A **parent** should decide when a child is mature enough to light a candle with adult supervision.

FACTS

- ! **December** is the peak time of year for home candle fires.
- ! **More than half** of home candle fires happen when a candle is placed too close to something that can burn.



Your Source for SAFETY Information

NFPA Public Education Division • 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169

Solutions to Stormwater Pollution

Easy Things You Can Do Every Day To Protect Our Water

Pollution on streets, parking lots and lawns is washed by rain into storm drains, then directly to our drinking water supplies and the ocean and lakes our children play in. Fertilizer, oil, pesticides, detergents, pet waste, and grass clippings: You name it and it ends up in our water.

Stormwater pollution is one of New Jersey's greatest threats to clean and plentiful water, and that's why we're all doing something about it.

By sharing the responsibility and making small, easy changes in our daily lives, we can keep common pollutants out of stormwater. It all adds up to cleaner water, and it saves the high cost of cleaning up once it's dirty.

Easy Things You Can Do To Protect Our Water

Limit your use of fertilizers and pesticides

- Do a soil test to see if you need a fertilizer.
- Do not apply fertilizers if heavy rain is predicted.
- Look into alternatives for pesticides.
- Maintain a small lawn and keep the rest of your property or yard in a natural state with trees and other native vegetation that requires little or no fertilizer.
- If you use fertilizers and pesticides, follow the instructions on the label on how to correctly apply it.

Properly use and dispose of hazardous products

- Make sure you properly store or discard any unused portions.
- Hazardous products include some household or commercial cleaning products, lawn and garden care products, motor oil, antifreeze and paints.
- Do not pour any hazardous products down a storm drain because storm drains are usually connected to local water bodies and the water is not treated.
- If you have hazardous products in your home or workplace, make sure you store or dispose of them properly. Read the label for guidance.
- Use natural or less toxic alternatives when possible.
- Recycle used motor oil.
- Contact your municipality, county or facility management office for the locations of hazardous-waste disposal facilities.

Clean up after your pet

- Many municipalities and public agencies enact and enforce local pet and livestock waste rules.
- An example is requiring pet owners or their keepers to pick up and properly dispose of pet waste dropped on public or other people's property.
- Use newspaper, bags, or pooper-scoopers to pick up wastes.
- Dispose of the wrapped pet waste in the trash or unwrapped in a toilet.
- Never discard pet waste in a storm drain.

Don't Litter

- Place litter in trash receptacles
- Recycle. Recycle. Recycle.
- Participate in community cleanups

Dispose of yard waste properly

- Keep leaves and grass out of storm drains & ditches.
- Use leaves and grass clippings as a resource for compost.
- Use a mulching mower that recycles grass clippings into the lawn.



NO PARKING RULES

December 1 begins the no parking on the borough streets from 12 midnight till 6 AM

No Parking on borough streets when snowing or when streets are snow covered.

Under state law NO PARKING:

- ◆ Within an intersection
- ◆ On a crosswalk
- ◆ In front of a driveway
- ◆ On a sidewalk
- ◆ Within 50 feet of a stop sign
- ◆ Within 25 feet of an intersection
- ◆ Within 10 feet of a fire hydrant



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Riverdale Recycling & Solid Waste News 2017

- ◇ Cans, bottles, paper and cardboard can be put out together for recycling.
- ◇ You can put out all the recycling on every Friday! Please do not include non-recyclable items with this pick-up.
- ◇ We recycle #1, #2, #4, #5 and #7 plastic food and beverage containers.
- ◇ Plastic bags, plastic toys, etc. are not acceptable for recycling.

Please follow these simple requests:

- ◇ Clean food off recyclables and empty liquids before you recycle them.
- ◇ As little paper as possible should be shredded - only those pieces of paper with confidential information that you don't want others to see. The less shredded paper there is in the recycling stream, the better it is for the recycling process. Because shredded paper is so small, it doesn't get sorted with other paper, and it winds up in the trash at the end of the system.
- ◇ Bottle caps are thrown in the garbage, please remove them before recycling.
- ◇ It is required that shredded paper must be put in clear or light-colored plastic bags, such as grocery bags.
- ◇ The Metal Appliances and Scrap Metal pickups are still the First Friday of Each Month.

You may bring the following items to the DPW Garage on Dalton Drive.

To arrange a drop off time please call 973-835-6077

- ◆ Televisions (NO projection TVs)
- ◆ Computers, Laptops, Keyboards, Mice, External Drives, Modems
- ◆ Scanners, Printers
- ◆ Copy Machines
- ◆ VCRs, DVD Players
- ◆ Stereos
- ◆ Radios
- ◆ Phones
- ◆ Fax Machines
- ◆ Camcorders
- ◆ Electric Typewriters

- ◆ Cell Phones
- ◆ And most media (Floppy, CD)

Items NOT Accepted:

- ◆ Projection TVs
- ◆ Loose Batteries
- ◆ Vacuum Cleaners
- ◆ Microwaves
- ◆ Refrigerators
- ◆ Hazardous Materials

- **Passenger Tires** may be disposed of at the Borough Garage, Dalton Drive, after paying a \$2.00 per tire fee at the Municipal Building. Tires may be on or off the rims.
- **Branches and Twigs** will be picked up on **Wednesdays**. They must be tied in bundles no longer than four feet in length. **Christmas Trees will be picked up on the same day as branches and twigs.** They must be free of ornaments, tinsel, etc. and they must NOT be bagged.
- **Leaves** will also be picked up on **Wednesdays**. They must be in **brown 30 gallon biodegradable paper yard waste bags** available from hardware and home centers.
- **Corrugated Cardboard** will be picked up on **Fridays** according to the enclosed schedule. All cardboard must be folded flat. Do NOT tie in bundles. The string interferes with the machinery.
- **Magazines, Junk Mail & Mixed Paper** will be picked up on **Fridays** according to the enclosed schedule. Do NOT tie in bundles. The string interferes with the machinery.
- **Metal Appliances and Scrap Metal** pick up will be on the **first Friday** of each month. (Doors must be removed from refrigerators and freezers before being placed out at the curb.)
- **Grass Clippings** will NOT be picked up by the DPW or the garbage hauler. We recommend mulching the clippings on your lawn or composting them.
- **Used Motor Oil** must be recycled. It may be brought to Malanga's Automotive for disposal. The cost is \$1.00 per gallon. It is unlawful to dispose of waste oil in your regular garbage. The oil must be free of contaminants, such as gasoline or antifreeze.
- **Natural Wood Waste and Oil-Contaminated Soil** must be recycled. Contact the DPW for information on vendors who handle these items.
- **Battery Recycling-Alkaline batteries may be disposed with household garbage. Rechargeable and button cell batteries may be disposed of at the Municipal Building. Vehicular batteries are accepted at Malanga's Automotive, 39 Hamburg Turnpike, at no charge.**
- **Garbage Collection is on every Tuesday.**
- **One Bulk Item** may be put out on collection day. This could be a couch, chair, mattress, box spring, etc. One roll of carpet (4 feet wide) and no heavier than 50 pounds will be picked up as a bulk item on each collection day. It is suggested you make arrangements with your carpet installer to haul away used carpet and padding.
- **Any Metal Items or Appliances** should be put out for scrap metal collection on the **first Friday** of each month.
- **Absolutely NO Construction Materials will be picked up.** Construction materials would include such items as sheetrock, tile, framing lumber, windows, doors, etc.

Please do not place your containers in the street, place them on the curb. Especially in the winter this poses a problem if it should snow during the evening and the plows must clear the streets. Thank you for your cooperation.



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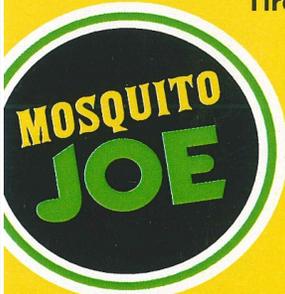


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RIVERDALE FOOD PANTRY

Items needed are: Pasta sauce, soup, mac 'n cheese, rice, potato flakes, PB&J, canned corn, peas, string beans, tuna, pancake mix and syrup, laundry detergents, paper products.

To request confidential Pantry assistance, please call Linda Roetman, at the Riverdale Borough Hall (973) 835-4060.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT



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