

The Borough of Union Beach

Newsletter

"The Best Little Town in New Jersey"

Summer 2017

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The Borough of Union Beach would like to thank our former Construction Official
ROBERT BURLEW
for all his hard work and excellent service to the residents of Union Beach.
Enjoy your retirement! You will be greatly missed!

The Borough of Union Beach welcomes
all to attend our annual
INDEPENDENCE DAY FIREWORKS
Monday, July 3 on the beach after 9 p.m.
Raindate: Wednesday, July 5

Disposal of Branches/Brush/Grass Clippings

Our garbage contractor will accept branches/brush along with your regular garbage pick-up — preferably on the second pick-up of the week (either Thursday or Friday). Branches **MUST** be bundled. Bundles **CANNOT** be more than 4 feet in length and **CANNOT** weigh more than 50 pounds. Anything larger than 3 inches in diameter **MUST** be cut up. If branches are too small to bundle, they should be placed in a can, the weight of which should **NOT** exceed 50 pounds. The contractor will accept only **THREE** bundles or cans at a time. **PLEASE NOTE:** The Department of Public Works/Recycling Center located at 1400 Florence Avenue does **NOT** accept branches/brush. The garbage contractor does not accept grass clippings; neither does the Department of Public Works. We recommend that you leave cut grass on your lawn, as it is actually good for your lawn.

Recycling Toilet Paper Rolls

It is estimated that each household uses two rolls of toilet tissue a week. Have you ever realized that the cardboard tubes are recyclable? They can be thrown away with your other cardboard and mixed paper! They are small, but think of this: Union Beach currently has over 2,000 homes and businesses. Imagine if 1,000 of them (less than half) recycled their toilet tissue tubes on a regular basis! That would be 2,000 per week! Now, imagine if they all did that for a year. That would be 104,000! And that's not even counting paper towel tubes, which are also recyclable! Are you doing your part and recycling YOUR toilet paper tubes?

Borough Meetings and Events

July

- 3 (Monday) Independence Day Fireworks after dark at the Beachfront
4 (Tuesday) Borough Offices Closed — Independence Day
5 (Wednesday) Rain Date for Independence Day Fireworks
5 (Wednesday) Music & Volleyball at 6 p.m. at the Beachfront
12 (Wednesday) Music & Volleyball at 6 p.m. at the Beachfront
13 (Thursday) Mayor & Borough Council Agenda Meeting at 8 p.m. in Borough Hall
14 (Friday) Presentation of "The LEGO Movie" at 7 p.m. in the Library
16 (Sunday) Ice Cream Social at 5:30 p.m. at BFSC Leonardo
17 (Monday) Board of Health Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall
19 (Wednesday) Music & Volleyball at 6 p.m. at the Beachfront
20 (Thursday) Mayor & Borough Council Public Meeting at 8 p.m. in Borough Hall
24 (Monday) Recreation Commission Meeting at 7 p.m. in the Library
25 (Tuesday) Mobile County Connection at 10 a.m. at the Library
26 (Wednesday) Planning Board Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall
26 (Wednesday) Music & Volleyball at 6 p.m. at the Beachfront
26 (Wednesday) Library Fundraiser at Texas Roadhouse
28 (Friday) Family Bingo Night at 6 p.m. in the Library

August

- 2 (Wednesday) Music & Volleyball at 6 p.m. at the Beachfront
9 (Wednesday) Music & Volleyball at 6 p.m. at the Beachfront
10 (Thursday) Mayor & Borough Council Agenda Meeting at 8 p.m. in Borough Hall
14 (Monday) Summer Program Award Party at 3:45 p.m. at the Library
16 (Wednesday) Music & Volleyball at 6 p.m. at the Beachfront
17 (Thursday) Mayor & Borough Council Agenda Meeting at 8 p.m. in Borough Hall
18 (Monday) Recreation Commission Meeting at 7 p.m. in the Library
21 (Monday) Board of Health Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall
23 (Wednesday) Music & Volleyball at 6 p.m. at the Beachfront
24 (Thursday) Mayor & Borough Council Public Meeting at 8 p.m. in Borough Hall
30 (Wednesday) Planning Board Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall
30 (Wednesday) Music & Volleyball at 6 p.m. at the Beachfront

September

- 1 (Friday) Deadline for Submission to 2017 Autumn Newsletter
4 (Monday) Borough Offices Closed — Labor Day
6 (Wednesday) Library Association Meeting at 7 p.m. in the Library
11 (Monday) PTA Meeting at 7 p.m. in Media Center
14 (Thursday) Mayor & Borough Council Agenda Meeting at 8 p.m. in Borough Hall
18 (Monday) Board of Health Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall
21 (Thursday) Mayor & Borough Council Public Meeting at 8 p.m. in Borough Hall
23 (Saturday) Scarecrow Building Contest at 10 a.m. at the Library
25 (Monday) Recreation Commission Meeting at 7 p.m. in the Library
27 (Wednesday) Planning Board Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall

** More information on many of these events can be found throughout this Newsletter

The Borough of Union Beach wishes
to congratulate all 2017 Graduates!

Borough Phone Numbers

FIRE 911
FIRST AID 911
POLICE (732) 264-0313

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR (732) 264-3026
Robert M. Howard, Jr.

HEALTH OFFICE (732) 264-2365

Eileen Balut
SEWER DEPARTMENT (732) 264-5657
Alice Ostervich

FINANCE DEPARTMENT (732) 264-9029

Michael Pennell
BOROUGH CLERK (732) 264-2277
Anne Marie Friscia

TAX ASSESSOR (732) 264-2360

Michael DeRe
COURT ADMINISTRATOR (732) 264-9098

TAX COLLECTOR (732) 264-5662

Desiree Durkin
PUBLIC WORKS DEPT. (732) 264-1133

Stephen J. Higgins
Mary E. Mancini

RECYCLING CENTER (732) 264-1133

Stephen J. Higgins
Mary E. Mancini

PLANNING/ZONING BOARD (732) 739-1503
Madeline Russo

CODE ENFORCER (732) 526-8686

Joseph Crane
CONSTRUCTION DEPT. (732) 526-8687

RECREATION (732) 888-6026

LIBRARY (732) 264-3792

BOARD OF EDUCATION (732) 264-3133

MEMORIAL SCHOOL (732) 264-5400

T&M ASSOCIATES (732) 671-6400

O.E.M. (732) 620-5035

Michael Harriott

NJ AMERICAN WATER COMPANY
1-800-652-6987

NJ NATURAL GAS COMPANY
1-800-GAS LEAK

JCP&L
1-800-662-3115

IMPORTANT MESSAGE
All dumpsters and containers
should be placed on your property
and require a permit.

Newsletter Deadline
Submissions for the 2017 Autumn Issue
of the Borough of Union Beach
Newsletter are due September 1.
All submissions should be sent in writing
to Mary Mancini, Department of
Public Works by emailing
memancini@optonline.net or faxing
732-264-5829.

Union Beach Board of Health

It is the law to register your dog(s) annually!!! By Section BH:1-2.1, no owner is allowed to have any more than three (3) dogs. No household shall have more than three dogs residing within any **structure** on a subject property. If you no longer have a dog, for whatever reason, you must notify the Board of Health at 732-264-2365.

Licenses may be obtained Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Please bring exact change or a check.

Union Beach Rabies Clinic will be at the Department of Public Works on Saturday, November 11, 2017 from 10 a.m. to noon. All dogs must be on leashes and all cats must be in carriers.

Union Beach Board of Health will have a table on Union Beach Day.

Monmouth County Mosquito Control Division provides mosquito control and tick testing services. For further information, contact the staff at 732-542-3630.

If you require additional information regarding any Board of Health issue, please visit the Union Beach web site at www.ubnj.net and click on the Board of Health page.

Third Annual Union Beach Day

Be a part of our community! Meet your neighbors! Make new friends! Show your Union Beach pride! The third annual Union Beach Day will be held on Saturday, October 14. Save the date!

Congratulations to the Following Union Beach Graduates:

Red Bank Regional High School

Marissa Seely
Victoria White
Nicholas Villalobos

Highest Ranking Union Beach Student
Civic-Minded Girl
Civic-Minded Boy

Keyport High School

Isabella Jacob
Angelica Disini
Brenden O'Brien

Highest Ranking Union Beach Student
Civic-Minded Girl
Civic-Minded Boy

Memorial School

Haley Ahr
Amanda Vezos
Anthony Gaeta

Highest Ranking Student
Civic-Minded Girl
Civic-Minded Boy

Union Beach Code Enforcement

All houses must have address numbers on them. These numbers must be at least 4 inches high by 1/2 inch wide and be a contrasting color to the background. All empty lots must have a sign posted with the block and lot, or the address, on it.

With it being summer, the Code Enforcement Office is asking that everyone please keep their grass cut and their properties maintained.

Dumpster/Storage Container Permits

EVERY dumpster and container used in the Borough **MUST** have a proper permit. Permit applications may be obtained by going to www.ubnj.net and clicking on the Public Works page. For more information, please call Public Works at 732-264-1133.

Beachfront Parking Meters

Please be advised that the beachfront parking meters are now in effect from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. The fee is \$1.00 per hour. Residents of Union Beach may receive a free parking pass for their vehicle. To do so, please go to Borough Hall with your driver's license and registration.

Memorial School Field

The Memorial School Field was significantly damaged during Hurricane Sandy, and the District is still repairing and improving its quality for usage by the school teams. This is an ongoing challenge that involves drainage, landscaping, lawn maintenance and upkeep against the weather. When residents ignore the fence and the locks and take to the field without permission, the results are often disappointing, as the terrain is compromised, debris and animal droppings are scattered about, and the general condition of the area is severely down-trodden. This is not fair to our custodial crew who must clean up after such poor behavior or to our student-athletes who must then play their games in a sub-par environment.

We understand and respect that Union Beach is a closely-knit community, and we would suggest that the children of Union Beach are our most important commodity. So, *please*, follow in-place procedures and contact the Board Office at 732-264-5405 should you wish to reserve the field. Thank you.

Message to the Union Beach Community

From Dr. Scott Ridley, Superintendent of Schools

The byline of the Union Beach Newsletter reads, "*The Best Little Town in New Jersey*" and, as a school district, we too are committed to this very notion. To that end, we have begun a Strategic Plan which will identify areas in need of upgrade and/or improvement.

An important first step in this process is asking the entire community (whether you have children at Memorial or not) to participate in a comprehensive survey that will help the District better determine exactly the direction we need to go and the programs we need to prioritize. In the coming weeks, this survey will be made available electronically and by hard copy in many Union Beach localities (including Borough Hall), and we ask that you volunteer five minutes of your day to respond so we may one day soon claim to be "*The Best Little School District in New Jersey*" as well. Thank you.

Union Beach PTA

Thank you for your support throughout the 2016-2017 school year!

Union Beach PTA meets the first Monday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Memorial School Media Center. Our first meeting of the 2017-2018 school year will be held on September 11, 2017. On-site child care is available.

The Union Beach PTA works in conjunction with the school to provide support for staff and students. The PTA hosts several events and fundraisers throughout the year to sustain, and promote, a conducive learning and family-supported educational environment for all of our students. Your support goes a long way in helping us continue our mission.

For more information on any of our events, meetings, or weather cancellations, please visit our web site at Union Beach Memorial School and click on the PTA link; or on our Facebook page at UnionBeachPTA.

Bayshore Family Success Center

Free Summer Schoolwork Packet Help is available from 10 a.m. to noon at the Union Beach Library on the following Saturdays: July 22, July 29, August 5, and August 12.

We have partnered with Neighborhood Crop and will be hosting cooking events and distributing free produce in July and August. Check our web site for dates and times!

Join us for a Free Ice Cream Social at our Leonardo location on July 16 at 5:30 p.m. in honor of National Ice Cream Day. Registration is required.

Book Club will be held the fourth Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. in the Union Beach Library. Upcoming dates are July 27, August 24, and September 28.

Free Family Bingo Night for the Summer will be July 28 at 6 p.m. in the Union Beach Library. The Fall date is September 22 at 6 p.m. Registration is required.

For more information, or to register for any of our events, call us at 732-497-3811 or email us at familysuccess@cymca.org. Our web site is <http://cymca.org/locations/bayshore-family-success-center>.

Union Beach Library

The Library Association will meet on September 6 at 7 p.m. in the Library. There will no meetings held in July and August. It's finally Summer! Stop by the Library to pick up your books for the beach (or your required summer reading)!

Our regular school age story-time with Children's Librarian, Miss Val, is held on the second and fourth Monday of each month from 3:45 to 4:30 p.m. Upcoming dates are July 10 and 24, August 14 and 28, and September 11 and 25.

UB Fit Club meets at the Library every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. The weekly meeting includes nutritional and body care topics and action. See our web site or Facebook page for more information.

We have started offering yoga classes for children and adults. Please check our web site for pricing and dates.

Free Crochet and Craft Club! All ages are welcome! This Summer program will run on Tuesdays from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on July 11, 18, 25 and August 1.

Everything is AWESOME! Free indoor presentation of "The LEGO Movie" on July 14 at 7 p.m. Popcorn, snacks and water will be served. Bring a towel or a blanket for the kids!

Mobile County Connection will be at the Library on July 25 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. offering a variety of services from the Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Surrogate's Office, and Sheriff's Office (example: County ID's, passports, child seat safety check, voter registration, and information on probate and wills). Please check our web site and Borough web site for detailed information about all the services being offered.

Support the Library on July 26 at Texas Roadhouse. Give yourself some time off from cooking and cleaning on a hot summer night! Stop by the Library to pick up a flyer to present.

NEW!! NINTENDO BATTLE CLUB for ages 10 and up on Wednesday from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on July 26, August 16 and September 27. Wii consoles/screens will be available for gaming. Don't forget to bring your DS!

Helmet Rewards! We love to see our community active and safe! If you ride your bike, scooter, etc., stop in the Library and show us your helmet to receive a reward/gift. Summer Program Award Party will be held on August 14 from 3:45 to 4:30 p.m. with food, fun, and Doodle Dude!!

The Scarecrow Building Contest with UB Drug Alliance will be held on September 23 from 10 a.m. to noon. We will supply the hay, heads and stand; YOU supply the creativity! Bring your own clothes, hat and accessories. Scarecrows will be displayed at the Library and around town for UB Day.

Sherlock Holmes has nothing on us; well, at least for one night! We are excited to host a Murder Mystery Dinner on September 30. This themed event will include dinner, water/soft drinks, and prizes, in addition to the entertainment! Adults only/cash bar available. Visit our web site for more detailed information as it becomes available.

For more information on any of our programs, you can call us at 732-264-3792. You can also check our web site and/or Facebook page for more details.

The Library will be closed in observance of the following holidays: July 4 — Independence Day; Summer Break — August 20 through 27; and September 4 — Labor Day.

Don't forget you can use your Union Beach Library Card to take your books on your travels without having to pay for extra baggage! Visit monmouthcountylib.org and click on "Library to Go" to download ebooks and audio books.

Sewer Cap Inspections

Any building being demolished or raised needs to have its sewer line capped* and inspected by the Department of Public Works prior to work being done. Once the line is reconnected, it needs to be re-inspected. Please use the form on the next page. Do not submit the form until you are ready for inspection. Once it is submitted to DPW, inspections are usually completed within 24 hours.

* Please be advised that you will still be billed for sewer service if you have a capped line.

Number: _____

**BOROUGH OF UNION BEACH
SEWER DEPARTMENT
650 Poole Avenue
Union Beach, NJ 07735
732-264-1133
Fax: 732-264-5829**

Inspection/Release Form

Resident Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Telephone Number: _____

Block and Lot: _____

Name and Address of Person/Company Performing Work:

Contact Telephone Number: _____

Road Opening Permit Number (if applicable): _____

For the purpose of:

____ Demolition ____ New Construction ____ Improvements HHH

Proposed date and time ready for inspection: _____

Capped lateral inspection approved by: _____ Date: _____

Comments:

RECONNECTION INSPECTION IN RIGHT OF WAY

Approved by: _____ Date: _____

Comments:

Engineer's Corner — Borough Engineer, Edward Broberg, P.E., provided the following information concerning the status of ongoing construction projects:

FY 2015 Monmouth County Open Space Grant Program

The Borough awarded a construction contract to Halecon, Inc., Bridgewater, NJ for Scholer Park – Phase VI improvements. The improvements include the repair, resurfacing and color coating the existing paved hockey rink surface; installation of new hockey dasher boards; and the installation of heavy duty perimeter fencing. The construction is now completed.

Reconstruction of Harrison Avenue – Phase II

The Borough recently awarded a construction contract to JADS Construction for the Reconstruction of Harrison Avenue Phase II from Johnson Avenue to Stone Road. The project is part of the 2017 Roadway Improvement Program. The project is funded in part through a grant from the FY 2016 New Jersey Department of Transportation Municipal Aid Grant Program in the amount of \$210,000. The improvements include new concrete curb, sidewalk, drainage, and a total reconstruction of the existing roadway. The construction is now underway. We anticipate construction to be completed by the end of June 2017.

FY 2017 New Jersey Department of Transportation Municipal Aid Grant Application

The Borough recently awarded a grant in the amount of \$210,000.00 from the New Jersey Department of Transportation Municipal Aid Grant Program for the Reconstruction of Arlington Avenue and Newark Avenue from Johnson Avenue to Stone Road. The improvements include new concrete curb and sidewalk, drainage, and a total reconstruction of the existing roadway. We anticipate construction to begin in the spring of 2018.

Reconstruction of Bayview Avenue

The Borough recently awarded a construction contract to JADS Construction for the Reconstruction of Bayview Avenue from Union Avenue to Ocean Avenue. The project is part of the 2017 Roadway Improvement Program. The improvements included new concrete curb, drainage, and a total reconstruction of the existing roadway. The construction is now underway. We anticipate construction to be completed late June/early July 2017.

Reconstruction of Ocean Avenue

The Borough recently awarded a construction contract to JADS Construction for the Reconstruction of Ocean Avenue from Bayview Avenue to Lorillard Avenue. The project is part of the 2017 Roadway Improvement Program. The improvements included new concrete curb, drainage, and a total reconstruction of the existing roadway. The construction is now underway. We anticipate construction to be completed late June/early July 2017.

2017 Monmouth County Community Development Grant Application

The Borough will be applying to the Monmouth County Community Development Grant Program for the Reconstruction of St James Avenue from Poole Avenue to Tenth Street. The improvement included new concrete curb, drainage, and a total reconstruction of the existing roadway. If successful, we anticipate construction to begin in the spring/summer of 2018.

Columbia Avenue Park

The Borough recently awarded a construction contract to JADS Construction for the construction of a passive park located on west side of Union Avenue between Columbia Avenue and the Henry Hudson trail. The park was identified as part of the Borough's Commercial Corridor Re-development and Resiliency plan. The improvements include a small parking lot, benches, and landscaping. The park will connect to the Henry Hudson trail with certain improvements to the trail by the Monmouth County Parks System. The project is part of the 2017 Roadway Improvement Program. We anticipate construction to begin in the July 2017.

Scholer Park Improvements Phase VII

The Borough recently awarded a construction contract to JADS Construction for the expansion of the existing parking lot. The project is funded in part through a grant from the Monmouth County Open Space Grant Program in the amount of \$66,000. This is the final phase of the planned improvements developed as part of the 2003 overall improvement plan for the park. The project is being constructed as part of 2017 Roadway Improvement Program. We anticipate the construction to begin in the late July/early August of 2017.

Army Corps of Engineers Flood Control Project

The Governing Body continues to work closely with the State and Army Corps representatives to keep this most important project on its current project schedule. The State and Corps officials have resolved the environmental concerns raised by the Federal Fish and Wildlife Service and the project is moving forward. The design funds have been approved and advanced by the Feds for Phase I design. The language in the Project Planning Agreement (PPA) has been agreed to by the State and Federal Government. The PPA package has been submitted to Corps headquarters for approval.

A Message from Mayor Paul J. Smith, Jr.

Dear Friends,

Well, it is now officially summer. I hope that you are all enjoying the nice weather and will get a chance to relax for a few days over the coming months. Remember that schools are out, so please drive safely and pay close attention to children who may dash out onto the street.

Summer is also the time of year when many of our construction projects are underway in the Borough. This year we have two (2) road reconstruction projects, more improvements to Scholer Park and the construction of a "Pocket Park" on Columbia Avenue at Union Avenue. We apologize for any inconvenience that road closures and the construction may bring, but keep in mind that the closures are temporary and the improvements will be enjoyed for many years to come. I thank you for your patience.

The Shore Protection Project of the Army Corps of Engineers continues to move forward. The Federal Government and State of New Jersey are working to finalize the mountains of paperwork required for the equipment to actually show up and get the project started. I am hopeful that we will see the beginning of construction by years end.

I want to thank everyone who participated in this year's Memorial Day activities, especially our Emergency Services who held the service at Firefighter's Park and American Legion Post 321 for their service of remembrance at the "Doughboy". There are so many people involved to make our parade successful; from our Public Works Department who make the town look so nice, the organizers and volunteers who make the parade go off without a hitch to the many groups who march through town.

A reminder that Monday, July 3rd is Fireworks night. Bring your beach chairs and blankets to relax on our beautiful waterfront and enjoy the patriotic display. (Rain date is July 5th).

SAVE THE DATE.....October 14th will be our 3rd annual Union Beach Day. Activities are being planned for what will make it better than ever. More information will follow on the website.

I would like to welcome several new businesses to Union Beach, Miles of Smiles Daycare/ Preschool Center, Kevin Kelly Salon, Stubby's Deli and the Ice House Ice Cream Parlor. I wish them years of success.

Remember to check the website for information about all upcoming activities in Union Beach. There is a lot going on this summer.

Also the trash and recycling schedule is posted there if you need a reminder about which week recycling and bulk pick up occur on your street.

Have a safe and enjoyable summer.

Keep smiling,
Paul

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