

The Borough of Union Beach

Newsletter

"The Best Little Town in New Jersey"

Autumn 2019

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SPECIAL Recycling Pick-Ups

** Recycling in Section A will be picked up on Saturday, December 28, due to December 25 being a holiday. Next pick-up will be Wednesday, January 8, 2020.

** Recycling in Section B will be picked up on Saturday, January 4, 2020, due to January 1 being a holiday. Next pick-up will be Wednesday, January 15, 2020.

The same rules apply as for when you have a regular Wednesday pick-up. Please put everything at the curb the night before and do not use plastic bags of any kind.

Election News

The last day to register to vote for the November General Election is Tuesday, October 15. The last day to receive, by mail, applications for Vote by Mail Ballots for the November General Election is Tuesday, October 29. The last day (3 p.m.) to receive, in person or by messenger, applications for Vote by Mail Ballots for the November General Election is Monday, November 4. General Election Day is Tuesday, November 5. Polls are open from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Your voting location is listed on the sample ballot that is mailed to you.

Color the World Orange — November 4, 2019

As proclaimed by Mayor Paul J. Smith, Jr., November 4, 2019 is "Color the World Orange Day" in the Borough of Union Beach.

This day is being celebrated throughout the United States and many other countries to bring awareness of, and in support of those with, the severe chronic pain condition called Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS), also known as Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy (RSD). Wear orange on November 4 to show your support! To learn more visit: www.colortheworldorangeday.com.

Dumpster/Storage Container Permits

EVERY dumpster and container used in the Borough of Union Beach **MUST** have a proper permit. See Page 5 of this Newsletter for the necessary form. For more information, please call Public Works at 732-264-1133.

This Newsletter is intended for the residents of Union Beach only. Information regarding curbside pick-ups pertains only to Union Beach. The Union Beach Recycling Center does NOT accept any type of materials from residents outside of Union Beach.

Borough Meetings and Events

October

- 1 (Tuesday) Library Association Meeting at 7 p.m. in the Library
7 (Monday) PTA Meeting at 6 p.m. in the Memorial School Media Center
10 (Thursday) Mayor & Council Agenda Meeting at 7:30 p.m. in Borough Hall
14 (Monday) Borough Offices Closed — Columbus Day
15 (Tuesday) Last day to register to vote in November General Election
16 (Wednesday) Community Alliance Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall
17 (Thursday) Mayor & Council Public Meeting at 7:30 p.m. in Borough Hall
21 (Monday) Board of Health Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall
22 (Tuesday) Leaf pick-up begins in Section B — paper bags only
23 (Wednesday) Leaf pick-up begins in Section A — paper bags only
26 (Saturday) Clean Ocean Action Beach Sweep at 9 a.m. at Beachfront
28 (Monday) Recreation Commission Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall
29 (Tuesday) Last day to receive, by mail, applications for Vote by Mail Ballots
30 (Wednesday) Planning Board Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall

November

- 4 (Monday) Color the World Orange Day in Union Beach
4 (Monday) Last day to receive, in person or messenger, Vote by Mail Ballots
4 (Monday) PTA Meeting at 7 p.m. in the Memorial School Media Center
5 (Tuesday) Borough Offices Closed — Election Day
6 (Wednesday) Library Association Meeting at 7 p.m. in the Library
9 (Saturday) Free Rabies Clinic from 10 a.m. to noon at 1400 Florence Avenue
11 (Monday) Borough Offices Closed — Veterans' Day
12 (Tuesday) Board of Health Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall
13 (Wednesday) Community Alliance Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall
14 (Thursday) Mayor & Council Agenda Meeting at 7:30 p.m. in Borough Hall
18 (Monday) Recreation Commission Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall
18 (Monday) Planning Board Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall
25 (Monday) Mayor & Council Public Meeting at 7:30 p.m. in Borough Hall
27 (Wednesday) Deadline for Submission to 2019 Winter Newsletter
28 (Thursday) Borough Offices Closed — Thanksgiving Day
29 (Friday) Borough Offices Closed — Day After Thanksgiving

December

- 1 (Sunday) Christmas Tree Lighting at 6 p.m. at Scholer Park
2 (Monday) PTA Meeting at 7 p.m. in the Memorial School Media Center
3 (Tuesday) Library Association Meeting at 7 p.m. in the Library
11 (Wednesday) Community Alliance Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall
12 (Thursday) Mayor & Council Agenda Meeting at 7:30 p.m. in Borough Hall
16 (Monday) Planning Board Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall
16 (Monday) Board of Health Meeting at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall
19 (Thursday) Mayor & Council Public Meeting at 7:30 p.m. in Borough Hall
25 (Wednesday) Borough Offices Closed — Christmas Day
28 (Saturday) Special Recycling Pick-Up for Section A
31 (Tuesday) Last day for leaf pick-up in Section A and Section B

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

There will be no garbage pick-up on Thursday, November 28 (Thanksgiving Day). There will be no recycling, or bulk pick-ups on the following days: Wednesday, December 25 (Christmas Day); and Wednesday, January 1, 2020 (New Year's Day).

Borough Phone Numbers

FIRE	911
FIRST AID	911
POLICE	(732) 264-0313
Chief Michael Woodrow	
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	
Carol Seney	
TAX ASSESSOR	(732) 264-2360
Michael DelRe	
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
Timothy Davis	
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.	
John Perrone (732) 489-4108	

NJ AMERICAN WATER COMPANY
1-800-652-6987

NJ NATURAL GAS COMPANY
1-800-GAS LEAK

JCP&L
1-800-662-3115

IMPORTANT MESSAGE

Please do **NOT** blow/sweep cut grass or leaves into the road, or into the catch basins.

Newsletter Deadline

Submissions for the 2019 Winter Issue of the Borough of Union Beach Newsletter are due by November 27. All submissions should be sent in writing to Mary Mancini, Department of Public Works by emailing memancini@unionbeachnj.gov or faxing 732-264-5829.

Leaf Collection Program

Curbside leaf pick-up will begin on October 22, 2019. Please adhere to the following schedule for leaf pick-up. If you are in Section A with a Tuesday and Friday garbage pick-up, leaves will be collected on Wednesdays. If you are in Section B with a Monday and Thursday garbage pick-up, leaves will be collected on Tuesdays. The last pick-up for both sections will be on Tuesday, December 31, 2019, due to Wednesday, January 1, 2020 being a holiday. We ask that you please understand if weather prevents us from picking up leaves.

Please do not place leaves in plastic bags, as they will **NOT** be picked up. Paper leaf bags may be purchased at hardware-type stores, or picked up (while supplies last) at the Department of Public Works located at 1400 Florence Avenue. As always, leaves may be brought directly to the Recycling Center located at 1400 Florence Avenue; however, residents will be expected to empty any bags, other than paper, on site. All bags with leaves must contain leaves **ONLY** — any other type of debris is unacceptable, including grass, twigs, and branches.

All services of the Union Beach Department of Public Works/Recycling Center are available to Union Beach residents only. Please stop in the office and show your identification before dropping off any type of recyclables.

Christmas Tree Pick-Up

Christmas Tree pick-up will begin on January 7, 2020, following the same schedule as used for leaf pick-up. Section A will be picked up on Wednesdays; Section B will be picked-up on Tuesdays through the end of the month. Final pick-up will take place on January 28 and 29, 2020. We ask that you please understand if weather prevents us from picking up trees.

Union Beach Board of Health

Union Beach Rabies Clinic will be on Saturday, November 9, at Union Beach Public Works/Recycling Center, 1400 Florence Avenue, from 10 a.m. to noon.

JANUARY is dog registration month. **February 1, 2020, late fees start.** Our web site is www.ubnj.net. Click on the black box that says "DOG LICENSE" and fill out the application. Any questions, call 732-264-2365, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

For more information on the Board of Health, go to our web site, and click on "Board of Health."

Bayshore Sports and Recreation (BSAREC)

The Bayshore Sharks would like to thank the community for all their support during a successful 2019 Spring & Fall Baseball and Softball season.

We are now heading into our fourth year (2020) of Rec Basketball at Memorial School. In 2019, we had over 290 children from Pre-K through 8th grade participating, learning, and having fun.

We would like to thank the Union Beach Council and Department of Public Works for the improvements and maintenance of the Baseball/Softball fields as we look forward to future improvements.

Be on the lookout for our 2020 Basketball registration online and on Facebook in late September and October, and for Spring 2020 Baseball and Softball registration in late January!

Follow us on Facebook, Twitter & Instagram. <https://www.bsarec.com>

Union Beach Recreation Commission

The Christmas Tree Lighting will take place on Sunday, December 1 at 6 p.m. at Scholer Park. Enter the town-wide decorating contest in the boxes provided at Borough Hall during the month of December. You can also enter via Facebook under the Decorating Contest post.

Stay updated on Recreation Commission activities on Facebook (Union Beach Recreation). Email us at UBRec@unionbeachnj.gov with any questions, comments or concerns.

Grace United Methodist Church

Welcome to Grace United Methodist Church, 115 St. James Ave., Union Beach. Our regular Sunday Service starts at 9 a.m. every Sunday morning. We welcomed Pastor Gene Chamberlain in July, and we invite you to join us in our worship service. As always, Scott Woolley, Certified Lay Speaker, and Donna Bondi, Lay Servant, will continue to assist during our services.

Our regular Sunday School is back on schedule, as our summer program has come to an end. Our Sunday School also meets at 9 a.m. every Sunday morning. We offer classes nursery through high school. All are welcome. We would also like to thank all the children and families that participated in our Summer Bible School Program, "ROAR"! It was a fun week for all, ending with our penny carnival, this year supporting, First 1000 Days, a program for expectant mothers and newborns in Zambia.

Our Monday evening Bible Study group meets at 7 p.m. and our Wednesday morning Bible Study group meets at 10 a.m. We are finalizing our Fall study choices now. Both groups meet at the church. If you're interested, please stop by.

Don't forget to check out our Fall Fundraisers: Our Annual Christmas Wreath Sale kicked off on Union Beach Day. See Nancy Kelly for more info. Our Spooky Spaghetti Dinner will take place on Saturday, October 26 from 4 to 7 p.m. Watch for more info on this. Feel free to wear your costume!

Mark your calendar for our annual Holiday Magic Vendor & Craft Fair. This year's date is November 23, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Any vendors or crafters interested in a table, please send an email to sischickie1@gmail.com. Table fees are only \$25! We offer two rooms of vendors/crafters, and our space fills up quickly. Last year we had a waiting list!

This year we will continue collecting new pajamas and socks through November to help the Raine Foundation provide a Merry Christmas to many of our Bayshore families. Our congregation has sent two large goody boxes to UBPD Officer, Jay Macavoy, serving our country in Somalia. God bless the men and women of our Armed Forces!

Narcotics Anonymous (NA) groups meet Sunday and Monday evenings. The WIC Program — first Monday of every month. Yoga meets on Wednesday evenings. Boy Scouts on Tuesday evenings; Cub Scouts on Thursday evenings; and Girl Scouts on the second Friday of the month from 5:15 to 7 p.m.

Please be aware of our children walking to school and all over town after school and on weekends. Don't forget to stop for those school buses! Wishing you all a Blessed Fall!

Email: graceunitedmeth@optonline.net. Phone: 732-264-0916. Follow us on Facebook!

Memorial School

We hope you had a happy and healthy summer!

During the summer, we made several updates to our school building including new lockers, adding security features, and two new playgrounds. We have also expanded our 3-year-old preschool from a half-day program to a full-day program. We are piloting departmentalization in 4th and 5th grade, and we will also be using new math and science programs.

We are excited for the positive changes that have been made! Please check our web site at www.unionbeachschools.org for current information about our school district.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Amanda Lewert, Superintendent of Schools. She is always available via email at alewert@unionbeachschools.org or via telephone at 732-264-5405.

Electronics Recycling

Public Works will continue to accept electronics from Union Beach residents ONLY. Each address will be restricted to the disposal of three television sets per calendar year. Proof of residency must be provided.

PERMIT NO. _____

BOROUGH OF UNION BEACH
APPLICATION FOR DUMPSTER PERMIT

(All dumpsters **MUST** be placed on your property whenever possible.
Street placement will only be considered in extreme circumstances
and will require Police Department and Building Department approval.)

Please complete all the questions in this box.

Failure to complete any questions may result in your application being denied.

ADDRESS: _____ LOT: _____ BLOCK: _____
RESIDENT NAME : _____ PHONE: _____
CONTRACTOR NAME: _____ PHONE: _____
PURPOSE OF DUMPSTER: _____ SIZE: _____
LOCATION OF DUMPSTER (i.e., driveway, on property): _____
NAME OF DUMPSTER COMPANY: _____ PHONE: _____

***** DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE *****

THIS PERMIT IS FOR THE ABOVE LOCATION ONLY.
DEBRIS FROM OTHER LOCATIONS MAY NOT BE DISPOSED OF AT THIS LOCATION.
THIS PERMIT IS ACTIVE FOR THIRTY (30) DAYS.

Start Date: _____ End Date: _____

One \$30.00 check, payable to the Borough of Union Beach, needs to be filed with this permit. You **MUST** return your permit (yellow placard) and bring the receipt of origin (where the dumpster has been dumped) to the Public Works Office within TEN (10) days of disposal. A \$30.00 fee will be charged for each extension.

**A \$30.00 fee will be charged on all returned checks. In addition an \$8.00 service fee will also be charged.

RESIDENT SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

APPROVED BY: _____ DATE: _____

POLICE/BUILDING APPROVAL (if necessary): _____ DATE: _____

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Check No. _____

Permit Returned: _____

Receipt Received: _____

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 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 actually good for your lawn.

Message from UB Chief of Police, Michael J. Woodrow

On behalf of the members of the Union Beach Police Department, we hope you enjoyed your summer. Now with summer behind us, we return to the school year, Halloween, and fall sports.

Please watch for school buses and pedestrians as parents and students now make their way back to school. Also be mindful of the traffic pattern around Memorial School. The front drop off is restricted from parking between the hours of 8:15 to 8:45 a.m. and 2:45 to 3:15 p.m., and there are no left turns into the front. The designated drop-off zone is for dropping students off safely around the school. Keep our children safe.

Construction in and around the Borough is ongoing, and roadways will be obstructed or intermittently closed. Be aware of construction workers and equipment around these areas.

Lastly, trick-or-treaters will be out collecting candy and treats on Halloween. Keep a flashlight or wear reflective materials so traffic can see you walking around. A Borough-wide curfew of 8 p.m. will be in effect on October 30 and October 31.

Message from the Code Enforcement Office

The Code Enforcement Office is asking that you please:

1. Treat and cover your pool before the winter sets in.
2. Don't pump water into the street. It must run onto your own property.
3. Put house numbers on all homes that are visible from the street.
4. On properties with no buildings, put either the address, or block and lot number, on a board large enough to be seen from the street.

The Code Enforcement Office would like to thank all the residents that have been maintaining their homes and properties over these past summer months.

Bayshore Family Success Center (BFSC)

The Bayshore Family Success Center will, once again, be offering free Saturday morning tutoring for any student in grades K-8 at the Union Beach Library. Tutoring for the 2019-2020 school year begins on October 19 and runs through May 16. Come when you need a little extra help or come every week! We have a great team of high school tutors ready to help! Kids have fun while improving their confidence and grades. Please contact us to sign up your student!

We are partnering with the Union Beach Library on a handful of fun family events this fall including Bingo Nights and Pumpkin Painting! Contact us or the Library for more information!

We are having a lot of fun holiday-themed events planned this year, including the annual Thanksgiving Turkey Cookie Decorating, Gingerbread House Decorating, and Breakfast with Santa. These events sell out fast, so RSVP early!

We have more ways to stay in touch with us! In addition to our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/BayshoreFCS>), we also use the Remind app! Please text @Bayshorefa to 81010 to stay up to date on all our events and programs.

For more information on any of these events and to RSVP, please contact 732-497-3811 or email us at familysuccess@cymca.org.

Engineer's Corner

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

Reconstruction of Ocean Avenue Phase I — The Borough was awarded a grant from the New Jersey Department of Transportation Municipal Aid Grant Program in the amount of \$350,000 for the Reconstruction of Ocean Avenue Phase I from Cambridge Avenue to New Jersey State Highway Route 36. The project is now completed. The improvements included new concrete curbs and sidewalks, drainage and a total reconstruction of the existing roadway.

Reconstruction of St. John's Avenue — The reconstruction of St. John's Avenue from Florence Avenue to the northerly terminus was awarded as part of the 2019 Roadway Improvement Program. The project is now completed. The improvements included installation of new concrete curbs and a total reconstruction of the existing roadway.

Reconstruction of Campbell Street — The reconstruction of Campbell Street from St. John's Avenue to the westerly terminus was awarded as part of the 2019 Roadway Improvement Program. The project is now completed. The improvements included the installation of new concrete curbs and a total reconstruction of the existing roadway.

Reconstruction of St. James Avenue — The Borough was awarded a grant in the amount of \$173,636.00 from the Monmouth County Community Development Grant Program (CDBG) for the Reconstruction of St. James Avenue from Poole Avenue to Tenth Street. The project is now completed. The improvements included new concrete curbs, drainage, and a total reconstruction of the existing roadway.

FY2019 NJDOT Municipal Aid Application — The Borough has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$291,000 from the New Jersey Department of Transportation Municipal Aid Grant Program for the Reconstruction of Ocean Avenue Phase II from Columbia Avenue to Lorillard Avenue. The improvements include new concrete curbs and sidewalks, drainage and a total reconstruction of the existing roadway. The project will be part of the 2020 Roadway improvement program. We anticipate construction to begin in the Spring of 2020.

2019 Turf Maintenance Program — The Borough's Turf Maintenance Contractor continues with the fertilization and treatment of all athletic fields and common grassed areas within the Borough. The Fall application is underway.

Army Corps of Engineers Flood Control Project — The Governing Body continues to work closely with the State and Army Corps officials to keep this most important project on its current project schedule. The Army Corps is completing the final design plans and specifications for Phase I. The Phase I project consists of the beach fill element of the project extending from the westerly most end of the shore front (point) to Flat Creek. The Borough continues to communicate with property owners affected by the Phase I project and has begun discussion with those residents concerning the acquisition of easements. All easements must be secured prior to the project being advertised for construction bids. We remain cautiously optimistic that the easement acquisition process will move quickly so the Phase I project can be advertised for construction bids late 2019 or early 2020.

Improvements to Scholer Park — The Borough continues to make improvements to Scholer Park. In 2019 certain drainage improvements in and around the ball fields, as well as the rehabilitation of the ball field infield areas to improve the drainage of the ball fields were completed.

Sports Lighting Helen Hayes Soccer Fields — The Borough was recently awarded a grant in the amount of \$125,000 from the Monmouth County Open Space Grant program for the installation of Sports Lighting at the Helen Hayes Park Soccer Fields. The project is now completed except for the JCP&L service upgrade. We anticipate the lighting will be ready for the Fall soccer season. The use of the lights will be restricted to certain times during the week and weekends.

2019 Monmouth County Community Development Grant Application — The Borough has applied to the Monmouth County Community Development Grant Program for the Reconstruction of Ninth Street from Florence Avenue to Pine Street. The improvements include installation of new concrete curbs, drainage and a total reconstruction of the existing roadway.

FY 2020 NJDOT Municipal Aid Application — The Borough recently submitted a grant application to the New Jersey Department of Transportation Municipal Aid Grant Program for the Reconstruction of Lorillard Avenue from Poole Avenue to the western terminus. The improvements included new concrete curbs, drainage, and a total reconstruction of the existing roadway. If successful, we anticipate construction to begin in the Spring/Summer of 2020.

A Message from Mayor Paul J. Smith, Jr.

Hello Friends,

Happy Fall! I hope everyone had a chance to relax and enjoy at least a few days of summer. As usual, summer is a very busy time in the Borough for making improvements.

As I mentioned in my last message, we had road reconstruction projects on St. James, Ocean Ave (Phase-1), St. John's Ave and Campbell St. We also made improvements to a portion of Beachview Avenue. The details of these projects are in the "Engineer's Corner" of this newsletter.

Plus, it is never too early to be planning for next year. We have secured a \$291,000 grant for Phase 2 of the Ocean Ave. reconstruction project from Columbia Avenue to Lorillard Avenue which will continue in the summer of 2020.

I am very happy to point out that the lights have been installed on the soccer fields at Helen Hayes Park! This is a much anticipated improvement for the soccer program and was partially funded by a grant from Monmouth County. I want to thank everyone whose hard work and perseverance made this project possible.

There is good news to report on the renovations to Borough Hall. A new contractor is on board and the project is moving forward once again. Access to the building has been made safer and all services in Borough Hall will continue during the construction process. Thank you for your patience as we make the much needed improvements to the building. Once completed, the Construction and Code Enforcement offices will return to Borough Hall, security for our employees and the Court will be improved and residents will have more centralized access to the services you need. We are all very excited about this project getting back on track.

The Recreation Commission once again did a wonderful job with our Independence Day celebration on July 3rd. The fireworks were wonderful! So many volunteers and employees work many hours to make the event successful and safe and to make our town so beautiful. It's days like that which let everyone see that Union Beach is indeed "The Best Little Town In New Jersey"!

We would like to welcome the newest business in Union Beach, Dowling's Irish Pub, on Union Avenue. Be sure to stop by and say hello to the new owners of this family restaurant.

Keep in mind that Schools are open so please drive carefully and put the phone down!

Keep Smiling,
Paul

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