

Oradell Newsletter Mayor and Council

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Friends,

One of the best things about my role as Mayor is the opportunity to meet so many wonderful people who call Oradell home. The citizens of Oradell are not only exceptional in their commitment to this community, but together we have created an incredible town worthy of recognition. In fact, Oradell took 2nd place in New Jersey Family magazine's "Best Towns for Families."

I welcome everyone to attend the Memorial Day ceremonies (details inside) and I wish everyone an enjoyable summer.

Sincerely,

Joe Murray

MARK YOUR CALENDAR...



MEMORIAL DAY Monday, May 25—Borough Offices Closed Parade 9 AM Memorial Field (corner of Prospect Ave. and Park Ave.)

PRIMARY ELECTION Tuesday, June 2 6:00AM to 8:00PM

FLAG DAY Sunday, June 14

FATHERS' DAY Sunday, June 21



INDEPENDENCE DAY—4TH OF JULY Friday, July 3—Borough Offices Closed Parade 9 AM. Assembly on First and Third Streets.

ORADELL SENIORS

JOIN US—Any persons 55 years or older are encouraged to join the Oradell Senior Social Club. Meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month in the Senior Center/Veterans Building (behind Oradell Post Office) starting at 11:00AM. Bring a sandwich for lunch, refreshments and desserts are provided. Dues are \$5.00 annually, the club has trips scheduled throughout the year and entertainment during most meetings.

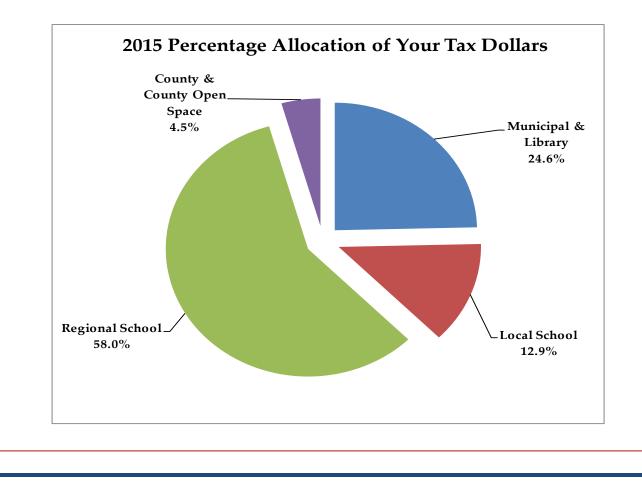
FREE TRANSPORTATION

Transportation is available to Oradell Seniors and Disabled Individuals. FREE OF CHARGE on Tuesdays and Thursdays for visits to the doctor and shopping. For appointments please call **201-261-8610**.

2015 BUDGET INFORMATION

The Borough Council will be adopting the 2015 Municipal Budget on May 26, 2015 at 7:00 PM. There will be a budget resolution amendment approved the same evening that will slightly change the charts and amounts provided below.

		<u>2015</u>		<u>2014</u>	Difference	
Municipal & Library	\$	3,852.16	\$	3,701.70	\$	150.46
Local School	\$	3,612.54	\$	3,533.60	\$	78.95
Regional School	\$	5,051.93	\$	4,697.53	\$	354.40
County & County Open Space	\$	1,268.02	\$	1,240.98	\$	27.04
	\$	13,784.65	\$	13,173.80	\$	610.85
Average Assessed Value		473,992.00		473,198.00		
Net Valuation Taxable	\$ 1,4	48,234,901.00	1,4	48,343,125.00		



2015 BUDGET INFO CONT'D

	2015 Budget		2014 Budget		\$ Inc/(Dec)		% Chg
Salaries & Wages	\$	5,029,390	\$	4,898,742	\$	130,648	2.67%
Other Expenses	\$	1,502,520	\$	1,515,046	\$	(12,526)	-0.83%
Library	\$	578,509	\$	578,509	\$	-	0.00%
Utilities	\$	437,560	\$	457,260	\$	(19,700)	-4.31%
General & Medical Insurance	\$	2,246,374	\$	2,211,816	\$	34,558	1.56%
Pension/Social Security	\$	1,087,090	\$	1,014,303	\$	72,787	7.18%
Trash Removal	\$	232,360	\$	232,360	\$	-	0.00%
Disposal Costs/Tipping Fees	\$	205,000	\$	205,000	\$	-	0.00%
Recycling	\$	233,960	\$	233,960	\$	-	0.00%
BCUA	\$	867,700	\$	851,000	\$	16,700	1.96%
FD Pensions - LOSAP	\$	45,152	\$	44,000	\$	1,152	2.62%
Reserve for Tax Appeals	\$	258,000	\$	100,000	\$	158,000	158.00%
Grants	\$	69,169	\$	37,785	\$	31,384	83.06%
Capital Improvement	\$	50,000	\$	50,000	\$	-	0.00%
Debt	\$	1,539,803	\$	1,438,391	\$	101,412	7.05%
Deferred Charges	\$	40,000	\$	108,000	\$	(68,000)	-62.96%
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	\$	539,481	\$	514,481	\$	25,000	4.86%
Total Appropriations	\$	14,962,069	\$	14,490,654	\$	471,414	3.25%

Tax Collector

Tax Information is now available online at www.oradell.org in Borough Departments (on the left), WIPP-Property Tax Inquiry. Click Property Tax Inquiry, then click on the link. Enter the information and hit search. Everyone is encouraged to view the website, but the Tax Office is still available for further assistance.

Direct withdrawal for payment of taxes is still available. Simply complete the form found online or in the Tax Department and submit it with a voided check to the Tax Department. Thereafter your tax payment will be debited from your checking account when each installment is due. You will never be late!

After hours mailbox is located by the rear doors at Borough Hall. Correspondence and tax payments may be deposited here during and after Borough business hours.

Property Tax Reimbursement Program (Senior Freeze) is available for seniors and disabled persons. The eligibility requirements can be found on the Borough's website. The deadline to submit the application is June 1. If you are new to the program, you may pick up a booklet in the Tax Department. More information is available at www.nj.us/treasury/taxation/ptr/index.shtml.

2012 Homestead Benefit. Revised tax bills for the May 1, 2015 tax installment have been mailed to property owners (and mortgage companies). If you are entitled to the homestead benefit, your May billing has been reduced accordingly. Contact the New Jersey Division of Taxation, 1-888-238-1233 if you have any questions.



Monday, May 25, 2015

Parade Details

Veterans Assembly: 8:15 AM at Hoffman Field and proceed to Rossi memorial

Parade Assembly: 9:00 AM at the World War II—Vietnam Memorial, Memorial Field at the corner of Prospect Ave. and Park Ave.

Refreshments will be served by members of the Special Events Committee at the Oradell Senior Center/Veterans memorial Building following the ceremonies.





When: Every Sunday from June 7, 2015 to November 15, 2015

Hours: 10 am to 3 pm

Location: Oradell Post Office Parking Lot located at Kinderkamack Rd. and Oradell Ave. (Across the street from Schirra Park)

Support your local farms. Products include: fruits, vegetables, honey, bread, jelly, pies, peanuts, cheese, plants, herbs, flowers, Heritage Breed Beef, pork, turkey, chicken, lamb and eggs and a variety of delicious pickles, olives, jams, cookies and treats and much more!



ORADELL'S TOWN WIDE GARAGE SALE

Sponsored by The Junior Women's Club of River Edge (serving River Edge, Oradell and New Milford)

Saturday, June 13, 2015 from 9 AM to 4 PM

Rain Date—Sunday, June 14, 2015

Maps listing locations of Oradell Garage Sales will be distributed from 8:45 AM to 11 AM at the businesses below and available ALL DAY on www.jwcriveredge.org

Suzanne's Hair and Colour Room,

308 Kinderkamack Rd

or

Sunrise Bagel Café

297 Kinderkamack Rd.

For a \$15 donation, your garage sale will be advertised on the Garage Sale Map, The Bergen Record, local Town Newspapers, local church bulletins, local businesses, Patch and Craigslist websites.

EACH PARTICIPANT MUST OBTAIN A GARAGE SALE PERMIT FROM THE ORADELL BUILDING DEPT. AT AN ADDITIONAL COST.

Registration payments can be made online at www.jwcriveredge.org. At checkout, please provide the address of the sale, contact phone number and email address. Registration deadline is June 10, 2015.

Please call 201-986-6004 or email OradellGarageSale@yahoo.com with questions.

Proceeds benefit local groups and organizations.



2015 SUMMER PLAYGROUND PROGRAM INFORMATION

Monday, June 29, 2015—Friday, August 7, 2015 Monday through Friday, 9 am to 3 pm

Cost: \$75/per child or \$185/per family (3 or more children)

Registration forms are available online at www.oradell.org or contact Kurt Peluso at kpeluso@oradell.org or 201-261-8200 ext. 243.

The Borough of Oradell Recreation Department will sponsor the 75th Summer Playground Program. We are happy to announce that we will continue to give campers the option of staying onsite during camp instead of leaving for lunch. Monday through Thursday campers who choose to stay are required to bring lunch. On Fridays, campers will have the option of ordering pizza. Slices will cost \$2 per slice and \$1 per drink. Campers will bring money on Friday morning.

This program is held in three locations: Oradell Public School Gym; the Oradell Borough Hall Downstairs MPR and Memorial Field Tennis Courts. The Summer Playground Program's participation fee cannot be prorated for any reason.

This program is intended for school-age children between the ages of 6 and 14. Children under 6 years old must be accompanied by a parent, guardian or babysitter while attending this program.

Registered children are welcome to participate at any of the two locations:

Sports/Gym Program at OPS Gym

For active campers who are looking for fun games throughout the day. The campers will participate in supervised activities that include wiffle ball, kickball, water balloon toss, running bases, treasure hunts, and many more fun activities.



Oradell Borough Hall, Downstairs MPR

Our Arts and Crafts Camp is for all artistic levels. Each day the campers will create a new piece of art that lets them explore their full imaginative potential. Special activities include the big "Recreation Carnival."

Recreation

Back by popular demand

Bounce House will be available for the kids before the concerts. Concerts are currently scheduled for July 15th and August 19th at 8 pm.

Movie: Big Hero 6 on August 5th at 8:30 pm.



Please contact Recreation Director Kurt Peluso for additional information or questions. He can be reached at kpeluso@oradell.org or 201-261-8200 ext. 243.

Office of Emergency Management

The Borough of Oradell is separated by 2 major crossings at the railroad. We remind all residents and visitors to our town that crossing the tracks when the lights are flashing is a federal offense. If the lights are flashing stop at the line and obey the signal.

- \Rightarrow Expect a train at any time; trains operate in both directions.
- ⇒ Pay attention at railroad crossings, road markings indicate where to stop.
- \Rightarrow Express trains travel at 50-60 mph; trains do not stop quickly.
- ⇒ NEVER go around lowered gates or through flashing warning lights at crossings.
- \Rightarrow NEVER stop on the tracks. Watch the traffic and move when room allows.
- \Rightarrow If your car stalls on the tracks, get out and move away from the tracks. Call 911 for assistance.



2015 Household Hazardous Waste Collection

<u>Paramus— Bergen Comm. College</u> Sunday, June 28 Sunday, October 1

<u>Mahwah— Campgaw Mountain Reservation</u> Saturday, September 12 Sunday, October 1

> <u>Moonachie — BCUA</u> Saturday, July 25

FREE OF CHARGE FOR BERGEN COUNTY RESIDENTS—ID REQUIRED!

Please direct all questions to the BCUA Environmental Programs Hotline: 201-807-5825 or visit www.bcua.org

Building Department



As summer approaches, the International **for the second second** Code Council is urging homeowners to take the time to check their outdoor areas for potential safety hazards.

Decks and Balconies - a common safety hazard occurs when balconies are nailed to buildings rather than being attached with the proper anchors or bolts. Other safety hazards to look for are split or rotting wood; wobbly handrails or guardrails; excessive movement of the balcony when walked on; and poor end support of the balcony deck, joists or girders.

Grills - grilling on or near combustible areas can be a fire hazard. When grilling, follow these safety tips: place the grill away from siding, deck railings and out from under eaves and overhanging branches; periodically remove grease or fat buildup; use only proper starter fluid; and check propane cylinder hoses for leaks before use.

Swimming Pools— In-ground and above-ground pools should be surrounded by a fence or other barrier.

Police Department

The Oradell Police Department would like to remind everyone about bicycle safety. As you dust off your bike after last year's long winter, carefully inspect the entire bike frame for cracks. Look especially close at the welds as they are the stress points on the frame absorbing the most abuse. Make sure the chain is snug and properly lubricated. The tires should have good tread. If not, replace them before use. Next, check the brake pads to make sure they are not worn completely down. All bikes should have clean reflectors, one mounted on the rear and another mounted on the front. If you plan on riding after dusk, you should install lights. LED are the most commonly used. If the bicycle has gears, make sure they operate smoothly. Adjust seat and handle bars for a proper fit. If you find any problems that you can't fix, visit your local bike shop for help.



Inspect your helmet before use. The hard plastic cover of the helmet shouldn't be cracked. lt should be secured tightly on the dense Styrofoam shell, which also should be fully intact and free of cracks. Make sure all straps are in good condition and the clips that connect under the chin are not damaged. Selecting the right size helmet is very important. A helmet should fit snug without feeling uncomfortable. With the helmet on, shake your head from side to side. If adjusted properly the helmet should stay in place. The side straps should form a "V" with the bottom point just below the earlobe. A bicycle helmet should be worn correctly so that it is level from side to side and front to back. Adjust the strap under the chin so it is snug. Use two fingers above the eyebrow to adjust the front height and one finger under the chin strap to make sure it's not too tight. N.J.S.A. requires all people under 17 years old to wear a helmet when riding a bike.



ORADELL MUNICIPAL COURT

is now being conducted at:

Paramus Municipal Complex 1 Jockish Square—2nd Floor Paramus, New Jersey 07652

Telephone: (201) 265-2100

Court hours are Monday—Friday 9 am to 4 pm

Oradell Court sessions are held on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month at 3 pm.

Health Department

Please note: the Health Department is open on Mondays 9:00AM to 1:00PM and on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:00AM to 12:00PM. Our Certified Municipal Registrar will be happy to assist you with copies of Oradell marriage, birth or death certificates but remember, the birth, marriage or death had to take place in Oradell. If you need a marriage or civil union license, please call the Health Office at 201-261-8106 to make an appointment.



Call Bergen County Animal Control at 201-229-4616 if you spot any sick, injured and/or nuisance wildlife.

Borough of Oradell

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HEALTH CONSULTATION DROGRAM

Services include: Health History Evaluation, Blood Pressure Measurement, Height and Weight, Individualized Counseling and Education, Referral and Follow-up, Confidential Consultation with a Public Health Nurse.

WHERE:	Oradell Borough Hall
WHEN:	1st and 3rd Thursday of Every Month
TIME:	9:30 am-11:30 am

THE BOOK AND NEEDLE WOMAN'S CLUB OF ORADELL

The Book and Needle Woman's Club encourages all individuals and organizations to play a role in making our communities a better place for children and families. By ensuring that parents have the knowledge, skills and resources they need to care for their children, we can help promote children's social and emotional well-being and prevent child maltreatment within families and communities.

The Book and Needle Woman's Club of Oradell is a member of the New Jersey State Federation of Women's clubs, the largest volunteer women's service organization in the state, providing opportunities for education, leadership training, and community service. For further information, contact us at womanscluboforadell@gmail.com.

OPTV CHANNEL 77/VERIZON 28

OPTV's production crew needs volunteers. The number one reason that people say they don't volunteer is simply because "no one asked." Well, we're asking! You don't need formal training in television production. Our crew will instruct you. Our station director has worked in network broadcasting for many years and he will guide you. We need volunteers in our Control Room to help with live broadcasts of municipal meetings. We also need volunteers as production crew for original programming. If you can spare just ONE evening a month (Monday or Tuesday) for live broadcasting, you can help OPTV enormously. We value your skills as well as your time. Please feel free to drop in at one of our crew meetings to see what we're all about. We meet every fourth Sunday at 12:30 pm in the Caucus Room at Oradell Borough Hall. Join us and be a part of the best in community television.

Telephone: (201) 649-9275 Email: OPTV@oradell.org

