



ORADELL NEWSLETTER



SPRING 2018

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Dear Neighbor:

In this Newsletter, you will find a great deal of useful information not the least of which is an overview of the 2018 municipal budget. As always, our Borough Administrator, CFO, each of the Department Heads and the Council began working on this budget several months ago and the budget that was introduced on March 27th is a culmination of that effort. This budget provides many services to our residents while holding the municipal tax increase to 1.72%. The pages of this Newsletter provide some of the detail and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or the Borough Administrator or CFO.

This budget also includes funding to complete the Master Plan for the Borough. The Master Plan Subcommittee of the Planning Board has been working for over a year in a very transparent and open process to capture a long-range vision for Oradell. The fourth public meeting will be held Saturday April 7th at Borough Hall, 2nd floor at 10 am. The Master Plan guides economic development, parks and recreation facilities, open space and natural resources, preservation of historic structures and many other issues. So please share your ideas and if you cannot make the public meeting please email your comments to mayor@oradell.org and I will forward them to the subcommittee.

Congratulations to our Green Team and the Beautification & Environmental Committee on achieving Sustainable Jersey recertification at the Bronze level. And congratulations to our Borough Employees on receiving the Gold Award at the JIF safety breakfast in March. Both of these awards recognize the teamwork that our employees and volunteers put forth to make Oradell a greener, safer, more sustainable community for everyone.

You will also find information about upcoming events such as the Get Fit Challenge, the Farmer's Market, the Library fundraiser, Earth Day, the Summer Recreation Program and Seniorcize to name a few. Please also join us on Memorial Day morning as we place wreaths at the several monuments in town that honor our Oradell veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our country.

I am looking forward to the town wide spring planting on May 6th (we can use your help) and hoping that the weekly snowstorms will have stopped by then!

Happy Spring,

Dianne Camelo Didio



Get Fit Oradell!

Kick-Off Event: Monday, April 9th from 6-8 pm

Location: Borough Hall, 2nd Floor

FREE to all Oradell residents (18 years +)

Register at (201) 261-8200 ext. 249 or email events@oradell.org

Challenge Outline:

- ◆ 12 week program includes free workshops, exercise classes, etc.
- ◆ Free cholesterol, blood sugar, blood pressure screening
- ◆ Weekly weigh-ins
- ◆ Health & fitness guidance
- ◆ Prizes (participants must weigh in at least every other week in order to qualify)

ORADELL Achieves Sustainable Jersey Certification

Oradell met the rigorous requirements to achieve Sustainable Jersey recertification at the Bronze Level. The borough is one of 152 towns in New Jersey with a Bronze certification. The Green Team together with the Beautification & Environmental Committees is now beginning the work towards Silver level certification.



Oradell earned a total of 185 points for completing following actions: Fleet Inventory, Prescription Drug and Safety Disposal Box, Sustainable Land Use Pledge, Community Education and Outreach, Hold a Green Fair, Community and School Gardens, Farmers Market, Anti-Idling Education and Enforcement Program, Support Local Business, Driver Training, Purchase Alternative Fuel Vehicle, Vehicle Conversions, Green Cleaning Products, Green Grounds and Maintenance Policy, Reusable Bag Education Program, Integrated Pest Management Policy, Community Paper Shredding, Recycling Depot, and Grass-Cut It and Leave It program.

We encourage you to join this exciting initiative!

Please contact Cindy Kirkpatrick at ckirkpatrick@oradell.org

For more information about Sustainable Jersey check out the web site at www.sustainablejersey.com

2018 BUDGET INFORMATION

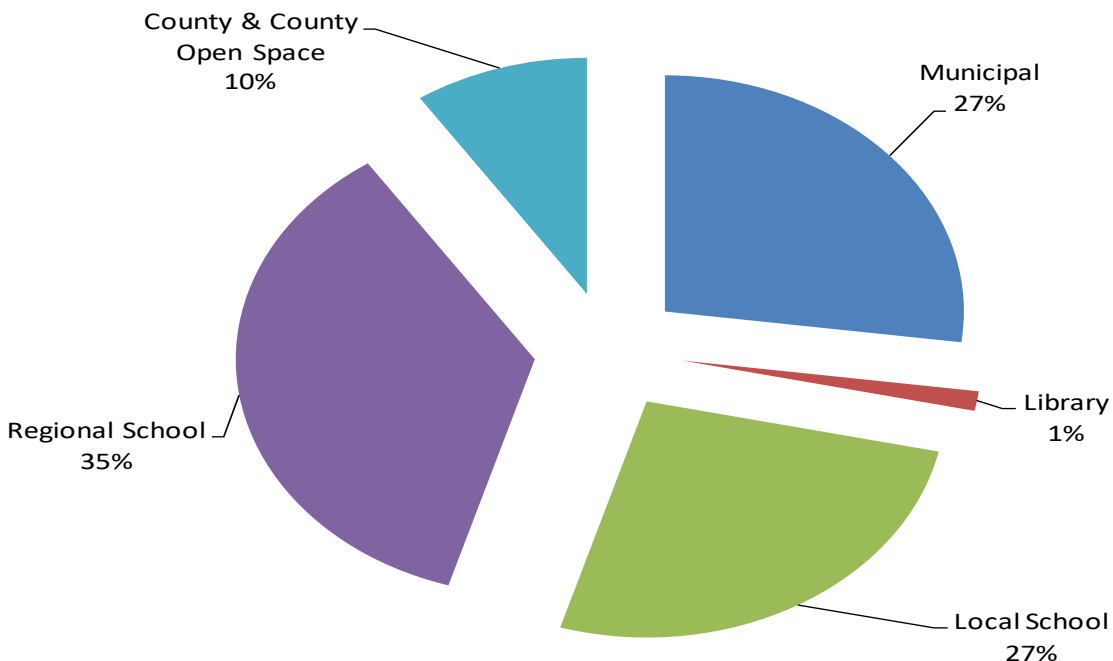
The 2018 Municipal Budget was introduced on March 27, 2018:

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Municipal	\$ 4,062.28	\$ 3,993.47	\$ 68.81
Library	\$ 200.23	\$ 191.71	\$ 8.52
Local School	\$ 3,938.29	\$ 3,925.68	\$ 12.61
Regional School	\$ 5,386.03	\$ 5,229.26	\$ 156.77
County & County Open Space	\$ 1,415.00	\$ 1,409.55	\$ 5.45
	<u>\$ 15,001.83</u>	<u>\$ 14,749.67</u>	<u>\$ 252.17</u>

Average Assessed Value	\$ 545,894	\$ 545,894
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Net Valuation Taxable	\$ 1,664,728,428	\$ 1,638,393,362
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2018 Percentage Allocation of Your Tax Dollars



2018 BUDGET INFO CONT'D

	2018 Budget	2017 Budget	\$ Inc/(Dec)	% Chg
Salaries & Wages	\$ 5,398,252	\$ 5,030,067	\$ 368,185	7.32%
Other Expenses	\$ 2,024,018	\$ 2,018,106	\$ 5,912	0.29%
Library	\$ 706,200	\$ 676,000	\$ 30,200	4.47%
Utilities	\$ 420,275	\$ 431,660	\$ (11,385)	-2.64%
General & Medical Insurance	\$ 2,338,572	\$ 2,349,860	\$ (11,288)	-0.48%
Pension/Social Security	\$ 1,137,190	\$ 1,116,514	\$ 20,676	1.85%
Trash Removal	\$ 291,100	\$ 301,400	\$ (10,300)	-3.42%
Disposal Costs/Tipping Fees	\$ 200,000	\$ 205,000	\$ (5,000)	-2.44%
Recycling	\$ 252,100	\$ 267,750	\$ (15,650)	-5.85%
BCUA	\$ 796,000	\$ 807,000	\$ (11,000)	-1.36%
FD Pensions	\$ 54,796	\$ 46,272	\$ 8,524	18.42%
Reserve for Tax Appeals	\$ -	\$ 60,000	\$ (60,000)	-100.00%
Grants	\$ 40,864	\$ 50,201	\$ (9,338)	-18.60%
Capital Improvement	\$ 80,000	\$ 80,000	\$ -	0.00%
Various Capital Improvements	\$ 420,000	\$ 420,000	\$ -	0.00%
Debt	\$ 1,889,032	\$ 1,649,800	\$ 239,232	14.50%
Deferred Charges	\$ 20,050	\$ 15,000	\$ 5,050	33.67%
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	\$ 614,481	\$ 589,481	\$ 25,000	4.24%
Total Appropriations	\$ 16,682,930	\$ 16,114,112	\$ 568,818	3.53%

Tax Collector

Tax Information is 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 of the 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 October 31st. If you are new to the program, you may download the form and obtain further information at www.nj.us/treasury/taxation/ptr/index.shtml.

Tax Payments can be made online via the Borough's website (www.oradell.org). On the home page click on the "property tax information" tab. Once on that page, click on the link. A check or credit card can be used to make a payment on-line. There is a convenience fee of \$1.05 for a payment made with a check. Payments made with a Visa debit card cost an additional \$3.95 and any other credit card has an additional fee of 2.95% of the charge.

ORADELL PUBLIC LIBRARY

The winter has been very busy with all sorts of programs and events for Library visitors of all ages, and the spring promises to provide even more activities and services. Many Library visitors love to stop in and work on the jigsaw puzzles that we put out for the public. One new service we provide is circulating **jigsaw puzzles**, so bring in your library card and enjoy this pastime at home.

The Oradell Public Library offers a welcome packet for new residents. Visit our beautiful library to pick yours up. The packet contains not only information about one of Oradell's most treasured buildings and its collection, programs, and services, but you will find information about the borough as well.

FAT SATURDAY JAZZ FUNDRAISER

Saturday, April 21, 2018

An evening of Jazz with

Onaje Allan Gumbs and his Band

& the River Dell High School Jazz Band

Presented by Oradell Public Library Foundation and the Jazz Foundation of America

Saturday, April 21, 2018

Oradell Free Public Library

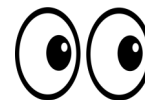
6:30 – 9:30 PM

Limited Tickets For Sale at Library Main Desk (soon)

- Wine
- Light Fare
- Silent Auction

Event proceeds will benefit the Junior Room and other library initiatives.

OPTV



How do you watch OPTV? There are several ways.

Of course OPTV is on Optimum Channel 77 and Verizon FIOS Channel 28. Additionally, via internet stream, you can watch in real time on your desktop computer or any mobile device with internet access, anywhere in the world. You can also watch meetings and programs on-demand. Access the stream or on-demand at <http://www.oradell.org> and click on "OPTV." Then follow the links.

Programming on OPTV is 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. We strive to broadcast something for everyone. Offerings include current news views like "Democracy NOW!" as well as music shows featuring talent from all over the northeast. "Meet Your Oradell Neighbors," an original OPTV show, highlights people who live and work in Oradell who are doing intriguing and important things. If you know a person in Oradell who could be interviewed, please let us know about it!

In the same way, if your group is doing something or having an event that the rest of the community should know about, let us know and we will feature it on our Bulletin Board.

If you'd like to be a part of OPTV, please call us at 201-649-9275 or email OPTV@oradell.org. No particular experience is necessary; just an interest in local tv production/community media and willingness to learn. Our volunteers span in age from teenagers to seniors.



The New Milford Volunteer Ambulance Corps serves the boroughs of New Milford and Oradell. Since the beginning of the year, we have already had 247 calls. We are doing Boy Scout and Girl Scout tours and lessons with the troops from both New Milford and Oradell. We are also preparing for a busy spring and summer as we are already being notified of many events where we will need to provide standby EMS coverage. Currently, we have 7 new members attending EMT school in Paramus who will complete the class in June. We can always use new members to join us and we will even provide all training necessary! If you are interested, please email Captain Jessica Brunner at jbrunner@newmilfordems.org.



2018 ORADELL SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM

**For registration and more details,
check out www.oradell.org or con-
tact Recreation Director Patrick
Crann at 201-261-8200 ext 243.**

WHEN: June 25, 2018 – July 27, 2018
TIME: 9:00 am to 3:00 pm
COST: \$110 per child or \$200 per family
(2 or more children)
WHERE: Oradell Public School—Garden Entrance
AGE: 1st—6th grade



The Oradell Swim Club is the area's premier swim club welcoming residents from all neighboring towns. With so much to offer and 4 pristine pools, you will not find a better value in Bergen County. We have so much more to offer than just swimming.

Enjoy sporting activities such as a new bocce ball court, poolside basketball, updated Wiffle ball field, and shuffleboard & volleyball courts.

Our DJ dance parties, Friday night 'Float Nights' & movie night are fun for the whole family.

Bring your own food and use our BBQ grills or enjoy Calabria's Pizza, ice cream, our new coffee bar and snacks and drinks from our vending machines.

With improved Wi-Fi, you can stay connected while relaxing poolside.

We offer a fantastic rate to members and non-members who want their little guppies to take swim lessons, which has become a natural step in joining our traveling Pirate Swim team.

For those children interested in learning lifeguarding skills, our Junior Lifeguard Camp in August is perfect.

Our low guest pass rate is another great way to have friends and family enjoy the summer with you.

New residents & those whom have never joined, contact us for your free weekend so you & your family can enjoy a few days with no obligation.

Please register on our website: www.oradellswimclub.weebly.com

Any questions please email us at: oradellswimclub@gmail.com

Please follow us - and like us :) on Facebook Oradell Swim Club



The Oradell Lions Club announces
that it will be awarding scholarships
to students graduating high school

this year and entering college next year. There will be four \$1,250 scholarships for a total of \$5,000 in scholarships awarded. The applicant must be an Oradell resident. The criteria for the scholarships are academic achievement, community service, extra-curricular activities and need. Applicants can obtain an application form by forwarding a written request with a self addressed, stamped envelope to the Oradell Lions Club, PO Box 1, Oradell, NJ 07649. The completed application forms are due by 5/1/18.

The Oradell-Emerson Rotary Club in-
vites you to "A Night at the Museum".

Hiram Blauvelt Art Museum

May 30, 2018 from 6-9 pm



With a brief history of the Blauvelt Mansion presented by local historian Pat Schuber. For more information and tickets, please visit www.OradellEmersonRotary.org.

Rotary is a global organization dedicated to making the world a better place.

Teenagers between the ages of 15-18 years old should consider a 3 week summer exchange program to other cities around the world. Contact Tom Kelly at tkelly@oradell.org for more information.



Oradell Police Department and the LESO Program

In 2017 Mayor Dianne Didio and the borough council gave approval to the Oradell Police Department under the direction of Chief William Wicker to participate in the Law Enforcement Support Organization (LESO) 1033 program.

The U.S. Department of Defense (DOD) 1033 Program permits the Secretary of Defense to transfer excess DOD supplies and equipment to state and local law enforcement agencies for use in their law enforcement duties. This property is procured at no cost to the agency with the exception of any shipping or transportation costs. In New Jersey, the program is under the operation and control of the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management.

During the past year, the Oradell Police has been actively obtaining equipment from various military bases along the east coast. Some of the equipment includes traffic speed radar signs, light towers, generators, office equipment, radios, and an extra pick-up truck for traffic related details. Not only have we procured police equipment we have also acquired some equipment for our Department of Public Works. This program has allowed the police department to get a hold of otherwise expensive equipment at minimal or no cost. We look forward to continuing the program to acquire useful equipment for the borough without burdening our budget.

BCUA Household Hazardous Waste 9 to 3:

Bergen Community College—Paramus

April 15, June 24, October 14

Campgaw Mountain—Mahwah

May 12, July 21, Sept. 8

BCUA Recycling Events 9 to 2:

Bergen Community College—Paramus

April 29, August 18

Campgaw Mountain—Mahwah

June 9, October 21



DPW

Wants to remind you that vegetative
waste pickup has moved to

THURSDAYS

starting April 5th.

Vegetative waste, grass clippings, tree branches, and twigs are picked up curbside on Wednesdays from April through October. They must be placed in open containers or biodegradable bags (no plastic bags accepted). Branches must be no longer than four feet in length and must be bundled and tied. **A maximum of five bundles per pick-up is permitted.**

Please Note: waste bundles or containers may be placed at the curb after 5 pm on the day prior to regular collection and must be removed before 7:00 pm on the day of the collection, in accordance with Borough Code Chapter 190-6 (J) ("Property Maintenance"). No more than five containers weighing a maximum of 60 lbs. each will be picked up on any collection day.

SEWER LATERALS

Just a reminder that the Borough does not provide repair or service to any sewer lateral connected from private property to the main line. This would include the portion located in the street. The homeowner is responsible for all work and permits in connection with the repairs and service.

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE REMINDERS...



Address numbers:

New and existing buildings shall have approved address numbers, building numbers or approved building identification placed adjacent to the main entrance that is plainly legible and visible from the street. These numbers shall contrast with their background. Address numbers shall be Arabic numerals or alphabet letters. Numbers shall be a minimum of 4 inches high with a minimum stroke width of 0.5 inch. As per the Building Code and the Certificate of continued Occupancy.

Plantings by an intersection:

All brush, hedges, and other plant life growing within 10 feet of any roadway and within 25 feet of the intersection of two roadways shall be cut to a height of not more than 2 1/2 feet. In the event that the enforcement officer determines that it is necessary and expedient for the preservation of the public health, safety or welfare, he shall issue a notice to the property owner, occupant or operator to bring such property into compliance with the provisions of this chapter. In the event that the property owner, occupant or operator shall fail to comply within 10 days, the enforcement officer may take such action as may be reasonably required to bring such property into compliance with the provisions of this chapter, and the Borough shall be entitled to assert a lien upon the property for the costs of the same.

If you have any questions, or feel you need to speak with the Property Maintenance Officer, please don't hesitate to contact his office at:

(201) 261-8005

Upcoming Events...

April

7th:

Master Plan Meeting 10 am at Borough Hall 2nd Floor —Open to the Public!

9th:

Oradell Get Fit Challenge 6 pm—8 pm at Borough Hall 2nd Floor. Free to all Oradell residents 18+ years old.

25th:

Master Plan Meeting - Continuation - 7:30 pm Borough Hall, 2nd Floor to discuss the document in detail.

29th:

Oradell's Earth Day 11 am—5 pm at Senior Center Parking Lot. Food Trucks, Vendors, Music, Activities and More!

May

6th:

Townwide Planting meet 9 am behind Borough Hall. **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** Come help make Oradell shine!

28th:

Memorial Day commemoration with wreath laying services beginning approximately 8:15 am at Hoffman Field to Rossi Memorial to Memorial Field to World War I monument (Oradell Ave.) More information to come.



June

3rd:

Farmers Market starts today. Every Sunday through November 18th. Come support your local vendors. Parking lot adjacent to post office.



5th:

Primary Election—polls open 6 am to 8 pm. Get out and vote!



July

3rd:

Fireworks! Memorial Field



4th:

Parade!



Stay tuned! More info to come!

Oradell Seniors

Oradell is excited to announce the 2018 **Senior Citizens Advisory Committee** consisting of Kelly Weber, Chair, Antoinette Rainone-Moretti, Secretary, Kathleen Becker, Mary-Margaret Carter, Suryakant H. Shukla, John Walsh and Tracy Schoenberg, Council Liaison. The purpose of this committee is to work together and support the town of Oradell on matters relating to our Senior Citizens, to help promote and support senior events, and help make suggestions on how to improve communication and services for the Senior Residents of Oradell. Stay tuned for more information!

Mayor

Dianne Camelo Didio

Council

Tracy Schoenberg

Andrew Rudman

Roger Tashjian

Stephen Carnevale

Thomas Kelly

Rob Jannicelli

Seniorcize - Low Impact Exercise for Oradell Seniors

Mondays from 12:30-1:15 pm and Fridays from 10:30-11:15 am

This low-impact class is designed specifically for the older adult. Have fun and move to the music with a variety of exercises intended to alternate between cardio and resistance training. This class will help strengthen major muscle groups, improve balance, posture and coordination. A chair is used for seated and/or standing support. Seniorcize is offered at no charge to all Oradell seniors at the Senior Center on Mondays from 12:30-1:15 pm and Fridays from 10:30-11:15 am.

For more information, call Recreation Director Patrick Crann at (201) 261-8200 ext. 243.

- All participants are required to wear sneakers (or rubber-soled shoes). NO heels.
- The class is led by fitness instructor Nancy Whittaker.

The Senior Van

Transportation is available to Oradell senior citizens and disabled individuals free of charge for doctor visits, shopping, etc. For appointments, please call (201) 261-8610. Kindly call 48 hours in advance and leave a message with your name and phone number in order to receive a call back. In the event that the van is unavailable, contact Bergen County Special Transportation at (201) 646-3227.

Senior Borough Health Services

Senior Citizens can take advantage of a free Health Consultation Program administered by Bergen County's Public Health Nurse every month. The Nurse visits Borough Hall's Council Chambers on the first Thursday and Senior Center on the third Tuesday of the month. Walk-ins are seen on a first-come, first serve basis from 9:30 am to 11:00 am. Call the Health Department at (201) 261-8106 for details.