



# Spring Update 2008

A Report From Your Mayor and Council



## PHOTO IDs FOR THE WALDWICK MUNICIPAL POOL

**Avoid waiting in long lines.** Photo ID holders from last year can renew by mail. There is a registration form available online at our website ([www.waldwickpd.org](http://www.waldwickpd.org)). Just print the form, fill it out, and mail it back to us with the appropriate renewal fee(s) listed below. We will acknowledge receipt by email and then you are set to enjoy the pool for the summer.

If you do not have a badge, we will need you to register in person to take the ID picture. Pictures will be taken at the Borough Clerk's Office until the pool opens. Permit costs are as follows:

Resident Adult, 18–61	\$50.00
Resident Child, 4-17	\$45.00
Resident Child 3 or younger	FREE
Resident Sr. Citizen, 62 and older	\$40.00
Guest Badge, 18 and older – per day, per guest	\$10.00
Guest Badge, under 18 – per day, per guest	\$ 8.00

There will be a \$5 fee charged for replacement badges.

## WASTE DISPOSAL DAY



On **Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>** from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., residents can dispose of tires, batteries and wood waste at the recycling center located behind the Public Works Garage at 19 Industrial Way. No wolmanized lumber, stumps, large limbs or logs will be accepted. Split wood in small pieces will be accepted. Refer to the synopsis on the May page of the Borough calendar.

## GRASS- BRUSH/BRANCH COLLECTION PROGRAM

**Beginning the week of April 14<sup>th</sup>, all brush/branch material along with grass clippings will be collected at the same time. The collection schedule in place over the past years will continue in effect and is listed in the Borough calendar on the March page.**

- Leaves can be mixed with grass and must be put out the night before pickup in a trashcan, plastic bag, or recyclable lawn bags.
- All brush and branches **MUST** be put in garbage cans placed curbside the night before pickup. A maximum of **4 containers/ garbage cans** will be picked up per collection day.
- The Borough will not pick up brush and branch material left on the ground. Residents will be responsible to remove it from the curb and put into containers for collection the following week.



## GARBAGE COLLECTION

The Borough Code requires that residents **NOT PUT THEIR GARBAGE OUT UNTIL THE NIGHT BEFORE** your scheduled pickup days and remove the cans no later than the end of the day. Residents are required to use covered containers rather than plastic bags that invite animals to tear them making a mess of the streets and the frontage of our homes. Household garbage is considered anything that emanates from the house that you would take with you if you move, including furniture, mattresses, and box springs. Residents must dispose of all building materials and plumbing fixtures at their own expense through independent collectors.



Please note that there will be no garbage collection on the following holidays: Memorial Day, July 4<sup>th</sup>, Labor Day. Your garbage will be picked up on your next regularly scheduled collection day. Questions can be directed to the Borough Clerk's Office at 652-5300 ext. 238.

## RECYCLING

Commingled recyclables are items such as aluminum cans, plastic containers, glass, and colored glass. Items such as these do not need to be separated and can be mixed together. Please refer to the calendar for curbside recycling pickup days.



The paper drive is held on the third Saturday of each month. Papers should be tied in bundles and left at the curb **NOT UNTIL THE NIGHT BEFORE** the scheduled pickup. Papers will be picked up regardless of weather.

The Recycling Center is located behind the Public Works Garage located at 19 Industrial Way. It is open to residents from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Residents can deposit newspaper, commingled recyclables, white goods and magazines at the site in the marked containers.

## WHITE GOODS COLLECTION PROGRAM

A white good is generally defined as an all-metal object, e.g. appliances or metal furniture. This excludes car parts. These items are collected every Monday of each month. Residents **MUST CALL THE BOROUGH CLERK'S OFFICE PRIOR TO THE COLLECTION DAY** to be put on the schedule for pickup. Furniture consisting of couches, mattresses, etc., can be disposed of with regular garbage. Questions may be addressed to the Borough Clerk's Office 652-5300 ext.238.



## COMPUTER AND TIRE COLLECTION

The Bergen County Utilities Authority is sponsoring a tire and computer collection event at the Bergen County Community Services Building on April 19<sup>th</sup> and August 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Bergen County Campgaw Mountain Reservation on June 14<sup>th</sup> and November 1<sup>st</sup>. The collection hours are from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., rain or shine. Bergen County residents (proof required) may dispose of a maximum of 4 tires plus any computer electronics equipment. For more information call the BCUA hotline at 201-807-5825 or visit the website [www.bcu.org](http://www.bcu.org).

## HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

The Bergen County Utilities Authority is sponsoring several free household hazardous waste collection days from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., rain or shine. Acceptable materials include aerosol cans, batteries (all types), bug sprays, drain cleaners, and paints of all types. For a complete listing of materials go to [www.bcua.org](http://www.bcua.org) or call the BCUA at 201-807-5825 for additional details. Flyers are also available at the Borough Hall.

- On June 29<sup>th</sup> and October 19<sup>th</sup> at the Bergen Community College, 400 Paramus Rd. in Paramus.
- July 19<sup>th</sup> at the Bergen County Utilities Authority, Foot of Empire Blvd. in Moonachie.
- On May 17<sup>th</sup>, September 13<sup>th</sup>, and November 15<sup>th</sup> at the Bergen County Campgaw Mountain Reservation, 200 Campgaw Rd. in Mahwah.

## SIDEWALK MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

The Borough will continue to enforce its revised sidewalk maintenance ordinance. The Borough Property Maintenance Official is inspecting sidewalks for tripping hazards and missing pieces. He will notify the resident that the sidewalk will need to be corrected within 60 to 90 days. The Official will concentrate on E. Prospect St. and all County roads. Next year, the following highest number district will be done until all the sidewalks in every district comply with this ordinance.

When replacing sidewalks, homeowners should notify the Water Department at 652-5300 ext.240. By doing this, the homeowner will not be held responsible for any repairs that may be needed to curb boxes or water lines prior to construction. However if any damage occurs after construction, the contractor or homeowner will be held responsible for any repairs that need to be made to curb boxes or water lines.

## TAX & WATER DEPARTMENT

The Water Department will be **flushing fire hydrants** in the following areas:

- **District 1**, located north of East Prospect St. and west of Nordham St. to the railroad tracks, from April 18<sup>th</sup> through May 4<sup>th</sup>
- **District 2**, Franklin Tpke. to Crescent Ave. and north to Allendale border, from September 2<sup>nd</sup> through September 12<sup>th</sup>
- **District 4**, Crescent Ave. to Wyckoff border and from Wyckoff Ave. to Allendale border, from September 15<sup>th</sup> through September 26<sup>th</sup>



The water department will flush hydrants from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The Borough strongly advises residents **NOT** to do laundry or take a shower during this time frame. **The Borough will NOT be held liable for any clothes that are damaged due to the flushing.** Residents may experience some discoloration in their water, which is a result of the settling of naturally found minerals in the water. It does not cause any health problems and the remedy is to let the water run a short time to clear up. If problems persist, call 652-5300 ext. 240 and we will stop by and check it for you. We are sorry if this causes any inconvenience, but this maintenance is necessary to give you the highest quality water.

We are in the process of upgrading our meters to radio read meters. If your meter has not been changed please call the Water Department for an appointment at 652-5300 ext. 240.

**Tax Payments** – Taxes are due on the first of May & August. Please remember that the grace period for taxes is five calendar days and as of the sixth day there is an interest charge that reverts back to the 1<sup>st</sup> day of that quarter.

If you paid off your mortgage please notify the Tax Collector's office in writing so we may remove your mortgage company from your account. Tax bills go out once a year in July. If your mortgage company doesn't return your tax bill you will still be responsible for any payment that becomes due. Please call the office at 652-5300 ext. 241 to request a copy of your bill.

**Property Tax Reimbursement forms are due to the State by June 2, 2008.**

### **COMINGS AND GOINGS**

The Borough welcomes Christopher Goodell as Dispatcher, Brian Clapp as Pool Manager, Michael Ferrara and Michael Brennecke in Recycling, and Michael Santori who replaces George Duemmer as plumbing inspector. The Borough would like to extend a warm farewell and thanks to George Duemmer for his service to our community.

### **ROAD IMPROVEMENTS**

In early spring to late summer, the Borough intends to resurface Brearly Crescent, Darling Road, Lee Court, Leonard Drive, Lincoln Place (Ridge to Rt. 17), and Salrit Avenue. Ridge Street is scheduled to be reconstructed over the summer from East Prospect to Summit Avenue.

### **2008 WALDWICK OPEN**

Mark your calendars for the 2008 Waldwick Open Golf Tournament! This event will be held on **Monday, October 6<sup>th</sup>** at the Golf Club at Mansion Ridge. All net proceeds will go directly to our Recreation Trust Fund that finances improvements to our playgrounds. Further details will be available in advance of the tournament.



### **SPRING CONCERT**



The Borough is proud to host **PARTY DOLLS** at the Oval, next to the Municipal Pool. All are welcome to attend this free concert that will begin at 7:30 p.m. on **Wednesday, May 28<sup>th</sup>**. This sensational female vocal trio makes everything old seem new again with the songs of the 70's and 80's. Their dynamite costume changes feature fashion statements that span the decades. They will delight from pre-teens to baby boomers. Showtime at its best!

## **RECREATION**

The five-week summer recreation program begins on Monday, July 7<sup>th</sup> and will meet each day (weather permitting) between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to noon until Friday, August 8<sup>th</sup>. Each recreation site (Traphagen, Crescent School or HCA Park) will be supervised by a fully certified teacher with assistance by teenage counselors. We will continue to offer a balanced program of physical activities, including soccer and kickball along with arts and crafts projects taught by certified teachers. Mark your calendars and plan to register your child on-site the first day of the program for a fun packed, memorable summer experience!

**Tennis Instruction:** Tennis instruction will begin on Monday, July 7<sup>th</sup>. You can register at the courts from 9:00 a.m. to noon on the first day of the program. Lesson times will be assigned then. Participants must have their own racquet and six tennis balls (labeled with their name). Residents, 18 years or older, wishing to participate must obtain a tennis badge from the Borough Clerk's Office at an annual fee of \$18.00.

**Swim Lesson Registration:** Registration for swimming lessons will be held every weekend the pool is open beginning Memorial Day Weekend through the month of June. Brian Clapp, our new Pool Operator, will be running the swimming lesson program this year. Each two-week session fee shall be \$30.00 for one student with a family maximum of \$75.00 for that session.

**Waldwick Municipal Pool:** The Pool opens for weekends only on Saturday, May 24<sup>th</sup>. Daily hours will begin on the first Monday after the closing of schools – June 23<sup>rd</sup>. Pool hours are from noon until 8:00 p.m. daily. Weekend hours are from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

## **SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION**

School Board Election will be held on Tuesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>. The polls for this election will be open from 2:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. Polling places are the same for this election as for the Primary and General Elections.



## **PRIMARY ELECTION**

Primary Election is Tuesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> and the polls will be open from 6:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. The last day to register for this election will be Tuesday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at which time the Borough Clerk's office will be open until 9:00 p.m. to accommodate anyone wishing to register to vote.

## **ABSENTEE BALLOT**

Vote absentee if you are going to be out of town for any Election. Absentee ballot applications are available upon request at the Borough Clerk's Office at 652-5300, ext. 236 or 238. There are deadlines, so plan your vote early.

## **DISPOSAL OF MEDICATIONS**

The NJDEP has prepared an advisory to citizens on proper disposal of medications. The information may be found on the DEP website at [www.nj.gov/dep/enforcement/advisories/2008-04.pdf](http://www.nj.gov/dep/enforcement/advisories/2008-04.pdf).

## HEALTH SERVICES

**Well Child Services:** On the second Tuesday of each month, Carol Shepard RN, Dr. Fenkart (Pediatrician), and Bergen Community Health care nurses provide eligible pre-school children with all required immunizations, diagnostic screening, physical exams, health education, and referrals. Appointments are necessary; please call the Waldwick Health Center at 444-3914.

**Free Adult Health Walk-In Clinic:** Available on Wednesdays from 8:30 a.m. to noon and from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Health Center, 22 Whites Lane, or by appointment. Carol Shepard, RN provides blood pressure screening, health education, and referrals. This service is also available to homebound residents.

**“Commuters Convenience” Blood Pressure Screening:** This is available every 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month from 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. in the Administration Building. No appointments are necessary. For further information, call Carol Shepard at 444-3914.



### WALDWICK PUBLIC LIBRARY



**Library Programs for Adults:** The library offers a wide variety of entertaining and informative programs throughout the year free of charge. Unless otherwise noted, programs are sponsored by the Friends of the Waldwick Library. To register for any of the following, call 652-5104.

“Summer Safety” .....Th., May 15 at 7:30 p.m.  
“Willie, Mickey, & Duke—An Incomparable Baseball Story” ..... Wed., June 11 at 7:30 p.m.  
“P.T. Barnum: Master Showman” .....Th., June 26 at 2:00 p.m.  
“Blueberries: New Jersey’s Wonder Fruit” .....Sat., July 19 at 2:00 p.m.  
“Verdi and Puccini: Masters of Music and Passion” ..... Wed., August 27 at 7:30 p.m.

**Programs for Children:** In addition to regularly scheduled programs, the children’s department and the Friends of the Waldwick Library will present an amazing variety of special events. Registration is not required for the following:



“Dinoman” ..... Th., April 17 at 3:00 p.m.  
“Presley and Melody” .....Sat., July 12 at 11:00 a.m.  
“Songs for Playful Children” .....Fri., July 18 at 3:00 p.m.  
“The Good, the Icky, and the Slimy” .....Tues., July 22 at 11:45 a.m.  
“World Music with Daria” .....Tues., July 29 at 11:45 a.m.  
“Bugs, Magic, & More” .....Sat., August 2 at 11:00 a.m.  
“The Bugtown Follies” .....Tues., August 19 at 11:45 a.m.

**Summer Reading:** The theme of the 2008 Summer Reading Club is “Catch the Reading Bug”. Can you read enough books to metamorphose at your library? Summer Reading Club enrollment is open to Waldwick children ages 2 and up. Registration begins on Monday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>.

## **WALDWICK FIRE DEPARTMENT**

The Waldwick Fire Department will be hosting a wet down for their new rescue truck on Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 – 8:00 p.m. There will be a town wide party in the back of the Public Safety Complex with food and refreshments.

## **BOROUGH EMAIL NOTIFICATION PROGRAM**

The Bergen Record, along with other local news media, published articles on the Waldwick Email Notification Program back in 1996. The program notifies residents by email of any events that are occurring in the Borough. More notably, the Police Department was able to alert residents during a rash of burglaries to suspect vehicles and the time of day the burglaries were occurring. Currently, there are over 2500 residents participating in the program. Waldwick was believed to be the first in the nation with such a program. This type of program has now grown nationwide. Please call Det. Sgt. Smith to register at 652-5623 or visit [www.waldwickpd.org](http://www.waldwickpd.org) and click on “**Join Our Email Notification Program**”. Our goal is to have all residents registered with the program.

## **RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNERSHIP**

Chapter 42 of the Borough Code states that no dog may be off its leash within the Borough unless confined within a vehicle under the direct supervision of a person capable of controlling said dog. Dogs are also prohibited from committing any nuisance, including defecation on any common area, public property, or private property where the owner’s permission has not been explicitly granted. This restriction does not apply to that portion of the street lying between the curb lines; granted that the person responsible for said dog removes and disposes of all feces in a sanitary method sanctioned by the local Health Authority.



## **FENCES AND SHEDS**

All fences and sheds, regardless if they are new or replacement, require a permit from the Building Department. When applying for these permits, please bring a copy of your property survey with the site of the fence or shed clearly indicated.

## **CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE**

Homeowners who are planning on selling their home or re-renting must fill out an application for a Certificate of Compliance. They are available at the Water Department and the application fee is \$40.00. The Building Inspector will review your application and perform an inspection before the certificate will be issued. The following items should be corrected or added prior to inspection date: **1.** Handrails are to be installed on all steps, three and over **2.** Sump pump connections are to be removed from sewer piping **3.** Insure that all open permits are closed properly **4.** Insure that newly installed items all have permits **5.** Sidewalks in good condition **6.** Garages converted to other use without permit or approval (written proof required) must be returned to usable garage **7.** Carbon Monoxide and smoke detectors required **8.** A fire extinguisher is located near cooking source **9.** Installment of a radio read meter.

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

### **May**

- 1 - Taxes Due
- 3 - Waste Disposal Day
- 13 - Last day to register to vote in the Primary Election
- 17 - Paper Drive
- 24 - Municipal Pool Opens (Weekends only)
- 26 - Memorial Day Parade
- 26 - No Garbage Collection**
- 28 - FREE Concert @ the Oval, 7:30 p.m.**

### **July**

- 4 - No Garbage Collection**
- 7 - Recreation Program Begins
- 8 - Waldwick Community Band @ the Oval with a rain site at Crescent, 8:00 p.m.
- 15 - Waldwick Community Band, location the same for all concerts in July, 8:00 p.m.
- 19 - Paper Drive
- 22 - Waldwick Community Band, 8:00 p.m.
- 29 - Waldwick Community Band, 8:00 p.m.

### **June**

- 2 - Water Meter Reading Begins
- 3 - Primary Election
- 14 - Waldwick Fire Department Wet Down Party
- 21 - Paper Drive
- 23 - Municipal Pool Opens Daily
- 23 - Lions Club Carnival Begins

### **August**

- 1 - Taxes Due
- 16 - Paper Drive
- 29 - Waldwick Community Band Concert @ Hudson City Savings Bank, 8:00 p.m.

### **September**

- 1 - No Garbage Collection**
- 2 - Water Meter Reading Begins
- 2 - Fire Hydrant Flushing begins in District #2
- 3 - FREE Concert @ the Oval, More Information to Come Soon!**
- 15 - Fire Hydrant Flushing begins in District #4
- 20 - Paper Drive

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