

# Upper Saddle River Borough Bulletin

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## Mayor and Council Message

At our May 10<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Mayor and Council introduced the Municipal Budget for 2007 in the amount of \$10,764,144.01. This represents a 5.8% increase over last year's budget. The major increases in the budget are due to state mandated funding of the library, pension contributions, health insurance, and contractual expenditures. A public hearing on the budget is scheduled for Wednesday, June 13, 2007 at 8:00 p.m. at Borough Hall. Residents are encouraged to attend the meeting.

With the nice weather finally upon us, we would like to remind residents of some rules and regulations that make our community such a wonderful place to live. Please remember that discharge of pool water into the street is prohibited. The water can cause damage to the street and to your neighbors' lawns and shrubs. We also remind residents that all landscapers and tree services must be licensed to do business in Upper Saddle River. Licenses can be applied for at Borough Hall and must be displayed on the trucks. We ask residents to be sure that landscaping trucks do not block the flow of traffic on the street.

Also, please be cognizant of pollution concerns that affect all our residents. Please remember to clean up after your pets when walking them; be aware of leaking oil on streets; take caution when fertilizing lawns; and be careful when washing cars in driveways. Pollution is a concern to all residents and if we all make an effort to control pollution, the entire community will benefit.

New members are always needed for our volunteer service organizations; our Fire Department, Ambulance Corps, and Rescue Squad. Please consider joining and making an invaluable contribution to our community.

June 5<sup>th</sup> is Primary Election Day. Polling places are: Districts 1 and 2 – Cavallini School Gym; District 3 – Borough Hall; Districts 4 and 5 – Presentation Church Auditorium. Polls are open from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Registered voters who have declared a party affiliation are eligible to vote. If you are an undeclared voter, you may declare a party affiliation on Election Day and vote in the primary. We encourage all registered voters to exercise their right and vote on Primary Election Day.

## USR Police Bike Rodeo

The Upper Saddle River Police Department is sponsoring a Bicycle Rodeo on Saturday, June 2, 2007 (rain date June 3) at the Bogert-Reynolds School parking lot from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Bicycle safety inspections and bike repairs will be performed at the Rodeo. Children will be able to perform a skills course on their bicycles (safety helmets required). There will be bicycle and equipment law review as well as handouts. Food and beverages will be available. Daren the D.A.R.E. Lion will make a guest appearance. Come one, come all - bring the entire family! Any questions, please feel free to contact Officer Bobby at 201-327-2700 or dare@usrschoolsk8.com.

## Volunteers needed for USR Day Town Picnic

The USR Recreation Commission is seeking volunteers for this year's Town picnic. The event is scheduled for Saturday, September 8, 2007 (a rain date of Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup>).

If you would like to volunteer please contact Barry Ervin at (201) 327-7367.

## Upper Saddle River Day 2007

Scheduled to be held in Lions Park on Saturday, September 8th, USR Day 2007, will begin at 2:00 p.m. and conclude at 8:00 p.m. with a full-length feature film, which will be shown in the old "drive-in" style. The rain date for this event is Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup>. Food wristbands can be purchased in advance at the USR Library or Borough Hall for a cost of \$20 for a family of four or more, \$10 for a family of less than four, \$5 for singles, and are free for seniors (62 and over). Activities will include family games, face painting, carnival rides, a performance by the Saddle River Valley Band, a family movie and fun for all.

## USR Police Department Reverse 9-1-1 System

The Upper Saddle River Police Department tested the Reverse 9-1-1 System on May 9, 2007.

There is no need to call the Upper Saddle River Police Department when you receive a test or when you receive an actual emergency message. If there is a need to disseminate additional information, a subsequent Reverse 9-1-1 message will be sent out. The reverse 9-1-1 System can only call phone numbers that we have listed. If you did not receive a test call on May 9, 2007 and you would like to be added to the list of numbers to be called, please contact the Upper Saddle River Police Department. When you call, please provide the dispatcher with your phone number, address, and name.

## Rockin' and Reelin' in Lions Park

The Upper Saddle River Recreation Commission will be sponsoring a FREE evening of music and movies at Lions Park on Saturday, June 16, 2007. The night's activities will begin at 6:00 p.m. with a DJ followed by the showing of "**Night at the Museum**" (Approx. 8:15 p.m.). Please support our Boy and Girl Scouts who will be raising funds by selling hot dogs, popcorn, candy, ice cream and soda.

## Girl Scout Car Wash Fundraiser

Girl Scout Troop 1233 will be holding a car wash on Saturday, June 2nd at Westy Storage Center on Route 17 North, Upper Saddle River. The car wash will be held between the hours of 9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. The car wash fee will be \$5.00 for cars and \$7.00 for SUVs, vans and trucks. All proceeds will be used to help fund a troop trip to the home of Juliette Gordon Low, the founder of Girls Scouts, in Savannah, Georgia. The troop will also be selling home made baked goods!

## Garbage and Recycling

The garbage and recycling schedule for the month of June is listed in the chart below.

The garbage will continue to be picked up twice a week, Mondays and Thursdays. The recycling will remain on the same schedule, every other Tuesday. Recycling consists of commingled bottles, cans and plastics (all plastic food containers are included) which should be placed in a reusable container; newspapers, junk mail and cardboard which should be tied into bundles. All refuse must be out by 6:30 a.m.

Please be sure not to have your garbage or driveway blocked by any cars or trucks. The garbage company will not take any chances of scratching any vehicle in your driveway by taking garbage around them. If there is vehicle in the way, the garbage will be left until the next scheduled pick up date.

If you think you have been missed for a pick-up, please call the Borough Hall by 10:00 a.m. the next day. You may leave a message on our answering machine which is on 24 hours a day.

For your convenience, the Recycling Depot, which is located behind the Borough Hall, is open every Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to noon. A monitor is on duty to assist you.

## USR Youth Triathlon

On Saturday, June 9, the Upper Saddle River Recreation Commission will hold its 4th Annual Upper Saddle River Youth Triathlon. This triathlon is opened to all children ages 8-14.

The youth triathlon will incorporate swimming, biking and running. The children will begin their swim at the Saddle River Valley Swim & Tennis Club, bike to Lions Park, and finish the running portion of the triathlon at Lions Park. The swimming, biking and running distances will be different for the two separate age groups the children are going to be divided into.

Raffles, food and prizes will be set up in Lions Park at the finish line. Sponsors and volunteers are welcome to help.

For more information, visit our website at [www.USRtoday.com/triathlon](http://www.USRtoday.com/triathlon), [Mgrupp@soundlounge.com](mailto:Mgrupp@soundlounge.com) or Recreation Director Ed Gartner at 201-327-3634, [USRRecreation@aol.com](mailto:USRRecreation@aol.com).

## Hazardous Waste Collection

The Bergen County Utilities Authority is sponsoring another Household Hazardous Waste Collection on Saturday, June 24 at Bergen Community College, 400 Paramus Road, Paramus. The collection begins at 9:00 a.m. and closes promptly at 3:00 p.m. rain or shine. The collection is free of charge to all Bergen County residents. Waste should be in original containers and labeled. NO computers, electronics or tires will be accepted at HHW Collections.

In general, you may dispose of all types of paints, fertilizers, kerosene, blacktop sealer, motor oil, insecticides, fluorescent light bulbs, batteries and fire extinguishers. Please call the BCUA hotline with questions and for more information at 201-807-5825. The collection is free of charge for Bergen County residents. ID Required!

## Old Stone Church Picnic Sunday June 3

Join the fun and tradition of the Annual Old Stone Church Picnic on June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 500 East Saddle River Road.

There will only be one worship service on June 3<sup>rd</sup> and it will be at 10:00 a.m. After worship and Communion, the Congregation will gather at the Fellowship Hall (or next door on the front lawn of the Parsonage, depending on the weather) to enjoy the hamburgers, hot dogs, and bratwursts; hot from the grill.

You are invited to bring your favorite appetizers, side dishes, salads, and desserts. Dress casually – we'll start as soon as the grill is hot. Bocce anyone? Church Office: 201-327-5242. Website: [www.oldstonechurchonline.org](http://www.oldstonechurchonline.org).

## Avalanche Ranch Vacation Bible School

Space is limited due to the high demand to participate in Vacation Bible School at BHUMC. Register now to reserve a spot for the interdenominational "Avalanche Ranch: A wild ride through God's word" a vacation Bible school for preschool through elementary age children at Bergen Highlands United Methodist church in Upper Saddle River, NJ, running daily Monday, July 30 through Friday, August 3 from 9 a.m. to noon.

The children will join nearly a million other kids in North American by taking part in a hands-on mission project making prayer bears that will reach orphans in Africa. Additionally, they will enjoy a stampede of excitement as they visit Avalanche Ranch with activities styled after a real western ranch experience.

The program will provide fun, memorable Bible-learning activities. Each day the children will sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games and snack on Chuck Wagon Chow. They will experience electrifying Bible adventures and take on Daily Challenges to bring each day's lessons back home. They will collect Bible Memory Buddies like Buc, the bucking bronco, and Shadow, the ranch dog. They will also create Bible Point Crafts to take home and play with all summer long.

This event has a cost of \$25 per child and all are welcome to attend.

For more information, feel free to contact Rev. Lovallo at the church office at 201-327-3960, or by email at: [Bergenhighlands@juno.com](mailto:Bergenhighlands@juno.com) or [jennlovallo@optonline.net](mailto:jennlovallo@optonline.net).

### UPPER SADDLE RIVER WASTE COLLECTIONS, JUNE 2007

**Garbage:** There is **town-wide Garbage Pick-up** on Mondays and Thursdays  
Please be sure to have your garbage out by 6:30 a.m. They will not stop back to pick up missed garbage if it was not out on time.

<b>Recycling:</b> <u>W. Saddle River Rd. &amp; west</u>	<u>East of W. Saddle River Rd.</u>
Tuesday, June 12	Tuesday, June 5
Tuesday, June 26	Tuesday, June 19

**Large Appliances:** Thursday, June 7, by appointment only.  
Please call 201-327-2196 to schedule a pick-up.

**Bulky Trash:** The next Bulky Trash pick up will be Wednesday June 13, 2007.  
Please have all items at the curb no sooner than the week of the pick up date.

## Upper Saddle River Library

### Join USR Cub Scout Pack 133

USR Cub Scout registration is now being accepted for the 2007/2008 school year. All entering first through fifth grade are encouraged to join. Cub Scouts participate in many community events and have opportunities to attend exciting outings and overnight trips throughout the year. The program fee is \$75.00 before June 15th or \$90.00 thereafter. Parents of prospective scouts are invited to an information session on Monday June 11th at 8:00 p.m. in the Bogert School Faculty Lounge. For more information you may also go the [www.usrscouts.com](http://www.usrscouts.com) web site. Come join us next year!

### Woman's Club

The Woman's Club of Upper Saddle River terminated its club year with the installation of new officers for the 2007-2008 club year at a recent dinner at the Ho-Ho-Kus Inn. Co-presidents Barbara Buehler and Sally Zelhof; Recording Secretary - Rose DeBerardine; Corresponding Secretary - Frances Viscuso; Treasurer, Carol Finnerty; and Federation Secretary - Judy Morton were installed.

The winners of the annual poetry/essay contest sponsored annually by the club for the elementary school children were - Grades 1 & 2 - poem - Chiara Brady, essay - Emma Weiss; Grades 3 & 4: poem - Amanda Weiss, essay - Aurora Abzug and Nick Di Martino, co-winners; Grades 5 & 6 - essay - Nicolette Speccavento.

At the recent Achievement Day sponsored by the Ramapo district of the NJ State Federation of Women's Clubs to which the club belongs, Judy Morton took the gold ribbon top prize in the Arts/Creative contests for a needlework pillow and Frances Viscuso took top honors in the Conservation/Gardens contest for her original decorated door wreath. The club was also cited for its accomplishments in fundraising and communications reports (best in district).

During the annual convention of the NJSFWC held at the Trump Plaza in Atlantic City, two club members, Shirley Edmonds/Fitzgerald and Gerri Nuckel were placed by their club on the State Honor Roll for exceptional achievement in their club work.

Finally the club wishes to thank the community at large for their support at the Barbara Ostrom luncheon which allowed the club to meet its expectations for charitable donations and scholarship grants' giving.

### Programs for Adults:

#### Touch of Grey Battle of the Bands

June 22, 7:00 p.m. Tailgate or bring a picnic dinner while you enjoy a jam session. Please check the Library website for details, [www.uppersaddleriverlibrary.org](http://www.uppersaddleriverlibrary.org).

#### Summer Reading Club for Adults

Read a book and enter to win an MP3 player! Read or listen to a book, fill out a Summer Reading Club for Adults form. The top will include your name, phone number and ask you to write a few sentences about the book, the bottom half goes into the container at the circ. desk. Each week there will be a new drawing for a prize (from forms submitted the current week). Final drawing August 10th will be for a MP3 player!

### Programs for Children:

#### The Day The Library Went Wild! performed by Jay Mankita

Thursday, June 7th at 3:15 p.m.

Pre-K through Grade 3. Free tickets. Must have a ticket to attend.

Join us for this fun filled performance with an ecological focus exploring rainforests, dolphins, hibernating, frogs, snakes, mountains, lakes, and the 'wild' human being in all of us.

#### Make a Gift for your Dad!

For children in grades K and up. Materials and gift wrap will be provided. Drop-in on Wednesday, June 13 or Thursday, June 14 from 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

#### Join a Library Summer Reading Club at the Kick-off Party!

Read-to-Me Club for children age 3 to Grade 1.

Read-by-Myself Club for Grades 2-5

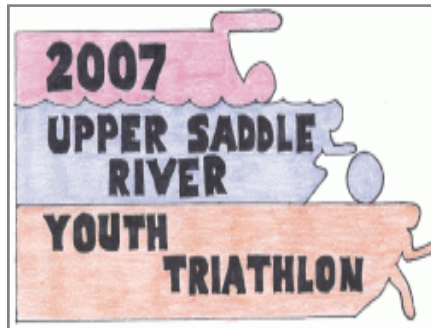
You Never Know the Teen Summer Reading Club for Grades 6 and Up.

#### Summer Reading Club Kick-off Party!

Thursday, June 21 at 7:00 p.m.

Fun for the whole family! Free tickets after June 1.

**Alex Mitnick and his five piece band** bring children and adults together on a fantastic musical journey. Audiences sing along, clap, dance and participate in spontaneous musical improvisations with the band. Alex sings and plays guitar and is joined by Natalie Merritt singing and dancing, Sean Dixon on bass, Sebastian Guerrero on drum set and Jon Thompson playing the sax and electric guitar.



### Lindsey Shrout

#### Wins T-Shirt Contest

The Upper Saddle River Youth Triathlon Committee has selected Lindsey Shrout as the winner of this year's Youth Triathlon T-shirt Contest. With over 30 entries it was a very difficult decision by the Triathlon Committee. Lindsey will receive a new bicycle compliments of Cyclesport in Park Ridge. The Committee would like to thank all of those children who participated in this year's contest. All of the pictures will be on display at the Youth Triathlon finish line at Lions Park on Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup>.

### Fathers Day Family Pancake Breakfast

Sunday June 17 - 8:30 to noon.

Give Dad and Mom the morning off and have the whole family attend the annual "Father's Day Family Pancake Breakfast" at the Old Stone Church's Fellowship Hall at 500 East Saddle River Road. Pancakes and bacon, coffee, fruit, and juice. \$5 adults, \$2 children, under 4 for free. Regular summer service will take place at the Old Stone Church: 9:30 a.m. Family/Traditional Worship. Church Office: 201-327-5242

### SRV Fellowship

The Hat Tappers was a big success. Our members were tapping and singing along with them.

Sleep Well - Feel Well had us all go home ready for a good night sleep. May's activities gave us two thought provoking talks.

So far we have had an exciting year and June will close with a bang! Wheel of Fortune on June 14 and the end of the year luncheon on June 28. We hope all our members will have a pleasant and restful summer. Please talk up the club for the new year starting September 13. Enjoy. P.S. Don't forget bird watching on June 19 at 10:00 a.m. at Bogert School.

# Coming Up In June 2007

## BOROUGH BOARDS

MONDAY, JUNE 4

8:00 p.m. USR Bd of Ed. Reg. Session at Cavallini Media Center

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6

7:30 p.m. Recreation Commission at Borough Hall

THURSDAY, JUNE 7

7:00 p.m. Mayor and Council, Executive Session at Borough Hall

MONDAY, JUNE 11

8:00 p.m. NHRHS Bd of Ed. Regular Meeting at NHRHS Library

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13

7:00 p.m. Mayor and Council, Executive Session at Borough Hall

8:00 p.m. Mayor and Council, Regular Session at Borough Hall

THURSDAY, JUNE 14

7:30 p.m. Planning Board Work Session at Borough Hall

MONDAY, JUNE 18

8:00 p.m. USR Bd of Ed. Reg. Session at Cavallini Media Center

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20

7:00 p.m. Shade Tree Commission at Borough Hall

7:30 p.m. Library Board of Trustees at USR Library

THURSDAY, JUNE 21

7:30 p.m. Zoning Board Executive Session at Borough Hall

8:00 p.m. Zoning Board Regular Session at Borough Hall

MONDAY, JUNE 25

8:00 p.m. NHRHS Bd of Ed. Regular Meeting at NHRHS Library

THURSDAY, JUNE 28

8:00 p.m. Planning Board Regular Session at Borough Hall

*Municipal Court in Session, Borough Hall at 6:00 p.m.*

*Tuesday, June 12*

*Tuesday, June 26*

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## SERVICE GROUPS

MONDAY, JUNE 4

7:00 p.m. USR Historical Society at Old Stone Church Ed. Bldg.

MONDAYS, JUNE 4, 11, 18 & 25

12:00 noon Bergen Highlands Rotary, Houlihans, Ramsey

TUESDAY, JUNE 5

7:30 p.m. USR Woman's Club at Bergen Highlands Church

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6

7:30 p.m. Rescue Squad Meeting

7:45 p.m. Ambulance Corp. Meeting

THURSDAY, JUNE 7

8:00 p.m. Fire Department Meeting

FRIDAY, JUNE 8

7:00 p.m. SRV Lions Club-Carnival Appreciation Night

7:30 p.m. Fire Department Drill

MONDAY, JUNE 11

11:30 a.m. Friends of the Library at USR Library

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13

7:30 p.m. Rescue Squad Drill

THURSDAY, JUNE 14

11:00 a.m. Senior Fellowship at Bergen Highlands Church

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20

7:30 p.m. Rescue Squad Drill

7:30 p.m. Fire Department Drill

TUESDAY, JUNE 26

7:30 p.m. Fire Department Drill

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27

1:00 p.m. -3:00 p.m. Adult Walk-in Clinic at Borough Hall

7:30 p.m. Rescue Squad Drill

7:30 p.m. Ambulance Corp. Drill

THURSDAY, JUNE 28

11:00 a.m. Senior Fellowship at Bergen Highlands Church

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