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From the Desk of Mayor David Runfeldt

The Borough Council, Administration and I have been working on the 2009 budget for several months. The process begins in the fall of the previous year when all departments are asked to submit their budget requests. Many weeks of discussion and meeting with the various department heads, leads to a working budget that I submit to Council. Myself, Council, Administration and various department heads then meet for several weeks on Saturday mornings to make the final cuts and/or additions to budget. These meetings are open to the public (thank you, Mr. Moeller).

Compounding the predicament of this year's budget is the situation that we find ourselves in with regards to the national and global economic crisis that plagues all aspects of our society. The spending of our state government is grossly out of control and seems to look to solve its problem by forcing further financial strains on the municipal level. As we found out so harshly last year, this thwarts our ability to budget fairly and appropriately. Even though, my initial budget proposal included a total spending increase of less than 2 3/4%. Upon further study of our budget, I felt that we were in danger of falling short in our accountability to the residents and taxpayers of Lincoln Park.

Given a true understanding of the dire financial picture that is currently being painted in our town and throughout New Jersey, I am compelled to voice the phrase "Drastic times lead to drastic measures."

It is with this understanding and comments from Council that I presented the following 10 point suggestions. The members of the Borough Council voted unanimously to support each point.

- 1) An immediate pay freeze to all administrative personnel and personnel not covered by contractual obligations.
- 2) Capping the amount of "longevity" compensation paid to employees.
- 3) There should be no new full time hires in the 2009 budget for any administrative department.
- 4) No new Police hire in the 2009 budget.
- 5) A 10% cut to the O&E budget of our Police, Fire, First Aid and Health Departments in addition to my initial cuts.
- 6) An additional 5-10% cut of the O&E budget of all other departments. The only exception is to our Department of Public Works. DPW stands to be asked to do more with repairs and maintenance to vehicles, equipment and infrastructure in response to these additional cuts. As such, there should be no decrease to DPW budget, and in fact, a slight increase may be warranted.

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- 7) No additional motor vehicles purchased for the borough this year. In unproblematic economic times, a schedule of vehicle replacement may be warranted. In times such as these, we may need to make due with at least an additional year of vehicle use prior to replacement.
- 8) There should be no consideration for capital improvement projects this year. We must consider not incurring any more debt this year as we continue to pay down debt which has previously accumulated.
- 9) Explore contract revisions with all employees in the hope that small changes to contracted benefits and/or salaries may result in significant cost savings and prevent the need for staff reductions.
- 10) Continue to look for ways to increase revenue and decrease spending by exploring the sharing of services with other municipalities.

I realize the above points represent drastic cuts to our budget and correspond to doing things very differently than that which has been done in the past here in the Borough of Lincoln Park. By following these points, we have been able to present a budget that shows nearly a zero net spending increase over the 2008 budget. These suggestions are only presented after much thought and deliberation and awareness of the consequences they may incur. I hope that this is the only time that we may have to consider such action, but non-the-less, feel that it is action that must be taken.

Dave Runfeldt

Written by: Ethel Lee-Miller

Ethel Lee-Miller lives in Lincoln Park with her husband. She is the author of Thinking of Miller Place: A Memoir of Summer Comfort. The book is available at amazon.com, at your local bookstore, or by contacting Ethel at <http://www.etheleemiller.com/>

Submitted by: Mayor Runfeldt

The First time I saw “Lincoln Park—5th Best Town in NJ” banner festooned across Route 202, I was struck by the fact that this was the town where I actually lived.

Let me explain. Post-college I was a reverse commuter, I taught in New Jersey and maintained a fierce loyalty to residing in Manhattan, where I frequented 24-hour delis, museums and dingy; but authentic dance studio that mixed Broadway dancers and wannabes like me. I was hip; I was cool. If I wanted nature, I walked over to Riverside Park or rode up to the Bronx Zoo. I worked in the ‘burbs, but New York City was where it was at.

Two years became five, then 10, Lewis Morris Park, Acorn Hall and Schooley’s Mountain re-placed city parks and museums. Upon retiring from an almost 30-year teaching career, I saw myself unfettered and free to move back to the city.

Yes, here I am, contentedly living in Morris County. My husband and I lounge on the patio on summer nights, listen to the crickets and watch fireflies dance in densely packed clusters above the bushes. Oldies Night at the town lake attracts clusters of residents in much the same way.

The huge old oaks and evergreens in back of my condo are a visual delight, lush green in spring, a swirl of oranges, gold and browns in autumn, and a silent white world on a snowy day in November. Neighborhoods are split by narrow strips of woods along what used to be the Morris Canal, providing a habitat for groundhogs, rabbits, deer and wild turkey, along with songbirds I can’t name but can appreciate.

My last sighting of a bear was not at a zoo, but ambling in the woods behind my house. Granted it was a cub, although when I

described it to the police dispatcher, it was huge.” Within minutes of my call, a calm, young officer was at my door. It appeared local residents had been helping chart the bear’s movement in town via telephone calls ranging from frantic to amused.

The lure of small towns in Morris County is often grand, like the heritage of Fosterfields, which is rich in hands-on history. But Lincoln Park won my affection with a simple phone call the first year we lived here. The recreation director left a message: “Found your watch in the PAL building. Stop by any time. I’m always here.”

Nothing furthers a sense of belonging more than when you have to ask for help. Our chance came when a lock system around the Tennis court fences worked in reverse and locked in as we entered the courts.

“Call the police on your cell,” was my husband’s suggestion.

Blank look from me.

“You always have your cell phone with you.” Hope dwindled in his voice. “Don’t you?”

The only way out seemed up and over. I retreated back to the ground when I realized I was frozen with fear at the thought of actually going up and over the fence., my hero easily scaled it to job over to the police station. Not content to wait for rescue, I was slithering my way under a gap in the fence when the cop arrived. He only smiled and stretched out a hand to pull me up.

We do our bit for the environment by walking to the library and tennis courts in the center of town. Just as I was starting to grumble that the tennis courts were crumbling, bulldozers moved in and leveled them. The weekly e-mail from our mayor revealed an anonymous donor had provided money for revamping the tennis courts. Is this Camelot, or what!

Looking to fill my Broadway dance yearnings, I Googled to find a convenient place to renew my tentative venture into tap dancing. Dance Place Plus offers adult tap with a mix of traditional, funk and syncopated rhythms. And it’s a 10-minute walk, door to star-studded door. I stroll by ShopRite as part of my morning walk. If I’ve forgotten anything, it’s two minuets away by car. We have a lifestyle that does include regular trips to New York. It is, after all, a two-way tunnel. But “out here” is home. Besides, I’m not up very late these days so if ShopRite is only open till 10 p.m., that’s more than good enough for me.

Health Department Clinic Dates

March, 2009

***Podiatry Clinic:** Friday, March 6, 9-12 noon (HD)

***Child Health Clinic:** Thursday, March 12, 9-12 noon (HD)

Blood Pressure Screening: Monday, March 16, 10-12 noon (HD)

Seniors' Blood Pressure Screening: Wednesday, March 25, 12-1 pm (St. Joe's)

April, 2009

***Podiatry Clinic:** Friday, April 3, 9- 12 noon (HD)

***Child Health Clinic:** Thursday, April 9, 9-12 noon (HD)

Blood Pressure Screening: Monday, April 20, 10-12 noon (HD)

***Male Cancer Screening (Collins Pavilion):** Tuesday, April 21 5:30-7 pm

Senior Blood Pressure Screening: Wednesday, April 22, 12-1 pm (St. Joe's)

May, 2008

***Podiatry Clinic:** Friday, May 1, 9-12 noon (HD)

***Stroke Prevention Screening (Collins Pavilion):** Tuesday, May 5, 5:30-7pm

***Child Health Clinic:** Thursday, May 14, 9-12 noon (HD)

Blood Pressure Screening: Monday, May 18, 10-12 noon (HD)

***Female Cancer Screening (Collins Pavilion):** Tuesday, May 19, 5:30-7 pm

Senior Blood Pressure Screening: Wednesday, May 27, 12-1 pm (St. Joe's)

June, 2008

***Podiatry Clinic:** Friday, June 5, 9-12 noon (HD)

***Skin Cancer Screening (Collins Pavilion):** Tuesday, June 9, 5:30-7 pm

***Child Health Clinic:** Thursday, June 11, 9-12 noon (HD)

Blood Pressure Screening: Monday, June 15, 10-12 noon (HD)

Senior Blood Pressure Screening: Wednesday, June 24, 12-1 pm (St. Joe's)

* Please call the Health Department at 973-270-2040 to make an appointment.

Library Corner

Submitted by: Francis Kaiser

The Lincoln Park Public Library is located at 12 Boonton Turnpike. Our hours of operation are as follows: Monday – Thursday: 10:00am – 9:00pm; Friday: 10:00am – 5pm; Saturday: 9:30am – 4pm; and Sunday 12pm – 4pm.

Police News

Submitted by: Chief Sean Canning

PLEASE CHECK THE WEB SITE FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS. WWW.LINCOLNPARK.ORG

Passport Night is Back!

The Clerk's Office has been able to make arrangements with the County Passport Office to offer a Passport Night right here in Borough Hall.

April 27, 2009 is the date, from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm in the Community Meeting Room. Please call 973-270-2050 or 973-270-2051 for the details

RED FLAG PRIORITY: PLEASE BE ADVISED: if you were born in **HUDSON COUNTY**, your Birth Certificate will **NOT** be accepted.

Please contact the Morris County Passport Office at 973-285-6161 for the phone number/information on how to obtain a new Birth Certificate from Trenton.

Lincoln Park Seniors

Submitted by: Rich Williams

The Lincoln Park Seniors continue to meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 12 noon in Halloran Hall (below St. Joseph Church) 216 Comly Road.

The dues are \$16 per year.

Upcoming Events:

Mar 16: Saint Patrick's Day - luncheon dinner and entertainment @ The Brownstone

Apr 29: Viva Las Vegas @ The Brownstone

May 13: Spring Luncheon

June 10: Cookout at Lincoln Park Lake

July 15: Platzi Brauhaus, Pomona, NY – Luncheon/Picnic with Entertainment

Aug 12: Ice Cream Social

Sept 10-11: Overnight to Cape May – details to follow

Oct 8: Oktoberfest at Mt. Haven, PA – breakfast, lunch, entertainment

Nov 11: Thanksgiving Dinner

Dec 7: Christmas Party

Our club has grown to over 151 members and we are always looking for new members and new ideas. **If interested, now is the time to join!**

For more information, contact Rich Williams at rwilliams@bolp.org.

COME JOIN THE FUN!

News From Hose Co. #1

Submitted by: John Steible

Every four years, America holds a grand affair introducing our new President. One of the themes of this year was a call by the President for Americans to volunteer service. This is nothing new to the members of the Lincoln Park Fire Department.

It was started way back in 1931 with volunteers to serve the Borough. It is still going on today. In 1948 another fire company was started in the other end of town. Hose Company Number 2 was organized.

The spirit of these dedicated individuals is still going on today. Each year an Installation Dinner is held to introduce our new leaders and to honor long time members.

Your friends and neighbors who will be serving Lincoln Park for this year are: Fire Chief Sal Marino; Safety Officer Joe Fede

Representing Hose Company Number 1, Deputy Chief Dan Moeller; Captain Joe Royce; Lieutenant Bill Fritz. **Representing Hose Company Number 2** Deputy Chief Nick Pappas; Captain Shaun Mackey; Lieutenant Chris Margolis. **It also takes more help to keep everything going.** Department President Jim Ponnwitz; Hose Company Number 1 President Peter Pollicino; Hose Company Number 2 President Michael Viviani. **Not to be left out is the Ladies Auxiliary of Hose Company Number 2** President Elaine Deppert. **There is also a New Jersey State Relief Association headed by** President Joseph Burka.

This may sound like a lot of people but there are more....all the regular fire fighters who respond to calls for help.

We also honor all fire fighters who have attained many years of service. This years service awards were presented to the following: Bruce Smith for 35 years; Tom Addeo and Jim Ponnwitz for 25 years; Joe Fede, Bill Fritz, Henry Deppert and Mike Quattrocchi for 20 years; David Koldky and Shaun Mackey for 15 years; Tim Griffin for 10 years.

If you happen to meet any of our firemen, why not just say thank you to them. That's all we ask.

Lions Club Scholarship Applications Available

Submitted by: Wayne Arvidson

Applications for the Lincoln Park Lions Club's Nicholas Di Canio Memorial Scholarship are now available.

The Nicholas Di Canio Memorial Scholarship is a one-time two thousand dollar scholarship awarded to a Lincoln Park high school senior each year. The Boonton High School and De Paul High School guidance departments have applications for the Nicholas Di Canio Memorial Scholarship. Others wishing to apply for the scholarship may obtain an application from Lion Ron at 973-696-7841 or Lion Wayne at 973-696-2432.

Boonton High School and De Paul High School students must return their application to their guidance department. These students should speak to their guidance counselor for his/her return date. All other applications must be received by the Lincoln Park Lions Club by March 23, 2008 at the address specified in the application package.

The motto of Lions is 'We Serve'. Therefore, a student's service to the community and their high school will play a large roll in the selection of the recipient of the Nicholas Di Canio Memorial Scholarship. While good academic performance is a must, the scholarship is not always awarded to the student with the best grades.

Recreation News

Recreation Department

Submitted by: Janet Cassidy, Sup. Of Recreation

Janet Cassidy 973-694-6100 ext. #2206 Recreation Director/Superintendent. Please e-mail all information requests to lprecreation@bolp.org. **PLEASE CHECK CHANNEL 77 & OUR WEB SITE FOR UPDATES & DAILY INFORMATION!**

"ROCK OF AGES" we are running a trip to the Brook Atkinson Theater on Friday, March 27, 2009 for the 8 pm performance. Cost is \$75 which includes seating and round trip coach transportation. It's ROCK OF AGES, an arena-rock love story told through the mind-blowing, face-melting hits of Journey, Bon Jovi, Foreigner and many more. www.rockofagesmusical.com.

BREAKFAST WITH THE EASTER BUNNY: Saturday, March 28, 2009 at the PAL/Community Center 9:30 am-11:30 am.

SUMER CAMP: We are pleased to announce that the 2009 Summer Camp has been extended to NINE (9) weeks beginning June 22, 2009 from 8:30-12:30 pm. Register before April 20, 2009 to take advantage of the Early Bird Pricing of \$35/wk for the first child and \$25/wk for each additional sibling. New for 2009: you may choose the weeks you want. Camp begins June 22 at the LP Middle School.

PILATES AND YOGA: classes are being offered Saturday mornings and Tuesday evenings. Drop-in fee is \$12 per class. Childcare is available for Saturday morning classes.

TENNIS: tennis courts are open. Please contact the Recreation Department to arrange for annual registration and tennis ID. Tennis lessons are tentatively scheduled to begin in late-March.

MEN'S BASKETBALL LEAGUE: Games are held on Tuesday evenings beginning at 9 pm. There is still room on some of the teams, so please e-mail your contact info.

ZUMA IS COMING.....

VOLLEYBALL: Women's Volleyball games are every Thursday evening beginning at 7 pm. Cost is \$25 per season, must be 18 yrs and older.

NIGHT RECREATION ATTENDANT: applications are now being accepted to Nigh Building Attendant for the PAL/Community Center. Applicants must be at least 18 yrs. Old. Hours are 5 pm—12 midnight. Duties include janitorial as well as registration and light paperwork. Applications can be found on-line under the Employment Opportunities tab. Please submit your application to the Recreation Department.

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT: applications are being accepted for summer employment opportunities; camp counselors (18 yrs and older), lifeguards, lake guards, kids night out and childcare helpers. Anyone 18 yrs or young is required to complete Working Papers every year, these forms can be obtained from the Board of Education. Applications are on-line under Employment Opportunities.

Please log onto www.lincolnpark.org for updated news, forms and calendars.

Pequannock UNICO

Trips 2009

Submitted by: Frank Elefante

March 15: Hunterdone Hills Playhouse "Music of America," Hampton, NJ

Apr. 22: Mt. Haven Resort "Italian Feast" Milford, PA

May 6: Sight and Sound Theater :Behold the Lamb" Strasburg, PA

June 15-20: Maine, Nova Scotia & New Brunswick, Canada, New England Cruise

June 30: Trump Casino Trip, Atlantic City

July 8 & 9: Tour of Gettysburg Museum/ Battlefield, Gettysburg, PA

July 29: Mt. Airy Lodge, Casino & Resort, Mt. Airy, PA

Aug. 23-26: White Mountain Hotel & Resort, Lincoln, NH

Sept. 8-14: Mackinac Island & Michigan Northern Peninsula, Michigan

Sept. 23: Mt. Airy Lodge Casino & Resort, Mt. Airy, PA

Oct. 28-30: Woodloch Pines Resort, Hawley, PA

Nov. 11: Hunterdon Hills Playhouse "The Christmas Show," Hampton, NJ

Dec. T.B.D.: West Point Christmas Concert & Lunch, West Point, NY

Please fee free to contact any committee member for additional information regarding rates, dates, etc. Chairman: Joe Carabello 973-835-0208; Co-Chairman: Len Remus 973-831-1970; Committee Members: Joe Veltre 973-839-3530; Sam Ciresi 973-839-4185; David Nafile 973-248-0328.

Pequannock UNICO is a service Organization of Americans of Italian Heritage, dedicated to charity and philanthropic endeavors. A part of the trip proceeds is allocated to helping others.

Board of Education News

Submitted by: Kimberly Florit

Visit our website at www.lincolnparkboe.org to stay updated on what's happening in the Lincoln Park School District, and for a link to see the 2007-2008 NJ School Report Card.

Lincoln Park Board of Education meetings are scheduled for Tuesdays, March 17th at 7:30pm & March 31st at 7:00pm in the L.P.M.S. Media Center.

Kindergarten Registration: L.P.E.S. is accepting kindergarten registration for the 09/10 school year. To be eligible for admission, children must be five years old on or before Oct. 1, 2009. Please call the school office at 973-696-5530 for more information.

Scholarship Information: Applications are available in the guidance office, in the Board of Education office, and on the Superintendent's eBoard via our website. Completed applications must be received by the Superintendent, Lincoln Park School District, by April 30th.

Dorothy T. Young Scholarship: A committee will consider academic performance (GPA and class rank), participation in extracurricular activities (school/community citizenship) and financial need in awarding this scholarship. Lincoln Park seniors who feel they meet these criteria are encouraged to apply for this scholarship: has completed 2 marking periods of their senior year at a public high school resides in Lincoln Park since Sept. 1st of their sophomore year has an "A" average in a college prep. math or science class for the first 2 marking periods of their senior year and must maintain the "A" average throughout their senior year has applied to an accredited, 4-year college offering a major leading to a Bachelor of Science degree in math and/or science complete the full application and provide necessary documents.

School Board Election & Budget:

School Board Election Day is fast approaching us; on April 21st, you'll have the opportunity to vote on school board members and on the 2009-2010 school budget. If you are not a registered voter, registration forms are available at the schools' and Board of Education offices, or you can call us and we'll mail one to you. Voter registration forms are also available online through our website, www.lincolnparkboe.org. Please exercise your right as a citizen and get out and vote!

Lincoln Park Students Inducted into the National Technical Honor Society

Submitted by: *Kathy Nardone*

On Thursday, January 22nd at a ceremony held at the Morris County Technical and Vocational School, twelve former Lincoln Park students were inducted into the National Technical Honor Society. Founded in 1984, the NTHS recognizes excellence in workforce education through outstanding scholastic achievement, involvement in community service and leadership. All of the inductees are students in one of the Morris County Technical and Vocational Academies. The 2008-2009 National Technical Honor Society honorees from Lincoln Park are:

Olivia Nardone, April Lax, Lara Sibi, Sarah Luo, Carly Buonocore and Roscel Manalo: The Academy for Finance and International Business; **Jackie Tyma and Brian Nazzaro:** The Academy for Law and Public Safety Academy at Butler High School; **Krysta Scimeca:** The School of Veterinary Science; **Kaitlyn Moreno:** The Academy for Health Care Services; **Daniel Pise:** The Academy for Networking, Information Technology and Communications; **RoriePaul Reyes:** The Academy of Construction Arts.

Abundant Life Worship Center Sponsoring Craft Fair

Submitted by: *Stacie Scavone*

Lincoln Park Abundant Life Worship Center located at 103 Jacksonville Road, Lincoln Park is holding a fundraising craft fair on Saturday March 21, 2009 from 9:30 am – 4pm to help raise funds for a New Youth Center Building which will be built onsite. There will be a fundraising raffle and a 50/50. Come out and enjoy the day and shop amongst the many vendors. For more information or a vendor application call Dottie 973-464-0677 or Stacie 973-454-0465.

Women's Conference: Infinite Grace

Submitted by: *Judy Baum*

Ladies, come and relax and learn why you can stop trying so hard. Come to our 7th Annual Women's Retreat and see what it can mean to rest in God's amazing, unequalled, infinite grace.

Where: First Reformed Church, 60 Chapel Hill Road, Lincoln Park, N.J. 07035

When: Friday, March 20th from 7 to 9 p.m.
Saturday, March 21st from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Via video the following "Women of Faith" speakers will join us: Patsy Clairmont, Marilyn Meberg, Sandi Patty, Luci Swindoll, and Sheila Walsh.

We are pleased to have Angela DiPrima join us once again to lead us in song.

A complimentary luncheon will be served at church on Saturday. There is no charge for the retreat, but a free-will offering will be received.

Please pre-register by calling Barbara at 973-839-6384.

Understanding God's grace will change your life FOREVER!

Protecting Our Rivers and Streams is Everyone's Business

Stormwater Management for Small Businesses in Morris County

Source: MC Dept. of Public Works, Stormwater Program Coordinator

Why do businesses need this information:

This information aims to increase your stormwater management awareness and strengthen your knowledge. It will help you to manage the potential stormwater pollution problems at your place of business.

Benefits for you and your business: by addressing potential stormwater pollution problems at your workplace, you:

- Improve your business's profile
- Make long-term cost savings by increasing efficiency and reducing costs
- Increase customer patronage
- Improve environmental conditions for everyone
- Demonstrate compliance with the Environmental Protection Agency's Best Management Practices
- Minimize any potential for environmental fines

What is stormwater? Stormwater is rainwater that flows across hard surfaces such as streets, driveways, and parking lots and drains into catch basins in the street. Stormwater is not treated and flows directly into rivers, streams, and, eventually, to our oceans. Stormwater should only contain clean rainwater, *not* pollutants such as trash, sewage, pesticides, industrial waste, heavy metals, oils or greases.

What legislation governs stormwater pollution? Stormwater discharges are regulated by a number of different laws including the *Clean Water Act 1987*, *USEPA Phase II Rules 1999* and the *New Jersey Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NJPDES) Rules 2004*.

The new pollution discharge elimination rules offer the most specific protection for the state's waters. It prohibits the pollution of the stormwater system and our natural waters. The rules have general obligations which every person, business and industry must comply with as well as specific obligations for particular activities. Failure to comply with any of these obligations may result in the issuing of a fine and/or prosecution.

The water quality policy states that a person or a business should not discharge or deposit pollutants into any waters or onto land where it might enter any waters. The pollutants listed below, in part, relate to

small business and industry:

- Air conditioning or cooling system waste water
- Carpet, upholstery, waste or dry cleaning agents
- Detergents and their by-products
- Fire sprinkler test water
- Oil, grease or lubricants
- Paint and paint scrapings
- Painting wash water
- Paint stripping waste
- Photographic chemicals
- Trash (e.g. cans, bottles, plastic items or materials)
- Street cleaning waste
- Wash water from cleaning
- Animal (e.g. enclosure) waste
- Wash water from cleaning parts, vehicles or any equipment
- Wash water from commercial or industrial premises
- Waste from grease traps

In addition, fertilizers, yard waste (e.g., lawn clippings, leaves), soil, clay, gravel or sand should not be discharged or deposited into any waters or dumped into stormwater catch basins.

For more information on water quality programs visit: the EPA web site at www.epa.gov or the New Jersey web site at www.njstormwater.org

What can you do to stop stormwater pollution? Many operational practices can pollute stormwater. *The first step is to ensure that stormwater does not get contaminated as a result of your workplace activities.* Inspect the uncovered areas of your workplace and ask yourself: if when it rains will rainwater runoff become contaminated before it gets to the storm drain?

Keeping your work area clean:

- Prevent wash or rinse water from entering stormwater drains. Soap and detergents can contain phosphates and when allowed into storm drain systems can cause problems in our waterways, such as excess algae growth, toxic algal blooms and reduced oxygen levels for aquatic organisms. Confine your washing and cleaning to a contained area where wastewater is recycled or directed to a sanitary sewer. Use biodegradable phosphate detergents only.

- Keep your premises clean to stop unintentional pollution of the stormwater system. Your customers and staff will also appreciate a clean and tidy work area.
- Do not rinse off work floors unless all water can be collected or directed to an approved sanitary waste system
- If you cannot rinse without getting dirty water in storm drains, you have other cleaning options;
 - vacuum or dry sweep the area
 - use absorbent material to collect most of the grime and then use a solvent on a rag to remove the remaining grime
 - consider painting work floors to prevent absorption of oil.
- Install cigarette butt receptacles for customers and workers
- Keep sidewalks and parking lots free of litter and debris. Place trash receptacles where customers can easily discard unwanted items. Empty trash receptacles as needed

Berming:

- A berm is a low wall built to contain liquids. It is usually made of an impervious material such as asphalt or concrete
- A berm should be large enough to hold the contents of the largest liquid container in the area plus an extra 20%. Bermed areas should be covered by a roof to prevent rain water from entering them and washing pollutants out.
- Should a spill occur it would be contained within a bermed area.

Controlling Site Erosion and Runoff: Activities such as clearing and excavation leave a site vulnerable to erosion and can put the local watershed at risk for storm-water runoff contamination. State or local regulations may require prescribed steps to minimize erosion and runoff during and after construction. A site's runoff rate should be the same during and after development as it was before clearing and construction. A site under development should be properly maintained to ensure that any storm-water runoff does not contain unwanted sediments, construction waste, or chemicals. It is up to the owner to ensure that precautions are being taken on site, through a reliable environmental engineer or the general contractor for the project.

Wash Bays:

- Wash vehicles only in an approved wash water recycler
- Wash bays should connect either to a wash water recycler or to an underground storage tank that is emptied by a licensed contractor.

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Stormwater Management

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The waste water must not drain to the stormwater system. Clean the wash bay regularly to prevent oil build-up.

- Use only degreasing compounds and detergents formulated to reduce the emulsification of oils and other hydrocarbons.
- Portable systems for treating wastewater prior to discharge are available; check the Yellow Pages for “Water Treatment & Equipment”

Water Use: Water is one of our most valuable natural resources. As a business owner or manager you can save money and have a positive impact on your community and the environment by having a water deficiency program. By sharing responsibility and making small changes in your daily operations, you can help keep pollutants out of stormwater.

SPRING IS ALMOST HERE ARE YOU READY?

Submitted by: Ellen Harrigan, OEM Coordinator

With spring just around the corner, it's time to remind everyone of the possibility of flooding in many areas of town. Heavy spring rains and spring thaws can bring about flooding and flood related problems.

Flash Flooding: Remember, when a roadway is under water “Turn Around, Don't Drown.” If you are experiencing flash flooding in your area keep a careful eye on the situation. If the water is encroaching your property please be sure you move important papers and personal belongings above ground level. Make sure that all light lawn furniture is secured. Do not attempt to drive through the water-wait until it recedes.

River and Stream Flooding: River and stream flooding lasts much longer and has a greater chance of impact on personal property. If the streams and/or rivers are rising keep a close eye on the situation. Resources are listed below that will help you in determining what the situation is and what the potential might be. If evacuation is necessary please remember that we will do assisted evacuations only during daylight hours unless there is a medical emergency. It is always best to plan an evacuation route and prepare for evacuation ahead of time.

Resources

Listed below are local resources that may be of help during a flood emergency:

- “Are You Prepared pamphlet for all emergency situations—available at Borough Hall, the Library and other locations throughout the Borough.
- **Emergency Management Hotline:** 973-694-0401, for information; road closures; evacuation requests; shelter availability—**DO NOT CALL 9-1-1 FOR THESE ISSUES**
- Cablevision Channel 77 will have updated information on the storm and on conditions throughout the Borough.
- Flood sirens are sounded in the event of a flood emergency-modulating siren means to move cars and/or belongings to higher ground-straight siren means evacuation is necessary
- If you have Verizon phone service at home you may receive a “**REVERSE 911**” call with recorded information. **PLEASE** do nothing up-listen to the message-this is information that you need to know.
- If you wish to contact the Office of Emergency Management at any time, you may e-mail us at: LPOEM@bolp.org

First Reformed Church

Submitted by: Carol Anderson

We are committed to living and sharing the good news of Jesus Christ with everyone, everywhere, every day. . . Welcome! Located at 60 Chapel Hill Road, next to Borough Hall. Contact us at 973-694-4336 or e-mail office@frc-lpnj.org. Our website is frc-lpnj.org. We are completely handicap accessible.

MEET OUR NEW MINISTER!! The First Reformed Church of Lincoln Park looks forward to welcoming Rev. Dr. Eugene Voss (and his family) as their new pastor. He will be installed on Sunday, March 29th at 4 pm. All are welcome to attend the service. Pastor Voss will officially start preaching on Palm Sunday, April 5th.

Our current staff: Rev. Bruce Hoffman, Interim Pastor; Charles Postas, Worship & Music Minister; Carol Anderson, Office Staff.

Worship times: 8:00 am worship with contemporary music; 10 am worship with contemporary & traditional music; 10 am Sunday School for Children 3 years thru 12th grade; Childcare is available from 10 am to 11:00 am.

Mondays: AA Meeting (women only) at 7 pm; Consistory the second Monday of the month

Tuesdays: Choir Practice 7:00 pm; The Praise Band Practice 8:00 pm

Wednesdays: Prayer Group 3 pm; AA Meeting 8 pm

Saturdays: Men's Bible Study 7:30 am

Local Church News

Jacksonville Chapel

Submitted by: Laura Katona

MARCH 2009 SCHEDULE JACKSONVILLE CHAPEL

www.jacksonvillechapel.org or call 973-334-6657

WEEKEND SERVICES Lincoln Park Campus LP: Jacksonville Chapel, 264 Jacksonville Road, Lincoln Park, NJ 07035.

SUNDAY (Main Auditorium), 9:00 & 10:15 AM (Blended Worship); **11:30 AM** (Contemporary Worship).

Emergence (Ministry Center South), SUNDAY 9:00, 10:15, 11:30 AM & 6:30 PM. Join us for a progressive and casual church service. Come as you are. www.emergencenj.org

Wayne Campus Jacksonville Chapel, 270 Parish Drive, Wayne, NJ 07470. Main Auditorium (**en Español**).

SUNDAY 9:20 & 11:15 AM, Children's Programs 9:30 AM Nursery thru 6th grade. 11:15 AM Nursery thru 5th grade

Children's Ministries SUNDAYS LINCOLN PARK CAMPUS (LP) Infants thru Grade 3, 9:00 AM Infants thru Grade 5, 10:15 & 11:30 AM

Student Ministries, SUNDAY LP Edge X (Grade 6-8) 10:15 & 11:30 AM, Edge PM 6:30 - 8:30 PM. OSC (High School) 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Jacksonville Chapel Nursery School, JACKSONVILLE CHAPEL NURSERY SCHOOL: For 2 1/2 - 5 year old children; State certified; For more info. go to the nursery school website at jcnurseryschool.org or call 973-334-2798.

St. Andrew's

Submitted by: Kathy Nardone

211 Main Street - Lincoln Park. The church is located in the middle of Main Street (across from Lincoln Park Hardware) Parking is in the rear of Thorpe Hall on Station Road.

Sunday Worship Schedule, 9:30 a.m. at St. Andrew's. Our Sunday worship services are linked with The Church of the Transfiguration (COTT) at 9 Two Bridges Rd in Towaco. Rev. Richard Louis presides over both services.

St. Andrew's: 9:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist, **9:20 a.m.** - Church School. **Church of the Transfiguration:** 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist

Lenten Program

Wednesday Evenings

St. Andrew's and COTT will hold a joint Lenten program on Wednesday evenings during Lent. **St. Andrew's** will host on March 4, 18 and April 1 and **COTT** will host on March 11 and 25. Each evening will begin at 6:00 p.m. with a soup and salad dinner followed by the Lenten program, "Peace and Compassion" To Heal a Hurting World. All are welcome to join us.

Busy Beaver Nursery School

Preschool for ages 3 and 4

Now enrolling for the 2009/2010 school year. 3 year old classes are Monday & Thursday. 4 year olds classes are Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday. All classes are 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. **(St. Andrew's now has an enrichment program for the four year old students extending their day until 2:30 p.m.)** Please call for more information or to set up an appointment. 973-694-2358.

St. Andrew's Thrift Shop

211 Main Street in Thorpe Hall. Parking in rear, off Station Rd. The Thrift Shop hours are: Weds. - Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Fridays the shop is open til 4 p.m. 973-694-2854.

Consignments (limit 10 per week) are accepted Thursday through Saturday between 10:00 a.m. and 12 noon only.

Local Church News Continued

Abundant Life

Worship Center

Submitted by: Rosemarie Orsita

Abundant Life Worship Center, 103 Jack-sonville Road, Lincoln Park, NJ 07035.
www.lincolnparkalwc.org.

ALL WELCOME! If you need additional information, please call our church office at 973-694-9998.

Weekly Services: Sunday Worship 10:00 am: Our Sunday morning worship is a time for the entire family to come to church and be ministered to. There is a complete children's church program for infants thru 12 years of age. These programs are designed to make attending church both fun and educational for children while also allowing the parents the freedom to enjoy worshipping without any distractions. Our Sunday service consists of lively and inspirational music and the dynamic preaching of God's Holy Word, the Bible. There is also prayer for the sick and the belief that God is still able to do wonderful and miraculous things for his children today. Warning: these services have been known to change people's lives. You may leave them filled with the power of God, his unspeakable joy, a renewed sense of hope & faith, a better marriage, and a smile on your face. People may not recognize you.

Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 pm:

Our mid-week Bible study is a chance to learn and to ask questions about the word of God in a casual and informal setting. Coffee is available in this classroom setting. Detailed studies of biblical themes along with practical topics such as: marriages, the family, finances and dealing with emotional hurts are just some of the subjects that we openly discuss. There is a complete children's church program for infant thru 12 years of age every Wednesday.

The Bible is the most purchased book of all time; it is also the most unread book of all time. Most people claim to believe in the Bible yet have no idea what it says. Are your spiritual beliefs in line with the scriptures?

Tuesdays: 5:30 am Men's Morning Prayer for information call church office

Thursdays: 9:30 am Women connecting to Women Bible Study at the church.

St. Joseph's Church

Submitted by: Lorraine Thierry

We are located at 216 Comly Road (across from Beaver Brook Gardens): Parish Office
Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Parish Office: 973-696-4411. Religious Educa-tion: 973-694-8289 Fax: 973-305-8466 Youth Ministry: 973.694.5844

stjoelp@optonline.net

www.stjosephsonline.org

We invite you to celebrate the Eucharist: Satur-day Evening: 5:30 pm. Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 a.m., and 12:00 noon. Monday: 7:00 pm fol-lowed by a Miraculous Medal Novena. Tuesday - Friday 8:00 am. Holy Days Times will be an-nounced in the bulletin as well as from the altar

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays from 4:30 to 5:00 PM

Religious Education: March 24 – 7th and 8th Grade Penance Service (Church) @ 7:00 pm

March 25 – 5th & 6th Grade Penance Service (Church) @ 7:00 pm. March 29 – Instructional Mass – 1st Communicants & Parents @ 10 am in Church.

Jesus Days for First Communicants will be held March 4, 5, and 6 from 9 am to 2 pm in Room 10. Bag lunch is required.

Special Mass: On Saturday, March 28th we will be holding a special Mass of the Anointing of the Sick at 11:30 am with lunch to follow in Halloran Hall.

Grief Support Group: The SJP Grief Support Group will begin another six-week session on Monday, March 9th. This group is for those who have lost a spouse to death. **It is open to all faiths** and is strictly confidential. Participants are encouraged to wait at least 3 months after the death has occurred before joining the group. For more information or to register, please call the Parish Office @ 973.696.4411, x10.

Operation Rice Bowl: Our faith community will join millions of U.S. Catholics this year by participating in Operation Rice Bowl. Operation Rice Bowl is the Lenten solidarity program of Catholic Relief Services. Rice Bowls are avail-able in the baskets in the back of church.

The Legion of Mary Ministry meets each Satur-day @ 1PM in Room 10 of the school.

The Knights of Columbus collect aluminum cans every Saturday morning between 9 am and 11 am.

The Warming Bee Ministry meets weekly on Tuesdays @ 1:00 in Room 10. If you crochet or knit and would like to join this ministry, please stop in.



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