

Borough of Rockaway JUNE 2023 NEWSLETTER



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UPCOMING MEETINGS

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Upcoming Meetings: June 8th and 22nd

[Click here for meeting schedule, minutes and agendas.](#)

LAND USE BOARD

Upcoming Meetings: June 7th and 28th

[Click here for meeting schedule, minutes and agendas.](#)

PARKS & RECREATION

Upcoming Meeting: June 27th

[Click here for meeting schedule, minutes and agendas.](#)

BOARD OF HEALTH

Upcoming Meeting: June 13th

[Click here for meeting schedule, minutes and agendas](#)

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

Upcoming Meeting: June 24th

[Click here for meeting schedule, minutes and agendas](#)

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Upcoming Meeting: June 14th

[Click here for meeting schedule, minutes and agendas.](#)



ALL MEETINGS HELD AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER

SPORT SIGN-UPS

EAGLES ICE HOCKEY eaglesicehockey.com

Girls try hockey FREE

The Eagles are pleased to announce they are hosting their first two-day Girls Try Hockey FREE event for girls ages 4-10. Night 1 will be off-ice on June 19th from 6:45-7:45 in the street hockey rink at Heady Park. Night 2 will be on-ice on June 26th from 6:45-7:45 at Mennen Arena. No experience required. [Please register by clicking here.](#)

Ice Registration is now open

Registration is now open. More details can also be found at eaglesicehockey.com/registration-forms. Summer practice begins on July 5th and you must be registered with the program before then to attend. [Click here to register.](#)

JR. KNIGHTS FOOTBALL jrknightsfootball.net

Registration is now open for flag and cheer.

Kids compete with kids of similar age and size. The Junior Knights youth football program sets and enforces a strict AGE & WEIGHT MATRIX for all players that reduces the risk and reality of injuries. [Click here to register.](#)

ROCKAWAY ROWDIES

Fall soccer sign-ups to begin on or around July 1st. [Click here for the latest information.](#)

SPOTLIGHT ON...

SCOTT HAIGH



BY LEENA DERONDE

Why and when did you become a Police Officer?

I first became a police officer in 1989.

Who or what inspired you to become a Police Officer?

If I had to name one person, I would say my father inspired me to become a police officer.

When you became a Police Officer how much training did you have to go through? Was it hard?

I went through academy training August through December and there I learned a lot about becoming a police officer. I graduated #1 in physical fitness at the Academy and I have received many awards over the years in law enforcement. I returned to the academy a few years later as an instructor working with the new recruits.

Before you became a police officer what did you do?

Before I became a police officer I was working in attics and worked a lot with heating and air conditioning.

Do you like being a police officer? Why or why not?

Yes, I like being a police officer because I enjoy working here at the school because I can interact with the kids/students in our school and law enforcement.

Do you like being a class 3 officer at school? Why or why not?

Yes, I like being a class 3 officer because I love making a difference in the school and being a role model for kids/students in the school and community. "Guide, mentor and educate our future leaders".

When you're not busy being undercover Batman what do you do?

(ha ha that's a good question). I enjoy playing and watching sports. I like going golfing with my friends and family. I like interacting with the people in the town and helping with activities in the town. I like doing things with the community. I also love spending time with my wife and kids.

**PARK LAKE BEACH BADGES
ARE SCHEDULED TO GO ON SALE ON JUNE 15TH.
CALL TOWN HALL FOR MORE INFO AT 973-627-2000.**

AROUND TOWN

THE MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE OF THE ROCKAWAYS

Chair Yoga Classes

Fridays, June 2- July 14th from 10am-11am

American Legion Post #344, 210 Chestnut Terrace, Rockaway

This free program is for Rockaway Borough and Township residents. Chair yoga will highlight balance, strength, flexibility and an overall sense of positive emotional healing and support. Space is limited. First come, first served. [Click here for flyer.](#)

ROCKAWAY DIVISION OF HEALTH

Chronic Disease Self-Management Program

Classes every Tuesday from 1:00 – 3:30 pm,

Rockaway Township Senior Center, 19 Mount Hope Rd., Rockaway

A FREE program for adults of all ages, who are living with long term health conditions. To register or for more information contact Rockaway Division of Health at 973-983-2848. [Click here for flyer.](#)

LILY'S HOPE NJ

Eyes of the Wild Children's Event

June 24th, 10am at Firemans Field

FREE event for kids. Get up close to some really neat animals and learn all about them. Then, enjoy a delicious treat. Please consider bringing a donation item to help fill our Packages of Hope. *rain or shine*all ages welcome*parents must stay*no food or drink permitted during animal demo* [Please click here for more information and to view flyer.](#)

AMERICAN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

As part of our English curriculum, our senior class is producing a play that will take place June 1st & 2nd. As our way to say "thank you" to Rockaway for being so welcoming to us, we would like to invite community members to our show. It is on June 1st at 7pm and June 2nd at 1pm. We thought it would be awesome to have any senior citizens at the June 2nd matinee as it may be easier for them to attend. Could you please help us spread the word? I have attached the flyer here for you as well. We look forward to having some fun with you and thank you for a great first year in Rockaway!!

ARTS ON MAIN

FREE EVENT - Sunday Jazz & Arts

Sunday June 4, 2023 from 2PM to 4PM, Arts on Main, 141 W. Main St, Rockaway, NJ 07866

Arts on Main is a small community art studio and gallery that opened in September 2022. The art gallery features live Jazz duos during the monthly Artist receptions. Local and regional artists (Morris and Sussex counties) are invited to exhibit their artwork following the show's theme, which changes every month. The "Blue" show will run from Thursday June 1, 2023 through Sunday June 25, 2023. We are open 7 days a week by appointment and hold Open Houses every Sunday from 2PM - 4PM.

AROUND TOWN

MORRIS COUNTY DIVISION OF MOSQUITO CONTROL

The Morris County Division of Mosquito Control is excited to announce the return of our traveling displays for 2023! Please stop by the Rockaway Borough Library, 82 East Main Street, Rockaway, NJ 07866 to learn tips and techniques for tick safety and mosquito control around the home!

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH fpcrockaway.org

Vacation Bible School: Hero Hotline!

June 26th - June 30th, 9-12 PM, K-7th Grade

[Register: Click Here.](#) [View Flyer: Click Here](#)

Community Cup

Friday June 16th and 30th in Fellowship Hall from 6-9pm

A place for tea, coffee, snacks, and community! The Community Cup is a great time filled with opportunities for conversation, games, and other fun activities to get to know your neighbors.

RiseUp Community Breakfast

Saturday, June 24th in Fellowship Hall from 8-11am

Free breakfast for the community, and food and clothing resources for all in need. All are welcome!! (Last Saturday of every month)

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF THE ROCKAWAYS

Vacation Bible School- Everywhere Fun Fair

July 17th-21st from 9am-12pm

Ages: 4-12 Please register your child umcrockaways.org

MORRIS COUNTY VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Morris County Vocational School District (MCVSD) and County College of Morris (CCM) will hold a during a four-day Summer Institute to offer rising 9th and 10th grade students the opportunity to experience the CCM campus and professors in the fields of Data Science and Analytics and Engineering, Manufacturing and Electronics.

This FREE Program will run from July 24 to 27 from 9:00 am - 1:00pm. Reserve Your Spot Now! Space is limited for this special no cost event, which will be held on the campus of the County College of Morris in Randolph.

Breakfast and Lunch provided. Also, all participants will receive a T-shirt!

- Learn about advances in Artificial Intelligence and how artwork is created by Google's computers with input from humans. Imagine a world where computers earn thousands for artwork created through technology.
- Find out how R, Python and Tableau are used to address a variety of challenges including building websites, automating tasks and conducting data analysis and even predicting your music preferences using Spotify data.
- From hand-tools to computer aided manufacturing, you will have an opportunity to experience the "tools of the trade," as you learn about the evolution of machinery and technology as it drives advances in manufacturing and engineering.
- Discover how Engineers use tools and technology to make the world around us better! Engineers use microelectronics to solve a slew of technical challenges, from robots to refrigerators. Build and design a prototype to see how we solve modern problems!

The fields of data science and analytics, as well as engineering, manufacturing and electronics, offer high growth career potential and an amazing array of opportunities. These are areas where you can continue your future education – starting right at County College of Morris! Meet employers who will give you the real low-down on industries and opportunities that await you, while CCM professors discuss the latest advances. CCM has established pathways in these fields. Interested?

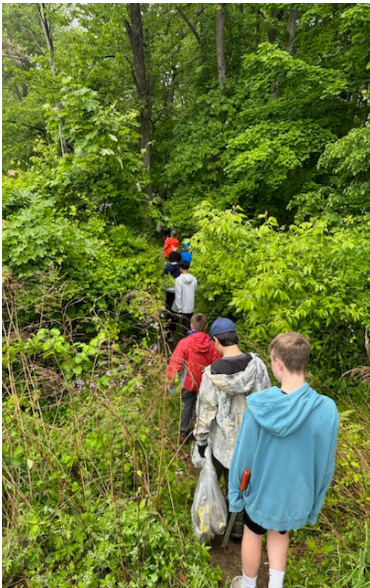
Questions? Please email Gina DiDomenico, Community Relations | MCVSD at didomenicog@mcvts.org

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AROUND TOWN

ROCKAWAY BOROUGH ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

On Saturday, May 20, 2023 the Rockaway Borough Environmental Commission held its 3rd Annual River clean up on Jackson Ave. The Commission would like to thank all who came out on a misty, rainy morning to clean up our riverbanks. Boy Scout Troop # 160 was on hand as well as many residents. Much thanks to all and a shout out to Anthony's Pizza for providing a pizza lunch for the volunteers.



PAINTING WITH A PURPOSE

Rockaway Boro Boy Scout Armaan Chopra chose to complete his Eagle Scout project at Donatoni field. Armaan and his troop painted all of the dugouts, the snack stand and park sign which was desperately needed. The project came out great and we thank Armaan and his troop for a job well done and the Recreation Department was happy to support Armaan and his quest to become an Eagle Scout.



LIBRARY EVENTS

ROCKAWAY BORO LIBRARY

2023 SUMMER READING PROGRAM: ALL TOGETHER NOW

June 20 thru August 31

Kids: Starting Tuesday, June 20th, stop in to register, pick up a reading log, All Together Now map, scavenger hunt and more. Receive prizes as you complete levels on the map. Complete all reading requirements and return your log in August for a prize!

Super Sign-up Week: Sign up during our first week 6/20-6/24 and get a coloring poster (while supplies last).

Adults: Beginning Tuesday, June 20th, grab a tic-tac-toe board and earn entries for prizes.

DND CAMPAIGN: WATERDEEP DRAGON HEIST*

Fridays, June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 ~ 3:45pm-5:45pm. Ages 13-17.

Weekly Dungeons & Dragons program~unravel the mysteries of the fictional city of Waterdeep & use your wits to survive.

ART JOURNALING FOR BEGINNERS w/MICHELE FAWCETT*

Monday, June 5 ~ 6:30pm. Adults 18+.

This class will focus on starting an art journal practice with minimal supplies, covering the basics of art journaling, finding time for a daily practice as well as finishing a page. Each student will receive a basic art journaling kit.

DO IT WITH DAD – WOOD TOOLBOX CRAFT*

Monday, June 12 ~ 6:30pm. Ages 7+ with dad

Sign up for this DIY project with dad. Put together and paint a wood toolbox with Ms. Geri.

FATHER'S DAY STORYTIME & CRAFT w/Ms. GERI*

Tuesday, June 13 ~ 11:00am. Ages 2+.

HOUR OF CODE: MINECRAFT!*

Tuesday, June 13 ~ 3:30pm-4:30pm. Ages 7-12.

Come learn some of the fundamentals of coding, using Blockly. The library will provide computers for those participating. Work on solving coding puzzles to proceed through increasingly difficult levels within the world of Minecraft.

AFTERNOON ARTS & CRAFTS*

Wednesday, June 14 ~ 3:30pm. Ages 6-10.

Ms. Geri is hosting a new monthly afternoon arts and crafts program for kids ages 6-10. Let's celebrate Flag Day by making Patriotic Bubble Wands.

KNIT AND CROCHET GROUP*

Thursday, June 16 ~ 11:00am-12:30pm. Ages 18+.

TIME FOR TOTS w/Ms. LAUREN*

Friday, June 16 ~ 11:00-11:45am. Ages 1-5.

SAVE THE EARTH MAGIC SHOW w/STEVEN WOYCE*

Monday, June 26 ~ 6:00pm-6:45pm. All ages.

"Save the Earth" is a magic show that covers Reduce, Reuse, Recycle as well as covering litter & protecting the rainforest.

SUMMER STORYTIME & CRAFT*

Tuesday, June 27 ~ 11:00am. Ages 2+.

Ms. Geri kicks off seven weeks of stories & crafts. Join us each week for guest readers.

BOOK LOVERS MEETING*

Wednesday, June 28 ~ 6:30pm. Ages 18+

We are discussing "The Last Time I Lied" by Riley Sager.

DEER MANAGEMENT WITH MASTER GARDENER CHERI WILCZEK*

Thursday, June 29 ~ 2 pm . Adults 18+.

What does it take to keep deer away from your garden and plants? We will address what you need to know about deer, deer management and what types of plants should be planted to prevent deer from foraging in your gardens and yards. Program will be held via Zoom~registrants may watch from home or come to the library to view the online presentation.

[To register for events
please click here.](#)

*registration required

GARBAGE

SANITATION DEPARTMENT

ROUTE A GARBAGE THURSDAYS

Adams Street	Dominic Drive	Hyland Avenue	Mt. Pleasant Avenue	Sweetbriar Road
Addison Avenue	Duncan Lane	Kelly Court	Nichols Drive	Sylvan Way
Andrea Drive	Easton Avenue	Lakeside Drive	Overlook Drive	Valley View Road
Arbor Avenue	Elycroft Avenue East	Lawrence Drive	Phillip Drive	W. Longview Road
Baker Street	Elycroft Avenue West	Lindbergh Lane	Pleasant Place	West Main Street from
Birchwood Road	Farview Drive	Longview Road	Robert Street	Lakeside Drive westerly
Cedar Lane	Farview Road	Mannino Drive	Rose Lane	to Route 46
Centennial Drive	Glenview Place	Marshall Avenue	Route 46 from West Main	Walnut Place
Chester Avenue	Harrison Avenue	McKinley Drive	Street to Franklin Avenue	William Drive
Chestnut Terrace	Hemlock Road	Meadowview Avenue	Spruce Street	White Birch Drive
Crestwood Road	Hickory Place	Monroe Place	Stephen Place	Willow Avenue
David Drive	Highview Avenue	Mountain Road	Swedes Mine Road	Woodland Avenue

ROUTE B GARBAGE FRIDAY

Academy Street	Douglas Road	Hillside Avenue	Marilyn Drive	Stickle Avenue
Adler Court	Drake Avenue	Hill Street	Mill Lane	Summit Street
Ann Street	East Flagge Street	Hoagland Avenue	Mott Place	Union Street
Bank Street	East Main Street from	Jackson Avenue	Oak Street	Van Duyne Avenue
Barnett Street	Jackson Avenue	James Court	Ogden Avenue	West Flagge Street
Beach Street	easterly to Route 46	Jay Street	Orchard Street	West Lincoln Avenue
Broad Street	East New Street	Jefferson Street	Pine Street	West Main Street from
Brook Street	Elm Street	John Street	Rockaway Avenue	Jackson Avenue to
Burton Lane	Franklin Avenue	Keller Avenue	Rockwood Drive	Lakeside Drive
Central Avenue	Garden Avenue	Kelsey Street	Route 46 from East Main	West New Street
Chateau Gardens	George Street	Laurelwood Drive	Street to Franklin	Wall Street
Church Street	Gill Avenue	Liberty Place	Avenue	White Meadow Avenue
Cobb Street	Halsey Avenue	Lincoln Avenue	Seminole Avenue	Woods Edge on Route 46
Dock Street	Hibernia Avenue	Maple Avenue	Seward Street	Woodside Avenue
Donna Drive	Highland Avenue	Maplewood Drive	Short Street	Woodstone Road

RECYCLING

RECYCLING COLLECTION

Every other Tuesday | Place recycling at the curb the night before. See schedule below for details and exceptions.

June	6	20	August	1	15	29	November	7	21
July	5	18	September	12	26		December	5	19
			October	10	24				

UPDATED VEGETATIVE COLLECTION

Every other Wednesday April-December | Vegetative Collection includes grass, leaves and brush. Place leaves and grass in biodegradable brown paper bags or open containers with handles. Keep brush separate from grass and leaves. Do not sweep leaves into the gutter or street. Branches or brush must be tied with string in bundles not to exceed 18 inches in diameter and 4 feet in length. No limbs or brush over 3 inches in diameter will be accepted. Collections should be at the curb the night before.

June	14	28	August	9	23	November	1	15	29
July	12	26	September	6	20	December	13	27	
			October	4	18				

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SCAN ME

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[Scan the code above with your phone or click here.](#)

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

