

BOROUGH OF OGDENSBURG 2023 SPRING NEWSLETTER

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Dates to remember

- April 15, 2023 electronic recycling day from 9:00am to 2:00pm at SCMUA, 34 Route 94, Lafayette.
- Primary Election day Tuesday, June 6, 2023 poles are open from 6:00AM to 8:00PM.
- May 29, 2023 Memorial Day Service see page 3.



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STARTING MAY 1ST SOLID WASTE WILL BE PICKED UP ON TUESDAYS; RECYCLING REMAINS THE SAME EVERYOTHER THURSDAY- see insert enclosed

LEAF AND BRUSH PICKUP

–Leaves will be picked up at the curb on May 4th and May 11th; leaves must be in brown paper leaf bags. **Plastic bags will not be picked up.** Brush will be picked up at the curb on May 5th and May 12th. Brush must be cut no longer than 4 feet and no wider than 3 inches in diameter and must be bundled and tied so one person can handle the bundle. Piles of brush not bundled will not be picked up. Brush must be at the curb by 7:00am on the day of pick-up. Do not cut up in small pieces. This is a brush pick-up only. Entire trees which have been removed will not be picked up. Brush from lot clearing and firewood will not be picked up either. **Street Sweeping** - The Department of

Public Works will be having the roads swept starting late May. The dates for road sweeping will be posted on the Borough Website and Facebook page.

Road Repairs DPW will be working on the roads during the summer months. Be prepared to have your vehicle off the road as they will be doing basic asphalt patching.

Land Use Board: The Land Use Board meets the fourth Tuesday of the month. The Board is working on updating our zoning ordinances and zoning map. The Borough was approved for a Local Planning Services Grant and will be working with individuals from Trenton to complete a Main Street Strategic Plan. Mayor Hut-

nick has organized a committee to work with Robert Tessier from NJ Department of Community affairs and his team. Additional information will be provided as the plan progresses. Agenda's and meeting information are posted on the Borough's website. The Board has several vacancies; if interested in volunteering to be a member or alternate on the Board call 973-827-3444 ext. 5.

Ogdensburg Historical Society - The Ogdensburg Historical Society will be holding a general membership meeting on April 19th at 7:00pm. There will be a presentation by Bill Kroth on Franklinite.



SOLID WASTE AND BULK PICKUP DAY OF THE WEEK CHANGE

The Borough of Ogdensburg went out for bids last fall for solid waste and recycling pickup. On November 22, 2022 the Borough received one bid from Blue Diamond Inc. The bid from Blue Diamond increased the costs for the same services from \$17,775.00 per month to \$24,000.00 per month. An increase of approximately 24%. These large increases

have become such a problem for municipalities all across NJ that the State has taken the unprecedented step of providing municipalities with an exception to the 1977 appropriations cap law for 2023 budgets.

On December 12, 2022 the Mayor and Council adopted resolution 75 -2022 rejecting bids received for

solid waste and recycling contract and authorizing the Borough Clerk to advertise for a rebid. The Mayor and Council also adopted resolution 74-2022 authorizing a 60-day extension of solid waste and recycling with Blue Diamond Disposal, Inc until March 1, 2023.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT



Please be aware of phone scams, most of which target the elderly, such as IRS calling and threatening to arrest you unless immediate payment is made. The IRS only communicates via letters that are mailed. There are also phone scams where the caller says that a loved one has been arrested such as a niece, nephew or grandchild and the caller demands payment to keep them out of jail. That call is a scam, especially if they ask you to wire money and send iTunes cards. Awareness of these scams

is the best prevention and if you aren't sure, call and ask the Police before doing anything further.

Reminders:

If you have any type of residential or commercial alarm (i.e.) burglar, fire, intruder, panic); please contact the Ogdensburg Police Department with updated information at 973-827-3160.



Please insure you lock your vehicle and residence doors; if you notice any suspicious or criminal activity, contact the Borough Police Department. Reminder if your car has a push button start remember to remove your key fob from the car.



Pet Owner Information



Dog waste is a nuisance in many neighborhoods in Ogdensburg. The law requires that all owners walking their dogs must pick up any waste left deposited by their dog on any street, sidewalk, roadway, park land, private or public property. Dog waste contains bacteria that can make other dogs and humans sick. The bacteria in dog waste can pollute our drinking water and our streams and rivers

killing fish, wildlife and plants. Please be considerate of your neighbors and pick up after your dog. Help keep Ogdensburg clean and healthy. If you have not yet obtained your dog or cat licenses they were to be renewed by January 31, 2023 with late fees of \$5.00 per month beginning in March for each pet registered late. Rabies Vaccinations must be good past November 1st, 2023. Re-

minder dog and cat licenses are now \$10.00 each. **Board of Health:** The Board of Health meets the first Wednesday of the month except for the months of July and August. If interested in volunteering on the Board of Health please call 973-827-3444 ext. 223.



Clean Communities News - Free Radon Kits

Free Radon Kits for Ogdensburg Residents The Borough of Ogdensburg was approved for a grant by NJDEP for Radon Test Kits, which are available at Borough Hall. For more information call Borough Hall 973-827-3444 ext. 5 or 3.

Water Quality Report can be found at www.ogdensburgnj.org on the home page.

Clean Communities News; Reusable shopping bags, reusable insulated grocery bags and reusable car litter bags are available to all residents. Stop by Borough Hall to get yours.

Vial of Life Project Reminder- Vial of life kits are available for pick up at Borough Hall, If you have any questions call 973-827-3444 ext. 5. **Clothing Bins** - The clothing bins that were at the First Aid Squad Building are now located at the Ogdensburg Fire Department.



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MEMORIAL DAY MAY 29, 2023

Ogdensburg VFW Memorial Service Ogdensburg Memorial Park at Heaters Pond Promptly at 9:15am.

IF ANY "OGDENSBURG RESIDENT" is currently ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY please advise the Ogdensburg VFW post10152vfw@gmail.com (NAME, BRANCH OF SERVICE) so the service member can be recognized at the Memorial Day Service.

"All gave some, some gave all"



Pvt. Clarence A. Willis
Killed W.W.I.



2nd Lt. Robert Madden
Killed W.W.I.



Pvt. Albert Buttsko
Killed W.W.I.



Sgt. Michael Yorchak
Killed W.W.I.



S/IC Peter Malowanzek
Killed W.W.I.



PFC Robert A. Bulmer
Vietnam

Mass Communication System

The Mayor and Council have approved and set up a Borough wide notification system. If you would like to receive notification texts, emails or voice messages regarding emergency and non emergency notification log onto <https://tinyurl.com/36s3uep4> And complete the information requested. If you do not have access to a computer contact Borough Hall.



Garbage and Recycling Information (See enclosed calendar of pickup dates)

See enclosed calendar for pickup day changes. Household Garbage is limited to (2) 32 gallon containers. If you have additional trash and need to place more household garbage out for pick-up, you will need to purchase a sticker at the Borough Hall at \$2.00 per sticker and place one sticker on each additional bag of garbage. Beginning in May the first Tuesday of the month one bulky item is per-

mitted to be left at the curb. Residents are permitted to put out a washer, dryer, dishwasher, carpet, furniture, treadmill, microwave or refrigerator. A refrigerator and/or any item that contains Freon must have a certified Freon free sticker on it before Blue Diamond can take it. **CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS WILL NOT BE PICKED**

UP. Electronic waste will not be picked up, televisions, desktop or laptop computers, monitors etc. The **Borough's recycling center** on Brooks Flat Road is open Saturday mornings from 8:00am to noon; if the dumpsters are filled up before noon the recycling center will close early. Reminder all cardboard must be broken down, no plastic bags and cans and bottles rinsed clean.

Free E-Waste Events
SCMUA sponsors free e-waste events to all Sussex County Residents. Call SCMUA at 973-579-6998 for information

Solid Waste and bulk pickup change continued—Heater Pond

February 16, 2023 was the rebid opening; once again the Borough received one bid that was from Blue Diamond Inc. The only way to achieve savings was to approve option 2. Therefore a resolution was passed authorizing option 2. This new cost is \$21,000.00 per month. Mayor Hutnick has formed a committee to look into this situation with solid waste and recycling and

to check into other options that could save costs for the borough in the future. The Mayor and Council meet the second and fourth Monday's of the month. Meetings are open to the public. If you have any questions, comments or concerns please attend a meeting. **Heaters Pond Opening Day:** The Mayor and Council are looking to open the pond at the end of

June; pending lifeguard availability. As you know, there are two lifeguards on duty at all times. The Borough is now hiring lifeguards for the 2023 swim season. If interested pick up an application at the Ogdensburg Municipal Building. There will be free swimming lessons given by the lifeguards pending availability from July 10-14 and July 17-21 from 2:00pm to 3:00pm. Registration required.



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HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY SUMMER



The Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ogdensburg would like to wish everyone a Safe and Happy Summer.

2023 Governing Body:

Mayor

George Hutnick

Council Members:

Nelson Alvarez

Steven Ciasullo

Brenda Cowdrick

Alfonse DeMeo

Kenneth Poyer

Caren Ruitenber

