

Little Silver NEWSLETTER



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March 2023

Message From Mayor Neff

The revival of a Little Silver business group, some home-grown interior reconfiguration, a toast for the town, the return of a family-fun fundraising party and more animate our town at this blustery time of year.

We'll also offer a yearly spring clean-up reminder and tell you about two nice state-wide recognitions for an employee and a commission.

With so much going on, however, we want to pause first to recognize the passing of two residents who will be dearly missed.

Lizzie Gilmour worked with the children at St. John's Nursey School and was a member of the Little Silver Fire Company. We mourn her death at such a young age in February, and extend our condolences to her parents, Lisa and former Councilman David Gilmour, and Lizzie's brother Tyler.

Please also keep in your thoughts and prayers the family of **Barbara Ann Leckstein**, a former Board of Adjustment member and beloved wife of long-time Planning Board attorney Michael Leckstein. Our condolences to Mike and their three sons, Marc, David and Jeffrey, on the passing of Barbara in February.

These long-time Little Silver residents and servants leave us better people for having known them. Please offer their family members a kind word when you see them.

As we move into March, don't forget to get your tickets to the **St. Patrick's Day party** at the Little Silver Firehouse on March 11. This family-friendly party is back after a three-year absence due to the pandemic.

And if you've been accumulating old sneakers, papers, gently-used clothing, or electronics, **Environmental Day** returns on March 25 – the same day as the **Easter Egg Hunt**.

Plus, on March 19, we'll host a **toast to Little Silver's official 100th birthday** at the Parker Homestead – a kickoff to the big celebration on June 24.

Details of these upcoming events are

elsewhere in this newsletter.

At **Borough Hall**, we're doing a little reconfiguring, with our planning department moving from its cramped space to the Ayers Room, and the planning department's current location becoming a meeting room. Thanks to Councilman Kevin Brennan for donating some office furniture to complete the change, and to our skilled Public Works team for being able to do this work in house.

Along with the improved space, we've put in motion some significant improvements to our **technological capabilities**, with an eye toward empowering our employees and better serving the public. In addition, a significant cost-saving project, much of it funded by NJNG, will result in improved and more environmentally friendly **HVAC service in Borough Hall and the Woman's Club**.

As to the business group, a well-attended breakfast last month has launched the rebirth of the **Little Silver Business and Professional Association**. Coming soon: a meeting involving the LSBPA, the Eastern Monmouth Area Chamber of Commerce, and a special county guest to bring our local businesses and government together to help promote all that our businesses have to offer.

And the reminder? As of January 1, we've reverted to **brush and limb pickup only**. Leaves will not be picked up until the fall; please do not put leaves to the curb or mix them with brush and limbs, which may prevent public works from picking up the piles.

As to the special recognition, word got out at the recent coaches appreciation dinner (thank you rec coaches!) that our **recreation director, Carlye Laido**, has been recognized for excellence in programming in the health and wellness category by the New Jersey Recreational Professionals Association.

Congratulations to Carlye and to all those who support the department's efforts and innovation. Carlye will be recognized with a presentation in Atlantic City in March.

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Borough Calendar

Thursday, March 2nd

9:00 am: Municipal Court

7:00 pm: Planning Board Meeting

Saturday, March 4th

10:00 am-1:00 pm: Post Office
Museum Open

Saturday, March 11th

Fire Dept. St. Patrick's Day Party

Monday, March 13th

7:00 pm: Mayor & Council Meeting

Tuesday, March 14th

8:00 pm: Recreation Meeting

Thursday, March 16th

9:00 am: Municipal Court

Sunday, March 19th

2:00 pm: Little Silver champagne
toast at Parker Homestead

Tuesday, March 21st

7:00 pm: Board of Health Meeting

Wednesday, March 22nd

7:00 pm: Environmental Commission
Meeting

Thursday, March 23rd

7:00 pm: Traffic & Safety Meeting

Monday, March 27th

7:00 pm: Mayor & Council Meeting

Tuesday, March 28th

8:00 pm: Shade Tree Commission
Meeting

**Happy 100th Birthday,
Little Silver!**



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And one more recognition: the Environmental Commission has been awarded **Bronze Certification by Sustainable Jersey** for having shepherded various environmental improvements in the borough.

The hope is that the certification, in addition to its environmental benefits, will position the borough to receive environmental grants as those opportunities arise. Congratulations to the EC.

Lastly, and as always, we encourage everyone to stay informed by subscribing to all **our communications platforms, including our Two River Alert system**. Check our website at littlesilver.org or call borough hall to make sure you're signed up. And find out more about our **Library, Recreation events** and other items elsewhere in this newsletter, and on our website at littlesilver.org.

On behalf of the Borough Council, we wish you all smooth sailing into Spring. Please do not hesitate to call Borough Hall with any questions at (732) 842-2400, or reach out to me directly at bobneff80@gmail.com, or my home phone, (732) 576-8595.

Robert C. Neff Jr.
Mayor, Borough of Little Silver



2023 St. Patrick's Day Fundraiser!

Saturday, March 11th, 2023 |

3PM to 10PM

Little Silver Fire Co #1



Tickets and Sponsorships now available!

<https://littlesilverfd.org/>

After a three-year hiatus, LSFDF is excited to announce the return of its' renowned St. Pat's Fundraiser!

Join us for an incredible evening of traditional Irish food, an open bar with beer and wine, live entertainment, Irish music, bagpipes & drums, a kid's fun zone, and the 50/50 raffle!

We're pleased to see that the **Little Silver Business and Professional Association** is "putting the band back together," as they say. After taking some hits during the pandemic, our resilient band of local businesses met with the Eastern Monmouth Chamber of Commerce, local officials and police and are excited about reviving the group and promoting our great Little Silver businesses, whether you have a storefront or work from home. Please shop local whenever you can and remember

your hometown professionals when you're in need. Those interested in joining may email or call Lori Saybolt at (732) 859-9010 or email [Lori Saybolt at lorisaybolt@gmail.com](mailto:lorisaybolt@gmail.com).



Little Silver Golden Residents



Have you lived in Little Silver for 50+ years? Then you are a Little Silver Golden Resident! To participate in Little Silver's June 24th 100th celebration parade with the Antique Motor Club, or to nominate a Golden Resident neighbor, email info@littlesilver100.com

Environmental Commission

2023 Little Silver Environmental Day

Saturday, March 25th from 9 AM-12 PM

Women's Club of Little Silver

111 Church Street in Little Silver

Mark your calendars! Paper shred truck, electronics recycling, gently used clothing for upcycling, composting workshop, and more! **Compost bins available for \$35 purchase; however, preorder is needed.** Email Bonnie Akey bonw@aol.com and pick up bins on 3/25.

If interested in having a table at the event, please contact Bonnie Akey at bonw@aol.com by 3/15.

Electronic Waste Collection – "anything with a cord", **Used Clothing Collection**- The Mission of Trenton will be collecting gently used clothing.

Sneaker Collection- LS Woman's Club will be collecting used, good condition sneakers

Document Shredding—by SafeGuard Document Destruction providing on site residential document destruction.

Free Tree Seedling Giveaway

Reusable Stuffsack Grocery Bags

10:30 Presentation by Monmouth County Native Plant Society

Seeds available for purchase for native gardening

Sickles Market items to help our environment

Compost Questions/Answers by a local Master Gardener

11:00 Climate Change Lobby with new laws that will help save money and energy

presented by:



ONE. NIGHT. ONLY.

FRI 03.31.23
 8PM - MIDNIGHT
 ASBURY LANES
 \$135/PERSON

OPEN BAR
HORS D'OEUVRES
EXCITING AUCTION ITEMS
MUSIC BY WHISKEY VINYL
\$20 TO ADD-ON BOWLING

www.efls.org

more info:



BRUSH COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Brush only: January- October

Brush may be put to the curb at any time during this time period.

- Reminder:** *No grass clippings are to be placed to curb for pickup
 *Do not mix brush and leaves
 *Do not place within 10 feet of a storm drain



Collection of **BRUSH ONLY** runs January 1st through October 31st



Little Silver is Turning 100!

The Borough of Little Silver is turning 100 this year! Parker Homestead will be hosting a **champagne toast to the Borough at 2 pm on March 19th**. The town will be celebrating June 24, 2023. If you would like to be on the planning committee, the next meeting will on **March 29th at 7 pm in LS Womans Club**. For questions, email LittleSilver100@gmail.com



Parker Homestead-1665

Parker Homestead will be closed for January, February, & March due to unpredictable weather.

Tire Pick-up Program

Monmouth County Mosquito Control will come to your property and pick up as many as 10 car tires without rims to avoid mosquito breeding areas. Call **732-542-3630** to make arrangements. Pick up until **March 31st**. For more info, visit our website under News and Events "Mosquito Madness"



Traffic & Safety Tip

Follow these tips to stay safe as a pedestrian:

- *Whenever possible, walk on the sidewalk; if no sidewalk is available, walk facing traffic
- *Follow the rules of the road, obeying all traffic signs and signals
- *Cross streets at crosswalks
- *If no crosswalk is available and your view is blocked, move to a place where you can see oncoming traffic
- *Look left, right, and left again before crossing the street, making eye contact with drivers of oncoming vehicles to make sure they see you
- *Stay alert – avoid cell phone use and wearing earbuds
- *Avoid alcohol and drug impairment when walking
- *Wear bright and/or reflective clothing, and use a flashlight at night
- *Watch for cars entering or exiting driveways or backing up in parking lots
- *Children younger than 10 should cross the street with an adult

Residents may check out the following museum passes with a Little Silver library card in good standing:

- *American Museum of Natural History
- *Cooper Hewitt
- *Monmouth Museum
- *New-York Historical Society
- *The Frick Collection
- *Museum of the American Revolution



Call the library for details.

Library News

For library questions/program sign up, call 732-747-9649

Adult Program: Native Plants Presented by Kim Rowe

Thursday, March 16th at 1:00 pm: Presenter Kim Rowe, from Monmouth Chapter of the Native Plant Society of New Jersey, will show us how to use native plantings that will help support local pollinators & wildlife.

Movie Matinee

March 22 at 1:00 pm: A woman who raised herself in the marshes of the Deep South becomes a suspect in the murder of a man with whom she was once involved. Rated PG-13.

Red Bank Regional Chamber Music Concert

Thursday, March 23rd at 6:00 pm

Tween Crafternoon (Grades 5+): Macrame Rainbow

Thursday, March 9th at 3:00 pm:
 Learn how to make a decorative macramé rainbow. Registration is required. Call the library to sign up.

Children's Programs:

Registration required for all events; call between 10 am and 5:30 pm. Story time reservations can be made the Thursday before. Please choose one session per week and call if you are unable to attend.

Baby Storytime: Ages 6-24 months (w/ caregiver)

Tuesdays, March 7, 14, 21, & 28 from 9:30- 9:50 am
 Join Ms. Danya for stories, songs, and bubbles!

Toddler Tales: Ages 18 months-3.5 years (w/ caregiver)

Tuesdays, March 7, 14, 21, & 28 from 10:15-10:35 am OR 11:00-11:20 am
 Join Ms. Danya for stories, rhymes, fingerplays, and bubbles!

Indoor Family Story/Craft Time: ages 4+ (w/ caregiver)

Tuesday, March 14 at 3:30 pm: Bubble Wrap Painting
Tuesday, March 21 at 3:30 pm: Cardboard Construction
Tuesday, March 28 at 3:30 pm: LEGO® Party! (free-build)

Read to a Dog: All ages welcome (w/ caregiver)

Tuesday, March 7 from 3:30- 5 pm: Grab a good book and come read to a therapy dog at the library! *After registering, you'll receive a time slot; please arrive 10 minutes early to pick out a book.*

Take' N Make Crafts:

Seasonally themed kits, available in the children's room.

Special Virtual Events!

Minecraft Mania: The Lost City of Atlantis - Grades 3 - 5

Monday, March 13 from 5:00 - 7:00 pm: Enjoy exploring the lost underwater city via a live Zoom and compete in a series of games, challenges, and activities! Advance registration required beginning March 1 on the Monmouth County Library's Kids page at www.monmouthcountylib.org.

Virtual Dance Workshop with...Talewise! - Ages 4+

Monday, March 20 from 6:30 - 7:15 pm: Get on your feet and move to the music! Advance registration required beginning March 1 on the Monmouth County Library's Kids page at www.monmouthcountylib.org.

CELEBRATE NJ MAKERS DAY!

Saturday, March 25 from 12:00 – 4:00 pm Eastern Branch Library, Shrewsbury.

Recreation News

For more information, contact Carlye at claido@littlesilver.org or 732-842-2400

Little Silver Borough Hall

480 Prospect Avenue
Little Silver, NJ 07739
www.littlesilver.org

Facebook:

www.facebook.com/BoroLittleSilver/

Constant Contact:

Text LITTLESILVER to 22828

Business Hours

Monday – Friday
8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Borough

Directory

Emergency: 9-1-1

Borough Hall
732-842-2400

Board of Health
732-493-9520

Municipal Court
732-842-3881

Police Department
(non-emergency)
732-747-5900

Public Library
732-747-9649

Tax Collector
732-219-0812

Tax Assessor
732-842-7039

Zoning Officer
732-842-0261

Adult Sports Available!

Adult Soccer

Thursdays
9pm – 10pm at Point Road School

Adult Volleyball

Thursdays
8pm – 10pm at Markham Place School

Adult Basketball

Mondays & Wednesdays
8pm – 10pm at Point Road School
No registration required.



Easter Egg Hunt

March 25th
(Rain date Mar 26th)
9 am- 12 pm

Times are staggered to keep the event fun for everyone. Please sign up for a time slot to help increase the safety of the event for children of all ages:
<https://bit.ly/3IM0HcM>

Tennis

All tennis courts reservations now made at littlesilver.playbypoint.com
PlayByPoint is a free app

Walking Club

Mondays 10 am, Borough Hall
bfleischer@verizon.net or 732-842-4644

Exercise classes

Available to LS residents at The Woman's Club:

Pilates with Paula: Tuesdays at 9 am

Pilates Plus with Paula: Fridays at 9 am
One time drop in - \$10
5 pack of classes - \$40/ 10 pack of classes - \$70
Registration form available at the class

Cardio, Core, & More: Contact cmthygeson@gmail.com for info & schedule. Virtual sessions available.



Summer Rec Counselor Applications now being

accepted until March 15th. Applicants must have completed 9th grade and be available the entire six week camp from June 26- August 4. Work experience with children highly recommended. Applications available online under the Summer Rec tab on the recreation website:
<http://littlesilver.org/ls/recreation/>

Congratulations to our Rec Director, Carlye Laido, for winning an Excellence in Health and Wellness Program Award for Growing Gems, an innovative recreation program. She will be recognized at the annual Recreation Conference this spring



Summer Rec

Registration will begin
June 1st.

Blood Drive

May 13, 2023
9 am- 12 pm
Woman's Club
Book an appt today

at <https://tinyurl.com/givebloodls>
Organized by Jamie Fleming and Lydia Jain



BOROUGH WIDE GARAGE SALE

MAY 6TH AND 7TH



The Borough will be holding its second town-wide **Garage Sale Weekend May 6th and 7th, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.** Residents will not be required to obtain a permit for the event but will need to call Borough Hall at 732-842-2400 to register their address. *All condominium, townhome, and estate residents must first contact their management/associations for prior approval.* The Borough will publicly advertise the event. Maps of all registered addresses will be available at Borough Hall, the Library and on the Borough website two days prior to the event. **Registration will be from April 1st through April 30th.** Registrations received after the 30th will not be included on the map.

Did you know...?

Little Silver Emergency Medical Services and Fire Department have a joint Water Rescue Team that includes 12 nationally certified rescue swimmer technicians? This team reports to the EMS and Fire Chiefs and responds to river, swift water, and flood emergencies in town.

"Another Woman's Treasure"

Little Silver Woman's Club
May 6th and 7th

Rummage sale fundraiser for the Emmanuel Cancer Foundation