

# Little Silver NEWSLETTER



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## Message From Mayor Neff

A bridge closure, some seriously hot, dry weather, National Night Out, a great Labor Day concert, some really cool baseball news, and more are on the radar screen as I write this at the end of July.

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First, however, we note with sadness the **passing of former Mayor Anthony Bruno**. The Bruno name is nearly synonymous with Little Silver, and Mayor Bruno was a fine example of the family's devotion to the town.

A councilman, a mayor, a life member of the Little Silver Fire Company, and a judge – it doesn't get much more 'hometown hero' than that.

Judge Bruno, who was mayor twice, served the town in many other ways as well. We would like to extend the Borough's condolences to his family, friends and colleagues, especially those in the LSF. Little Silver is a better place for his efforts.

May the Judge rest in eternal peace. Arrangements had not been made at this writing.



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We begin with a couple service announcements. First, it's been hot enough that NJ American Water has imposed **water use restrictions**: homes with odd street numbers should water their lawns on odd numbered days, and homes with even numbers should do so on even numbered days.

We're encouraging all residents to follow this instruction.

In another 'for the good of the order' request, we're also asking everyone to make sure they've signed up with CodeRed for **emergency notifications**. If you haven't done so already, visit [www.littlesilver.org](http://www.littlesilver.org), and click on the CodeRed button on the left side of the home page, or pick up a registration form in

borough hall. You can also call borough hall or CodeRed directly at (866) 939-0911 for assistance.

You'll get prompt notification of everything from serious traffic issues, to road closures, to potentially life-saving news and instructions in an emergency. The lingering pandemic and the tenth anniversary of the devastation of Superstorm Sandy serve to remind us of the importance of being in the emergency news loop.

A **current bridge project** is a case in point. Those who are signed up know that the small bridge at the end of Prospect Avenue at the intersection with Point Road is being replaced. The project started on July 26 and is expected to last for four weeks.

The replacement, a Monmouth County endeavor, will cause the stretch of Prospect Avenue from Willow to Point to close to traffic during that time. Please plan ahead and avoid the area whenever possible. The County tells us that they expect the project to be finished by the start of the school year.

Please also be kind to police and others who may be directing you to avoid the area, or who are assisting during a lane closure or other traffic detour that may be made necessary from everything to road paving to an auto accident. We realize you may be inconvenienced, but these folks are performing a very necessary function – and these days, in some very uncomfortable weather.

To show their appreciation for your courtesy during the years, and to help bring the community together, the **Little Silver Police Department will be hosting National Night Out** on August 2 from 6-9 pm behind Borough Hall and on the Markham Place fields. This is a great town gathering, with free food and beverages, fire department and EMS demonstrations, crime prevention tips, emergency vehicles, slides, games, a DJ, and more.

Please bring family and friends and come out to meet our hard-working, professional, and friendly community police department.

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## Borough Calendar

### Thursday, August 4<sup>th</sup>

9:00 am: Municipal Court Virtual  
7:00 pm: Planning Board Meeting

### Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup>

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

### Tuesday, August 9<sup>th</sup>

8:00 pm: Recreation Meeting

### Thursday, August 11<sup>th</sup>

6:00 pm: Special Workshop  
Meeting re: Sustainable New Jersey

### Monday, August 15<sup>th</sup>

7:00 pm: Mayor & Council Meeting

### Thursday, August 18<sup>th</sup>

9:00 am: Municipal Court Virtual

### Wednesday, August 24<sup>th</sup>

7:00 pm: Environmental  
Commission Meeting

### Thursday, August 25<sup>th</sup>

8:00 pm: Traffic & Safety Meeting

### Monday, August 29<sup>th</sup>

8:00 pm: Shade Tree Commission  
Meeting

## Little Silver School District

**Referendum Info:** If you have not done so, please review the info on the District's referendum landing page:

<https://tinyurl.com/45e5jebv>

Important dates to remember:  
**Saturday, Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>, 9-11 am:**  
Open houses at both schools for the community to see the current condition of the buildings.

**Thursday, October 6<sup>th</sup>** is the date of the vote. Please follow us on social media for more info and forward any questions to [lsreferendum@littlesilverschools.org](mailto:lsreferendum@littlesilverschools.org)

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And the **baseball news**? Check this out: The ten and under Two River Little League 10U All Star team captured the NJ Section 3 Championship! The boys, from Little Silver and Shrewsbury, are now one of four remaining teams in New Jersey, and at this writing in late July, planned to complete in the state Tournament in Bloomingdale.

Your hometown team members are Braeden Shields, Carson Christie, Hudson Sanborn, Jack Shields, Jack Reid, Jack Haarsgaard, Tyler Salvo, and Ned Dobish. Good luck, boys!

And the big band concert? The **John Luckenbill Pops Band** has again kindly offered to perform a free concert at the Markham Place gazebo at 7 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 5 (Labor Day).

Mr. Luckenbill's family has deep roots in Little Silver, and we're fortunate to have this very accomplished band - which performs at multiple shore venues and around the state - pay us a visit. Bring a blanket or chair and come listen to one of the finest bands you'll hear anywhere and take part in Little Silver's rich musical history. In the event of rain, the concert will be held in the Woman's Club.

Lastly, if the summer heat's too much for an outdoor adventure, or if indoor activities are more your thing, please don't forget about the **borough Library**, located on Prospect Avenue next to Borough Hall. Air conditioning, wifi, a breezy patio, and so much more await readers of all ages. And their child-oriented offerings are second to none.

Please also remember the **Parker Homestead**, which is open to visitors on Saturdays, with tours led by our hard-working trustees. See the new apple orchard, learn a little about this property dating to 1650, and find out all that's coming up at this historic landmark.

As always, borough hall is available from 8 to 4 to take your calls with questions or concerns, or I can be reached at [bobneff80@gmail.com](mailto:bobneff80@gmail.com), or at my home phone at (732) 576-8595. On behalf of the governing body, we wish you the best of everything this August. Stay cool, Little Silver.

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

### Red Bank Regional Class Reunion

Graduation Classes from 1980-1989  
Saturday, September 10th, 2022 at Donovan's Reef  
Ticket sales happening now.  
For more information, visit <https://rbreunion80s.com/>



### Traffic & Safety Tip

Little Silver Police will be posting the "Slow Down In Our Town" signs again just before school starts. These lawn signs are available to residents to post on their property to help bring awareness to motorists to obey the posted speed limits. If you are interested in receiving a sign for a 10-15 day period, please email [trafficsafety@littlesilverpolice.org](mailto:trafficsafety@littlesilverpolice.org) and provide your name, address, and contact number. These signs will be rotated around, and police officers will deliver and collect.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR  
OUR ANNUAL  
"NATIONAL NIGHT OUT"

COME OUT  
AND  
MEET YOUR POLICE!!

**AUGUST 2, 2022**  
**6:00 PM - 9:00 PM**

BEHIND BOROUGH HALL / MARKHAM PLACE FIELDS

**FREE FOOD & BEVERAGES**  
**FIRE DEPARTMENT DEMONSTRATIONS**  
**EMS**  
**CRIME PREVENTION TIPS**  
**EMERGENCY VEHICLES**  
**SLIDES**  
**GAMES**  
**DJ**

FOR MORE INFORMATION EMAIL: [a.smith@littlesilverpolice.org](mailto:a.smith@littlesilverpolice.org)

### From the Tax Department

Property tax bills were mailed to all residents in mid-July. The 2022 tax rate is 1.82 per \$100 of assessed value. The grace period for the third quarter taxes has been extended to August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Any payments received after this date must be charged interest back to August 1<sup>st</sup>. Please contact the Tax Collector's Office at 732-219-0812 if you do not receive a bill.

All 2021 delinquent property taxes and 2021 unpaid sewer balances are slated for tax sale on September 22, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. at the Little Silver Borough Hall. As required by law, a notice will be published in the newspaper for four consecutive weeks prior to the sale. Names will not be deleted after the original publication.



### Parker Homestead-1665

OPEN EVERY SATURDAY

Parker Homestead will be open every Saturday for visitors and tours from 10AM to 2 PM.

Please stop by 235 Rumson Rd for a visit to this LS treasure!

### Little Silver is Turning 100!



Mark your calendars! The Borough of Little Silver is turning 100 in 2023! We will be celebrating June 24, 2023.

If you would like to be on the planning committee, the next meeting will be at **7:00 pm** in the Little Silver Woman's Club.

For questions, email [LittleSilver100@gmail.com](mailto:LittleSilver100@gmail.com)

### BRUSH COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Brush only: January through 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 1 through October 31.

### Environmental Commission

The LS Environmental Commission has been very busy this summer. We received a **grant** from Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissions (ANJEC) to begin and complete construction of a small rain garden to minimize water pooling surrounding the parking lot at Challenger Field. This is a project that requires volunteer participation, so think about how you can help us work on this. We'll begin to develop a "team" as the summer gets cooler.

Our **EDF Fellow for Sustainable Jersey, Nakul Sangolli**, continues to work with the Borough Administrator and other folks in town to find ways to save energy and money and promote sustainability in our municipality. If you see Nakul around Borough Hall, be sure to thank him.

Our **Community Garden** continues to thrive, and folks are beginning to take their flowers and produce home or donate them to a local food bank. You're always welcome to stop in and look around since we're very proud of how it looks in there. Just remember not to touch anyone's plants and to tightly close the gates behind you as you come in and as you're leaving. Uninvited guests with four legs are never welcome.

We continue to hold **Mindful Meditation** in the garden on **Monday** evenings from **6-6:30 pm**. This is a drop in event each week and doesn't require registration. Bring a water bottle and chair or blanket to sit on.

On **October 15th** we will be holding our (now) semi-annual **Environmental Day** at the Woman's Club from 9-12. We will have a truck to upcycle clothing, a shredder truck, and an electronic recycling truck (Monmouth Wire) staged in the parking lot. Composters at a county subsidized cost will be available if you preorder by emailing BonW@aol.com. We'd also like to reinstitute indoor vendors who have an environmental impact in/on Little Silver or for that matter, Earth. So, if you know of any person or group that would be a good fit, please get in touch with us. Next **Environmental Commission meeting is Wed, Aug. 24<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm.**

Thank you to **Taleen McOmber** and **Charlotte Richards** in Little Silver **Girl Scout Troop 395** for completing their **Silver Award** by collecting donations from local pet stores and donating them to local animal shelters. We would also like to thank Feed and Seed, Pet's General Store, The Pet Shoppe, The Cosmopawlitian, and Select a Puppy Inc. for donating to their cause and Shore Saves and Pick Your Paw Animal Rescue for accepting the donations and using them to give the rescued pets of Monmouth County the best that they deserve!



### Library News

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

#### Adult Program- Shell Decoupage

**Monday, August 8 at 6:00 pm**

Crafting with Vic returns for another Shell Decoupage class using decorative napkins and shells.

Sign up required, as space and supplies are limited.

#### Adult Program-Sugarloaf, 1996 presented by Ava Tuohy

**Thursday, August 11 at 6:30 pm**

Red Bank Regional graduate, Ava Tuohy, will be presenting her recently published book, Sugarloaf, 1996. She will discuss her writing process and the steps towards publication. Copies of the book will be available for purchase.

#### Adult Program- Movie Matinee

**Wednesday, August 17 at 1:00 pm**

The Crawley family goes on a grand journey to the South of France to uncover the mystery of the dowager countess's newly inherited villa.

#### Adult Program- Sea Glass Art

**Thursday, August 25 at 1:00 pm**

Jean Kelly will instruct us on creating sea glass works of art on canvas. Prior registration is required as supplies are limited.

#### Children's Programs:

*Registration required for all events.* Storytime reservations can be made the Thursday before and Special Events reservations can be made a week in advance. In case of inclement weather, outdoor events will be held inside.

#### Outdoor Baby/Toddler Tales- Ages 1-3.5

**Tuesdays August 4, 9, 16, 30 at 9:30 am or 10:30 am**

Join Ms. Danya for stories, songs, and fingerplays! Take 'n Make craft kits will be distributed at the end of each program

#### Indoor Family Storytime and Craft- All Ages

**Tuesdays August 2, 9, 23, 30**

8/2- Shell Decorating

8/9- Ocean Craft

8/23- Pineapple Craft

8/30- Sun Craft

#### Special Event: Snapology

**Ages 2+ (w/ parent/caregiver)**

**Tuesday, August 16 from 11:30 am – 12:15 pm**

Join Snapology for a STEM based creative play program! Please pre-register in person or by phone beginning August 9.

#### Special Event: Magic Show

**All Ages**

**Tuesday, August 23 from 10:30 am – 10:45**

*Dive Into Books: Summer Reading Completion Event!*

Join magician Brian Richards for an exciting magic show filled with comedy, storytelling, puppets, and more! All ages. Please pre-register in person or by phone beginning August 16.

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

- American Museum of Natural History
- Cooper Hewitt
- The Frick Collection
- The Historic Village at Allaire
- Monmouth Museum
- Museum of the American Revolution
- New-York Historical Society



Call the library for details on how to reserve passes.

# Recreation News

For more information, contact Carlye at [claido@littlesilver.org](mailto:claido@littlesilver.org) or 732-842-2400

## Little Silver Borough Hall

480 Prospect Avenue  
Little Silver, NJ 07739  
[www.littlesilver.org](http://www.littlesilver.org)

### Facebook:

[www.facebook.com/BoroLittleSilver/](http://www.facebook.com/BoroLittleSilver/)

### Business Hours

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

### Borough Directory

Emergency: 9-1-1

**Borough Hall**  
732-842-2400

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

Tax Collector  
732-219-0812

Tax Assessor  
732-842-7039

Zoning Officer  
732-842-0261

Municipal Court  
732-842-3881

Board of Health  
732-493-9520

Public Library  
732-747-9649

## Little Silver night at the Blue Claws



Friday,  
September 9<sup>th</sup>

Mayor Neff will be throwing out a ceremonial first pitch. Little Silver's own Jackie Rogers will be singing the National Anthem & God Bless America.  
Ages 3+: \$12/ticket or \$16 Boardwalk Bundle Ticket

For tickets:  
<https://fevo.me/Little-Silver>

## Concerts on the Green

**Frank Crow**  
August 11<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm-8:30 pm  
Patio behind Borough Hall

**John Luckenbill Pops Band**  
September 5<sup>th</sup>, 7-8:30 pm  
Markham Place Gazebo

## Exercise classes available to Little Silver residents at The Woman's Club:

**Pilates with Paula:** Tuesdays at 9 am  
**Cardio, Core, & More:** Contact [cmthygeson@gmail.com](mailto:cmthygeson@gmail.com) for more info & schedule  
Virtual sessions available.



## Summer Art Camp with The Muse

August 8, 10 and 12  
9 am- 12 pm  
Grades K-6  
\$140 per artist (includes all supplies)  
Registration information available:  
<http://littlesilver.org/ls/Recreation/>

**THE SHORE'S HOMETOWN TEAM**

**LITTLESILVER BOROUGH NIGHT**  
GET READY FOR A NIGHT OF FUN!

**SEPTEMBER 9**  
PRESENTED BY SUNNY DAYS SUNSHINE CENTER, INC.  
7:05 PM GAME TIME

FEATURING:  
Post-Game Fireworks AND Kids Run the Bases  
PRESENTED BY RWLBarnabas HEALTH

**\$16 BOARDWALK BUNDLE TICKETS OR \$12 RESERVED TICKETS**  
(KIDS 2 AND UNDER GET IN FREE)

GO TO [HTTPS://FEVO.ME/LITTLE-SILVER](https://fevo.me/little-silver) OR CONTACT BOB MCLANE AT 732-523-0946 OR [bmclane@blueclaws.com](mailto:bmclane@blueclaws.com)

OR Save time and scan the QR Code to purchase tickets!

**\$16 TICKET INCLUDES:**  
Game Entry, Hot Dog, Soda, Novelty Ice Cream, & Boardwalk Game Ticket

## Flag Football Registration

...coming soon  
Stay tuned to the Rec website for more info.

**Congratulations** to the Two River Little League 10U All Star team winning the NJ Section 3 Championship! They are 1 of 4 remaining teams that will be competing in the State tournament. They are the first team in TRLL history to make it this far!

## LS 5K

Save the Date  
October 2, 2022  
Become a sponsor or register today at  
[LittleSilver5k.com](http://LittleSilver5k.com)



## Did you know...?

The Little Silver Railroad Station was originally built in 1875 by the New York and Long Branch Railroad, which was acquired by the Central Railroad of New Jersey. The original station house was replaced by the existing station, which opened in 1890. It was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1984.