

MAYOR BARBERIO'S WEEKLY UPDATE
Week of June 8, 2015

Now that summer has arrived and everyone is concentrating on being outdoors, I am looking forward to our summer concert series. I was happy to meet with Marlene Caprio of ConnectOne Bank. She was here to present the Township with a check to sponsor "Street Hassle" on August 20th at Veterans Memorial Park. All concerts will be at Veterans Memorial Park at 7:30 pm.

Speaking of our Summertime Concerts, the first concert of the series is the Rachel Allyn Band, a new wave country band, sponsored by Waseem Petroleum on July 16, on July 29 "Hotel California", winning sounds of the Eagles, will appear, Time Machine will captivate us on August 13 accompanied by a special barbecue prepared by ShopRite and the final concert is "Street Hassle" on August 20.

Knoll Country Club

For those of you who enjoy the game of golf, the Knoll courses are in great shape. If you would like to become a member, please call 973-263-7111.

Parsippany Police Department

I also had the pleasure this week of promoting Lt. John Wieners III to Captain and Officer James Auriemma to Sergeant. Both have been high achieving officers and worthy of their promotions. Jesse Hughes, a former Marine, was sworn in by me as a Parsippany police officer, effective immediately.

The Planning & Research Division of our Police Department has been busy this season. They attended the Lake Parsippany Property Owner's Association Open House and Flea Market on 6/6/15 where they set up a table to hand out safety information. They allowed the children to inspect the interior of one of the marked police vehicles.

It is often that my office and the Police Department offer guided tours of our township facilities. The police hosted a tour of police headquarters for the 1st and 2nd grade students of the Parsippany Christian School on 6/10/15.

Recreation

I am happy to announce the formation of a new T-Ball program for kids ages 3-6 which is inclusive of boys and girls called T-Ball Squirts. This program will run from June 22nd to August 3rd. Please contact our Recreation Department for more information.

The Business Administrator, Ellen Sandman, CFO, Ann Cucci (aka Patty and Laverne) and I had the pleasure of attending a third grade concert, "Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree", at Intervale School. This concert arose as a result of our Veterans Day ceremony in November. Third grade students witnessed a lip sync performance of Andrews Sister favorites by the Parsippany

Pridettes. They were so impressed by their interpretation that the students wanted to learn more about them and the era in which they entertained. I was so thrilled to see firsthand the value of providing educational instruction in the events we do.

Parsippany Library

Lake Hiawatha Library children's librarians have been visiting local elementary schools to tell the children about our upcoming Summer Reading Club activities. As part of the presentation, lucky students dressed up as familiar superheroes, to remind everyone that our theme this summer is "Every Hero Has a Story!"

Lake Hiawatha Library hosted its first "Math Made Fun" program this past Saturday, June 6. The purpose of this program is to help children hone their math skills through fun games and activities. Girl Scout Cadette Troop #147 created this program as part of a Silver Award Leadership project. All of the children who attended had a great time. This program will be held at Lake Hiawatha Library every Saturday through August 8.

First grade children from Mt. Tabor School and their families have been frequent visitors to the Lake Hiawatha branch after their field trip in May to receive their library cards. Children who stopped by the library this week enjoyed making a springy, spiral snake to take home.

Patrons could also view many pieces of Georgia O'Keeffe's art, borrowed from Museum Kits loaned by the Morris Museum.

I encourage everyone to take advantage of one of Parsippany's most valuable resources, the Parsippany Public Library.

Thank you to CareOne for showing your appreciation by hosting a barbecue to honor the Township's emergency service workers on June 11th.

Par Troy EMS

Par-Troy EMS was nominated for an Empower award from Atlantic Health for our community involvement and injury prevention initiatives. It was a very competitive process and while we did not win the actual award, it is excellent that Parsippany remains at the forefront of health and safety. Kudos to Par-Troy EMS for their efforts!

The CarFit program that was held at the Community Center on May 28th had an excellent outcome. Those who took part received valuable information and materials to enhance their safety as drivers as well as being properly adjusted in their automobiles. We look forward to bringing this back next year.

The Township, in conjunction with Atlantic Health Morristown Medical Center, sponsored "Car Seat Check" on May 30th at Town Hall. This program was devised to ensure that car seats are properly installed in the vehicle. This was the third year that Parsippany offered this program which met with much success.

