

MAYOR BARBERIO'S WEEKLY UPDATE

Week of
May 16, 2016

Rainy weather has been an issue this spring causing many delays and cancellations of spring sporting events, however we were extremely lucky on Monday night. The Mayor's Trophy Game took place at Jannarone Park and we could not have asked for a more beautiful night. Both Parsippany High School and Parsippany Hills High School's baseball teams played hard for the prestige of winning the coveted Mayor's Trophy. In a repeat performance the Red Hawks defeated the Vikings 4 – 1 to bring them to victory once again. Both teams deserve recognition for a game well played and for the sportsmanship shown to each other as rival teams.



Mayor Barberio with the Red Hawks and Vikings baseball teams

This week my guest on Pride in Parsippany TV21 was Morris County Sheriff Edward Rochford, who will be retiring from office this year after 51 years in law enforcement. Sheriff Rochford has been sheriff since 1993 and has dedicated most of his life to upholding the law and has seen many changes in Morris County through the years. On behalf of the Township I would like to wish him a healthy and happy retirement.

I would also like to recognize two other retirements that will be occurring. Two brothers who have been with the Township for a total of 82 years between them and have been valued employees will be spending more time with their families as they enjoy their retirements. I would like to wish Skip Radler who has been employed with the Township's Parks & Forestry Department for 42 years and his brother Bill Radler who has been with the Sewer Department for 40 years a healthy and happy retirement as well.

As I have mentioned in my past newsletters we are a Tree City USA for 40 years. This honor does not come easily as a lot of hard work and dedication go into the planting and maintaining of the Township trees. Township trees are always being evaluated for their health and replaced if needed. Our Parks & Forestry Department does a terrific job with this. This week I presented each

elementary school with a flag to fly proudly in honor of this recognition. Additionally I spent time with the students speaking about the value of trees and the significance of Arbor Day and how they can help with the conservation of trees.



Mayor Barberio with Principal Rosa and students at Knollwood School

Last week I mentioned our upcoming Police Explorer program for residents ages 14 to 20 whereby young adults are given the opportunity to learn about a possible career in law enforcement by working and training with members of the Parsippany Police force. Please join me and members of the Police Department for an Open House on the program, Wednesday, June 8th at 7pm in the municipal building. This is a great opportunity for those students wishing to learn more on the program.

I would also like to remind everyone that tonight and tomorrow a commemorative celebration of Decoration Day will be taking place at the Bowsby-DeGelleke House on Baldwin Road. Tours of the home and a special Candle Lighting ceremony to honor the Parsippany soldiers that fought in the Civil War are all part of the event. It all starts tonight at 6:00pm.

Other Noteworthy News:

Community Center

Wednesday May 25th, 2016, at 12:30, St. Ann's Social Senior's Club is having a representative from the N.J. Division of Consumer Affairs come in to give a presentation on fraud prevention. Call Emilio at 973-887-6655 for more information.

Friday May 27th, 2016, the movie *Brooklyn* will be shown at the Parsippany Community Center at 1:00 pm in Room B. An Irish immigrant in 1950's New York falls for a tough Italian plumber, but faces temptation from another man when she returns to her homeland for a visit. Rated PG-13, 1 hour and 52 mins.

The New Horizons Band of Morris County will play a free concert in the Women's Theater at the Parsippany Community Center, Wednesday June 15th, 2016 at 1:30 pm. The New Horizons Band of Morris County is a 30-piece concert band comprised of people over the age of fifty. Open to Parsippany residents.

Office On Aging – “Community Service Directory for Seniors” is available at the Office On Aging. It identifies community, county & state organizations, residential healthcare facilities in Morris County, licensed long term care facilities, Parsippany houses of worship, Township of Parsippany office phone numbers, and the Parsippany Transit Bus Schedule. Come on in and pick one up your free copy.

Parsippany Library

May's listing of Computer and Technology Classes at the Parsippany Troy Hills Library is adding evening classes to the morning and afternoon listing. Thursday, May 26, at 7pm there will be a class on intermediate Excel. If you have experience with basic Excel and want to learn the next step; formatting, freeze panes, how to use multiple worksheets in a workbook, this class is for you. Let us know to expect you by registering at the calendar at the library's website, parsippanylibrary.org, or by calling the library 973-887-5150 x210.

10 Apps to Download Before Your Next Vacation will be held at the Mount Tabor Branch of the Parsippany Troy Hills Library on Thursday, May 19, at 2pm, and at the Lake Hiawatha Branch on Monday, May 23, and 7pm. Learn the best ways to manage flights, find hotels and restaurants and how to navigate unfamiliar roadways.

Are your children excited about STEAM activities? STEAM Works Studio is coming to the Parsippany Library to provide demonstrations on NANO BOTS Robotics and Lego EV3 Robotics. Registration is required and this special event is scheduled on June 2. Please visit the library's website, www.parsippanylibrary.org and click on the children's calendar of events to find out more about this program.

Lake Hiawatha Library

Children's bestsellers are available for check-out at the Lake Hiawatha Library Children's Department! Look for them on display near the entrance to the Children's Room. Choose from a variety of books, including *Demigods & Magicians*, *Percy and Annabeth Meet the Kanes*, by Rick Riordan, a *Princess in Black* series book, by LeUyen Pham, *Raymie Nightingale* by Kate DiCamillo, and more. The loan period for these books is 7 days, with a \$1 per day overdue fine, to insure that many bestsellers are always available for patrons enjoy!

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