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Police Awards Ceremony

On December 14, 2023, the Randolph Police Department held an awards ceremony where officers and civilians were given numerous awards for incidents that occurred over the last couple of years. Sgt. Kurt Edelman, Sgt. Brian McGaughran, Sgt. Daniel Novoa, Ptl. Jeremiah Crowley, Ptl. Corey Czerniak, Ptl. Michael Del Russo, Ptl. Nicholas DeMaio, Ptl. George Emporellis, Ptl. Nick Francica, Ptl. Kevin Gocklin, Ptl. Sal Grossi, Ptl. Gerald Hardiman, Ptl. John Pepe, Ptl. Edward Shivas (Retired), and Ptl. Daniel Sullivan were all awarded 'Life Saving Awards' by Chief William Harzula.



(Det. Brian Brenckman, Sgt. Matthew Rispoli, Ptl. Corey Czerniak, and Chief Will Harzula at the podium)

- Ptl. Nick Francica was awarded the Meritorious Service Award, which is an award for a highly unusual accomplishment under adverse conditions with some degree of hazard to life and limb to the recipient, where death or injury to a third party was prevented.
- Ptl. Michael Del Russo, Ptl. Daniel DeVito, and Ptl. Kevin Gocklin were awarded the Honorable Service Award, which is awarded for a creditable act performed in the line of duty, showing initiative and accomplishment.
- Chief William Harzula, Sgt. Brian McGaughran, Sgt. Matthew Rispoli, Detective Brian Brenckman, Detective Kevin Clark, and Ptl. Corey Czerniak were all awarded the Ready Commendation Award. This is awarded to officers who have completed 15 years of service.
- Ptl. John Hertzberg, Ptl. John Pepe, and Ptl. Eric Tomkins were awarded the Military Service Award. This award is presented to officers who have been recognized by the United States Military as being deployed to a combat zone during a time of conflict.
- The Academic Achievement Award, which is for officers who have completed an associate's degree or higher were presented to Ptl. Michael Del Russo, Ptl. James DeLuca, Ptl. Nicholas DeMaio, Ptl. Daniel DeVito, Ptl. George Emporellis, Ptl. Kevin Gocklin, Ptl. Gerald Hardiman, Ptl. Damian Middlebrooks, Ptl. Patrick Mooney, Ptl. John Pepe, Ptl. Michael Shoudy, and Ptl. Eric Tomkins.

Chief Harzula also presented several civilians with the Civilian Service Award. This award is given to civilians who aided people that were in danger. Dave Ackerman, Lesley Andrew, Theresa Blough, Barbara Flowers, Sukru Gurbuz, Doug Harris, Tucker M. Kelley, Caitlin Roach, Kevin Rodriguez, Cenzig Unal, and Denise Vill'Neuve were all presented with this award for various incidents that had occurred within Randolph Township.

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THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING
AND COMMUNITY CENTER
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SAVE THE DATE 48TH Freedom Festival

The 2024 Freedom Festival will be held
**Thursday, July 11 through
Saturday, July 13**
at the County College of Morris
from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Lot 1.

Fun for all ages. Unleash the excitement at Freedom Festival: Rides, Bites, Brews & more! Festival will have carnival rides, beer garden, music & vendors. Fireworks to be held on July 13, 2024 with a rain date of July 14, 2024. Stay tuned for event updates through the Randolph Township website, Facebook and Instagram. This annual event is organized by the Randolph Kiwanis Club with assistance from Randolph Township.

MUNICIPAL DIRECTORY

POLICE, FIRE & RESCUE
EMERGENCIES DIAL

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(All numbers Area Code 973, unless indicated otherwise)

MUNICIPAL OFFICES

Main Number.....	989-7100
Police Main Number.....	989-7000
Accounts Payable	989-7046
Animal Control.....	989-7050
Animal Shelter.....	543-9333
Assessor	989-7075
Building Department.....	989-7070
Clerk.....	989-7041
Engineering	989-7066
Finance	989-7045
Fire Department.....	989-7098
Health Department.....	989-7050
Manager	989-7060
Municipal Court.....	989-7056
Parks & Recreation	989-7081
Planning & Zoning	989-7080
Public Health Nurses	537-7118
Public Works.....	989-7066
Recreation Hotline	866-802-0837
Recycling/Solid Waste.....	989-7050
Senior Services.....	989-7084
Tax Collector.....	989-7047
Water & Sewer	989-7063

2024 ELECTED OFFICIALS

MAYOR
Christine Carey
985-2623
DEPUTY MAYOR
Joe Hathaway
862-213-8630

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Helene Elbaum	862-500-1445
Mark Forstenhauser	886-7255
Lou Nisivoccia	713-6004
Marie Potter.....	945-6310
Joanne Veech.....	328-7175

TOWNSHIP MANAGER

Gregory Poff.....	989-7060
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WEBSITE

www.randolphnj.org

RANDOLPH SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education.....	361-0808
Center Grove.....	361-7835
Fernbrook.....	361-0660
Ironia	584-8588
Shongum	895-2322
Randolph Middle School	366-8700
Randolph High School.....	361-2400

OTHER HELPFUL NUMBERS

Brundage Playhouse	989-7092
Chamber of Commerce.....	361-3462
County College of Morris	328-5000
Ironia Post Office	584-5659
Lakeland Bus.....	366-0600
Library	895-3556
Morristown Med. Center.....	971-8005
Mt. Freedom Post Office	895-2383
Motor Vehicle Commission	888-486-3339
N.J. Transit.....	800-772-2222
Randolph Lake	584-1358
Rescue Squad	366-7900
St. Clare's Hospital	989-3000

RANDOLPH *in brief...*

A Message from the Mayor

Dear Randolph Residents,

It is an honor to be serving my third term as Mayor of Randolph. As a member of the Township Council since 2013, I previously served as Mayor in 2017 and 2020. My husband and I have been residents of Randolph for over 30 years and we have truly enjoyed living here and raising our children here. I am very proud to serve my community as part of the council and to work with my fellow council members, who dedicate so much of their time working to make Randolph a wonderful community. As Mayor, I commit to working hard every day to make Randolph an even better place to live.

Of course, an important part of what makes Randolph so great is the municipal organization, led by Township Manager, Greg Poff. The township staff does a fabulous job keeping residents safe, keeping the town running smoothly and providing the quality services that Randolph residents expect. We are fortunate to have such a dedicated group of professionals working in Randolph.

What would we do without the many residents who volunteer to serve the Randolph community? We have hundreds of residents who have raised their hands and stepped up each year to volunteer and serve on numerous advisory committees and boards; as coaches for sports teams, as volunteers for the Randolph Rescue Squad, Randolph Fire Department and in many other capacities. Volunteers are an essential part of the fabric of our community. Please consider volunteering this year and make a difference in our great community.

Looking at the year ahead, one of the township's main priorities is communication. We are committed to providing residents with the information they need, when they need it. Through effective communication, we hope to foster

an even stronger sense of community and engagement among residents. Our goal is for all residents to feel connected and vital to the Randolph community.

There are many ways for residents to connect. The township website, www.randolphnj.org, was recently redesigned and relaunched. This extensive and detailed resource provides information that encompasses the full spectrum of township functions and services.

The township's Facebook page, which can be found at the profile "Township of Randolph" is also a convenient tool for residents looking to stay connected to our community. Residents can also follow the Township of Randolph on Instagram and Twitter (X) at @randolphtwpnj where they can get updates on local events, schedules, emergency notifications, and announcements. Please explore some of these social media options for connecting with the township.

Of course, residents can always call or email me, other council members or the township staff directly when you have questions or concerns.

I am very much looking forward to a busy, productive and rewarding year.

Sincerely,

Chris Carey
Mayor of Randolph Township



From the Tax Office

Did you know? There are a number of property tax deductions/rebates available to homeowners who qualify.

The following programs are administered by the State of New Jersey:

Property Tax Reimbursement (FREEZE)

This program is open to homeowners/mobile homeowners 65 or older, or receiving Social Security disability and meet the qualifications. For more information, please visit state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/ptr/ or call 1-800-882-6597.

Affordable New Jersey Communities for Homeowners and Renters (ANCHOR)

This is a new program which replaces the Homestead Rebate. For more information, please visit state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/anchor/index.shtml or call 1-888-238-1233.

The following programs are administered by the Tax Collection Office:

Senior Citizen, Disabled Person or Surviving Spouse

This program is open to homeowners that meet the qualifications. For more information, please visit state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/otherptr.shtml or call the Tax Collection Office at 973-989-7047.

The following programs are administered by the Tax Assessment Office:

Veteran or Surviving Spouse

This program is open to all Veterans that meet the qualifications.

Property Tax Exemption for a 100% Disabled Veteran or Surviving Spouse

This program is open to totally disabled war Veterans who meet the qualifications.

For more information, please visit state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/otherptr.shtml or call the Tax Assessment Office at 973-989-7129.

CORRECTION: Important Dates for Primary Election June 4 | Polls open 6 a.m. to 8 p.m.

April 10: Last day to change party affiliation for June Primary

May 14: Last day to register to vote in June Primary

May 28: Last day to apply for Mail-in Ballot by mail for June Primary

May 29 - June 2: Early voting period (at designated polling locations in Morris County)

June 3: Last day for in-person Mail-in Ballot applications for June Primary (by 3:00 p.m.)

Bulk Collection Week

Spring Bulk Trash Collection Week begins

Monday, April 22. Items must be placed curbside by 6:00 am on Monday. Please clearly separate household trash from your bulk trash items. Please note the collection is simply an extension of your one-item-of-bulk-trash per weekly curbside collection service available to residents throughout the year. Items accepted include non-metal furniture, couches, mattresses, box springs, rugs/carpeting (rolled and tied in 4 foot lengths).

ITEMS NEVER COLLECTED during the bi-annual bulk collection and/or weekly curbside trash collection include all recyclable items (metal, paper, e-waste), prohibited items (hazardous waste, building materials, and items weighing more than 200 lbs.), and vegetative waste.

For more information on acceptable and unacceptable items, visit www.randolphnj.org.

Public Works

Spring Branch Collection

The township will be conducting its Annual Spring Branch Collection starting the week of April 15. All brush needs to be placed curbside by this date as it will be a **ONE TIME ONLY** pick up. No return trips will be made. This collection usually takes 4 weeks to complete the entire township.

Branch Collection will be limited to **ONE (1) LOAD** per property owner, approximately 4 cubic yards. This is roughly the size 5 ft. Long by 4 ft. Wide x 5 ft. High. All branches will be no longer than 4 feet in length and 3 inches in diameter. This does not include LEAVES, VINES, STUMPS, and BUILDING MATERIALS, or any other non chippable items.

Loads larger than the guidelines listed above can be removed through the special branch collection policy by contacting the Engineering Office at 973-989-7066. There is a **\$150 FEE** for this additional service.

Mulch

Delivery of fine shredded wood mulch will be available to residents from March through October. Each truckload contains approximately 6-8 cubic yards of mulch. If you are interested in having this product delivered to your residence you may contact the Engineering Office at (973) 989-7066.

Deliveries will be made every **Thursday and Friday** starting the week of March 4 and will continue to October 18. There is a delivery charge of **\$100.00** that may be paid when scheduling delivery with the Engineering Office.

As always, residents are welcome to pick up mulch free of charge at the Recycling Center on Sussex Turnpike. **MULCH IS ONLY AVAILABLE FOR PICKUP OR DELIVERY WHILE QUANTITIES LAST.**

Street Sweeping

The township sweeps all of the township roads once the winter season is over. This operation is performed by our public works department and takes approximately three months to complete. Please do not deposit any large debris along the edge of the road that may enter our storm drains and may also hinder our sweeping operation.

The Historical Society of Old Randolph

The Industrial Revolution that spanned from about 1760 through 1850 resulted in many children spending all week long working in factories. Since Sunday was the only available time for children to gain education, especially for poor families, the Sunday School movement began in Britain during the 1780's. British Anglican evangelical Robert Raikes (1725-1811) was the main advocate of this movement, and it spread to America. By the mid nineteenth century, Sunday school attendance was mandatory in families, even if their parents didn't attend church regularly.

Working class families appreciated their children receiving an education, even a religious one, by learning to read and write in copying out and reading scriptural passages, as well as practices such as prayers and hymn singing, for which they believed instilled Christian morality and Bible virtues. Sunday School children also looked forward to picnics, prize days, and other fun events associated with seasonal holidays on church grounds after Sunday school. The photo here is from Millbrook United Methodist's Sunday School Class of 1947, with teen Sunday School teachers Marion Nixon and Doris Lawrence. The adorable children in their 'Sunday Best' includes Doris' nieces, Patty and Joan Kovach, Lois and Danny Douglas, Patty Briant, Lin Bopp, and a few other unnamed kiddos from their class.

[photo courtesy of Doris (Lawrence) Bush]

Clean Communities Day and Paper Shredding Event - April 27

Clean Communities

Join local civic and scout organizations in tidying up Randolph Township at our "Clean Communities Day" on Saturday, April 27. All participants will receive gloves, garbage bags and t-shirts. Group leaders can arrange to pick up supplies in the Health Department on Thursday and Friday, April 25 and April 26 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Mini-grants are available for civic groups. Call the Health Department at 973-989-7050 to sign up.

Paper Shredding

As part of its Clean Communities Day, the Randolph Township Health Department will once again offer confidential paper shredding services to residents, free of charge, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 27 in the Municipal Building parking lot. Residents must have their NJ driver's license available as proof of residency. Residents will be required to follow the traffic pattern, park where directed, and remain in their vehicles. A DPW employee will assist residents with their items.

This shredding service is for:

- Randolph residents only
- Personal, confidential documents generated in the home only (not commercial or home-business generated)
- A maximum of three file boxes per household (file box = 1.5 cu feet).
- Confidential documents. This does not include junk mail and store flyers or solicitations.
- Documents must be free of any metal clips, rings or binders; plastic file folders, x-rays, CDs, etc.

If you have any questions please call the Health Department at 973-989-7050.



A Letter from the Superintendent

Our educators work hard each day to develop lessons and resources which empower students to develop self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, relationship skills, and responsible decision making. As a school community, we are constantly seeking ways to learn and adapt to innovative models which will continue to foster personal growth as well as the overall wellness of our students. Led by our Special Services and School Counseling Department, the district has been training staff on the Nurtured Heart Approach which is a philosophy and model developed to help students achieve their highest potential.

The guiding principles of the Nurtured Heart Approach include three different "stands" which help model ways in which staff can support students in their growth. The first stand was created to help students with challenging behaviors take ownership of their own "intensity." Rather than criticizing bad behavior, this approach helps guide educators to provide students with different ways to utilize their energy to achieve success in more productive ways.

The second stand focuses on following through on that commitment to help students reach their established goals. Regardless of how big or small a student's goal may seem or be, every goal achieved is important. It is essential that all children feel validated, and the second stand seeks to provide students with positive reinforcement for the value they can create through the energy they expend.

Lastly, the third stand focuses on setting expectations. Students should understand that there are consequences for certain actions and behaviors, but in a way where the student is both knowledgeable and feels empowered. By establishing clear guidelines, every child has the power to make autonomous decisions with agency. Autonomous, independent thought is incredibly important in all our classrooms, and each child can and should feel like they are in an environment where they understand what isn't appropriate but also what is. Through a relational approach, children can have a voice and use that voice to express themselves authentically.

Our district is also participating in the Developing Resiliency with Engaging Approaches to Maximize Success (DREAMS) Program. The DREAMS Program provides educators with resources and training to promote healthy and healing school environments which in turn aid in supporting both educators' job satisfaction as well as building classrooms that are conducive for student learning. As our new, returning, and soon to be graduating students embark on the next journey in their lives, we have confidence that they are prepared to thrive not just professionally but also personally. This is thanks to the consistent work our team does to provide every child with the very best support to succeed individually and collectively in life. We will continue to identify and implement the very best practices to support our students' unlimited potential.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Fano, Superintendent of Schools

Parks, Recreation & Community Services

APRIL - JUNE PROGRAMS

APRIL:

April: 4, 11, 18, 25 | May: 2, 9, 16, 23: NASA Academy (Community Center)

April 27: 80s Murder Mystery Dinner (Community Center)

MAY:

May 4: Babysitting Class (Community Center)

May 18: Arts in the Park (Veterans Community Park)

JUNE:

June 8: Movie in the Park, Beauty & the Beast (Veterans Community Park)

June 10: Herbal Medicine Class (Community Center)

June 22: Car Show (Veterans Community Park)

For more information, check out [RandolphNJ.org/400/Special Events](http://RandolphNJ.org/400/Special%20Events) or [Facebook.com/RandolphSpecialEventsNJ](https://www.facebook.com/RandolphSpecialEventsNJ)

Senior Services (Ages 60 & over)

Dial-A-Ride Transportation Services

In order to participate in our Dial-A-Ride Program which includes medicals, shopping and any indoor activities on or off the property you must be fully vaccinated for COVID-19. Proof of vaccination is required.

Shopping Bus:

Transportation to local shopping centers two days per week. Pick up times at homes start at 9:30 a.m.

Monday: ShopRite or Walmart, Roxbury

Wednesday: (1st & 3rd Wednesday) Rockaway Commons, Rockaway

(2nd Wednesday) Weiss or Acme, Randolph (4th Wednesday) Trade Zone, Flanders

Arrangements for transportation must be made by phone at least 24 hours in advance.

Medical Bus:

Transportation to and from a doctor's office within a 10-mile radius from the Municipal Building, 502 Millbrook Avenue. This service is available Monday – Thursday only. Appointments are available 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. **It is best to call and schedule a ride as soon as you have made a medical appointment.** To schedule a ride, please call 973-989-7084.

Senior Programs & Events

Randolph Township Residents age 60 & over will pay an annual fee of \$10 per person that will include the following:

- All senior citizen programming offered by the Recreation & Community Services Department at either a reduced fee or in most cases, no fee.
- Direct notifications of programs, events, trips and other important information.
- One Photo ID card to be used for everything listed below.

MONTHLY SOCIAL

A monthly social will be held on the first Tuesday of each month unless noted on the Senior Calendar. Each month will have a different theme so we hope you will join us for every social. Socials will start at 11:00 a.m.

ACTIVITIES

All activities meet in the 'community room' at the Randolph Community Center on Calais Road. Please enter and exit through the front doors only.

Reservations are required for each program. If you are not registered, you will not be allowed into the program.

Here is a list of some of the activities for you to participate in, but you need to check the monthly calendar for the days, times and special events that will be happening in the month: Bingo, Games, Cards, Movies, Line Dancing, Painting on Canvas, Sewing, Technology Help on Your Devices.

SPECIAL EVENTS

We go to local restaurants for either breakfast, lunch or dinner. Check the Monthly Senior Calendar for locations and times. Reservations are required for all events and functions.

Examples of restaurants:

Mizuki Asian Fusion & Hibachi - Roxbury, Cracker Barrel - Mt. Arlington, Bruno's Italian Bistro - Morris Plains, Olive Garden - Rockaway, Mario's Famous Pizza - Randolph, Local Diners

Randolph Lake Beach Membership

- Access to Randolph Lake Beach during the season, Memorial Day – August. Including any members-only events.
- Up to four guests per visit for \$5 per guest.

Tennis/Pickleball Membership

- Access to Randolph Township Tennis & Pickleball Courts for use during park hours.

Fishing & Boating Permits

- Permission from Township to fish or use non-motorized boats in the Township lakes and ponds.

Contact the Community Service Department at 973-989-7084 for more information and to register.

Arts in the Park

Embark on a day of creativity and community spirit at Randolph Township's 7th Annual Arts in the Park event on May 18 from 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. at Veterans Community Park. Immerse yourself in a vibrant atmosphere featuring over 30 talented artists and talented live performers. Discover a diverse array of handcrafted treasures from local vendors, featuring handmade soap, jewelry, pet treats, honey, and crocheted goods.

Indulge your taste buds by visiting one of our food vendors who serve mouthwatering delights. Head to the Beer Garden and savor a craft brew from Glenbrook Brewery (21 & older), renowned for its exceptional beer – an exclusive experience for our adult attendees. Be enchanted by captivating performances, including the harmonious melodies of Randolph High School: A Cappella, the soulful sounds of Catherine Cardaci, the dynamic energy of Radio Strangers, and the lively tunes of Shake Rattle & Roll Pianos.

Excitement awaits with engaging activities like pony rides, selfie booths, lawn games, sand art, caricature art, and face painting. Note: Activities and musical performances are subject to change based on the weather. The rain date for this event is May 19. Friendly, leashed dogs are welcome at this event.

And for those who want to be part of this magical experience, explore sponsorship opportunities by contacting Randolph Recreation at 973-989-7081. Don't forget to share your favorite moments with us using #ArtsInThePark, #RandolphSpecialEvents, and #RandolphNJ on social media. Connect with us on Facebook for updates and behind-the-scenes glimpses: [Facebook.com/RandolphSpecialEventsNJ](https://www.facebook.com/RandolphSpecialEventsNJ).

We hope to see you at Arts in the Park!

Brundage Park Playhouse

BAREFOOT IN THE PARK

The TONY award winning play by Neil Simon

Performance Dates: May 24, 25, 31, June 1 at 7 pm
May 26, & June 2 at 3 pm

A romantic comedy about newlyweds learning to cope with life, and each other. The play premiered on Broadway in 1963, with Robert Redford and Elizabeth Ashley and a film in 1967, which starred Redford and Jane Fonda.



Brundage Park Playhouse: Volunteers Needed!

Save the Date: Open House on Thursday, April 11 at 7 p.m.

Now in our 45th year, Brundage Park Playhouse invites members of the Randolph community to an Open House on Thursday, April 11 at 7 p.m. to learn more about our community theater and the volunteer opportunities available. Volunteers participate in all aspects of "theater life:" working in the box office, ushering, planning special events, fundraising and working behind the scenes with the creative team. We are so appreciative of our volunteers who have helped to make an amazing 45 seasons of productions! We welcome volunteers of all ages.

We look forward to welcoming you to Brundage Park Playhouse! For more information, please email us at brundageparkplayhouse@gmail.com

2024 BRUNDAGE SUMMER THEATER CAMPS

Register Online via Community Pass

www.randolphnj.org/parks_and_recreation/online_registration

Budding Stars

July 1– July 12 (no camp 7/4)

What do 5-7 year-olds have abundance of? The answer is clearly – creativity and energy! We have put together a program that will keep your child actively engaged from July 1 to July 12, 9 am to 3 pm, Monday through Friday at the Randolph VFW on Carrell Road for two weeks of exposure to the world of performing arts. There will be a final performance at the end of the session for family and friends to enjoy! Fee \$400 if you register before 4/10/24. After that date the fee is \$425.

Summer Stages as of January 2024

- Session 1 – June 17 – June 28 (FULL)
- Session 2 – July 1 – July 12 (no camp 7/4)
- Session 3 – July 15 – July 26
- Session 4 – July 29 – August 9

Brundage Park Playhouse proudly announces its 43rd season of Summer Stages, a workshop for young performers ages 8–14. We offer four two-week sessions throughout June, July and August. Students will gain performance experience in acting, music, and dance through participation in a different production each session.

Fee \$400 per 2 week session. We offer Extended Day (8:30 a.m. – 5:30 a.m.) for an additional \$80 for each 2 week session (\$400 + \$80 if you register before 4/10/24. \$425+\$80 after that date).

Advanced Performers Workshops

(July 15 – August 2) – Original work

August 5 – August 23 – Published work “Mean Girls Jr.”

The Advanced Performers Workshop (APW), is a more intensive alternative to our regular Summer Stages program. The three-week session culminates with a performance, not only for family and friends, but the general public as well! APW is only open to students who are already 12 years of age or who will be entering 7 -11 grades in the 2024-2025 school year. Hours: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Fee \$600 if you register before 4/10/24. \$625 after that date. Call 973-989-7092 to set up an audition appointment.

Any questions? Call 973-989-7092.

Brundage Park Playhouse is a division of the Randolph Township Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Service

Environment & Landmarks News

Do you have a passion for making Randolph a more sustainable community and to preserve our unique history?

If so please consider coming to the Randolph Environmental and Landmarks Committee (ELC) meetings to learn about key initiatives and potentially volunteering to drive or support an impactful project. The quarterly meetings are held on March 26, June 25, September 24, and November 26, at 7:30 p.m. at Town Hall. The ELC is empowered to conduct research relating to the protection, development, and use of open space and natural resources within the township and the protection, enhancement, and preservation of township sites and structures with historical, architectural, or cultural significance.

In the last year, the ELC rolled out two helpful environmental tools and supported the preservation of an important landmark.

- Recycling Coach, a free downloadable app from Google Play and the App Store, provides reminders about pick-up schedules and important do's and don'ts, e.g. oily pizza boxes are not recyclable. Download it today and don't miss a pick-up.
- The Randolph Township Environmental Guidebook (RTEG) available on the township website contains information about contributors to climate change and environmental degradation, and details projects and strategies that can be implemented locally to create positive and measurable change. Leveraging the Guidebook, you or your volunteer group can find a roadmap on how to scope, fund, and implement projects with the backing of the ELC.
- Three slices of the 300 year old Liberty Tree have been preserved and are ready to be hung indoors at the Randolph Museum, Randolph Library, and Randolph Town Hall. Sixty key dates in the town's history will be marked on the tree rings. Look for information about the dedication plans for each slice in the next quarterly newsletter.

Artworks Studio

Located at 502 Millbrook Avenue (next to the Municipal Building).

Fine arts instruction for ages 3-1/2 through adult.

Build your art skills and produce creative works of art with our experienced professional instructors. Learn techniques such as painting, drawing, sculpting, weaving, and much more. Art classes encourage critical thinking, social, emotional, and intellectual abilities. We offer a variety of classes and workshops for all ages throughout the year.

2024 Summer Art Camps

June 17 - 21	TEEN Camp - Take Flight! (For teens that have completed grades 6 – 12)
June 24 - 28	Fantastic Fibers! (For students that have completed grades 4 – 10)
July 8 - 12	Artists We Love! (For students that have completed grades 1 – 5)
July 15 - 19	Art Campout (For students that have completed grades K – 3)
July 22 - 26 (AM)	Animals Around the World (For students that have completed grades K – 3)
July 22 - 26 (PM)	Animals Around the World (For students that have completed grades K – 3)
July 29 - August 2	Food Bash! (For students that have completed grades K – 3)
August 19, 21 - 23	PreK - The Dancing Paintbrush (Ages 3.5 – 5 years)

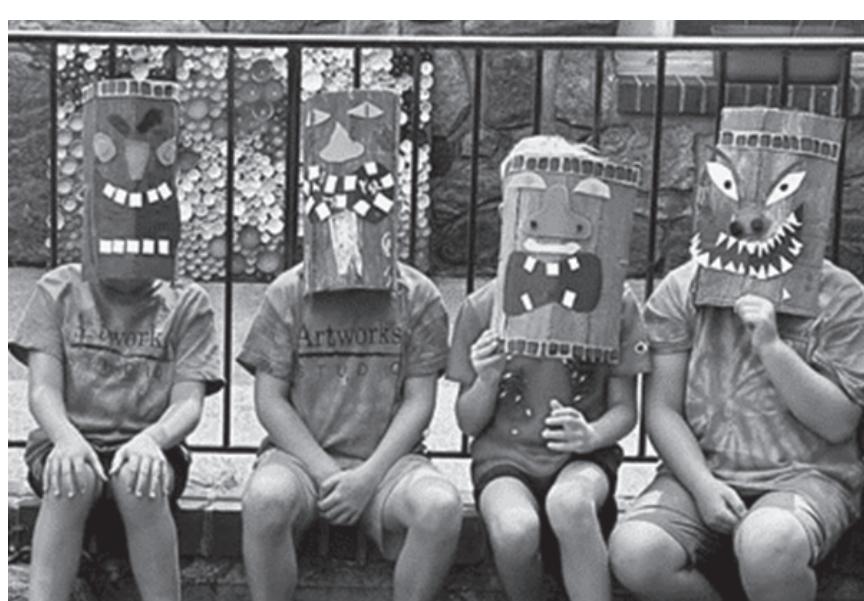
Registration for fall classes opens in May!

See our full schedule of classes and workshops on the township website www.randolphnj.org/161/Artworks-Studio or call the Parks and Recreation office 973-989-7081.

Follow us on social media:

Facebook: Artworks Studio Randolph NJ

Instagram: @artworksrandolph



Fire Department News



The Randolph Fire Department continues to serve the community in 2024. Thank you to everyone who supported the department at the Santa Runs, Hanukkah Candy Drop, purchasing Christmas Trees or at other fundraisers. The donations are appreciated and put to good use to help us fund equipment and training to keep you and the firefighters safe.

Daylight Savings time began on March 10. Did you check or change the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors? Carbon monoxide cannot be detected with our eyes and nose like smoke. The only way of knowing if there is an issue in your home is if you have a working detector. When your detector smoke or carbon monoxide goes off, exit your residence and CALL 911. Spring is an excellent time to join the fire department. We are looking for volunteers to join the department either as firefighters or as support members. Being an active member of the fire department is a great way to get involved in the town, enjoy friends, memories, and experiences that you will find fulfilling and rewarding. Please go to www.randolphfire.org to apply or for information or stop by your local firehouse any Monday night 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Randolph Police News

Solar Radar Signs

The Randolph Police Department, in conjunction with the Randolph Traffic Advisory Committee (TAC), recently purchased and installed new solar powered radar signs in the township. The signs are used to show drivers their speed and whether they are obeying the speed limit. The signs assist in having motor vehicle traffic obey the posted speed limit. Three signs have already been installed, while a fourth should be installed this spring.



Overnight Parking on Streets

In Randolph, local ordinance 31-91 prohibits parking any vehicles on the streets of the township between 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. daily. If you need to request permission for overnight parking, you must contact the Randolph Police Department and speak with the police dispatcher. Overnight parking requests will be considered for only short term, temporary time frames in which the resident has a legitimate and justified need to park on the street.

Examples of legitimate and justified needs are considered to be, but not limited to, driveway resurfacing/resealing, construction projects, and/or visitors from out of town who are staying at the home. Requests for overnight parking will not be considered and/or granted as a simple matter of convenience or for extended periods of time.

Randolph Rescue Squad

A New Year - Community Service Continues

Each new year ushers in a renewal of dedication for Randolph Rescue Squad members, especially for our recently elected Officers and Board Members: President, Christopher Zelley; Vice-President, Adam Glauberg; Treasurer, Michele Dempsey; Secretary, Celine Pedalino; Captain, Justin Lash; Lieutenants, Jordyn Bolan and Deanna Vaccaro; Sergeant, Marco Petrozzino; Board Member-from-the-Floor, Kiran Shetty, and Member-at-Large, Fred Zelley.

2023 was a busy year with over 900 calls completed. At our installation gathering in early January, we thanked and recognized our members for their accomplishments. Throughout the year, we thank our families for their understanding as we respond to calls and provide stand-bys. Most sincerely, we thank our Randolph Township Council members, Mayor, Township Manager, and municipal staff as well as our residents for their financial generosity and emotional support.

Traditionally, awards are announced during our annual Installation Dinner. We clap and smile, take photos, offer congratulations, and enjoy this very special time expressing our appreciation for one another. Awards presented at this year's dinner included: new EMT status, Cross Over from junior member to adult member, Community Service at blood drives, stand-bys, and food truck festivals.

Honorable Service such as maintaining supplies, managing call charting requirements, delivering mental health assistance, military service, achieving life members status, top call takers (Jesse Glauberg, Adam Glauberg, Brend Eschelbacher, and Erin Costello), Call-of-the-Year (Brenden Eschelbacher and Elijah Mure), Captain's Award (Deanna Vaccaro), years of service citations (Harold Katchen and Helen Ray, 35 years for both) and Bill Stroh, 40 years. To his surprise, the rare and distinguished Career Dedication Award was presented to Jim McConnell for his extraordinary 50 years of service with RRS.

The Randolph Rescue Squad hopes you will JOIN US. Reward yourself with a sense of satisfaction and pride. Extend your life skills. Become a better listener, collaborator, and leader. Learn about and respect those who face difficult health challenges and help save lives.



Reminders:

- ✓ **DIAL 9-1-1** in an emergency. Provide the location and nature of the emergency. Give a list of the patient's medications and/or special needs for the Crew.
- ✓ **STAND-BYS:** Send an email to info@randolphrescue.org or captain@randolphrescue.org. Make a detailed request with as much prior notice as possible.
- ✓ **RRS WEBSITE:** www.Randolphrescue.org
- ✓ **UPCOMING BLOOD DRIVES** at RRS Headquarters on Route 10 West are scheduled for April 25, June 20, August 15, October 10, December 26. Hours are 10:45 a.m. to 7:45 p.m. Register via our website or stop in.
- ✓ **FOOD TRUCK FESTIVALS:** April 27 and Oct. 26 at Lot 1, County College of Morris.
- ✓ **RRS PRESIDENT:** contact Christopher Zelley via president@randolphrescue.org.
- ✓ **Membership applications** are available on the RRS website or email your questions to info@randolphrescue.org.
- ✓ **SPECIAL DONATIONS REQUEST:** Do you have clothing or shoes no longer needed? Deposit your donations in the clothing bin at RRS Headquarters on Route 10 West. Thank you for your generosity.
- ✓ **FOLLOW US** on Facebook and Instagram. Visit the RRS page on LinkedIn via <https://www.linkedin.com/company/randolph-rescue-squad>

SPECIAL REQUEST:

Do you have clothing or shoes that are no longer needed? Deposit your donations in the bin at RRS Headquarters on Route 10 West.



Library Programs

Registration may be required. Register online at www.randolphlibrarynj.org or call the library. Children's programs that require registration are open to Randolph residents, children who are full-time attendees of schools located in Randolph, and children of parents who work in Randolph. Residents may register for children's programs one week before the program; non-residents may register one day before a program if space is available.

Children's Programs

Drop-In Storytimes

April 8 to June 6

Story-Go-Round

(ages 2 to 3 1/2 years)

Mondays (closed 5/27)

9:45 to 10:10 a.m.

Nursery Rhyme Time

(ages 0 to 23 months)

Mondays (closed 5/27)

10:30 to 10:55 a.m.

Family Storytime (all ages)

Tuesdays, Thursdays

10:00 to 10:30 a.m.

Wiggles and Giggles

(ages 3 to 5 years)

Wednesdays

10:00 to 10:30 a.m.

Saturday Storytime (all ages)

Saturdays: April 6 and May 11

11:00 to 11:30 a.m.

Book Clubs

Book Clubs for Grades 1 & up

Join us on a reading adventure as we discuss a different book each month. Books are provided and may be picked up at the Circulation Desk. Please read the book before the meeting. Registration for all sessions is required and is limited to 10 participants. All meetings will be held in the library. Registration for Randolph children is ongoing when space is available.

Chapter Chats for Grades 3 & 4

Mondays, April 15 and May 13:30 to 5:00 p.m.

Please contact Miss Mary Ellen for details.

My First Book Club for Grades 1 & 2

Tuesdays, April 16 and May 14

4:30 to 5:00 p.m.

Please contact Miss Kerrie for details.

Riveting Reads for Grades 5 & 6

Wednesdays, April 17 and May 15

4:30 to 5:00 p.m.

Please contact Miss Mary Ellen for details.

Tween Titles for Grades 7 & 8

Thursdays, April 18, and May 16

4:30 to 5:00 p.m.

Please contact Miss Kerrie for details..

Programs

Weis Cooking & Food Class

Dates and times to be determined. Please check the website for details.

Grades K to 3

Come and try a healthy snack recipe!

Presented by Registered Dietician, Kimberly Varner. Registration for children is required and begins at 10:00 a.m. one week prior to the program.

Weis Cooking & Food Class

Dates and times to be determined. Please check the website for details.

Ages 3 to 5

Come and try a healthy snack recipe!

Presented by Registered Dietician, Kimberly Varner. Registration for children is required and begins at 10:00 a.m. one week prior to the program.

Take It and Make It Craft: April

Monday, April 1

9:00 a.m. to closing

Grades PreK to 2

Help us celebrate April with a craft! Craft kits will be available in the Lobby while supplies last.

Eclipse Program

Thursday, April 4

7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Grades 1 to 5

Let's learn about the 2024 Total Solar Eclipse happening on Monday, April 8. We'll learn about the eclipse, and have eclipse glasses to hand out. Registration for children is required and begins on March 28 at 10:00 a.m.

Jelly Bean Bingo & Bowling

Monday, April 8

4:30 to 5:15 p.m.

Ages 4 to 12

Play Bingo using jelly beans. We'll also enjoy bowling. Registration for children is required and begins on April 1 at 10:00 a.m.

Yoga Storytime

Tuesday, April 18 and May 14

11:00 to 11:30 a.m.

Ages 2 to 5

Join us as we read books and bring them to life as we slither like snakes, hop like frogs and bark like dogs. Through songs and stories we bend, stretch, breathe and move while having fun learning yoga poses.

Presented by Pamela Nixon. Registration for children is required and begins at 10:00 a.m. one week prior to the program.

STEAM Explorers

Tuesdays, April 30 and May 21

4:30 to 5:00 p.m.

Grades K to 2

Have fun with STEAM at this interactive, hands-on program. Registration for children is required and begins at 10:00 a.m. one week prior to the program.

Thursday Thing

Thursdays, April 25 and May 23

7:00 to 7:45 p.m.

Grades K to 5

You'll never know what we have planned. Watch our posters in the library and check our website to find out. Registration for children is required and begins at 10:00 a.m. one week prior to the program.

Move & Groove with Miss Jolie

Fridays, April 5 and May 24

10:00 to 10:45 a.m.

Ages birth to 5

Experience the joy of music and movement in this fun-filled, interactive music program. Registration for children is required and begins at 10:00 a.m. one week prior to the program.

Randolph Library's 60th Birthday Bash

Saturday, May 4

11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

All ages

We are going to party like it's 1964! Watch for details on our website and/or register for our weekly email newsletter.

Take It and Make It Craft:

Mother's Day

Monday, May 6

9:00 a.m. to closing

Grades PreK to 2

Help us celebrate Mother's Day with a craft! Craft kits will be available in the Lobby while supplies last.

Take It and Make It Craft:

Father's Day

Monday, June 3

9:00 a.m. to closing

Grades PreK to 2

Help us celebrate Father's Day with a craft! Craft kits will be available in the Lobby while supplies last.

"Happy Birthday to Us" Summer Reading Club

Friday, June 14 to Wednesday, August 7

Preschool through Grade 6

Registration in-person for Randolph children begins June 14 and will be ongoing throughout the club. Read and win prizes! Members of the club will enjoy ice cream and entertainment at the Summer Reading Club Picnic on August 7.

"Happy Birthday to Us" Teen Summer Reading Club

Thursday, June 14 to Wednesday, August 7

Grades 6 through 12

Registration in-person for Randolph teens begins June 14 and will be ongoing throughout the club. Read and win prizes!

Miss Jolie Bubble Show

Thursday, June 20

7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

All ages

All the fun of Miss Jolie and bubbles too. Registration for children and adults is required and begins on June 13 at 10:00 a.m.

Science Heroes: Saving Earth Together

Thursday, June 27

7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

All ages

Join us on a treasure-hunting adventure deep within the jungle. In this interactive show we'll learn about air pressure, energy transfer and more. Presented by Talewise. Registration for children and adults is required and begins on June 20 at 10:00 a.m.

The Randolph Township Free Public Library also offers a Teen Advisory Board (TAB), the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program, and a StoryWalk at Veterans Park. Please check our website, www.randolphlibrarynj.org, for complete details on our Storytime schedule as well as more detailed information on our programs.

Adult Programs (Ages 14+)

Registration is required for most programs and begins two weeks prior to the program date. Please check the library website for programming changes and further information.

Afternoon Gentle Chair Yoga with Pam Nixon

Tuesdays, April 9, 16, 23, 30 at 1:00 p.m.

(Register for individual classes)

Art Journaling with Mou Saha

Wednesday, April 10 at 7:00 p.m.

Inventing Baseball with Sam Bernstein

Wednesday, May 1 at 7:00 p.m.

Making Informed Food Choices with Kristen Eannetta

Tuesday, May 7 at 7:00 p.m.

Adapting Small Farm Methods to a Backyard Garden with Bracco Farms

Wednesday, May 22 at 7:00 p.m.

Get That Photo Collection Organized with Mike Skara

Wednesday, June 5 at 7:00 p.m.

Library programs below are open to all ages - Registration is not required

Comedy Show with Al Cheli

Sunday, April 7 at 2:00 p.m.

Last Call Duo

Sunday, May 19 at 2:00 p.m.

FREE OUTDOOR SUMMER CONCERTS BEGIN

Monday, June 24 at 7:00 p.m.

(rain or shine)

Randolph Economic Development Committee

The Randolph Economic Development Committee (EDC) is looking forward to the new year and new initiatives that we will pursue in our ongoing efforts to support the local business community.

There are several activities that are part of our regular annual initiatives. Some of these include our "Local Business Awareness and Outreach Efforts". We solicit existing local businesses to share their story, and we reach out to new businesses to support their introduction to the town. We encourage them to hold grand opening ribbon cuttings to spotlight their welcome to Randolph Township.

We also provide a "New Business Welcome Packet" to any business that is starting up in our town. This packet offers many helpful hints as well as outlines the support that is available from the town and the EDC.

The EDC promotes our "Shop Local" message through several campaigns throughout the year. We have created a coupon booklet that offers many discounts and offers to local residents. This booklet is available in hard copy as well as electronically on our website; www.randolphlocal.com

And finally, our social media support is second to none. The EDC posts and shares regularly about local happenings, business support messages and helpful information for our local residents & businesses. We maintain an active Facebook, Instagram & LinkedIn presence.

Facebook: @rtnjedc, **Instagram:** @randolphedc, **LinkedIn:** Township of Randolph

The EDC meets monthly and maintains a refreshing energy as ideas for the new year are discussed. Our goal is to provide ongoing and useful support for our business community. As always, visit our website at: www.randolphnjedc.com

2024 Health Screenings

The Township of Randolph offers a variety of health screenings and programs throughout the year to promote and protect the health of township residents.

To pre-register for any of these clinics and screenings, please call the Health Department at 973-989-7050. Please note some of the clinics/screenings have registration cut-offs.

If you have any questions before or after your participation at a clinic or screening, please contact the Public Health Nurses at 973-537-7118.

Cancer Screenings

Who: Men ages 45-75 years old. Screenings include a digital rectal exam and breast exam, prostate specific antigen blood test, urinalysis, blood pressure check, FIT test (testing for blood in the stool) and health education counseling. The PSA Blood test/urinalysis needs to be completed prior to the program. You must register by 5/17/24 and have a blood test completed by 5/24/24 to participate.

Women ages 18 and up. Screenings include a Pap test, pelvic and breast exam, FIT test (blood in stool), mammography referral (if eligible) and health education counseling.

Dates:

Male Screening - June 5

Female Screening - May 21

Time: 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Where: Morristown Medical Center Health Pavilion, 333 Mt. Hope Avenue, Rockaway, NJ

Fee: Males \$45.00, senior citizens \$40.00 Females \$55.00, senior citizens \$50.00

Pre-registration: Required by contacting the Health Department, paperwork and payment must be completed to secure your spot. Deadline to register is one week prior to the clinic date. Call 973-989-7050.

Skin Cancer Screenings

Who: Screenings are available to all Randolph residents.

Date and Time: April 18 from 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Where: Morristown Medical Center Health Pavilion, 333 Mt. Hope Avenue, Rockaway, NJ

Fee: Free

Pre-registration: Required – Appointments are limited, first come, first serve, by calling 973-989-7050.

CHEM-23

CHEM-23 is a comprehensive blood test used to provide valuable information about the general state of your health. Information obtained may be used to recommend dietary or lifestyle changes. The test also aids in detecting abnormalities that may be causing specific symptoms and can be useful in evaluating a specific health condition and monitoring the effectiveness of its treatment. Blood pressure checks are also conducted in conjunction with each session.

Who: Screenings are available to all Randolph residents 18 and older.

Date and Time: May 17 at 8:00 a.m.

Where: Randolph Township Municipal Building

Fee: \$35.00/\$25.00 for over 65 years of age

Pre-registration: Required by calling the Health Department 973-989-7050.

In addition, new clients or those with a new physician will need to provide a signed consent form from their doctor in order to participate. Appointments are necessary; each session is limited to fifty participants.

Child Health Conferences (birth to age 18)

Child health conferences, including full health assessment and immunizations, are conducted on scheduled clinic dates.

Who: Services are available to qualified residents. Children from birth to age 18 who meet financial guidelines.

Dates: May 15, September 18, October 16, November 20

Fee: Free

Appointments required by calling the Public Health Nurses at 973-537-7118 for eligibility requirements and assessment.

Vaccines for Children (VFC):

All ACIP recommended vaccines available to children from birth through 18 years old, with Medicare Part A or uninsured, by appointment only.

Flu Clinics:

- Randolph offers flu vaccines to anyone over 6 months of age and above. Dates, times and locations are posted on the website www.randolphnj.org in August as flu season approaches and our supply of vaccine arrives.
- The fee is \$20.00 for flu, or free to those with Medicare Part B ONLY. Those with any Medicare co-pay plans must self submit for reimbursement.
- Advanced registration for the clinics is not required. Home visits are available for those with special needs by calling the Public Health Nurses at 973-537-7118.

Covid vaccination is available to homebound residents by appointment, please call 973-537-7118.

Adult Immunization Program:

What: 317 Funded Vaccines for Adults (19 years and older) This program is offered through the 317-funded program for vaccines for adults. The vaccines that are offered are: Covid, Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B, Human Papillomavirus (HPV), Measles/Mumps/Rubella (MMR), Meningococcal, Meningitis B, Prevnar 20, Tdap, Varicella, Zoster (Shingles, Herpes Zoster) and Influenza.

Who: 19 years and older

Dates: April 9, May 14, June 11, July 9, by appointment only.

Fee: Fee for service or FREE to those uninsured or underinsured. "Underinsured" means insurance will not pay for any portion of the vaccine at all.

Appointments required by calling the Public Health Nurses at 973-537-7118.

Zoning Q&A

Q. What types of construction require a Residential Zoning Permit?

A. Zoning permits are required for the construction, erection, demolition or major alteration of any structure including, but not limited to, fences, decks, pools, sheds, building additions and interior alterations.

Q. Can I store my commercial vehicles at my home?

A. You may store one commercially registered vehicle if it is a standard size van or pickup. Anything larger must be garaged. Please call the Zoning Officer for more details at 973-537-7128.

Q. Can I store my RV or boat at my home?

A. You may park such vehicles on your property as long as they are properly screened. Please call the Zoning Officer for the regulations.

Q. Can I sell my car from my home?

A. You may sell only one car at a time and it must be located on your property.

Q. Do I need a permit for a shed?

A. You must get a zoning approval for any size shed. You must also get a building permit for a shed larger than 200 square feet.

Q. Can I put my shed anywhere on my property?

A. No, all freestanding accessory structures (i.e. pools, sheds, garages), must meet certain setbacks for your zone. Call the Zoning Officer for details.

Q. Can garden sheds 100 square feet or less be placed closer to the property lines?

A. Yes, each property may have one garden shed within the required setbacks up to five feet from a property line.

Q. What hours may residents and landscapers operate lawn mowers?

A. Lawn mowers with a muffler may be operated between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. weekdays and 9:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. on weekends and legal holidays.

Q. Can I use heavy machinery in my yard on the weekends?

A. No, construction with heavy machinery is prohibited on weekends and at night. Tree clearing, earth moving, and demolition are included, as well as all construction projects. The police will respond to any violations.

Q. When do I need a lot grading permit?

A. When land disturbance involves the construction of 1,000 square feet or more of new impervious area or 2,500 square feet or more of new soil disturbance, except for normal agricultural operations in connection with a farming operation. Contact the Engineering Department for details at 973-989-7066.

Q. Do I need a permit to cut down trees?

A. Yes, contact the Planning Department for details at 973-989-7080.

Q. Are there any additional requirements if my property is located near a river, stream, lake or any freshwater wetland or transition area?

A. Yes, NJDEP regulations limit the types of construction activities in these areas. It is recommended that residents review their proposed projects with the Engineering/Planning staff in the early planning phases.

Q. How far from my house must a pool be located?

A. In addition to rear and side yard setbacks, pools must be at least 12 feet from the principle structure.