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Frank M. Corso, Jr. named Lodi's "Fireman of the Year"



NOMINATION FOR FIREMAN OF THE YEAR

It is certainly a privilege and my pleasure to recommend Frank M. Corso as Fireman of The Year.

Frank is a life-long resident of Lodi, born here on September 2, 1925. He attended Lodi public schools and graduated in 1942.

He started working as a carpenter (in what became his life-long profession) immediately after graduation, until he joined the U.S. Marine Corps at the age of 17 in 1943 at the height of World War II. He was sent to Paris Island, South Carolina for his basic training, and upon completion was immediately shipped

out to serve in the South Pacific Theatre. There, he saw duty on the Island of Guadalcanal and took part in the fierce 72-day battle to secure the Island of Okinawa. He was then re-deployed to China where he served until his discharge in 1946.

Upon returning to civilian life, he immediately became involved in our community. Initially, Frank started as an usher at St. Francis de Sales Church and then served on the fund raising committee to build a new school on the Church grounds. Upon completion, he volunteered to be part of a committee to do all building repairs on Church property.

His other activities include:

1. Member of the Parish Council
2. Past President of the Holy Name Society.
3. Past President of the Lodi Seniors Club
4. President of the AARP
5. Chairman of the Environmental Committee
6. Member of the Lodi Fire Department for 60 years.

Frank joined the Lodi Fire Department in February of 1948, and is still going strong after a span of 60 years of dedicated service.

Frank is happily married to the former Marie Serino Carso of Lyndhurst for 59 years. They have two daughters, Mary and Nancy, and two grandchildren, Jaclyn and Christopher.

Frank is still very active. He works part time for the Borough of Lodi in the Fire Prevention Bureau, and also serves as the Public Street Light Coordinator. In addition, he oversees and maintains the flags throughout the Borough. As Municipal Manager, I have used him extensively for special problems that may arise. I can think of no finer individual to recommend for the "Fireman of the Year" award.

Tony Luna, Municipal Manager

Life History of Frank M. Corso, Jr.

Frank was born to his parents Theresa and Frank Sr. on September 2, 1925 in Lodi. Frank attended Lodi Public Schools and was graduated in 1942. At the age of 16 years, he worked at the Lodi High School cafeteria for \$2.40 a month. Frank got his working papers at the age of 15, when he worked at the Amaloid factory during the summer. After graduation from high school, he worked as a carpenter. He then worked for the Army Air Force in Lodi until September 1943.

At 17, Frank joined the U.S. Marine Corps. Frank left on November 3, 1943 to go to boot camp at Paris Island, South Carolina. After Paris Island, he had leave and then went back to bridging school. Frank shipped out to the South Pacific in April 1944. His training was done on Guadalcanal. He was in the battle of Okinawa that took 72 days to secure the island. Frank stayed behind to build a chapel at the 6th Marine Cemetery. He was also involved in building the largest Bailey bridge in the South Pacific. Spanning the Naha River on Okinawa, this was built to get tanks across the river. When Frank left Okinawa, he was sent to "r-and-r", then was shipped to China. He was one of the men who built the platform for the Japanese surrender on September 2, 1945 in Tsingtao, China. In April of 1946, he was shipped home after 25 months in the South Pacific. He was then discharged in Maryland on May 1, 1946.

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Borough observes Fire Prevention Week



The Lodi Fire Prevention Bureau recently commemorated another Fire Prevention Week at the beginning of October, as we do every year. This year's program proved to be a success, as well. The "Prevent Home Fires" program was conducted throughout the Lodi Public Schools for all children grades Pre K through 12 and at the Lodi Senior Citizen's Club.

With special thanks to all the Lodi Volunteer Firefighters who helped make our event a success, we would especially like to thank Firefighter Anthony Laverty, Firefighter Brian Cappadonna, Firefighter Jonathon Kazemaine, Firefighter Anthony Melucci, Firefighter Ricardo Rodrigues, and Timothy Wanco. It is because of their hard work and dedication to the cause that we were able to get our message out.

As we do every year to close out Fire Prevention Week, our Open House, which was held at the Kennedy Drive Fire House was also a success. Hosting to approximately 750 people, children enjoyed fire themed give-aways, demonstrations by Sergeant John Calabrese of the Bergen County Sheriff's Department, Officer Justin Wanco of the Fort Lee Police Department Emergency Services Unit and the Sheriff's Mounted Deputy Unit, as well as the Smoke House and Sparky the Fire Dog. This year, the Fire Prevention Bureau raffled off two eight-foot Christmas Stockings, which were won by Keri Alberti and Melissa Lolacono.

Pictured above is Fire Marshal Paul Wanco, Fire Inspector Chuck Guarino, and Thomas Jefferson Middle School student Anthony Gilio.

Message from the Mayor

On behalf of the entire Council, I want to thank the overwhelming participation on our first town-wide garage sale.

Over 100 families participated in the garage sale, and we hope to be able to continue this event on a yearly basis.

We welcome your comments and suggestions on how to improve the event for the future.

Mayor Marc N. Schrieks

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NEWS FROM BOROUGH HALL

Lodi Borough Hall
1 Memorial Drive
Lodi, NJ 07644

Borough Hall hours

Effective September through December 2008, the following Borough offices will be open from 8:30 A.M. to 8 P.M. on the dates below:

FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU
INSPECTIONS DEPARTMENT
VITAL STATISTICS
ZONING DEPARTMENT
TAX ASSESSOR

Dates:

Monday, November 17, 2008
Monday, December 15, 2008

Office of the Tax Assessor

Office hours for the Tax Assessor are as follows:

Monday evenings: 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Thursdays: 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

The contact person for the Tax Assessor's Office is Virginia Hascup during normal business hours of 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Telephone - 973-859-7415
Fax - 973-859-7464

Resident Parking Permit Requirements

To obtain a parking permit, the resident must supply a driver's license and a valid registration showing a Lodi address. Every tenant must have a Certificate of Occupancy from the landlord.

The resident sticker is to be placed on the rear window of the driver's side, in the lower left corner of the registered vehicle.

When a vehicle is no longer registered (example: if a car is sold), then the resident must return the sticker to the parking enforcement office located in the Tax Assessor's Office - Room 103, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

SPECIAL HOURS FOR STICKERS ON A MONDAY NIGHT ARE:

OCTOBER 20, 2008
NOVEMBER 17, 2008
DECEMBER 15, 2008

IMPORTANT NOTICE from the Lodi Health Center

Parents who are planning to bring their children to the clinic for the influenza vaccine must call to reserve the vaccine.

THIS SERVICE IS FOR FAMILIES WHO DO NOT HAVE HEALTH INSURANCE. Call Nurse Valerie at 973-859-7409.

Lodi Police Department: driving at night

This month, we mark the end of daylight savings time and we will be turning clocks back, thus it will be darker early. Many of us drive to work in the dark and return in the dark. Driving at night presents certain challenges.

Are you aware that traffic death rates are three times greater at night than during the day? Many of us are unaware of night driving's special hazards, or don't know effective ways to deal with them.

Why is night driving so dangerous? One obvious answer is darkness. Ninety percent of a driver's reaction depends on vision, and vision is severely limited at night. Depth perception, color recognition, and peripheral vision are compromised after sundown. Older drivers have even greater difficulties seeing at night. A 50-year-old driver may need twice as much light to see as well as a 30-year old. Another factor adding danger to night driving is fatigue. Drowsiness makes driving more difficult by dulling concentration and slowing reaction time.

Fortunately, you can take several effective measures to minimize these after-dark dangers by preparing your car and following special guidelines while you drive. The National Safety Council recommends these steps:

- Prepare your car for night driving. Keep headlights, tail lights, signal lights and windows (inside and out) clean.
- Have your headlights properly aimed. Mis-aimed headlights blind other drivers and reduce your ability to see the road.
- Don't drink and drive. Not only does alcohol severely impair your driving ability, it also acts as a depressant. Just one drink can induce fatigue.
- Avoid smoking when you drive. Smoke's nicotine and carbon monoxide hamper night vision.
- If there is any doubt, turn your headlights on. Lights will not help you see better in early twilight, but they'll make it easier for other drivers to see you. Being seen is as important as seeing.
- Reduce your speed and increase your following distances. It is more difficult to judge other vehicle's speeds and distances at night.
- Don't overdrive your headlights. You should be able to stop inside the illuminated area. If you're not, you are creating a blind crash area

in front of your vehicle.

- When following another vehicle, keep your headlights on low beams so you don't blind the driver ahead of you.

- If an oncoming vehicle doesn't lower beams from high to low, avoid glare by watching the right edge of the road and using it as a steering guide.

- Make frequent stops for light snacks and exercise. If you're too tired to drive, stop and get rest.

- If you have car trouble, pull off the road as far as possible. Warn approaching traffic at once by setting up reflecting triangles near your vehicle and 300 feet behind it. Turn on flashers and the dome light. Stay off the roadway and get passengers away from the area.

- Observe night driving safety as soon as the sun goes down. Twilight is one of the most difficult times to drive, because your eyes are constantly changing to adapt to the growing darkness.

Vincent J. Caruso,
Chief of Police

Lodi Memorial Library announces new hours

Effective Monday, November 3, 2008, the hours of the Lodi Memorial Library will be as follows:

Mon-Wed: 12:30 - 8:00
Thurs-Sat: 9:30 - 5:00

These new hours are being established so that funds can be made available to buy new books and other materials for the residents of Lodi. Now when library users come into the Lodi Library, they will hear, "YES, we can get that item for you" - as long as the item meets the selection policies of the library.

For even more frequent notices and announcements, visit the Borough of Lodi's web site at www.lodi-nj.org.

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NEWS FROM BOROUGH HALL (CONT.)

From the Office of Borough Manager Tony Luna: RECYCLING

One of the most difficult problems facing local governments today is garbage disposal. The enormity of that problem is vividly expressed in the cost of dumping fees far exceeding the cost of collection.

After Bergen County closed its last landfill, the New Jersey Legislature responded to the crisis by adopting laws which make recycling of certain materials mandatory. (Refer to the recycling schedule in this publication).

Recycling is an enormous and complicated undertaking. Its success depends upon maximum public acceptance and public cooperation.

Participation in the recycling program is not a matter of choice. State laws forbid municipal garbage collectors from taking any waste which contains recycling materials.

We have the Borough's Recycling Ordinance, as well as the garbage collection contracts, specifically forbidding the collection of household waste containing recyclable materials.

Apart from being the law, mandatory recycling makes good sense in terms of conservation of dwindling natural resources and in terms of tax savings. Dumping fees for household garbage could possibly reach \$100.00 per ton, and many thousand of tons are

collected in Lodi each year.

The goal of recycling is to achieve a reduction in the volume of regular collection. If this is accomplished, and with your cooperation, enormous savings will be realized in our future dumping fee costs. Since your tax dollars pay these fees, those savings will be reflected in our tax bills.

Failure to adhere to the Recycling Ordinance will result in fines to both residents and the collection contractor.

Since our garbage contract does not allow for the pickup of building materials, there have been several instances of illegal dumping on side streets, vacant lots and private dumpsters. I am not saying that all dumping has been done by Lodi residents. It is possible that people from other communities are dumping. Therefore, I am appealing to all residents to act as an extra set of eyes for our Police Department to help apprehend these offenders.

If you see anyone dumping illegally, please call the police immediately at 973-473-7600. I am not asking you to become police officers, just to react as concerned citizens.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation,

Tony Luna
Municipal Manager

Municipal Court Schedule

November 3, 1:00 pm
November 13, 2:00 pm and 5:00 pm
November 24, 2:00 pm and 5:00 pm

Hours of Operation: 8:30am to 3:30pm (window)
4:00pm Office

Court: Two Thursdays per month 2:00pm and 5:00pm

Payments for tickets, fines and bail can be made by cash, check, money order and credit card.

Payments of any kind cannot be taken at window past 3:30pm. There is a website available for paying traffic tickets and fines at www.NJMCDIRECT.com.

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Citizen gathering - Library

December 5, 2008 ~ Everyone is Welcome

News from the Lodi Recreation Department

The **Lodi Recreation Soccer League** concluded their season on Saturday, October 18, with the two hundred participants receiving a medal. Recreation soccer is an in-town league played on Saturdays in the fall. Registration for fall soccer is in June, and practice begins in the summer.

The **travel soccer league** is finishing up their season in November with a couple of our teams, boys U-10 and U-11, having no losses at this time. The remainder of the travel teams is enjoying much success as well, with one or two losses each.

Our **wrestling practice** will begin the second week in November, and is for residents from second through eighth grades. Practice is held at the Lodi Recreation Wrestling Building on Kimming Avenue (behind the Ambulance Corps).

Basketball clinics are being held at the Lodi Boys and Girls Club in preparation for the upcoming basketball season, which is co-sponsored by Lodi Recreation and the Lodi Boys and Girls Club.

Save the date for the **Borough Tree Lighting**, which is being held at the Lodi Municipal Complex on Friday, December 5, at 7:00 p.m. Santa and Mrs. Claus will be in town along with the Lodi High School Choir, the Lodi High School Marching Band, and the Lodi High School Cheerleaders.

For further information, please call the Lodi Recreation Department at 973-365-4005, ext. 425.

AARP NEWS

Lodi AARP Chapter 2015 is looking for new members.

New members must have a National Card. Meetings are held at 1:00 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month at the Lodi Boys & Girls Club, 360 Passaic Avenue, Lodi, New Jersey.

Many trips, bus rides, dinners, and luncheons are being held and many plans are being made for the future. Food and turkeys are being collected for food pantries at St. Francis and St. Joseph's Churches.

Come join us and help us work together. For information, please call Frank Corso, Jr., President, at 973-778-5895.



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LODI COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

Pancake Breakfasts benefit Lodi American Legion fundraising campaign

Rochelle Park's American Legion Post 170 is sponsoring a pancake breakfast on the first Sunday of each month to help out their fellow veterans and neighbors at the Lodi American Legion Post 136, whose Post home was leveled by a devastating fire.

The November 2, 2008 breakfast kicks-off the Lodi Legion's 2008 Autumn fund raising campaign at Post 170's home, 33 West Passaic Street, Rochelle Park. Breakfasts are scheduled for November 2 and December 7, 2008. (Dates are subject to change so please call to confirm the dates.)

Acting Post 136 Commander, Howard F. Sowle thanked Commander Bob Salvini, and the officers and members of the Rochelle Park Post for sponsoring the breakfast and their past efforts to help the Lodi Legion's rebuilding program. "The Rochelle Park American Legion and its SAL and Auxiliary Units, have bent over backwards to help us out both financially and by providing moral support," said Sowle. "We have always pledged to give back to the veterans and the community we serve more than we are given. Thanks to Post 170's help, that pledge is closer to reality".

Post 136 plans to break ground for its new Post home as soon as the necessary permits are approved by the Borough of Lodi and the N.J. Department of Environmental Protection.

Commander Dan Wesch, who is currently on sick leave, observed that the fire insurance on the building covered less than half of the estimated cost to replace the Post home. Those wishing to help rebuild the Post home may send their tax-deductible donation to The American Legion Post 136 Rebuilding Fund, PO Box 36, Lodi, NJ 07644-0036.

Lodi Ambulance Youth Corps

Who said the youth of America is heading in the wrong direction?

Too many times today, we question the values of the "young" generation: drugs, delinquency, disillusionment, non-goal oriented, etc.

For the past decade plus, the Lodi Volunteer Ambulance Rescue Squad has had in place a Youth Corps, made up of young men and women ages 16 and 17. They are instructed in the basics of first aid, CPR, and a number of other courses. They ride the ambulances with senior members, and learn first-hand the responsibilities and duties of a corps person.

They wash ambulances, keep the corps building in order, and a number of other chores with their fellow senior members, when not on a call. They learn compassion, they learn responsibility, and they learn duty to the corps and the people they serve.

These are young men and women who are required to maintain above average grades in school, in order to retain their membership. After serving in the Youth Corps, many become regular members when they reach the age of 18. They are the future of our community!

Many of our youth squad members have gone on to become successful in the sciences, arts and business world. Our current group lists scholarship recipients, athletes and community leaders.

So the next time you might happen to question the values of the young generation, they've joined the Lodi Ambulance Youth Corps. We're most proud of them, and you should be also. They are a credit to their parents and our community.

Joseph Diorio

Little League scholarship program

2009 Scholarship is open

The Lodi Old Timers' Little League has announced the opening of its Scholarship program for 2009.

The scholarships are open to all high school seniors who played at least three years of baseball or softball in any Lodi Little League Program. Two scholarships will be awarded: one to a male and one to a female in the amount of \$500.00 each.

Scholarships applications can be picked up in your Guidance office or at the Lodi Little League Clubhouse. **Applications are due back no later than April 3, 2009.** Winners will be announced in June 2009.

If you have any questions, please call the Little League at 973-473-4790.

Lodi Seniors News

At the regular meeting of the Lodi Seniors on September 23rd, a luncheon was arranged for all members by William Nunno, Esq., Alisa Nunno Di Chiara, Esq., and the Hon. Tracie Nunno D'Amico, son-in-law and grandchildren, respectively of Anthony and Marie Chinni, who are members of the club. Sandwiches, salads, soda, cake and coffee were served.

In other news, Fred Beyl was honored as one of the outstanding volunteers of Lodi at a luncheon held at the Graycliff, Moonachie, New Jersey on October 26th. He was awarded a plaque and gave a short speech thanking everyone who nominated him. Mildred Mobilio, President of the Seniors read a note given to her by Fred's daughter and son-in-law, who could not attend the luncheon, congratulating him and wishing him well. Fred is active in many programs in Lodi.

Also, the Lodi Seniors are preparing their slate of candidates for election to the Board of Directors, including the officers and Board members. The slate will be announced at the regular meeting on November 11th. The election will take place on November 25th. Anyone wishing to nominate a candidate must attend the meeting.

Tickets for the Seniors' annual Christmas party, which will be held on December 10th at the Venetian in Garfield, will be sold at our regular meetings on November 11th and November 25th, at a cost of \$40.00 per person. Anyone wishing to purchase tickets should go to the club before 12:00 on the dates set forth.

The club holds meetings every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 1:00. Every Thursday, the club is open from 1:00 to 3:00 for line dancing, card playing, chit-chat, bocce when the weather permits, game playing, etc. In addition, there is a Senior Bus which will pick you up and take you to the club if you do not have transportation. Please call 973-472-6994 for information.

Lodi Moose - The Family Fraternity

An international organization of men and women, dedicated to caring for young and old, bringing communities closer together and celebrating life.

Upcoming Lodge & Chapter Events

• November 21, 7PM - Friday Family Night - Thanksgiving Dinner

Meeting Schedule

The Lodi Moose meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month at 7PM. The Women's Chapter of the Lodi Moose meets the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month at 7:30PM.

For information, talk to any officer or call the lodge at 201-342-7778.

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LODI COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

Cuccio donates photo album to Library

At a recent meeting of the Lodi Memorial Library Board of Trustees, former Mayor James Cuccio donated a photo album to the Lodi Memorial Library. Mr. Cuccio served as Mayor of Lodi in 1969.

The album is titled "Lodi Golf South – 1984 – 2001". It contains photos of many Lodi citizens who participated in the Florida outing over the eighteen-year period. This year, 2008, is the 25th anniversary of the "Lodi Golf South" outings.

Most of the pictures in the album are identified with the names of the participants. This photo album is an historic document that will be treasured as part of the collection of the Lodi Memorial Library. Anyone interested in viewing the album may do so at the library.



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Notes from Jefferson Middle School

Thomas Jefferson Middle School has experienced a wonderful start to the 2008-2009 school year. Some new programs combined with successful programs from years past will make the 2008-2009 school year the best ever.

Technology was a main focus for the 2007-2008 school year. Portable computer labs, multi-media carts, and Smart Boards have brought technology into the classrooms.

Students are learning Language Arts and Math skills to help prepare them for the NJ Ask Tests utilizing an interactive internet testing program called Study Island. Students have access to this program at home and school.

All students will have a cycle of Technology Class where they will learn how to use Microsoft office software and surf the internet for research based sites. These tools will be used in their academic classes to do projects using Word, PowerPoint and the internet. Teachers are able to teach innovative lessons utilizing Multi Media Carts and Smart Boards. This makes learning both relevant and fun for the students.

TJMS is proud to announce its membership with the New Jersey Department of Education (NJ DOE)

and Elizabeth Boggs Developmental Center in a Positive Behavior Support in Schools (PBSIS) Grant. This program promotes and rewards positive behaviors in school. Students are recognized by TJMS Faculty and Staff members for simply following the rules. Teachers randomly give students RAM Ready Coupons when they are behaving in a manner that is Respectful, Responsible, Attentive and Mannerly. These coupons are placed in a bin from which weekly winners are chosen. Winners then spin a prize wheel to get a tangible reward. This program has students excited about being good in school.

November is election time for our country, it is also election time for TJMS. The students in the school have been following the election process by researching the candidates' platforms, watching the debates and researching party principles. The culmination of the election will be a Presidential Rally, Presidential debate and finally a mock election. It is the school's hope that this will help make the students civic minded and understand our nation's voting process.

It has been a fabulous two months of school, and everyone at TJMS looks forward to the same for the rest of the year.

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\$100 program fee includes bathing suit and bathing cap. Call for information

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Casino Night with a TEXAS HOLD 'EM Tournament Saturday, November 15, 2008

Doors Open 5:30pm • Sign in by 6:00pm • Games begin at 6:30pm

\$75 Buy-in for \$2,000 in Chips - Re-buys on the First Four (4) Rounds - 9 Players/ Table
Top 9 (Final Table) will receive prizes of \$3,000 in Bank Debit Cards plus other Gifts

Enjoy a fun evening that will include:

Mini Tournaments - 50/50 Raffles, Food, Beer, Wine, Soda & Cash Bar

No one under the age of 18 can attend - Proof of age required

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Children Beginners 6-7pm • Children Advanced 7-8pm • Saturdays 1:30-3:30pm - All children

Tuesday Adults 8:30-9:30pm • Saturday Adults 12noon-1pm

\$25 one time registration fee, \$40/month pd to Instructor, must be club member

\$150 for 6 months paid in advance • \$105 for 3 months paid in advance

Call 862-686-2725 or Club for more information

Want to be entertained, win money and save on gasoline?

Come play BINGO at the Boys & Girls Club of Lodi

Monday	12:15pm	\$1000 in prizes
Wednesday	12:15pm	\$1000 in prizes
Thursday	7:15pm	\$2000 in prizes
Friday	12:15pm	\$1000 in prizes
Friday	7:30pm	\$2000 in prizes
Saturday	11:15am	\$2000 in prizes
Sunday	1:15pm	\$3000 in prizes

Play on electronic hand sets, paper or both. Many special games, Pull Tabs, Keepers, Horse Race Bingo, Spin to Win and other games win additional big prizes. Lucky Ball at most sessions.

Join our Bingo Rewards Club and receive bonus points for every dollar you spend and exchange for some great gifts!

Winter Swim Lesson Schedule

First Session, Nov 6 - 25, or Second Session, Dec 4 - 23. 6 classes (2x a week - Tues. & Thurs.)

Saturday Session, Nov 8 - Dec 20. **No makeup classes for any session.**

Cost: \$75 for 1st child, \$65 for 2nd, & \$55 for 3rd. Call for class times or questions.

No classes the weekend of Thanksgiving

You do not have to be a member to take swimming lessons.

LODI 2008 RECYCLING SCHEDULE

ALL RECYCLING WILL BE PICKED UP TOWNWIDE ON WEDNESDAYS. ALL REGULAR GARBAGE/TRASH IS PICKED UP ON TUESDAYS & FRIDAYS. ALL RECYCLING AND GARBAGE MUST BE PLACED CURBSIDE AFTER 6PM ON THE NIGHT BEFORE SCHEDULED PICK UP, REGARDLESS OF THE WEATHER. ALL GARBAGE MUST BE PLACED IN GARBAGE CANS OR HEAVY DUTY PLASTIC BAGS ONLY.

	Wednesday	Wednesday
	Magazines, Cardboard, Newspapers	Cans Alum. & Tin Bottles & Jars All Plastic Bottles (except motor oil)
JULY	2 & 16	9 & 23
AUGUST	6 & 20	13 & 27
SEPTEMBER	3 & 17	10 & 24
OCTOBER	1 & 15	8 & 22
NOVEMBER	5 & 19	12 & 26
DECEMBER	3 & 17	10 & 24

THERE WILL NOT BE A RECYCLING PICK UP ON JULY 30, OCTOBER 29, AND DECEMBER 31

Magazines, Cardboard & Newspaper: Include glossy junk mail and brown paper bags. Cardboard must be flat and tied. All three can be bundled together.

Glass & Plastic: All glass and plastic bottles should be recycled. Place in rigid containers, NOT in plastic bags. Do not recycle motor oil bottles or plastic objects such as flowerpots or garbage pails.

Grass, Leaves & Yard Waste: First week in April until the last week in December. Grass can be mixed with yard waste and tree trimmings and placed in rigid containers, NOT in plastic bags. Tree branches not exceeding three feet in length and four inches in diameter must be bundled and tied. WILL BE PICKED UP ON YOUR RECYCLING DAY.

BEGINNING OCTOBER 1ST UNTIL OCTOBER 29TH – LEAF BAGS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED FREE OF CHARGE AT THE BORO HALL ROOM 103 – 973-859-7415 – 10 PER FAMILY. BAGS CAN ALSO BE PICKED UP AT THE DPW YARD ON SATURDAY MORNING UNTIL NOVEMBER 27TH.

Household Batteries: Batteries may be dropped off at Borough Hall – Room 108 or at the DPW Yard on Saturdays between the hours of 8:00 a.m. until 12 noon.

Metal or White Goods: Call DPW (973) 365-4068 for a pick up date. This includes refrigerators, (doors removed), washing machines, dryers, stoves, dishwashers, air conditioners, hot water heaters only. Before a hot water heater will be picked up, you must first obtain a plumbing permit from the Lodi Inspection Department (973) 859-7410.

Bulk Garbage: Carpets, non-metal furniture, mattresses and boxsprings are picked up on Tuesday and Friday with your regular garbage. Construction materials will not be picked up. Carpets must be tied in 3-foot lengths. Paint cans must be empty and dry.

Tires: Can be dropped off at the DPW Yard on Richmond Street on Saturday, October 4, 2008 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. They will no longer be picked up with the regular garbage pick up.

Christmas Trees: Will be picked up during the FIRST TWO WEEKS in January 2009 on your recycling day.

Recycling Center: Recyclables may be brought to the DPW Yard on Richmond Street on Saturdays only between the hours of 8:00 am until 12 noon. Recyclables must be dumped in proper containers.

Hazardous Waste: Computers & tires cannot be placed with regular garbage. Please call the BCUA at 201-807-8696.

LODI HIGH NEWS

The Lodi High School administration, faculty, students and staff are well into a productive 2008-2009 school year. Here is a glimpse of the many activities and programs planned to enhance learning throughout the year.

In a combined effort with the Technology Department, the Media Center's Online Databases and Reference Sources are now available to students at the Media Center's homepage on the Lodi School District's Webpage. Students will now have access 24/7 to newspapers, periodicals, and databases for health, history, literature, science, and careers.

The primary focus of the English classrooms is communicating through reading and writing. The continuous integration of technology in daily lesson planning is one goal for the 2008-2009 school year. The Language Arts teachers have been integral in registering all students with the new Turnitin software, a new tool which allows students to submit their work electronically.

In the grade 9 and 10 enrichment labs, freshmen and sophomores will continue to use Study Island, which will prepare them for the standardized tests in the spring.

A group video project for The House on Mango Street is planned for this year's sophomores. Working in groups, students will perform a skit from a scene of the novel and perform it for their peers and the faculty.

Power Point will be used in many of the courses this year. This tool will encourage self-expression and creativity to the assigned projects. Creating web pages for literary personalities and authors will be a new project for this year's juniors.

Seniors will be using Microsoft Publisher for brochures on Greek myths and Shakespeare and the Globe Theater. Seniors will role play to prepare for the job/college interview as well as write the college essay.

Field trips continue to broaden the students' experiences. Presentations of Romeo and Juliet and Macbeth at Castle Shakespeare in Budd Lake will be attended in the spring. The Creative Writing class will attend the Dodge Poetry Festival at Waterloo Village in September. This will give the students an opportunity to observe published poets showcase their works and allow them to participate in the critique and workshop processes.

The Science Department is planning an array of activities and events to cultivate an understanding and appreciation of science. In order to do this, the Science Department is developing a web-site www.lodiscience.com, which will have links and input to Class Lecture Notes, Power Points, excellent review materials, lab resources, and activities. Also included in the curricula is an engineering segment, where students will design and build things such as computers, rockets and balloon racers. These hands-on activities are crucial for developing scientific knowledge, thinking skills, and creativity – all the makings of a budding scientist.

The Science League will begin in January and selection for team members will take place in December. Lodi will be competing against other Bergen County High Schools, like Ridgewood, Glen Rock, and Manchester. Together with these fun yet academic activities and events, technology integration, and our top notch Science teachers, our students will be well prepared and educated for the future.

The Math League competes against all schools in the State of New Jersey. Competition takes place at Lodi High School. Scores are recorded on line and a print out is sent to our school to show our school ranking. The Math Team competes against five other schools in Bergen County and they rotate hosting each monthly event.

The History Department remains ambitious and looks to add on to the successes of the 2007-2008 school year. This year's calendar of events began with a remembrance of September 11, 2001. The History Department employed the voices of honor students Army Zabarain and Jenna Tosto to present a moving tribute to the student body in an effort to properly commemorate those most affected by the events of that tragic day.

On November 14, select Lodi High School students will compete in the News 12 Challenge in New York City. History Department staff will be instrumental in ensuring that our student representatives arrive well prepared for the competition.

The Special Education Department is looking forward to another exciting year. Students have been assigned job location for the Transition Seminar, our school to work program. Students are placed in local businesses in order to explore various career options. If local businesses are interested in participating in this program, they should contact the high school.

The Business Education Department continues to constantly update its curriculum. In addition to our two new Smart Boards, the department is enjoying the district wide update to Microsoft Office 2007. Our monthly department speakers from various business, computer and vocational schools allow our students to speak firsthand with recruiters and their future career plans.

Ceramics/Sculpture students are working on slip casting/technology using commercial molds to achieve knowledge and skills in producing fine ceramic pieces. Photography and Commercial Art students will be working on learning the dark room procedures, loading 35 mm film into canisters, developing tank techniques, developing prints, learning chemical mixtures and temperature control, and how to take professional photos using both black and white and color film.

The World Languages classes of Spanish, French, and Italian have exciting, culturally rich learning activities planned to enhance students' understanding and appreciation of different countries and cultures. Students will participate in virtual tours of museums and important landmarks.

The following are several upcoming events planned by the Guidance Department:

- November 4, 2008: College/Career Fair @ LHS 9-10:30 AM
 - Senior Financial Aid Parent Night: January 2009 (date TBA)
 - On-site Admissions: September 2008 - March 2009
 - SAT @ LHS: Saturday, Nov. 1st and Dec. 6th @ 7:45 AM
 - Back to School Night: November 20, 2008
 - Open House: November 20
- Parents are encouraged to call the Guidance Office to inquire about their child's program.

Our Physical Education Department and our athletic teams and coaches are working hard against the competition. Please come out and support our teams. The Superintendent and Board of Education have updated and implemented new policies and regulations to assure that your child receives a competitive edge because of a rigorous curriculum in a healthy, wholesome and safe learning environment.

I would like to conclude by thanking the Department Supervisors for their input.

Principal Joan Fragala

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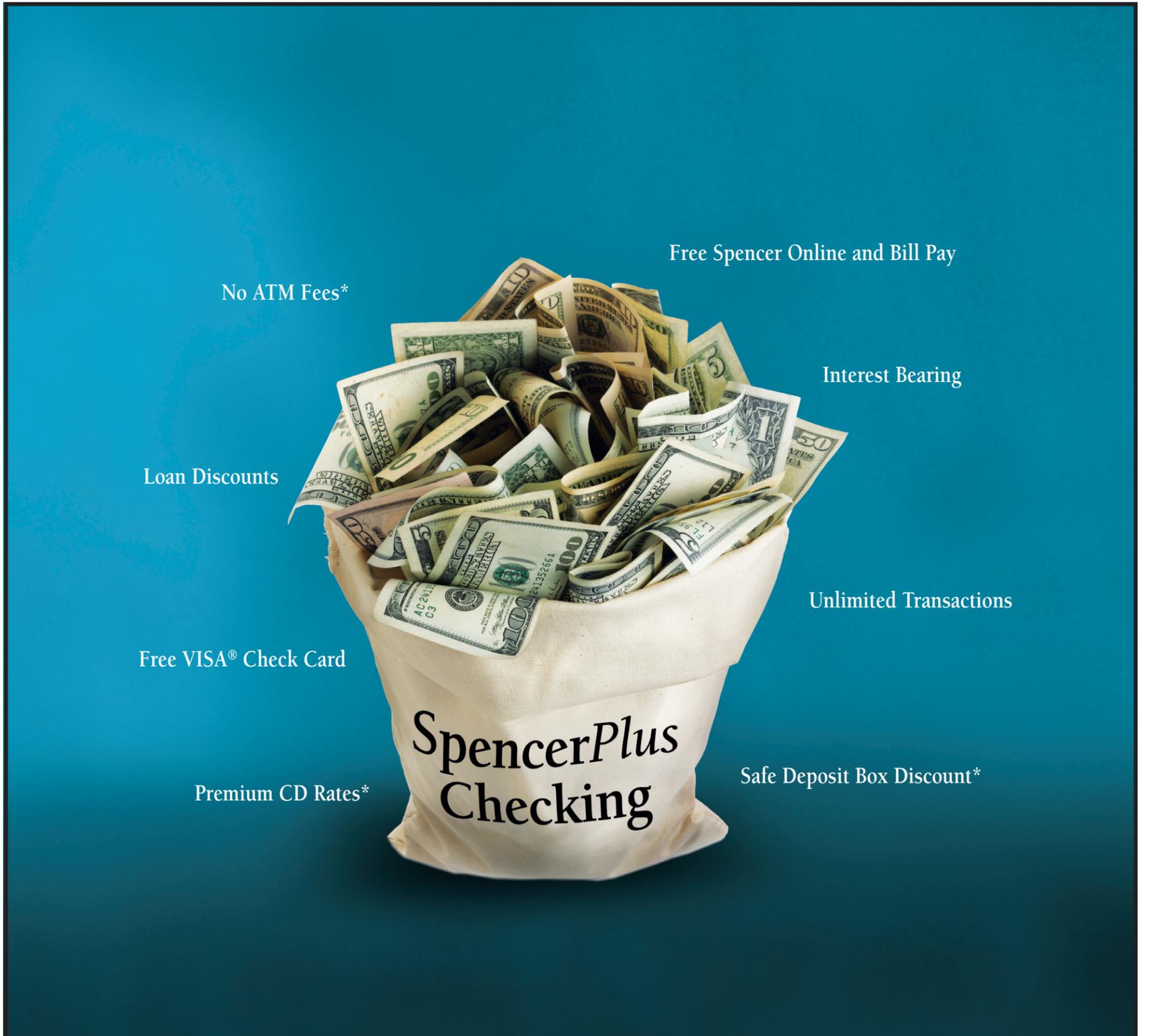
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