



# West Brookwood Summer Newsletter 2024

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*Congratulations to West Brookwood's Scholarship recipient,  
Stephanie Cubberly of Broad Avenue.  
We wish you much success.*

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The **Ice Cream Social** in June was well attended and a delightful event. Some of Byram police officers came by and enjoyed talking with members and their families. Everyone enjoyed their time in the cooler evening hours socializing, playing games, and eating ice cream. Pictures are available on the website at [www.bmrpoa.homestead.com](http://www.bmrpoa.homestead.com).

## Upcoming Events:

### - **Fall Festival**

Date: October 5<sup>th</sup> (rain date October 12<sup>th</sup>).

Place: 3 River Road Wellhouse across from the park.

Time: 1:00pm to 3:00pm

The festival will include raffles, prizes, games, crafts, entertainment, snacks, refreshments, and much more!

Something new is also happening at the Fall Festival: our first **PUMPKIN Decoration Contest!**

Entrants will bring their pumpkins to the festival within a half hour of the festival start time.

- Festival visitors will vote during the festival.
- They must fit in a sizing box of no more than 2' by 2' to allow for table space.
- They can be carved, painted, or otherwise decorated.

A prize will go to the winner for best decorated pumpkin. Let us be creative!

### - **Holiday Decoration Contest** in December (details TBD).

## Tentative Upcoming 2025 Event!

- **SPRING: West Brookwood's Spring Clean-up** and **Flower Garden Contest** (details TBD).

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## NEWS

The administrator, with the support of the governors, has been working for the past few years for ways to fund the following projects:

1. Tower Rehabilitation and Painting. Required to maintain tower longevity and is required by law.
2. Automated Metering Infrastructure System (AMI). Facilitates water conservation and saves on labor.
3. Asset Management Plan (AMP). Provides a plan for future management and improvement of our water system.

The NJ Infrastructure Bank is in the process of approving a Principal Forgiveness loan that will essentially be a grant (cost-free to BMRPOA) for these projects. This was all due to the outcome of the census you completed this past winter.

We would like to thank you for your support in responding to the census.

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**Reminders:**

- **Do not Forget to Slow Down!** West Brookwood is a 25 MPH zone throughout the community. So, please remind others:
  1. Inform any visitors you may be receiving.
  2. Children are on summer vacation and home playing more often.
  3. We have walkers, joggers and people who walk their dogs all hours of the day and night.



We ask that you please obey the signs and the zones of West Brookwood. Thank you.

- **NEWSLETTERS:** All newsletters are posted on the website, [www.bmrpoa.homestead.com](http://www.bmrpoa.homestead.com) in case you deleted your email after paying your bill or tossed it out after you read it.
- **E-BILLING:** Go paperless! Sign up for electronic billing by sending an email to [bmrpoa@gmail.com](mailto:bmrpoa@gmail.com) today!
- **NJDEP Odor Hotline:** Anyone experiencing a foul odor knows that it is coming from the sewerage plant, located in the Trade Zone. Immediately notify NJDEP. An Odor Hotline number has been established for this problem, should it arise once again. The number is: **1-877-927-6337**. Create a contact with this number in your cell phone today!



Remember to pick up pet waste while walking your dog within the development and dispose of it properly. Not doing so is a ticket offense under Chapter 245, General Provisions, and Byram Board of Health.

**Garbage War - Wildlife vs. Humans**

Many residents have experienced the annoyance of garbage spread across their property by bears or other wildlife. Even more annoying is when it's other people's garbage!

Prevention is the best policy:

- If possible, put trash out the morning of collection to minimize exposure.
- Cans that cannot be tightly closed should be replaced.

In the event that someone else's garbage is spread on your property, please clean it up promptly. If you are able to identify the owner, let them know what happened in a neighborly manner. Almost no garbage can is bear-proof, and the next can to be ransacked could be yours.

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Association meetings are scheduled for the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm.

Exceptions: no meeting is scheduled for November and December 2024 is scheduled for the 4<sup>th</sup>. Meetings are held by Zoom and at Byram TWP Fire Department, 225 Route 206, Andover. Please check your email for meeting invites and agendas.

*Have a safe and pleasant summer.*