



Fall Festival 2007 by Wendy D'Ulisse

The Fall Festival was a great success this year. We had one of the largest turn outs since it began almost ten years ago. There was face painting, games, pumpkin painting, food, and more. I would like to thank all the volunteers that helped put together this years festival. Thank you, Meredith Gattuso, Beth Hills, Marybeth Hall, Carol Tarnowski, and Kathy Stevenson for helping me with this event. With out great volunteers like you, events like this would not be possible.



Holiday Decorating Contest Winners

Each year you make it harder and harder to pick the winners. There are so many beautiful homes to choose from. I wish I could give prizes to everyone. This years winners are:

- *Best use of lights: First place goes to the Brady family of 18 Acorn St., Second place goes to the Hartman family of 30 River Rd., and Honorable mentions go to the Sanchez family of 18 Avon St., The Perri family of 4 Banker Dr., and the Manning family of 8 Lauren Ct.*
- *Best decorations: First place goes to the Lidell family of 34 Broad Ave., Second place goes to the Frey family of 1 Banker Dr., Honorable mentions go to the Hills family of 25 Beech St., the Catanzaro family of 5 Beech St., and the DeRupo family of 3 Lockwood Ave.*

First and second place prizes will be mailed out in early January. Congratulations!

Congratulations

by Elaine Carr

At the last election, our development had 100 more voters than previously, we had 28% of the vote, the smallest turn out in town. There are more registered voters here than any other development in Byram.

HAVE YOUR VOICE HEARD -VOTE.

High School Seniors

A \$500 Scholarship is waiting for you. The applications will be available in your school Guidance Office by the 2nd week of January. Follow the instructions and return the application by April 1st. Any questions, call Elaine Carr at 973-3474461.



There is a story circulating that your Water Department has forbidden the Fire Department from taking water from any of its hydrants to fight a fire in West Brookwood. The story is far from the truth. Byram Township Fire Department is well aware it is more than welcome to use the water in the hydrants to put out a fire in an association members home or business.

So how did such a story get started? It probably stems from last summer when residents on Lockwood and Mayne Avenues called the Water Department to report they were suddenly without water. Upon investigation, the SCADATA system indicated an abrupt drop in water pressure had occurred within the distribution system followed later by an equally sharp recovery.

According to Township Police there was no fire reported in West Brookwood or in town, the only thing scheduled was a practice drill by the Fire Department. After checking the Well Houses, the Water Department's Field Technician was informed by Lauren Court residents that one of their hydrants was opened by the Fire Department to re-fill the Tanker Truck.

The Fire Department was contacted the next day via telephone followed by letters addressed to Chief Conklin of the Fire Department, Byram Township Mayor Skip Danielson, and Administrator Gregg Poff explaining why the Water Department must to be notified whenever its hydrants are opened.

Chlorine levels need be checked to assure water quality, as well as, an adjustment must be made to that days well readings. The well readings show the amount of water that was pumped at each Well House into the distribution system. Monthly tallies of the daily readings are used as an indicator to show compliance and that we have not exceeded our Water Allocation Permit. The well readings are also used as the basis to calculate the dollar amount in order to pay the State Public Water Tax.

So how did a simple request of a telephone call become your Water Department forbids the Fire Department from taking water from its hydrants to fight a fire in West Brookwood?

West Brookwood Water Department, 973-347-1040.

- Gerald C. Kastner, Jr - Licensed Operator
- Barbara De Marco - Administrator
- Paul Gould - Field Technician
- John M. De Marco - Field Technician



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