



Welcome to our Weekly Community Update!

April 10, 2026

These updates will be sent out each week to keep residents informed about what's happening around town. If you are already subscribed to **Nixle**, your contact information will automatically carry over to **Everbridge**. If you haven't signed up yet, or wish to change your subscriptions, you can do so using this link: [Everbridge Signup](#)

Office of the Mayor

I'm pleased to share several exciting updates and upcoming events in our community.

Memorial Day Parade – Save the Date:

In coordination with the American Legion, our Memorial Day Parade will take place this year. We look forward to coming together as a community to honor and remember those who have served. Additional details will be shared soon.

Cresskill-Alpine Baseball Opening Day:

Opening Day is scheduled for Saturday, April 11th, with the parade beginning at 9:30 AM from the high school parking lot. This cherished tradition is a wonderful way to celebrate the start of the season and bring our community together.

Cresskill UNICO Carnival:

Mark your calendar for the 2026 UNICO Carnival, taking place from Wednesday, May 6 through Saturday, May 9 on 3rd Street in Cresskill.

Enjoy an evening of fun featuring thrilling rides for all ages, delicious festival food and treats, exciting carnival games, prizes, and more. It's a great opportunity for families, friends, and neighbors to gather and celebrate.

COMMUNITY & RECREATION CENTER

- **Summer Fun Registration:**
 - Registration is now open.
 - [Summer Fun Flyer](#)

- **Open Gym:**
 - April dates and **new times** are available.
 - [Open Gym - April](#)
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LIBRARY

For Children:

- **Read to a Dog:**
 - Thursday, April 16 & April 30 at 5:00 PM
 - Registration required online
- **3rd–5th Grade Book Club:**
 - Reading: *The Smartest Kid in the Universe* by Chris Grabenstein
 - Friday, April 24 at 3:30 PM
 - Pick up your copy at the library

For Adults:

- **Tech Lessons:**
 - Available Thursday and Friday afternoons
 - Call the library to schedule an appointment
 - **ESL Tutors Needed:**
 - Must be 18 years or older
 - Training begins April 28
 - Register at: <https://www.literacyvolunteerspv.org/>
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SENIOR CENTER

- **Women’s Health & Wellness Lecture:**
 - May is a significant month for women’s health
 - Friday, May 15 at 11:45 AM
 - All are welcome
 - Contact: Donnajo at 210-446-8579
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FIRE / EMS

- The Cresskill Fire Department will participate in the **Cresskill/Alpine Little League Parade** this Saturday.
 - Support local players at **Crestron Field** for Opening Day
- **Volunteer Division Recruitment:**

- Seeking new members
 - If interested in serving your community, contact Fire Headquarters at (201) 568-0030
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BOROUGH ADMINISTRATION

2026 Pool Season Registration:

- Make this summer unforgettable with unlimited family fun, safe swimming, and community events at your town pool
- Registration is now open

Registration Options:

- Online via Community Pass [Register here](#)
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- In person or by mail to Borough Hall

Early Payment Discount:

- Applications must be received by **4:00 PM on April 10, 2026**

Pool Application Form:

- Download: [Pool Application](#)

Paper Shredding Day:

- **Date:** Saturday, April 11
- **Time:** 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM
- **Location:** 1 Dogwood Lane (across from Merritt Memorial School)
- **Details:** Rain or shine; enter from Union Avenue only
- **Limit:** 3 boxes per vehicle
- **Sponsored by:** Environmental Commission in conjunction with the BCUA
- **More Information:** Paper Shredding Day in Cresskill

POLL WORKER OPPORTUNITY

- **Become a Poll Worker:**
 - Earn \$300

Eligibility Requirements:

- Must be a United States citizen and a resident of New Jersey

- Must be registered to vote in Bergen County
- Must be 18 years of age or older and not running as a candidate in this election
- Individuals who are at least 16 years of age may serve limited hours (11:00 AM – 7:00 PM) and will be compensated accordingly

Learn More & Apply:

- [Poll Worker Information](#)

POLICE

April is Autism Awareness and Acceptance Month

- Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) is a developmental condition affecting communication, social interaction, sensory processing, and how individuals experience the world
- Every individual with autism is unique, with their own strengths and challenges
- Autism Awareness Month promotes understanding, acceptance, inclusion, and support for individuals with autism and their families — it encourages education about neurodiversity and reduces stigma
- Early diagnosis and intervention can make a significant difference, helping individuals with autism access therapies, educational supports, and resources tailored to their needs
- Acceptance emphasizes respecting autistic individuals as they are, celebrating their contributions to society, and creating inclusive environments in schools, workplaces, and communities
- Common traits may include differences in communication, repetitive behaviors, focused interests, and sensory sensitivities
- Many autistic individuals lead fulfilling, independent lives
- Supporting awareness includes listening to autistic voices, promoting accessibility, and fostering empathy

Local Highlight:

- The Cresskill Police Department is showing support by wearing autism awareness supporter hats, vest patches, and uniform pins throughout April

Blue Envelope Program:

- The Blue Envelope Program is a voluntary initiative adopted by many police departments nationwide to improve communication and safety during interactions (especially traffic stops) between law enforcement and individuals on the autism spectrum or with other communication challenges.
- The **Cresskill Police Department will be participating in this program**, and blue envelopes can be picked up directly at the police department.
- Participants receive a distinctive blue envelope to keep in their vehicle, which holds important documents like a driver's license, registration, and insurance

- The envelope often includes printed tips for both the driver (e.g., take deep breaths, listen carefully) and the officer (e.g., speak clearly and directly, allow extra processing time, use simple language)
 - Presenting the blue envelope signals to officers that the driver may need additional patience, understanding, or accommodations due to autism or related conditions, helping reduce anxiety and prevent misunderstandings.
 - The program promotes empathy, preparedness, and safer outcomes by bridging the gap between neurodiverse drivers and first responders — many departments partner with autism organizations to distribute envelopes and provide related training.
 - It originated in places like Massachusetts and Connecticut and has expanded to states including Ohio, with similar efforts appearing in other areas to support inclusive policing.
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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS (DPW)

- DPW calendars are available at Borough Hall or online at: [DPW Calendar](#)
 - **Ongoing Projects & Maintenance:**
 - Spring clean-ups on all borough grounds, parks, and athletic fields
 - Shade tree pruning and removals
 - DPW, Police, Fire, and EMS vehicle repairs and maintenance
 - **Reminder:**
 - Branches must be cut to **4 ft. lengths** and either **tied together** or **placed in a barrel** for pickup
 - All other garden debris must be **placed in a barrel**
 - Missed pickup? Call 1-866-DIAL-IWS
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INFRASTRUCTURE / ENGINEERING

- **Recreation Facility Improvements:**
 - Solicited quotes under the ESCNJ Cooperative Pricing System for the reconstruction of the Third Street Tennis Court Facility
 - Project includes repair and resurfacing of two tennis courts and the repair and conversion of the third tennis court into **two pickleball courts**
 - A resolution approving the project was adopted by the Governing Body on **April 1, 2026**
 - Construction is anticipated to begin on or about **May 2026**
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Thank you!

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John Morgan". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and "M".

Mayor John Morgan, MD