



BROOKDALE PARK CONSERVANCY

July, 2009

July Meeting
JULY 28TH

CYCLING SENSE Laura Torchio Spins her Wheels...for Good



(Safe Routes to School) Coalition and "Scoop" Newsletter Editorial Board. Laura is also a member of the Association for Pedestrian and Bicycling Professionals and Montclair SRTS Task Force.

Laura is joining the BPC to speak about what Bike Montclair stand for touching on topics such as pedestrian & cyclist "facilities" and different ways to create traffic calming.

Please join us to learn how you can help to make bicycling and walking safe, appealing and feasible choices for all users, thus building a strong community fabric on a more human scale.

We would like to extend a warm welcome to our July Membership Meeting speaker **LAURA TORCHIO**. Laura is the Chairperson of the local nonprofit group, Bike Montclair.

Bike Montclair, founded in 2002, is a group of Montclair area volunteers whose mission is to create a bicycle-friendly and walkable Montclair through advocacy, education, and encouragement. Through these means, their aim is to improve our health, clean our air, make our streets safer and improve our overall quality of life.

Laura's expertise is as a transportation planner for bicycle/pedestrian safety and accessibility, healthy and livable communities, innovative public involvement and media outreach. She currently serves on the NJ SRTS



FLOWERBED SPONSORSHIP

The Boy Scouts of America Troop 23 will be building a raised flower bed by the Grove St. entrance to the park. Sponsors will have their names placed on a plaque on the flowerbed. John Wiley, Life Scout, Bloomfield resident and Brookdale Park enthusiast will be working on this for his Eagle project.

Please contact John to help sponsor this worthwhile endeavor. Email to: jjwinc1@aol.com, or call: 973-338-4952, or send a check to: 21 Ivanhoe Terrace, Bloomfield, NJ 07003.

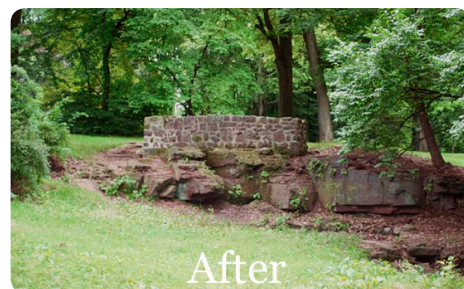
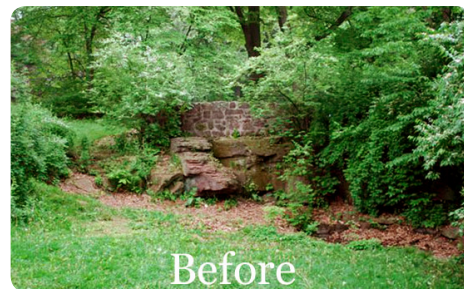
THIS IS FOR THE BIRDS

Have you ever wanted to bird watch but didn't know where to begin? Looking for some of the hidden gems in Essex County? Let New Jersey Audubon be your guide. These

walks will encourage beginners and challenge experts. Summer is the time to see, hear, and learn the species of birds that nest in Essex County. Early migrants could begin passing through by late July. For more information and to register, call 973.226.6082 Cost: \$6 NJAS Members, \$8 nonmembers. Thursday, August 6, 8:30 to 11:00 a.m. Meet at the grandstand parking lot, near the playground.

INDIAN SPRINGS UPDATE

After four clean-ups, the Indian Springs area is looking fantastic. Here's just a glimpse of the great work our volunteers are accomplishing, so far. Join us! We meet every Wednesday morning, between 9:00AM and 12:00PM. Be sure to wear long pants and shirts, sunblock, and any tools you might have.



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