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BELMAR NEWS

The official newsletter of the Borough of Belmar



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UPCOMING EVENTS

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[BELMAR MENORAH
LIGHTING](#)

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[BELMAR MAYOR &
COUNCIL MEETING](#)

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[SANTA VISITS BELMAR!
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PARENTS HERE](#)

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[CHRISTMAS LIGHTS
SHOW @PYANOE PLAZA
7 PM](#)

Belmar Gives During the Holiday Season

Every year, public and private organizations offer opportunities for Belmar residents to donate gifts and other items for those in need.

In partnership with the [Pajama Program](#), the Belmar Public Library is collecting new, unwrapped children's books for children in need. Books should be appropriate for children ages 1-12 and can be brought to the library now through December 29th.

The library is also collecting items in support of the Associated Humane Society and the Monmouth County SPCA. Residents can bring donations to the library on December 9th and 10th.

Luis Pulido, library assistant, said, "The people of Belmar are very generous and when they see the call for donations they stand up and deliver."

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Give Children The Gift of Reading



The 2023 First Annual Holiday Children's New Book Drive

In partnership with...



For more information, please visit belmarlibrary.org

The Friendly Sons of the Shillelagh of the Jersey Shore (FSOS), in partnership with the Belmar Police Department, is collecting toys for children this holiday season. Residents can bring unwrapped toys to any of the donation boxes in businesses throughout town, along with Borough Hall and the FSOS club house at 815 16th Ave.

Local Artist Wins International Acclaim

Designer of Belmar Logo Honored by the International Academy of Arts, Sciences and Letters

The International Academy of Arts, Sciences and Letters in Paris awarded Belmar resident Suzanne Anan a medal honoring her for the body of paintings she has created over the last ten years, along with an honorary diploma.

This year, Suzanne was the Artist in Residence at the legendary artist Georgia O'Keeffe's Ghost Ranch in New Mexico. While there, she created a portrait of her mother entitled "Friendship's Kiss," which was on display with the Monmouth Arts Charles Sills Memorial Group Art Exhibition in Long Branch. Another commissioned painting is in the private collection of Sir Paul McCartney and Nancy Shevell in Sussex, England.

Suzanne, who has shown her work all over the world, including in Italy, France, Ireland, Monaco, Spain and Japan, might be best known to Belmar residents as the artist who designed Belmar's wave logo. As a member of the Belmar Woman's Club, she designed its logo as well.

Suzanne has lived in Belmar, NJ with her family for over twenty years.

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