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MAYOR'S NEWSLETTER

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Dear Friends and Neighbors:

The Mayor's Newsletter provides announcements and details on the numerous events taking place throughout the community. Please feel free to call my office at 201-784-0600, x500 to discuss any issue concerning the Borough.

Grand Openings in Closter

Closter is proud to welcome two new restaurants, *MaMi Eatery* at 546 Durie Avenue and *Myung Ga Tofu & BBQ* at 570 Piermont Rd, Closter Commons to the long list of new businesses that are calling Closter "home". The traditional "*Hip, Hip Hurray*" was heard by the owners and partners of *ReMax Signature Homes* when they opened their doors at 189 Homans Avenue this week.

2017 Memorial Day Parade and Memorial Service - Monday, May 29th

Monday, May 29th is almost here, which means Closter will proudly honor our service men and women with the 2017 Memorial Day Parade and annual Memorial Service. Closter pays a special tribute in honor of the 18 Closter residents who gave the ultimate sacrifice in World War I, World War II and Vietnam, as well as those residents currently serving.

The annual parade assembles at 9:30 in the parking lot of St. Mary's Church and officially kicks off at 10:00 a.m. marching down High Street, Closter Dock Road and Harrington Avenue concluding at Veteran's Memorial Park where the Memorial Day Service begins promptly. Immediately following the Memorial Service, participants and spectators are invited to the Closter Elks Lodge on Railroad Avenue for refreshments. All are welcome!

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The Closter Public Library will be closed on Wednesday, May 31 between 7:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. for the installation of a generator. Please check the library's website, www.bccls.org for additional updates.

Country Western Hoe Down 2017

Swing your partners and come join neighbors and friends as Closter kicks up its heels at the Annual Country Western Hoe Down on Friday, June 2nd at 6pm. Amarillo Grilling, country music, a mechanical bull, family square & line dancing, a petting zoo and pony rides are just a few of the activities planned for this fun-filled event. The location is Memorial Field on Harrington Avenue. The rain date is scheduled for Sunday, June 4 between 12 pm-3pm.

Belskie Museum of Art & Science

Closing the Belskie Museum season at the Martin Hicks Gallery in the Belskie Museum is the exciting exhibit by the Blackwell Street Artists. The opening Reception is Sunday, June 4th from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Museum hours are Saturdays and Sundays 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Admission is free; hours by appointment can be arranged by calling 201-768-0286; www.belskiemuseum.com; email – belskiemuseum@hotmail.com

Closter Board of Health

The Board of Health will be holding a Rabies Clinic on Saturday, June 3^{rd} between 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. at the Closter Senor Center Building located on Lewis Street. All dogs must be on a leash and all cats must be in a case and accompanied by an adult.

Closter Public Library

The Closter Public Library is the cultural, recreational and educational center for our community. With your library card you can access books, audiobooks, DVDs, music CDs and downloadable ebooks, audiobooks, movies and music. We have an array of services, classes and events taking place monthly. Please visit the library's website at www.bccls.org for a current calendar of events.

First Friday Flicks are another way to spend some time with friends while catching up on current films. The feature film on Friday, June 2nd at 1:00 is *La Land*. On Saturday, June 3rd at 2:00 p.m. the Joel Zelnik Trio will be performing an introductory concert before the screening of a new documentary film on the late/great jazz pianist, Bill Evans (1929-1980). Admission is free, but reservations are needed.

Closter Nature Center

The activities and educational classes continue this spring with this month's "Streams of the Nature Center" after-school program. Learn about who lives in the streams, and their importance to wildlife, the forest and us...as much time will be spent outside as weather permits! Registration is required, so call Marc at (201) 750-2778 to reserve a place in class.

The Pond Celebration at Ruckman Pond continues on June 3rd from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Join the members of the CNC for their fifth annual celebration of the revival of Ruckman Pond. Come for an afternoon of pond science and fun! (rain date June 10th). This celebration features canoe rides, pond hikes, animal shows, arts & crafts and more. Admission is free.

The Nature Center has an impressive summer program scheduled for 2017 which begins on June 26th through August 31st. Registration forms and information can be pickup up at the cabin by Ruckman Pond.

All the Best,

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John Glidden