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MAYOR'S NEWSLETTER



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Dear Friends and Neighbors:

With the Holidays behind us, I would like to take the opportunity to wish you all a Happy and Prosperous New Year!

Mayor Glidden, Councilwoman Amitai and Councilman Yammarino ~ Sworn in for Another Term of Service at the Closter Council Reorganization Meeting, January 2, 2023



Mayor John Glidden was sworn in for his third four-year term as Closter's Mayor at the January 2nd Closter Council Reorganization Meeting. Mayor Glidden becomes the first Mayor in the history of Closter to serve more than 2 terms. At left Senator Holly Schepisi performs the Oath of Office with Mayor Glidden's family in attendance.

Below, left, Councilwoman Victoria Amitai was sworn in to her seventh term on the Closter Council. She was first elected in 2004. Senator Holly Schepisi performed the Oath of Office with her family in attendance.

Below, Right, Councilman Joe Yammarino is sworn in to his third term on the Closter Council. He was first elected in 2016. Senator Holly Schepisi performed the Oath of Office with his family attending.



Closter's Belskie Museum

The volunteer members of the Belskie Museum of Art & Science are pleased to be opening the 2023 season with “*Minhwa: The Color of Korea*”. This beautiful group exhibition opens on **Sunday, January 8th at 1pm**. It features eight artists from New York and South Korean with more than 30 Korean folk art paintings. Known for bright color and free-spirited expression, this is an inspirational, uplifting exhibit.

Following the 2023 Opening Reception, the Belskie Museum's hours will be Saturdays and Sundays from 2pm – 4 pm. Appointments can also be made by calling 201-768-0286. The Belskie Museum is located at 280 High Street next to the Closter Public Library. It is a destination you will certainly want to visit. www.belskiemseum.com

The Mayor's Committee for the Arts

Join friends and neighbors this winter as the Mayor's Committee for the Arts provides delightful indoor “pop-up” music events in the Community Room of the Closter Public Library. All performances will be held on Saturdays and will begin at 2pm. Mark your calendars!

February 4th; Northwest Strings Quartet, Lois Roman; February 18th – Pat Zuber, Diana Mase; March 4th – Robbie and Amy; March 18th – Aronson Twins, April 1st – Understaffed, Elliot Roman, May 6th – CJC Music School, Sung Chung. These talented artists are sure to delight audiences of all ages!

Closter Brownies Troop 98006

A shout out to our Closter Brownie Troop!! It's a pleasure to highlight the achievements of Closter Brownies Troop 98006. The fifteen 3rd grade girls, led by four leaders, have been working on their “*Take Action*” badge. A *Take Action* project is more than a community service project in that it is more than a one-time event. It is a sustainable/ongoing project. After brainstorming several ideas, the troop selected the Crayon Project. For this project, the girls collected crayons and transformed their massive collection of donated crayons into custom shapes which they assembled into activity kits. On December 16th Troop 98006 delivered the kits to the child life specialists at Englewood Hospital. *Way to go Troop 98006; your commitment to “Take Action” is making a significant number of other children and families very happy!*



Board of Health

A free rabies vaccination clinic will be held on **Saturday January 07, 2023 from 1 pm to 2 pm** at the Senior Citizens Building, 4 Lewis St., located behind the Borough Hall. The following are required: Dogs must be restrained with a non-retractable leash for quick and easy transfer to the veterinarian or technician for vaccination. Cats must be transported in suitable carriers or containers to prevent escape.

Dog licenses are due Feb 28, 2023. Starting **March 1, 2023**, the late fee of \$20 will be required. You can register your pet online at sdl.town/Closter or mail in the completed registration and fee. If you have any questions please contact the Health Department at 201-784-0600 x 493 or email jbae@closternj.us.

Environmental Commission

As we are heading into the winter months, the Environmental Commission wants to remind you that you can reduce your winter utilities costs and help the planet by weatherproofing your home. It is never too late! If

you are confused by the weatherproofing options, take a look at this information on types of weatherproofing and their uses: <https://www.thisoldhouse.com/doors/21018244/the-essential-guide-to-weatherstripping>

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As I reflect on the growth and positive direction of our community, I am reminded of all that Closter provides which draws us to making it our hometown. The abundance of its neighborhoods, activities, schools, businesses, retailers, services, open spaces, parklands and, of course, our volunteer first responders in the Fire Department and Ambulance Corps who freely give many hours of their time. Our Borough professionals are committed to providing extraordinary services and supports which address the needs of our residents, visitors and businesses. Closter truly is the “Hub of the Northern Valley”.

Wishing you peace, joy and abundance in the coming year.

All the best,



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*Mayor*