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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.

Amendola Park – Saturday, July 29th at 1:00 p.m.

You are cordially invited to join Troop 63 Eagle Scout, Daniel Cho, the scouts and leaders of Boy Scout Troop 63, Council members, the Amendola family and veterans of the Leroy Mead Post 111 in the rededication of Amendola Park, honoring Closter's *James Amendola*. Daniel will unveil the kiosks illustrating the life of our brave Vietnam War soldier for whom this lovely park is named.

The informative kiosk is the third in a series of projects in our parks that illustrates the lives of our soldiers who perished in battle while in service to our Country. Please join us at Amendola Park on Saturday, July 29th at 1:00 p.m. for this very special rededication ceremony.

Labor Day Weekend - A Closter Tradition

Why is Closter a great community? To many residents, the answer is "tradition"! Join family and friends, meet new neighbors and celebrate Closter during the 57th Annual Labor Day weekend of festivities. A complete schedule of events will be posted on the Borough's website. The festivities begin on Saturday, September 2nd and close Monday night with a vivid fireworks display. The variety of offerings has activities for everyone. There is a volleyball tournament, concerts at the Lions Band Shell, the Annual Dom Mircovich Memorial 5K, family movie night (under the stars or in the school gym) and of course the traditional Labor Day Field Day of events on Monday.

Cheer on the runners in the 5K for intense competition in the 2nd Annual Mayor's Challenge between Closter and Haworth. Last year Closter won in a squeaker and the Haworth Mayor planted a tree in Closter. Mayor Glidden will run this year with two team members from Closter.

2017 Summer Concert Series at Veterans Memorial Park

The “sounds of music” have filled the air at the bandstand at Veterans Memorial Park this summer. The rain dates for the 2017 Summer Concert series are: August 4th - Tommy Walker and the Shaved Ham, August 11th - Joe Delia and the Thieves followed by The Willies on August 25th. Enjoy an evening under the stars. Concerts start at 7:30 p.m. Bring a picnic. All are welcome!

A Reminder Regarding Property Taxes

The third quarter property tax bill was mailed to property owners on July 17th. Property taxes are due on or before August 10th. This bill is an estimated tax bill, as we await Bergen County’s certification of tax rates.

Hackensack University Medical Group - Pascack Valley ... Grand-Opening in Closter

Hackensack University Medical Group – Pascack Valley is pleased to announce the Grand Opening of the new office located at One Ruckman Road in Closter. “We are pleased to welcome Hackensack UMG at Pascack Valley to the neighborhood, and we know this experienced medical team will be a great addition to our family-friendly town” said Mayor Glidden as he cut the ribbon for the Grand Opening. The Closter office is part of a five-office network where primary care providers and specialists are connected by a secure, sophisticated system to deliver high quality health care. The Center is a member of the Hackensack Meridian Health Network.

Closter Public Library

The HotSpots are coming! The Closter Public Library will be circulating T-Mobile Hotspots in the near future. Hotspots allow you access to the internet where there is no wifi. You can take them on vacation, or anyplace that you can’t get wifi, but want the internet. Stay tuned...details will follow shortly. Looking for an afternoon movie? August has two movie events scheduled on the First and Third Fridays! *Their Finest* airs on Friday, August 4th and *Moonlight* airs on Friday, August 18th. Showtime is 1:00. The library offers an array of speakers addressing all sorts of topics. “*Solved: Curing Medical Insurance Problems*” on August 8th at 7:00 p.m. and “*How to Write Great College Essays*” on August 15th at 7:00 p.m. Please visit the library’s website at www.bccls.org for a current calendar of events.

Closter Nature Center

The summer fun and learning continues at the Closter Nature Center. There are ample opportunities to participate in numerous activities and educational classes. The Nature Center has an impressive summer program scheduled for August 2017. Registration forms and information can be picked up at the cabin by Ruckman Pond.

Volunteer Opportunities

The Borough is seeking volunteers to fill vacant seats on both the Environmental Commission and the Shade Tree Commissions. Both of these Commissions work to enhance the Borough's resources.

The Environmental Commission is charged with studying and making recommendations that impact our open space preservation and environmental management. The Shade Tree Commission is charged with overseeing the management of shade (street) trees to enhance the value and the aesthetic appearance of the municipality. Membership for both of these Commissions is open to all Closter residents. No formal experience is necessary except for an interest to serve in enhancing the services offered by and to the community.

To inquire about these positions please contact my office via email at lweatherly@closternj.us. You will be asked to complete a Citizen Leadership Form (available through the Borough Clerk's office) and to provide a brief letter of interest.

The Borough is moving forward in many positive directions. Volunteers are the backbone of any community, and I encourage each of you to think of ways in which you can, as a volunteer, make a difference.

All the Best,



Mayor