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Revisiting Closter's Traditions ~ Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 1st

The spirit of a community is often fanned by tradition. To that end, Closter is once again celebrating our community with the **54th Annual Labor Day Weekend**. Events begin on Friday, August 29th and culminate on Monday, September 1st with the traditional display of fireworks.

SCHEDULE of EVENTS
 at Veterans Memorial
 Park - Harrington Ave.

Friday, Aug. 29th:

7:00 p.m. Coach's Association Picnic

Saturday, Aug. 30th:

11:00 a.m. join in the fun and play in the 16th

Annual 4 Person Volleyball Tournament

7:00 p.m. Waldwick Band at the Lions Band Shell

Sunday, August 31st:

33rd Annual Dom Mirco-vich Memorial 5K; Kids fun run starts at 8:30 a.m.

Monday, September 1st:

12:30 p.m. begins the 54th Annual Labor Day Field Day events ~

Activities include: kids' rides, pony rides, petting zoo, food & drinks concession, Elks Beer Truck, two concerts, Annual Recreation Awards,

Annual Fireworks Display
8:45-9:00 p.m. (dark)



Rain Date for Labor Day Activities will be Saturday, September 6th beginning at 1:00 p.m. at Veterans Memorial Park.

Sophie Heymann
 Mayor of Closter

Special points of interest:

- Closter Lion's Club 7th Annual Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show Sept. 28th Closter Commons
- 2nd Annual Closter Food Pantry's Town-Wide Yard Sale Oct. 17-19.
- Closter Farmers Market—Best of Bergen 2014! St. Mary's Church parking lot EVERY Sunday, rain or shine from 9:00-2:00 April to November!
- 2nd Annual Closter Music Festival Oct. 16th, 18th and 19th; www.clostermusicfestival.com

Closter Lions 7th Annual Car Show

The Closter Lions Club is pleased to announce it is holding it's **7th Annual Charitable Foundation CAR, TRUCK & MOTORCYCLE Show** on **Sunday, September 28th** between 11am to 3pm. Registration will begin at 10am. Join us at the Closter Commons, 370 Piermont Rd., Closter for this wonderful event. Rain date is October 5th.



Proceeds to benefit restoration of sight for the blind and many local charities. Help us judge with the People's Choice judging. Dash plaques, trophies and prizes and a variety of food, beverages and entertainment plus a 50/50 raffle will be provided. \$15 Pre-registration; \$20 at the Door. Contact 201-784-0043.

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At a recent meeting of the Environmental Commission we discussed the problem some residents are creating by dumping yard waste on public lands. This article is intended to educate and dissuade those folks from further dumping.

This is a friendly reminder that dumping on public lands is prohibited pursuant to Borough Ordinance. This includes grass clippings, leaves, branches, mulch, fill, or any other yard or garden waste or debris. While some people might justify the dumping because the material is biodegradable, it can take years to decompose, kill native plants, spread the seeds of invasive species and create habitat for unwanted animal life such as rats and mice. The

Environmental Concerns

Borough already collects much of this type of waste. Please consult the calendar online at www.closternj.us for the most up to date schedule for leaf and branch collection.

Dumping of waste in our parks not only creates an eyesore, it requires additional time, effort and taxpayer money to clean up the mess that could simply be placed at the curb on designated days or brought down to the DPW yard. If your property is adjacent or nearby public lands, we ask for your cooperation in helping the Borough maintain clean parks. When you witness

any incidents of dumping in our parks, please contact the Closter Police Department immediately at 201-768-5000. We thank you for your assistance and hope you will join us in our effort to keep Closter a cleaner, greener community.



Belskie Museum of Art & Science

www.BelskieMuseum.com



Scroll over the above 2 photos for larger viewings of the museum's interior.

The Belskie Museum of Art & Science, located adjacent to the Closter Public Library and across from Tenakill Middle School, is an attractive, modern 3,500 sq./ft. building. Built in 1993—entirely by the Closter Lions Club at no cost to the citizens of Closter—it is a repository of the lifetime works of Abram Belskie, a renowned

sculptor who lived in Closter from 1930 until his death in 1988. The Museum is a not-for-profit corporation and is run by approximately 20 volunteers. There is no paid staff at the Belskie Museum. This gift to the town by the Closter Lions Club also serves as one of Northern New Jersey's premier exhibition galleries. The Belskie

opens the fall season on September 7th with the 3rd Annual Doctors Art Exhibition. This exciting exhibition runs every weekend in September. The Garden will be open for refreshments at the official opening on September 7th. On October 12th, the Museum proudly hosts the works of the artists from the Art Center of NJ in New Milford.

The Adoration

Donated by Myron J. "Mike" Lewis is located in front of the Belskie Museum

Closter Public Library ~ What's new???

Is your library card on your Smartphone? The Closter Library is now able to read library card barcodes from smartphones.

Download an app such as Key Ring, RedLaser or Card Star, scan and save to your library card and you'll always have it with you!

Looking for something to do? See what's happening at your library: <http://events.bccls.org>. The Library has ongoing book clubs, ESL, movies, dancing, concerts and children's and adult programs. Call us at 201-768-4197. Some examples are:

Author Visits! Avery Corman, the author of the novels Kramer vs Kramer & Oh God! will be talking about his latest book, My Old Neighborhood Remembered, on July 22 at 7pm. How to publish an eBook! Local author Allie Nathaniel will walk you through the steps.

Mom's Night Out Book Club on August 25th will be discussing Orphan Train by Christina Baker Kline and on September 29 we will be discussing The Goldfinch by Donna Tartt. Time is always 7:30-8:30 pm; join our Scavenger Hunt July 1-August 31st; celebrate our 35th Anniversary! 201-768-4197.



9/11 Memorial at Remembrance Park

September 11, 2014

Please join us for our annual
memorial commemoration

Thursday, September 11th

8:30 a.m.

9/11 Memorial

Harrington Avenue &
Cedar Lane



Food & Assistance Board

Come one, come all and join the Food & Assistance Board in raising funds to support the Closter Food Pantry. As you are cleaning out your closets, attics and basements, consider putting some things aside and joining the 2nd Annual Town-Wide Yard Sale during the weekend of October 17, 18 and 19th, rain

or shine! The FAB handles the advertising and distribution of the maps—you just make a \$20 donation in lieu of the garage sale permit fee. 100% of the cost to participate is donated to the Closter Food Pantry and you get to clean out the house as well!

If you know anyone in Closter who may be in

need and is hesitant to come forward, please contact us at fabofcloster@gmail.com (201) 784-0600 x 429. All inquiries are received in complete confidence. The CFP is located on the ground floor of Borough Hall near the elevator. The Food & Assistance Board welcomes all donations... financial or food!

First-time visitors are welcome with a current form of photo I.D. and Proof of Residency. Contact us at fabofcloster@gmail.com or 201-784-0600 x429.



Closter Nature Center

Summer Nature Camp—children ages 4 to 14 can still participate in a 4 day, fun-filled nature adventure each week through August 21st. For information about class schedules and availability, visit closternaturecenter.org and click on Summer Classes.

In September and October, the afterschool classes for children will start up again. Each age group meets once per week for 3 weeks each month. Check by the end of August on the website under “Classes” or read our on-line newsletter.

Every day, no schedule necessary...enjoy our 136 acres of ponds, forests and shaded streams that are open for your personal adventures in nature. Trails are well marked. Maps are on the cabin door by the pond at 154 Ruckman Road, or you can download a map from our website, www.closternaturecenter.org.

Reminders from the Closter Police Department

The Closter Police Department conducts numerous community based programs designed to promote the safety and well-being of residents, visitors and businesses.

EMERGENCY

Dial 911

Non-Emergency
201-768-5000

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All individuals, corporations or businesses operating any alarm device must obtain a valid permit on an annual basis. Due February 1st.

Residential & commercial building street numbers must be visible from the road and maintained in good repair (B.O. 147-9j) Clear visibility reduces the response time in an emergency.

Warmer weather and upcoming holidays increase the number of gatherings, parties and overnight visitors. Overnight parking is prohibited between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. Monday—Saturday and between 3:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. on Sunday on any street in Closter.

BO 67-14b prohibits alcohol consumption or possession of alcohol on private property under the age of 21. It is a criminal offense in the state of NJ to serve alcohol to anyone who is under the legal age of 21. NJ 2C:33-17b prohibits making home or property available for the purpose of allowing minors to consume alcohol.

Office of Emergency Management

Closter's Office of Emergency Management will utilize a 911 emergency notification to issue alerts by phone to all residential and business telephones using landlines, cell phones, text messages and/or email to provide information regarding the status of the emergency. Updates will be posted on the Borough's website, www.closternj.us.

In advance of a storm, charge all cell phones, laptops and tablets. When the power goes out, report the outage to the utility company. Rockland Electric is the electric utility company servicing the Borough of Closter. Report the outage to Rockland Electric, www.oru.com, or 877-434-4100. Keep their phone number, website and 10 digit account number accessible to use when needed. O.E.M. will provide Cooling/Heating/Charging locations during widespread power outages. Various buildings in town will be used as cooling/heating and cell phone/computer charging stations. These locations will vary based upon the type of emergency situation affecting the community.

Preparation for any emergency is critical. Visit our website, www.closternj.us – Office of Emergency Management, for more suggestions and emergency planning tips. If you have not done so already, update the emergency notification contact information, Swift 911, located on the lower right side of the homepage on the website, www.closternj.us. Help us help you!

