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MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONIES CANCELLED

This year, for the first time in living memory, the JOHN M. PERRY American Legion Post cancelled the traditional Memorial Day ceremonies at the historic Palisades

flag pole.

"This is a protest against the change of date of Memorial Day" explained Retiring Commander William Ryff, who for years has been leading the colorful parade of legionnaires, marching bands, Boy and Girl Scouts, Color Guards and fire engines. Asked why the post could not have held its observances on May 26, when Post Offices and schools were closed, Commander Ryff replies: "We feel that we have been celebrating on the 30th ever since the beginning in 1868 and that's the way we want it."

According to Acting Adjutant Edward P. Boyle, the decision to cancel was made by state and county Legion commanders as a protest against the national change of the date of Memorial Day from May 30 to May 26, a change which was endorsed by Governor Hugh Carey and the State Legislature. All 19 Legion posts in Rockland County also endorsed cancellations, he said, although two eventually held parades because of contract commitments with local bands. Simple wreath-laying ceremonies took place in Palisades and Sparkill on the 30th.

Both legionnaires expressed regret and said that they hoped the widespread protest would bring about a return to the traditional day, as it did previously when an effort was made to change the date of Veterans' Day from November 11th.

While Palisades residents missed the usual parade, the speech by a local resident and the noisy gun salute, they were at least solaced by the regular pancake breakfast which was held at the Presbyterian Church -- on May 26th.

MARGARET PARTON HUSSEY

LIBRARY SUPPER DANCE

Come aboard! Support your local library by dancing the night away! Join neighbors and friends at the Palisades Free Library Supper Dance on Saturday, June 7 at 9 PM. This annual event, made possible by the many people who are dedicated to the continued excellence of the Library, promises to be a special evening of fabulous food, sensational sounds, and drink aplenty.

For a truly enjoyable time, navigate down to the residence of Gayle and Bernard Jacobs on Woods Road in Palisades.

Dine on delicious and varied cuisine while enjoying an elegant summer evening with new and old members of the community. Trip the light fantastic to music that has inspired three generations of dance music -- from big band to rock. And, for suspense, participate generously in the annual raffle. Winners and astounding prizes will be announced during the evening.

The cost for the evening is \$18.50 per person. Make reservations by sending a check to Jan Stark, Washington Spring Road, Palisades (payable to Palisades

Free Library).

For further information, contact Jane Schwartz (7337) or Lynne Seidler (1481) JOAN HOOKER



PALISADES CIVIC ASSOCIATION

Palisades has formed a Civic Association. All residents are encouraged to join and participate in its activities. Monthly meetings are planned. Watch for dates on the Palisades Library and Palisades Community Center bulletin boards.

DOSSI THAYER

CALENDAR

June Palisades Civic Association monthly meeting to be announced

Palisades Community Center Membership Drive begins

Palisades Free Library Supper Dance, Gayle & Bernard Jacobs residence, Woods Road, Palisades (7 PM) 7

Registration for Parenting Workshops at Palisades Library
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23 Library Summer Reading Program begins (5 - 14 yrs.) July Oaktree Cooperative Playgroup summer session begins 7

8 Parenting Workshops begin (8 PM - 9:30 PM)

LETTER TO THE COMMUNITY OF PALISADES

During my recent illness, it became clear that Palisades is indeed a special kind of place, a community of people, individuals who care. The expressions of concern my family received were from every area of our hamlet, and meant so much to us. Although I chose to enter a hospital so far from Palisades (and -clearly not to my choosing -- resided there for a month!), neighbors still visited, over and over. Those who could not, called, even when my only responses were sobs. And letters, cards arrived daily. When I awoke from surgery both times, I was welcomed by a plethora of flowers. And when there was no longer room for bouquets, I was sent a wonderous present -- a private-duty nurse. Ed and my anniversary was spent this year in a hospital room; a Palisades friend remembered it was our special day and sent a congratulatory telegram to my bedside. How thoughtful, and how much it meant to us. Food -- including Jewish chicken soup which did wonders! -- was not only delivered to me; my family's stomachs were also catered to. Cookies, spaghetti sauce and many other delicacies -- a neighbor delivered a roast beef last night. *** By dividing and sharing our adversity, you lightened it, my kind neighbors. For your sensitive caring, for your friendship and your continuing expressions of love, Edwin, Eddie, Darryl, Stephen and I thank you, with much love. MYRA RICHARDSON

GIRL SCOUT NEWS

All the Scout and Brownie troups in the Blauvelt-Orangeburg-Palisades-Piermont service unit gathered at St. John's Church in Piermont for a Square Dance on Feb. 16. A total of 92 turned out on what proved to be a snowy Saturday afternoon.

John Callahan, well-known in Rockland County as a square-dance caller, was in charge of this lively afternoon for girls, their families, and friends. Troops who took part were: Melanie Moran's #37, Carol McGann's #57, Nancy Hall's #78, and Rose Krupansky's #383.

Junior Troop 78 were cooks and hostesses for a chicken dinner held March 26 at Christ Church in Piermont. The Senior Citizens Club of Palisades, under the leadership of Laura Ebmeyer, were our guests, as well as the families of the troop members. Forty-two people attended.

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Ten scouts, ten senior citizens, three scout leaders, and nineteen family members took part. Entertainment provided by the scouts consisted of skits from Aesop's Fables, Abbott and Costello,

The Blind Men and the Elephant, and a puppet show.
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Eight girls from Junior Troop 78, plus three leaders, went to New Haven, Conn. on April 3 on a cultural exchange day. After a short walking tour through the buildings of Yale University, we joined our new Girl Scout friends in lunch followed by games and singing. We extended an invitation to the New Haven Troop to pay a reciprocal visit to us and they plan to do so in October.

NANCY HALL

Junior Girl Scout Troop #37 had a funfilled and exciting year. We would like to thank the community center for the weekly use of the building.

Some of our activities this year included camping, hiking to Doodletown (an old mining town near Bear Mountain), canoeing, arts and crafts, a visit to Nyack Hospital, and learning to rollerskate and crochet.

For service projects we raked the lawn of the community center, helped out at the Library Plant Sale, and ran a paper drive.

We raised funds by holding a Christmas boutique, selling pens and magazines, and running a bake sale. With these funds we hope to take a year-end trip to Mystic Seaport, Conn. and Old Sturbridge Village, Mass.

Our leader, Melanie Moran, is getting married this summer and will be moving away. We are all happy for her, but we are in need of a new leader. If anyone would be able to donate some time to our troop, please contact Nancy Hall (6237).

Signed: L. Creighton, C. DiCarlo, S. Guilfoyle, D. Hurban, K. Long, K. McIntyre, V. Nawoichyk, G. Olson, P. Sullivan, N. Vlahos

The Palisades Cadette Troup's activities this year included camping, canoeing, rollerskating, sewing, and crocheting. We raised funds by holding a spaghetti dinner and a Christmas boutique and selling pens. With these funds we hope to take a trip to Mystic Seaport and Sturbridge Village.

We wish to thank the Community Center for the use of the building this past year -- and all the Moms and Dads who assisted us. We bid a fond but sad farewell to Melanie Moran, our Troop leader and wish her a happy future.

Signed: R. Hamersky, K. Olson, J. Nawoichyk, D. Picchianti, T. Picchianti, E. Pelletier

VIC & COOKIE NAWOICHYK

FROM MELANIE TO ALL HER SCOUTS

Thank you to all the Junior and Cadette Girl Scouts and all of their parents for a very enjoyable and rewarding year. I appreciated all the cooperation and support throughout the year. I'll miss you all!



PALISADES COMMUNITY CENTER

Our Community Center begins its Annual Membership Drive June 1 and we are asking each Palisades Family to respond. We are proud of our past accomplishments and wish to continue to improve our facility and expand our programs in the future for the Palisades community.

For a minimal fee of \$5 per year you and your family can become members. Please send in your membership fee now and help your center remain an intricate part of the community. Make checks payable to "Palisades Community Center" and mail to Box 222.

VICTOR NAWOICHYK

ARTS AND LETTERS

A Flag Day Celebration of the Arts will be held at the "Federal Townhouse," 118 Main Street, Tappan, on Saturday, June 14, 11 AM. - 5 PM, and Sunday, June 15, Noon - 5 PM. This 'showing' of the arts will present the works of some of the many gifted people who reside amongst us. There will be representative works of writers, sculptors, actors, and artisans, all of whom have generously agreed to loan for display a sampling of their talent and expression in the arts.

The small Federal townhouse, recently purchased by Audrey Dowling of HeyHoe Woods, Palisades, is believed to have been built circa 1835 for Dr. Morris Bartow and his wife Catalina Van Gelden. The building has been described by the Tappantown Historical Society as an outstanding example of a classic Federal townhouse, unique to the simple Dutch farm community of early Tappan.

JANET HOSKING

CLUB

SUMMER PLAYGROUP

The Oak Tree Cooperative Playgroup will be running a summer weekday playgroup in the Palisades School starting July 7 through August 29 from 9 AM - 12 Noon (excluding lunch). All children ages 2 through Kindergarten are welcome.

The fee is \$1 per hour (no minimum attendance required) plus a registration fee of \$5. Fees are required by June 15. Registration is on a first come/basis so sign-up as soon as you've planned your summer schedule. For more information call (6472) or stop and visit us.

MARRIANE ARMISTEAD

PALISADES FREE LIBRARY

YOUNG READERS (5 yrs. - 14 yrs.)
The Summer Olympics Reading Program starts June 23 and continues through August 21. Be sure to register at the library between 10 AM and 1 PM any morning beginning June 23. There will be an end-of-summer reading celebration on Thursday, August 21 at 11 - 12:30. Join us... Don't miss a summer of reading fun!

PARENTING: THE CHALLENGE AND FRUSTRATION A six-workshop series conducted by Jay Bostwick, M.S.S., Ph.D., psychotherapist, whose private practice focuses on children, adolescents, and families begins Tuesday July 8, 8 - 9:30 PM at one of the sponsoring community libraries (Palisades, Blauvelt, Orangeburg or Tappan). Fee \$3.00 per person per session. Enrollment is limited to 20 people per session. REGISTRATION BEGINS JUNE 9 AT THE PALISADES LIBRARY. Topics for the six sessions are: 1) Development of the child and opportunities for either stress and strain or fun and enjoyment. 2) Curtailing inappropriate behavior. 3) Developing new behavior patterns. 4) Maintaining new behavior patterns. 5) Strengthening existing appropriate behavior. Overcoming fears and anxieties BEATRICE AGNEW

COMPETITIVE SWIM TEAM AT PALISADES SWIM

Get your goggles and swim suits early! Girls and boys, ages 7-18, who are members of Palisades Swim Club are urged to get ready for joining the Palisades Swim Team. Of course, you must be a fairly good swimmer. But, especially for the 6, 7, 8, and 9 year-olds, regular workouts each morning with the team will help you to become a very good swimmer.

First practice sessions will begin about June 16, after school. Once school is out (June 20), practice will be held every weekday morning from 8 - 10 AM. Swim meets (we are part of Rockland County League) will be held Saturday mornings from 8:30 to 12 at various pools in the county (Pearl River, West Nyack, Spring Valley, etc.), starting July 5.

The competitive swim session ends with the County Championships, to be held approximately Aug. 11 - 13. Last year, the Palisades team came in 4th in the county. This summer, if we get a good turnout, we're hoping to do better!

NANCY HALL

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CARTOONS -- Philip Herman, new resident of Palisades, is a caricaturist and illustrator by profession. He specializes in doing caricatures at parties and at functions as an entertainment. For details and printed info call (0141).

WANTED: Used bricks. McCoy (4744).

FOR SALE: Honda 1970. 360cc. Excellent condition. \$650. Firestone (0599).

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