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Calendar of Events

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December 2 Playgroup Theatre
 Night
December 16 Community Center
 Holiday Party, 1:30

Palisades Workshop Project

Palisades Community Center

The Community Center has had an active year and we are finishing up 1979 with all bills paid. This is quite an accomplishment considering rising costs.

One of the highlights of our fall season was a five-week series on Antiquing. Mary Ann Sahadi volunteered her time and shared her talents and knowledge with the group. Thanks for a job well done.

The Center would like to sponsor a series of drawing and painting classes. If you are interested, please drop a post-card to Box 222, Palisades, NY.

Our Annual Christmas Party for children and adults will be on Sunday, December 16th. Santa will be with us and "goodies" will be served. Come at 1:30PM and enjoy a pleasant afternoon.

The Board of Directors of the Palisades Community Center extends best wishes for a happy Holiday season. May 1980 be a healthy and happy year for all.

Edith Ryan (3215)

On November 1 the Palisades Workshop Project held its first meeting of the readers' and writers' groups. Members from Palisades included: Carol Peterfreund, Nina Thayer Andrea Williams. An announcement of the project in the JOURNAL NEWS brought participants from surrounding Rockland County towns.

The workshops are ongoing operations. There is no deadline for making application for admission. Anyone interested should write to Box 669 - Palisades Workshop Project, and enclose a stamped-self-addressed-envelope. Since the project does not solicit or accept registration fees or donations it is necessary for inquiries to be accompanied by stamps.

Anyone interested in participating in either the writers' or readers' workshop is most welcome...your inquiry will bring you a formal statement of the intent, the structure and the method of operations of this project.

Lynn Feller

Irene Frederick

Holly Redell/Editor; Kathy Poppen/Associate Editor; Jane Bernick/Treasurer; Jeanne Boose/Classified; Joan Tankel/Layout. 10964 is published monthly except July and August.

Deadline is the 10th of the month

West Hudson Environmental Assoc.

N.Y. Dept. of Transportation Commissioner Hennessy has modified the heavy truck ban to allow trucks routed to Orangetown to use routes 9W and 340. The Tri-State Committee, which is headed by the N.J. Dept. of Transportation Commissioner, effectively nullified the ban; which was implemented, and later upheld in Federal Court, for reasons of safety. Nothing has occurred to change the court decision.

In itself, the modification won't greatly increase the number of heavy trucks on the roads. Enforcement, however, is difficult partly because the modification includes the portion of Nyack which is in Orangetown. This opens up the 9W corridor to the Tappan Zee Bridge and the N.Y. Thruway. Even though a marking system is being considered to identify legal trucks, the Orangetown police are unable to patrol 9W and 340 continually. Inevitably, illegal long-haul trucks will pass through. Chief Crable and Sgt. Johnson of the Orangetown police have said "It's going to be a tough enforcement problem".

This weakening of the ban was unnecessary. A letter from Supervisor Colello to the Tri-State Regional Planning Commission on Aug. 28, said that Orangetown industry was not being adversely affected by the ban.

It is questionable, too, what the modification does for New Jersey. A truck count recently taken by the N.J. police at Closter Dock Rd. and Piermont Rd. in Closter showed that most of the trucks had an origin or destination in Bergen County.

Sen. Winikow assures us that Commissioner Hennessy will not allow anymore inroads into the ban. She said (and asked to be quoted), "This is the most N.J. is going to get away with". When asked about the Tri-State's suggestion for a route to connect 9W and 303 in N.Y. she said the responsibility for that is with New Jersey, not New York.

Mayor Bryan of Piermont is asking for a 30-day extension to consider alternatives and to allow time to work out the truck tagging system. We also plan to ask the DOT for some changes; a speed limit reduction on 9W south of the Sparkill viaduct and on 340 north of Oak Tree Rd., with no passing zones.

We continue to have heavy traffic from Rockleigh Industrial Park and the other N.J. industries and the traffic is spilling onto Closter Rd. Rockleigh continues to expand, along with Northvale and Norwood, affecting our safety, peace, and property values.

Clearly, the ultimate solution is a 9W-340 connecting route in New Jersey. Page 17 of the Tri-State's 19 page report finally mentions that maybe something should be done in New Jersey.

To join the effort to do something about the traffic problems in our area, please call me at 359-3207.

Meanwhile, remember that Oak Tree Rd. has a 5-ton limit. The truck traffic has already increased and will worsen when the ban is modified. In order to avoid the terrible situation of 2 years ago, before the ban, please call the police to report any illegal trucks.

Dossi Thayer

Oak Tree Playgroup

The Playgroup is sponsoring an evening at the Elmwood Playhouse on December 2nd. The play is Neil Simon's THE GOOD DOCTOR. Call the Playgroup (6472) for details about tickets.

There is an opening at the Playgroup for a custodian for the building. Please call for more information.

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Violin lessons for all ages, \$7 per half hour; Writers' Workshop-writing as self-discovery \$18 and up. Frannie Breer (4367)

For Sale: "Barbie" Star Camper (Box still sealed), \$20. Call McCoy (4744)

For Sale: Two United Airline Half Fare coupons. Must be used by Dec. 15th, \$40 each. Call Redell (9168)

For Sale: BMW, 2002, 1970, Stick shift, engine rebuilt in 1977, complete service record, one owner since new, \$1000. Call Bob Breer (358-8178)

Wanted: Old gasoline company road maps, any condition. Will pay a little bit, it's up to you. Call Frederick (3194)

Has our calico cat been spending the summer with you? If so, we'd appreciate hearing from her. Jewett (2629)

Ho Ho Ho

The Palisades, New York Post Office has been advised by Santa Claus that he will answer all letters from the children in Palisades addressed to him and received by him no later than Wednesday, December 19, 1979.

Please include your full name and address and mail your letter to:

Santa Claus
Palisades, NY 10964



To our neighbors: A healthy family makes us appreciative of a caring community, when we so needed support. Palisades is a special place to live because of its citizens who, through their thoughts, acts, calls and letters, let us know they were thinking of us, and were there to help.

The McCoy Family

Thanks to the Burns for their contribution to 10964 this month. Your support enables us to continue.

Soccer

The top spot in the Area division of the Bergen County Amateur Soccer Association continues to belong to one of only two Rockland entries in the entire league, the PALISADES, NY SOCCER CLUB. Through five league games, PALISADES is undefeated and untied, out-scoring opponents by a lopsided total of 12 goals to 1. A well balanced attack, keyed by eight different goal-scorers, coupled with a hustling, gritty defense that has notched four shutouts in five games, has propelled PALISADES to the top of the standings during its rookie season in the league.

Since early September, the team has also played exhibition, qualifying and cup games against teams across North Jersey, compiling a creditable 7-2-2 record overall. Sometimes

forced to play two games on one Sunday, PALISADES has shown the depth and desire to play competitively week in and week out.

Our Halloween masquerade party was a mild success, thanks to help from the local business community. Tappan Towne Health Food, Craft Television, Plaza Liquors, Western Auto and Route 59 Beverages all contributed to our fund raising effort, which netted close to \$100 toward next spring's season. We still are short of our goal, however, and continue to ask for your support. Make checks payable to PALISADES, NY SOCCER CLUB, Box 218, Palisades 10964. Thank you.

Shawn Frederick

Any information concerning sporting activities in and around the Palisades area can be brought to Shawn Frederick's attention (3194) for future issues of 10964.

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