

# 10964

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This community newsletter publishes information, events, problems and concerns effecting the people of Palisades. 10964 needs your moral and financial support. Please send a contribution for 10964 to Box 201, Palisades, NY 10964. With your help you'll find 10964 in your mailbox every month.

## Leasing of Palisades & Tappan Schools

The South Orangetown School Board met on Thursday, May 26th, to vote on the leasing of the Palisades and Tappan Elementary Schools to the Orangeburg-Monsey Hebrew School; they have offered to lease the two schools for \$30,000 and \$12,000 a year on a joint 5 year lease.

Town Supervisor, Joseph Colello, requested that the School Board delay its decision for two weeks so that the Town Board could review the situation and come up with a proposal to use the schools for the community.

The School Board, after meeting in executive session, granted the 2 week delay.

At the June 2nd Town Board Meeting, the Board voted unanimously to propose to the School Board the leasing of the Tappan and Palisades Schools for \$1.00 per year. The Town Board of Orangetown would assume the maintenance of these two buildings.

At the June 7th School Board meeting, the Town Board's proposal was accepted. We commend Mr. Colello for his efforts on our behalf.

Carol Elevitch

## Tappan Zee Thrift Shop

Notice Buyers! Do yourselves a favor and at the same time help a nonprofit organization by shopping at the Tappan Zee Thrift Shop, located at 454 Piermont Avenue, Piermont, NY. Merchandise includes a fantastic selection of children's and adult's clothing, and a wide variety of knickknacks and books, all at reasonable prices. Come in and browse. The hours are Tuesday/Thursday/Saturday 10 to 3:45 (donations before 3:30 please).

Attention Donors! Help yourselves by receiving a tax receipt at the end of the year from donating at the Tappan Zee Thrift Shop. Clean, saleable items, including seasonal clothes on hangers, housewares, toys, attic pretties, linens, and jewelry are always welcomed.

Paula Silverman

## Calendar of Events

- JUNE 15  
A&P Donation Day, Norwood
- JUNE 17  
Teacher's Recognition Day
- JUNE 18  
Library Dinner Dance
- JUNE 24  
Teen Dance, Palisades School
- JULY 2  
Independence Day Celebration

## Palisades Historical Committee

Committeewoman Alice Haagensen is compiling a list of historic items in the possession of Palisades residents. If you own Palisades memorabilia please call Mrs. Haagensen at 359-0097 so she may list it. The Committee considers all sorts of things historic. For example, Dr. Jacqueline Holland, Principal of the Palisades School, recently gave the group athletic trophies from the 1950's.

L. Rich-McCoy

The following letter has been sent to the Palisades Community Center Board of Trustees:

The Historical Committee of the Palisades Free Library deeply regrets the hasty obliteration of the murals in the Community Center and hopes that in the future more sensitive concern for historic value will be displayed before any further changes are made.

## Palisades Community Center

The first night of folksinging attracted more than fifty babies, teens, adults and seniors, all enthusiastic singers. Thanks to the Barons for music-making and Jeanne Boose and the Schwartz's for helping with the details. Watch the event board on the Community Center's lawn for future folksinging (and other) happenings. Have an instrument? Bring it and join in!

Coming events: Independence Day in Palisades will be celebrated on July 2. Tentative plans include perhaps an historical display, costume contest, food, drink, games, square dancing. For information contact Irene Frederick (359-3194) or Laura Ebmeyer (359-2399).

And in the Fall... a theater workshop for all ages is being organized to begin then. Watch for an announcement in the September 10964.

L. Rich-McCoy



Palisades Memorial Day Parade, 1977. Mrs. Mildred Post Rippey, Guest Speaker. (Photo by Fred Griffing)

## Palisades Free Library

Don't forget to make your reservations for the Library's annual dinner dance. Date: June 18th. Place: the Schwartz residence, Woods Road. Donation: \$17.00 per person. Checks should be made payable to the Palisades Free Library and sent to Joan Bracken, Box 598. Reservations accepted by phone until June 16th (359-1765).

Remember the A&P Donation Day to benefit the Palisades Free Library June 15th—Norwood A&P.

Library summer hours are in effect.

Monday/ Thursday	10-1PM 5-9PM
Friday	10-1PM

## Lamont

Lamont-Doherty Geological Observatory is a frequent host for visiting scientists from all around the world. One recent international gathering was a meeting of scientists from various Deep Sea Drilling Project cruises during the past year. They have all been on board the Research Vessel GLOMAR CHALLENGER doing deep ocean research. They met at the Observatory to prepare reports on their findings after each scientist had conducted preliminary studies on the data gathered at sea in his/her own laboratory.

Not all Lamont-Doherty visitors come from faraway places. Two recent groups of 25 high school students each from Spring Valley and Nyack were guests for mini-tours of certain Observatory facilities. They visited the Core Lab, seismology and geology laboratories and were given a demonstration of the electron microscopes.

Anne Nixon

## Memories of the Palisades School

The threat of the Palisades School closing is not only sad, but also the end of a great institution. It is a "one of a kind" school in so many different ways.

When my sister and I and all of our friends went there, we had so many happy, warm times. Mom would walk us down the road to school in the morning and come by in the afternoon to pick us up and walk home with us.

The teachers, the nurse, everybody who worked there were such rare and special people, each in his or her own way. Mr. Soutar was the nice grandfather-like principal, his wife was the secretary. Both of them were loved by all who knew them. I could never ever forget Mrs. Grotz, the cook, a remarkable, sweet woman whose lunches tasted out of this world. These homemade hot lunches were

always made with such love and devotion and tasted as great as any loving mother could make.

I feel so lucky to have been able to go to such a small and old-fashioned school. Everybody knew everybody as most people do in small towns like Palisades. It is not often one can look back on her school years without one memory of a bad teacher or experience. I feel tremendously lucky to be able to look back on my years at Palisades with a special fondness and warmth.

The Palisades School is still to this day a very small, simple and informal school. This is what makes it so unique.

I am extremely saddened at the possible closing of the school. I would love for many, many more generations to be able to go there and experience what I was lucky enough to experience. You see, a school as special as this one and so rare in today's modern and complex world needs to remain open to remind everyone how important it is to preserve the old-fashioned, simple traditions of the past.

Nina Thayer

## Life or Death of 10964...

Last month we wrote an article detailing the short history of 10964 and asking our readers to respond either positively or negatively to our Newsletter.

We wish to thank the following people for their generous support in responding to our plea for financial support: Audrey Dowling, the J. Rossofs, Sylvia Devan Architectural and Interior Design, the Donald Heine-manns, Closter Plaza Travel, the Robert Williams, Dionyse Price, Friends of the Palisades Free Library, and the Palisades Community Center.

We also wish to thank our neighbors in Rockleigh—United Airlines—for their generous donation and subscription.

10964 continues to ask for your suggestions, opinions and of course financial help. As this will be our last issue until September, we would like to have your "verdict." It's up to you, the residents of Palisades!

Barbara Hovsepian

FOR SALE: 1974 Datsun 710 wagon. Automatic, 34,000 mi., luggage rack and radio, new brakes and exhaust system. \$2,200 or best offer. Lattes 359-1658.

FOR SALE: Baby carriage, infant seat, car seat, etc. Olson 359-0752.

NEEDED: For dissertation—photos or pictures or information pertaining to 19th C. community which existed south of the NY/NJ line, east of present 9W, sometimes called "Skunk Hollow." Contact the Library 359-0136. (Geismar)

NEED HELP THIS SUMMER?  
Babysitting, gardening, odd jobs.  
Sarah Tapley 359-0013.

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## Palisades PTA

A Teacher's Recognition luncheon will be held on Friday, June 17th—12:30pm at the "76 House." All parents are invited. A cold buffet will be served for \$5 complete. This will consist of prime ribs, turkey, spinach and other salads, fruit with sherbet, coffee, plus all the wine you can drink. For further information contact Barbara Olson (359-7280).

## Classified

Classified ads are free; please submit yours to Box 201 so it arrives no later than the first of the month. Last names and phone numbers must appear in ad. (Donations to 10964 are requested from from businesses wishing to place ads.)

FOR SALE: 1971 *Colliers Encyclopedia*. Call Palisades Free Library 359-0136.

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