

The Jamesburg Bulletin

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Good News Travels Fast...Serving the Jamesburg Community

May, 2009

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Friends of the Library...Sat...5/2...Library...10:30AM

Presbyterian Church...Sat...5/2...Ham Dinner...5PM Call 732-521-1711 RSVP

Patriotic Committee/Memorial Day Parade...Mon...5/4 & 5/18...Borough Hall...7PM

Jamesburg Historical Association...Wed...5/6...Presbyterian Church...7PM

Jamesburg Civic Association...Thu...5/7...Lisco's...7PM

Jamesburg Senior Citizens...Wed...5/13...Center on Stevens...1PM

Jamesburg Borough Council...Wed...5/13...Borough Hall...7PM

Jamesburg Land Use & Zoning Board...Thu...5/14...Borough Hall...7PM

Town-Wide Yard Sale...Sat...5/16...8AM-3PM...Various locations around town

Jamesburg Public Library, Board of Trustees...Mon...5/18...Library...7PM

126th Annual Memorial Day Parade...Mon...5/25...10AM...Veterans' Park

Jamesburg Fall Festival Committee...Tue...5/26...Borough Hall...7PM

Jamesburg Revitalization Coalition...Wed...5/27...Borough Hall...7PM

Memorial day Parade #126!

The 126th edition of the annual Jamesburg-Helmetta-Monroe Memorial Day Parade is slated to go off on Monday, May 25th. All units that are marching will be starting from Veterans' Park at 10AM and will proceed under police escort over Gatzmer Avenue to Forsgate Drive down to East Railroad Avenue and back to the park. Following the parade, the Memorial Service will take place including President Lincoln, portrayed by Robert Costello, giving the Gettysburg address. The theme of the parade this year is the 200th anniversary of Lincoln's birth. Those marching are expected to be in the park no later than 9:30AM so that their proper placement in the parade can be assured. Commander Allan Brown of Star Legion Post 127 and the Patriotic Committee have been working feverishly to continue the work of Hank "Spud" Dobenski in maintaining the dignity of the parade and ceremonies dedicated to those who gave their lives in defense of our Nation. A limited number of programs will be handed out in Veteran's park for the memorial ceremonies. The Star Legion Post will be conducting observances at local memorials earlier in the morning as part of the annual ritual to preserve the memory of those who have fallen in the name of Liberty.

Jamesburg History...some trivia

The first room of what was to eventually become the Buckelew Mansion was built in 1685. The word "Manalapan" is a Lenape Indian word that means "Land of Good Bread." In 1847, tomatoes were first canned in tin cans at the Buckelew cannery and sent to President Polk and the Queen of England. In 1890, the world record for 1,000 shirts produced in one week was held by the Downs and Finch Shirt Factory between Forsgate and Willow Street. Between the late 1930s and the 1960s, Jamesburg had Kerr's Butterscotch Factory. The longest running business still going in the original building is Jamesburg Hardware. Jamesburg had two train stations: Upper was located off Gatzmer and Mott Avenues; Lower was across from Lakeview Mansion. Get involved in History - Volunteer!!! The Jamesburg Historical Association, 732-521-2040 or www.jamesburghistory.com.

Lisco's Country Café

49 East Railroad Avenue Jamesburg, NJ 08831... 732-521-0470

Delivery Service: Thur/Fri/Sat Evenings

Look for Live Entertainment, Open Mike Night coming May 14-Thurs

Buffet Available 7:30PM to 10PM during open mike night

Daily Specials-Eat In, BYOB-Take Out

Sun, Mon & Tue- 7:00AM-4PM; Thu, Fri & Sat-7:00AM-8:00PM

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On the Soap Box: Spring Tune-up Time

This month, I'd just like to share some simple helpful concepts that will save you time and money. Give yourself, your car, your home your family a spring tune-up!

1. You-Shake off the winter doldrums by taking a little better care of yourself. While in the morning shower, do some stretching to help wake up and feel better. You just might have a better day. Improve your posture, it will improve your outlook! Smile more and play nice with others.
2. Your Car-change the oil, get the tires rotated! This will save you money as your engine will run better. Wash it! Either give it a bath in the driveway or take it to a local car wash.
3. Your home-change the filter in your furnace, recycle stuff, give stuff away to charitable foundations and get a tax credit! Cleaning house is just like tuning up your soul. Have a yard sale!
4. Your family-make sure you appreciate the time you have with your family members. Take walks or short trips to see points of interest or historical significance. Have some fun! Eat fun but healthy food! Watch a school baseball game or other local athletic event. There are lots of them going on.
5. Clean up the grill, make sure it is safe to use. The local hardware stores have replacement parts, especially burners! Talk to the store people so that you get the right parts!
6. Spare change-save all your coins and when you have a bucket full, cash them in and use the money for a that special night out. Most grocery stores have a coin counter if your bank does not have one.
7. Rent a movie and watch it with the whole family with massive amounts of popcorn! Only, pick a nice night and do it outside! Bring the bug spray and bug candles.

“Nothing is more sad than the death of an illusion.” –Arthur Koestler

“Better a dish of illusion and a hearty appetite for life, than a feast of reality and indigestion therewith.”

-Harry A. Overstreet

“It is respectable to have no illusions, and safe, and profitable-and dull.” –Joseph Conrad

“The one person who has more illusions than the dreamer is a man of action.” –Oscar Wilde

The Lighter Side: Tater People

Those who watch others and never participate: Spec Taters.

Those who never help but often criticize others: Comment Taters.

Those very bossy people who can't dirty their own hands: Dick Taters.

Those who put off helping others, never getting around to it: Hezzie Taters.

Those who are always disagreeing just because: Agie Taters.

Those annoying imposters: Emma Taters.

Those who stand by their words with deeds by stopping and helping others without even being asked: Sweet Taters!

JMRCC has stellar networking events!

The Jamesburg-Monroe Regional Chamber of Commerce recently held its second networking event of 2009 at Villa Laura restaurant in Spotswood. The lunch time affair attracted many current and potential members to exchange business cards and get to know others in the community. The next event will be a business after hours to be held at the 1-800-PACK-RAT facility on Wednesday, May 20th from 5:30PM to 7:30PM. Those wishing to attend may RSVP Rob @ 732-521-5253 or Dawn @ 732-801-5377. Admission is \$5.00 per person.

The Chamber is finding success with these networking events because it realizes that not every one can attend an early morning get together, or a lunch or a late event. According to Chamber President Rob Gough, "This way, we get to see a better representation of the membership as well as potential members, and we get to share information and resources available to help their businesses grow or just maintain."

Look for two more wellness centers opening soon. One on West Railroad two doors down from Gray Rock and one behind PNC Bank on Church Street. In addition to being a banking center, Jamesburg is becoming the wellness village. We also have three hot dog vendors in town.

Farmer's market news - fresh from the farms!

The Jamesburg Revitalization Coalition is gearing up for opening day next month, Saturday June 13th. Farmer Al's and Von Thun Farms will be returning, along with Sweet Jersey Kettle Corn, Rachael Douglas and the Apiary Beeswax and Honey products, as well as some new vendors. Produce may be a little scarce as the season doesn't ramp up in full until the end of June, but the first few weeks will give the Market time to grow into its new location, in the parking lot of the Jamesburg Presbyterian Church at the corner of Gatzmer Avenue and Church Street. Market Manager Diane Lemelman has contacted a number of vendors who she says, "Are committed to being in our market, but it isn't a done deal until the permits are acquired and all the paperwork is processed." The market plans to feature product and cooking demonstrations over the summer, a food court and music as the season progresses. There might be fun involved as well as fresh food!

3rd Annual community appreciation wellness fair coming

The Innovative Wellness Center and Nutrition Solutions are celebrating their third year in Jamesburg with the 3rd Annual Community Appreciation Wellness Fair. Join us on Saturday, May 30th from 11AM-2PM. In an effort to help the community improve its health, we are offering many of our services at no charge for one day. During the Wellness Fair, the center will be offering the following: Healthy Food, Body Composition Analysis by Registered Dieticians, Chair Massages by Professional Therapists, Aqua Massages, Structural and Postural Evaluations, Exercise Instruction with our Fitness Professionals and Q&A with our Acupuncturist. Since all of these services are being offered to the community free of charge, they are on a first come- first served basis and Those who sign up in advance will receive priority. Call the office today to reserve your spot at 732-656-1740 or stop in at 220 Forsgate Drive. Let's strive for WELLNESS; it's more than not just being sick.

Annual town wide yard sale-spring edition!

When? Saturday, May 16, 8AM to 3PM, Rain or Shine. Where? The Presbyterian Church parking lot and your yard! The Jamesburg Historical Association and the Church are again hosting the spring Annual town-wide yard sale. Residents are free to sell their treasures at home, while residents and non-residents can set up tables at the Presbyterian Church for a fee of \$15.00 per booth space. You must provide your own tables and chairs. Payment must be received by Friday, May 15th. Payments and rentals will not be accepted on sale day. This is a rain or shine event, there will be no refunds. No items of pornographic or alcoholic content may be sold. Forms may be obtained at www.jamesburghistory.com. Your check or money order must accompany the form. The booth space fee benefits programs of the Jamesburg Historical Association and the Jamesburg Presbyterian Church. Remember that one person's trash is another person's treasure. You can price an item to sell, or you can price an item to keep. But once you sell it, it is no longer taking up space that you need for other stuff!

"In this world it is not what we take up, but what we give up, that makes us rich." –Henry Ward Beecher