



THE BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK

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CASANO COMMUNITY CENTER
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August 12th, 2016

To: Mayor Carl Hokanson and Borough Council
From: Rupen Shah, Director

The following is a report of activities and work done during the period of July 16, 2016 through August 12, 2016.

Activity Concerning the Casano Community Center:

- The teakwood yard furniture needs to be weather treated before the end of the season.
- Union County Handyman Program will end on August 31st.

Community Affairs:

- We are very thankful to the many residents, organizations, churches, schools, and clubs that have been donating perishable and non-perishable food and monetary donations which has enabled us to maintain a stocked food pantry.
- Senior Picnic on July 16th was a great success. More than 100 seniors enjoyed the music and free food. Thank you Mayor Hokanson and volunteers for helping serve and clean.
- July 29th, was second "Crusin' Night" of the session. More than 40 cars participated in the show. RP Loves Art was a great addition to the show. We had a fun event for all age groups. Thank you Ryan Inc., Burger King, Dunkin Donuts, NAR Auto Sales, Roselle Park Education Association, Hudson point Capital, Coldwell Banker's Union and Park Trophies for your support and sponsorship.
Thank you Mayor Hokanson, Council President Charlene Storey, Councilman Joe Petrosky, Norte Auto and NAR auto for presenting trophies.
- August 2nd was National Night out with free picnic and it was a great success. Everyone enjoyed the picnic and live music by DJ Vinny Pic. Thank you Mayor and Council, Roselle Park Police, Fire Department, First Aid Squad, Community Center Association and The Roselle Park Education Association
- Casano Center has scheduled free trips to concerts every Tuesday and Friday. Concerts start at 7 pm in Linden. Pickup starts at 6pm. seniors are requested to call day before to schedule their pickup.
- Casano Center also provides free trips to Mall every Monday, shopping trips every Tuesday and Friday, also exercise classes Monday to Friday. Seniors are enjoying nutritious lunch and bingo after the exercise.
- Roselle Park Girl Scouts have scheduled their meetings at the center on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 5 pm to 8 pm.
- Seniors enjoyed free trips to Point Pleasant beach on July 20th, August 4th and August 18th. We have more trips scheduled on September 8th and 22nd to Seaside Heights beach.
- We have received grant from "Pride Grant" for Seniors Picnic in the amount of \$275 and \$475 for Town Picnic.

- August 1st has been scheduled for “Union County Bandstand”. We have applied for the Heart Grant. It will feature music of the “1976 to 2016--- FORTY YEARS OF MEMORIES” appeals to people of all ages. Younger audience members will learn about the previous decades, and older members will be exposed to and learn some of the newer music and social trends of today. Sharing each other’s sensibilities and tastes in a “shared” Union County audience can make the different generations understand each other a little better. It’s FREE! To everyone to enjoy in the heart of our beautiful downtown! The County should notify us if our application has been approved by late this month.
- Remember the 9/11 Service will fall on Sunday September 11th this year and will take place starting at approximately 2 PM.
- September 22nd seniors will be enjoying free concert to PNC Art Center.
- September 24th RP Loves Art will be hosting a show.
- September 25th has been scheduled for European Heritage Festival.
- BAPS, a local Indian Organization, will be holding their meetings on Friday August 19th, September 9th and September 23rd at approximately 6 PM.
- The Indo American Senior Citizens will be having meetings on August 28th and September 18th.
- The Westfield Board of Health sends a nurse to the Casano Center on the last Tuesday of every month from 10:30 am to 11:30 am to take blood pressure readings.

Casano Community Center Rental:

- August 6th, August 7th, August 13th, August 14th, August 20th. August 27th.
- September 18th.

Events, Activities, and Meetings Attended:

- July 16th , Seniors Picnic
- July 18th , Five points Car Show
- July 21st, Superintendent Pedro Garrido
- July 22nd, JC Peru Entertainment
- July 29th, Aristacare
- August 2nd, National Night Out and Picnic
- August 5th, AARP

Publicity:

Suburban News, Star Ledger, Tap into News, Local Source, NJ.com, Seniors News, Roselle Park News, TV 34, NJ 101.5 and Facebook.