

Borough Hall will close at 3pm Friday, May 24th in observance of Memorial Day and reopen Tuesday, May 28th.

From the Desk of Mayor Frank Nunziato

This past week was National EMS week, celebrating Emergency Medical Service personnel. EMS week is a time to thank paramedics and Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) for their hardwork as front line responders when someone is in need of emergency medical care.

Rutherford is lucky to have an amazing team of volunteers who staff the Rutherford First-Aid Ambulance Corps, headquartered on Ames Ave. This is an all volunteer, non-profit organization that is there for residents when we need them most. It is made up of your friends, neighbors, coaches and many others who are willing to volunteer their free time, nights, weekends and holidays to be on call for medical emergencies.

This year, the Rutherford First-Aid Ambulance Corps. is celebrating its 75th anniversary. On behalf of all residents, I'd like to thank all the men and women who have kept that organization thriving for decades. As a former member myself, I can tell you how gratifying it is. If you want to learn more about the Rutherford First-Aid Ambulance Corps, or how you can support them, please visit their website www.rutherfordems.org.

Speaking of service, please take moment to read about Chief Neil O'Hara on the following page, who was presented with a proclamation at Monday's meeting for his 55 years of service to the Rutherford Fire Department. Thank you, Chief O'Hara, for your selfless dedication to the Borough and all its residents.

On another note, I'd like to remind everyone that the Rutherford Veterans' Alliance will host its annual Memorial Day Observance and Parade beginning at 8am on Monday. Additionally, the Borough will host a Pride Flag raising next Saturday, June 1st at 11 am at Borough Hall. All are welcome!

Wishing everyone a safe and happy Memorial Day Weekend!
- Mayor Frank Nunziato



Expect Road Closures Monday for the Memorial Day Parade hosted by the Veterans Alliance

Memorial Day observances will begin at 8am on Monday with a Wreath Toss at the Union Avenue Bridge, then the Color Guard and Veterans Alliance Members will proceed to Sunset Park to ready for a 9:00am parade kick-off. The parade will proceed up Union Avenue to Park Ave with closing services at Borough Hall.

Spring (and grass) have sprung!

This is a reminder to maintain your grass, clear your sidewalks of any debris (including vegetation such as bushes and overhanging branches).

Let's work together to keep the Borough beautiful!

Questions about what is permissible? Contact Natalie Gagliardo in the Zoning Department at 201-460-3042.

Tennis Courts Temporarily Closed

Tennis courts at Memorial Park will be closed beginning May 28th, 2024 and remain closed through the summer while they are refurbished as part of the overall Memorial Park upgrades project.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation as we work to improve our facilities!



Pride Flag Raising - Saturday, June 1st - 11:00 am Rutherford Borough Hall



**Dining Out Returns
Wednesday June 12th!**

(Sponsored by BCB Bank & Felician U.)

**2024 dates are:
June 19th, 26th,
Sept. 4th, 11th & 18th
Grand Finale Sept. 21st**

**Fireworks at Memorial Park - Saturday, June 29th
Rutherford Day at Lincoln Park - Saturday, September 21st**

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**Farmers Market Returns
Saturday July 6th!**

New location: Lincoln Park!

**Wednesdays & Saturdays
Through October**



Beginning June 27th

Proclamations & Awards



At Monday's meeting, Neil O'Hara was presented a proclamation recognizing his 55 years of dedicated service to the Rutherford Fire Department. Neil has held numerous leadership roles in the RFD including Assistant Chief and Deputy Chief, Captain, Lieutenant, Engineer, Company President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. He became a member of the Rutherford Hose & Engine Co. #3 in 1969 as a Civil Defense Firefighter, making him a 3rd generation Firefighter while also serving in the United States Navy Reserve until he was honorably discharged in 1970. Neil has been and continues to be a father figure to many and is known for his commitment for serving the community and for lending a hand to others in need, giving guidance and experience to every situation he encounters. Neil's son Brian also proudly serves as a 4th generation Firefighter.



Councilwoman Maria Begg-Roberson mbegg-roberson@rutherfordboronj.com

Recreation Liaison

RECREATION SOCCER REGISTRATION IS OPEN for girls & boys entering Kinder through 8th grade in Fall 2024. For more information and/or to register go to Rec Desk at Programs (recdesk.com)

Registration closes June 7, 2024.

The season will start mid-September. Rutherford residents only. WE NEED YOU! Interested in being a volunteer coach? Please complete the form at <https://forms.gle/SyHN287Xp8UeHAyb8>

Rev. Karen Rezach and Vestry Member Susan Muller of Grace Episcopal Church accepted a proclamation for their work for Grace's Closet, along with volunteers known as the "Conduit of Kindness."



Councilwoman Christie Del Rey-Cone cdelrey-cone@rutherfordboronj.com

Hello Neighbors. I just wanted to take a quick moment to wish everyone a safe and enjoyable Memorial Day weekend. Please take a moment from your celebrations for those we have lost for the sake of our freedom.

Members of the Green Team presented certificates to the newest "Green Leaf" participants. Be Well Cafe, Goffins 64 and Jeff Jordan Architects are all Rutherford businesses that have committed to sustainable practices.

Councilwoman Susan Quatrone squatrone@rutherfordboronj.com

Rutherford Residents: As we enjoy Memorial Day with barbecues and beach trips, let's remember those who had to make the ultimate sacrifice so we can have the privilege of freedom. Let's also keep those who are currently experiencing the horrible effects of war in our thoughts and prayers.



Rutherford was recently named a "Healthy Town to Watch" for commitment to improving the health and wellness of the community by the NJ Health Care Quality Institute. Members of the Green Team accepted this award due to the amount of work they put into this effort.

If you are in town, please join us for the annual Memorial Day parade beginning in Sunset Park and ending in Lincoln Park on Monday morning @9am. Have a beautiful weekend!