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PALISADES CENTER PAYS TRIBUTE TO FALLEN VETERANS THIS MEMORIAL DAY

WEST NYACK, N.Y. (May 2024): Palisades Center is proud to announce its commemoration of Memorial Day on Monday, May 27, 2024, honoring the brave men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our nation.

In observance of the Town of Clarkstown's Memorial Day ordinance and remembrance of our fallen veterans, Palisades Center will open its doors at 1:00 PM.

Visitors to Palisades Center's East Court will encounter a poignant Memorial Day banner created by Rockland County resident Anne Murphy with the assistance of Vietnam Veteran John Antonucci. Anne Murphy, an American Gold Star Mother, has dedicated herself to preserving the memory of fallen soldiers and supporting veterans, active-duty military personnel, and their families. The banner serves as a tribute to her son, Lt. Col. Michael L. Murphy, USMC, who tragically lost his life on December 11, 2000, while test piloting the MV-22 Osprey Helicopter.

This year, John Antonucci and other Veterans of Foreign Wars members recognized Palisades Center's dedication to hanging the banner annually. Darrin Houseman, the General Manager of Palisades Center, accepted a certificate on behalf of the Palisades Center Management Team for meritorious and distinguished service in furthering the aims and ideals of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

"Memorial Day is a time for us to reflect on the lives of our heroes and to bring recognition and awareness to their work and the sacrifices they made for us," **said Darrin Houseman, General Manager of Palisades Center**. "We are deeply honored to display the Memorial Day Banner every year. We are grateful to Anne, John and all those who made this tribute possible."

In addition, on Monday, May 27, the Buffalo Soldiers of Rockland County, in partnership with the Friends of Mount Moor Cemetery, will host a Memorial Day Ceremony at Mount Moor Cemetery at 11:00 AM adjacent to DICK's Sporting Goods. The ceremony will feature Retired US Army Colonel Kevin Branch as the keynote speaker, offering poignant reflections on the significance of Memorial Day and paying tribute to the courageous sacrifices of our fallen heroes. A special tribute will also be dedicated to Army Veteran John Vasser, a beloved member of the community and a distinguished Korean War veteran who passed away on December 10, 2023, at the age of 92. Mr. Vasser's remarkable service, including his Purple Heart recognition and receipt of the 2010 Rockland County Buffalo Soldier Award, will be honored and remembered during the ceremony.

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