

As I write this, our **Public Works** department is stringing the lights up on the tall evergreen outside Borough Hall, and dressing our streetlamp posts in green garland and red ribbon.

Flurries are flurrying, but not threatening, and the holidays are on their way.

So Little Silver is ready for the festivities, but also for whatever the weather may bring, with several tons of salt and sand, and this year, brine, to help clear our streets. The Governing Body hopes all come out to enjoy everything this time of year has to offer, including:

****Our Tree Lighting**, with music and a special visitor and post-ceremony treats, outside Borough Hall on Sunday, December 4 at 4 p.m. Let our students' angelic voices put you in the holiday spirit.

****The Little Silver Business and Professional Association's annual horse and carriage rides** on Friday, December 16, from 4 to 7 pm, starting at the firehouse. The LSBPA is enormously supportive of Little Silver, so please thank them by being sure to do all your shopping here in town.

****The Parker Homestead's open house** on December 11, from 1-4, with tours including a view of the big old iceboat in one of the newly-refurbished barns, decorations by our Point Road School students, live music, and more. This historic treasure has a trove of stories to tell about your hometown, dating to 1665.

****The LSF's sale of trees**, wreaths, garland and other holiday sundries at the Little Silver Firehouse. The firehouse is again decorated in grand style, so please come out and support our volunteers.

Of course, in the midst of all this, regular Borough business proceeds apace.

For instance, some of you may have noticed that some of the **Welcome to Little Silver signs** have been taken down after being in disrepair for some time. Thanks to Nora Monaghan and Jackie Mery, we expect to have new signs, with new designs, up in the coming months.

And as this newsletter was going to print, the time to bid on the **Borough's first liquor license**, approved last year by the voters in a referendum, was winding down - so that process is moving closer to fruition.

Looking back, November saw a well-attended **Veterans Day ceremony** in Memorial Park, with our police, emergency services, Boy Scout Troop 126, our Garden Club, a chorus of Markham Place students, and others on hand to recognize and applaud our Veterans.

As the ceremony ended, I had the opportunity to speak with long-time resident Roberta Kordoski, whose husband, **Leo J. Kordoski**, was a disabled Korean War veteran. She mentioned that he is not included in the list of veterans on our monuments at Memorial Park.

That was enough to renew our efforts to identify those who, while residents of Little Silver, became **veterans of our various wars or conflicts**, right up to present day, and to recognize them by updating the names on our monuments.

If you are aware of a veteran deserving of that recognition, please contact Borough Hall, or send me an email directly at the email address below. This is a long-term task and is just being revived, so please be patient as it moves forward.

In closing, on behalf of the Borough Council, we wish everyone a Merry Christmas, a Happy Hanukah, and a healthy holiday season no matter what you might celebrate with family and good friends. As always, please call borough hall with any concerns, or contact me directly by calling my home phone at (732) 576-8595, or emailing me at bobneff80@gmail.com.