

THE VILLAGE MEMO

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MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR – Craig M. Flanagan, Jr.

I hope everyone is having a great summer so far! I want to thank everyone for coming out to Hillburn Day, and I want to especially thank the Hillburn Day Committee and volunteers for putting such a great event together for the residents. It takes a lot of time and commitment to put this special event together. As I always say, volunteers are an important part of our Village. Events such as Hillburn Day and the Fall Festival could not happen without our volunteers. The Fall Festival is being planned now, so if you didn't volunteer for Hillburn Day and would like to volunteer some time let us know. I look forward to seeing you at our next event. Enjoy the rest of your summer and stay cool.

SEWER REBATE COMMISSION

Applications are available at the Village Office for all homeowners who have not yet filed.

HILLBURN COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM – David K. Farrison, Chair

The Fourteenth Annual Hillburn Community Scholarship Awards Ceremony was held on Saturday June 13th, at the Community Room. The Scholarship was named this year in memory of the late Michelle Antoinette Noel, who served Hillburn youth with distinction as Director of our Youth Center.

As always, the ceremony was well attended and included Michelle's parents and brother. The keynote address was delivered by Dana Stilley, Vice President of Enrollment Management at Rockland Community College. Ms. Stilley encouraged those in attendance to follow the path of education in pursuit of their career goals. The Scholarship Committee then awarded a total of \$8,000 to (6) deserving Award Recipients; Mark Benitez, Rebeca Campos, Annabelle Jackson, Carissa Mann, Amy McNally and Mariya Zlobinskaya. Congratulations are hereby extended to this year's scholarship recipients, and the entire graduating class of 2015. Best wishes are extended to all as you take on the challenges that will shape your future success!

Special thanks to the Village Board and office staff for use of facilities and logistical support. Thanks also to the Scholarship Committee members for volunteering many hours of their personal time working to keep the program available. Over the past fourteen years, the Scholarship Committee has awarded over (60) Scholarships totaling in excess of \$100,000. This vital community program can only continue with the help of your generous donations. On behalf of the Scholarship Committee, thank you for your past and future support!

BUILDING/FIRE INSPECTOR, Adam L. Gordon

Contact: 357-2036 or 590-4765

RE: Chapter 92 of the Hillburn Code – Numbering of Buildings

Help the FD, PD, EMS help you...very often emergency responders can't find your home due to missing or inadequate numbering. Please make sure your home is properly marked with 4" high numbers with a minimum stroke width of 1/2". They should also be reflective and contrast with their background. Please also make sure they are plainly legible and visible from the street fronting the property.

-Note: There are penalties for offenses, as set forth in Code.

RE: Fire Pits, Open Burning, Campfires etc.

The Village has been flooded with questions about Fire Pits, Open Burning, Campfires etc. Open burning or bonfires to clear land, dispose of leaves, debris or deadfall is prohibited by Village code unless a special permit is issued by the Fire inspector. The state code has now differentiated "Recreational Fires" from open burning. Recreational fires are small fires in a manufactured or dug fire pit, not more than 3 feet wide by 2 feet high that are for the purposes of recreation only. They need to be a minimum of 25 feet from any structure or combustible material and need to be attended at all times until the fire is extinguished. You must also have a method of extinguishment available for immediate utilization such as a garden hose or fire extinguisher with a minimum 4-A rating. Please be courteous to your neighbors as well, only burn natural seasoned cordwood and refrain from burning when atmospheric conditions are unfavorable and cause smoke to spread and lie low. Remember, as per state code, burning that is offensive or objectionable because of smoke and odor emissions is prohibited; so if we get complaints, I will be forced to ask you to stop. Also, if the Fire Department is dispatched to a report of a fire at your location, the Fire Chief(s) or Fire Officer in charge has the authority to make a decision as to whether or not the conditions are safe and may extinguish any fires they deem unsafe. Please work with and respect them when they show up.

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HILLBURN SENIOR CITIZENS ORGANIZATION - Judy Starr, President

We are very proud to be celebrating our 40th Anniversary. We are a very active Senior Center. If you are 55 years of age or older, we would love to have you as a member.

-Meetings are held at 7:00PM in the Hillburn Community Rom, 37 5th Street. Our next meetings are as follows: August 17th, September 14th & September 28th.

-Upcoming Trips/Events: Trip Coordinators: Valerie Mariano (357-4227) & Patricia Van Dunk (357-3464)

August 11th - Hunterdon Playhouse – “Twist & Shout”

August 16th - 40th Anniversary Celebration – 10:30AM-5:00PM – Krucker’s.

September 24th - Tour of Boscobal, House and/or Gardens, Garrison, NY Lunch at Harbor House.

October 29th - Paper Mill Playhouse, Millburn, NJ “Bandstand” Dinner at Charlie Brown’s

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HILLBURN YOUTH CENTER – Angela Flanagan, Program Director **368-3679**

We are having a great time at Summer Camp this year! The children enjoyed events like the Scavenger Hunt and the Amazing Race. Some of our trips this year were the Liberty Science Center, Splash Down Beach and Rye Play land. The children also participated in Hillburn day by dancing. Some of the children also participated in the talent show. They did a great job!

The school year is approaching fast. The cost for the After-School Program this year is \$275 for Residents and \$375 for Non- Residents. The program will run from September 2015 through June 2016, from 3-6pm. Registration for Residents will be Monday, Aug. 24th from 2-6pm and, Tuesday, Aug. 25th from 2-6pm. Registration for Non-Residents will be Wednesday, Aug 26th from 3-5pm. Please bring immunization Records. Space is limited.

This year’s Fall Festival will be held on October 10th, rain date October 17th. Come out and enjoy a fun-filled family day with music, face painting, pumpkin painting and more! If you would like to volunteer, please call the Youth Center.

This year we will dedicate the building as the Michelle A. Noel Youth Center. Please watch for further details.

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HILLBURN FIRE DEPARTMENT – Edward Kelly, Jr., Chief

Anyone wishing to serve their community by becoming a volunteer firefighter; and is at least 16 years old, please stop by the fire house on Wednesday nights at 7:00pm for more details.

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HILLBURN LADIES AUXILIARY – Judy Starr, President

Upcoming Events:

-Calendar Cards on sale for month of October – see Leanne Ballard or Eleanor DeGraw to purchase.

-Hero Night in October – Watch for flyers

-We are also sponsoring a fundraiser for Wounded Warriors very soon. Please watch for flyers. We will need our community’s support to make this event a huge success.

If you would like to become a member of the Auxiliary, please contact Judy Starr at (845) 570-3039.

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CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT (CCR)

The Village of Hillburn’s water supply is purchased from United Water New York (via contract); and to be in compliance with the United States Environmental Protection (EPA) and the New York State Department of Health (NYDOH) regulations, a copy of United Water New York’s 2015 Annual Water Quality Report is enclosed. Extra copies are available at the Village Office.

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UPCOMING BULK TRASH PICK-UP SCHEDULE

Bulk trash will be collected on the 3rd Monday of each month. Trash is to be placed at curbside no earlier than the weekend prior to pick-up and no later than 7:00AM on the date of pick-up. Upcoming pick-up dates are as follows: *August 17th* *September 21st* *October 19th* *November 16th*

All previous restrictions and guidelines still apply. Please do not place trash at curbside any earlier than the weekend before the scheduled pick-up date. Once the DPW has collected bulk trash from your street, you CANNOT place any additional bulk trash at curbside. Your cooperation is appreciated.

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REGULAR BI-WEEKLY HOUSEHOLD GARBAGE SCHEDULE/GUIDELINES

-Garbage is collected on Mondays & Thursdays of each week. (Exception: Holidays-If no pickup, Notice is posted)

-Garbage is to be placed in proper household receptacles (commercial/industrial sized receptacles are not to be used as they are too heavy to empty).

-Garbage receptacles are to be placed at curbside for collection no earlier than the evening before the scheduled pickup. Receptacles are to be removed from curbside within same day of pickup.

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Best Wishes to all students for a successful school year!