

THE VILLAGE MEMO

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

It looks like spring is finally here! Special thanks to everyone who came out for our Community Clean-Up Day on 4/26/14.

-Welcome to our new Trustee Bonnie O'Brien to the Village Board. I look forward to working with her. Many thanks are also extended to former Trustee Miranda Escobar for her service to our community.

-Presently, sidewalk repairs are being done in the areas of 6th Street and the 5th Street area of the Village's Community Room. By mid-May, work will begin between Hickory Avenue and Chestnut Avenue. A new sidewalk will be put in on the east side of 5th Street, along with needed drainage work. These projects are made possible through the NYS CHIPS Program. REMINDER: No Parking on Sidewalks, in accordance with Article 32, §1202.1B of the NYS Vehicle & Traffic Law.

-I am always exploring new ways to save money for the Village and keep taxes as low as possible. I am currently in discussion with Suffern Police Chief Clark Osborne and Mayor Trish Abato about the possibility of retaining Suffern Police coverage for the Village of Hillburn. I believe our property owners could save approximately 25% in police coverage by doing this. I welcome any comments you may have. Feel free to contact me by phone, email or in person. As I have always maintained, my door is always open.

-There are some great events going on in our community. I urge you to come out, participate and enjoy them. We just had our 1st Breakfast with the Easter Bunny at the Youth Center. It was great to see everyone there. A special thank you to Sloatsburg Mayor Carl Wright, his family, and Ramapo Police Chief Peter Brower for attending.

-We have another great Hillburn Day coming up on August 2nd (Rain Date: August 3rd). The Committee is hard at work already. I hope to see you there!

2014-2015 Village Budget

Pursuant to the 4/15/14 Public Hearing, the Budget was adopted on 4/23/14 reflecting a tax rate of \$3.73 per \$100 valuation. A major reduction in Revenue was the result of the Town of Ramapo's \$85,000 reduction in the Ramapo Fire Protection District #1 fee to the Village of Hillburn.

THURGOOD MARSHALL EVENT – SATURDAY, MAY 17, 2014 – 12:00noon

This event, commemorating the 60th Anniversary of Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka Kansas (1954), will be held in front of the Thurgood Marshall Monument (erected 2002) located at the Ramapo Central School District Administration Building, 41 Mountain Avenue, Hillburn, NY. Please plan to attend this memorial occasion. In 1943, Thurgood Marshall was instrumental in the desegregation of Hillburn's local schools.

ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY PARADE & SERVICE – Monday, May 26, 2014 – 9:00AM

The Parade will originate at the Ramapo Central Administration Building at 9:00AM and will proceed through the Village to the World War I Monument (corner of Lake Avenue & 4th Street) for the Memorial Day Ceremony. Let us pay tribute!

Bike Decorating – The Village Board encourages youth to decorate their bikes and participate in the Memorial Day Parade. "Kits" of streamers and flags are available for pick-up at the Youth Center. Information will be posted. Show your patriotism and your creativity!!

HILLBURN HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FUND CORP.

Sewer Rebates - The first sewer rebate checks have been released to Village resident homeowners in the total amount of \$75,000.00. Submitted Applications are on file and, when funds are available, additional rebate checks will be distributed. If you have not filed your Sewer Rebate Application, please do so as soon as possible.

-Housing Rehabilitation – County and State funding is being sought for home repair/rehabilitation. Information will be publicized when available.

HILLBURN FIRE DEPARTMENT – Edward Kelly Jr., Chief

Newly Elected 2014-2015 H.F.D. Officers: Chief: Edward Kelly, Jr.
1st Asst. Chief: Shane Starr 2nd Asst. Chief: Irving Stryko
Captain: Ann Marie Basile 1st Lieutenant: Nelson Scott

HILLBURN LADIES AUXILIARY – Judy Starr, President

Upcoming Events:

-Sat., May 10th – 9:00AM – 12:00noon – Mother’s Day Plant & Bake Sale – Between Post Office & Firehouse.

-Sat., May 17th – 10:00AM – 3:00PM – 4th Annual Street Fair – Vendors and Refreshments. Please come out and support the Auxiliary.

-Sun., June 1st – 6:00PM – Fire Training Center, Pomona, NY - The Ladies Auxiliary has been asked to be the Honor Guard at the Firemen’s Memorial Service. We are receiving an Award for 80 years of dedicated service to the Hillburn Fire Department and community.

If you would like to become a member, feel free to call me for an application: Judy Starr @ 845-667-4403.

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HILLBURN SENIOR CITIZENS ORGANIZATION - Judy Starr, President

55 or older? Come join us! Meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Monday of every month at 7:00PM in the Hillburn Community Room. A Guest Speaker is present once each month.

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

- June 13th “The Ride” – New York City
- July 21st Annual Picnic
- August 14th Hunterdon Playhouse – “Better with a Band”
- September 8th & 9th Sands Casino – Lancaster, PA – “Moses”
- October 21st Villa Roma, Calicoon, NY – “Nunziata Twins”

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HILLBURN COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM – David K. Farrison, Chair

The 2014 Hillburn Community Scholarship Awards Ceremony will be held on Saturday, June 14th at 2pm in the Community Room. This year’s Scholarship Award is in memory of Clarence Clayton Powell. All residents are welcomed and encouraged to attend this special annual event. You will get an opportunity to greet and congratulate our 2014 Scholarship Award Recipients. The continuance of this vital community program depends solely on funding from Hillburn residents and local businesses. Donations, payable to "Hillburn Community Scholarship Fund", are to be mailed to P.O. Box 705. Thank you in advance. We look forward to seeing you on Saturday June 14th at the Awards Ceremony!

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HILLBURN YOUTH CENTER – Michelle Noel, Program Director **368-3679**

-2013-2014 After School Program- The program was a great success. 43 children attended this year!

-Friday Night Open Gym - Come join us for Friday night open gym on May 16 from 6-8:30PM at the Youth Center for ages 9-15. Bring a friend.

-Yoga Class - At this time yoga will no longer be offered at the Youth Center and will hopefully resume in the fall. We would like to thank our yoga instructor Charlene O’Blenis for her service to the village.

-Summer Camp and Swim Program- July 7th-August 8th- With a new extended program offered. Registration will be held at the Youth Center on Saturday, May 17th 10AM-12PM for residents. Non-residents may register on Saturday, May 31st at Youth Center at 10AM-12PM. For more information contact the Youth Center between 3:00PM and 6:00PM. We are looking forward to another great year with exciting trips and fun activities!

-SlamTV- June 28th Adventure Sports Attractions LLC is proud to present the debut of SlamTV, a new high octane smash mouth professional wrestling television show, taping monthly at the Hillburn Recreation Center. SlamTV will hold its debut taping on **June 28th, at 7:30PM.** Prior to the show, **at 5:30PM,** we will be presenting New Jersey’s premiere magician, Arty “The Art of Magic” Miller, from NBC’s Celebrity Apprentice. Ticket prices start as low as \$12, with family pricing available. The evening will also feature trivia contests and prize give aways! For more information, like us on Facebook, and follow us on twitter @slamslamtv.

Talents Show for Hillburn Day August 2nd - Calling all performers! Come out and show your hidden talents that no one else knows about at Hillburn Day 2014 Talent Show. Anyone interested please call the Youth Center.

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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: June 16th July 21st August 18th September 15th October 20th November 17th

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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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2014 GRADUATES!

