

THE VILLAGE MEMO

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MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR – Joseph P. Tursi

I hope that you are all enjoying the summer.

Having endured the COVID pandemic for the last year and a half, life as we knew it appeared to be getting back to normal. But, we now find ourselves having to deal with the Delta variant. Early indications state that this variation is more contagious than the initial strain. I urge all residents to please get vaccinated. While the vaccine does not protect one from getting or transmitting the disease, it will reduce your likelihood of getting extremely sick.

I am happy to announce that the After-School Program at the Youth Center will begin again in September. Information regarding registration dates and cost can be found below in the Hillburn Youth Center section of this newsletter. The program will be adopting health guidelines that are in place by the Suffern Central School District.

On July 10th, the Village held a memorial service honoring former Mayors James R. Brown and Brian L. Miele at Veterans Memorial Park. Speakers at the event included family, friends and colleagues of Brian and Jim. The Village Gazebo was named in honor of Mayor James R. Brown and Fourth Street was memorialized as Mayor Brian L. Miele Way, next to the bridge that he fought so hard to keep open during its replacement by the NYS Thruway Authority. I would like to thank everyone who attended, as well as the committee that helped to organize the event honoring these two amazing men.

Later this summer, the Village street repaving project will continue. The work will take place as follows: Fifth Street from Mountain Avenue to Hickory Avenue, Hickory Avenue from Fifth Street to Sixth Street and Sixth Street from Hickory Avenue to Rockland Avenue. The project will utilize funding provided to the Village by the New York State Programs PaveNY and CHIPS.

Household Hazardous Waste will be collected on Saturday, August 21st from 8:00 AM to 12:00 noon at the DPW building on Terrace Avenue. Paint, oil, batteries, pesticides, etc. will be collected. For more information on substances that can be dropped off, visit www.rocklandgreen.com. Electronic Waste will be collected in October.

I am always available to address your concerns and ideas relating to our great village. I can be reached at 845-570-0050 or at jtursi@hillburn.org.

Enjoy the rest of your summer and stay safe.

HILLBURN YOUTH CENTER – Angela Flanagan, Program Director

368-3679

RE: 2021 After School Program

AFTER SCHOOL REGISTRATION

will be held on

Weds. Sept 8th and Thurs. Sept 9th, 2021

5-7 pm @

The Hillburn Youth Center

Please bring your child's immunization records

Cost is \$800. for Residents

\$1000. for Non- Residents

50% discount for siblings

Quarterly Payment Plan available.

The first payment due at registration

HILLBURN COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM – David K. Farrison, Chair

Our Nineteenth Hillburn Community Scholarship Awards Ceremony was held on June 19th. The Scholarship Committee awarded a total amount of \$10,000 in Scholarships to four deserving recipients. Our awardees this year are; Luissa Chanco, Daniel Johnson, Evelyn Ramirez and Sadie Short. We are proud to report that over the past 20 years the Hillburn Community Scholarship has helped (82) recipients on the road to success by awarding over \$200,000 in scholarships.

-Our honoree this year was Kathleen Davies, who has served our committee with distinction as a past Chair and our only Treasurer. As the Ceremony's Keynote Speaker, Kathleen gave very inspiring remarks to those in attendance citing her journey as an educator and lifelong mission to help future generations achieve their goals through higher education. Special thanks to Kathleen for her (20) years of service to the committee and wish her the very best as she retires from active committee responsibilities and pursues new ventures. Congratulations to our scholarship award recipients and all 2021 Hillburn graduates, wishing them great success in the future!

-On a sad note, we acknowledge the recent passing of our co-founder, the distinguished Dr. Travis E. Jackson, who served as a key member for (20) years.

-The future availability of the Hillburn Community Scholarship is dependent on new volunteers coming forward. If you wish to become a volunteer, please reach out to me via phone, text, or e-mail at 845-368-1644, dfarriso@optonline.net. Thank you to our community for your generous donations and consideration to volunteer!

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HILLBURN SENIOR CITIZENS ORGANIZATION – Diana D. DeGroat, President

Meetings of our Senior Citizens Club were held in June, July and August. Eleanor DeGroat was sworn in as Treasurer by Mayor Joseph Tursi. Plans are being made for our Annual Picnic with entertainment and a Craft Raffle to be held in September. We are looking forward to trips this Fall.

Seniors 60+ are taking advantage of a New York State Farmers Market Nutrition Program and receiving a free \$20 coupon book good at the five Farmers Markets in our area. Forms and instructions are available in the Village Office.

Our next meeting will begin at 4 PM on Monday, September 13. Residents age 55 and above are invited to come to a meeting and possibly join our Club.

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HILLBURN FIRE DEPARTMENT – Shane Starr, Chief

Safety Requirements:

- Keep hydrants in the area of your home clear. (In accordance with the NYS Fire Code)
- Check batteries in smoke detectors.

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HILLBURN LADIES AUXILIARY – Tanya Cirincionne, President

Upcoming Events:

October 9th Fire Prevention & Halloween Egg Hunt – Hillburn Youth Center
2pm-3pm poster drawing – 3pm Egg Hunt
\$10/child includes Flashlight, Candy, Prizes, Cookie Decorating and Fire Prevention Items.
COME OUT FOR SOME FAMILY FUN!

As we are returning to some level of normalcy keep an eye out for future events!
We hope everyone stays safe and healthy!

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BUILDING/FIRE INSPECTOR – Adam L. Gordon Contact: 357-2036 or 590-4765

Free Methane Detectors are available at Orange & Rockland's online store, while supplies last, at <https://free.myorustore.com>. Eligibility restrictions: Must agree to install the device in your residence serviced by Orange & Rockland; and there is a limit of 1 per household in 3 year period.

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IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Unregistered Vehicles – In accordance with Village Code Chapter 250 - §17-G(2)(a), storage of unregistered vehicles is prohibited in all districts. Violators are subject to fines.

Lawn Maintenance – In accordance with Village Code Article I, §184-1-A, failure to keep grass properly trimmed is a violation. Violators are subject to fines.

Reminder to Dog Owners – In accordance with Village Code Chapter 65, Section 65-5-A(4), it is prohibited to allow your dog to defecate on public property without properly removing the dog waste immediately. **BAGS OF DOG WASTE SHOULD BE DISPOSED OF PROPERLY IN YOUR TRASH RECEPTACLE AND ARE NOT TO BE THROWN ALONG THE SIDE OF THE ROAD!!** Violators may be subject to fines. Please take pride in our community and have respect for your neighbors by working together to keep it clean.

Street Lights - Please report any street light outages to the Village Office, as soon as possible.

Household Garbage - Garbage must be bagged and placed in proper receptacles. Receptacles are not to be placed at curbside any earlier than the night before the scheduled pick-up date; and, are to be removed from curbside the day of pick-up.

2021 Bulk Trash Pick-Up Schedule

Weather permitting: Mondays: August 16th September 20th October 18th

This schedule MUST be followed. Property owners who place trash at curbside any earlier than the weekend before the scheduled pick-up date are subject to penalties. Once the DPW has collected bulk trash from your street, you CANNOT place any additional bulk trash at curbside. Construction debris will NOT be collected and is not to be placed at curbside.

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STAY SAFE – COMPLY WITH HEALTH GUIDELINES!