

THE VILLAGE MEMO

May 2024

**Village of Hillburn
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MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR – Joseph P. Tursi

-As the weather warms construction will soon begin to replace the Fifth Street department of public works storage building. The former structure has been demolished and the debris has been removed.

-A new pump has been purchased for the pond at Veterans Memorial Park. Once installed, piping will connect the pump to the pond with a continuous feed of water to keep the pond at a workable level.

-Re-construction of the culvert on Sixth Street has been put on hold, due to delays of funding from FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency).

If you see any suspicious activity around the village, please contact the Ramapo Police Department at 845-357-2400. School will soon be out, so please keep an eye out for children.

Enjoy your summer.

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2024-2025 VILLAGE BUDGET – June 1, 2024 VILLAGE TAX BILLS

Pursuant to the Public Hearing held on 4/09/24, the Budget was adopted reflecting a tax rate of \$5.07 per \$100 valuation.

The Clerk-Treasurer of the Village of Hillburn, New York has received the Tax Roll and Warrant for the collection of taxes for the 2024-2025 fiscal year; and will attend at the Village Office, 31 Mountain Avenue, in said Village from June 1, 2024 until July 1, 2024 during the regular office days from nine o'clock A.M. until three thirty P.M., for the purpose of receiving such taxes. On all taxes remaining unpaid after July 1, 2024, five percent will be added for the first month and an additional one percent for each month and fraction thereof thereafter, until November 1, 2024 at which time a certificate of unpaid taxes will be transmitted by the Village to the Treasurer of the County of Rockland for the collection of delinquent Village Taxes.

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ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY PARADE & SERVICE – Monday, May 27, 2024 – 9:00AM

The Parade will originate at the Suffern 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. Please come out and show your respect and appreciation for America's heroes.

Bike Decorating – The Village Board encourages youth to decorate their bikes and participate in the Memorial Day Parade. Decorations are available for pick-up at the Municipal Building, 31 Mountain Avenue, Hillburn, NY (Telephone #845-357-2036). Show your patriotism and your creativity!!

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2024 HILLBURN DAY - Saturday, September 21, 2024 from 11:00AM to 5:00PM

This year's event will be held in the area 5th Street and Mountain Avenue. Fliers will be posted detailing the planned events.

Volunteers are needed and welcome – Dates for planning meetings are posted.

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HILLBURN COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM – David K. Farrison, Chair

The Scholarship Committee has scheduled our Twenty Second Awards Ceremony for June 15th at 2pm in the Hillburn Community Room. All are welcomed to attend and help us acknowledge our 2024 Hillburn Community Scholarship Award Recipients. It will also be an occasion to celebrate this year's Honoree, our own Tom Lyons. Our Keynote speaker will be Suffern Central Board Member Darrell Frasier. Please join us for this annual community event. We look forward to seeing you there!

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HILLBURN SENIOR CITIZENS ORGANIZATION - Diana DeGroat, President

Our senior club has informative programs and demonstrations such as a recent visit by Rockland County Healthy Neighborhood Program staff who set up home visits for members for the installation of smoke and carbon monoxide detectors and for radon testing. At the last meeting, Ramapo Police Canine Officer Mike McCrory and his partner Rider showed us how this dog protects us from possible explosives. We enjoy social events such as our recent pizza party, and look forward to our Annual Backyard Barbeque with Musical entertainment by Moshe.

Club members also do "good" for the community. We have saved thousands of pop-tops for Shriners Children's Hospitals. For the veterans program, Stamps for the Wounded, our members save stamps from their mail. In summer we donate school supplies to the local program, Shining Lights Helping Hands. At holiday time instead of having a grab bag, we donate toys to the Marine Corps League Toys for Tots drive.

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HILLBURN FIRE DEPARTMENT – Nelson Scott, Chief

Newly Elected 2024-2025 H.F.D. Officers:

Chief:	Nelson Scott	1 st Lieutenant:	Susan Starr
1 st Asst. Chief:	Shane Starr	2 nd Lieutenant:	Daniel Strysko
2 nd Asst. Chief:	Irving Strysko	Captain:	Andrew Strysko

As May brings Wildfire Awareness Month to many regions, it's essential for us all to be proactive in preparing for the upcoming wildfire season. With temperatures rising and vegetation drying out, the risk of wildfires becomes heightened, underscoring the importance of planning and prevention efforts.

During wildfires, embers pose a significant threat to homes, making it imperative for each of us to take preventative measures to safeguard our community. Here are some crucial tips to incorporate into your wildfire preparedness plan:

1. **Inspect Your Home's Exterior:** Regularly inspect and maintain your home's exterior by cleaning chimneys, gutters, and stove pipes. Keeping these areas clear of debris can significantly reduce the risk of ember ignitions.
2. **Maintain Tidy Storage Areas:** Properly store flammable liquids in designated containers, and ensure that storage areas are kept tidy and free of clutter. This simple step can help minimize fire hazards and prevent the spread of fires.
3. **Create Defensible Space:** Maintain a clear perimeter around your home by keeping dry grass, leaves, and brush at least 30 feet away. Additionally, space trees at least 10 feet apart to prevent fires from spreading rapidly.

By implementing these measures and remaining vigilant, we can enhance the resilience of our community against wildfires. Let's work together to ensure that our homes and surroundings are adequately prepared for the challenges that lie ahead.

Thank you for your cooperation and commitment to protecting our community.

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HILLBURN LADIES AUXILIARY – Tanya Cirincione, President

On May 11th a very successful Mother’s Day Plant and Bake Sale was held. Thank you to everyone who came out to support the Hillburn Ladies Auxiliary.

Plans are being made for fun family events so keep an eye out for our flyers!

If you are interested in joining the Hillburn Ladies Auxiliary please call (845) 323-3413 to request an application.

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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.

Property Maintenance – In accordance with Village Code Article I, §184-1-A, failure to keep grass/shrubbery 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.

2024 Bulk Trash Pick-Up Schedule

Weather permitting: Tuesday, June 17th Monday, July 15th Monday, August 19th
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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Congratulations to all our Graduates!!

