

October Recreation Center Events

Window Painting Contest

Boys and girls in grades 4 through 8 must register by October 15 at the Recreation Center for the annual contest on Saturday, October 22 from 9 A.M. to Noon.

The Halloween artists are invited to paint on paper that is taped to store windows in downtown Rockville Centre. Plaques are awarded by a distinguished panel of judges.

In case of rain, the event is indoors at the Recreation Center, 111 North Oceanside Road.

Ragamuffin Parade

Rockville Centre's 15th Annual Halloween Costume Parade and Party are Sunday, October 30.

Youngsters pre-K and up, their parents and families are invited to join the parade which starts from the Village Green, Maple and Lee avenues, at 2 P.M. and proceeds down Maple to the Rec Center. At the Center will be games, fun, and prizes for the costumed marchers.

Everyone must register for the parade and / or party at the Rec Center for \$5 per family.

In case of rain, the parade is canceled, but the party will begin at 3 P.M. at the Recreation Center.

9/11 Commemorative Vigil Oct. 30



Residents are invited to share the comfort of community at a brief candlelight prayer vigil commemorating the dedication of Rockville Centre's 9/11 Memorial on the Village Green at 7 P.M. on Sunday, October 30. Please bring candles.

Goblin Calls

Fill out a Goblin Slip at the party after the Ragamuffin Parade and you may receive a Goblin Call and a Goblin Prize on Halloween evening, Monday, October 31.

Register for RVC's Annual 10K Race, Family Fun Run

Runners wishing to enter Rockville Centre's annual 6.2-mile road race on Saturday, November 12 should call (516) 678-9239 for an application.

The one-mile Family Fun Run begins at 9 A.M. on Front Street in front of the LIRR station. The 10K begins at 10 A.M. on Park Avenue in front of the Fantasy Theater.

Golden Gathering

State Senator Dean Skelos is sponsoring an informational exhibition for seniors at the Rec Center on Friday, October 21 from 9 A.M. to 1 P.M. Free flu vaccine will be offered.



The Window Painting Contest is October 22 from 9 A.M. to Noon in the downtown business district.

Pre-school Openings

There are a few openings left in the pre-kindergarten classes for children entering kindergarten in September 2006 or 2007.

Call 678-9339 for information.

Katrina Aid

The Recreation Department is collecting the following items for people affected by Hurricane Katrina: school supplies, new sports equipment, new games and toys, toiletries and paper goods.

All donations must be in their original packaging.

Collection times are Monday through Saturday, 9 A.M. to 9 P.M., at the Rec Centre. Call 678-9339 for information.



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Dates & Events

Saturday, October 1, 10 A.M.
LIONS' CLUB FAMILY DAY
Centennial / Mill River Park

Monday, October 10
COLUMBUS DAY
Village Offices Closed

Tuesday, October 18, 7:30 P.M.
PLANNING BOARD

Saturday, October 22, 9 A.M.
WINDOW PAINTING
Downtown Stores

Monday, October 24, 8:15 P.M.
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Wednesday, October 26, 8 P.M.
BOARD OF APPEALS

Sunday, October 30, 2 P.M.
RAGAMUFFIN PARADE
Maple Avenue

Sunday, October 30, 7 P.M.
CANDLELIGHT VIGIL
Village Green

Events are at Village Hall unless otherwise indicated.

Videotapes of Board of Trustees meetings are broadcast on Cable Channel 18 on Wednesdays (8:15 p.m.) and Saturdays (1:30 p.m.) following each meeting.

For general information
Call 678-9300

Emergency Numbers
(Note: **911** cellphone calls go to Nassau County Police)

Fire **911**

Police **911**

Ambulance **911**

Electric 766-5800

Water 678-9252

Nights & Weekends 766-5800

A complete Calender of Events, is available on the Village's website
www.rvcny.us

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HAVING A HAPPY HALLOWEEN!



The annual Ragamuffin Parade on October 30 is one of the best attended events of the year. The party afterward is fun, too, but it's hard to beat the creativity of the costumed marchers. The parade begins on Maple Avenue at 2 P.M. and ends with the party at the Rec Center.

Moody's, S&P Give RVC High Ratings Village Earns 9th Consecutive Financial Reporting Award

Moody's Investor Services and Standard & Poor's assigned very high ratings to the \$3.9 million of Rockville Centre general obligation bonds being used to finance road resurfacing, water main replacement, and a portion of the new electric substation.

Moody's assigned its Aa3 rating based on the Village's "well-managed financial operations," including its "track record of timely tax rate increases, strong budgetary control, and management's commitment to maintain adequate reserves."

S&P assigned a AA rating based on the Village's "solid" financial operations "resulting from conservative and proactive management."

Both Moody's and S&P also based their ratings on the Village's high wealth and income levels, on its rapid retirement of modest levels of debt, and on its self-supporting electric and water utilities. The ratings are among the very highest the agencies have assigned to Long Island municipalities.

The Village was also recently awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for its comprehensive annual financial report covering the fiscal year ending May 31, 2004.

This is the ninth consecutive year that the Village has received the award from the non-profit Government Financial Officers Association.

Confide Honors Det. Norwood



Confide, Rockville Centre's drug, alcohol and crisis counseling center, presented its 4th annual Criminal Justice Partnership Award to RVC Police Det. Michael Norwood for his "outstanding dedication and professionalism" in aiding residents at risk. Making the presentation are Confide President Anthony Paradiso, Det. Norwood, Village Justice Frank Yannelli, and Confide Executive Director Art Rosenthal.

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Tax Office Announcements

Applications for **partial exemption** from Village real estate taxes are now available and must be filed by January 3. If approved, exemptions take effect June 1, 2006.

Exemptions are available to volunteer firefighters with five years or more of certified service and to veterans based on the date and type of military service. Exemptions are available to disabled homeowners and to senior homeowners 65 and older with a 2004 gross income not exceeding \$32,400.

Applications are available by visiting the tax office on the second floor of Village Hall between 9 A.M. and 3 P.M., by calling (516) 678-9242 or by e-mail to nhall@rvcny.us.

STAR exemptions apply only to

school district taxes. Applications and information are available from the Nassau County Tax Assessor's Office in Mineola or by calling (516) 571-2377 or 571-2364.

Homeowners are reminded to notify the tax office of any changes in the status of their mortgages, whether satisfying, refinancing, or when a mortgage is sold to another lending institution.

Phillips House Events

The Rockville Centre Historical Society will hold its annual Pumpkin Festival and Lawn Sale on Saturday, October 8 from Noon to 4 P.M. at the Phillips House Museum, 28 Hempstead Avenue.

There will be activities for children, fall mums for sale, cider and cookies, and the museum will be open all day.

A Victorian and Edwardian clothing exhibit is on display at the museum through October 31.

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For information concerning Village facilities, residents are invited to telephone Ronald J. Wasson, Village Administrator, Clerk-Treasurer, 678-9300

Halloween Alert

Rockville Centre Police remind parents and teenagers that all state and local laws will be strictly enforced on Halloween night. Crimes against people or property, impeding pedestrian or vehicular traffic, and other violations will not be tolerated.

Enforcement will be especially heightened around Harvard Avenue and the footbridges across Peninsula Boulevard.

The Village Attorney reminds parents and legal guardians that they are financially liable for the actions of their children and can be sued for as much as \$5,000 for the destruction of property.

S.T.O.P. Collections

The Town of Hempstead's Stop Throwing Out Pollutants program will hold hazardous waste collections from 8 A.M. to 3 P.M. on Sunday, October 23 at North Woodmere Park in North Woodmere.

Town residents may bring hazardous or toxic household chemicals and products to the collection point for proper disposal at no charge. The program accepts such items as paints, solvents, varnish, waste oil, antifreeze, batteries, car tires (off the rim), and photography and pool chemicals.

The program will not accept commercial or medical waste, ammunition, explosives, propane tanks, or unlabeled materials.

For information, call the Town of Hempstead Department of Sanitation at 378-2200.

October at the Sandel Senior Center



Sandel Center members Ellie Krut and Dorothy Allen participate in computer classes, one of the many educational activities the Sandel Center offers.

The Sandel Senior Center is open to all Rockville Centre residents who are 60 and older. Call the Sandel Senior Center at 678-9350 for information about the wide variety of programs available.

Special Events

The general meeting is Friday October 7 at 1 P.M.

The Harvest Moon Gathering is Wednesday, October 19 at 12 Noon to welcome the autumn season and all of

its beautiful foliage. Enjoy a great lunch and a superb performance by United We Sing for \$5 per person.

The annual Halloween Costume Party is Friday, October 28 at 1 P.M., complete with music, entertainment and ghostly fun. Prizes for the most unusual costumes. \$3 per person for witch's brew and ghostly treats.

October Speakers

Guest speakers Michael Johnson, owner of South Side Mortgage, and Pat Connelly of Finance Freedom discuss reverse mortgages on Thursday, October 6 at 7 P.M.

Art Rosenthal, executive director of Confide, will be speaking on "Drug Abuse in Our Own Backyard" on Tuesday, October 11 at 11 A.M.

Arts and Leisure Activities

The RVC Photo Study Group will be exhibiting members' work at the Sandel Center during the month of October. The artists' reception is Tuesday, October 18 at 11 A.M.

Health and Wellness Activities

A blood pressure screening is Thursday, October 13 from 12:30 to 2:30 P.M.

Flu shot pre-registration is Monday, October 31 and Thursday, November 1 from 11 A.M. to 2 P.M. Bring insurance information. Flu shots will be administered to pre-registered seniors 60 and over on Thursday, December 8 from 10 A.M. to 12 Noon. For information, call 678-9245.

The Sandel Center offers bereavement counseling for those who have suffered a recent loss every Thursday at 1 P.M. Call Helene Locke, M.S.W. at 536-1162 for information.

Travel and Dining

A cruise to Bermuda begins Saturday, April 29, 2006 for seven nights aboard the Celebrity Zenith. Prices start at \$1,031 including port charges and taxes. The trip has been designed for Sandel Seniors by Cruise Planner of Rockville Centre. Contact Sharon at 867-7215 for specific information.

Monte Carlo Night in May

The Sandel Center's annual FOSSI casino night fundraiser has been rescheduled for May 2006. Call Chris O'Leary at 678-9245 for sponsorship information.

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Time to Check

CO and Smoke Detectors

The Rockville Centre Fire Department reminds residents that the end of Daylight Savings Time is a good time to check the condition of smoke and carbon monoxide detectors in your home.

Change the batteries in these devices and check the owner's manual of CO detectors to see if there is an expiration date and for information on other routine testing.

Always call the RVC Fire Department at 766-0400 if your CO detector goes off. Carbon monoxide is a colorless, odorless gas whose ill effects can go unnoticed until it is too late.

Friendly Reminder



The Village's road-side radar display is used in neighborhoods to remind motorists to drive within safe limits. The device, which also records the volume and speed of traffic on its solar-powered computer, saves many officer-hours of work.