



## THE ANDERSON RECREATION CENTER

### Window Painting Contest

Boys and girls in grades 4 through 8 must register by October 12 at the Recreation Center for the annual contest on Saturday, October 17 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.

### Fishing Clinic

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and the RVC Recreation Department present the annual freshwater fishing clinic at Hempstead Lake State Park on Saturday, October 17 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. There are exhibits, contests, and prizes. The fee is \$5 per person for anyone age 12 or older.

Take the first left inside Hempstead Lake State Park from the Peninsula Boulevard entrance. Call 766-1029 for further information.



Expect knights, dragons and other characters at the annual Halloween Costume Parade and Party on Sunday, October 25.

### Ragamuffin Parade, Party

Rockville Centre's 19th Annual Halloween Costume Parade and Party are Sunday, October 25.

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.

### 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, Saturday, October 31.



Come on downtown for the Halloween Window Painting Contest on Saturday, October 17.

### Operation Christmas Child

The Rec Center is collecting school supplies, toiletries and small games for distribution to needy children.

Bring your donations, in their original packaging, Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. by early November.

### Food Donations Needed

The Rec Center is accepting donations of canned and dry goods as well as frozen turkeys or turkey coupons for distribution to the needy in our community.

Bring your donations Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. before Thanksgiving.

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## Dates & Events

Monday, October 5  
**MAYOR'S GOLF OUTING**  
Call 678-9260

Monday, October 12  
**COLUMBUS DAY**  
Village Offices Closed

Wednesday, October 14, 8 P.M.  
**BOARD OF APPEALS**

Saturday, October 17, 9 A.M.  
**WINDOW PAINTING**  
Downtown Stores

Tuesday, October 20, 7 P.M.  
**PLANNING BOARD**

Sunday, October 25, 2 P.M.  
**RAGAMUFFIN PARADE**  
Maple Avenue

Sunday, October 25, 7 P.M.  
**CANDLELIGHT VIGIL**  
Village Green

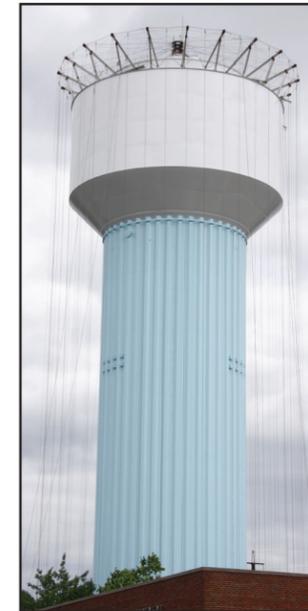
Monday, October 26, 8:15 P.M.  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Events are at Village Hall unless otherwise indicated.

Emergency Numbers  
Fire 911  
Police 911  
Ambulance 911  
Electric 766-5800  
Water 678-9252  
Nights & Weekends  
766-5800

Board of Trustees and Zoning Board meetings are shown on cable channels. A cablecast schedule and a complete Calendar of Events are available on the Village's website

[www.rvcny.us](http://www.rvcny.us)



The Village has finished the \$2 million rehabilitation of Water Tank #2 at Maple and Forest avenues. During the summer the Village substantially completed its \$1.6 million roadway projects which paved portions of three streets, including Princeton Road, and upgraded some water mains and electrical equipment below the street.

## Trustees Approve \$5.6 Million in Capital Projects

Acting to address critical health, safety and infrastructure needs, the Rockville Centre Board of Trustees approved an additional \$5.6 million in capital projects in September.

After lengthy consideration of the debt service costs and the cost of deferring the expenditures, the board approved \$2.5 million for the 1.6 mile 2010 road paving program, an additional \$900,000 for the associated water main and hydrant work and another \$500,000 for underground electrical conduit work.

Other projects and purchases that were approved include: \$500,000 to remove and replace underground fuel tanks at the Department of Public Works on Sunrise Highway and to remediate the area; several improvements to and equipment purchases for the Parks and Recreation Department; replacing the 16-year-old computer hardware and software that runs the Village's accounting system; and replacing several public works vehicles.

## Commemorative 9/11 Vigil Oct. 25

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 25.

Please bring candles.





# Fall Events and Reminders

Now that school is back in session and the cooler weather is approaching, it is time to remind ourselves of tasks we should attend to for the upcoming season:

- ◆ Remember, wet leaves can be very slippery, so use caution during wet weather in the fall months.
- ◆ Since we are still in hurricane season, we should all (if we haven't already) check the batteries in our flashlights and portable radios. We should all have food and bottled water in supply in case of emergency and everyone should have an evacuation plan for themselves and their pets in case we are advised by the authorities to move to a safer place. Also, if asked to relocate, take your medications with you.
- ◆ October is Fire Prevention Month. All households should have a plan for escape in case of emergency. The children practice fire drills in school and we should all practice a fire drill at home. When you are outside, plan a family meeting place so you can be sure everyone is out.
- ◆ We should all have smoke alarms in our homes and as daylight savings time comes to an end on November 1st, that is the weekend to change batteries in all alarms, smoke and CO.
- ◆ Be careful not to park a car on a pile of leaves as this could cause a fire.
- ◆ Check for clearly visible numbers on the front of your home to save precious moments for responding police and or the fire department in case of emergency.
- ◆ Use caution if using candles and never leave children or a room unattended when using candles.
- ◆ This is a also good time to make sure your oil or gas burner and chimney are working properly.

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Our Recreation Department has planned the Window Painting Contest and the Annual Village Ragamuffin Parade at



By Deputy Mayor Charles R. Joyce

the end of the month and all are welcome to participate.

Our Beautification Committee will once again hold our clean up and planting day. Look on the Village website or in the Herald for the time and place. Everyone is welcome to assist in keeping our Village neat and attractive.

Another Village Department that has been very busy is the Sandel Senior Center. Over the past

year a committee has been working on the re-accreditation of the Center. During October this committee will be meeting to discuss the results of the community survey done as part of the re-accreditation, as well as meeting with the on-site peer review people over a three-day period. This visit will determine the status of the re-accreditation process.

I know that if they had been in Rockville Centre on August 28 and watched the Sandel Showtime "On the Road Again" performance that they would have approved the application on the spot. As liaison to the Center for the past two years it was one of the most positive examples I have seen of what the Center does to keep our neighbors active and involved in their community.

## Correction



Legacy Infiniti of Lynbrook is the dealership supplying the hole-in-one prize for the Mayor's Community Fund 2009 Golf Classic. (Tickets and sponsorships are available by calling 516-678-9260.)

## Community Notes

### Lions Club Festival October 3

The RVC Lions Club will host its 11th Annual Duck Race and Family Festival in Centennial / Mill River Park on Saturday, October 3 from Noon to 4 p.m. The highlight of the day is the rubber duck race along Mill River.

### Golf and Tennis Classic October 5

Former Village Justice Frank Yannelli is the honoree at the Mayor's annual Golf and Tennis Classic and Dinner, the primary fundraiser for the RVC Community Fund, on Monday, October 5 at the Seawane Club in Hewlett Harbor. Call 516-678-9260.

### Chamber Fundraiser October 16

The RVC Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual "Taste of Elegance" fundraiser Friday, October 16 from 7 to 10 p.m. at the St. Agnes Cathedral Parish Hall. Sample signature dishes from RVC restaurants for \$25. Call 516-766-0666 or visit [www.rvcchamber.com](http://www.rvcchamber.com).

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### E-cycling Collection Day

The Town of Hempstead's last E-cycling collection day of the year is Saturday, October 24 at Baldwin Park, 3232 South Grand Avenue, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

These semi-annual collections accept old computers, computer components, televisions, DVD players and other electronic equipment in order to remove toxic materials, such as lead, mercury and arsenic, from the waste stream.

The program is open to Town residents only and does not accept drop-offs from businesses or commercial vehicles.

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

### 'Gypsy' October 23-25

The Rockville Centre Guild for the Arts presents the musical Gypsy at the South Side Middle School, Hillside and North Park avenues, Friday, October 23 and Saturday, October 24 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, October 25 at 2:30 p.m.

Tickets are on sale now, \$22 for adults, \$17 for Guild members and seniors and \$13 for students and groups.

Call (516) 616-3610 for reservations and information.

### Police Halloween Warning

Rockville Centre Police remind parents and teenagers that all state and local laws will be strictly enforced on Halloween night, Saturday, October 31. 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 walkbridges across Peninsula Boulevard.

The Village Attorney reminds parents and legal guardians that they are financially liable for the actions of their children.



### Special Events

The Sandel Flea Market is Friday, October 23 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Sandel Center. Your donations and purchases support the Center's programs and services.

The annual Halloween Costume Party is Friday, October 30 at 1 p.m. Music, dancing, tricks and treats for \$3 per person.

The Sandel Center Men's Club Veterans Recognition Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, November 4 at noon. Suggested donation \$5. Call 678-9350 for reservations.

### Arts and Leisure

**Seniorversity**, a cooperative venture between the Sandel Center and RVC Community Education Department, offers classes to participants who are 60 or older and live in the Rockville Centre school district, the Village of Rockville Centre and/or are members of the Sandel Center. \$15 fee for each series. To register, please call 678-9350.



Veterans George Antonucci and Peter Scaturro and the Sandel Center Men's Club invite Rockville Centre veterans to a recognition luncheon on November 4 at noon.

### Golden Gathering

State Senator Dean Skelos is sponsoring his annual Golden Gathering for seniors at the Rec Center on Friday, October 23 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.



Michael J. Gibbons is exhibiting his extensive toy soldier collection at the Phillips House Museum through October 11.

## March of the Toy Soldiers

The Rockville Centre Historical Society is exhibiting the Michael J. Gibbons Toy Soldier Collection through October 11 on Saturdays and Sundays from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Phillips House Museum, 28 Hempstead Ave.

Mr. Gibbons, a lifelong Rockville Centre

resident, has more than 2,000 miniatures on display, just a part of his extensive collection covering many eras, including Egyptian, Roman and Medieval figures, as well as replicas of British and American soldiers in both parade and battle dress.