



THE ANDERSON RECREATION CENTER

34th Annual 10K, 5K and Family Fun Run

The Annual 10K, 6.2 mile road race and the new 5K, 3.1 mile road race both begin Saturday, November 12 at 10 a.m. on Park Avenue between Merrick Road and Sunrise Highway, opposite the Fantasy Theatre.

Race day registration is at the Village Hall, One College Place and North Park Avenue and costs \$28 for the 10K and \$23 for the 5K.

The course is flat and fast. The race will be run rain or shine.

The one-mile Family Fun Run begins at 9 a.m. on Front Street in front of the LIRR station. The entry fee is \$10. For information call 678-9339.

Food Donations Needed

The Rec Center is accepting donations of canned and dry goods as well as frozen turkeys or 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. Coupons may be mailed or dropped off at the Rec Center.

Pre School Potpourri Nov. 8

Meet the nursery school staff and

take part in a sampler of the many early childhood programs: kindergarten readiness skills, arts & crafts, music, gym activities, guided play and

socialization with peers, from 10 – 11 a.m. or 6 -7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 8.

This free activity is for children ages 2 through 4 with parent(s).

Don't know what to do with your older children? Drop them off at the gymnasium to play under the watchful eye of the Rec staff.

Please RSVP by November 7.

Nursery School Openings

There are limited openings remaining in the morning pre-pre kindergarten classes, which meet four days a week from 9 to 11:30 a.m.

The morning pre-kindergarten classes meet Monday through Friday from 9 to 11:30 a.m. and the afternoon pre-pre kindergarten classes meet



The Family Fun Run precedes the 10K and 5K races on Nov. 12. Sign up at the Rec or at Village Hall on race day.

Tuesday and Thursday from 12:15 - 2:45 p.m.

Operation Christmas Child

The Recreation Department is collecting school supplies and toiletries for needy children. Donations, which must be in their original packaging, may be made Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Recreation Center. For information, call 678-9339.

Winter Programs

The Recreation Department will start taking reservations for winter programs beginning November 7. Detailed flyers are available at the Rec Center, 111 North Oceanside Road.



Help the Village and yourself by recycling all your paper products —magazines, catalogs, newspapers, junk mail, cardboard and most product packaging — from the convenience of your curb on **Wednesdays.**

Recycling can save hundreds of thousands of dollars a year, lowering the cost of government and lowering your Village real estate taxes!

For information, visit the webpage www.rvcny.us/recycle/recycle.html.

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Dates & Events

Monday, November 7, 8 P.M.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Friday, November 11

VETERANS DAY

Village Offices Closed

Tuesday, November 15, 7 P.M.

PLANNING BOARD

Wednesday, November 16, 8 P.M.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

Monday, November 21, 8 P.M.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Thursday, November 24

THANKSGIVING DAY

Village Offices Closed

Wednesday, November 30, 8 P.M.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

Holiday Sanitation

Friday, November 11,
Veterans' Day

No trash collection.

◆ Normal Monday / Thursday trash collections on Monday and Wednesday.

◆ Normal Tuesday / Friday trash collections on Tuesday and Thursday.

◆ No collection of bulk items or recyclable paper products on Wednesday, November 9.

Thursday, November 24,
Thanksgiving Day

No trash collection.

◆ Normal Monday / Thursday trash collections on Monday and Wednesday.

◆ Normal Tuesday / Friday trash collections unchanged.

◆ No collection of bulk items or recyclable paper products on Wednesday, November 23.

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Review and Reorganization for Village Government

Mayor Fran Murray has announced a series of organizational changes in Village operations and has authorized a thorough review of Village government and a planning study.

“The status quo is no longer working,” Mayor Murray said. “We need new, progressive thinking in order to make Rockville Centre run more efficiently and effectively while keeping taxes down.”

The mayor has appointed former Village Administrator Anthony M. Cancellieri as a special consultant to review all operating departments and finances and to create a short-term, mid-range and long-term planning document.

The reorganization of Village government includes the water department, the public works

department and the office of Village Administrator:

◆ Comptroller Michael Schussheim has been named interim Village Administrator while a search for a new administrator is conducted. Current Village Administrator Frank Quigley is being offered a new position.

◆ The Rockville Centre Water Department is now being supervised by the Department of Public Works.

◆ Harry Weed has been named superintendent of public works and John Thorp, First Assistant Chief of the Rockville Centre Fire Department, was named his deputy superintendent.

◆ Former public works director Tom Cardile remains as Village Engineer and resumes his former job as deputy superintendent of the Electric Department.



New Vehicle Joins the Force

The Rockville Centre Police Department recently put a new traffic enforcement vehicle on the road, a four-wheel drive Chevy Tahoe purchased primarily with County funds made available through Legislator **Joseph Scannell**. The vehicle will be very useful in the snow and will be used routinely for the department's commercial vehicle enforcement details conducted with New York State Department of Transportation several times a month. On hand to mark the vehicle's entry into service are Rockville Centre Police Commissioner **Chuck Gennario**, Legislator **Scannell**, Mayor **Fran Murray**, Lt. **James Vafeades** at the wheel, Lt. **Chris Romance**, and police department liaison Trustee **Mike Sepe**.



VILLAGE HALL COMMENTS

Please Cooperate with the Police

The beginning of the holiday season is a good time for a few reminders from your police department.

Although the overall crime rate is low in Rockville Centre, home burglaries tend to increase this time of year. Criminals know that homes are often filled with gift purchases and that people are often away from home attending events and parties.

Burglaries are crimes of opportunity. Burglars go for the easy targets first, so don't leave inviting items in plain sight behind unlocked doors and windows. Lock your cars, lock your garage, lock your house.

To reduce your chances of becoming the victim of a burglary, we recommend the following:

- ◆ If you have an alarm system, keep it armed even when you are at home. (Village permits are required for all alarms.)
- ◆ Keep doors, windows, and all entry points closed and locked. If you need to keep windows open, ask your alarm company to provide specially-wired screens. Look outside before opening your door.
- ◆ Keep lights on outside your home at night. Be sure to try to illuminate trees and shrubs along the house, where people might hide. Keep ladders or other items that could help an intruder enter a ground floor window in a locked garage or shed.
- ◆ Keep an eye on your neighborhood and report anything or anyone that is suspicious to the police by using 911. It is



By Police Commissioner Charles A. Gennario

always better to be safe than sorry. (Remember, calls from cell phones go first to Nassau County; calls from land lines come right to the Rockville Centre Police.)



During the holiday season, be extra mindful of your surroundings. When shopping, be extra vigilant. Park in well-lit spaces and shop with a friend; there is safety in numbers. Keep your purchases out of sight: use your trunk when traveling and at home; do not leave items visible from the outside.



The last item of cooperation is critical: If there happens to be a helicopter over the Village or police activity in your neighborhood, please do not call the Police Department.

Answering the phone for informational purposes is the last thing a dispatcher needs to do during a period of special police activity.

The dispatcher is likely fielding requests for resources and making duty officer notifications; the last thing we need is multiple phone calls because you are curious.

If there is information you need to have, you will be notified by the police in the street through their P.A. systems.



Please have a safe and healthy holiday season and remember the Rockville Centre Police Department is there for you when you need us.

Community Notes

Tax Office Announcements

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. The maximum assessed value that may be exempted varies with the status of the veteran claimant: non-combat and Cold War \$767; combat \$1,278; and disabled up to \$2,556 based on the percent of disability.

Exemptions are also available to disabled homeowners and to senior homeowners 65 and older with a 2010 gross income not exceeding \$37,400.

Applications are available by visiting the Tax Office on the second floor of Village Hall at One College Place weekdays between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. or by calling 516 678 9242.

New property owners and those who have mortgages that have been satisfied, refinanced or sold to another

lending institution are reminded to notify the Tax Office as soon as possible.

Book Signing Nov. 6

The Phillips House Museum, 28 Hempstead Avenue, the museum of the Village of Rockville Centre, will host a book signing for Marilyn Devlin's *A Brief History of Rockville Centre* on Sunday, November 6 from 1 to 4 p.m.

Transfer Station Closing Nov. 19

Saturday, November 19 is the last day until April 7, 2012 that the Village transfer station on Sunrise Highway is open to the public from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to receive large items of trash.

Symphony Concert Nov. 20

Pianist Karen Baer joins the South Shore Symphony for its first performance at Molly College's Madison Theatre on Sunday, Nov. 20 at 8 p.m. On the program: Beethoven's Overture to *Consecration of the House*; Chopin's Piano Concerto in E Minor; and Dvorak's Symphony #9 *From the New World*.

Tickets are \$18 for the orchestra and \$10 for the mezzanine. Call the Molloy box office at 516-678-5000 x7715 for tickets.

Nutcracker Dec. 2-4

Performances of the Rockville Centre Guild for the Arts' annual production of *The Nutcracker* are Friday, December 2 at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, December 3 at 5 p.m. and Sunday, December 4 at 4 p.m. at South Side High School.

Call 516-766-7171 for reservations.

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THE SANDEL SENIOR CENTER

Veterans Day Luncheon

The Sandel Center Men's Club invites all veterans in the community to a luncheon and program celebrating the many contributions of veterans on Wednesday, November 9 at 12 noon. The guest speaker is Rockville Centre Police Commissioner Charles Gennario, a Marine lieutenant colonel.

The public is invited to attend. Call 678-9350 to reserve a space. \$5 per person.

Holiday Crafts Fair

The Senior Center's annual Holiday Crafts Fair fundraiser is Friday, November 18 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Shop for handmade scarves, sweaters, afghans, ponchos, baby items, handmade ornaments and seasonal wreaths, home-baked goods, designer jewelry and home décor items.

Returning this year is the Sandel Cookie Walk: Choose a container and fill it with your choice of delicious treats. Refreshments available for purchase in the café.

Thanksgiving Luncheon

The annual Thanksgiving meal with all the trimmings is Monday, November 21 at 12 noon. \$5 per person; reservations required. Call 678-9350.



Dorothy Allen is among the many Sandel members getting ready for the Holiday Craft fair on Friday, November 18.

Art Exhibit

The work of local artist Fred Charrow will be on display at the Sandel Center throughout the month of November. The artist's reception is Tuesday, November 15 at 11 a.m.

Tuesday Topics

"Simple Meals for One or Two" is Tuesday, November 8 at 11 a.m., a presentation by the Cornell Cooperative Extension in cooperation with the Nassau County Department of Senior Citizen Affairs.

"Simple Techniques for Stress Relief" will be presented by Dr. Emil Tocci on Tuesday, November 22 at 11 a.m.

For information about membership at the Sandel Center or for information about any programs or activities, please contact the Senior Center at 678-9245.



Veterans Day Ceremony November 11

American Legion Post No. 303 is scheduled to hold the 2011 Veterans Day ceremony at Veterans Memorial Park at the Recreation Center, 111 North Oceanside Road on Friday, November 11 beginning at 10:30 a.m. Following the ceremony, refreshments will be served at American Legion Hall, 197 Maple Avenue.

Molloy College – MLK Partnership

Molloy College has assigned seniors in its nursing and education programs to receive service learning credit for work at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center during the Fall semester.

The nursing students provide blood pressure screenings, assist senior citizens with their nutrition and help them monitor their medications, Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The education students help youngsters with their reading and homework assignments, Thursdays from 4 to 5 p.m.

MLK Director Patrick Morris said that the program has been mutually beneficial for the Molloy students and the MLK Center and expects the program to be extended for the Spring semester.