



THE JOHN A. ANDERSON RECREATION CENTER

2013-14 Nursery School Registration

Registrations are now being accepted for the RVC Recreation Center's nursery school programs for the 2013-14 school year.

Pre-K classes for those entering kindergarten in September 2014 are offered five days a week from 9 to 11:30 a.m. or three days a week (Monday, Wednesday and Friday) from 12:15 to 2:45 p.m.

Pre-Pre-K for those entering kindergarten in September 2015 are offered four days a week (Monday through Thursday) from 9 to 11:30 a.m. or two days a week (Tuesday and Thursday) from 12:15 to 2:45 p.m.

To schedule an appointment to visit the school, call the Recreation Office at 678-9339.

Spring Program Registration

Registration is now open for Spring programs that will begin on April 1st. Detailed flyers describe a wide array of activities offered by the Recreation Department for toddlers through senior citizens, including Happy Piano, Bricks 4 Kids Lego Building, Yoga for Kids, Mad Science, Edible Art Class and guitar lessons.

Recycle Wednesdays!



It's more than newspapers!

Cardboard, product packaging, magazines, catalogs and junk mail can all be recycled on Wednesdays.

During holiday weeks, paper products may be deposited Wednesdays through Fridays at DPW headquarters, 10 Sunrise Highway, or in Municipal Parking Field #12, Sunrise Highway between North Forest Avenue and North Long Beach Road.



The Village's annual East Egg Hunt is 9:30 a.m. Saturday, March 23rd at The Recreation Center's Veterans Park for boys and girls in pre-school through grade 4. Rain date is scheduled for Sunday, March 24th at 2 p.m.

Spring Recess Trips & Special Events

Visit the Center, call 678-9339 or visit the Village website at www.rvcny.us for information on events and activities from March 25th to 29th.

All participants must be registered members of The Recreation Department for the 2012-2013 year. A parental permission slip and appropriate fee for each event must be submitted to the

recreation office prior to the day of the trip or activity.

Softball

The Recreation Department currently has Spring softball available. Games are tentatively scheduled to begin the first week of April. Interested players are encouraged to visit the Recreation Department or call 678-9339.

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17th Annual St. Patrick's Parade Hits The Streets of Rockville Centre



This year's Grand Marshal **Thomas A. Glynn, Jr.** alongside son and Village Trustee **Kevin Glynn.**

The 17th Annual Rockville Centre St. Patrick's Parade begins at Noon on Saturday, March 23, starting from Maple Avenue and Jefferson Avenue and proceeding to the reviewing stand in front of St. Agnes Cathedral.

"What better way to come together as a community than a parade," commented Mayor Francis Murray. "It's one of the most exciting days here in Rockville Centre. The downtown shops are booming, the streets are full of Rockville Centre

pride and we are able to give back to three worthy causes."

This year's Grand Marshal is Rockville Centre businessman and resident, Thomas A. Glynn, Jr. Thomas is the owner and manager of the Thomas A. Glynn & Son Funeral Home in Rockville Centre, and is a former Rockville Centre Village Trustee, as well as a former Nassau County Legislator for the Fifth Legislative District. He is also the father of current Rockville Centre

Village Trustee Kevin Glynn.

Over the last 16 years, the Rockville Centre St. Patrick's Parade has become one of the most successful and well-attended parades in New York State. It has become a source of not only cultural pride, but civic pride, as well. The parade is an incorporated not-for-profit organization that annually shares its success with three worthy charities, which are National, Irish, and Rockville Centre focused. Since the parade's inception in 1997, \$718,000 has been distributed to 48 individual charities. Rockville Centre's St. Patrick's Parade is "The Parade that Cares and Shares."

This year's charities are the Jillian E. Daly Foundation, a fund dedicated to the research of autoimmune and blood disorder diseases; the ALS Association Greater New York Chapter, who provides quality services to patients and families living with ALS throughout the greater New York area; and Crosscare, the social care agency of the Dublin Archdiocese working with those affected by homelessness, meeting the needs of young people, and aiding in the development of community driven services.

For further information about the parade visit the parade website at www.rvcstpatrick.com.



Rockville Centre Mayor **Francis X. Murray** will once again be showing off not only his Irish pride, but his pride for the Village by hosting one of the largest St. Patrick's Parades in New York.



To add your cell, work, unlisted phone number or email to the Village's automatic emergency notification system visit the website

www.rvcny.us



Park Improvements Move Along

A year and a half ago while campaigning, I had the opportunity to speak with many of the residents in our Village. There were many topics that people wanted to discuss, however there was a recurring theme. The appearance and safety of our athletic fields and parklands was at the forefront of many residents' minds.

I vowed that I would address this concern along with my fellow Board members. As a Board we recognize that the aesthetics of this Village has a tremendous impact on our home values and the safety of our youth is always of great concern.

We began with two fields. Hickey Field, that once was referred to, as the "jewel" of Rockville Centre's little league has been reconditioned. New sod was placed on the infield and out outfield needs was addressed as well. A small softball field was added at that location to alleviate any scheduling issues that are a result of sharing Klein Field with Molloy College. New plantings at the entrance and around the park will be added this Spring, in addition to bathroom facilities. These improvements are being made with grant and gift money at no cost to the residents.

Klein Field is well on its way to completion and will be a beautiful NCAA softball facility. We partnered with Molloy College as a result of allowing them to use Klein Field as home field for their girl's



By Deputy Mayor Nancy Howard

softball team. At their expense, they renovated the field to meet College level standards and the Village girls softball program will have the benefit of playing on a state-of-the-art field.

Tighe Field has been re-sodded as a result of the Village and RVC Soccer program partnering to improve this facility. The RVC Soccer Club held a very successful fundraiser to improve Tighe Field and the Village has agreed to

match their contribution. Barasch Field has also received much-needed repairs. The pitching mound has been corrected, the infield has been sodded and the outfield has also been addressed. Ketler and Bligh will be filled in where tremendous damages occurred from the flooding due to Superstorm Sandy. New lights are planned for Lister Field, which will improve the safety and quality of play. Centennial Park improvements are in the planning stages, which will include better walking paths, shoreline stabilization, resurfacing of the basketball courts, repairs to the parking lot and plantings that will enhance the park dramatically.

While all these improvements will elevate the appearance of our Village, it is very gratifying to know we accomplished all of this through grants, gifts and a well-negotiated contract with Molloy College. The Village will continue to look for ways to improve our athletic fields and parklands for residents to enjoy.



Zero Tolerance at St. Patrick's Parade

The Rockville Centre Police Department has announced that it will once again pursue a "zero tolerance" enforcement policy on all alcohol-related offenses committed during and after the annual St. Patrick's Parade on Saturday, March 23rd.

"We will be out in full force, before, during and after the parade," said Police Commissioner Chuck Gennario. "Any drinking along the parade route or tailgate parties, may result in arrest," he said.

Bar and tavern owners have also been reminded that they are responsible for seeing that the patrons they serve are of drinking age, are not intoxicated and that they do not take drinks outside the premises, he added.

"We want people to have a good time, but public drinking and intoxication are against the law and no fun for families and children who come here to enjoy the parade," added the Commissioner.

Stop Throwing Out Pollutants on March 23

The Town of Hempstead will be hosting it Stop Throwing Out Pollutants (S.T.O.P.) Program on Saturday, March 23 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Parking Field 3 of Eisenhower Park located in East Meadow.

S.T.O.P. provides residents with a safe, environmentally sound method of disposal of the many hazardous materials found in the average home.

The program is open to Town of Hempstead residents only and proof of residency is required.

Police Explorers

The Rockville Centre Police Department is looking for teenagers between the age of 14 and 20 to join the Explorers Program. The program offers young men and women the opportunity to experience the rewards of a police career and tests an individual's ability and commitment to improve the quality of life for the people in their community.

Under the supervision of police officer advisors, explorers assist the police department at special events such as parades, walk-a-thons and public gatherings. Explorers are invited to participate in the ride-a-long program where they can experience responding to calls for service and are exposed to radio operating procedures, paperwork, report writing and the normal routines of community policing.

To become a member or for more information, please contact Detective Norwood at 766-1577.



Mayor Francis X. Murray and Deputy Mayor Nancy Howard with the Public Works Department snow removal crew.

WINTER STORM NEMO NO MATCH FOR VILLAGE DPW CREWS

Once again, the northeast was hit with a significant winter storm on the night of February 8th and into Saturday, February 9h. Known as NEMO, this storm brought just about everything Mother Nature could offer including high winds, heavy rains, ice and a massive amount of snow. Fortunately for the Village, the worst of the snowfall was out east and New England but the Village received 13 inches of snow, preceded by heavy rains and ice. This is considered a significant event that required the Village Department of Works (DPW) to plan and execute its response in the most effective way possible.

The Village DPW is responsible for plowing 118 miles of roadway, 30 parking fields and the village owned sidewalks. Residents and merchants have come to expect and deserve an immediate response of curb-to-curb plowing of Village roadways and parking lots. Without the use of any outside crews, Village employees once again delivered

on that commitment. "I am extremely proud of the men and women in my department that tirelessly worked throughout the night and day to prepare for the storm and work during and after the event," Public Works Superintendent Harry Weed said. "Most of the three dozen workers that responded to the storm are veterans. They have been part of our team for many years and know how to execute the plan. A handful are new to the job, but we used the opportunity to teach them the proper methods and means to get through such an event. As a result, removal of snow and ice was accomplished swiftly, professionally and without incident."

The DPW is hopeful that the rest of Winter goes out like a lamb and we have seen the last of significant snow for the season. However, if the Village should be impacted by another event, the DPW remains prepared to respond.

A Wet Welcome For New Emergency Vehicle



With sirens blowing and lights flashing, the Rockville Centre Fire Department christened its new ambulance on March 3rd. The new life saving vehicle replaced an older ambulance that had reached the end of its service life.

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Sister Mary Louise Murray celebrated her 99th birthday on February 10th by receiving a Proclamation from brother and former Mayor Gene Murray and her nephew and current Mayor Francis Murray. Sister Murray has spent more than 70 years as a nun, nurse and teacher at Mercy Medical Center and Molloy College.

