# Rockville Centre





August 13, At 7:30 P.M.
BOARD OF ZONING
APPEALS

Monday, September 1
Village Offices Closed

September 3, At 7:30 P.M.
BOARD OF ZONING
APPEALS

September 8, At 7 P.M. BOARD OF TRUSTEES

September 16, At 7 P.M. PLANNING BOARD

September 17, At 7:30 P.M.

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APPEALS

Events are at Village Hall unless otherwise indicated.

### **Holiday Sanitation Schedule**

- Monday, September 1, 2014 Labor Day no trash collection
- Normal Monday/Thursday trash collections will be on Tuesday and Thursday
- Normal Tuesday/Friday trash collections will be on Wednesday and Friday
- on Wednesday and Friday
   Wednesday, September 3, 2014 No large metal or paper pickup

During holiday weeks, paper products may be deposited Monday through Friday at DPW headquarters 10 Sunrise Hwy.



## 27th Annual Mayor's Golf Classic

n Monday, September 29th, the Rockville Links Country Club will be hosting the 27th Annual Mayor's Golf Classic. For its 27th anniversary, the Classic will be honoring longtime resident of Rockville Centre, John D.

"It is my great pleasure and privilege to honor one of Rockville Centre's best friends," said Mayor Francis X. Murray. Cameron is the founder and managing partner of Cameron Engineering & Associates, LLP, located in Woodbury. In addition, Cameron has been active in

the Rockville Centre community for years having served as Trustee for St. Agnes Parish, Cathedral School Board Member and its President, member of the Friends of Mercy Hospital, past Trustee of the Rockville Centre Community Fund and its Golf Committee Co-Chair.

The Classic, and accompanying dinner, is the primary fundraiser for the Rock-ville Centre Community Fund. The Fund, dedicated exclusively to helping members of the Rockville Centre community, has raised more than \$1.5 million in emergency assistance since 1987. In 2001,

a special fund was established inside the Community Fund that provided assistance to the Village families who lost loved ones on 9/11.

Tickets and sponsorships for the all-day event, as well as journal ads are still available. The donation for breakfast, lunch, cocktails and dinner as well as a round of golf at the Rockville Links Country Club is \$350. Dinner-only tickets are \$125.

For reservations or for information about sponsorships or journal ads, call Mary Rohrs at 516-678-9260. Journal ads must be placed by September 16th.

## Village of Rockville Centre Police Officer Sworn to Sergeant

The Village of Rockville Centre promoted Police Officer John Beatty to Sergeant at the June Board Meeting. Officer Beatty has been with the Rockville Centre Police Department since 2002. He was a member of the NYPD for five years.

for five years.

"Police Officers in our Village make significant sacrifices every day to ensure our safety and maintain our peaceful neighborhoods," commented Mayor Francis X. Murray. "Sergeant Beatty will

be an asset to the Village in his new role."

Sergeant Beatty, the son of John and Barbara, grew up in Valley Stream where he graduated from Valley Stream Central High School in 1994. Sergeant Beatty continued his education at Nassau Community College and graduated with a degree in Criminal Justice in 1996. Prior to joining the Rockville Centre Police Department Sergeant Beatty was assigned to the Brooklyn North Task Force



Police Commissioner Charles Gennario (left) administered the Oath to newly promoted Sergeant John Beatty at the Village of Rockville Centre's June Board Meeting.

in the NYPD. In September of 2001, he was transferred to the Office of the Chief of Department where he worked assisting in the recovery of the 9/11 attacks.

## Village Appoints Deputy Village Administrator for Planning and Strategic Initiatives

The Village of Rockville Centre has appointed Kathleen MacDonald Murray as Deputy Village Administrator for Planning and Strategic Initiatives at the June Board Meeting. Mrs. Murray was previously a part-time Director of Community Development for the Village for over two years.

In her new role, Mrs. Murray will be performing project management and strategic planning for the Village. In addition, she will facilitate the implementation of all projects that require the utilization of Village resources as well as continuing to plan and write grant proposals and grant-funded projects for construction.



KATHLEEN MACDONALD MURRAY

"Appointing Kathleen is a win-win for the Village of Rockville Centre," commented Mayor Francis X. Murray. "Kathleen brings with her a wealth of experience and has demonstrated her dedication to this great Village. We are happy to have her join our administration on a full-time basis."

In her previous role with the Village, Mrs. Murray planned and prepared grant proposals and managed projects that are grant-funded. Prior to working for the Village, Mrs. Murray worked writing and managing grants as a private consultant and for Family Service League and South Nassau Communities Hospital's World Trade Center Family Center. Earlier in her career, Kathleen performed strategic planning consultations and served as Chief Operating Officer for an organizational development

consulting firm in New Haven and evaluated business plans for the quasi-public venture capital firm Connecticut Innovations, Inc. Mrs. Murray holds an undergraduate degree in management from Boston College and a Masters in Business Administration from Yale University.

Mrs. Murray has spent countless hours volunteering for the RVC Conservancy, the Wilson School PTA, and the Rockville Centre Council of PTAs. A long time resident of Rockville Centre, Mrs. Murray grew up in Rockville Centre and returned 13 years ago with her husband Bill to raise their three children.

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## Village Hall Comments

I recently had the pleasure of attending the South Side High School graduation ceremony. Congratulations go to the graduates from South Side and all the other high schools that serve our community for a job well done.

While I was at the graduation saying hello to friends and acquaintances at the ceremony I was struck by how long I have known these residents. Some of the people that I ran into have lived in this Village for 40, 50 and even 60 years.

I wondered why people have lived in this Village for so long and in some cases for multiple generations. A recent Newsday article pointed out such factors such as a vibrant downtown, walkability, range of housing stock and proximity to Manhattan that help make Rockville Centre attractive. The issue in my mind is why do people stay?

I fondly think back to my time growing up here in Rockville Centre and remember Little League, the BBL as we called it then, Boy Scouts, and Girl Scouts for my sister, and swim lessons through the Recreation Center just to name a few. These activities, along with soccer, lacrosse and other programs, were there for the kids then as they are now mainly through the efforts of the adult volunteers who take time out of their busy schedule to teach and provide role



TRUSTEE EDWARD OPPENHEIMER

models for the youth of Rockville Centre.

This participation helps create a great sense of Community. This sense of Community is what gives Rockville Centre the ability to attract and retain its residents for long periods of time.

The great reputation that Rockville Centre has earned over the years is in no small part due to the willingness of the population to involve themselves in the daily events that provide such a great sense of Community.

sense of Community.

My heartfelt thanks to all of those people that volunteer, lend a hand and truly care about our Village.

My best wishes to all for a happy and healthy summer.



### Rockville Centre Remembers Fallen Heroes

With more than 2,000 residents lining Long Beach Road, the Village's annual Memorial Day Parade paid tribute to the Village's veterans and service men and woman. Grand Marshal Sol Williams, an Army veteran, led the parade, which concluded with a remembrance ceremony at the Veterans Memorial Park, located on the grounds of the Recreation Center. Veterans led a wreath-laying ceremony in remembrance of those that gave their lives for the country.



### RVC Guild for the Arts to Honor Mayor Francis Murray and Former Mayor Eugene Murray

Rockville Centre Guild for the Arts is hosting its "Bravo To The Arts" fundraiser honoring Mayor Francis X. Murray and former Mayor Eugene J. Murray. The dinner and reception will be held at the Atlantic Beach Club in Atlantic Beach on September 13th. The Gala is a fundraiser for the Guild for the Arts and helps support its performances and activities. The mission of the Guild is to promote the Arts in Rockville Centre and has been doing so for more than 30 years. For more information, please call Joan MacNaughton at 516 317-1159.





### Rockville Centre Hosts First Little League Challenger Division Tournament

Mayor Francis X. Murray joined with players for the first Little League Challenger Division Tournament on June 21st. The day-long event was held at Hickey Field with family and friends filling the stands to cheer on the

game.

The Challenger Division provides children with special needs the opportunity to play baseball.



### Lawn Sprinkling Hours

The Rockville Centre Board of Trustees has adopted a stringent water conservation plan, as mandated by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC).

This plan includes universal water metering as well as mandatory fines for watering between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Watering of lawns must coincide with the house address for odd and even days.

#### **Pool Safety**

As the warmer weather is upon us, it is the optimum time to assure that those residents that have or are planning to install swimming pools to check that all permit, fencing, pool alarm and related safety precautions are met in accordance with NYS and Village Codes.

It is our continued intention to assure that the proper safety precautions are implemented and continuously maintained during the life of your pool in an effort to protect the safety of all our residents and guests.

Kindly conduct an evaluation of your pool facilities and contact the Building Department at 678-9247 for a no cost evaluation to assure that all fencing, safety and electrical codes are met to assure your continued safety and enjoyment of your swimming pool

For further code and safety requirements and information residents are encouraged to visit our Village Building Department "help topics" website at http://www.rvcny.us/blahelp.html

### **RVCPD**

The Rockville Centre Police Department wants to remind residents to lock the doors to their vehicles. Typically theft is seen in crimes of opportunity where little action is needed for property to be taken, such as a laptop or other personal property being left on the seat of a vehicle. Over 95% of thefts occurring from vehicles are from unlocked vehicles. Residents must make it a priority to always lock the doors to your vehicles. The following are steps recommended to reduce the potential for theft never leave property unsecured and unat-

tended, never leave property in plain view, and always keep your vehicle locked. Report any suspicious activity to the Rockville Centre Police Department by calling 911. Taking simple steps to reduce the risk is a general approach to your safety that can have a dramatic positive affect.

### Don't Press Send

Rockville Centre resident and founder of the Don't Press Send Campaign, Katie Schumacher, is dedicated in assisting today's children to improve their decision making as they steer their way safely and kindly online.

The Don't Press Send Campaign provides children the strategies needed to navigate this ever-changing technological world, in hopes to prevent them from harming others or themselves. The Campaign has educated nearly 2,000 RVC students with its "Think Before You Click" message. Residents can take the pledge today at http://www.dontpresssend.org.

### Adopt A Bench

The RVC Conservancy is selling benches to be placed in RVC parks and open spaces. For \$2,500, each bench has a custom bronze plaque to commemorate a person, company or any special occasion.

Money raised from the sale of the benches will go toward a variety of RVC Conservancy projects including, but not limited

to, community gardens, street tree inventory and planting and school gardening programs. For further information or to purchase a bench, call 678-9244 or log onto http://www.gofundme.com/75fhhw.

### West End Community Day

The Annual West End Community Day will be held in front of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center on Centre Ave. Saturday, August 23rd from noon to 4 p.m.

### RVCFD Memorial Brick Program

There is still time to order an engraved brick in the walkways at Firemen's Memorial Park honoring a Rockville Centre Firefighter, a Rockville Centre resident who perished as a result of 9/11 or to honor the Rockville Centre Fire Department. Each 4-inch by 8 inch brick can be engraved with three lines of fifteen characters including spaces for a \$100 donation. Call 678-9063 to order your memorial brick today.

#### Follow RVC

Keep up to date with the Village by "liking" us on Facebook at www.facebook. com/VillageofRockvilleCentre and "following" us on Twitter at twitter.com/VillageRVC

## **Around Our Community**





### Sandel's Center Stage **Chorus Belts Out The Hits**

The Center Stage Chorus, under the direction of Frank Scafuri, can be heard every Monday at the Sandel Senior Center belting out everything from traditional standards to today's Broadway hits at rehearsal. With smiles on their faces and songs in their hearts, the 35-40 member choir presents two concerts a year at the Sandel Center as well as a performance at South Side High

School Intergenerational Sharing Conference every spring. Sandel Senior Center recently hosted a spring luncheon with a riveting performance by the Choir that was enjoyed by all.

For more information about Center Stage, the Sandel Center, or any of the programs and services offered, please call 678-9245



## 26th Year as Tree City USA

The Village of Rockville Centre has been recognized as a "Tree City USA" for the past 26 years from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Division of Lands and Forests. City USA program is a national program that provides the framework for community forestry management for cities and towns

across America. Trees were planted along Peninsula Boulevard to replace fallen trees from Superstorm Sandy. Pictured (left to right) is Village Administrator Keith Spadaro, Mayor Francis X. Murray, Deputy Mayor Nancy Howard, Superintendent of Public Works Harry Weed, and RVC Conservancy President Leslie Price.



## **MLK Center Hones Cooking** Skills with Chefs Academy

Children from the Martin Luther King Center's Chefs Academy are learning family-favorite recipes each week. The Chef's Academy encourages and empowers kids and teens to become more actively involved in the planning, preparation, and cooking of meals. Attendees are not only learning to follow a recipe from start to end, but developing long lasting friendships doing something that can bring joy to many for years



## Village Residents Explore Hempstead Lake

Village residents came out to explore Hempstead Lake on June 14th. The Rockville Centre Conservancy, a group of local residents volunteering their time to make a difference in the community, hosted the funfilled day. Residents spent the day kayak-

ing around Nassau County's largest lake. Pictured (left to right) are Sheila Croutier, Regina Loftus, Judge William J. Croutier Jr, MaryBeth Croutier, Mayor Francis X. Murray and Andy Healey.

### THIS MONTH IN

Published by the Village of Rockville Centre

> Mayor Francis X. Murray

#### **Trustees**

Nancy Howard Edward J. Oppenheimer Michael Sepe Emilio F. Grillo

**Village Administrator** Keith M. Spadaro

678-9300



Jillian E. Daly Foundation Remembers at Skelos Park

Senator Dean Skelos and Mayor Francis X. Murray joined with the Jillian É. Daly Foundation for the fourth annual alumni lacrosse game. Created in 2011, the Jillian E. Daly Foundation is a not-for-profit dedicated

to the research of autoimmune and blood disorder diseases after 24 year-old Daly passed away from a rare blood disorder. Attendees gathered together at Skelos Park before the lacrosse game to plant a tree to

honor Jillian Daly's memory. Learn more about the Jillian Daly Foundation at www.thejillianedalyfoundation.org.



## The John A. Anderson Recreation Center



### Recreation Center Holds Dedication for Joan S. Schapiro Early Childhood Education Center

Village residents came together as a community to celebrate and honor one of its own, Joan Schapiro. Mayor Francis X. Murray announced the new name of the nursery school at the Recreation Center as the Joan S. Schapiro Early Childhood Education Center. A long-time employee of the Recreation Center, Joan proved to be an incredible asset and was a dynamic innovator in early childhood education and was the Pre-pre k nursery school teacher for decades. In addition, she created many of the programs and classes that are utilized today like Creative Dance, Grandma, Grandpa and Me, Fun in the Arts, Cooking for Kids, Almost Real School, Gym and Jam, For Boys Only, Sport Sampler, Parent Toddler Workshop, Creative Art and Let's Do Lunch. A scholarship in Joan Schapiro's name has been established for children who would like to attend the Rec Center's nursery school but cannot afford it. Anyone who wishes to donate can do so at the Rec Center office. Pictured (left to right) are Joan's grandson Sam Schapiro, Trustee Edward Oppenheimer, Joan's daughter-in-law Michelle Schapiro, Joan's son Steven Schapiro, Joan's daughter Miriam Schapiro, Joan's grandson Jake Schapiro, Recreation Department Superintendent Anthony Brunetta, Mayor Francis X. Murray and Senator Dean Skelos.

## Fall 2014 –Nursery School Openings

There are a limited number of openings in the Fall 2014 Nursery school Classes at the John A. Anderson Recreation Center, 111 North Oceanside Road. These classes are for children entering kindergarten in September 2015 and 2016. Classes follow the RVC public school holiday schedule. Openings are in the morning classes from 9 to 11:30 a.m.

Other pre-school programs being offered this year include: Almost Real School, Roll Around, Kinder-Crafts, Introduction to Gymnastics, Tumbles, Happy Piano Enrichment, Happy Piano Jamboree, Happy Piano Baby Bounce, Parent-Toddler Workshop, ComputerTots, Ballet/Tap, Lego Bricks 4 Kidz, Mad Science, For Boys Only, Funday Monday, Tumbles, Little Decorating Boss and Yoga Kids.

### **Gymnastics Programs**

The Recreation Department offers gymnastic programs from recreational through competitive levels for girls in kindergarten through grade eight. Gymnastics instruction for boys in grades K-4 are also available.

### Fall Youth Programs

Babysitting, Basketball, Bowling, Artfull Adventures, Cartoon Time, Computer Explorers, Cooking for Kids, Crossfit Kids, Decorating Boss, Fencing, Touch Football, Gymnastics, Introduction to Gymnastics, Happy Piano, Ice Skating, Introduction to Guitar, Lego Bricks 4 Kidz, Mad Science, Schoolhouse Chess, Swimming Instruction, Tae Kwon Do, Tennis Lessons, Time to Shine, All 4 One Yoga, Yoga Kids.

### Fall Middle/High School Programs

Babysitting, Bowling, Artfull Adventures, Cartooning, Co-Ed Cardio Workout, Drivers Safety Program, Fencing, Touch Football, Decorating Boss, Open Gym, Gymnastics for Girls, Competition Gymnastics Teams, Step Aerobics, Swimming Instruction, Tae Kwon Do, Tennis Lessons, Time to Shine, and Yoga for Teens.

### Fall Adult Programs

**Co-ed Cardio** workouts are available. Step Aerobic classes will be held on Monday evenings from 7 to 7:45 p.m. Pay as you go for \$5.00 each class. Cardio classes will be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7 to 8:00 p.m. Pay as you go for \$5 each session.

**Zumba** exercise to a Latin beat on Monday mornings from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. beginning September 2nd, Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., and Saturday mornings from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Pay as you go for \$5.00 each class. **Square dancing** is available on Mon-

day and Tuesday evenings from 7 to 8:30 p.m. and 8:30 to 10p.m. Dancers can pay as they go for \$7 per person.

The **weight room** at the Rec is available to adults seven days a week for \$30 a month for residents and \$35 a month for

non-residents. The room features a treadmill, recumbent bike, rowing machine, Stairmaster and Arc Trainer, as well as free weights, Cybex machines and a bench cage.

**Tennis Courts** are open for use seven days a week.

### Softball Leagues

The Recreation Department conducts softball leagues for men's and women's teams during the fall months. Games are played weekday evenings at ball fields within the Village.

## Fall Programs and Registration

Information regarding Fall Programs and Registration dates are detailed in the Annual Recreation Department brochure, available at the Recreation Center. Registration will take place in early August.

DETAILED INFORMATION FOR ALL ACTIVITIES CAN BE FOUND AT THE RECREATION CENTER OFFICE, ON THE RECREATION CENTER'S NEW WEBSITE AT WWW.RVCRECWEEBLY.COM, OR BY CALLING THE RECREATION CENTER AT 678-9238.

### TIME TO ORDER A TREE

The Rockville Centre Department of Public Works curbside tree planting program is now underway for the Fall of 2014. Residents have until September 30, 2014 to order a tree from among the six varieties listed below. Trees are \$250.00 each. Village contractors will plant a tree for you for \$350.00, which includes the cost of the tree, planting and a one year guarantee.

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## Recycle Wednesday



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

During holiday weeks, paper products may be deposited Monday through Friday at Department of Public Works headquarters, 10 Sunrise Highway.