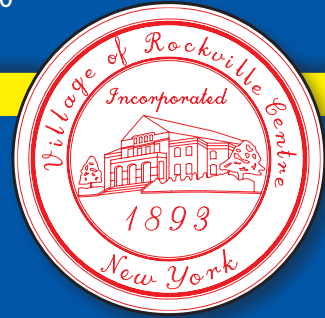


THIS MONTH IN

Rockville Centre



**August 16, At 7 PM.
PLANNING BOARD**

**August 17, At 7:30 PM.
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS**

**Monday, September 5
Village Offices Closed
LABOR DAY**

**September 6, At 7:30 PM.
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**September 14, At 7:30 PM.
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS**

**September 20, At 7 PM.
PLANNING BOARD**

**September 28, At 7:30 PM.
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS**

Events are at Village Hall unless otherwise indicated.

Holiday Sanitation Schedule Labor Day

**Monday, September 5, 2016 -
No trash collection**

Normal Monday/Thursday trash collection will be on Tuesday and Thursday

Normal Tuesday/Friday trash collection will be on Wednesday and Friday

**Wednesday, September 7, 2016
No bulk items or paper pickup**

Village Hall Hours

Cashier & Registrar 8:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Court Counter 8:00 A.M. - 3:30 P.M.

Electric/Water Billing 8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Tax Department 8:30 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Closed Saturday and Sunday

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Rockville Centre Pays Tribute to Hometown Heroes

Maple Avenue is now known as "Avenue of Heroes." The Village unveiled a new street sign on June 14th paying tribute to its hometown heroes. Avenue of Heroes is home to the Fire Department, the Police Department, American Legion Post 303 and the Village's memorial for those who died on Sept. 11, 2001.

"Tonight, we pay tribute to Rockville Centre's heroes," said Mayor Francis X. Murray during the ceremony. "Those who have put the needs of others before their own. The ones who instinctively run into dangerous situations while others flee.

The ones who have sacrificed their lives to protect this great country. And the ones who leave their homes and families at all hours of the day and night to serve their neighbors."

Avenue of Heroes was made possible after Village Hall received a letter to rename Maple Avenue from a man who served this Country in WWII and our community as Fire Chief and Mayor, Eugene J. Murray. The St. Agnes choir performed throughout the ceremony to the nearly 300 attendees. Russ Siller, whose brother, New York City firefighter Stephen Siller, died on Sept. 11,

2001 joined with Rockville Centre Post 303 American Legion Commander Frank Colon Jr., Rockville Centre Police Commissioner Charles Gennario, and Rockville Centre Fire Department Chief Robert Seaman to recognize Rockville Centre's heroes.

"When residents and visitors drive down this street today and for generations to come, it will serve as a reminder of the sacrifice the men and women of Rockville Centre have made to the greater good," continued Mayor Murray.



29th Annual Mayor's Golf Classic

On Monday, September 26th, the Rockville Links Country Club will be hosting the 29th Annual Mayor's Golf Classic. For its 29th anniversary, the Classic will be honoring the Rockville Centre Little League.

The Rockville Centre Little League was established in 1951 by William E. Seward, Thomas Nofi and the League's first President, Edward J. Bligh. In 1999 a Softball Program was added, by then-President Tom Gallucci, Eric Olsen and Rita Nofi Etienne. The Challenger Division for children premiered in 2012, and just this past season the introduction of a new 6-year old Sluggers Division for boys, to match their 6-year old Munchkin Division for girls was made. Since 2003, many players and other RVC children have held their first job in RVCLL's Youth Umpire program. While the group is deeply rooted in the Little League International virtues of

"Courage, Character and Loyalty," RVCLL boys and girls have enjoyed their share of success on the field. Over the past 66 years, they have won 94 District Championships, 21 Nassau County Championships, 16 Long Island Championships and 4 New York State Championships.

"It is my great pleasure and privilege to honor such an integral part of our community," commented Mayor Francis X. Murray. "Their time and commitment to the our youth does not go unnoticed."

The League has become increasingly community minded. Over the past six years their Opening Day Parade & Food Drive has generated 14,000 pounds of non-perishable food for neighbors in need, right in Rockville Centre. Each year, 1200 children register to play baseball and softball with RVCLL. It takes the tireless efforts of its

200 volunteer coaches, and its 26-person Board of Directors, to carry out a twelve-month a year labor of love

The Classic, and accompanying dinner, is the primary fundraiser for the Rockville Centre Community Fund. The Fund, dedicated exclusively to helping members of the Rockville Centre community, has raised more than \$1.6 million in emergency assistance since 1987. 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.





Around Our Community

Village Residents Explore Hempstead Lake

Village residents came out to explore Hempstead Lake on June 11th. The Rockville Centre Conservancy, a group of local residents volunteering their time to make a difference in the community, hosted the fun filled day. Residents spent the day kayaking around Nassau County's largest lake.



Anchors Away with the Sandel Senior Center

It was smooth sailing and great camaraderie when 44 Sandel Center members toured Canada and New England on a weeklong cruise on the Norwegian Gem. "What a fun crowd!" expressed Sharon Viotto, Travel Consultant/Owner of Cruise Planners/American Express, who planned and escorted the group. "The Sandel group proved once again that RVC seniors are vital, active and fully engaged in life," commented Director of Senior Services Chris O'Leary. For information about membership at the Sandel Center, or any of the programs and services offered, please call 678-9245.



Board of Trustees Honor Top Scholars

The Board of Trustees honored local athletes and top scholars at its June meeting. Carolyn McElroy and Emma Vecchione, the South Side High School valedictorian and salutatorian, finished their senior year of high school with GPAs north of 104. They are both members of Best Buddies and the Centre Stage program, and they also have spent their summers in high school working at the Town of Hempstead's Camp ANCHOR, where McElroy is now a staffer. Vecchione is an officer in both the Tri-M Music Honor Society and the Art Honor Society will be heading to Brown. She also has a job at the library, where she created a free art program for kids. McElroy played on the school's lacrosse and cross-country teams, and was also a member of Athletes Helping Athletes is going on to the University of Virginia.



Are You On The Electric Department's Life Support List?

Power outages, while inconvenient, are a fact of life. Strong storms, car accidents and warm weather can cause a disruption in service. For many of us these outages are simply a hassle, but for others, they can be life-threatening. If there is someone in your home whose health depends on an electrically operated device, it's important that you take these necessary precautions to prepare for power outages. The first provision to make is to call the Electric Department at (516) 678-9323 or (516) 678-9221 to find out how your name can be added to the life support list. Other safeguard's include:

- Plug electronic devices into surge protectors, which will protect the

equipment from damage due to a power surge.

- Use an uninterruptable power supply (UPS) that will provide emergency power for a period of time.
- Consider investing in a portable generator, which can power important devices in the event of an extended outage.
- Keep an adequate supply of prescription drugs and medical equipment on hand in case a storm prevents you from getting refills.
- Keep a corded landline or cell phone in your home so you can make phone calls when the power is out.
- Report outages immediately by calling (516) 766-5800.

Rockville Centre Fire Department wins 4th Battalion Parade



The Rockville Centre Fire Department took home first place as the best appearing Fire Department at the Fourth Battalion Fire District on June 25th. The Fourth Battalion Fire District is composed of the East Rockaway, Lakeview, Lynbrook, Malverne and Rockville Centre Fire Departments.

Celebrating their victory with their trophies are Chief Robert Seaman, center right in uniform, along with Assistant Chiefs Brian Cook and Eric Burel, as well as Rockville Centre ex-Chief John Hennig, extreme right, and Chairman of the Fourth Battalion. Photo provided by Brian Grogan.

Village Bids Farewell to Dedicated Employee

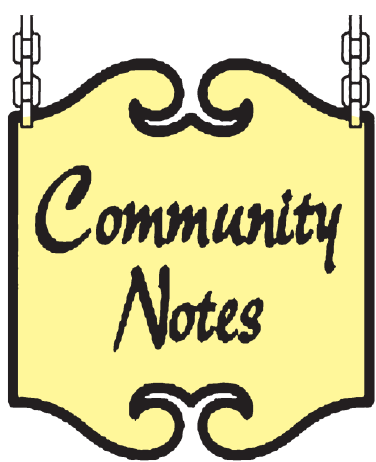


Steve Walsh has been serving the residents of the Village for 37 years. Sworn into the RVC Fire Department on February 13, 1979, Steve was named "Man of the Year" in 2002 by his fire company, Woodland Engine Co. 4, for his outstanding service and dedication. He has had one of the highest call percentages of all members in his company.

Steve began his career in the Village's

Highway Department on August 19, 1981 maintaining parking fields in the Village's downtown as well as assisting with potholes and street repairs, street signs, leaf pickup in the fall, and snow removal. He has been a dedicated employee assisting wherever needed including reporting during, nor'easters, tropical storms, and hurricanes. Steve received the Nassau County Silver Award after pulling a semi-conscious man from the driver's seat of a smoking vehicle in January 1992 while working in parking field #4.

"Steve has proven to be a dedicated and valued member of the Village of Rockville Centre workforce and will be sorely missed in his retirement," commented Mayor Francis X. Murray. "We wish him all the best in his future endeavors."



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>.



Senior Transportation Program

The Senior Transportation program is available to members of the Sandel Senior Center. It provides transportation from people's homes to the Sandel Center, to the grocery store each Tuesday and to non-emergency medical appointments within Rockville Centre and to limited locations in Oceanside. Users of the bus must be "curb-ready," which means ready when the bus arrives and able to enter and exit the bus independently. If unable to do so, members must ride with an aide who can assist them. Trip prices are \$1 round trip to the Center and grocery and \$2 round trip to medical appointments. The Centre has buses able to accommodate wheelchairs. The buses are also used to transport members for local

trips and to off-site volunteer activities run through the Center. To schedule a ride please call the Transportation Line at 516-766-1266.

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/bldhelp.html>

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.

Community Day

The Annual Community Day will be held in front of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center on Centre Ave. Saturday, August 27th from noon to 4 p.m.



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Village Hall Comments by Trustee Emilio Grillo “Doing More with Less”



“Doing more with less” is an often quoted business maxim, which permits companies to adapt and thrive in rapidly changing worlds. That same principle, applies to governments at every level, as streamlining inefficiencies, and eliminating waste are hallmarks of efficient governmental administration.

As your Village Board, we continuously look for ways to improve our Village infrastructure, while simultaneously rooting out unnecessary expenses.

As the summer months are now upon us, you can see tremendous progress being made with our Village road program, which focuses on repaving our roadways, installing new curbs, sidewalk aprons, fire hydrants and drainage throughout our village.

By working with outside contractors, who successfully bid for the work, our Village Water department, Engineering department and department of Public Works, have been replacing and refurbishing our roadways, at an unprecedented rate of 3.1 miles per year.

These results cannot be attained without careful monitoring and oversight of the road

program, by each department head, our comptroller and village administrator, working in conjunction with the Mayor and Village Board on a daily basis. The goal remains to streamline excess expenditures while continuing to upgrade our Village infrastructure.

For the fourth year in a row, our cost saving measures, have kept the Village below the New York State mandated tax cap, resulting in a tax benefit for all of our residents. While the focus of our village road program is to replace water mains and streets throughout our Village, as a Village Board we continue to work within our current budget to “hold the line” on taxes.

As our road program continues to progress, many residents wonder “when is my street going to be re-paved?”. Please know that as with every every fiscal decision made by the Village Board, determining which streets get re-paved, and the order in which they are repaved, is determined in a logical and fair manner. Specifically village roads are assigned a “grade”, based on visual inspections conducted by an engineering team from Cornell University, working in

conjunction with our Village Engineering Department. Following a visual inspection, a street is assigned a number grade. The best road in the Village is rated a 92. We are now renovating roads rated +/- 25. The goal is to replace roads with the lowest ratings, with an emphasis of the roads in most urgent need of repair. Our grading system, permits fair, objective and transparent decision making in this regard. As a result, we believe that our roadways are being upgraded appropriately, and efficiently.

As your Village Board, we continue to upgrade our Village infrastructure however, our work is far from over. We continue to seek our residents input and comments to better serve your needs and to ensure that no street falls through the cracks. We remain happy to discuss the progress of our road program, as we continue to “Do more with less” for all of our residents, not only now, but for generations to come.

On behalf of the Mayor, Francis X. Murray, and the Village Board of Trustees, we wish you and your families, a happy and safe summer season.

Rockville Centre Gives Thanks to Veterans

Rainy weather didn't stop hundreds of residents from paying tribute to the Village's veterans and service men and women. While the annual Memorial Parade was canceled, a remembrance ceremony was held at the Veterans Memorial Park, located on the grounds of the Recreation Center.

Grand Marshal Frank Colon Jr., a Rockville Centre resident, served 22 years in the U.S. Army. Since leaving the army, Colon has been involved with many veterans' organizations. He is a former commander of the Nassau County American Legion and also coordinated visits from various veterans' organizations to the Northport Veterans Affairs (VA) Medical Center, visiting every month for eight years. Veterans led a wreath-laying ceremony in remembrance of those that gave their lives for the country.



Village Honors Employee of the Month

Mayor Francis X. Murray and the Board of Trustees honored Kathy Weber, the June 2016 Employee of the Month for her work with the Electric Department for the past 10 years. Kathy is the Principal Account Clerk there, performing most tasks that are specific to the Electric Department and several that support the entire Village.

Tom Cardile, Village Engineer, nominated Kathy saying, “Kathy has always gone above and beyond what is described in her title. She never refuses a task and is always willing to help others. She is an asset to the Electric Department and truly a team player.”

The Village would like to thank Kathy Weber for her dedication and enthusiasm and would like to congratulate her on being the Village's Employee of the Month for June 2016. A special thanks to Chadwicks American Chop House & Bar for donating a gift certificate to Kathy and her family to enjoy as Employee of the Month.



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Fireworks Spectacular Takes to the Sky

Thousands came out to the Village's annual fireworks show. Every year Village residents, family and friends come together to enjoy an evening under the stars funded by local residents and businesses, the Rockville Centre Guild for the Arts and the Village of Rockville Centre. Attendees were dazzled with a performance by South Shore Symphony.





The John A. Anderson Recreation Center

Kids'Fest Celebration

The Recreation Department will sponsor its annual KIDS'FEST OPEN HOUSE CELEBRATION on Saturday, September 17 from 12 noon until 4:00 p.m., at the John A. Anderson Recreation Center – Anthony T. Brunetta Pavilion at 111 North Oceanside Road. Residents, young and old, are invited to attend and participate in an afternoon of program information, demonstrations, music, rides and community information. Added features will be the Lions Club Duck Pluck for charity, many Police and Fire Department vehicles plus a helicopter landing. All food and festivities are free – so come on down and join in the fun!

Snowflake Softball Leagues

The Recreation Department conducts softball leagues for men and women's teams during the fall months. Games are played weekday evenings at ball fields within the Village. Contact Javier at JDuran@rvny.us or pick up a roster form and information at the office.

Cycle With Care Bicycle Safety Program

The Recreation Department in cooperation with the RVC Police Department, conducts a Bicycle Safety Program to assist children in good bicycle riding habits, to teach them the rules of the road and to inspect and license their bikes. Staff will visit the local public schools during the second week of September to conduct the inspections. Anyone wishing to register a bike on their own can contact Linaryd at the Recreation Center.

Touch Football Season

Middle Schoolers as well as 4th and 5th graders should start getting their play books ready for the popular Touch Football season.

Games are played weekday afternoons at Veterans' Park behind the Recreation Center. Rosters are due on September 12th.

Fall Programs and Registration

The Recreation Department's annual brochure has been mailed to Village residents in mid- July. The brochure gives details on the vast array of activities that will be offered this year. Registration for fall programs begins on August 8th. Residents are strongly urged to register early to ensure inclusion in the class day and time of your choice. Informational flyers will also be available at the Recreation Department office and on our website.

Sign-up Reminders

Would you like to be automatically notified about registration dates and programs? Sign up for our email newsletter! You can join our mailing list by going to rvrec.weebly.com/mailling-list.html or find the form on our homepage.

Summer Office Hours

During our late-summer building maintenance period from August 22 through September 4th, the Recreation Center office will open for business Monday through Friday. Office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. The tennis courts will be open for play weekdays from 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays from 8 a.m. to 12 noon.

DETAILED INFORMATION FOR ALL ACTIVITIES CAN BE FOUND AT THE RECREATION CENTER OFFICE OR ON THE RECREATION CENTER WEBSITE AT WWW.RVCREC.WEBLY.COM



Installation of the new playground equipment is scheduled to begin in the fall!



Come down for the annual KIDS'FEST on September 17th. Kids can enjoy rides, face painting and a variety of exhibits and demonstrations including Erik the Reptile demonstration.

PLEASE NOTE DISPOSAL OF USED MEDICAL NEEDLES

Used medical needles must be discarded at The Department of Health, any local hospital or nursing home.
***DO NOT DISCARD USED NEEDLES IN HOUSEHOLD REFUSE**

THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS 10 SUNRISE HIGHWAY

E-CYCLING

EVERY FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH
10:00 a.m. TO 2:00 p.m.
Residents may bring their electronics
Note: E-CYCLING will remain open all year

Assistance will be given for EXTRA LARGE items. Please call (516) 678-9216 to schedule a pickup

E-CYCLING ITEMS

that are required to be dropped off

Computers / Computer monitors
Anything that plugs into a computer
Small Electronics
VCR * DVD * I PAD * GPS
Video Systems
Calculators

Televisions
Cable Boxes
Small Servers
Camera or Video Cameras
Telephones (any type)



TRANSFER STATION

The station, on Sunrise Highway adjacent to the Public Works building, is open to the public the first and third Saturdays of the month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. until November 19th to receive large items of trash, including furniture and appliances. Proof of residency is required.

Recycle Wednesday



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

TIME TO ORDER A TREE

The Rockville Centre Department of Public Works curbside tree planting program is now underway for the Fall of 2016. Residents have until September 15, 2016 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.

(If the tree dies within a year, it will be replaced with a new one for free)

2016 TREE PLANTING ORDER FORM

Order deadline: September 15, 2016 – Planting date: Fall, 2016

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

VARIETY:

- Pin Oak Crimson King Norway Maple Male Gianko Biloba
 Japanese Zelkova Little Leaf Linden Kwanzan Oriental Cherry

___ Tree Only: \$250.00 ___ Tree and Planting \$350.00

MAIL TO: 2016 TREES * ROCKVILLE CENTRE D.P.W. * P.O. BOX 950 * RVC * NY * 11571

Make check payable to Village of Rockville Centre