

THIS MONTH IN

Rockville Centre



- June 5 At 7 P.M.**
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
- June 7 At 7:30 P.M.**
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
- June 20 At 7 P.M.**
PLANNING BOARD
- June 21 At 7:30 P.M.**
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
- Tuesday, July 4**
Village Offices Closed
INDEPENDENCE DAY
- July 8 At 6 P.M.**
Mill River
FIREWORKS
- JULY 10 At 7 P.M.**
Organizational Meeting
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
- July 12 At 7:30 P.M.**
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
- July 18 At 7 P.M.**
PLANNING BOARD

Events are at Village Hall unless otherwise indicated.

Holiday Sanitation Schedule

Monday, July 3, 2017

No trash collection

Independence Day

Tuesday, July 4, 2017

No trash collection

Normal Monday/Thursday trash collection

will be on Monday and Thursday,

Normal Tuesday/Friday trash collection will

be on Wednesday and Friday

Wednesday, July 7, 2017

No bulk items or paper pickup

During holiday weeks, paper products may

be deposited Monday through Friday at DPW

headquarters 10 Sunrise Hwy

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

Village Approves Lowest Real Estate Tax Rate Increase in 24 Years

For the fifth consecutive year, the Rockville Centre Board of Trustees passed a budget that stays within the tax cap while maintaining Village services at present levels. The budget of \$44,731,111 includes a tax levy growth of 1.66% and complies with the limit established by the New York State Real Estate Property Tax Cap program. The Real Estate Tax Rate increase of 1.72%, approximately \$65.06 for the average household, is the smallest increase in 24 years.

Like every municipality, increasing costs including those mandated by other levels of government, have challenged the Village of Rockville Centre. However, the Village of Rockville Centre has risen to the challenge and refuses to pass all the increased costs along to homeowners through higher real estate taxes. Instead the Village has been

creative in the way they operate and has implemented prudent fiscal policies. These policies have been recognized by Standard & Poor's Rating of AAA, the highest possible rating, and Moody's rating of AA2, one of its highest ratings.

"I believe the 2018 budget balances the need to hold down taxes and maintain the services that residents have come to expect and enjoy," commented Mayor Francis X. Murray. "At the same time, we are staying under the tax cap for the fifth consecutive year. In addition, this budget should preserve the impressive financial stability and strength of our Village."

Over the last few years under the Mayor's leadership, over \$15 million dollars in federal, state, local grants, and gifts have been secured to make improvements within the Village. Much of the money has

been used to improve roadways, parks and services for seniors. In addition, grants have been obtained to help our Police and Fire Departments utilize state-of-the-art equipment to keep residents safe.

"The spending plan we are putting forth is the product of a great deal of work by the Village Administrator, Comptroller, and our department heads to hold down costs wherever possible," continued Mayor Murray. "We will continue to look for ways to reduce costs and bring in additional revenue to the Village, including being aggressive in pursuing grant money, private/public partnerships, and gifts to make improvements at little expense to our residents."

Residents can view the complete spending plan on the Villages web site, www.rvcny.us.

RVC Paints the Village Green for 21st Annual St. Patrick's Parade

With over 15,000 onlookers, the Parade That Cares and Shares took to the streets with pride. On March 25th, the 21st annual St. Patrick's Parade brought more than 140 groups and 2,500 marchers. Organizations and groups from across Nassau County and New York City marched on behalf of three worthy charities including the Backyard Players and Friends, Breathe Believe, and

Pieta House. Since the parade's inception in 1997, over \$1 million has been distributed to 58 individual charities. Rockville Centre's St. Patrick's Parade is "The Parade that Cares and Shares"®. Grand Marshal Patricia Ann Norris-McDonald, a Rockville Centre native and Village of Malverne Mayor, led the parade this year.



RVC Awarded Certificate of Achievement

For the 21st consecutive fiscal year, the Village of Rockville Centre has been awarded the prestigious "Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting" by the Government Finance Officer Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA). The recognition is for the Village's comprehensive annual fiscal report (CAFR).

The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management. When the COA is

awarded, an Award of Financial Reporting Achievement is also presented to the individual designated by the government as primarily responsible for its having earned the award. This has been presented to Village Administrator Kathleen Murray, who worked closely with the Village Comptroller's office and auditors to assure that the Village's financial reporting met very high standards.

"I am thankful to the staff of our Comptroller's Office, led by George Scheu, for their efforts to be up-front and accurate in the way they report the Village's financial information," commented Mayor Francis X.

Murray. "This award reflects the value this Village's government puts on transparency for the benefit of our taxpayers."

The CAFR is judged by an impartial panel to meet the high standards of the program, which includes demonstrating a constructive "spirit of full disclosure" to clearly communicate its financial story and motivate potential users and user groups to read the CAFR. The GFOA is a nonprofit professional association serving approximately 17,500 government finance professionals with offices in Chicago and Washington, D.C.

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Around Our Community

Village Awarded \$1 Million for Microgrid Energy System

The Village of Rockville Centre was awarded \$1 million in funding as part of the second stage of the NY Prize Community Microgrid competition. Microgrids provide critical power backup for homes, businesses, hospitals and other vital facilities during extreme weather events and emergencies, while supporting development of on-site cutting edge renewable energy technologies.

“The Village of Rockville Centre has taken lessons learned from Superstorm Sandy and is working to ensure that facilities providing vital services have power to address residents’ health and safety needs,” commented Mayor Francis X. Murray. “This award brings us one step closer to our goal.”

As part of the competition, the Village of Rockville Centre will receive \$1 million through the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority, which administers the NY Prize, to conduct engineering, develop specifications, obtain bids and prepare business plans for a microgrid to bring local clean energy generation and backup power to their communities. Rockville Centre

was awarded \$100,000 for the first stage of the competition, for feasibility studies, in July of 2015. Rockville Centre plans to submit an application for Stage three of the competition and will have access to financing for microgrid construction through NY Green Bank, in addition to the \$20 million available through NY Prize. Winners are expected to be announced by the end of 2018.

“I’m delighted that our Village and our proposal were selected to receive funding for this critical reliability project,” stated Superintendent of Electric Phil Andreas. “One of the great attractions to living in our community is the reliability and low cost of energy. This grant will help us improve our electric infrastructure and allow us to control our own destiny when it comes to clean resources to generate power.”

The Rockville Centre proposed microgrid would include up to 1-2 MW of solar power, 6 to 12 MW of dual-fuel or gas-fired generation, as well as potential inclusion of energy storage and demand-side management. The planned microgrid would serve residents

and 34 critical facilities including South Nassau Communities Hospital, police and fire services, Village Hall, an assisted living center, and vital retail businesses.

“I would like to thank Governor Cuomo and NYSERDA for the NY Prize Community microgrid and investing in a more sustainable

future,” continued Mayor Murray. “I would also like to thank Senator Todd Kaminsky and Assemblyman Brian Curran for their continued support on our journey with this incredible opportunity to enhance our generating facility in Rockville Centre.”



From the Office of Senator Kaminsky

RVC Police Installs Drug Drop-Off Box



The Rockville Centre Police Department, through a partnership with CVS Pharmacy, installed a new disposal box at police headquarters for residents to dispose expired or unused medications in a safe and easy manner. The new drop-off box was installed next to the front door in early April.

Only non-controlled drugs and substances will be accepted, such as prescription patches, ointments, over-the-counter medications, vitamins, samples and pet medicines. Items that will not be accepted include hydrogen

peroxide, thermometers, needles, aerosol cans, medications from businesses or clinics, lotions and liquids.

The RVC PD recently hosted its second “Drug Take-Back Day” on April 29th. The biannual program started about 10 years ago in conjunction with the United States Drug Enforcement Administration, which disposes of hundreds of medications after each session. The program will provide another opportunity for citizens to properly dispose of their drugs in an environmentally safe manner.

2016 Drinking Water Quality Report Available Online



The 2016 annual water quality report is now available. You can view the Village of Rockville Centre annual water quality report on the Village website at

<http://www.rvcny.us/pdfredirect.php?pdf=new/water%20newsletter>

This report contains important information about the source and quality of your drinking water. Copies of the report are available for pick up at Village Hall and the Water Department at 142 Maple Avenue. Please call (516) 678-9313 if you would like a paper report delivered to your home.



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.

Annual EAT.SHOP.ROCK.RVC

The RVC Chamber of Commerce invites you for its Annual EAT.SHOP.ROCK.RVC. The event is being held on Saturday, June 3rd from 12 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Park Ave between Sunrise Hwy and Lincoln Ave. For further details, visit www.eatshoprockrvc.com.

Farmers’ Market Reopens

The Farmers Market is open every Sunday until November 26th from 7 a.m. to noon in Municipal Parking Field 12, along the north side of Sunrise Highway, between Long Beach Road and North Forest Avenue.



Kayaks on the Lake

Come and explore Hempstead Lake on Saturday, June 17th from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Kayaks are available to rent. Reservations recommended, but not required. Secure your spot today with the RVC Conservancy at www.rvcconservancy.org

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>

Fireworks July 8th!

The Annual Fireworks Celebration and concert along Mill River Park has been a tradition for 24 years. There will be food and entertainment beginning at 6 p.m. The South Shore Symphony concert of summertime favorites will begin at 7:45 p.m. and the Crucci fireworks display over Mill River will begin about 9:15 p.m. Rain date: Sunday, July 9th. There is still time to make a tax-deductible

donation in support of this event. Make checks payable to RVC Guild for the Arts and mail to: RVC Guild for the Arts, Fireworks Celebration, P.O. Box 950, Rockville Centre, NY 11571.

Real Estate Tax Due June 1, 2017

Village real estate tax bills due June 1st are scheduled to be mailed at the end of May. Taxes may be paid, without penalty, at the Cashier’s Office in Village Hall, via U.S. mail or online at the Incorporated Village of Rockville Centre website www.rvcny.us no later than July 1st.

Online payments may be issued via electronic check or credit card. There is no fee for paying by electronic check and a 2.75% convenience fee for paying by credit card. Credit card payments may only be made with either MasterCard or Visa.

New property owners and those who have satisfied, refinanced or sold their mortgage to another lending institution should contact the Tax Office as soon as possible either by telephone at (516) 678-9242, fax at (516) 678-9237 or email at taxoffice@rvcny.us.

The Tax Office, located on the 1st floor of Village Hall at One College Place, is open weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



Meet The Candidates

The Incorporated Village of Rockville Centre will hold a general Village election on Tuesday, June 20, 2017. Village elections will be conducted at the John A. Anderson Recreation Center on North Oceanside Road from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Residents will be able to elect two Trustees and Village Justice, all to four year terms.

Trustee Election
Candidate for Trustee
EDWARD OPPENHEIMER



Ed Oppenheimer, a third generation Rockville Centre resident and current Village Trustee, graduated Morris School and South Side High School. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration, with honors, from Northeastern University. He is a Certified Public Accountant with his practice in Rockville Centre since 1977. He is married to Ethel, and they are the proud parents of Sarah and Andrew.

His dedication to the Rockville Centre community began in 1979 when he joined the Rockville Centre Fire Department. Ed is qualified as a firefighter and New York State Emergency Medical Technician. In 2016, Ed earned, along with other members of the Rockville Centre Fire Department, the Town of Hempstead Firefighter of the Year Award for their life saving efforts. In 2016, Ed was fortunate to be able to assist in two successful resuscitation efforts, numbers 12 and 13 of his 38 year RVCFD career.

Currently completing his second term as Village Trustee, Ed previously served our community as a Nassau County Legislator, and Trustee and President of the Rockville Centre Public Library. He was one of the founding Trustees of the Rockville Centre Community Fund, serving as its Treasurer for 25 years. Additional community involvement has included membership on the Village Planning Board, Chair of the Traffic and Transportation and Citizens Finance committees. Ed also served as a Trustee of the Rockville Centre Chamber of Commerce and Temple B'nai Shalom. He was recipient of the Nassau Council of Chambers of Commerce Business Person of the Year award in 2005 and the RVC Chamber Barbara Klein Memorial Service Award in 2009. Ed was also honored by the Hispanic Brotherhood of Rockville Centre in 2009.

Trustee Election
Candidate for Trustee
EMILIO F. GRILLO



Emilio Grillo is seeking re-election to a second term as Village Trustee, having been elected in 2013. Emilio has resided with his family in Rockville Centre, since 1999. Prior to serving as a Village Trustee, Emilio served the Village as a Deputy Village Attorney and Village Prosecutor from 2004-2013.

Emilio is a litigation partner with the law firm Goldberg Segalla, LLP. Prior to working in private practice, Emilio served for six years as an Assistant District Attorney in the Brooklyn District Attorney's office.

Emilio is a cum laude graduate of the University of Connecticut, and a graduate of St. John's University School of Law.

Emilio resides with his wife Christine, and their three children, Sophia, Isabelle, and Lio, who are, or have been, students at Hewitt and Wilson Elementary schools, South Side Middle School, and South Side High School.

Emilio has been active in Rockville Centre community and civic organizations, including but not limited to St. Agnes Parish, Legatus (an organization of Catholic business leaders) and the Rockville Centre Community Fund. Emilio has also served as a coach for the Rockville Centre Little League, the Rockville Centre Soccer Club, and the Rockville Centre Basketball League.

As a current Village Trustee, Emilio serves as Village Board Liaison to the Department of Public Works, the Electric and Water Departments, and Citizen's Budget Advisory Committee. Emilio has spearheaded efforts to increase public awareness of the necessity of recycling, and alternative energy, while improving Village services and infrastructure. In addition, Emilio has worked closely with the Mayor, the Board of Trustees, and the Village Comptroller, to ensure that our Village budget remains under the New York State mandated tax cap for a fifth year in a row.

Village Justice Election
Candidate for Village Justice
KEVIN P. MCDONOUGH



Kevin P. McDonough is a partner in the Garden City law firm of Cullen and Dykman LLP. For nearly 30 years he has focused his practice on higher education and not-for-profit law, real estate and zoning/land use law, and litigation.

He is a member of the NYS Bar Association, Nassau County Bar Association, NYS Magistrate's Association, Nassau County Magistrate's Association and the National Association of College and University Attorneys. He also presently serves on the Board of Directors for the Nassau County Bar Association and the Nassau County Magistrate's Association.

He graduated from the State University of New York at Albany in 1981 and received an M.B.A. from Fairleigh Dickinson University. Before attending Fordham University Law School, Mr. McDonough served in the U.S. Army for four years attaining the rank of Captain.

His past community service includes serving as President and a member of the Board of Directors of the Friends of Senior Services, Inc. (which assists the RVC Sandel Senior Center) and as a Board Member of St. Agnes CYO. Currently he volunteers as legal counsel for the Rockville Centre St. Patrick's Parade. Mr. McDonough and his wife Susan have been married for 34 years and raised their children, Erin and Ryan, in Rockville Centre.

Village Hall Comments by Deputy Mayor Nancy Howard



from this community, that I love so much, even more difficult. Beside the many opportunities to interact with residents of all ages, the accomplishments of this current Administration have been exciting and fulfilling. It's something I take great pride in. Working alongside Mayor Francis Murray, who has a devotion to this Village that is unrivaled, has been a privilege. Watching his daily work ethic, business sense, and determination to do what's best for our Village is inspiring. We are fortunate for his leadership.

My fellow board members are equally dedicated and a pleasure to work with.

You can be sure that we are not always in complete agreement, which is to everyone's benefit, but the mutual respect and civility provides the best decisions and ensures a wonderful and productive working relationship. Mike Sepe, Emilio Grillo and Ed Oppenheimer are a dynamic, intelligent and dedicated representation of our community and I'm grateful for the opportunity I have had to work with them.

I know Mayor Murray agrees that a female voice on the board brings another important dimension and he has ensured me that he intends to appoint a woman as my replacement. This Village, in my opinion, is in great hands with the leadership that's in place and will continue to accomplish great things.

Of course the daily responsibility involved in running a municipality falls on the shoulders of the people who work here. Kathleen Murray, our Village Administrator, does a great job directing the departments that service Rockville Centre with an eye for fairness and excellence, which provides a high standard of service for our residents and a quality work environment for our employees. Our department heads are dedicated professionals who are committed to their responsibilities. In this age of tax caps and unfunded mandates, they continue to lead their departments with limited resources but a with determination to continue a high standard of service that we as residents expect. The work force that they

lead are equally dedicated and professional in their respective responsibilities and for that, they all have my utmost respect.

I am excited to see what is ahead for my family in a new community and discovering life in Southeast Florida, but I'm quite sure it will be difficult to match all that this community has to offer. With our own utilities, dedicated police force, devoted Volunteer Fire Department, flourishing Recreation Center, MLK Community Center and Sandel Senior Center, many places of worship, exemplary public and private schools and a vibrant downtown, it will be challenging to duplicate that anywhere. Perhaps the hardest to duplicate will be a community of people who consistently stand with and support each other in the all that life has thrown our way. I have always had such a tremendous admiration for how this community celebrates its achievements and takes care of its own with equal commitment.

Thank you for the privilege and honor you gave me to serve this wonderful community.

RVC Celebrates Earth Day



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Trustees

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Michael Sepe

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Earth Day gave some enthusiastic volunteers a chance to spruce up our community. On Saturday, April 22, volunteers from the Mayor's Youth Task Force joined with the RVC Conservancy and other volunteers to cleanup the shorelines of Mill River.

"Earth Day affords an opportunity to reflect on what each and every one of us can do to make a positive change on the world around us," commented Mayor Francis X. Murray. "These volunteers have made a positive change and are making a difference to help make Rockville Centre a better and cleaner place to live, work, and play."

The Mayor's Youth Task is made up of over 100 residents in sixth grade through college who volunteer their time to help their fellow neighbors.

Volunteers have been completing a variety of tasks around the Village including cleaning up in the downtown business district and on the playing fields weekend mornings, planting and weeding designated areas in the village, coordinating food and clothing drives, and pitching in at the Sandel Senior Center.

In addition to the Mayor's Youth Task

Force, volunteers from Cub Scout Troop 31, seventh grade helpers, and parents all

pitched in for the cleanup.





The John A. Anderson Recreation Center

Summer Playground

The Recreation Department is celebrating its 63rd year of the Summer Playground fun for youth in grades one through seven. The daily program of athletics, arts and crafts and other activities will be held at the Recreation Center and Wilson School sites. Afternoon trips to local venues include Adventureland, LI Laser Bounce, Bounce-Trampoline Sports, RVC Lanes, and many more. Middle schoolers will venture to a LI Ducks game, Splish Splash and Fishing trips. New options this summer are partial summer payment and the shuttle from Hewitt School. Register early to join in the fun!

Summer Program Registration

Your kids will enjoy a summer to remember at the Recreation Center! Toddlers, children, teens and adults can enjoy recreational activities such as Cardio Workouts, Zumba, Gymnastics, Tumbles, Dance, Parent-Toddler Workshop, Creative Cartooning, Tennis, Kindercrafts and Roll Around.

Summer Sports School and Activities

Our highly successful sports schools and activities will once again fill our ballfields,

classrooms and gymnasiums. Combine our Summer Playground with an afternoon activity for a full day of summer fun:

Bob Hirschfield's Baseball School: June 26 - 30

Gymnastics School: Weeks of June 26, August 7 and August 21

Girls Basketball School: Week of August 14

ArtFull Adventures Presents: Arts & Crafting: July 5, 6, 7

Glam Camp: Week of June 26 and week of August 14

Camp Zen: Week of June 26 and week of August 14

Lego Summer Fun: Weeks of June 27, July 10, 17, 24, 31 and Aug. 7

Check our website or pick up a flyer at our office for a full description of all activities

Tennis Courts

Our spectacular Har-Tru tennis courts are available for doubles or singles play for a nominal fee on a first-come, first-served basis. The Nancy Cottrell Courts adjacent to the Rec. Center are open weekdays from 8am-6pm and weekends from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Gymnastics

Friends, family and neighbors are invited to witness our amazing, talented gymnasts at the 42nd Annual Gymnastics Shows on

Friday, Saturday and Sunday June 2, 3 and 4. Tickets are on sale at the office. In addition, our two competitive Gymnastic Teams, RVC United and RVC Ultimate will compete in the Team Championship of the LI Independent Gymnastics League on Sunday, June 11th. Admission is free. Come out and support our talented gymnasts!

Zumba and Cardio Workouts

Stay in shape this summer as Ruth Karhu presents exercise to a Latin beat on Mondays at 9:00 a.m., Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m., and Saturdays at 8:30 a.m. Summer hours (check our website) begin in July. Join Sheila Hawkins for her exhilarating cardio challenge on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7:00 to 8:15 p.m. The pay-as-you-go fee for both activities is \$5 per session. Beginners are encouraged to participate.

Fall 2017 Programs

Our annual brochure will be mailed to residents' homes in July. The brochure includes all activities and events planned by the Recreation Department for 2017-18. Registration for fall programs will begin the first week in August.

Basketball and Softball Leagues

Basketball and Softball Leagues are underway at the Mill River Complex at both the John Friedermann Basketball Courts and ballfields at Pette, Barasch, Reverend Days and Hickey Fields. Stop by any weekday evening to cheer on the competitors!

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



Celebrating its 63rd summer, the Summer Playground Program provides a day a fun for grades one through seven.



The Summer Nursery Kinder Camp and Pre-K Program provides a variety of activities for the little ones. Call the Recreation Center today to sign up for your favorite activity.

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.

THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
10 SUNRISE HIGHWAY
RVC License Required

E-CYCLING

EVERY FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH
10:00 a.m. TO 2:00 p.m.

Residents may bring their electronics

Televisions must be dropped off at e-cycling

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



ACCEPTABLE E-CYCLING ITEMS

Computers / Computer monitors
Small Electronics
VCR * DVD * I PAD
Video Systems

Anything that plugs into a computer
Televisions
Cable Boxes
Small Servers



Come enjoy the new playground featuring a Hans Christian Andersen Smart Playground apparatus and Spray Pad area.

Wednesday is Paper Day!



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

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**

*Support
the RVC Fireworks Celebration
at Mill River Park, Saturday July 8, 2017
from 7:30 PM to 10:30 PM
(RAINDATE: Sunday, July 9, 2017)*



The Annual Fireworks Celebration and Concert along Mill River Park has been a tradition for 24 years. Every year, Village residents, families and friends come together to enjoy an evening under the stars with a fabulous fireworks display (again this year by Grucci Fireworks), and a concert/performance (with the South Shore Symphony and special guests) all supported by the generosity of our donors, The Rockville Centre Guild for the Arts and the Village of Rockville Centre.

This special evening cannot happen without your help. The costs of this evening are supported by businesses, organizations and residents who make donations each year. We are again asking you to give us what you can. Any amount is welcome. We need to raise over \$25,000 to cover the costs for the fireworks. The RVC Guild for the Arts donates the lighting, sound and performances.

Please take a moment today to make a donation by filling out this form and sending your contribution to The Rockville Centre Guild for the Arts, a 501c3 not-for profit organization.

The RVC Guild for the Arts
P.O. Box 950
Rockville Centre, NY 11571-0950

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone _____

Credit Card Donations:

You can also make your donation by Credit Card by calling: (516) 766-0555 Monday to Friday from 9 AM to 6 PM. Ask for Christine who will process your payment.

Event Activities:

While most people come with chairs, blankets, food and refreshments, there will be a food truck again this year to offer more choices. The Music will start at around 7:45 PM. Fireworks begin once it is really dark, about 9:20 PM, and there will be more music after the display, so you can go or stay until about 10:15 PM or so.

Major Sponsors/Corporate Sponsors and Generous Friends:

We have four levels of major sponsorship:

RVC FIREWORKS CHAMPION: \$5,000.00

Top billing on all advertisements and announcements.
Signage on the Stage and announcements by the Mayor.
Signage on fences at the event.
Announcements at the Stage.
Reserved parking for up to 8 cars at the site.

RVC FIREWORKS GUARDIAN: \$ 2,500.00

Mention in all advertisements and announcements.
Signage on the Stage and Special mention at the event.
Announcements at the Stage.
Reserved Parking for 4 cars at the site.

RVC FIREWORKS ADVOCATE: \$1,000.00

Mention in all advertisements and announcements.
Signage on the Stage and Special mention at the event.
Announcements at the Stage.
Reserved Parking for 2 cars at the site.

RVC FIREWORKS SUPPORTER: \$500.00

Mention in all advertisements and announcements.
Announcements at the Stage.

For any of these sponsorships please contact:

Kathleen Murray
Village Administrator
Rockville Centre Village Hall
One College Place
Rockville Centre

Email: KMurray@rvcny.us

Thank you all for your generosity and help in making this event possible.



Village of Rockville Centre 2017 Tree Program



Recognized for 29 consecutive years by the National Arbor Day Foundation as a "Tree City USA"

PROTECT YOUR FLOWERING PEAR TREE

The Village would like to inform all residents that we are facing a problem with all the flowering pear trees which have been planted throughout our Village over the years.

In the past year, we have noticed that an increasingly large number of these trees have become diseased. There is more than one disease affecting these trees. Symptoms may include, but are not limited to, less flowers, less leaves, undersized leaves, leaves that may be discolored or blotchy, leaves falling prematurely and a general decline in health. Unfortunately, when a large number of trees of the same variety are planted in one area, it allows the diseases to spread very quickly throughout the area.

We recommend that residents contact their licensed pesticide applicator so that the disease can be identified and proper controls can be administered. This is a serious issue that if unaddressed, we stand to lose all the flowering pear trees which have been planted throughout our community.

WHY DOES THE VILLAGE OFFER YOUNG TREES AND NOT LARGER ONES?

The Village offers trees that are 2 to 2 1/2" in diameter for the following reasons: price, survivability, root ball size and growth rate. Price: Trees that are this size are economical. As trees get larger, their price goes up disproportionately to their size. Survivability: Trees of this size transplant very well and have a very high rate of survivability. Root Ball Size: Trees of this size have root balls which fit comfortably between the curb and sidewalk. Growth rate: Smaller transplant trees recover faster from transplant shock and begin growing faster than larger trees. Please keep the mature tree in mind when spacing plantings.

CAN I ORDER A TREE FOR LOCATIONS OTHER THAN MY CURB?

While the Village can only plant trees on the strip between the sidewalk and the curb, you are welcome to purchase trees, which will be delivered directly to you, to be planted elsewhere on your property. The price for the tree only is \$250 and the price for the tree and planting is \$350.

WHEN CAN I ORDER AND WHEN WILL MY TREE BE PLANTED/DELIVERED?

You can order trees now through September 15, 2017. Trees will be planted/delivered late November/early December.

IS MY TREE GUARANTEED?

Trees are guaranteed for one year. If the tree you purchased dies within a year, it will be replaced with a new tree for free. After the first year, homeowner is responsible for all maintenance of the trees.

2017 Tree Planting Order

Order Deadline: September 15, 2017

Planting Date: Late Fall 2017

Name: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Address: _____

Variety (please indicate number of trees)

Pin Oak: _____ Thunder Cloud Plum: _____ Green Vase Tree: _____

Kwanzan Cherry: _____ Little Leaf Linden: _____ Ginko Biloba (male): _____

_____ Tree Only (\$250 per Tree) _____ Tree and Planting (\$350 per Tree)

TOTAL ENCLOSED: _____

Checks Payable to: VILLAGE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

Mail to: Trees - Rockville Centre DPW, PO Box 250, Rockville Centre, NY 11570

Depending on demand, substitutions may have to be made. You will be contacted to confirm any change.

2017 TREES



Pin Oak:
(*Quercus Palustris*)

This hardy shade deciduous tree has a spreading canopy that can block sunlight. It is a fast growing tree and grows to a height of 60-70' with a spread of 25-40' at maturity. It is a full sun tree so it needs at least 6 hours of direct sunlight a day. It tolerates wet conditions well, as well as heat, pollution and compact soil. It offers dense shade and features glossy, dark green leaves that provide great fall color when the leaves turn shades of scarlet and beige. This tree requires acid soils, is intolerant to alkaline soils, Intolerant to drought conditions and tolerant to poor draining conditions. This tree does yield yellow-green catkins in the spring as well as acorns. Spacing: 20 Feet



Thundercloud Plum:
(*Prunus Cerasifera*)

This is a hardy flowering deciduous tree that is fast growing. The tree grows to a height of 15-25' with a spread of 15-20' at maturity. It is a full sun tree so it needs at least 6 hours of direct sunlight a day. It produces showy, fragrant pink and white small flowers in the spring and has coppery, purple leaves that hold their color into fall. This tree also produces small red edible fruit. This low maintenance tree prefers slightly acidic, moist, well-drained soil. This tree attracts butterflies and is bird friendly. Spacing: 10-15 Feet



Japanese Lilac:
(*Syringa Reticulata*)

This is a hardy flowering deciduous tree that is moderate growing. It grows to a height of 20-25' with a spread of 20-25' at maturity. It is a full sun tree so it needs at least 6 hours of direct sunlight a day. Its leaves are green and what makes this tree different from other flowering trees is that its fragrant, white flowers bloom in early summer and the leaves and flowers are on the tree at the same time. This tree is tolerant of acidic and alkaline soils. It prefers moist, well-drained soil. Spacing: 10-15 Feet



Kwanzan Oriental Cherry:
(*Prunus Serrulata*)

This is a hardy, flowering, ornamental deciduous tree. It is a moderate growing tree and grows to a height of 30-40' and a spread of 20-40' at maturity. It is a full sun tree so it needs at least 6 hours of direct sunlight a day. It produces an amazing profusion of deep pink double flowers from April to early May and its leaves are reddish/copper as they emerge, then dark green by summer and yellow, orange or bronze in the fall. It grows well in all soils and is somewhat drought tolerant. It does not produce fruit and has a limited life span of 15-25 years. Spacing: 30 Feet



Little Leaf Linden:
(*Tilia Cordata*)

This hardy shade, flowering deciduous tree has a spreading canopy that can block sunlight. It is a moderate growing tree and grows to a height of 50-60' and a spread of 40' at maturity. It is a full/partial sun tree so it needs at least 4 hours of direct sunlight a day. It offers dense shade and features light green leaves that turn to glossy dark green then turns to yellow. This tree blooms in summer and produces clusters of yellowish flowers that hang down on a long stalk attached to a leaf-like wing. This tree is tolerant of acidic and alkaline soils and is intolerant to drought and poor draining conditions. Spacing: 20 Feet



Male Ginkgo Biloba:

This hardy, ornamental shade deciduous tree has a spreading canopy that can block sunlight. It is a moderate growing tree and grows to a height of 25-50' and a spread of 25-35' at maturity. It is a full/partial sun tree so it needs at least 4 hours of direct sunlight a day. Its fan-shaped leaves are bright green until turning yellow in the fall. It grows well in all soils and tolerates moderate drought conditions and wetness well. The male tree does not bear fruit. Spacing: 15 Feet

Please join us on the Village Green on
SATURDAY, JUNE 17th at 8:00am
BOB SCHENONE of G.B. SCHENONE NURSERIES
will conduct a workshop on how to properly plant and care for your tree
To register, please email ssullivan@rvcny.us
(There is no charge for this workshop)