

THE VILLAGE MEMO

February 2009

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MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR - Brian L. Miele

From 1977 until 1998, and again from 2003 until this year, I have had the honor and pleasure of serving as your Mayor. After much self-reflection, I have decided not to seek re-election to that office this year. I have always striven to improve the quality of life of all our residents. I believe much progress has been made because we have all worked together: Mayor, Village Board, Village employees and our residents, for the common good. The greatest legacy an elected official can leave is bringing a community together. I believe "we" have done that. Again, Hillburn is my home and I want to thank you all for giving me the opportunity to serve. God Bless you and our beautiful little Village.

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2009 VILLAGE ELECTION – March 18, 2009

Office to be filled: Office of Mayor - 2 Year Term
Office of Trustee - 2 Year Term

Registration Day: Saturday, March 7, 2009 – 12:00noon to 6:00PM – Hillburn Municipal Building
Election Day: Wednesday, March 18, 2009 – 12:00noon to 9:00PM – Hillburn Municipal Building

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VILLAGE BUDGET

The 2009-2010 Village Budget is under preparation. A Public Hearing will be held on the Budget on Wednesday, April 15, 2009. Interested residents should attend this meeting.

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HILLBURN FIRE DEPARTMENT – Edward Kelly Jr., Chief

Please remember to keep hydrants in the area of your home clear of snow. Follow safety rules such as turning off portable heating appliances when leaving home or retiring for the evening, making sure the fire in the fireplace is out before going to bed, installing smoke detectors on every level of your home, including the basement, and testing them monthly. If you smell gas in your home, contact your local utility company or qualified professional heating contractor and follow their advice.

-Applications for HFD membership can be obtained at the Hillburn Firehouse on Wednesdays at 7:00PM.

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HILLBURN LADIES AUXILIARY – Judy Starr, President

Upcoming Events:

March 21st - 2nd Annual Chili Cook-Off – Doors Open at 5:00PM - Hillburn Community Room
For information call Danielle at 504-5682

April 18th - Tricky Tray – Doors open at 5:30PM – Calling begins at 7:00PM - Firehouse Bay

May 9th - Annual Mother’s Day Plant & Bake Sale – 8:00AM–12:00noon - Corner of 5th St. & Rockland Avenue

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ANNUAL CLEAN UP DAY – Saturday, April 25, 2009 (Rain Date: May 2, 2009)

Volunteers are needed. We will meet at the Youth Center at 8:30AM and wrap up with lunch at 12:00 noon. Please come out and help to give our Village a spring cleaning.

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LOCAL FOOD PANTRIES

If you are in need of or would like to donate food items, please visit or contact the following local food pantries:

Brook Presbyterian Church, 116 Sixth Street, Hillburn – Contact Vicki Powell - (845) 368-3543

Sloatsburg United Methodist Church – 93 Orange Turnpike (Opposite Municipal Bldg.), Sloatsburg, NY – Contact Judy Grady – (845) 781-8557.

HILLBURN SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE –

The Hillburn Community Scholarship Committee has begun planning for 2009. This marks the 8th year the Committee will provide a Scholarship Program for Hillburn students graduating High School, who plan to further their education. You will soon receive a letter requesting donations. Please give what you can to this very worthwhile local cause. Thank you for your very generous contributions in past years. Applications for students will be mailed soon and be available at Village Hall.

-The future of this important community program will depend on your support and the efforts of our volunteer Committee. If you're interested in becoming a volunteer, please contact Acting Chair - David Farrison, at 357-7262.

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HILLBURN YOUTH CENTER

368-3679

It's never too late to join the After School Program!! A one-time \$50 fee and completed registration paperwork is all that is required. Hours are 3:00PM-6:00PM with adjustments for elementary half-days.

Mark Your Calendars!

EASTER EGG HUNT – Tentative Date: Saturday, April 4th 2009 at 11:00am at the Veterans Memorial Park, 4th Street. Everyone is welcome to attend a Village wide event – all are welcome! A crowd of approximately 80 people were in attendance last year. Come join the fun!!

2009 SUMMER CAMP PROGRAM – Monday, July 13th – Friday, August 14th – This is a five week program for Village children who have completed kindergarten through 8th grade. There will be NO “Save-A-Seat” program this year. We take no more than 44 children. Please be aware that spaces fill up quickly. Plan Ahead! Registration Papers will be available in April. Call the Youth Center for further information.

2009 SWIM PROGRAM – Monday, July 13th – Thursday, August 20th – Detailed information regarding registration will be posted at a later date.

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HILLBURN SENIOR CITIZENS ORGANIZATION

- Mary Boone, President 357-2390

Winter Meeting Schedule: One meeting a month in January and February. Meetings were held on January 5th and February 2nd. In March, the two meetings per month will resume.....on the 1st & 3rd Mondays at 7PM in the Community Room.

-Welcome! new members: Vivian DeGroat, Jean Westervelt, Sandy Welsh and Marie & Tom Dodril.
-Included in the recent social activities and educational programs for the health and welfare of the senior citizens were: 12/15/08 Christmas Party with special entertainment (Grateful Harmony) and 01/05/09 Lecture on Pain Management Prevention and Treatment by Doctor Scott Gottlieb - Gramercy Pain Management.

-At an upcoming meeting, Community Police Officer Michael Brown, Town of Ramapo Police Department, will be present to address the Senior Citizens.

-At the March 16th meeting, Village resident Grover Foster will do a presentation of his recent trip to India. Slides/photos will be shown by Mr. Foster.

-On Friday, April 17th, at 7PM, the Annual Military Bridge Event will be held.

-Upcoming Trips: (Info: Valerie Mariano 357-4227 and Pat Van Dunk 357-3464)

-March 20th -Dinner/Show - Hunterdon Hills Playhouse “The Music of America”

-April 22nd -QVC Studio Tour & Herr’s Factory Tour

-May 24th-31st -Bermuda Cruise from New York

-June 18th -Water Gap Trolley/Lunch Shawnee Inn-Play Shawnee Playhouse “Always, Patsy Cline”

-July 22nd -River Lady - Cruise and Lunch Toms River

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MONTHLY TRASH PICK-UP PROGRAM – 3rd Thursday of the Month

Residents are advised that trash is not to be placed at curbside prior to the weekend before the scheduled pick-up. If trash is placed at curbside any other time, a Violation Notice will be issued and the trash will not be picked up. Upcoming Pick-up Days:

February 19th	May 21st	August 20th	November 19th
March 19th	June 18th	September 17th	December 17th
April 16th	July 16th	October 15th	

ONLY THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WILL BE PICKED UP:

Furniture, household appliances, large appliances (such as refrigerators with doors removed, washing machines, dryers, dishwashers and hot water tanks). *Lawn Mowers must be drained of gasoline and oil prior to being placed at curbside for pick-up. Garden, yard and lawn waste such as tree branches and brush. Branches are to be no larger than 2" in diameter all brush must be cut and tied into 4' sections)

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WILL NOT BE PICKED UP:

Construction debris, including sheet rock, lumber, roof shingles, concrete, bricks, and *tires (it is the homeowners' responsibility to see that construction debris and *tires are disposed of properly). Do not place these materials at curbside at any time.

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