



# THE VILLAGE GREEN



Village of Pomona  
February Newsletter  
2009

**Mayor**  
Nicholas Sanderson

**Deputy Mayor**  
Ian Banks

**Trustees**  
Rita Louie  
Alma Sanders-Roman  
Brett Yagel

## HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING at the Pomona Cultural Center February 2009

**"Nature and Life"**  
**Sunday, February 8th**  
**4:00 pm – 7:00 pm**

The exhibition will include oil paintings, photography, drawing, and mixed media. It will feature a special guest curator, Barry Kostrinsky, a resident of Rockland and curator of the Haven Art Gallery in New York City.

Although the opening reception takes place on February 8th, you can view the exhibit itself until March 22nd by visiting the center on Friday, Saturday or Sunday from 2 to 6 p.m.

The opening event will also feature a live music performance with **John Guth and Guest**, "performing the music of The Band in a manner true to its original style and form."

**Winter Concert**  
**UP-BEAT • UP-LIFTING**  
**Saturday, February 28th**  
**7:30 pm**

*(Postponed from an earlier date)*

**With Spirit Sing** - a female accapella quartet featuring Lisa Jane Lipkin (*founding member and musical director*), Laurie Brown, Christine Pepe, Rachel Seliber. With original songs & arrangements, these four women weave music and stories to entertain the mind, enliven the heart and engage the spirit. Their music is inspired by the mystical teaching of Judaism in a selection of original songs, melodies, chants, and prayers. Not to be missed!



## Mayor's corner ...

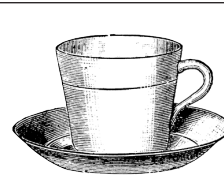
The Mayor wishes all of you a very happy, healthy and prosperous New Year. The winter is well upon us, and this year we have had quite a lot more snow and ice than in previous years. Snow removal and salting/sanding have been handled very well by the Haverstraw and Ramapo highway departments, and we have had very few complaints about their service to our village, with the normal exception of the inevitable damage that the plows cause to the curbs and berms. We will be reviewing damaged areas at the end of the winter, and will be scheduling repairs in the spring. If you wish to call Village Hall with a report of damage to the street or berms, please do, and it will ensure that your area is added to the list for repair.

Most of the issues that I wanted to cover in this edition of The Village Green are discussed elsewhere in this issue. There is an opening reception on February 8th at the Cultural Center, featuring an exhibition of various types of art by my good friend, and Wesley Hills resident, Barry Kostrinski. Barry has exhibited at the Cultural Center before, and I know that this event will be well worth attending. The Village election for two trustee positions will take place on March 18th at Village Hall. As usual, we hope that there will be a large turn-out. If you have any questions, please contact Village Hall. This edition also includes detailed information on garbage, trash and hazardous waste pick-up and disposal.

In recent weeks we have been unfairly inundated with incidents of half filled paint cans being dumped on village streets by persons unknown. These, eventually numbering in excess of 100 cans, were spotted and removed by volunteers from POCUS, and removed to the county hazardous waste site. This type of insult to our quality of life cannot be tolerated, and I encourage all of our residents to keep a watchful eye around our village, and report any incident to Village Hall, who will immediately contact the appropriate town or county agency. In order to put more "eyes" on the Village streets and to assist our code enforcement officer, I have recently assigned each village board member a section of the village to keep an eye on, and report any problems to the Village Clerk. Trustee Rita Louie has the northern end of the village, roughly north of South Ridge Rd. Mayor Nick takes the area between South Ridge south to Quaker and Chestnut Drive. Deputy Mayor Banks has the area south of Chestnut down to Route 202, and trustees Alma Roman and Brett Yagel share the large area of the village south of Route 202 to the border with Wesley Hills. This is a conscious effort to improve communications with residents, with an emphasis on quality of life issues. If you wish to contact "your trustee" directly, email addresses can be found at [pomonavillage.com](http://pomonavillage.com), or you may certainly call Village Hall to leave a message for any of us

I am writing this on the eve of President-elect Barack Obama's inauguration. I know that tomorrow will be a hugely important day in the history of our great country, and I am looking forward to his presidency with great confidence and enthusiasm. May God bless him and our country.

*Nick Sanders*



Coffee with the Mayor  
Saturday, February 14  
10:00 to 11:30 a.m.  
at Village Hall.

## 2010 United States Census - U.S. Census Bureau Currently Recruiting

The U.S. Census Bureau is now recruiting Rockland residents for temporary part-time census positions for the 2010 Census. The pay is good (field workers can earn \$18 - \$20 per hour), the hours are flexible, and the work is close to home.

Census taker jobs are excellent for retirees, college students, persons who want to work part-time, persons who are in between jobs, or just about anyone who wants to earn extra money while performing an important service for their community.

In order to apply, you must be 18 years old or over and pass a written test, U.S. citizens are given preference. **Tests are currently being offered in convenient locations all over Rockland County. To apply call 866-861-2010.** For more information, you may go to [www.census.gov/2010censusjobs/index.php](http://www.census.gov/2010censusjobs/index.php).

## FYI

Remember - Television Signals are switching to digital. After February 18th, most of the old analog signals will be gone and most of the stations you watch will use only the new digital signals.

If all of your TV's are hooked up to cable or satellite, you will continue to get your TV after the switch. Just check with your cable or satellite company to be sure.

If you have a digital TV, you are ready for the switch. (If your TV is more than 10 years old, it probably is not digital. If it is less than 10 years old, ask the manufacturer if your TV is "analog only.")

For more info about the digital transition, call 1-888-225-5322 or go to [www.dtv.gov](http://www.dtv.gov).



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <h2>February 2009</h2>						
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Garbage All Village	<b>3</b> Yoga class 7.30pm Village Hall	<b>4</b> Recycling - paper 	<b>5</b> Bulk Trash/Garbage All Village	<b>6</b> Yoga class 9.00am Village Hall	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> Cultural Center Opening Reception WINTER 2009 4-7 pm  Guest Curator Barry Kostrinski	<b>9</b> 7.30pm Village Hall Village Board Workshop  Garbage All Village	<b>10</b>  Yoga class 7.30pm Village Hall	<b>11</b> Recycling - bottles/cans 	<b>12</b>  8.00 pm Village Hall Planning Board Regular Meeting  Bulk Trash/Garbage All Village	<b>13</b> Yoga class 9.00am Village Hall  Cultural Center Open 2-6pm	<b>14</b> Coffee with the Mayor 10 - 11.30am  <b>Cultural Center Open 2-6pm</b>
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<b>22</b> Cultural Center Open 2-6pm	<b>23</b>  6-10pm Village Hall Village Board Regular Meeting Grievance Day  Garbage All Village	<b>24</b> Yoga class 7.30pm Village Hall	<b>25</b>  8.00 pm Village Hall ZBA Scheduled meeting  Recycling - bottles/cans 	<b>26</b> Bulk Trash/Garbage All Village	<b>27</b> Yoga class 9.00am Village Hall  Cultural Center Open 2-6pm	<b>28</b> CULTURAL CENTER  Open 2-6pm  WINTER CONCERT 7.30pm

## VILLAGE ELECTIONS

### Don't Forget

Village Elections - **WEDNESDAY, March 18, 2009** at Village Hall.  
Polls are open from 12:00 noon until 9:00 p.m.

There are two trustee seats open. Trustees serve terms of four years in the village.

### Voter Registration

Are you registered to vote? - The last day individuals may register with the County Board of Elections to be eligible to vote in the village election is March 7. Board of Elections is located on New Hempstead Road on the right hand side as you come down the hill towards Main Street in New City. Or you may pick up an application at Village Hall, fill it out and mail it in to Board of Elections

## Questions about Garbage and Bulk Pick-up

### **What day is my garbage picked up? I live in the Ramapo section:**

Garbage is picked up in the village in both sections on Monday and Thursday. You should place your cans on the curb by 6:15 a.m. on the day of pick-up.

### **I have a couch that I want to throw away—what should I do?**

If you have items that aren't considered garbage - bulk items like furniture or miscellaneous - they can be placed on the curb by 6:15 on Thursday mornings for pick-up.

### **They are not picking up my cardboard box that I placed outside on Monday—why?**

As far as boxes are concerned, you can flatten them and put them out with the paper recycling on Wednesdays, stacked neatly near your paper bin. Or you can leave them in box form and put them out on Thursday for a bulk pick-up.

### **I want to discard a washer - how can I get that picked up?**

There are a few items that will not be picked up automatically. If you have items such as white goods, like washers and dryers, leaves, tires, and home construction debris, please call Village Hall at 354-0545 for instructions. There is a small fee, imposed by the carter, for those items.

### **What kind of paper can I put in the recycling bin on Wednesdays?**

Good question! - You can put out...

*newspapers with their inserts • junk mail with envelopes and coupons • smooth or corrugated cardboard • glossy magazines/catalogs  
brown grocery bags • soft covered workbooks • telephone books • office, notebook and construction paper • ledger and envelopes of all colors*

### **Which Wednesday is for bottles and cans?**

The first and third Wednesday of the month is ALWAYS paper. The second and fourth Wednesday of the month is ALWAYS bottles, cans, tin foil. There is never a pick-up if there is a fifth Wednesday of the month, which does not happen again until April 2009.

### **I have some cans of paint and turpentine that I want to discard—what should I do?**

We are lucky to have a hazardous waste site just outside of the village, off Pomona Road. They take all items like paints, preservatives, waxes, medications... the list is endless. They are open from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. daily and on alternate Saturdays and Sundays. Call the hotline at 845-364-2444. You don't even have to get out of your car, they come and take it out for you!

Do you have a question? E-mail at [info@pomonavillage.com](mailto:info@pomonavillage.com) or call 845-354-0545.

PLEASE VISIT [www.pomonavillage.com](http://www.pomonavillage.com)

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