



THE VILLAGE GREEN



Village of Pomona
May Newsletter
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Dear Residents,

I find it very hard to adequately describe the pride that I have for the residents of our beautiful village. As I have expressed before, the last few weeks that we have spent developing the budget for our next fiscal year have been difficult, and painful. I am sure that you all understand that I was not looking forward to proposing a budget that would increase our residents' taxes by 70%, yet I knew that it had to be done, and I was gratified that the budget committee, that worked diligently on creating a fair and realistic budget, did such a good job under the difficult circumstances. Yet it was the over-whelming support of the vast majority of Village of Pomona residents, who had taken the time to understand the issues and discuss and debate them with the present administration, that really made me feel that the whole village supports us on the important issue that faces us. Your support of the administration is very welcome, and we all thank you for it.

The budget, although as austere as realistically possible, did not curtail services or programs that the village has planned. We will continue with cultural events at the Pomona Cultural Center, and we will also strive to add some different programs there that will enhance our offerings to Village residents. The Pomona Cultural Center is a jewel in the county, and we strongly feel that its existence in Pomona is very important and worthwhile.

Now that the weather is warming up, we are looking forward to the Pomona Fish-In at Secor Park, slated for June 29th, and the Pomona Music Festival which is

planned for July 13th. These events have been very well attended in the past and are a joy to all who take part. The Fish-In has been a delight for children for several years, as well as their parents and grand parents who have reveled in the delights of watching and helping their children catching and releasing! Our first Music Festival last summer was very well received, and we are looking forward to another wonderful day at village hall. The plan to include a "Dunk the Mayor" booth is probably not my personal favorite, but if it adds to the overall enjoyment (and maybe some additional revenue for the village coffers), then I am all for it!

Once again, Village of Pomona Residents, the mayor and the entire Board of Trustees appreciate and thank you for your support, and we look forward to seeing you at board meetings, village events, and "coffee with the mayor."

Mayor Nick Sanderson



Coffee with the Mayor

May 10th
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM
Village Hall



May 2008

**Please continue to check out
the website...**

www.pomonavillage.com

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Bulk trash/Garbage Ramapo	2 Yoga class 9.00am Village Hall Cultural Center Open 2-6pm Bulk trash/Garbage Haverstraw	3 Cultural Center Open 2-6pm
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25 Cultural Center Open 2-6pm Last day for Spring Art Exhibit	26 Memorial Day Village Hall Closed No garbage pickup Ramapo	27 Yoga class 9.00am Village Hall  Village Board 7.30pm Reg Meeting Bulk trash/Garbage Haverstraw	28  8.30pm Village Hall ZBA Meeting Recycling - bottles/cans 	29 Bulk trash/Garbage Ramapo	30 Yoga class 9.00am Village Hall Bulk trash/Garbage Haverstraw	31

Please make note of these UPCOMING EVENTS...

June 7th AARP Driver's Education Course.

June 14th Opening Reception for the Summer Art Exhibit at the Pomona Cultural Center from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Exhibit on display through July 26th.

June 29th Annual Pomona Fish-in at Secor Park

July 13th 2nd Annual Village of Pomona Music Festival and Craft Fair

Please note that the current (Spring) Art Exhibit is on at the Pomona Cultural Center until May 25th.



Musicians, Crafters, Performers, Vendors!!!

**The 2nd Annual Pomona Music Festival and Craft Fair
& Pomona Day 40th Anniversary Celebration,
Sunday, July 13th 1:00-6:00pm**



CELEBRATE POMONA

This year, on July 13th, we will be celebrating all that is great about our fabulous Village at the 2nd Annual Pomona Music Festival and Craft Fair in combination with the Village's 40th Anniversary Celebration, dubbed: "Pomona Day" on the grounds of the Village Hall.

The event is one not to be missed and will have entertainment and activities for all ages. Preliminary plans include:

- Best Pie in Pomona Contest • Children's games & rides • Magician/Clown performances
- Pomona Historical Committee: Pictorial history of the Village, including discussions with our Village Historian in Village Hall
- Live music throughout the day by local professional & up & coming musicians • The fabulous "Pomona Jam Band"
- Craft & food vendors throughout the event • Live auction in Village Hall
- Our personal favorite: *DUNK THE MAYOR*

Do you have any remembrance, newspaper clipping or anything else you would like to share with the Pomona Historical Committee from the village's early days? If so e-mail Leslie at Lesliesan@yahoo.com or call her at 354-0843 for incorporation in our celebration of Pomona's 40th anniversary (February 2007).

If you'd like to participate in this fabulous event E-mail Trustee Rita Louie at: rita.louie@pomonavillage.com

Or call Village Hall at 354-0545

Vendor spaces are available at \$25.00 each

There is no fee for musicians

If you would like to enter a pie in the "Best Pie in Pomona Contest" bring it to the Fair for judging.

Each musical group or individual will be allotted a 15 minute slot during the day

Last year's event attracted several hundred people and this year is sure to be much bigger!

Reserve your space now in the musical line-up or vendor area as they fill up quickly.

Join with the Recreation Committee when we again present our annual Great Pomona Fish-In Sunday, June 29, 2008 from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. Fairly Pond at Secor Park



Fishing contest for children up to 13 years. Trophies will be awarded. All participants will receive a free tee-shirt just for entering!

Things you should bring: Your own fishing pole, sun screen, chair for sitting if you are observing.

The pond will be stocked, and there will be a professional fisherman there to help those fishing. We will provide bait.

The Village Recreation Committee will provide refreshments for everyone. This is a catch-and-release event. If you would like to help the Recreation Committee to organize this event, please call Leslie at 354-0843.

Directions to the pond (from Village Hall): Left on to Ladentown Road. Take second right on to Call Hollow Rd. Go up hill and take first right on to Secor Court. Come down hill. Fairly Pond is on the right.

AARP Driver's Education Course - back by popular demand! - June 7, 2008

For those of you who could not make it to the course in March, here is another opportunity. For a \$10 fee (which is payable to AARP), you may join in on June 7th from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 with 1/2 hour for lunch. This is the updated Driver Safety Program for 50 year olds and older. However, your spouse does not have to be 50 to join you in the course. You will learn defensive driving techniques, new traffic laws, rules of the road and you do not have to take a test at the end! We need a minimum of 15 to run the course. Call Leslie at 354-0843 or e-mail her at Lesliesan@yahoo.com



POCUS Wants You!

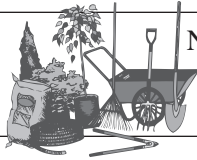
- You may remember from not so long ago our POCUS Committee which is a volunteer committee in the village that met monthly to collect the unsightly trash on the side of our village roadways that seems to gather there.

POCUS took a hiatus but will be starting up again in the month of May. If you would like to join the committee for one hour a month, please feel free to do so. Here is the schedule for the rest of the calendar year:

May 18, June 22, July 27, August 17, Sept 21, Oct 19, Nov 16 and Dec. 21.

All gatherings are at 2:00 p.m. at the Pomona Village Hall. Questions? Call POCUS Chairperson, Constantine Gletsos at 354-0738 or e-mail him at cgletsos@aol.com.

and talking about cleanup... Thank you to the residents of the Village of Pomona (and one non-resident), as well as to the Pomona Civic Association, and our very own POCUS group who all came out on April 19th and 20th to help with the Keep Rockland Beautiful/Great American Cleanup. The village is nice and clean—let's keep it that way!



Now that gardening weather is here, for terrific gardening advice, Cornell Cooperative Extension has the answers. 845-429-7085 ext. 3, and the Horticulture Diagnostic Lab is open year round.

Berm and Pothole Repair - Haverstraw and Ramapo Town Highway Departments report that they will be coming round to fix these items starting in May. If you need any of these repairs on your street, please call village hall at 354-0545 to report it and be put on the list. Thank you.

Don't forget!

If someone is planning to dig on your property, or you are doing the excavation... please call 1-800-962-7962 (Dig Safely New York).

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