



# The Village Green

*Newsletter of the Village of Pomona*

*August 2003*

## **Village Board appoints new Village Attorney and ZBA member**

The Village Board has received the resignation of long-time Village Attorney Reuben Ortenberg who has moved with his wife to Rochester to be closer to his children and grand-children. He served the village for 17 years having been appointed by Mayor Mel Klingher when he first took office in 1986. Reuben has been invaluable to the village, and he will continue to serve as Special Counsel to the village on certain legal matters that he has worked on recently. His position as village attorney has been taken over by another extremely able and experienced municipal attorney, Doris Ulman. A Pomona resident, Doris practices municipal law almost exclusively; and is Village Attorney for the villages of New Hempstead, Chestnut Ridge and Grandview. She is also Deputy Village Attorney for Wesley Hills and has been Special Counsel to Pomona on certain matters. Her experience and extensive knowledge of municipal law makes her a valuable asset to the village, and we look forward to a long association with her.

The Village Board also recently received the resignation of Zoning Board of Appeals Chairman, Richard Ehrlickman. Richard has been a dedicated member of the ZBA for many years, and his service to the village has been greatly appreciated. His place on the ZBA has been filled by the appointment of Avinash Sharma, and we gratefully welcome him to the roster of dedicated Pomona residents who serve the village on our various boards and committees.

### *Message from Mayor Herbert Marshall ...*

Got a problem? Have a question related to government or our community? or do you just want to say hello to a pleasant voice? Call our village office. In case you haven't already guessed, Village Hall is the clearing house for all governmental activities in the village, and the people who really make sure things get done right are our excellent office staff, Sue, Carol, and Leslie. That is Sue Glantz, Carolyn LaChiana, and Leslie Sanderson.

Sue is our Village Clerk, Registrar of Vital Statistics, Records Access Officer, and Village Treasurer. She is an officially appointed officer of the village, functions as our office manager, coordinates all of our election proceedings, and is the Board of Trustees Administrator. She works with me on the budget, our accountants on village investments and finance, our Assessor on tax related issues, and our Village Attorney on the flow of legal red tape that is an everyday part of village government. She writes every check, collects every tax bill, and works with the Board of Trustees to make certain that every village disbursement is properly approved before it is acted upon. Sue also provides Notary Public services to anyone who requests it.

Carol is our Deputy Clerk and Sue's official backup; but more significantly, it is Carol who coordinates all of the critical building and zoning activities in the village. She sets up and organizes Zoning and Planning Board meetings, works with our Building Inspector and Village Engineer on the management of construction and development in the village, and attends all Building Department meetings as its administrator. If you're wondering who prepared your Building Permit or Certificate of Occupancy, or who looked after that violation search you needed when you re-mortgaged your house, it was Carol.

And finally, the third member of our "Make-It-Happen" Team is Leslie. Unlike Carol and Sue who are at the phones and counter each and every day, Leslie is only at Village Hall for a few hours three days a week. Surprised? That's right, the person who seems to answer the phone whenever you call Village Hall, who handles your garbage problems, and who diligently follows-up any complaints or problems you might call in, is only in our village office part-time. Amazing isn't it? By the way, Leslie also coordinates all of our village communications projects including editing this newsletter, and works closely with our Code Enforcement Officer to support his activities in the field. Also, if you are new to the village, Leslie is the one to call for local information.

Village government is sometimes a tough road to travel but a great staff like ours sure helps.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <h1>August 2003</h1>						
				<b>July 31<sup>st</sup></b> Reminder - Summer Concert <b>Rockland County Jazz and Blues Society</b> Cultural Center 7.30pm - 9.30pm	<b>1</b> <b>No Yoga this month</b> <b>Cultural Center is closed for August</b>  Bulk trash/Garbage <b>Haverstraw</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Bulk trash/Garbage <b>Ramapo</b>	<b>5</b> Bulk trash/Garbage <b>Haverstraw</b>	<b>6</b> Recycling - paper 	<b>7</b> Bulk trash/Garbage <b>Ramapo</b>	<b>8</b> Bulk trash/Garbage <b>Haverstraw</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b> 2.00 pm Village Hall Clean-up Squad	<b>11</b> Bulk trash/Garbage <b>Ramapo</b>	<b>12</b> Bulk trash/Garbage <b>Haverstraw</b>	<b>13</b> Recycling - commingled 	<b>14</b>  8.00 pm Village Hall Planning Board Regular Meeting	<b>15</b> Bulk trash/Garbage <b>Haverstraw</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b> 2.00 pm Village Hall STREAM TEAM	<b>18</b>  7.30pm Village Hall Village Board Regular Meeting	<b>19</b> Bulk trash/Garbage <b>Haverstraw</b>	<b>20</b> Recycling - paper 	<b>21</b> Bulk trash/Garbage <b>Ramapo</b>	<b>22</b> Bulk trash/Garbage <b>Haverstraw</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Bulk trash/Garbage <b>Ramapo</b>	<b>26</b> Bulk trash/Garbage <b>Haverstraw</b>	<b>27</b>  8.00 pm Village Hall ZBA meeting (scheduled)	<b>28</b> Bulk trash/Garbage <b>Ramapo</b>	<b>29</b> Bulk trash/Garbage <b>Haverstraw</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>31</b>			Recycling - commingled 			

## 2003 Household Hazardous Waste & Electronics Collection Program

Here in the village, most types of garbage and recycling can be put out for collection. However, there are some household hazardous wastes that cannot be, such as a paint can that still has paint in it. You can take these items to the Rockland County Solid Waste Management program just outside the village on Fireman's Memorial Drive (off of Pomona Road, near the Route 45 end). The hotline number is (845)364-2444. Drop-off hours are 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on specific days. The specific days remaining for 2003: August 8, 15, 24, Sept. 5, 20, 21,

Oct. 10 and 19, Nov. 7 and 15 and Dec. 2.  
 You can bring:  
 oil and latex paints, paint thinners, chemistry kits, pool chemicals, pesticides, fungicides and herbicides, motor oil and filters, gasoline, antifreeze, 20 lb. propane tanks, household batteries, mercury thermometers and more. Also, computer equipment, fax, copy, answering and adding machines, tv's, vcr's, cell phones, and other similar equipment.

Call 845-364-2444 for further information.



**The Great Pomona Fish-In took place on June 29<sup>th</sup> at Secor Park**

**Organized by the Village Recreation Committee, chaired by Linda Simmons, the event was another resounding success. All participating children received special tee-shirts and a certificate. Awards were presented in several categories, including largest, smallest and most fish caught.**



**Master angler Lou Cohn provided his services and brought a huge quantity of bait and tackle. He also presented the awards together with Mayor Marshall.**

**Refreshments were provided, and the children were happy that Mr Softee also paid a visit.**

**Thank you Lou and all the members of the Recreation Committee - you made a great day for the children.**



Please visit the village website at  
[www.pomonavillage.com](http://www.pomonavillage.com)  
to see more images of this great event

## Meet the Neighbors ...

Tara Drive residents have an accomplished young athlete living among them in the person of Hailey Lewandowski. A June graduate of Ramapo High School, Hailey is not only the county champion in diving but the Section 1 title champ as well! A role model for her team mates, Hailey served as one of East Ramapo's captains, and managed to keep up her academic averages as well. She is also a member of the high school Key Club and volunteers in the community.



Having finished 14<sup>th</sup> in the state at the end of the school year, and having been named "The Journal News Rockland Scholar-Athlete of the Week" in December 2002, Hailey bumped the

record holder from the county record books after 23 years! She first set a standard for six dives in a meet against Clarkstown on October 11, 2002. At the county meet a week later, Hailey smashed another record from 1979 scoring 431.80 points on 11 dives, far more than the old mark of 395.95. She then won the Section 1 title with 474.05 points, beating the standard of 464.20 set in 1994 by a Byram Hills girl.

Hailey is heading towards SUNY Stony Brook in the fall on a diving scholarship. I am sure we all join in with her parents, Ed and Sylvia, siblings, Danielle and Tyler, when we say

**"Congratulations and good luck in college, Hailey."**

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