VILLAGE NEWSLETTER VILLAGE OF GREEN ISLAND

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RECREATION NEWS

The Summer Park Program will officially begin on Monday, June 27th. The parents of any child wishing to use our facilities this summer will be required to fill out a program registration form. This will help our staff in an emergency situation when parents have to be notified. A registration form can be picked up and dropped off at the Paine Street Park or the Village Office during operating hours. The form can also be found on the Village website at https://villageofgreenisland.com/village/parks-recreation/. PLEASE NOTE: that the Summer Park Program is not a registered daycare or structured program.

Save the dates for the following events happening this summer:

Bike Rodeo -Thursday, July 7th at 12:30 p.m. Please bring your bike and bike helmet to the park by 12:15 p.m.

Free Lunch Program - Free lunch will be provided daily at 11:00 a.m. starting July 5th through August 25th.

The <u>Summer Concert Series</u> will begin Wednesday, July 6th, from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. There are FREE concerts every Wednesday through August 31st. The concerts are held in the Hudson River Park, just north of Heatly School. **RAIN LOCATION** is the east side of Hudson Avenue, under the bridge.

The <u>Sprinkler Pad</u> schedule will coincide with the summer program, which is scheduled to begin on Monday, June 27^{th} – Thursday, August 25^{th} . The hours of the summer program are 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Weather permitting the sprinklers will be on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

The Albany County Department of Recreation and the Green Island Recreation Department will sponsor several recreational activities this summer. The activities are FREE for all Albany County residents, and the equipment will be provided. This is the perfect opportunity to try a new sport or continue playing a sport you already enjoy. Members of our staff will be present to ensure everyone is having fun. The programs will be held at the Paine Street Park. More information will be provided on how to register. Here is our tentative schedule:

 Basketball:
 Thursdays
 July 7th - August 11th
 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
 ages 6-12

 Football:
 Thursdays
 September 15th - October 20th
 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
 ages 5-14

In addition to our daily activities there will be Movie Nights and other special events. "LIKE" the Green Island Recreation Department on Facebook for updates on what's to come, you won't want to miss it.

HELMET LAW

Another issue that coincides with nice weather is youths riding on bicycles, scooters and skateboards. The law states that any child 14 years of age and younger must wear a helmet when riding on any of these. We also suggest elbow and kneepads and wrist guards for skateboarders. Our police department will be on the lookout for violators, but more important they may even stop those that are wearing helmets to tell them "good job".

REMINDER – DOGS AND POOPER SCOOPER LAW

It is illegal to bring any animal, with the exception of a guide or therapy dog, into any <u>public park</u>. This includes all <u>parks</u>, and the Little League and Veteran's Memorial Stadium. It is also illegal to allow your animal to defecate on any public or private property without picking up the mess, for obvious reasons, including the fact that if it washes into the storm drains it could go directly to the river, which would be a violation of the "Clean Water Act". If you wish to walk your dog, make sure you are prepared to clean up after him or her. We are also receiving complaints, and the Police have issued tickets to violators who allow or fail to secure their animals (dogs) from running at large. Please make sure dogs are secured in fenced areas or if out for a walk with a responsible owner/handler, make sure the dog is on a leash. Lastly, we have also heard complaints about dogs that are habitually barking. This is a violation of our Local Law. Violators are subject to fines and the possibility that the animal will be transported to the Humane Society, which could be costly to the owner.

RECREATIONAL AND OTHER BACKYARD FIRES

We have recently received a few complaints about backyard fire pits, recreational fires, etc. This is not new around this time of year and usually can be solved by keeping a small manageable fire in a safe area of your property, through communication with neighbors and by being "neighborly" when talking to them. Most of the time that approach works.

If not, and when police and fire personnel are called, the NYS Fire Code is pretty clear that a fire is prohibited if the burning is "offensive or objectionable because of smoke or odor emissions....". The Code also states in Section 307.4.2 that "Recreational fires shall be not be conducted within 25 feet of a structure or combustible material....". Section 307.4.3 states that "Portable outdoor fireplaces shall be used in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and shall not be operated with 15' of a structure or combustible material." If our personnel are called they will enforce the law, most likely making you extinguish the fire immediately and depending on the situation, cite you as well. Please be a good neighbor and don't allow yourself to be put in to that situation. Thank you for your cooperation. LANDLORDS PLEASE SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH YOUR TENANTS.

NEWS FROM CODE ENFORCEMENT

As summer approaches and residents are outside cleaning around their homes, it is important to remember the maintenance of the exteriors. The New York State Fire and Building Uniform Code has a section called "Property Maintenance" - this section covers all exterior wood surfaces other than decay resistant wood. Peeling, flaking and chipped paint needs to be corrected by protective coating or painting. Window frames, siding, cornices and balconies on all buildings, houses and garages are all included in "Property Maintenance" Section.

The Village Code has a section of law, which specifies that homeowners must maintain grass and weed growth on their properties. Failure to do so will result in legal action against that property owner and if the Building Inspector orders the owner to clean the property and the owner refuses then the Village will hold a public hearing and if the owner does not respond, the Village DPW will be directed to clean up the property and a hefty bill will be attached to your property taxes. The Building Inspector will conduct a survey and notify homeowners if they have buildings that are subject to this ruling. Please cooperate by making our community a more attractive place to reside.

NEWS FROM THE AMERICAN LEGION

The Legnard-Curtin Auxiliary Unity #927 would like to remind everyone to please register your Price Chopper Advantage card for Heatly School or the school of your choice for "Tools for Schools". You can go to the Customer Service Counter and they will register for you. Any questions please feel free to contact Brenda Persons at 518-961-0169.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN GREEN ISLAND

June 16, 2022

Dear Friends,

My letter this month will be short because we are putting the schedule for the summer concerts at the GIG on the backside of this. I hope you will be able to join us for any or all of them to enjoy the great music, tasty food and enjoyable company. I also hope you will read our list of sponsors and thank them for their support. We couldn't do it without their generous support and the hard work of our Gig-A-Bit crew.

The summer program at the Paine Street Park is set to open on Monday, June 27th. The park will be staffed Monday through Friday from 10 am to 9 pm. We are going to go back to 9 pm closing as long as we can maintain proper staffing and things remain quiet. Maggie and Emma have been working hard to get everything in place for opening day and Mr. Mullins can't wait to get back in the sprinkler pad with the kids. Maggie has also been working hard to get activities scheduled for every night, but that can only be successful if we have kids participating, so please encourage your children to attend and be part of the fun. I would also encourage everyone to PLEASE put your trash in the garbage cans that are spaced all over the park. We are having a lot of problems with trash and graffiti in the park. Our workers have repainted the picnic tables several times already this year. Please respect the park property and help us to keep it a nice place for everyone to enjoy.

That's it for this month, but remember to check out the other newsletter for more information on lots of things going on in our village.

Hope to see you at the park and at the concerts. Have a safe summer!

Sincerely,

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Ellen M. McNulty-Ryan

GIG 2022

July 6th The Accents

July 13th Lustre Kings

July 20th Get Up Jack
Irish Night at the GIG

July 27th NY Players

Aug. 3rd Swing Docs

Aug. 10th Capt. Squeeze and the zydaco Moshers

Aug. 17th Big Fez and the Surfmatics

Aug. 24th **The Oldies Show**Sock Hop at the GIG

Aug. 31st TS Ensemble

Concerts are held at the River Park Gazebo. In the event of rain, concerts will be held under the Collar City Bridge on Hudson Avenue.

Smoking and alcohol are not permitted in the park.

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Specials

The Accents July 6th Fried Chicken Basket

Strawberry Shortcake

Lustre Kings July 13th

Steak Sandwich
Banana Split Ambrosia

Get Up Jack July 20th

Corned Beef Sandwich
Mint Choc Chip Ice Cream

NY Players July 27th

Mac-N-Cheese Rice Pudding

Swing Docs Aug. 3rd

Sausage & Peppers Watermelon

Capt. Squeeze Aug. 10th

Foot Long Hot Dogs S'more Bars

Big Fez Aug. 17th

Hawaiian Chicken Sandwich Cookies & Cream Ice Cream

The Oldies Show Aug. 24th

Pulled Pork Sliders
Peach Pie with Ice Cream

IS Ensemble Aug. 31st

Pasta Fagioli