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NOTES FROM THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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In the six months since the current Board of Trustees assumed office, there have been many improvements in the Village. The Board has instituted longer and more productive work sessions, particularly during the summer months when the number of Village meetings were traditionally curtailed.

- The traffic light at Pleasantville and South State Road has been completed and has greatly enhanced the flow and safety of traffic; watch for an official ribbon cutting with Assemblywoman Sandra Galef.
- The Pleasantville Road Bridge over Route 9A received expedient and aesthetically appealing repairs from the New York State Department of Transportation including masonry work, painting, cleaning and a new guide rail, based upon a direct meeting between the Village and the Regional Director.
- Hyatt is proceeding expediently with the Continuing Care Retirement Center at the former Kings College Campus. Company executives have agreed to move up the development of recreation fields promised to the Village.
- A new water agreement has been completed between Briarcliff and Sleepy Hollow that will enable the Village to access emergency water more economically.
- The Village has become the lead partner in the newly re-energized Briarcliff Manor Community Coalition (BMCC) which continues to address issues of teen substance abuse in our community.
- Our Business District continues to become more appealing with a newly designated and appealing cross-walk, trimmed trees, and new decorative planters.
- Our Village Side Walk Café Law has been expanded to allow for more varied cafes.
- A new Streetscape Plan is being developed in conjunction with the Merchants' Association and design assistance from Westchester County to continue to develop a more vibrant downtown retail environment.
- The road paving program continues with portions of Scarborough and Chappaqua Roads the most recently re-paved.
- New Superintendent of Public Works, Ed Torhan has been hired bringing years of experience in Project Management as well as Public Works.
- The new position of General Forman was created to help the DPW field operation increase efficiency and respond more timely to residents' needs. Vinny D'Addona was promoted to this position from within the Department.
- A longer leaf pick up schedule will begin earlier (see p.2).
- There is increased communication with and representation from residents residing in the Ossining School District.
- The BOT issued a special permit to Congregation Sons of Israel to permit a left hand turn and enhance traffic flow. This project also included the installation of a sidewalk along Pleasantville Road between the property and Hickory Road to create a safe pedestrian walk way.
- Work has begun on revising the Master Plan into a new Comprehensive Plan to guide the Village into the future. A questionnaire will be sent to residents shortly.
- Two new Sanitary Sewer Pump Stations are being upgraded on Holly Place and Cotton Wood Lane to replace outdated equipment.
- Work has begun to replace the Todd Lane Bridge over the Pocantico River.
- The Village received the new Tower Ladder Truck for the Fire Department followed by a ceremonial wet down.
- The BOT has instituted a process to review Consultants on an annual basis.

MEET THE VILLAGE STAFF: ROBIN L. RIZZO- VILLAGE TREASURER

Robin Rizzo was appointed to the position of Village Treasurer in August 2005. She had served as the Deputy Treasurer for the Village since September of 2001. Prior to that, Robin was Treasurer for the North Salem Central School District.

Robin has a BA in Business Administration and is pursuing a Master of Public Administration at Pace University. Robin plays on a USTA tennis team and also enjoys hiking and golfing.

She and her husband Joseph live in Waccabuc. Their two children attend college, one at Wake Forest University in North Carolina and the other at Manhattan College in Riverdale, NY.



NEWS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS (DPW)**10 Buckhout Road****Telephone: 941-9105; Hours: 7:30 am to 3:30 pm**

FALL LEAF PICK UP . . . will begin on Monday, October 10, 2005. We will start the "final lap" of leaf pick up on Monday, December 5. **ALL LEAVES MUST BE RAKED TO THE CURB BY THAT DATE**. After that date, leaves not at the curb when our crews pass, must be placed in paper bags for pick up on *Recycle Wednesday*.

DPW ROADWAY BRUSH AND TREE TRIMMING PROJECT

The Department of Public Works is initiating a Village-Wide Roadway Brush and Tree Trimming Project which will begin on December 1, 2005. Trees and brush overhanging roadways and blocking traffic signs are safety hazards. They may result in sight distance problems for motorists, an unsafe narrowing of roadways in the winter and may force pedestrians to walk in the road.

The Village understands the impact this will have on the appearance of properties and will do its best to keep trimming to a minimum while providing safe roadways. Trimming will be done with the goal of providing not less than 14 feet of vertical clearance from the roadway surface.

As an alternative to the Village completing this work, property owners are welcome to contract with an arborist or tree service to accomplish the same goal. If you have any questions, please call the Public Works Department at (914) 941-9105.

NOVEMBER						
SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
		1	2 EAST SIDE RECYCLE	3	4	5
6	7	8 HOLIDAY	9 Tues & Wed Garbage P/U - WEST SIDE RECYCLE	10	11	12
13	14 HOLI- DAY	15 Monday Garbage P/ U	16 Tues & Wed Garbage p/u - EAST SIDE RECYCLE	17	18	19
20	21	22	23 Wed & Thurs Garbage p/u - WEST SIDE RECYCLE	24 HOLI- DAY	25 Regular Friday pickup	26
27	28	29	30			

DECEMBER						
SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7 EAST SIDE RECYCLE	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 WEST SIDE RECYCLE	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 EAST SIDE RECYCLE	22	23 Friday Garbage p/ u	24
25	26 HOLIDAY	27 Monday Garbage P/U	28 Tues & Wed Garbage P/U - WEST SIDE RECYCLE	29	30	31

URGENT MESSAGE: A special election will be held at Village Hall on **Tuesday, December 6, 2005** for the **Ballot issue: Defined Contribution Service Award program for the fire volunteers.**

The Ballot has been removed from the November 8, 2005 General Election Ballot.

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