

The Village Green

Newsletter of the Village of Pomona

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Mayor's Corner

The summer is officially over, and we are now looking forward to the fall season during which we will all see the stunning beauty of our village as the leaves change and the sun illuminates the fall colors. Please take a moment to read Trustee Rita Louie's piece about our village and

the importance of getting involved and voting. I feel as strongly as Rita does, and wholeheartedly concur with her sentiments.

Since the last Mayor's Corner was written, the village has enjoyed several wonderful events. The Lou Cohn Memorial Fish-In was enjoyed by a large number of very enthusiastic young anglers under sunny skies and warm temperatures. As usual, a large number of fish were caught and released, and I want to thank all of the organizers and helpers from the recreation committee, and especially village resident Jeff Rosen, our master angler, who not only donated the bait and prize for largest fish, but was on hand throughout the event, baiting hooks, weighing the fish, and generally encouraging all the youngsters.

The Pomona Music Festival was once again a huge success, with a gratifyingly large turn-out of village residents, who enjoyed the wonderful music, great food, and intriguing crafts and other items for sale. This type of event takes a lot of work to put on and as usual was organized and staffed entirely by volunteers. Thanks to everyone who helped, and a special shout-out to our hot dog queen, Doris Ulman, hot dog king, Bert Singer, raffle table volunteer and pledge collector Donna Poliseo, all of the local businesses who donated raffle items, our mistress of ceremonies Carol LaChiana, Music coordinators, Robin and Joe Ham, and, of course, co-chairs Leslie Sanderson and Rita Louie. Thanks also to all of the talented local musicians, and my sincere hope is that they will all return for next year's festival.

So you can see that our recreation committee has been very busy, but so has your village board. This fall we have started a major road re-paving project. We intend to pave approximately one third of all village roads this year, of course choosing only those in the worst condition, and the most well traveled. We have already started with paving about a mile in the Ramapo section, with much more to come in both Ramapo and Haverstraw sections. We will also be putting speed humps on two roads in the Haverstraw section that have long been "speedways." These have worked extremely well in Montebello and other municipalities. Funding for this major project will be by bond, the costs of which will be well within our normal annual road paving budget. Re-paving of these roads is long overdue, and by doing a large quantity at one time affords the village substantial cost savings.

Please enjoy the fall season, and remember that village hall is always open for you, and that every month I hold "Coffee with the Mayor" usually on the second weekend of the month, alternating Saturdays and Sundays. I look forward to seeing you either at one of those, or at one of our more formal meetings. The dates and times are posted on our website, and now, also on our kiosk outside Village Hall.

Nick Sanderson

The Pomona Cultural Center
Presents...
Autumn 2010 ~ Art Exhibition

::Perfection & Expression::
September 26 – November 13, 2010

The Pomona Cultural Center announces The Autumn 2010 Art Exhibit, PERFECTION & EXPRESSION—a selection of multimedia art include painting, photography, and contemporary fused glass and metal art. This exhibition will be on display until November 13, 2010 at the Pomona Cultural Center, 584 Route 306, just north of Pomona Road.

Artists included; Stephen Horowitz: painting, Robert A. Baron: photography, and Meg Branzetti & Vicky Kokolski: fused glass and metal art.

Robert's professional background is rooted in the history of art. A member of the Westchester Photographic Society (WPS) since 2003, frequently exhibits his photographs in Westchester and environs. This exhibit at the Pomona Cultural Center marks his first appearance at this venue. He has had solo exhibits at the Mamaroneck Artists' Guild, where he holds an active membership and at the Harrison Public

Library. At the Ossining Public Library he has been seen in WPS group shows, and for five years running as a member of the Eclectic Quintet.

Stephen Horowitz was enchanted with Audubon's Birds of America which was introduced to him by a childhood friend who was a very gifted artist and early inspiration. When working abstractly, he often uses thick black outlines to investigate the power of line, while applying intense color to explore the boundary where the pigments still uphold balance in the image.

Meg and Vicky's friendship is what solidifies their creative collaboration. Exploding together in an eclectic composition of color and texture, the artwork often refers to our primitive pasts-not to one culture, rather, a combination of cultures. Each piece is a distinct image intended to evoke a myriad of emotions and sensations.

Pomona Pride

Rolling hills, amazing valley, mountain and river views, culture, music, diversity, nature ... all these images describe the Village of Pomona. And yet, the most prominent image of Pomona is its people. Families, children, grandparents, young and old, all backgrounds, races, creeds and economic status; this is what makes Pomona the greatest village in all of Rockland County.

We have a unique rural setting unmatched anywhere in the County. This is a community of around 3,000 hard-working people who love their surroundings and simple lifestyle. We are grateful each evening to come home to the serenity that is Pomona after a hard day at work. Just to get off the train or bus or get out of your car when you arrive home in Pomona and take a deep breath of the crisp air that surrounds us is an indescribable blessing.

But this lifestyle does not happen by chance. It is not infinite. We need to fight to keep it every day of every year. And if every citizen of this great village pitches in, we will be able to keep it this way. So, I urge every one of you who loves our great village to lend a helping hand. It's not difficult. Go to the village website at www.pomonavillage.com and see what we have, what's being planned and where we stand with important issues that affect the village. Come to village board meetings or Coffee with the Mayor and voice your concerns, share your opinions and listen to what's happening.

Come out and support your village by attending the Pomona Cultural Center Fall Exhibition on display until November 13, our upcoming Halloween Party, the winter concert and many more cultural and social events that bring our families together and make our community a better place to come home to.

Most importantly, though, and I can't stress this enough, VOTE. Vote in every election. Vote in the school board elections every May at Summit Park School, vote in the general election at the Fireman Training Center on Fireman's Memorial Drive, vote in the local election at Pomona Village Hall. Every time, every election, every year, every villager must vote. This is the only way we will have the strength to maintain our way of life, keep our waterways clean, our traffic under control, our air fresh and our schools open. Other villages in our area have 90-98% voter turnout. What about Pomona? Don't we care about our community? What could be more important on Election Day than the future of your home and community that you would not come out and take ten minutes to vote?

We need you to show unity with your community with your most powerful tool, your vote. We need you to help us maintain the bucolic setting we all love to come home to. We need you to show your "Pomona Pride."

Rita J. Louie - Village of Pomona Trustee

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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|  <h1>October 2010</h1> | | | | | | |
| 17 POCUS 10 am Village Hall Cultural Center Open 2-6pm | 18 Garbage All Village | 19 Yoga Class 7.00 pm Village Hall | 20 Recycling - paper  | 21 Bulk trash/Garbage All Village | 22 Yoga class 9.00am Village Hall Cultural Center Open 2-6pm | 23 Cultural Center Open 2-6pm |
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Other Events at The Pomona Cultural Center:

The Fall 2010 Concert

Saturday, November 13, 2010 | 8:00 p.m.

JOIN US!

We are especially proud to present:

Triple Z Music featuring: Paul Guzzone, Mary Ellen Bernard and Friends. Check them out online at www.triplezmusic.com

Refreshments will be served.

∴ VISIT US AT WWW.POMONAVILLAGE.COM
 FOR THE LATEST INFORMATION ∴



Papier Mache Mask-Making Workshop

October 16th, 17th, 23rd, & 24th, 2010 | 2:30 - 5:30 p.m.

4 classes in 2 weekends instructed by accomplished mask-maker and puppet designer, Barbara Pollitt of Pomona. All materials including the clay, paste, paints, decorations, etc will be provided by the instructor. The participants will make their own design for the masks, and Barbara will teach the technique.

This workshop is fun for the family and children who can make their own Halloween masks and wear them for the Halloween Village Party and for trick or treating on Halloween night. Questions? Call Gde at 362-8062.

From the Recreation Department:

Halloween Party

Saturday, October 30 | 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. | Village Hall



It's our annual Halloween Party for children in the Village of Pomona. Please come in costume! There will be crafts, treats and surprises. Bring a camera and take your picture with our beloved carved giant pumpkin, BOMA.

Yoga

Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. | Village Hall

or

Fridays at 9:00 a.m. | Village Hall

If you wish to join our on-going Yoga class, come to village hall for the 7:00 p.m. class on Tuesdays or the 9:00 a.m. class on Fridays. The classes are one hour, and you may join one or both. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat. Other supplies are provided. The class is free for village residents.

Tai Chi

Tuesday, November 2 | 8:00 - 9:00 p.m. | Village Hall

Because of very enthusiastic response to our announcement of a Tai Chi class last year, we are going to start a new class so that others may have a chance to participate. However, class size is limited, and we will be accepting the first 12 people who sign up. For sign-up, or if you have any questions, please email Leslie at Lesliesan@yahoo.com or call her at 354-0843.

This Tai Chi class will emphasize the health aspects of the Yang Style forms and progress from initial postures and moves into the actual short forms. No special equipment of clothing is required other than comfortable, loose type clothing and athletic type shoes.

Please check the website www.pomonavillage.com for up-to-date information and sign up with your email to receive email blasts from us.

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