

Airmont Villager

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DEAR FELLOW RESIDENTS:

The leaves are beginning to turn, the days are cooler, the children are back to school and we all look forward to a new season. We took a hit with Hurricane Irene, and so we are hopeful for a more peaceful autumn and winter. Motorists need to remember to stop for school buses with flashing red lights. It's easy to do if we are driving behind the bus, but we need to be aware to stop for crossing children when we are driving in the opposite direction.

Our Village Board has events lined up for this fall season. Airmont Day is on track this year and is scheduled for Sunday, October 9th. We hope to see you there. We will have fun activities for children, entertainment for all, good food, and hopefully, lots of sunshine. (See next article.)

DID YOU KNOW?

The population of our village is 8,369 people. We have 2,607 households. Since the 2000 census, our population has grown by 7.36 percent. Our median age is 39.6. (Does Jack Benny live here?) We average 48 inches of rain each year compared to the U.S. average of 37 inches. We

average 24 inches of snow fall compared to the U.S. average of 25 inches. On average there are 200 sunny days in Airmont each year!*

* Source-www.bestplaces.net

SPIRIT OF AIRMONT AWARDS

Each June, our Village presents awards to our elementary graduates who have been chosen by their teachers and principals based on the following criteria: "a student who most embodies the characteristics of kindness, cooperation, and respect for his or her fellow students and teachers."

One of the students who won this prestigious award in June of 2010 was inadvertently omitted from the list which was published in our newsletter. I would like to apologize for this omission and announce that **Jessica Flatley** of Cherry Lane Elementary School was one of the winners of the Spirit of Airmont Award in June, 2010.

Cherry Lane Student winners for June, 2011 are: Mika Hess, Kayleigh Murphy, Cheryl Chau, Jack Simon

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Elmwood Elementary winners for June, 2011 are: Amy Chanin and Staren Henry

Montebello Elementary winner for June 2011 is Meghan Bonnist.

We congratulate the student winners and their families for receiving this recognition from our Village. Our students' names will be added to a multi-year plaque located in their elementary school.

AIRMONT DAY 2011

We are pleased to announce that Airmont Day will be held on Sunday, October 9.

We have all new blowup rides this year for all ages. These include a new train ride, Grand Slam, Princess Castle, Shark, Kiddiepillar and a Mega Bounce 'n Slide. We will have a Sno-Cone machine, cotton candy and popcorn for all our children and children-at-heart. This year we will also have a spin art booth.

If you would like to enhance our community spirit, we need volunteers to help set up, serve, and clean up after the fun is over. Donations are always welcomed. If you own a food busi-

ness, we would be happy to have you join our volunteers from other businesses who help to make our celebration a gastronomic success. Contributions are always appreciated.

Last, but never least, entertainment will be provided by Twippy the Clown.

We hope to see you all this coming Sunday for a fun time at the Cherry Lane Elementary School field.

LEGAL UPDATES

As many of our residents are aware, the Village recently settled its ongoing litigation with the government regarding claims against the Village and its Zoning Code.

In furtherance of the settlement, the Village Board has commenced the process needed to update the zoning code. The first order of business is the adoption of the Village's Master Plan. This process was started several years ago, but due to the litigation, was held in abeyance. Following a public hearing, the Village Board adopted the Master Plan at its meeting on September 19th. The Master Plan is available for inspection at Village Hall and all are invited to come in and review it during Village Hall hours.

Also, the Village was recently successful in defending the decision by the Zoning Board of Appeals regarding an application filed by Suffern Professional Offices, LLC which sought a variance to allow for a religious girls' school. The Zoning Board's decision was upheld in New York State Supreme Court. The Village has and will continue to take all steps necessary to preserve the character of our Village and the neighborhoods within it.

FALL LEAF PICK-UP SCHEDULE

That time of year is here again when the once lovely and lush leaves of summer become the dry and dropping leaves of autumn.

Leaves will be picked up curbside in the brown biodegradable bags beginning on Wednesday, October 19th and the pick-up will continue until Wednesday, December 28th.

WINTER'S NOT FAR BEHIND

Snow is a reality of winter, and we would like to ensure that all our residents remain safe from its harmful effects. If you live in a home with a sidewalk out front, you need to keep it free and clear of snow, ice, dirt, and other debris or obstructions. For home-

owners and occupants in our residential district, sidewalks need to be cleaned within 48 hours of a snowfall, ice storm, or other debris-causing occasion. In non-residential zoned districts, the time limit is 24 hours. Failure to clear the sidewalk means that the Village will need to remove any obstruction and will charge the expenses to the owners of the premises.

Let's work together to keep Airmont safe, clean, and a lovely place to live and raise our families.

AIRMONT PARENTS BE ALERTED

Remember that you can access registered sex offender information by going to the following website:

www.co.rockland.ny.us./sheriff/default.html.

You may also call the Rockland County Sheriff's office to seek assistance on finding this information.

Once again we would like to thank *Steve's Lawns, Inc.*
for maintaining our lawn at Village Hall at no cost to the Village.
We truly appreciate Steve's generosity and fine service.

Thank You!

**Come one, come all
to Airmont Day 2011.
Fun, Food, & Family Entertainment
await our residents on
Sunday, October 9th
at the Cherry Lane School.
Remember to mark your calendars.**

Dennis Kay, Mayor
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