

****Enclosed is your 2016 recycling calendar.****

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Message from the Mayor

Thomas J. Tweedy, Mayor

2015 has been a busy, exciting and productive year for Floral Park. We passed a budget within the state mandated tax cap limit. We constructed a beautiful new pool complex and had a tremendously successful inaugural pool season for the new pool. The community and civic associations were actively involved in the process that lead to the approval for the sub-division of the former Patterson Oil property. What was once a large commercial property, awkwardly situated in a [beautiful] residential area, will now be transformed into nine beautiful residences in keeping with the character of the Hillcrest community. Also, an outgrowth of this project will be renovation and rehabilitation of the pocket park at the intersection of Revere Drive, Adams Street and Magnolia and Cisney Avenues. The costs for the renovation of this pocket park are being paid by the developer as was agreed to as part of the sub-division approval process.

2015 was also a year of planning ahead. The Village Board held a public information session on our multi-year road improvement plan. Already three major road and drainage projects have begun on Raff, Lowell and the intersection of Cedar and Hickory. Further, we made great strides in garnering the necessary approvals for the placement of a new drainage sump inside Belmont that will address the drainage problems in the West End of the Village.

We also began the process of addressing the future of Centennial Hall. As a first step, the Village Board held a well attended public information session to discuss how we will go about the decision making process. Very recently we concluded the Request for Proposal process to solicit professionals to assist the Village in soliciting development proposals for the Centennial Hall property. In the very near future, we will hold another public information session to continue the public dialogue as to the future of the Centennial Hall property and to solicit other development ideas for Centennial Hall that do not necessarily involve selling the building. At this stage of the process, all options are still on the table.

However, despite the fact that 2015 was a year of progress, accomplishments and planning for the future of the Village, the year seems to be ending with a great pall cast over the Village. This pall is

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being cast by Nassau OTB and its allies, who seek (from everything we can gather) to place a VLT slot machine casino at Belmont Park.

As the facts surrounding this issue are developing so quickly, it isn't really worthwhile to reiterate them here. Between the time this Mayor's Message is written and the time the *Village Items* is published, the facts will have changed significantly. Rather, I will ask you to view our Village website at www.fpvillage.org to get more updated information on this topic.

What I will say however is that when the spectre of an OTB casino was floated on the cover of *Newsday* last February, I clearly set out in my Mayor's Message published in *The Gateway* at that time the Village of Floral Park's long held opposition to the placement of a casino at Belmont. We know from the reaction to that Mayor's Message that our message was heard by OTB.

I concluded that Mayor's Message by stating "**and no one should underestimate our resolve to fight this issue.**"

Now that Nassau OTB seems to be going down this short sighted path, OTB and its allies will face the resolve of the residents of Floral Park and Floral Park allies' to fight this issue. We have defeated threats to the Village before by staying united. All the members of the Floral Park Bellerose Board of Education support the Village Board's opposition to the placement of a VLT slot machine casino at Belmont Park. Our coalition continues to grow. As of this writing, the Mayor and Village Boards of Bellerose and South Floral Park have joined us as has the Mayor of Stewart Manor. The Floral Park Ecumenical Council of Churches, representing all the different faith denominations in Floral Park, has joined us. The Wednesday Mother's Club and the Floral Park Bellerose PTA have also joined us. We are informed that the John Lewis Childs PTA and the Hillcrest Civic Association will take up the resolution at their next meeting. Each day our coalition against this disastrous idea continues to grow.

In this fight we need your help. Please visit our website (www.fpvillage.org) to see how you can help keep Floral Park a great place to live. Contact the elected officials listed there and let them know you oppose a casino at Belmont. Don't let them tell you they have no control over this issue: They do. Especially our County Legislators. They have the power to stop this by voting to replace the OTB Board of Directors with a new Board of Directors that will oppose this terrible plan. Tell them that is what you want them to do.

Finally, on behalf of the entire Village Family, may I wish you a safe, prosperous, happy and healthy New Year.



RECREATION CENTER

Kurt Meyfohrt, Superintendent of Recreation

As the winter of 2015/2016 begins, the Recreation Center staff is reflecting on another great year. Youth recreation programs began on the first official Monday of summer vacation. Our programs provided athletic and creative entertainment for over 1,000 energetic children weekly during the summer months. The adult volleyball and basketball courts were again the place to be. These summer leagues provide great competition and spirited bragging rights for our village league players. For the second year in a row, Fall volleyball leagues proved to be popular and successful.

Throughout the fall season, the Recreation Department's fine maintenance staff, under the direction of supervisors Don Haug, John Michon, Richard Clifford, and Mark Minero, maintained and conditioned six baseball diamonds, the football field, tennis courts and the various playing fields. The Recreation Center playing fields served as a busy site for Fall Little League, Titans Football, Youth Council Touch Football, and Indians Soccer.

Many of the "family of tennis players" saw great play while competing in the 36th Annual Jim Krug Tennis Classic. This event played on the Har-Tru courts is coordinated by Wendy Bilka. During the two weeks of matches players of all skill levels enjoy the opportunity to show their skills in friendly competition. The Annual Awards Breakfast was held at the Recreation/Pool Building. Long-time and new friends and competitors socialized and were greeted by Mayor Tom Tweedy, Recreation Trustee Dominick Longobardi, Trustees Kevin Fitzgerald, and Dr. Lynn Pombonyo.

Centennial Gardens and Bird Sanctuary was open from April to Thanksgiving time. The Gardens' seasonal color and walking paths were enjoyed by many residents. While taking in the hue, residents enjoyed the scenic views and watched the many birds who call the Gardens home. During the year, the Gardens host the Hance Family Foundation 5K walk/run, and the Grow with Me Project. Centennial Gardens is the home of the Floral Park Conservation Society which hosts a Garden Party every Spring to raise monies that help keep the Gardens in beautiful shape.

Moving indoors, our Recreation Center offers 26 weekly classes and hosts over 20 community organizations annually. Our Recreation/Pool Building is a hub of activity all year round. Registration for Session II, Winter/Spring Programs will be held at the Recreation /

Pool Building on Tuesday January 5th and Thursday January 7th.

At this time, the Recreation Center is again pleased to offer a variety of programs to the residents. Old favorites will be back, such as our Boot Camp, Zumba, Yoga, Aerobics for adults, the Silver Sneakers and knitting for seniors, as well as Fitness through Walking exercise programs. For the children we offer Cartooning and gymnastics programs.

The *NEW* 2016/2017 Floral Park Leisure Pass is required for enrollment in Recreation programs as well as the use of the facility. Residents can obtain their new pass by completing the necessary form and returning it to the Recreation/Pool Building. A photo must be taken of each individual applying for a pass in person. Appointments for photos may be needed for residents who are unable to visit the Recreation Center during regular business hours. Hours of operation to obtain a VFP leisure pass are Monday through Friday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Applications for the *NEW* 2016/2017 Leisure Pass and Session II programs may be found in the lobby of the Recreation/Pool Building and in the Park Shelter House. The new VFP Leisure Pass Application is available in this copy of *Village Items* and on the village website www.fpvillage.org.

The Annual Floral Park Recreation Center Christmas Tree Lighting took place on Friday December 18th at the Recreation Center. Families enjoyed the old fashioned event by listening to Christmas Carols and skating around the rink while waiting for a visit from Santa. Santa arrived with his elves and distributed small toys to all the "good" little boys and girls. Keeping on a tight schedule, Santa assured all he would be back on Christmas Eve. Over 100 delighted children and many Screaming Eagle Hockey players enjoyed the evening of skating, followed by hot cocoa and cookies provided by the Floral Park Diner.

As the Recreation facility prepares for old man winter, several changes will go into effect. Residents are reminded the Recreation Center winter hours are 8:00 am to 4:30 pm weather permitting.

All fields are closed for several months to allow for seeding and seasonal maintenance. Tiny Town, the basketball courts, tennis court #4, the handball wall, and the multi-purpose rink are open for play during the winter season.

The recreation staff has begun to prepare and schedule a fun-filled calendar of events for the summer of 2016.

FLORAL PARK RECREATION SESSION II - WINTER 2015

REGISTRATION:

At the Recreation/Pool Building

DATES AND TIMES:

Tuesday January 5th and Thursday January 7th
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Senior Registration:

Wednesday January 6th and Thursday January 7th
9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Adult and youth program fees are \$45.00 for ten weeks (unless otherwise stated). All senior program fees are \$25.00. 2016/2017 VFP Leisure Pass or 2015 Resident Pool Pass is required for registration. Applications are available at the Recreation/Pool Building or the Park Shelter House. Call 326-6336 for additional information.

Classes are subject to change or cancellation.

Program fees are non-refundable.

YOUTH PROGRAMS

TINY TOTS GYMNASTICS First Class Feb. 6

Saturday

Age: 3 12:30 pm - 1:20 pm
Ages: 4 and 5 1:30 pm - 2:20 pm
Ages: 6 and over 2:30 pm - 3:20 pm

Introduction to the art of gymnastics. Including stretching, low impact tumbling and beginner gymnastic techniques.

CARTOONING FOR KIDS First Class Feb. 1

Monday 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Learn to draw cartoon characters, storylines, or create your own characters. Colored pencils required and not included.

CHILDREN'S GARDENING First Class Feb. 20

8 Week Program

Saturday 9:00 am - 9:45 am

Explore gardening, planting, animals and insects. Enjoy nature walks and crafts. Class meets at Centennial Gardens (use the Floral Pkwy entrance) and will be held in Recreation/Pool Building during poor weather.

ADULT & SENIOR PROGRAMS

AEROBICS First Class Jan. 18

Days: Monday, Wednesday, & Friday **Fee \$85.00**
8:30 am - 9:30 am or 9:45 am - 10:45 am

Nights: Monday & Wednesday **Fee \$60.00**
8:00 pm - 9:00 pm

A 17 week step aerobic/floor program for those who wish to maintain good physical condition and instill the discipline of exercise.

ADULT BOOT CAMP

Monday & Wednesday **First Class Feb. 1**
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Designed to build strength and fitness through a variety of intense exercises.

ADULT YOGA

Tuesday **First Class Week of Feb 1**
7:45 pm - 8:45 pm
Friday 11:00 am - 12:00 pm
Saturday 10:15 am - 11:15 am
Focus on balance, flexibility, strength and body relaxation. Emphasis on strengthening/toning muscles.

ADULT ZUMBA GOLD First Class Week of Feb 1

Tuesday (Medium) 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
Saturday (Starter) 9:00 am - 10:00 am
A dance workout that includes basic rhythms like Salsa, Meringue, Belly Dancing, Flamenco, Tango, and Samba.

KNITTING (Adult & Senior Fee) First Class Feb. 2

Tuesday 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Expert needle worker teaches beginner and intermediate levels of the art of knitting and stitching.

SENIOR FITNESS WALKING (Senior Fee)

Friday **First Class Feb. 5**
12:30 pm - 1:30 pm
Includes a variety of indoor walking styles, as well as breathing and stretching techniques. Improves balance.

SILVER SNEAKERS EXERCISE (Senior Fee)

Tuesday & Thursday **First Class Feb. 2**
9:30 am - 10:30 am
A 12 week exercise program without leaving your seats. A benefit for beginning or experienced exercisers. Increases flexibility and muscle tone.

SILVER SNEAKERS/GENTLE MOVEMENT

(Senior Fee) **First Class Feb. 2**
Tuesday & Thursday 10:30 am - 11:30 am
Tuesday & Thursday 11:30 am - 12:30 pm
A 12 week program including low impact and toning exercises designed specifically for older adults to improve your range of motion, balance, and joint mobility.

SPRING TENNIS LESSONS Classes begin mid April

Tuesday & Thursday 11:00 am Fee: \$ 55.00
Saturday 8:00 am or 9:00 am Fee: \$ 45.00
Proper mechanics, use of racket, strategies, and all the basics will be addressed each week.





**INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF FLORAL PARK
RECREATION LEISURE PASS**

**2016 - 2017
LEISURE PASS APPLICATION**

(FOR NON-POOL MEMBERS — LIST NAMES OF APPLICANTS ONLY)

Family Name: _____

Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____
Office Use Only

<u>Children's Names</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>School</u> as of September 2016	<u>Pass #</u> Office Use Only
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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ALL APPLICATIONS MUST INCLUDE:

- 1) One current Picture ID *Per Adult* (18 yrs. and over) with name on it.
- 2) One Current Utility Bill (within the last month) at Current Address.
- 3) A Birth Certificate or Baptismal Certificate Per Child
- 4) One Photo per pass (1" X 1") drivers license size. (Place names on back)

I hereby apply for a leisure pass for the Inc. Village of Floral Park Recreation Center. I agree we will abide by the rules and regulations thereof and accept all conditions as stated wherein. Any falsification in the application information can result in the cancellation of the leisure pass and loss of privileges. Passes not valid if holder moves outside of the Inc. Village of Floral Park. The Village reserves the right to limit guests and privileges. Guests must accompany a member who presents a leisure pass upon request, at all times.

Signature: _____

Date Submitted: _____

Recreation Center Use Only below this line:

Date Processed: _____

Employee Signature: _____

2016 VILLAGE EMPLOYMENT

Applications for 2016 summer season are available on the following pages, at Village Hall and the Recreation Center or you may go to www.fpvillage.org.

Be aware that all applicants' skills, experience & residency will be considered first, so please make sure you include this information on the application. Completed applications will be accepted any time after December 30, 2015 at Village Hall, One Floral Boulevard. Working papers (only if under the age of 18) and proof of physical are required with the application.

*** Lifeguard Application:**

The minimum age requirement for a lifeguard is 16 years of age by **January 1, 2016**.

Up-to-date lifeguard certification, current CPR & first aid certifications, working papers (under the age of 18 years old) proof of a physical exam administered no earlier than June, 2015 must be presented with the application.

*** Park/Pool Attendant Application:**

The minimum age requirement is 17 years of age by **January 1, 2016**. Working papers and proof of a physical exam administered no earlier than June, 2015 must be presented with the application.

When submitting an application, please keep in mind that since the summer season is a short one, summer vacations will not be permitted.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Susan Walsh at Village Hall at 326-6300.

ASSESSMENT DEADLINE

Residents are reminded that **December 31, 2015** is the filing deadline for all village property tax exemptions including the senior citizen exemption. If you need assistance, please call the Assessment Department at 326-6305, or visit Denise Day in the Building Department located at Pool and Garage Road.



HOLIDAY HOURS

Please note all Village offices will close at noon on December 24th and December 31st, and will be closed all day December 25, 2015 and January 1, 2016.

For the convenience of residents needing to renew parking permits for 2016, Village Hall will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Monday, December 28th.



Application for *New* Employment Summer 2016 (Seasonal Only)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____ Date of Birth: _____

School: _____

Special Training: _____

Have you been hospitalized during the past year? _____ (Y) _____ (N)
(If yes, provide date and reason for hospitalization.)

IMPORTANT

- ☛ The minimum age requirement for summer positions is **17 years of age by 1/1/2016**. ALL applicants UNDER 18 years of age **MUST** submit working papers with their applications.
- ☛ All applications must be submitted with proof of a physical exam performed no earlier than June, 2015.
- ☛ All applicants are subject to Nassau County Civil Service approval.
- ☛ Completed applications will be accepted any time after December 30, 2015 beginning 8:30 am. All applications must be brought into Village Hall. Consideration will be based on skills, experience and residency.
- ☛ Working papers, if applies, and proof of physical must be submitted with application and will not be accepted without same.
- ☛ Be aware that since the summer season is a short one, summer vacations will not be permitted.

I have reviewed and agree to the above-mentioned requirements.

Applicant's Signature

Date



NEW EMPLOYMENT FOR LIFEGUARD ONLY
Summer 2016

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____ Date of Birth: _____

School: _____

Special Training: _____

Have you been hospitalized during the past year? _____ (Y) _____ (N)
(If yes, provide date and reason for hospitalization.)

- ☞ Lifeguard applicants must be 16 years of age by January 1, 2016 and present proof of up-to-date Nassau County Board of Health lifeguard certification and current CPR and first-aid certification. (If you are renewing your certification or are in the process of obtaining certification for the first time, you must indicate that fact under "Special Training" above and advise us of the date that certification will be received.)
- ☞ All applicants are subject to Nassau County Civil Service approval.
- ☞ All applicants UNDER 18 years of age **MUST** submit working papers with this application.
- ☞ All applicants must provide proof of a physical exam performed no earlier than June, 2015 with this application.
- ☞ Since summer season is a short one, summer vacations will not be permitted.
- ☞ Completed applications will be accepted any time after December 30, 2015 after 8:30 am
- ☞ All applications that are received without the necessary documents will be returned.

I have reviewed and agree to the above-mentioned requirements.

Applicant's Signature

Date

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**Important Village of Floral Park
Phone Numbers**

Police & Fire Emergency.....911
Police & Fire Non-Emergency.....326-6400
Administration.....326-6300
Assessment.....326-6305
Building Department.....326-6319
Court Office.....326-6325
Fire Department Business Office.....326-6327
Library.....326-6330
Public Works Department.....326-6320
Recreation Shelter House.....326-6334
Recreation/Pool Bldg.....326-6336

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