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Message from the Mayor

Dear Resident,

People often refer to Floral Park as Mayberry, USA, or perhaps given the season maybe even Bedford Falls. But whichever idyllic title you prefer to bestow upon our fair village, we differ from both as we are authentic and unique. Floral Park, now 106 years young, has maintained a population of approximately 16,000 for many decades. Given that we enjoy a total area of a mere 1.5 square miles, we are one of the most densely populated areas in Nassau County, yet, despite that density, we have managed to convey a sense of openness with the feel and charm of a small town.

This is not an accident or a stroke of good luck that allows Floral Park to maintain its small town identity. Rather Floral Park has managed to keep its small town feel because of the vision of our residents coupled with the deliberative actions of our current and former Village Boards. It reflects a conscious effort to balance the rights of the individual property owners to develop their property and the rights of the community to maintain the character of our village. We believe this vision is shared by and reflects the sensibilities of our residents and guides how we approach development issues in our Village as they arise.

We may be addressing another large development project in the coming months. As you no doubt noticed, the Patterson Energy Company closed its operations on Ciseney Avenue. The Patterson Energy Company was a tenant on that property and is one of the last large parcels in the Village. You may have also heard that the owner of the property has been approached by a developer about purchasing the property for the construction of new homes in the Village. The fact that residential developers are interested in constructing new homes in Floral Park is a reflection of the fact that the Village is a profitable place to do business as our Village is a most

desirable place to live. Additionally, the transition of the property from a non-conforming commercial use to residential use is also important, as any new development should be consistent with the allowable zoning use so that the end result is an enhancement to the neighborhood.

An open process with community involvement is essential to achieve this desired result. That is why the Village Board, back in 2004, significantly revised the Village's residential subdivision process. This revision to our Village Laws governing subdivision achieved two significant changes: first, we increased required space between houses and, second, we established a more formalized and extensive subdivision review process to increase the opportunity for community input into the process.

The change in the requirement of the space between houses provides for a certain degree of privacy and it adds to an overall sense of open space in the community. Under the subdivision codes in place in the Village before 2004, houses could be built as close as 3 feet from the property line on either side. If adjoining properties are also built 3 feet from the property, this creates the look of narrow "alley-ways" between houses. Under the 2004 revisions, the required space between houses was increased to a minimum of 5 feet on any one side with a minimum 15 feet aggregate.

Any proposal to subdivide the former Patterson property to build residences will have to go through the review process that the Village established in 2004. At a minimum, there will be a public hearing before the Architectural Review Board where the community concerns may be aired, addressed and answered. Community involvement in this process is essential as the community will have to live with the subdivision long after the developer has gone. For this reason I am heartened and grateful that the Hillcrest Civic Association has already

shown that they will be actively involved in this process. As always, the Civic Associations are the Village Government's partners in important issues facing our Village.

As part of this residential development proposal, the Village has been approached about selling the small sliver of land in front of the Patterson property along Cisney Avenue. For obvious reasons, a potential contract of this nature cannot be negotiated in public. However, if the Board decides that the proposed development project and the sale are in the best interest of the Village, the Board will hold future public meetings to discuss this option prior to the Board's vote on whether to sell this property. We will keep you posted as this proposal moves forward.

Another method of achieving open space is to make the most of the existing open spaces we have. Certainly, the most significant amount of small open spaces in the Village are the individual properties owned by our residents. Without a doubt, our Village's beauty is greatly due to the efforts you and your fellow residents have done in maintaining and improving your own properties. I cannot overstate the impact the beautiful vistas of gardens and lawns, block after block have on the look and sense of open space in the Village. The Village also has several parcels of properties and parks that the Village maintains including: Memorial Park, Heritage Park, 9-11 Relic Memorial Park, Lion's Park, Rotary Park and the green spaces on Crocus & Geranium, Walnut & Atlantic Avenue, Adams & Revere, Tulip & Covert and the Emerson Avenue Triangle to name but a few. The Village strives to maintain these properties in a manner equal to how our residents maintain their own properties.

One of these small green spaces about which I have received numerous questions of late is Rotary Park on Tulip Avenue. Rotary Park has been a fixture on Tulip Avenue for many years and has served, along with Lion's Park across the street, as a small green space to sit, meet and have a cup of coffee in our downtown area. But the trees and other plantings in Rotary Park had outgrown their space. The railroad tied terraced landscaping in Rotary Park had severely deteriorated over the years and in the past had attracted rodents. Finally the flagpole foundation at Rotary Park needed to be reinforced and stabilized. Consequently, all of these factors lead to the decision to completely renovate Rotary Park. The good news is that we have utilized the talents and expertise of our Village employees to do the vast majority of the work. This "in house" pool of skilled labor and talent has saved the Village thousands of dollars because we did not have to rely exclusively on

outside contractors to complete this work. We have the good fortune that our Superintendent of Buildings Steve Siwinski, a registered architect, designed the new layout for Rotary Park. Our talented team in the DPW Parks Department will be able to do the landscape work which will transform this park. We have utilized an outside mason to lay the new brick. Finally our village electrician relocated and installed three carriage lamps, which all came from stock and upgraded the electrical work in the park. We expect the hardscape work to be completed in December and the landscaping in the Spring. By executing the design work and most of the labor "in house" we will be able to renovate and improve this open space at minimal cost.

Another Spring project is to make improvements to the Emerson Triangle just off Jericho Turnpike which serves as a gateway to the North End of the Village. One of the planned improvements will be the installation of an information kiosk similar to the one currently located at Rotary Park. The planned landscape and hardscape improvements will be done, to the greatest extent possible, by our "in house" personnel. So once again we will be able to renovate and improve a small open space at minimal cost.

Finally, and perhaps most impressively, the Village's dedication to maintaining its open space is manifestly demonstrated by Centennial Gardens. These Gardens started as the vision of former Mayor Steve Corbett, transforming a problematic and unkempt County Storm Basin into the beautiful passive recreation space it is today. The Village Mayors that followed Steve (Ann Corbett, Phil Guarneri, Kevin Greene and myself) together with the Village Trustees over that period have all supported the efforts and vision of the Floral Park Conservation Society as they have affected this remarkable transformation of that property. Centennial Gardens is a wonderful example of how local government can partner with and support the efforts of private individuals and groups (such as the Conservation Society and more recently the Hance Foundation), to preserve and maintain open space. I am also very pleased that Dennis McEnery has agreed to take over the leadership of the Conservation Society now that Steve and Mary Corbett are relocating to North Carolina. We wish them well (even though we know we will see them visiting often).

In closing, on behalf of the Village Board, may I extend to you and yours our warmest wishes for a blessed holiday season filled with joy and good cheer and may health, wealth and happiness be yours in 2015!

Thomas J. Tweedy, Mayor



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Stephen Siwinski, Superintendent



Snow

There are designated snow emergency routes throughout the Village. Signage will identify these streets. In the event of a declared emergency all cars must be removed from these designated streets so they can be kept clear for emergency vehicles. With fewer cars on the streets, snow plows can do a more effective job of clearing snow and ice from Floral Park's 37 miles of roads. Failure to remove your car from the street may result in it being towed.

The Village Code provides that: *"When any vehicle is found unattended on any highway or public parking lot within the Village where said vehicle constitutes an obstruction to traffic, said vehicle may be removed by or under the direction of the Commissioner of Police."*

Snow plowing usually begins when three inches of snow has fallen on the pavement. Please instruct children to avoid snow plows. Drivers and workers are concentrating on their jobs.

Young children should not be allowed to play near the street when snow has accumulated. Snow banks make it difficult for motor vehicle and snow plow operators to spot youngsters.

For safety reasons, Floral Park Public Works crews will spread sand and salt on the streets and plow in the following order: Designated snow emergency routes, major arteries and roads, secondary streets, dead end streets and parking lots.



Ice

For people on foot, ice can be worse than snow. It can cause dangerous falls. Property owners are also responsible for removing ice on their sidewalks.

Stock up on ice melt before a storm. Use ice melt with calcium chloride or potassium chloride. It's better for the environment and only a small amount is required to melt ice. Avoid rock salt or sodium chloride as it kills plants and trees and could damage concrete sidewalks. Use ice melt on your driveway entrance and sidewalks early and often to prevent snow packing.

Avoid sand on hard ice. Sand makes hard ice more slippery. If sand is your only option it is available at the Public Works Facility opposite the Recreation Center on Stewart Street.

Please be patient and wait for the Public Works crews to finish. Our crews work through the night when necessary. Many people dig out prior to crews widening out streets only to be plowed back in. If you are able to, please stay off the roads to permit ease of plowing operations and a less dangerous atmosphere for all.

Remember, traffic causes de-icers to act more quickly, so streets with heavier traffic will show the results sooner than less traveled residential streets. Resident cooperation is essential to the success of snow removal operations. If you own property, please remember:

- ◆ To keep the adjacent sidewalks clear of snow and ice. If you are out of town, please make arrangements for someone else to clear the sidewalks.
- ◆ Snow should not be shoveled or blown into the street. This creates a hazard for both the property owner and drivers.
- ◆ Residents who have catch basins in front of their homes can help by keeping ice and snow away from the openings, so the water from melting snow can drain freely.
- ◆ If you have a fire hydrant by your property, please remove snow from the area around the hydrant for easy access in case of an emergency.
- ◆ It is often unavoidable for the Department of Public Works to plow snow back into your driveway. Pushing snow into a driveway opening or along a car parked on the street is really unavoidable as we work to keep streets passable during all stages of a storm.



Refuse and Rubbish Collection

Your 2015 Recycling Calendar is enclosed with this issue of *Village Items*. The e-waste pick-up is the first Wednesday of every month, except during a holiday week. Residents have the option of calling DPW for curb-side pick-up or dropping off their e-waste at the Village garage on weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the designated drop off area by the e-waste container.

The disposal of appliances with Freon is done on the third Wednesday of each month on a call in basis only. Please refer to your recycling calendars for any changes such as weight limitations for containers and bundles and limitations on the number of items that can be put out for special pickup. Newspapers should be tied to prevent them from blowing around the Village. Please take notice that on holiday weeks (i.e. Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's, etc.) the Department of Public Works does not pick up bulk items on Wednesdays.



POLICE DEPARTMENT

Stephen G. McAllister, Police Commissioner



Safety and Security

20 Safest Cities in New York: Safest Places to Live in NY—**Floral Park ranked #3!**

Safe Choice Security compiled a list of the top 29 safest towns and cities in New York to help you make the right decision of where you should live or do business in the state. They carefully analyzed the information presented by the 2012 FCI Crime Statistics report in order to rank New York cities based on how safe it is to live there. The analysis of the incidences of both violent and property crimes allowed them to calculate the real risk to you. Here is an excerpt from their report:

“#3. Floral Park, NY: Safest Cities in New York; Floral Park is another village located in Nassau County on Long Island. While many would expect communities this close to the biggest city in the United States to be rife with crime, this is not the case with the second and third safest cities in the state. With avenues and streets named for flowers, the beautiful community is one cherished by those who live there because of its peacefulness and proximity to big city conveniences and weekend getaways. The town’s dedicated police force is the reason behind the low crime rates enjoyed by the community. It goes above and beyond by connecting with the town’s youth in a variety of ways in order to help prevent crime from occurring.

Population: 16,000

Violent Crimes per 1000: 0.19

Property Crimes per 1000: 4.0

Crime Index: 95

Safer than 95% of US cities”

Website/Online Accident Reports

The Floral Park Police Department has completely redesigned its website which can be seen at www.floralparkpolice.com. At this site you can find information related to public safety including many educational videos for adults and children. We have also made available online Accident Reports. People involved in an accident can now quickly go online at the above web address and retrieve their accident report. Residents can always come into Police Headquarters and receive in person.

Technology Upgrades

The FPPD has recently purchased three new mobile computers for use in our Radio Patrol cars. These devices allow the officers to more efficiently complete their tasks within the automobile enabling them to spend more time on the road patrolling our Village.

The Floral Park Police Department is committed to providing its Officers with the best available communication system in order to better protect the Village and its residents. As such the FPPD has joined with the Nassau County Police

Department and other City and Village Departments in the P25 500 MHZ Radio System Communication Initiative designed and implemented by Motorola. All equipment and installation costs associated with this initiative are fully funded through Grants under Homeland Security. The Floral Park Police Department has completed the conversion over to this new system.

The older system formerly utilized by the FPPD has now been refurbished and will act not only as a backup system to the newly installed system above but will also serve our Village in Emergency Incident Management thereby effectively increasing the communication and coordination between the various emergency responders.

Training

Today the members of the Floral Park Police Department confront a new enemy, which is the possible scourge of EBOLA. Working closely with the Fire Department, we have been exchanging information and equipment to better inform and protect our members and the Village that we serve.

At the same time we again are confronted with the reality of school shootings as we have seen recently demonstrated near Seattle, Washington. All sworn members of the Police Department have received two rounds of “Active Shooter” training utilizing the schools at Our Lady of Victory and Floral Park Memorial High School as our training grounds.

In conjunction with the above training we have also trained our Officers in an enhanced course of instruction on effective firearms training coupled with control and take down techniques. All patrol officers have had the opportunity to learn tactics and techniques that will both protect themselves as well as the person who resists or acts out against said officer.

Our Officers continue to receive training in gangs, guns, narcotics, tactics and effective “tools of the trade” from the FBI, HIDTA, NCPD and NYPD.

Training will continue to be a paramount mission for all members of the FPPD so that they are properly equipped with the knowledge, skills and abilities that will better protect our Village.

Procedural Manual

The Floral Park Police Department continues its compilation of a procedural manual. This patrol guide is a living document that addresses the ever changing dynamics of a complex world. The FPPD has assembled systematic protocols which are designed to quantify best practices of modern policing, and will act as a guide or reference for the operations of the Department. Areas of the guide continue to be developed by the members of this Department utilizing guidelines established by the Police Executive Research Forum (PERF), International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), and other Agency’s Department Manuals and “Best Practices” for guidance.

DR. LYNN POMBONYO APPOINTED TRUSTEE



At the November 18, 2014 Board of Trustees meeting, Dr. Lynn Pombonyo was sworn in as Trustee by Village Justice Douglas Hayden.

Dr. Pombonyo is currently an Adjunct Professor, Educational Leadership Program at Stony Brook University. Prior to that, she was Superintendent of Schools for the Floral Park-Bellerose Elementary School District where she retired in 2012.

Lynn did not let retirement slow her down. From 2012 to 2014, she was an Instructor for the Floral Park-Bellerose School District PROBE Leadership Academy. She currently serves as a coach for the Floral Park-Bellerose FIRST Lego League Robotics Teams; a Founding Member and Vice President of The Leadership Foundation of Floral Park-Bellerose, Inc.; an Executive Board Member, Grant Writer and Teacher for the Hance Family

Foundation, Inc.; an Executive Board Member of the Floral Park Lions Club and a member of the Floral Park Chamber of Commerce.

Lynn received her Doctor of Education, Educational Administration Degree from Seton Hall University, a Degree in Advanced Study in Educational Administration and Supervision from New York University, Master of Arts, Elementary Education from Adelphi University and Bachelor of Arts cum laude, Psychology from Muhlenberg College.

WELCOME LEGACY STRENGTH GYM!



Recently, Mayor Tweedy presented a Welcome Certificate to Joey Olivo, owner and head strength coach of Legacy Strength Gym located at One Cisney Avenue. Also on hand were Chris Miranda, Massage Therapist and Acupuncturist at Legacy Strength, Marie Grant and Ron Keats of the Floral Park Chamber of Commerce, Deputy Mayor Jim Rhatigan, Trustee Kevin Fitzgerald and Trustee Dominick Longobardi.

Legacy Strength is a cutting edge fitness/weight loss/training/conditioning and boot camp-like health facility.

Stop by and say hello. There's still time to keep that New Year's Resolution to get fit!





VILLAGE JUSTICE COURT

Honorable Douglas J. Hayden, Village Justice

Court is conducted on Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Court Room and hears cases involving the Vehicle and Traffic Law, Zoning Code Violations, and Village Ordinance Violations. On average, the Court hears 1,700 cases per month.

Cell Phone Use and Texting While Driving

NYS fines for violations of cell phone use or texting while operating a motor vehicle committed on or after November 1, 2014 will increase for a first offense to a maximum fine of \$200.00. A second offense within 18 months will increase to a maximum fine of \$250.00.

Currently, any offense committed on or after June 1, 2013 that results in a conviction will carry a five point violation on the person's driver record. In addition, effective November 1, 2014 the first conviction for probationary and junior drivers with a Class DJ or MJ driver's license or permit will result in a suspension of the driver's license or permit for 120 days. A second conviction within 6 months of the restoration of the license or permit (after the 120 day suspension is terminated) will result in a revocation of at least one year of a probationary/driver's permit license.

National Teen Driver Safety Week: "Parents are Key" says CDC

In late October each year our country conducts National Teen Driver Week. This year, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) hopes its "Parents are Key" campaign will help parents encourage safe driving habits with the goal of reducing accidents and fatalities among teen drivers and passengers. In addition, the National Highway Traffic and Safety Administration (NHTSA) is running its "5 to Drive" campaign, urging parents and guardians to discuss one safety topic each day, Monday through Friday.

The 5 NHTSA safety recommendations are:

- . No cell phone use or texting while driving;
- . No extra passengers;
- . No speeding;
- . No alcohol;
- . No driving or riding without a seat belt.

As reported by the U.S. Transportation Secretary in a statement to Reuters Health: "Despite a declining trend, young drivers remain the *LARGEST* percentage of crashes and death on our roads and we must all do more to change that."

Although the NHTSA reported in a study from 2003-2012 that the number of teens who died each year in a motor vehicle crash has declined by 50%, (from nearly 6,000 to 3,000,) and the rate of passenger vehicle drivers ages 16-19 years involved in fatal crashes fell by 52%, motor vehicle crashes remain a leading cause of death for teens with distracted driving (cell phone/texting), alcohol and not wearing a seat belt at greater than 60%.

Some common sense suggestions by the CDC were the recommendation that parents allow their teens to drive family vehicles because statistics show they are newer and hence have more safety features. One last suggestion for parents was to prohibit driving when crashes are most likely to occur --at night and when there are other teens in the car.

Schools-Bullying/Hazing and the Web

I would be remiss if I did not discuss a law that took effect in 2013 that requires school officials to investigate complaints of bullying that happen online and to respond in ways to prevent acts of bullying from recurring.

This year we saw the effects of hazing/bullying become front page when a school in NJ had to suspend its football program. Interestingly, the school superintendent and board took complaints against such a decision. What was missed in those complaints was the duties and responsibilities of school officials pursuant to the Dignity for all Students Act passed in July 2010. The reality is that the law was necessary to prevent increasing and alarming statistics to recognize, respond to and prevent harassment, bullying and discrimination in our schools. The law also recognized the alarming increase in on line bullying and harassment that occurs through email, chat rooms, instant messaging, websites or texting. Let's never forget that the intent and hope of this law has and should always be to protect our students and children.

Floral Park Knights of Columbus

On October 28, 2014, I had the honor and privilege of again being sworn as Judge Advocate for our Division along with my fellow knights. Under the leadership of James Hearne, the Knights of Columbus continues to make a difference through its charitable efforts.

Happy Holidays

Along with our Court Staff, I wish you all a Happy and Healthy Holiday Season and New Year!!



4VS NEWS

James Green, Operations Manager

Three New 4VS Shows!!!

Four Village Studio will be debuting three new programs in 2015. Two of those shows will be produced by teenagers. FPM Senior Jon Stephens will be the host of "Stephens on Sports", a show that will feature local athletes, coaches, and sports programs. Chaminade Junior JK Larkin is hosting "Reali-Teen," a show for teens, by teens and about teens. Watch for "4VS Teen Week" on Monday, January 12th to see the debut of these programs, plus two other shows that feature talented and dedicated teenagers.

The third new program is called "Uncorked." This show is produced by Rex Whicker, co-owner of Le Chat Noir Wine and Spirits on Tulip Avenue. Rex will share his vast expertise on wine to educate viewers and help consumers to make better informed decisions. "Uncorked" will debut on Monday, January 19th.

4VS On The Web!

The Four Village Studio staff proudly invites you to visit our recently redesigned website. The new site's simple design offers easy navigation to view many 4VS Programs, scroll the 4VS Community Billboard, and access the studio's Weather Station. Visit us at: www.4VS.org

4VS Facebook Fan Page

Get weekly 4VS Program Schedule reminders and other 4VS News on our Facebook Fan Page. LIKE us on... facebook.com/FourVillageStudio



ASSESSMENT DEADLINE

Residents are reminded that **December 31, 2014** 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.



LIBRARY

Patricia Eren, Librarian- in-Charge

We would like to take this opportunity to extend a sincere thank you to John Beyer of Men on the Move for providing storage space for books destined for our library book sale. Our book sale in June is a tremendous source of revenue for our library, as many of you know. When recent events made book storage an issue, Men on the Move stepped in to help. Thank you to Men on the Move for their generous offer of assistance in our hour of need.

Pictured L-R are Pat Eren, Librarian-in-Charge; John Beyer President of Men on the Move; Terry Meegan, President of Friends of the Library; Library employees Jim Pohl, and Linda Sartini and Mayor Tom Tweedy.



As always, your library offers adults a variety of workshops, ranging from computer classes, lectures, concerts, craft workshops and so much more. In addition, we have a lot of fun and exciting programs for the young people in our community. There are a variety of youth programs for all ages, such as our Jump for Joy classes for the very small, to college preparation courses for the high school students. Check out our website or our newsletter to see what's happening at our library. We are sure you'll find a workshop or two to suit you. If not, we are always willing to listen to your suggestions and try to accommodate you.



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, 2014 and January 1, 2015.

For the convenience of residents needing to renew parking permits for 2015, Village Hall will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Monday, December 29th.

FLORAL PARK RECREATION SESSION II - 2014/15

The 2014/2015 VFP leisure pass or 2014 resident pool pass is required for registration. Adult and youth program fees are \$45.00 for ten weeks (unless otherwise stated). All senior program fees are \$25.00. 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 subject to change
and are non-refundable.*

REGISTRATION DATES AND TIMES:

In the Recreation/ Pool Building - 2nd Floor
Tuesday January 6 & Thursday January 8, 2015
6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

SENIOR REGISTRATION

In the Recreation/ Pool Building - 2nd Floor
Tuesday January 6 & Thursday January 8, 2015

YOUTH PROGRAMS

TINY TOTS GYMNASTICS

Fee \$45.00 **First Class Feb. 7**
Saturday 12:30 pm – 1:20 pm Ages: 3 and 4
Saturday 2:30 pm – 3:20 pm Ages: 5, 6, and 7
Introduction to the art of gymnastics. Including stretching, low impact tumbling and beginner gymnastic techniques.

YOGA FOR KIDS (4 to 9 yrs)

Fee \$45.00 **First Class Feb. 7**
Saturday 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm
Basic to intermediate levels of Hatha style yoga helps increase strength, flexibility, circulation, and well-being.

CARTOONING FOR KIDS

Fee \$45.00 **First Class Feb. 2**
Monday 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Learn to draw cartoon characters, storylines, or create your own characters. Colored pencils required and not included.

FUN & FITNESS (9 to 14 yrs)

Fee \$45.00 **First Class Feb. 2**
Monday & Wednesday 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Coordinating skill games, strength & fun, stretch with yoga, and cardio movement & balance.

CHILDREN'S GARDENING

Fee \$45.00 **First Class March 7**
Saturday 9:00 am - 10:00 am
Children explore gardening, planting, animals and insects. Enjoy nature walks, and nature crafts. Meet @ the Floral Pkwy entrance. Held @ Rec/Pool Bldg. in poor weather.

ADULT & SENIOR PROGRAMS

AEROBICS (*17 Week program) **First Class Jan. 19**

Days: Monday, Wednesday, & Friday **Fee \$85.00**
8:30 am – 9:30 am *OR* 9:45 am – 10:45 am
Baby sitting for day classes only - space is limited

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

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

ADULT BOOT CAMP

Fee \$45.00 **First Class Feb. 2**
Monday & Wednesday 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Designed to build strength and fitness through a variety of intense exercises.

ADULT YOGA

Fee \$45.00
Tuesday 7:45 pm – 8:45 pm **First Class Feb. 3**
Friday 11:00 am - 12:00 pm **First Class Feb. 6**
Saturday 10:15 am - 11:15 am **First Class Feb. 7**
Focus on balance, flexibility, strength as well as body relaxation. Emphasis on strengthening/toning muscles.

ZUMBA GOLD

Fee \$45.00
Tuesday 6:30 pm-7:30 pm (Medium) **First Class Feb. 3**
Saturday 9:00 am-10:00 am (Starter) **First Class Feb. 7**
A dance workout that includes basic rhythms like Salsa, Meringue, Belly Dancing, Flamenco, Tango, and Samba.

KNITTING

Sr. Fee \$25.00/Adult Fee \$45.00
Tuesday 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm **First Class Feb. 3**
Expert needle worker teaches beginner and intermediate levels of the art of knitting and stitching.

SILVER SNEAKERS EXERCISE

Fee \$25.00 **First Class Feb. 3**
Tuesday & Thursday 9:30 am -10:30 am

A 12 week program of exercises without leaving your seats. A benefit for beginners as well as those experienced in exercise. Those interested in increasing flexibility and muscle tone will enjoy this class with the instructor's guidance.

SILVER SNEAKERS/GENTLE MOVEMENT

Fee \$25.00 **First Class Feb. 3**
Tuesday & Thursday 10:30 am – 11:30 am

OR
Tuesday & Thursday 11:30 am – 12:30 pm
A 12 week program of low impact and toning exercises designed specifically for older adults to improve your range of motion, balance, and joint mobility.

CONSTRUCTION ON THE NEW POOL HAS BEGUN!

The footprint for the new pool is complete. The aerial photos below were taken on November 5, 2014.
Stop by the Recreation/Pool Building to see the progress!



RECREATION CENTER

Kurt Meyfohrt, Superintendent of Recreation



Recreation

The Floral Park Recreation Center has been a hub of activity since the close of the Summer Season. Additional new program offerings such as the Adult Volley Ball League, Boot Camp, Teen Exercise and Cartooning proved to be popular for both our adult and teen set. Fall tennis lessons once again proved to be a smashing success and all sessions had full attendance.

On October 25, 2014, the Recreation Center's energetic and diligent staff played host to Floral Park's "family of tennis players" and served up a "grand slam" breakfast at The Annual Tennis Awards. Participants competed in 15 divisions and enjoyed the opportunity to display their tennis expertise to family and fellow players who attended the final rounds.

Awards were distributed to the champion winners in various categories by Mayor Tom Tweedy, Deputy Mayor Jim Rhatigan, Trustee Dominick Longobardi, John Michon and Wendy Bilka. Players enjoyed viewing a historical looking back slide presentation ranging from 2001 through this past season.

As the seasons begin to change, the Recreation Center staff adjusts gears and readies itself for yet another season of activity. The Recreation and Pool Building hosts over 28 Village club and organization meetings monthly and oversees 30 indoor classes and programs weekly. Registration for the popular Session II, Winter/Spring class offerings for Youth, Adult and Seniors will be held on Tuesday, January 6 and Thursday, January 8, 2015, from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm in the Recreation Pool Building. Senior Registration will be held on Tuesday January 6 & Thursday January 8, 2015 from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm.

All residents are reminded that the new 2014-2015 Floral Park Leisure Pass is required for enrollment in these classes. Forms for the Leisure Pass may be found in the lobby of the Recreation/Pool Building and in the Floral Park Shelter House or by visiting the Floral Park Village website, www.fpvillage.org, and clicking on the Recreation tab.

During the winter season, please keep in mind that Tiny Town, basketball courts, multi-purpose court #4, handball wall, and the multi-purpose rink will be open for play on days when conditions permit. All fields will be closed for several months to allow for seeding and seasonal maintenance.

Pool

Demolition and ground breaking for the new pool construction began as scheduled in September. Comfortable fall temperatures have enabled the construction to progress smoothly. Project managers and construction crews have been meticulously laying out the footprint for the new Pool Facility. Residents are urged to stop by the Recreation Pool Building to see the work in progress. Recreation and Pool staff have already started to explore and plan program offerings and special events for the upcoming Pool season.





INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF FLORAL PARK
RECREATION LEISURE PASS
2015-2016 LEISURE PASS APPLICATION
(FOR NON-POOL MEMBERS—LIST NAMES OF APPLICANTS ONLY)

Family Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Business Phone: _____

Husband's First Name: _____ Wife's First Name: _____

Children's Names	Date of Birth	Age	School
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_____	_____	_____	_____
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MEMBER ELIGIBILITY

All applicants must be a current resident of the Inc. Village of Floral Park. Immediate members of the family include father, mother, school age children, and working sons/daughters 23 years of age or younger.

GUESTS

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.

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST INCLUDE:

- 1) One picture ID per adult (18 years and over) with applicant's name
- 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") driver's license size (place names on back of photo)

I hereby apply for a leisure pass for the Inc. Village of Floral Park Recreation Center. I agree to 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.

Signature: _____ Date Submitted: _____

Recreation Center Use Only Below This Line

Date Processed: _____ Signature: _____ Leisure Pass #: _____

2015 VILLAGE EMPLOYMENT

Applications for 2015 summer employment are available on the following pages, at Village Hall and the Recreation Center or you may go to www.fpvillage.org.

Completed applications will not be accepted until Tuesday, January 6, 2015 beginning at 8:30 a.m. All applications must be brought into Village Hall and left with the receptionist where they will be time-stamped. Applications are accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis and will not be accepted through the mail slot.

The hiring criteria for 2015 Summer employees are as follows:

- * Returnees from last Summer season will be given first consideration.
- * Applications from residents will be considered first.
- * **Lifeguard Application:** The minimum age requirement for a lifeguard is 16 years of age by January 1, 2015. 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, 2014 must be presented with the application.
- * **Park/Pool Attendant Application:** The minimum age requirement for all other summer positions is 17 years of age by January 1, 2015. Working papers and proof of a physical exam administered no earlier than June, 2014 must be presented with the application.

All applicants should be aware that there will be no time off permitted for Summer vacations simply because it is such a short season.

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



VILLAGE ITEMS AVAILABLE BY E-MAIL

As mentioned in our prior *Village Items*, in our continuing efforts to reduce costs, *Village Items* is now available by e-mail. Many of your neighbors are receiving this *Village Items* by e-mail. If you would like to receive future issues by e-mail, please sign up at comments@fpvillage.org, and let us know by giving us your name, address and e-mail address.



Application for *New* Employment Summer 2015 (Seasonal Only)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____ Date of Birth: _____

School: _____

Special Skills: _____

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

- ☛ The minimum age requirement for summer positions is **17 years of age by 1/1/2015**. 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, 2014.
- ☛ All applicants are subject to Nassau County Civil Service approval.
- ☛ Completed applications will *not* be accepted until Tuesday, **January 6, 2015** beginning at 8:30 am. All applications must be brought into Village Hall and left with the receptionist. (Applications are accepted on a first come, first served basis and are time-stamped upon receipt at Village Hall.)
- ☛ **Working papers, if applies, and proof of physical must be submitted with application and will not be accepted without same.**
- ☛ **All applicants should be aware that there will be no time off permitted for summer vacation.**

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

Applicant's Signature

Date

Contact Susan Walsh at Village Hall if you have any questions at 326-6300.



NEW EMPLOYMENT FOR **LIFEGUARD** ONLY **Summer 2015**

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, 2015 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, 2014 with this application.

☞ **All applicants should be aware that there will be no time off permitted for summer vacation.**

☞ Completed applications will not be accepted until Tuesday, **January 6, 2015** beginning at 8:30 am.

Applications must be brought into Village Hall and left with the receptionist. Applications are accepted on a first come, first serve basis and are time-stamped upon receipt at Village Hall.

☞ **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

Contact Susan Walsh at Village Hall if you have any questions at 326-6300.

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Douglas J. Hayden

Village Administrator
Gerard M. Bambrick

Village Clerk
Susan E. Walsh



**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
Voice Mail (after 4:30 p.m.).....326-6300
Public Works Department.....326-6320
Recreation Shelter House.....326-6334
Recreation/Pool Bldg.....326-6336

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****ENCLOSED IS YOUR 2015 RECYCLING CALENDAR****

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