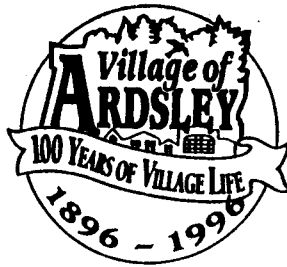


Mayor  
E. JOHN MOREHOUSE

Trustees  
MAXINE HOWARD - Deputy Mayor  
LINDA POHLMANN  
SAMUEL J. ABATE, JR.  
PAUL E. KERSON



Village Manager  
GEORGE F. CALVI

Village Clerk  
MARY KAMENS

Village Treasurer  
MARION DE MAIO

505 Ashford Avenue  
Ardsley, New York 10502  
(914) 693-1550  
Fax (914) 693-3706

## THE VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

---

MARCH 1996

---

### VILLAGE MOURNS LOSS OF TWO DEDICATED PUBLIC SERVANTS

In December, the Village of Ardsley experienced the loss of two dedicated public servants and long-time residents.

On December 20, John "Bud" Powell died at the age of 68. Bud, a former buyer for IBM, was Mayor of the Village from 1968 to 1977. He was a member of the Ardsley Fire Department for 18 years, serving in several capacities including President of Engine Company No. 1 from 1991 through 1993. He is survived by his ex-wife and four children.

John V. Lindsay died on December 26. He served on the Village Board as Trustee from 1985 to 1987. An employee of Gannett Suburban Newspapers, John served the community in a number of ways, particularly as a member of the Ardsley Secor Volunteer Ambulance Corp Board of Governors and as a member of the Ardsley Fire Department for 25 years. John is survived by his wife, Patricia, and six children, including his son, Patrick, who is an employee of the Ardsley Highway Department.

Both men were fine dedicated public servants, and their absence will be felt by all.

---

### VILLAGE ELECTIONS ARE JUST AROUND THE CORNER

Election Day in the Village will take place Tuesday, March 19, 1996. Polls will be open between 6:00 AM and 9:00 PM at Village Hall and St. Barnabas Episcopal Church. Appearing on the ballot will be candidates for the office of Village Trustee (2) for two year terms. Please come out and vote.

If you plan to be out of town on Election Day, don't forget to obtain an absentee ballot APPLICATION at Village Hall. If you have questions regarding absentee ballot application deadlines, please telephone the Village Clerk at 693-1550.

---

### CENTENNIAL EVENTS IN PROGRESS

January marked the kick-off of the Village's Centennial celebration with a flag raising ceremony held on a frigid Saturday morning (January 6) at the entrance to Village Hall with a color guard provided by the Ardsley Police Department and Fire Department. Before an SRO crowd, speeches were delivered in Village Hall by Congressman Benjamin Gilman, Assemblyman Richard Brodsky, Town Supervisor Paul Feiner, Mayor John Morehouse, and Village Justice Walter Schwartz. Following the ceremony, refreshments were served by the members

of the Ardsley Engine Company No. 1. in their company room.

On January 19 and 20, fifth and sixth grade students at the Ardsley Middle School performed a freely-adapted musical of the founding of the Village of Ardsley in 1896 entitled "We'll Make It Shine." The performance was under the direction of Middle School music teacher, Jeffrey Berk. It was truly a wonderful production and the Centennial Committee wishes to thank Mr. Berk and the entire School District Administration, especially Dr. Stanley Toll, for their cooperation and support.

On January 25, the full membership of Engine Company No. 1 re-enacted the chartering of the Ardsley Fire Department on that same date in 1896. Again, an SRO crowd was in attendance, providing a fitting start to the Fire Department's celebration of its founding.

On January 30 at the Middle School, the sixth grade orchestra, strings, and band held their annual winter concert dedicated this year to the Ardsley Centennial.

Receiving rave reviews is the Centennial Journal which was delivered school district-wide during the week of January 15. Many thanks, again, to Floyd Lichtenberg and his editorial staff for a splendid job. The journal will make a great keepsake of our Centennial celebration for years to come. Remember to refer to the schedule of events for upcoming Centennial programs in the opening pages of the journal.

During February, two Ardsley Historical Society exhibitions were held in the Library. The first, known as the Ashford Avenue Project, offered a series of photos and historic commentaries about the buildings on Ashford Avenue. The second

event was the presentation and display of the Ardsley Signature Quilt upon which were inscribed the signatures of many local residents. February also saw the distribution of photographs of Victorian homes in the Village for display in the windows of local merchants.

---

### **YOU AIN'T SEEN NOTHING YET!**

Just as the immortal words of Al Jolson leaped from the screen in 1927, so goes the Village's schedule of planned centennial events which is just gaining momentum. No less than nine events will be held during March, April, and May. Here is just a sample of what will be taking place:

Event 1: Saturday, March 30 - The Ardsley Public Library will host a "Local Artists Retrospective" art exhibition and reception.

Event 2: Tuesday, April 9 - At 8:00 PM, the Ardsley Library and the Ardsley Historical Society are jointly sponsoring a program promoted as Victorian Houses in Ardsley. Evie Joselow, an art historian, will offer a slide presentation and commentary on the Victorian domestic architecture still existing in the village. For those inclined to delve deeper into the genre, the Library will make available several books on the subject, and display a special exhibit of photographs of the extant Victorian homes in Ardsley.

Event 3: Saturday, April 13 - The Ardsley Secor Volunteer Ambulance Corps (ASVAC) will hold an Open House. All life saving equipment, including the ambulance, will be on display with members of the Corps on hand to explain the function of each item.

**Event 4: Saturday, April 20** - The Library will present Library Day from 10:30 AM to 5:30 PM. This day has been designated to celebrate 25 years of library service to the community. There will be video showings of the adult library building dedication, and the children's library ground-breaking. Photographs and books depicting the history of the library will also be on display. A Founder's Day reception will be held from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM.

**Event 5: Sunday, April 21** - Famous children's folk singer, Tom Paxton, will be coming to Ardsley. The Friends of the Ardsley Public Library will be hosting Mr. Paxton's appearance at the Ardsley High School at 2:00 PM. Tickets will be available on a first come, first served basis at the Ardsley Public Library starting April 1. Don't be left out!

**Event 6: Wednesday, May 8** - The Ardsley Garden Club will host a Centennial Flower Show at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church located on Revolutionary Road.

**Event 7: Saturday/Sunday, May 18 & 19** - Recognizing National Police Week, the Ardsley Police Department will hold an Open House. For information, please call the Police Desk at 693-1700.

**Event 8: Monday, May 27** - The Centennial Committee is sponsoring the biggest Memorial Day Parade seen in years. For the first time, female service veterans will be taking their rightful place beside the male marchers. [See related article p. 4] Immediately following in Ashford Park will be the dedication of the re-constructed Honor Roll in memory of World War II's veterans and those who never made it home.

**Event 9: Thursday, May 30** - Judge Walter Schwartz will conduct a special

"one time only" walking tour of Ardsley's parks, monuments, and historic points of interest.

---

#### **ROSTER OF SPRING RECREATION EVENTS IN INSERT**

The Parks & Recreation commission has provided another full schedule of events for the coming Spring. Please refer to the enclosed insert for specifics.

---

#### **SHOULD THE VILLAGE BAG CURBSIDE LEAF PILES?**

All leaves that were left curbside last autumn due to several early snow storms will be picked up this Spring, BUT ONLY IF THEY ARE BAGGED. In addition, the Highway Foreman has requested the Village Board of Trustees to consider a proposal to have all leaves bagged commencing autumn 1996, as it is done in Dobbs Ferry and other communities. By bagging leaves, collection will be accelerated, and the Highway crew will be freed to attend to other maintenance tasks. Please let your Village Board know how you feel about this proposal by either voicing your opinion at a Village Board meeting or submitting your comments in writing to Village Hall.

---

#### **MOTHER NATURE BELLOWS**

Nature threw down the gauntlet and the Village's DPW met the challenge. This winter season has proven to be an enormous challenge for our residents, merchants and the Highway Department. We want to thank department head, Louis Pascone, and his 11 man crew for meeting the challenge under some of the most trying of weather conditions, working very

long hours to keep the 21 miles of Village roadways and sidewalks safe and passable. On behalf of motorists and pedestrians alike, thank-you!

---

#### **EVERREADY FIREEATERS STANDBY**

Chief Troy Roberts reports that whenever there is a large snowfall, or other serious storm, the Fire Department calls an emergency standby bringing the volunteers of Engine Company No. 1 to the firehouse until conditions improve. During the blizzard of January 7-8 the Fire Department was on emergency standby, for 28 straight hours from Sunday through Monday evening, with an average of 10 volunteer fire fighters at the firehouse at all times. After the standby call expired, volunteer Fire Department crews cleared away snow from fire hydrants for three days. On behalf of everyone in the Village, thank you for your efforts during the storm!

**SIDEBAR:** Chief Roberts suggests that residents can help the Fire Department if those of you who live near fire hydrants would clear away snow accumulated within a three foot radius of the hydrants, particularly if the snow is reaching or covering the side hydrant caps.

---

#### **A BUGLE CALL FOR WOMEN SERVICE VETERANS**

You are invited to participate in Ardsley's Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 27. If you are a female veteran of World War II, Korea, Vietnam, Grenada, the Persian Gulf War, or other overseas conflict and would like to march and participate in the Memorial Day activities, please contact parade organizers Larry Hickey at 693-3547 or Sydney Fried at 693-9419.

#### **OWNERSHIP OF UNNEUTERED PETS GROWS COSTLIER**

Village Clerk, Mary Kamens, wants to advise that a new New York State regulation administered under the auspices of the Department of Agriculture and Markets requires owners of unneutered dogs and cats to pay a \$3.00 surcharge when obtaining or renewing licenses for their pets. For further information, contact Mrs. Kamens at 693-1550.

---

#### **VILLAGE PEOPLE**

For Richard Geraghty, Jr. public service has truly been a family affair. This year, Police Sgt. Geraghty marks his 30th year as an Ardsley Police Officer. His father, Richard, Sr., retired as Village Highway Foreman in 1978 after 23 years of service. His daughter, Sharon Schrieber, works as a part-time administrative assistant in the Police Department. His uncle, Thomas Geraghty, was an Ardsley patrolman from 1951 to 1972. His wife, Anita Geraghty, acts as a Police Matron for female prisoners when the need arises. Many congratulations to you, Richard, as you achieve this career milestone on March 14!

On January 16, the Mayor and Village Board of Trustees appointed Lieutenant John C. Coupe as Provisional Chief of the 16 officer Ardsley Police Department. Congratulations and best wishes in your new position, John!

Mayor Morehouse has appointed Janos Marton, Isabel Kessler, Judith Mohl, Beverly Levine, Susan Levine, Lauren Pellegrino, Larry Hickey, Dan Kaufman, Armen Boyajian, and the Rev. Robert Godley to the Ardsley 2000 Ad Hoc Committee. Trustee Paul Kerson has been

named Chairman of the committee. Dan Kaufman has been named liaison to Irvington 2000, and Larry Hickey and Lauren Pellegrino have been named liaisons to the Ardsley School District. Ardsley 2000 meets the fourth Monday of the month in Village Hall.

**Farewell to James Esposito!** After nearly 14 years of service, Jim retired on January 31 from his post as School Crossing Guard at the Concord Road / Heatherdell Road intersection. To Jim who is very proud of his Italian heritage, "Tante belle cose, mio caro amico!"

Noreen Munson has been appointed the new School Crossing Guard. With a little juggling of hours, Noreen will be able to maintain her position as Community Center Director. On March 12, Noreen will receive the Jenkins Memorial Award along with Ed Zimmer, Michael Greaney, Donna Meinel, and Fay Seltzer. The Jenkins Award is presented by the Ardsley PTA for those who have given "outstanding service to the welfare and youth of Ardsley."

Ardsley Recreation Director, Betty Larsen Giaccio, is working as an extra in the film "In The Devil's Way" currently in production in Irvington starring Harrison Ford and Brad Pitt. This is not Betty's first foray into the movie business having appeared as an extra in "Sleepless in Seattle" and other feature films.

In November, Village Attorney, Robert Ponzini, was elected Town Justice of the Town of Mount Pleasant. Congratulations, Bob!

At a recent Village Board meeting, Mayor Morehouse accepted, with regret, the resignation of Robert P. Levine as Acting Village Justice. At the same meeting,

Mayor Morehouse appointed Howard J. Levitz to fill the vacated position for the remainder of its term through April 1.

---

## **BUSINESS HAPPENINGS**

Ardsley salutes Joseph McCarthy, M.D. as his office, Ardsley Radiology, commences its second decade providing diagnostic imaging needs for the county's physicians. Best wishes to the new business owners of Ardsley Ale House, Sushi Man, Tokyo-Seoul Restaurant, Ardsley Nails, Ardsley Dry Cleaning, Saw Mill Deli, Rubo's, Genesis, Ardsley Shopping Center Jewelers, and Cafe Uma, and to the owners of the newly renovated and expanded Captain Video and Astoria Federal Bank. Best wishes also to the new owners of Convenience Market & Deli, and First Union [formerly First Fidelity Bank]. The Village also notes the sad demise of The Lunch Box, Gina's Pizzeria, Ardsley Jewelers, Westchester Garage, and the Pomegranate Cafe. In a few short weeks, Dunkin' Donuts, Lucy's Deli, a yet-to-be-named green grocer in the old Animal Hospital building, and a newly relocated Ardsley Tire will be joining the Village's roster of businesses. All of our merchants are encouraged to join the Ardsley Chamber of Commerce. For information, telephone Chamber President, Scot McCartney at 693-3500.

---

## **SEND IN THE CENTENARIANS!**

The Centennial Committee would like to know if there are any School District residents who will be 100 years old in 1996, and who might be able to join in the Centennial festivities. If so, call Village Hall (693-1550) and leave a message with the Village Clerk Mary Kamens.

---

## **HOLIDAY OBSERVANCES**

Village offices will be closed Friday, April 5 in observance of Good Friday, and Monday, May 27 in observance of Memorial Day. Refer to your 1996 Notice of Sanitation for rescheduled trash collections.

---

## **POLITICALLY CORRECT TRASH COLLECTION HAS ARRIVED**

Village residents are reminded that trash cans and recyclables must be at curbside by 7:00 am each day to guarantee collection. Residents may place the items at the curb no earlier than the evening before. Likewise, cans and containers must be retrieved no later than the evening of the day of collection. Besides this policy being the law, the plain truth is that no one wants to stare at trash or empty trash cans longer than they have to. Nothing spoils a mood or a view quicker than a pile of junk left on the curb days ahead of time.

Therefore, please, in the spirit of neighborliness don't put out the trash earlier than you're supposed to, and bring in the empty containers as soon as possible. If you're not able to comply due to frailness or physical impairment, ask a neighbor, friend, or relative to help out. Lastly, if you must put that refrigerator, couch, or other large item out on Friday afternoon for Monday

---

**VILLAGE OF ARDSLEY  
ARDSLEY, NEW YORK 10502**

**LAST CALL FOR RECIPES FOR THE  
CENTENNIAL COOKBOOK. PLEASE MAIL  
ASAP TO ELLEN MOREHOUSE, 26  
EASTERN DRIVE, ARDSLEY, NY 10502**

morning pickup, consider throwing a sheet or tarp over it. It may stick out like a sore thumb, but at least the neighborhood won't be reminiscent of Tobacco Road.

---

## **A SILENT MAJORITY IS NO MAJORITY AT ALL**

After nearly two years of work sessions, public hearings, and Village Board meetings, plans for amendments to the zoning code affecting the business district AND for the construction of a new Village Hall are nearing completion. If for some reason you have been unaware of these developments despite their regular coverage in The Reporter Dispatch, The Enterprise, The Westchester Business Journal, The Village Newsletter, cable television, and specially prepared notices mailed directly to your home or business, and despite the fact these two topics have been a staple of "over the fence," cocktail party, block party, and coffee klatch conversations for many months, please stop by Village Hall to review the respective plans, reports, and maps available for your inspection in the Village Clerk's office before your opportunity to voice an opinion expires. The Village Clerk's office is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 4:00 PM.

---

**HAPPY PASSOVER &  
HAPPY EASTER !!!**

---

BULK RATE U.S. POSTAGE PAID PERMIT No. 26 ARDSLEY, NY PRE-SORT
---

# VILLAGE OF ARDSLEY RECREATION & COMMUNITY CENTER PROGRAMS SPRING 1996

Calvi letter:

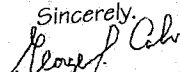
Dear Neighbors:

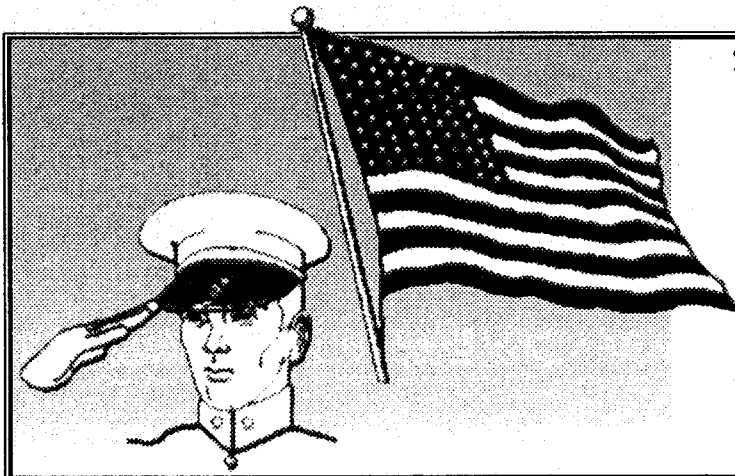
As we celebrate Ardsley's Centennial, we hope you will join in the activities planned to take place at the Community Center and our Parks. Please look for new activities and recreational opportunities in this newsletter. Consider joining our hiking program or our new quad-village adult softball league. Plans are also in the works for a volleyball court at Ashford Park. And, we hope to have a gazebo installed at the park this summer.

You will also note that our Youth Advocate, Rocco Venneri, will be holding regular office hours at the Community Center two afternoons a week, so that youngsters who want to discuss any issues with him can drop in for a confidential chat.

For details, please read on. And we hope you will participate in many Centennial events.

Sincerely,

  
George F. Calvi  
Village Manager



## MEMORIAL DAY PARADE Rededication of Honor Roll

Ashford Avenue to Ashford Park

Monday, May 27

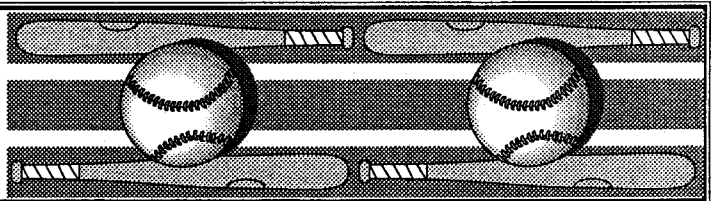
10:00 A.M.

## LITTLE LEAGUE PARADE

From Concord Road to McDowell Park

Saturday, April 20

12:30 PM



### COMMUNITY CENTER AVAILABLE FOR PRIVATE GATHERINGS

The village has opened up the Community Center to residents and local organizations for meetings and parties. Fees will be charged based upon the type of event and duration. Applications, rules, and fee schedules are available at the Community Center. Please make use of the facilities, but take care of our property!

### COMMUNITY CENTER HOURS

Monday, 1 P.M. to 5 P.M.  
Tuesday & Thursday, 11 A.M. to 2:30 P.M.  
Friday, 9 A.M. to 12 NOON

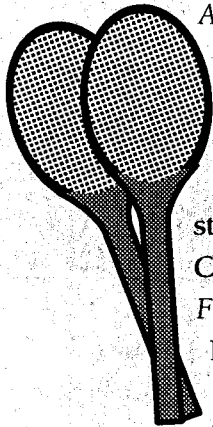
#### Youth Advocate Hours

Monday & Thursday, 3 P.M. to 5 P.M.

For more information call  
693-8012 Community Center  
693-1550 Village Hall

# ATHLETICS

## TENNIS



Ashford Park

Tennis courts are available during daytime hours and under the lights until 10:00 P.M.

NEW tennis permits and renewal stickers must be obtained at Community Center. Check hours.

Fees:

Individuals: \$35.00 for residents

\$65.00 for non-residents

Families: \$75.00 for residents

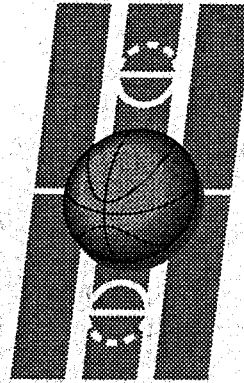
\$125.00 for non-residents

## BASKETBALL

Ashford Park

Come join the HOOP-la!

\*\*If you would like to organize or join a league, please call the Community Center



## LITTLE LEAGUE

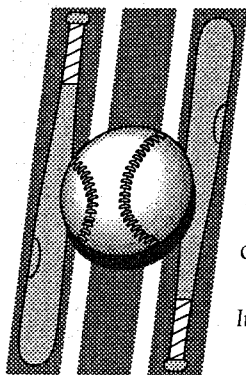
McDowell Park

April to June

## TWO MEN'S SOFTBALL LEAGUES NOW IN ARDSLEY

### ARDSLEY SOFTBALL

Ashford Park



May to September

Fee: \$475.00 per team

A league meeting will be held at the end of March. Call the community center for the date.

Individual players interested in joining a team, please call the Community Center

### QUAD-VILLAGE OVER 40 MEN'S SLOW-PITCH SOFTBALL LEAGUE

Ashford Park

Sundays 9:00 to 1:00

May to August

Fee: \$300.00 per team

Organizational meeting March 28 at 8:00 P.M. at the Community Center

For more information contact Anthony Giaccio at 478-2380

## SENIOR CITIZEN PROGRAMS

### SENIOR MEETINGS

Community Center

Wednesdays

1:00 P.M.

### Upcoming trip:

WILDWOOD, NJ

APRIL 29-MAY 2

Please call for details and reservations.

### SENIOR BUS SERVICE

Daily

Bus service is available to lunches at the Embassy Club in Dobbs Ferry. If you are not a regular, please call Village Hall to reserve your spot.



# YOUTH ACTIVITIES

## GAME NIGHTS

Community Center

Friday Nights

Fee: \$3.00

Grade 6

March 1, April 26, May 24

7:30-9:00 PM.

Grade 5

March 29, April 12, May 31

7:30-9:00 PM.

## TEEN PARTIES

Community Center

Fee: \$3.00

Grade 7

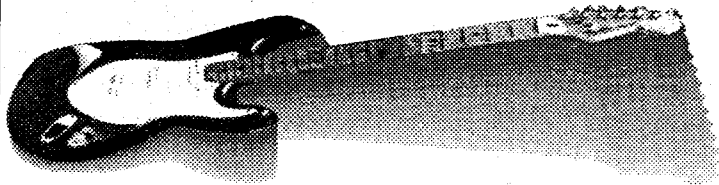
7:30-9:30 P.M.

Feb. 9, March 22, May 17

Grade 8

7:30-9:30 P.M.

March 15, April 19, May 10



## NEW YOUTH ADVOCATE HOURS

Our Youth Advocate, Rocco Venneri, is now available for conversation and counseling at the Community Center on a regular basis. He will be in the office from 3:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. on Mondays and Thursdays.

You may make an appointment with him by leaving a message at the Community Center (693-8012) or drop by to see him during those hours. Rocco is here to discuss any problems or issues of interest to teens in our community. All conversations with the Youth Advocate are confidential.

## CENTENNIAL COOKBOOK

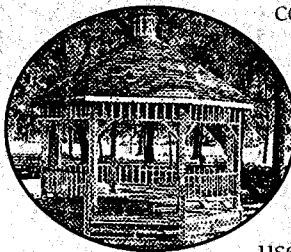
### Almost done!

Last chance to have your favorite recipes included in Ardsley's gastronomic history!

Submit your culinary gems to Village Hall or the Community Center

## BEAUTIFICATION AT ASHFORD PARK

Thanks to a very generous donation, the Parks and Recreation Commission is finalizing plans to build a gazebo in Ashford Park to commemorate Ardsley's centennial. The structure should be completed this summer.



In addition, the Commission is selling centennial bricks. Individuals and groups may purchase bricks with a two-line inscription. These bricks will be used to create a decorative commemoration of Ardsley's 100th anniversary.

Each brick will cost \$50.00. Please use the order form included in this newsletter to reserve bricks, or obtain one at Village Hall.

## HIKING

Recreation Director Betty Giaccio is organizing group hikes this Spring. Times and dates will be decided by the group.

All ages and athletic abilities are welcome.

Please call the Community Center if you are interested.

## VOLLEYBALL IS COMING!

The Recreation Commission plans to install a beach volleyball court at Ashford Park this year. Plans are in the works for a volleyball league.

If you are interested, contact the Community Center.

## CHINESE MARTIAL ARTS CLASS

Community Center

Led by Sifu Nat Costanzo, 3rd degree

Tuesday afternoons

Starts March 12, 1996

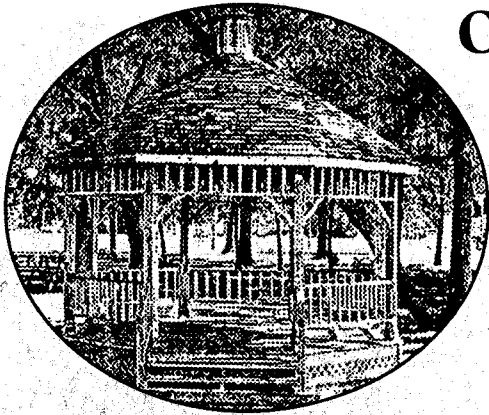
4:30 - 5:30 P.M.

### Kenpo Karate/Kung-Fu for Kids

Martial arts for kids will cultivate discipline and respect, while redirecting their energy in a positive way. Students will learn the basic stances, kicks, punches, and self defense techniques.

\$45.00 per month

Minimum class size five



# ORDER FORM FOR ASHFORD PARK CENTENNIAL BRICK

*Brick Specifications:*

Size: 6" x9"

Color: Red (Ruby)

Engraving: 5/8" high lettering

*Note:* Maximum number of letters for engraving is 19 per line with a two line maximum of 38 characters; include interior spaces and apostrophes.

PRINT TEXT CLEARLY IN BOXES BELOW


*Print name and address of individual who will verify format prior to having the brick engraved:*

NAME

ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

Phone

*Mail Completed Application to:*

**Dr. Mathew Hertz  
6 Franklin Court  
Ardsley, NY 10502**

Applications must be accompanied by a check for \$50 made out to the **Village of Ardsley**. A receipt will be mailed to the above address with confirmation of the text. Corrections should be directed to the Ardsley Recreation Commission at (914) 693-8012.

*Multiple bricks may be ordered. Simply photocopy this form and follow the above instructions.*