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DEAR ARDSLEY RESIDENT:

In recent weeks, there has been a number of significant events at Village Hall. With the arrival of new hardware and software, various administrative aspects of Village government will finally become computerized. With the annual budget process fast approaching, the new computer and accompanying software couldn't have come at a more opportune time. According to Marion DeMaio, our Village Treasurer, a more meaningful and comprehensive budget document is now possible in a shorter period of time.

After thirty years of service, Donald Hoy, our Building and Plumbing Inspector, will retire. We thank him for his many years of outstanding service to the Village, and wish him well in his retirement. Your Village Board has been interviewing prospective candidates for this position. Additionally, your Village Board, on the recommendation of Police Chief Louis D'Aliso, has appointed Michael Starr and Gerald Vaccaro as police officers to replace two officers who recently resigned.

Continuing our commitment to the environment, Ardsley will commence curbside recycling of glass and metal containers on a voluntary basis in the near future. As presently proposed, glass and metal pickup will alternate with the newspaper pickup on Wednesdays. Clearly, the success of such an undertaking will depend on the cooperation and commitment of all residents. Additional information on this matter will be available in a forthcoming brochure.

Our Village Manager, George Calvi, should be commended for taking action in eliminating various fire code violations which were brought to your Board's attention by Fire Chief William Beck and Fire Inspector Neil Slack.

Finally, with the summer of 1990 becoming a faded memory, I would be remiss if mention were not made of the outstanding job that was done by Barbara Novich and the Beautification Committee for enhancing the appearance of our Village. And, of course, the Village Board extends its thanks and appreciation to all the many volunteers who have served the Village in various capacities.

Sincerely,

VILLAGE TRUSTEE

Linda Pohlmann

PUBLIC HEARING: AMENDMENTS TO ZONING CODE

On Monday evening, November 19, 1990 at 8:00 PM the Ardsley Village Board will hold a public hearing in the Municipal Building on Ashford Avenue to consider amending the Zoning Code, Sections 200-2, 200-80, 200-82, and 200-97.

The portion of Section 200-2, entitled "Definitions," under consideration, would broaden the definition of "Boardinghouse" to include a bed and breakfast establishment. In addition the definition of "Home Occupation" would be narrowed to exclude bed and breakfast establish ments, boardinghouses, tourist homes, and rooming houses.

The portions of Sections 200-80, 82, and 97, respectively, entitled "Uses Subject to Approval," "Uses," and "Powers and Duties, [Zoning Board of Appeals]," under consideration, regard the requirement of a special permit to be issued upon the approval of the Village Board of Trustees. To view or obtain a copy of the proposed amendments, please visit or telephone Village Clerk Mary Kamens at 693-1550.

TAXES ARE DUE!

The second half of the Village Tax is due during the month of December. Also, those residents who are Senior Citizens, and are eligible for tax exemptions, are reminded to fill out a form to retain or apply for their exemption, before January 1991. For information, telephone the Village Clerk or the Village Treasurer at 693-1550.

LIBRARY AMENDS HOURS

The Ardsley Public Library has announced a change in its operating hours. Based on the response received from the postcard survey sent out in the last Village Newsletter, the Library Board has decided to open the Library on Wednesdays from 10:00 AM to 5:30 PM. In addition, the Library will retain its evening hours on Thursdays until 8:00 PM, but will not open until 1:00 PM. All changes are effective December 1, 1990.

To summarize, the new hours of the library will be:

Mon. 10:00 AM to 5:30 PM Tues. 10:00 AM to 5:30 PM Wed. 10:00 AM to 5:30 PM Thurs. 1:00 PM to 8:00 PM Fri. 10:00 AM to 5:30 PM Sat. 10:00 AM to 5:30 PM Sunday: CLOSED

NEW CHILDREN'S LIBRARIAN ARRIVES

A hearty welcome is extended to the new children's librarian, Katherine Kearney. Ms. Kearney began work at the Ardsley Public Library on October 1, 1990, and is busy planning new children's programs and storytimes, as well as familiarizing herself with the community and the children's book collection. She has had experience as a school librarian, and has previously worked in Ardsley as a kindergarten teacher. Come in and introduce yourself to her!

PEDESTRIAN SAFETY AWARD

Police Chief Louis D'Aliso reports that a recent luncheon given by the

RAGAMUFFIN PARADE

The annual Ragamuffin Parade. sponsored by the Ardsley Parks and Recreation Commission, will be held Halloween, Wednesday, October 31, 1990. The parade will commence at 6:00 PM in the Village Hall parking lot and proceed down American Legion Drive towards the Ardsley Public Library. Refreshments of doughnuts and cider will be served. For further information, telephone Recreation Director Dawn Graham at Community Center at 693-8012.

HAUNTED HOUSE

Immediately following the Ragamuffin Parade on October 31, the Ardsley High School Key Club will again sponsor its annual Haunted House at the Ardsley Community Center. The event which is aimed at prekindergarten through middle school children will offer games, a maze, prizes, and refreshments. For further information, please telephone Haunted House coordinator Jerry David at 693-1650.

IMPROVEMENTS COMING TO PARKS

At a recent meeting, the Parks and Recreation Commission proposed the purchase and installation of hard plastic benches, trash cans, and vandal-proof water fountains at Ashford and McDowell Parks. In addition, plans were made for the repaving of the McDowell Park ice skating rink. These improvements, except for the water fountains, are planned for this autumn. The water fountains should be installed for Spring 1991.

In September, the Village Board

awarded a contract to Kennedy Builders & Custom Home Developers of Dobbs Ferry for the rehabilitation of the McDowell Park comfort station. Lastly, plans for resurfacing of the Ashford Park tennis courts have been included in the Village's Capital Project plan for 1991.

CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE

Since the beginning of the fiscal year, June 1, 1990, the following capital projects have been bid and/or awarded; most have been completed or are near completion. Some equipment was acquired through New York State Bureau of Purchasing contracts:

- 1. The resurfacing of various roads in the Village. (bid) (completed)
- 2. The reconstruction of sidewalks and curbs on Larchmont Avenue and Legion Drive. (bid) (completed)
- 3. The installation of a new boiler / burner in Village Hall. (bid) (in progress)
- 4. The improvements to the Village Hall air conditioning system. (completed)
- 5. The installation of a hydraulic lift in the Highway Dept. (bid) (completed)
- 6. The purchase of a new tractor mower for the Highway Department. (NYS contract) (delivered)
- 7. The purchase and delivery of a new Fire Chief vehicle. (bid) (delivered)
- 8. The purchase of a new dump truck for the Highway Department (bid) (Not delivered vet)
- 9. The installation of a new alarm board in the Police Department. (bid) (completed)
- 10. The installation of a new computer system in the Administrative Offices. (NYS contract) (in progress)

Automobile Club of New York, the Village of Ardsley was the recipient of a special award for "Outstanding Pedestrian Program Improvement." The award was the result of improvement in the areas of crosswalks, traffic control devices, traffic islands, and a traffic safety program for students. Much of the credit for the award goes to Police Officer Ricky LaPine who devoted a great deal of time to research and methodically document the Police Department's traffic activities.

PROJECT "WE CARE"

Ardsley resident, Ed Zimmer, reports that the Westchester County Detachment of the Marine Corps League has kicked off the "WE CARE" project for our troops serving in Saudi Morale builders, health, and Arabia. welfare items are needed to alleviate the boredom of defensive combat as well as to protect the troops from the Suggested items include elements. pocket novels, suntan lotions #25, unsweetened drink mixes, funds for postage, etc. For further information write to Marine Corps League "WE CARE", P.O. Box 505, White Plains, NY 10602, or telephone 941-2118. Should you prefer to write a letter to a service man or woman, address it to: Any Service Man, Operation Desert Shield, A.P.O. 09848-006 NYC.

ARDSLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Fourth Annual (1991) Photo History Calendars are on sale from local merchants. Look for the bright red box. Calendars are \$5.00 each or free with your Historical Society membership. Membership support enables the Society to continue its

programs and preserve collections of local history for future generations. For further information regarding the calendars or membership, telephone Barbara Novich at 693-5438, or Daniel Kaufman at 693-1714. Remember, these calendars make wonderful holiday gifts.

VILLAGE BOARD APPOINTS TWO NEW PATROLMAN

On October 1, 1990, the Village Board appointed Michael Starr of Patterson to the position of Patrolman - Fifth Grade, effective October 20. Patrolman Starr is a five year veteran of the New York City Police Department.

On October 15, 1990, the Village Board appointed Gerald Vaccaro of Yonkers to the position of Patrolman - Fifth Grade, effective October 27. Patrolman Vaccaro is a one year veteran of the Mount Vernon Police Department.

Both patrolman were hired to fill vacancies created with the recent retirement of 20 year veteran P.O. Thomas Green, and the resignation of P.O. John Trotta.

Welcome to Ardsley, gentlemen!

TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY

The Village's annual tree-lighting ceremony celebrating the coming of the holiday season, will be held Saturday, December 8, 1990 at 5:00 PM at the Municipal Parking Lot at Ashford Avenue and Saw Mill River Road. The Middle School Chorus will be giving a free concert featuring renditions of all your favorite holiday songs.

ICE SKATING

The Parks and Recreation Commission will once again be preparing the ice skating rink at McDowell Park for residents' use, weather permitting. Hours will be posted at the rink for both general use and hockey use. Hockey is prohibited during hours of general use to avoid injuries.

LEAF COLLECTION

With winter fast approaching, collection of leaf piles will cease after November 20, 1990. After that date, only bagged leaves will be collected on a regular basis. Piles of leaves thereafter will be removed only when time and personnel are available.

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

POLICE: 693-1700 FIRE: 693-1700

AMBULANCE: 693-1700

REGULAR VILLAGE BUSINESS

VILLAGE CLERK: 693-1550 VILLAGE TREASURER: 693-1550 VILLAGE MANAGER: 693-1550 BUILDING INSPECTOR: 693-1550

FIRE CHIEF: 693-6581

VILLAGE JUSTICE COURT: 693-1703 HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT: 693-0117

COMMUNITY CENTER: 693-9769 YOUTH ADVOCATE: 693-8012 RECREATION DIRECTOR: 693-8012

ARDSLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY: 693-6636

ARDSLEY SCHOOLS: 693-6300

NEWSPAPER RECYCLING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, November 7th Wednesday, November 21st

Wednesday, December 5th Wednesday, December 19th

Should you miss the regular Wednesday newspaper recycling collection, please do not abandon your blue box at curbside. Retrieve the box, and store it indoors until the following collection.

HOLIDAY REFUSE COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Monday, November 12, <u>Veterans Day</u>, no collection. Monday collection to be picked up Tuesday, November 13. Tuesday collection to be picked up Wednesday, November 14.

Thursday, November 22, <u>Thanksgiving</u>, no collection. Thursday <u>and</u> Friday collection to be picked up November 23.

Tuesday, December 25, <u>Christmas</u>, no collection. Tuesday collection to be picked up Wednesday, December 26.

Tuesday, January 1, 1991, New Year's Day, no collection. Tuesday collection to be picked up Wednesday, January 2.

Regular bulk waste pickups are scheduled for November 7, 28; December 5, 12, 19; and January 9.

Special arrangements may be made by telephoning Highway Foreman Louis Pascone at 693-0117.

JANUARY 1991 NEWSLETTER

The January 1991 edition of the Village Newsletter is tentatively scheduled for release December 28, 1990. Items to be considered for inclusion in the next newsletter must reach the Village Manager by Friday, December 14, 1990.

LYME DISEASE ALERT

Lyme disease is a bacterial infection transmitted by the bite of a deer tick, found on all types of vegetation and animals, especially in the woods. The deer tick is most active in the spring and fall, and present throughout the summer.

As a precaution, during outdoor activity, wear long sleeves and slacks. An insect repellent can help repel ticks. Brush off clothing and pets before going inside.

Remove attached tick at once with a fine-jaw tweezers by grasping the tick's head as close to skin as possible, and gently pulling straight out. Be careful

not to squeeze tick's body as this may cause it to inject fluid into your skin. Wash the bite area and apply antiseptic.

Should one be bitten by a tick, a ringshaped rash may occur within 4-20 days, Symptoms may include fever, chills, headache, stiffness of joints, weakness, and fatigue. Sometimes the disease may mimic arthritis; sometimes no symptoms appear at all. If detected early, Lyme disease is usually treatable with antibiotics. Contact your physician if you suspect Lyme disease, or its symptoms.

[The above information is provided by the Gunderson Medical Foundation of LaCrosse, Wisconsin.]

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

In addition to full day holiday closings on Monday, November 12, Veterans Day, Thursday, November 22, Thanksgiving, and Tuesday, December 25, Christmas, the Village Hall offices will close at 12 noon, Tuesday, November 6 for Election Day.



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DO NOT FORWARD

IF YOU RECEIVED THIS NEWSLETTER AS <u>CURRENT</u> <u>OCCUPANT</u>, PLEASE CALL THE VILLAGE CLERK SO THAT WE MAY UPDATE OUR RECORDS.

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