

THE ARDSLEY MIDWAY

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NEWS FROM THE ARDSLEY SCHOOLS POOL PROGRAM

Registrations are now being accepted for the Ardsley Middle School After School Swim Program. Beginner, Intermediate and Competitive Swim classes are offered. For Session 1, the Tuesday program will begin February 12 and will end on April 8; the Thursday program will begin February 14 and will end April 10. For Session 2, the Tuesday program will begin April 15 and will end June 10; the Thursday program will begin April 17 and will end June 12. For more information, and to download a registration form please go to the Ardsley UFSD website www.ardsleyschools.org, click on to "Community" and then REC POOL PROGRAM. Please contact the School District Recreation Dept. at 693-6300 x 2259 for further information. -- Maria Cocucci

MILESTONES ACHIEVED BY ASVAC

2007 was an exciting year for ASVAC. We responded to 519 emergencies; a record number for our all-volunteer organization. Our new building was completed in April, and we have been operating out of our new structure since then. This new facility gives us a safer and a better environment to help serve our community. If you have not yet seen the inside of our building then please contact us and we would be happy to give you a tour. Three ASVAC members reached years of service milestones in 2007:

Stephen Gratzon – 10 years

Morry Silbinger – 20 years

John Clear – 25 years

ASVAC's goal in 2008 and beyond is to provide care for the residents of Ardsley and our surrounding communities. In order to maintain our high level of service, we need volunteers. If you are interested in joining ASVAC then please see our website at (www.asvac.org) or call us at 693-3673 and leave a message. – Alan Greenwald, ASVAC Captain

NO SNOW IN THE ROW!

That's right! Please keep your shoveled snow out of the Right-of-Way, the street that runs past your property. Snow is still "storm water", albeit frozen water. Shoveling it on to grassy vegetated areas gives it a chance to melt back into the ground instead of washing into the storm drain system. Also, pushing your snow back into the street creates a traffic hazard, especially when it freezes up again.

Another winter storm water tip is to try to use a minimum of salt and deicer. Salt is a major pollutant in our runoff. Please try to break up icy patches instead. Better yet, fix those leaky gutters and direct downspouts away from paved surfaces and walkways so you can prevent slippery patches from forming.

Have a safe and happy winter and don't forget to catch our new Storm water Video, "After the Storm," airing at 7:00 PM and 7:30 PM daily on Channel 75 Ardsley CATV. - - Lorraine Kuhn

NEW BUILDING CODE IN EFFECT

The Building Department wants to remind all residents that the effective date of the 2007 version of the NYS Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code (Uniform Code) was 1/1/2008. All permits issued on or after January 1, 2008 must comply with the 2007 version of the Uniform Code regardless of when the application was originally submitted. Please plan your projects accordingly and ensure that your architect is working with the correct version of the Uniform Code as the Building Department is not permitted to deviate from this effective date. For further information on this matter or other related items, please call 693-6961 - - Larry Tomasso

ARDSLEY'S SENIORS ON THE MOVE!

This year we continue in our long tradition of meeting on Wednesday's at 1:00 pm in the afternoon at the Ardsley Community Center located at 18 Center Street (Tel: 693-8012). Senior citizens come together to socialize over coffee and cake. This is a wonderful opportunity to relax and speak with neighbors and friends, which includes making new friends. The day may have programming that will include, but not be limited to, flower arranging, cards, bingo, dance classes, knitting classes, visits from local chefs, guest speakers, and trips.

Wednesday, January 16, 23, and 30 meetings, starts out with bingo, knitting, dance classes, and will host and open house at the end of the month. The following month there will be a penny social where members will bring in items and take home new ones, which is always fun. The end of winter will initiate our travel calendar putting us back on the road for pleasant local trips, outings, and delicious meals.

We welcome new members throughout the year, so please stop by and bring a friend. Have a cup of coffee with us, and see for yourself if this may be a way for you to spend some time with people who share in similar interests. At the end of the month we invite people to join us at an Open House. Hope to see you there! -- Pierrette Rissland, Director

RECYCLING DEPOT IN FULL SWING

Trustee Beverly Levine wishes to remind everyone that the recycling depot is now in full operation at the Ardsley Highway Garage on Saturdays from 7 am to 12 noon. For questions about the operation please contact Highway Foreman Louie Pascone at 693-0117.

OUR EVER EXPANDING WEBSITE

Thanks to the efforts of Mayor Jay Leon, Village Clerk Barbara Berardi, and Village resident Steve Giglio our website, www.ardsleyvillage.com, is bigger and better than ever before. So, what's in store for a visitor to our website? For starters, there are the agenda sheets and minutes for every Village Board meeting since January 2007. Supplementing that section are the agendas and minutes for the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals. Elsewhere you will find rules and regulations on recycling and sanitation; parks and recreation programming; meeting and holiday schedules; downloadable forms; a calendar of events; a listing of local merchants with links to their respective websites; and important information regarding emergency services and storm water. A relatively new feature is the online edition of the entire Ardsley Village Code, which could prove quite useful to many. Using that link will provide you access to the village and town codes of many of our neighboring communities as well. Ardsley's website is equipped with important links to the public library, the historical society, the school district, Little League, Greenburgh, Westchester County, New York State, and the U.S. Post Office. Suggestions for improving the website are always welcome and may be made via email to our Village Clerk, Barbara Berardi, at ardsleyclerk@optonline.net. -- George Calvi, Village Manager