



**Trustee
Adrienne Kessel**

Trustee's Report

A very busy, crowded summer in our Village has now turned into a beautiful autumn with a different pace. But the weekends are still filled with much to do and see in Port Jefferson, with many special events coming up. And like the Village, our employees remain busy all year. They have the everyday job of keeping our Village running.

Now that the beaches are closed for the season, the Department of Public Works begins the fall with scheduled branch and leaf pick-up throughout the Village during October and November. They keep the entire Village fleet and all equipment ready to meet any weather event or emergency, and maintain the Village roads. Street sweeping and trash pick up are done on a daily basis.

As the seasons change, note the new flowers in the planters along Main Street from downtown to uptown that will thrive until the first frost. Much effort goes into planting, weeding and watering all the public areas from Village Hall, to our parks, and up to the LIRR station. We anticipate new planters for downtown, and more to be placed uptown by spring. We are also in the process of developing an anti-littering campaign to raise awareness to keep our streets clean.

The Capital Campaign for the renovation of our much beloved Rocketship Park is well underway, with a fundraiser concert featuring the Como Brothers to be held at Theater Three on October 29. Tickets are still available online through Theater Three, or can be called in and held for you at the door. We are pleased to announce the pledges continue to come in. We need everyone to help meet our goal to make our park barrier free to be available to every child and adult, physically challenged or not. It is up to us!

FARMERS MARKET



Continues strong every Sunday from 9 am to 2 pm at the parking lot between Tommy's Place and the Frigate. Seasonal vegetables, fresh flowers, seafood, perennials and so much more is available every Sunday. Come see your neighbors and mingle to some live jazz Sundays in Downtown

Port Jeff. The Farmers Market is an Economic Development Program which operates at no cost to the taxpayer.

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2014 FALL BRANCH PICK UP SCHEDULE

Oct. 1 - 10

West Side: From Setauket line to W/S of Main St.

Oct. 13 - 17

Mid-Town: E/S Main St. to W/S of Belle Terre Rd.

Oct. 20 - 29

East Side: E/S Belle Terre Rd. to E/S Village Boundary.

Please have branches out prior to start date of your area, as we will only be through your area on those dates and cannot be on every street every day.

No branches will be picked up until Oct. 1st or after Oct. 29th.

Next branch pick up in April 2015.

Sorry but there can be no exceptions!!!

QUESTIONS? Please call DPW - 473-4733 Thank you.

The Village of Port Jefferson needs your help raising the matching funds to receive a State Grant to revitalize our beloved Rocketship Park. Currently, the park does not comply with the Federal Regulations needed to accommodate all children and adults. It is our commitment to re-design the new park to serve the children of our community regardless of their challenges, abilities or needs.



IT'S UP TO US - LET'S REBUILD OUR PARK!



Rocketship Park Renovation Benefit Concert

COMO BROTHERS PERFORM
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29TH
6 PM - VIP RECEPTION
\$40 INCLUDES WINE AND LIGHT FARE
7 PM CONCERT
\$15 (17 AND UNDER)
\$20 (18 AND ABOVE)

Purchase tickets at TheatreThree.com
Box Office 631-928-9100

*All proceeds go directly to Rocketship Park Renovation Project

Together We Can Put the ROCK in Rocketship Park!



PORT REPORT

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A Message from Mayor Margot Garant

How fast the Fall came this year. After a very mild and sun filled summer, we now will focus on that time of year again that brings us back to family and community. Our Village is very active year - round, but Fall is the season that brings us together most as a community. September started off with the annual Regatta sailboat race where our Village races against Mather Hospital staff to raise money for Pancreatic Cancer research and care. Sponsored by the Setauket Yacht Club, this year's race, won by Mather, effectively raised over \$60,000.00 in one day. The only event that truly takes place in the Harbor, this event and day has become a favorite for all who participate and attend year, after year.

Fall also brings the Historical Society Auction, A Taste of Port Jefferson, Go Green and our annual Harvest Festival. Each event is exciting and unique and each year I see more and more residents, old and new, participate, volunteer and be involved. Our Farmers Market continues every Sunday, weather permitting, bringing the colorful fall vegetables and flowers to market.

We will gather to raise money to "Put the Rock back into Rocketship Park" on Oct 29th at Theatre Three with a fundraising concert donated by the Como Brothers of Mt. Sinai - one of the biggest teen, heart throb bands ever from Long Island. While we continue to renovate our recreational facilities, we are also adding more programs and sports clinics for children and adults of all ages including fencing, kick ball, co-ed soccer and more!

We have the Halloween party and spooky hay rides at the Country Club on Friday Oct 31st for our young families and tickets are available for residents to go see the Boy from Oz at Theatre Three. Our Highway Department is busy winterizing our gardens, shutting down our beaches and beginning the seasonal branch and leaf pick-up program in addition to their regular maintenance and repair schedules. The Country Club season is winding down on the tennis courts, while the golfers squeak out another month or so of play under the foliage and gorgeous views of our very own golf course.

We have so much to be thankful for at this time of year as a community together, and as a staff and family within the Village. As Mayor, we have struggled in the past with many difficult

storms and bad weather events during these fall months - Irene and Sandy still leaving their imprinted scars. Let us all be thankful for what we have, what we have built together, and for why we live within this great Village we are all so proud to call our home and remember that nothing comes for free, for granted or from lack of care, inspiration or pride for this great Village and caring community.

For more information about the events, programs and services mentioned above, go to www.portjeff.com or call the Mayor's Assistant, Barbara "Flash" Sakovich at Village Hall 473-4724.

Mayor Margot J. Garant



CALENDAR

EVENTS

- Oct 18 - PJ Historical Society Auction
- Oct 25 - PJ Chamber of Commerce Taste of Port Jefferson
- Oct 26 - 5th Annual Harvest Fest
- Oct 29 - Rocketship Park Renovation Benefit Concert featuring the Como Brothers.
- Nov 1 - Go Green Event
- Nov 16 - Harborfront Trio
- Nov 28 to Mid-March RINX - Outdoor Ice Skating Rink on the Harbor
- Nov 29 - Santa Parade

19TH Annual DICKENS FESTIVAL DEC 5, 6, & 7

- Festival of Trees
- Artisan Square
- Santa's Workshop
- Live Music
- Horse and Carriage Rides
- Handel's Messiah
- Fezziwig's Ball
- Mrs. Dilber
- Mother Goose Reading Room
- "A Christmas Carol" Movie
- "A Christmas Carol" Radio Show
- Great Wizard Magic show
- Dickens Trolley
- Shuttle Bus
- Cast of Dickens Characters