

Newsletter

Juniper Hill Civic Association - July 2012

President's Message

Dear Neighbors,

Summer is here and plans for the **Juniper Hill BBQ** are in full swing.

Date: Aug. 4 (rain date Aug. 5th)

Time: 2-6pm or whenever...

Place: Saratoga Ave. Towards the end of the block.

Attendees: All Juniper Hill Civic Association members in good standing - that means you've paid your dues for the year for your family - \$10. We will accept payment at the BBQ. Otherwise, please send payment to Arthur Chisolm - 97 Juniper Hill Road.

We plan to have music, games for the kids, face painting etc. Anyone wishing to bring food please contact Illayne Parker at (phone number).

It's been busy even though Summer has just begun. We've had a dialog with Mr. Fon from Greenburgh Department of Public Works (DPW) and have walked several of our streets to discuss the Town's plans for repaving Greenvale Circle and replacement of the water main on that street; and with respect to plans for installing curbs and fixing the pedestrian path that runs down Juniper Hill among other matters affecting the safety of those using these streets.

As of July 27th the parking lot near the bottom of Russell Street will be vacated by the construction company as per its agreement with the Town. This should alleviate problems encountered by residents during rush hours when these trucks would normally be coming and going from the driveway which presented a hazard to everyone in many ways. It should also help keep heavy equipment from using Greenvale Circle and Juniper Hill as shortcuts to/from Russell Street. Finally!!!

Thanks to the efforts of residents of Greenvale Circle, signage will put up by the Town to restrict access to commercial traffic on this narrow and already stressed roadway.

Hope to see you at the BBQ! Special guests: Supervisor, Paul Feiner and Town Planner Thomas Madden. There may a few surprises. Hope to see you there! Bring your appetite and a favorite dish.

Best regards,

Sue Mirialakis

Executive Board

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In and Around Juniper Hill

Traffic

Results of our traffic safety investigation and discussions with Town authorities.

- Juniper Hill and Walnut: Bushes make it hard to look for oncoming traffic. All homes with bushes encroaching on the right of way on Juniper Hill will be asked to prune them back and keep after them.
- We are also hoping to improve the sight lines with some permanent changes to the intersection of Juniper Hill and Walnut Street as per our walk with Rich Fon. We'll keep you posted.
- Signs will be installed to prohibit commercial traffic on Greenvale Circle.
- Curbs will be installed on Juniper Hill to help with pedestrian safety and to assist water drainage.

Schools

In May the JCHA worked hard to inform residents of the issues facing the G7 Central School District should the Budget vote fail again. We hope our efforts were helpful to all and helped to get out the vote. We look forward to greater participation in School District affairs to ensure the future of our children and to maintain and improve the value of our property through better schools.

Community Pride

Our call for a volunteer to do the landscaping beneath the Welcome to Juniper Hill signs was answered by our very own landscaper Mr. Pasquale Allianiello. A long time resident of Greenvale Circle, Mr. Allianiello looks forward to adding his own special touch to the first thing people see as they enter Juniper Hill. A big "Thank You" for his generosity.

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Issues On the Burner

- Water problems caused by run-off from Lee F. Jackson parking lot. This will have to be taken up with the G7 Central School District which in whose purview this falls.
- Survey of streets to see what needs to be done: ie removal of old utility poles where new ones are already installed.
- Town Plans for the area at the foot of Russell Street and Fulton and what they will mean to Juniper Hill residents in the short and long term.
- Voter registration and education for the upcoming national elections.
- Education regarding the need to close Indian Point Nuclear Plant and what it's continued presence means to the entire Tri-state area including NYC.
- Establishment of a complete email and telephone network for fast contact with residents in the event of emergencies.
- Establish greater community awareness of the needs of neighbors.

Your Concerns

Do you have a problem or concern as a resident of Juniper Hill? We'd like to hear about it. The JCHA works hard to help residents by acting as liaison to the appropriate agency or authority. We are not miracle workers, but we can often bring the strength of the JCHA to bear to help the individual homeowner.

NEWS!!!

Nominations for the most amazing accomplishment by a **Distinguished Juniper Hill Resident** are now open.

If you know of anyone who has done something really wonderful in the past year, we'd like to hear about this person. Many of our residents do outstanding work affecting the community and most of us don't know about it until we read their obituaries. It's time to recognize the incredible resources we have in this community. We look forward to your input!