



Haverstraw Center News

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Village of Haverstraw/Haverstraw Center

Haverstraw Summer Camp

Special points of interest:

- **Haverstraw Center offers many programs free of charge (See schedule)**
- **Counseling for help with: alcohol, tobacco and other drug use, family problems, boy-friends/girlfriends, school**
- **Recreation and home-work help**
- **Family Activities**

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Registration is well underway for the Village of Haverstraw Summer Camp Program. Applications are available at the Village website <http://www.voh-ny.com/CCcamp/2013-Camp%20Applications.pdf> or at Village Hall located at 40 New Main street, Haverstraw.

Camp fees are \$375.00 per child for Village Residents. Non-residents will pay \$550.00 per child. Payment is due at registration. However, anyone who is eligible for free or reduced lunch must provide proof from the school district to receive a discount on camp fees. Refunds will be issued in the event your child has to attend summer school, but proof is required.

Camp begins Monday, July 8, 2013 and ends Friday, August 16, 2013. A talent show and barbecue at the beautiful Bowline Park, courtesy of the Town of Haverstraw will be held on August 15th. The camp day begins at 9:00 AM and ends at 3:00 PM.

The camp day begins with a light breakfast and sign in. The day's activities will be discussed, proving to be something exciting. A cold lunch will be provided daily. Wednesdays are trip days and all excursions are included in the camp fee.

Camp activities will be enjoyed in house at the Haverstraw Center two days a week. Other activities will find the campers enjoying swimming at

Rockland Lake State Park or Bowline Town Pool. There will be bowling and trips to the movies. The big trips will be to "The Castle", Rye Playland, a Rockland Boulders game and Splashdown Water Park.

Camp is open to youth ages six through fourteen and is open to the first 175 children who apply.

Returning Camp Director Esteban Diaz looks forward to another exciting summer with the kids.



Haverstraw Community Garden Celebrates Fourth Season

The sun was shining with a slight breeze, the Village was involved in the Great American Clean Up sponsored by Keep Rockland Beautiful and the gardeners eager to begin the season arrived for the welcoming celebration of the fourth season of the community garden.

Garden Coordinator, Cliff Elton introduced the rules, explained some of the new directives and thanked everyone for coming. Peggy Koval put out a spread of cheese and crackers, fresh vegetables

and dip, strawberries, cookies and her very own homemade banana bread. The gardeners then went to the garden to check out their plot and began whatever work was needed to prepare the ground for their plantings.

Cliff has included three pot luck dinners in his schedule of events this year. The first one will take place on Sunday, June 23rd at 6:00 PM. The second pot luck will be on September 14th at 4:00 PM. The final scheduled get together will take place at

1:00 PM on November 18th when all plots should be cleared for the season. These gatherings are informal, but a great way to share your love of the garden with your fellow gardeners.

This year, there was a waiting list for the garden. However, if you do not begin work on your plot by May 15th, it is considered abandoned and will be reassigned.

Thank you to the Creating Healthy Places Grant for their continued support.

MONTHLY YOUTH CELEBRATION/CAUGHT BEING GOOD

*THE HAVERSTRAW COLLABORATIVE PRESENTS:
THE SENIOR/SENIOR PROM*



On May 3, 2013 from 4:00 PM-6:00 PM the "seniors" of our community are invited to attend a "Senior Prom" at the Central Presbyterian Church. The theme is "HURRAY FOR HOLLYWOOD" and the youth from the Haverstraw Center will serve as paparazzi taking pictures of the attendees as they arrive on the red carpet. There is no charge for this event and the "seniors" will enjoy a delicious meal, entertainment and dancing to the "Big Band Sound" with DJ John Lima.

The Monthly Youth Celebration took place on Wednesday April 24th. This event includes recognition of those youth who have been "Caught Being Good" at the Haverstraw Center as well as birthdays celebrated in April. Frankie Vazquez and Pete Fata prepared breakfast sausage, potato patties, eggs and bagels which was enjoyed by all. Youth volunteers and Open Arms helped to serve and clean up.

This month's celebration focused on an understanding of gangs in the community. Detective George Zayas talked to the youth about the dangers of joining. The youth also were able to cast their vote for their favorite poster to be used in the campaign to have the local stores require two forms of identification when someone is making an alcohol purchase. Sponsored by CANDLE, "Only 2 Will Do" is a focus the youth of the Center hope to bring to the public's attention.

Every monthly youth celebration also acknowledges those youth who were caught being good at the Center. Each time a youth is nominated for "Caught Being Good", his/her name is placed in the hat for a drawing of prizes. Thank

you to Kevin Jones for doing those honors every month. Most months the prizes are \$10.00 gift certificates to McDonald's in hopes that the youth will make healthy choices when they redeem their prize. Sometimes the prize is a donation from a local business and some months the Town of Haverstraw makes a generous donation of tickets to one of their Youth Board sponsored trips.

Those who received certificates this month were:

March 21

Tyrell Allen, Kyle Curley, Javier Estevez, Joel Henriquez, Matt Miceus, Leslie Nunez, Adriana Orantes, Michael Slaters

April 4

Alex Bautista, Markeyah Cousar, Maliek Crowder, Nicholas Guitiari, Wendy Pierre Jean, Ashley Taveras, Krystle Torres, Anai Wilson

April 11

Markeyah Coussar, Angie Hemmings, Ariel Infante, Ann Pierre Jean, Cincere McMurrin, Kenneth Nazario, Yeidy Rodriguez, Jerrie Thifault, Kiara Toussaint, Tattianna Wallace

April 18

Kyle Curley, Donovan Quinones, Jayzon Quinones, Gabriel Rivera, Yeidy Rodriguez, Andrew Salters, Ashley Taveras, Saivon Toussaint

CONGRATULATIONS!!



Happy Birthday to Assistant Director of Youth and Family Services, Pete Fata!



Memorial Day/2013



A federal holiday now celebrated on the last Monday in May, Memorial Day is a day dedicated to remembering men and women who died while serving their country. Formerly known as Decoration Day, it originated after the American Civil War to honor the Union and Confederate Soldiers who died in the Civil War with the tradition of cleaning cemeteries and decorating the graves with flowers and American Flags.



Today, parades and watchfires mark this holiday, but many recognize it as the start of the summer vacation season. For others it is the tradition of watching the Indi-

anapolis 500 auto race.

Rockland County remembers the more than one million men and women who gave their lives in service of their country by holding watchfires. Hosted by Viet Nam Veterans of America, Chapter 333, the local watchfire will be held at Bowline Point Park with a solemn ceremony beginning at 11:30 PM. The fire will be lit at midnight and is burned and maintained for 24 hours.

Recipe for Baked Beans, a barbecue favorite

Dad's Braggin' Beans

Donated by: Elise Cox

- 1/2 lbs. mild or hot sausage
- 1 large vidalia onion, chopped
- 2 (16 oz.) cans pork and beans
- 1 (15 oz.) can black beans, drained
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1/2 cup hickory-smoked barbecue sauce
- 1/3 cup catsup
- 1/4 cup coarse-grained mustard
- 1/3 cup molasses
- 1 jalapeno pepper, minced (optional)
- 1 to 2 tsp. chili powder
- 4 slices bacon

Brown sausage and onion until sausage crumbles; drain. Combine with next 8 ingredients in a 2 1/2 quart baking casserole dish. Mix well. Place bacon on top. Bake uncovered 2 hours in 350° oven.

http://www.tastebook.com/recipes/1903292-Dad-s-Braggin-Beans?full_recipe=true

(Editor's Note: I make this recipe EVERY Memorial Day—I can attest to its great flavor with jalapeno peppers and black beans that add something special to a traditional recipe. ~ pak)



HAVERSTRAW COLLABORATIVE HIGHLIGHTS

The Haverstraw Collaborative consists of agencies who meet the first Wednesday of every month from 12:00 noon until 2:00 PM to discuss issues and ideas that affect the North Rockland Community and the Village of Haverstraw in particular. The Haverstraw Collaborative was founded in 2001 for the purpose of all community-based organizations serving the children, youth, elders, adults and families of Haverstraw to meet monthly in a spirit of non-partisanship and cooperation which is reflected in the Mission Statement.

The April agenda included an inspirational reading that

offered tips to reduce stress. A tasty lunch was served while introduction of the 43 attendees was made. Marion Breland, director of the Haverstraw Center and chair of this Collaborative, welcomed guest speaker Ileana Eckert, Superintendent of the North Rockland Central School District who presented an extensive and informative overview of the school budget. Also presenting were Martha Robles, Catholic Community Services of Rockland who introduced a new initiative "Produce the Produce" and Miriam Saravia, with a family resource center update. Enrique Rob Lunski completed the presentations

with his information about the G.E.T. Entrepreneurial Conference and Expo.

At the conclusion of the meeting, agencies circulated flyers and/or information about upcoming events.

The next meeting is scheduled for the first Wednesday of the month, May 1, 2013 from 12:00 noon until 2:00 PM. The Senior/Senior Prom and the Teen Pregnancy Awareness Committees will meet immediately afterward.

Please call 845.429.5731 x 10 to confirm your attendance.

DRUG MARKET INTERVENTION UPDATE

We continue to provide services for seven individuals including referrals to substance abuse treatment, mental health services, housing, and social services.

We look forward to hosting community meetings throughout the year to hear your concerns and to create greater community partnerships.

If you have any ideas you'd like to share, please contact us at dmi@vohny.com and please like our Facebook page (keyword: Haverstraw DMI)!

Looking ahead:

- ☞ 6/18/2013
Haverstraw Center's
Got Talent
- ☞ 6/18/2013
Volunteer Recognition
- ☞ 7/8/2013
Summer Camp Begins

*10th Annual
North Rockland Community
3 Mile Run/Walk
June 2, 2013 @ 9:00AM
BOWLINE POINT PARK
Haverstraw, NY 10927
Free Refreshments
Benefits three NR Families:
Luke Colluzzi, Carmello Famior &
Michell Ramos-Baex*

Confederate blue,
Union grey,
fly with red and white in
May,
on what once declared
Decoration Day.
Reconciliation,
Honor,
Love of country and home.
Heroes that that fell and
died for us,
held in spirit in our hearts,
Strength through hard-
ship,
Valiance,
Freedom fought for and
proclaimed.
Wave true in the flag on
this remembrance day.

By Ash Kennedy

Village of Haverstraw/Haverstraw Center



**33rd Annual
Youth Forum and
Awards Night
May 16, 2013
6:30pm—9:30pm
Nyack Seaport
\$42.00/person**

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The Haverstraw Center Mission Statement

The Haverstraw Center serves all residents of the Village of Haverstraw by providing and hosting high-quality, comprehensive services for youth, families, adults and elders, promoting the health, safety, and well-being of community residents of all ages, and raising the quality of life for all people of our diverse community in a spirit of non-partisanship and co-operation.

We're on the WEB!
http://www.voh-ny.com/dept_youth.htm

May Special Events and Notable Days

- 5/1 Haverstraw Collaborative NOON
- 5/1 May Day
- 5/1 FREE HIV Testing
- 5/1 RCDOH Insurance Assistance (Cancelled)
- 5/3 Senior/Senior Prom
- 5/5 Cinco de Mayo
- 5/7 Strengthening Families Program Week #4
- 5/8 V-E Day
- 5/8 RCDOH Insurance Assistance
- 5/12 Mother's Day
- 5/14 Strengthening Families Program Week #5
- 5/15 RCDOH Insurance Assistance (Cancelled)
- 5/16 Wear Purple for Peace Day
- 5/17 FREE HIV Testing
- 5/18 Armed Forces Day
- 5/21 Strengthening Families Program Week #6
- 5/27 Memorial Day (Center CLOSED)
- 5/31 Save Your Hearing Day
- 5/31 World NO Tobacco Day

MAY CELEBRATES:

- Date Your Mate Month
- Foster Care Month
- National Barbecue Month
- National Photograph Month
- National Blood Pressure Month
- National Recombitment Month
- National Salad Month
- Older Americans Month
- Nurse's Week
- Wildflower Week
- National Bike Week
- National Police Week
- Emergency Medical Services Week

Haverstraw Center Schedule/MAY

Schedule Subject to Change

Location	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY/ SUNDAY
Computer Room	Homework Help 3:00 PM—6:00 PM	Homework Help 3:00 PM—6:00 PM	Homework Help 3:00 PM—6:00 PM	Homework Help 3:00 PM—6:00 PM	Homework Help 3:00 PM—6:00 PM	
Game Room	3:00 PM—6:00 PM	3:00 PM—6:00 PM	3:00 PM—6:00 PM	3:00 PM—6:00 PM	3:00 PM—6:00 PM	
Multi-purpose Room	Homework Help 2nd—6th grade 3:00 PM—6:00 PM Back to Basics 7:00 PM—9:30 PM	Homework Help 2nd—6th grade 3:00 PM—6:00 PM Cornell Cooperative Extension/Nutrition 12:00—2:00 PM	Homework Help 2nd—6th grade 3:00 PM—6:00 PM Lifeskills/11-14 year old 5:00 PM—5:45 PM ZUMBA (all ages) 6:00 PM—7:30 PM	Homework Help 2nd—6th grade 3:00 PM—6:00 PM RPCC—SUPPORT Program 6—8PM	Homework Help 2nd—6th grade 3:00 PM—6:00 PM	
Gymnasium	St. Agatha Fitness 9-10AM; 12-2 PM Senior Dancing 2:00PM-3:00PM Open Gym 3:00 PM—6:00 PM Steve's Basketball 7:00 PM—10:00 PM	St. Agatha Fitness 9-10AM; 12-2 PM Youth Basketball 3:00 PM—6:00 PM JUMP 6:00 PM—7:30 PM	St. Agatha Fitness 9-10AM; 12-2 PM College Basketball 12:00—2:00 PM Youth Basketball 3:00 PM—7:00 PM	Open Gym 3:00 PM—6:00 PM YOGA 4:00 PM—5:00 PM Adult Basketball 8:00 PM—10:00 PM	St. Agatha Fitness 9-10AM; 12-2 PM College Basketball 12:00—2:00 PM Youth Basketball 3:00 PM—6:00 PM	SATURDAY Sharp Shooting Academy Co-ed Middle School Youth 9:00 AM—11:00 AM Steve's Basketball 11:30 AM— 1:30 PM SUNDAY Jason's Basketball 7:00 PM—8:30 PM
Conference Room	Homework Help 9th—12th grade 3:00 PM—5:00 PM	Homework Help 9th—12th grade 3:00 PM—5:00 PM Clinical Staff Meeting 12:00 noon—2:00 PM	Homework Help 9th—12th grade 3:00 PM—5:00 PM	Homework Help 9th—12th grade 3:00 PM—5:30 PM Staff Meeting 12:00 noon—2:00 PM	Homework Help 9th—12th grade 3:00 PM—5:30 PM	
Group Room	Girl Scouts 3:30PM-4:45PM (Girls ages 8—14) Project SHIFT Anger Management 5:00 PM—6:30 PM	Girls Club 3:30PM—5:00 PM Grades 4, 5, & 6	Girls Club 3:00PM-5:00PM Grades 7 & 8 Personal Empowerment Series Project S.H.I.F.T. 6:00PM—8:00PM		GIRLS GAME DAY With Barbara 3:00 PM—6:00 PM	
Art Room	Girls' Talk High School 3:00 PM—5:00 PM	RILC 10:00AM—2:00PM	RILC 10:00AM—2:00PM Art with Barbara 4:00 PM—6:00 PM	Art with Barbara 4:00 PM—6:00 PM RPCC-Support 6:00PM—8:00PM	Homework Help 7th and 8th grade 3:00 PM—5:00 PM	
Kitchen			RCDOH Health Insurance Assistance			
Counseling Room	By Appointment	By Appointment	By Appointment	By Appointment	By Appointment	
Other			Smoker's Aftercare	Butts Out		

