

Haverstraw Center News

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Village of Haverstraw/Haverstraw Center

Special points of interest:

- HAVERSTRAW CENTER offers many programs free of charge
- COUNSELING for help with: alcohol, tobacco and other drug use, family problems, boyfriends/girlfriends, school
- RECREATION and homework help
- FAMILY ACTIVITIES
- SUMMER CAMP

The Village of Haverstraw FARMERS' MARKET

Alexandria Evans continues to offer new surprises each week with her creative and innovative approach to the farmers' market. The entertainment varies from week to week and guest vendors and youth activities add to the lure of the market. Check out the fresh baked goods, the kids tent, the co-op table and of course the produce vendors!!! There is always something for everyone's tastes. And don't miss the Village of West Haverstraw Farmers' Market offered on Thursdays from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM at West Haverstraw Village Hall near Peck's Pond.



Please check the Village web-site for updates regarding the September market events. <http://www.voh-ny.com/farmers.htm>

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HUNGER AWARENESS & ACTION WEEK *Hunger Hurts Us All*

September is National Hunger Awareness Month during which national and regional organizations—including Feeding America, Regional Food Bank of Northeastern NY and the Food Bank of the Hudson Valley—will step up efforts to raise awareness of the issue of hunger in our region and our nation.

A core group of representatives from the county-wide organizations—including Catholic Community Services, Good Samaritan Hospital, People to People, United Way and County of Rockland Department of Social Services—have liaised with the well-established community collaboratives in Haverstraw, Spring Valley, Nyack and Western Ramapo.

Each of these communities have committed to developing and implementing activities for Hunger Awareness & Action Week.

The week will be kicked off via a County of Rockland Proclamation to be announced by County Executive C. Scott Vanderhoef and other elected officials.

Other activities include nutrition workshops, facilitated by the Rockland County Department of Health professionals, *Stuff a Bus with Food for Rockland's Hungry*, Hunger Action Month flyers in all TOR buses, a Restaurant Round-Up encouraging patrons to "round up" their dinner tabs to donate to county-wide food pantries and local food

cupboards, Hunger Hurts us All coin collection containers will be placed in hundreds of participating businesses throughout Rockland, and the Hunger Summit 3 sponsored by *People to People*, to be held September 18 at the Pearl River Hilton.

The Haverstraw Center will host "SOUP AND BREAD LUNCH" during the Haverstraw Collaborative meeting on Wednesday, September 4, 2013 at 12:00 noon, organized by Catholic Community Services of Rockland



Back to School

We welcome new students to our after-school homework help program. There is currently a waiting list. Grades two through six will be meeting in the multi-purpose room on the first floor. Tim Sanders and Frankie Vazquez incorporate additional reading into the program, with assistance offered by our valued volunteers. Grades seven and eight will utilize the art room also on the first floor. The computer lab is available to both grades as needed. The second floor conference room is available to high school students who will have access to laptop computers to complete their assignments. Currently, the gym will be open for basketball and other activities from 3:00 PM—6:00 PM. We can always use additional dedicated volunteers. Questions? Contact Recreation Activities Coordinator, Nikki Merriman at 845.429.5731 x 20.

GIRL SCOUTS, GIRLS CIRCLE, and BOYS CLUB to begin at THE HAVERSTRAW CENTER

Girl Scouts Heart of the Hudson at the Haverstraw Center enjoyed a summer after-camp program in part sponsored by O & R Utilities, Inc. and Avon. The regular program will continue at the Center on Mondays, from 3:00—4:45 PM in the second floor group room. To register, contact Peggy Koval at 845.429.5731 x 32.

Girls' Circle activities will begin this month. For girls in 4th, 5th or 6th grade, the meetings will be held on Tuesdays in the second floor group room from 3:30—4:45 PM. For girls in 7th or 8th grade the program will be held on Wednesdays from 3:15 - 4:45 PM. Any girl interested in attending, contact Peggy Koval at 845.429.5731 x 32.

Boys' Club will begin at a date to be announced. If you are interested, contact Frankie Vazquez or Tim Sanders at 845.429.5731 x 16.

VILLAGE OF HAVERSTRAW SUMMER CAMP COMES TO A CLOSE

The Village of Haverstraw Summer Camp enjoyed the camp BBQ at Bowline on Thursday, August 15th where the campers showed off their talents on the fabulous Town of Haverstraw stage. This year, Rockland Independent Living Center (RILC) and Eric "Vegg" Sullivan of Roc Runna Radio introduced their musicians to the stage in outstanding performances that brought the campers to their feet!

Friday, August 16th, the campers began their day with some encore performances. What talent!! The campers then were transported to Hi Tor Lanes for a final celebration and great bowling. It was a fine ending for an extremely busy and fulfilling camp season.

The youth enjoyed tasty breakfasts and lunches with fresh fruit, provided by the NRCS D served to a record number of campers this year.

This camp has been operating in the Village of Haverstraw for a number of years. Some of the counselor's attended the very same camp their parents attended or were counselors at, carrying on a honorable tradition.

Counselor of the year awards went to Michael McCrea and Aisha Lundi. Congratulations!

STRENGTHENING FAMILIES PROGRAM

This 6-week program will provide you with the tools that will put you and your family on the path towards making your dreams come true.



SAVE THE DATE!

FREE! FREE! FREE! FREE!

- Dinner with your family
- Babysitting for younger siblings
- Parent/Guardian sessions
- Youth sessions
- Information on communication, peer pressure, expectations, clearer rules

HAVERSTRAW CENTER

50 West Broad Street
Behind the Knights of Columbus Building

Tuesdays
9/24/2013—
10/29/2013
6:00 PM—8:30 PM

To register, call:
845.429.5731

HAVERSTRAW CENTER HIGHLIGHTS

- Prevention Counseling Services
- Monthly Youth Celebration
- Caught Being Good Recognition
- Straight to the Top
- After School Homework Help
- Girls' Clubs
- Girls' Circle
- Boys' Clubs
- IMPACT
- Lifeskills Program
- Teen Intervene
- Teen Advisory
- Teen Group
- Strengthening Families Program
- Self-Expressions
- Girl Scouts
- Haverstraw Community Garden
- Haverstraw Collaborative
- Summer Camp
- Recreation
- Adult basketball
- Project S.H.I.F.T.
- A Call to Action
- Anger Management
- Unity in the Community
- Focus Study Groups: Hunger, Teen Pregnancy, Immigration, Community Health Issues
- MORE!!



Rockland's 6th Annual RECOVERY RALLY
SEPTEMBER 22, 2013
11:00 AM—

Recovery Works!! The public is invited to attend Rockland's 6th Annual Recovery Rally on Sunday, September 22, 2013 at the Anthony Wayne Recreation Center. With FREE admission and parking the fun begins at 11:00 Am and runs until 3:00 PM. There will be food, music, hiking, speakers a motorcycle ride-in and more! For information contact RCADD at 845.215.9788 or visit their website at www.rcadd.org.



CAMP

Volunteers of the Month

The Haverstraw Center was fortunate to have Gospel Roads, a group of youth assembled from around the country who met at the Marian Shrine to perform community service at various locales in the county. "In serving others, the youth will learn new things about themselves." High school and college students worked side by side assisting with some of the camp activities. These volunteers also spent hours pulling weeds and helping to beautify the community garden. "Gospel Roads teaches the foundational concepts of social justice through reflection on service in the community." The Haverstraw Center is very grateful for the opportunity to share our history with these youth and in receiving their services, challenged them to "see the world in a different light with new insights into the realities of a diversified community."

In addition, a group of youth returned to the Center to complete the mural. Great job and great dedication! Thank you!!!

PICTURES FROM CAMP



HAYERSTRAW COLLABORATIVE

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 August agenda included a delightful reading of quotes regarding change as the meeting was moved to Village Hall this month, a delicious lunch, introductions of the 32 attendees, a warm welcome by Collaborative Chair and director of the Haverstraw Center Marion E. Breland, and three informa-

tive presentations. Catholic Community Services of Rockland was the first of these presentations and Martha Robles, executive director, gave a complete overview of services offered with compassion: "we engage a community to become a community." You may reach Martha at 845.942.5791. Check out their website at www.ccsrockland.org.

Susan Jaffe, newly appointed executive director of Cornell Cooperative Extension, brought great enthusiasm to her very educational and informative presentation. With grant money being more difficult to attain due to constraints on many budgets, she stressed the importance of the new trend in collaboration. For additional information call 845.429.7085 ext 107.

The third presentation by Dr. Penny Jennings informed the

members of how WestCOP, the Westchester anti-poverty agency has taken over services once offered by CAPROC. Their new facility is at 17 West Broad Street. Call 845.553.9118 for information.

Subcommittees on Immigration Advocacy, Drug Prevention, Food and Nutrition, Parental Involvement and Teen Pregnancy gave their updates and "Pennies for Martha" collection continued.

As the concluding agenda item, agencies offered updates and planned events.

The next meeting is scheduled for the first Wednesday of the month, September 4, 2013 from 12:00 noon until 2:00 PM. The Teen Pregnancy Subcommittee will meet immediately afterwards at the Center. The Senior/Senior Prom committee will meet the second Wednesday of the month, September 11, 2013 at 1:00 PM at the Haverstraw Center second floor conference room.

Please call 845.429.5731 x 32 to confirm your attendance.



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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 cooperation.

September 22nd
12th Annual
Haverstraw
International
Street Fair
11 am—5 pm



6/9 -10/27/2013
9:00 AM—1:00 PM
Village of Haverstraw
FARMERS' MARKET
On Maple Avenue in
Front of Village Hall
(Every Sunday through October)

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

Haverstraw Center Schedule/SEPTEMBER

September Special Events and Notable Days

- 9/1 Farmers' Market 9 AM—1 PM
- 9/2 Labor Day (CENTER CLOSED)
- 9/4 Haverstraw Collaborative NOON
- 9/4 Hunger Awareness Luncheon
- 9/4 RCDOH FREE HIV Test 2—5 PM
- 9/4 Rosh Hashanah begins at sundown
- 9/8 Farmers' Market 9 AM—1 PM
- 9/8 Grandparent's Day
- 9/10 Primary Election 6 AM—9 PM
- 9/11 Patriot's Day
- 9/13 Positive Thinking Day
- 9/15 Farmers' Market 9 AM—1 PM
- 9/16 Step Family Day
- 9/21 International Peace Day
- 9/21 RCDOH FREE HIV Test 2—5 PM
- 9/22 Autumn Begins
- 9/22 Farmers' Market 9 AM—1 PM
- 9/22 12th Annual Haverstraw International Street Festival 11:00 AM—5:00 PM
- 9/25 Yom Kippur begins at sundown
- 9/28 Ask A Stupid Question Day
- 9/29 Farmers' Market 9 AM—1 PM

SEPTEMBER CELEBRATES:

- Classical Music Month
- Hispanic Heritage Month
- National Courtesy Month
- Self Improvement Month



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	Homework Help 2nd—6th grade 3:00 PM—6:00 PM	RTCI Line Dancing 1:30 PM—2:30 PM Homework Help 2nd—6th grade 3:00 PM—6:00 PM	Homework Help 2nd—6th grade 3:00 PM—6:00 PM	<u>SATURDAY</u>
Gymnasium	Open Gym 3:00 PM—6:00 PM Adult Basketball 8:00 PM—10:00 PM	Open Gym 3:00 PM—5:00 PM JUMP 6:00 PM—7:30 PM	Open Gym 3:00 PM—6:00 PM 35 & Over Basketball 8:00 PM—10:00 PM	Open Gym 3:00 PM—6:00 PM Adult Basketball 8:00 PM—10:00 PM	Open Gym 3:00 PM—9:00 PM	<u>SATURDAY</u> Sharp Shooting Academy Co-ed Middle School Youth 9:00 AM—11:00 AM Steve's Basketball 11:00 AM—1:00 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—5:00 PM Staff Meeting 12:00 noon—2:00 PM		<u>SUNDAY</u> Jason's Basketball 7:00 PM—9:00 PM
Group Room	Girl Scouts 3:30 PM—5:00 PM (Girls ages 8—16) Project SHIFT Anger Management 5:00 PM—6:30 PM	Girls' Circle 4, 5, 6 Grade 3:30 PM—5:00 PM	Girls' Circle Fieldstone			
Art Room	Homework Help 7th and 8th grade 3:00 PM—5:00 PM	Homework Help 7th and 8th grade 3:00 PM—5:00 PM	Homework Help 7th and 8th grade 3:00 PM—5:00 PM	Homework Help 7th and 8th grade 3:00 PM—5:00 PM	Homework Help 7th and 8th grade 3:00 PM—5:00 PM	
Kitchen			RCDOH Health Insurance 2:00 PM—5:00 PM			
Counseling Room	By Appointment	By Appointment	By Appointment	By Appointment	By Appointment	
Other			Smoker's Aftercare	Butts Out		