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Peace on Earth

Message from the Mayor

Winter and the Holiday Seasons are upon us and with all the events happening in the world today, we need to retain the feeling of love, kindness, joy, and peacefulness that resonates throughout the Holiday Season, everyday of our lives. I know sometimes it's difficult, but if we truly believe, we can achieve. Every small step counts.

Now, to all Village residents and visitors please keep in mind snow emergency rules and regulations pertaining to parking and street cleaning. The Village Department of Public Works will be out there cleaning our streets to make them safe for everyone, so the rules and regulations must be followed. Also, please remember that you cannot plow or shovel snow onto Village streets. Violators will be issued a court appearance ticket.

Overnight Parking Rules & Regulations

Overnight parking rules and regulations went into affect, November 15 and will continue until April 15, so remember not to park your vehicle(s) overnight from 2A.M.-6A.M. Kennedy Drive, Secora Drive and Sneden Place West have parking easements, except during inclement weather and /or snow and ice 3" or more, no parking rules and regulations then go into effect.

CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY

Finally, I want to inform Village residents of a very important program that is being offered by the Village of Spring Valley Police Department, Free Car Seats. It is of the utmost importance for parents to put their children in car seats as required by law and to know how to properly install them.

"It is a known fact that motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death among children ages 3 to 14. Therefore correctly used child safety seats are extremely effective and reduce the risk of death as much as 71%. Nearly 73% of child restraints are not installed or used correctly (National SAFE KIDS Campaign) "



Lt. Jack Bosworth who heads and writes grants for the Child Passenger Safety Program for the Village of Spring Valley Police Department, is pictured here with Officer Laila Proulx who is a certified car seat installer. She is responsible for inspections, installations, and demonstrations along with Officer John Roper who is also a certified installer.

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Noramie F. Jasmin
Mayor

**FRIENDS!
DON'T LET
FRIENDS
DRINK AND
DRIVE !
BE A
FRIEND.
TAKE THE
KEYS!
SAVE LIVES!**



The Holiday Season should be enjoyable for everyone. So please be wise and think safe! Have a designated driver if you plan on drinking, or take advantage of the Taxi services that are available, and the free rides offered during the Holidays. Remember, these precautionary measures should be taken everyday.

**Have
A Happy & Safe
Holiday!**

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Village Awarded Domestic Violence Grants



Mayor Noramie F. Jasmin and the Spring Valley Village Board of Trustees are pleased and proud to announce the receipt of two grants from the United States Department of Justice. These grants will enhance both the Village's and Rockland County's response to domestic violence and sexual assault. The goals of the grants are to provide support for victims of intimate partner violence and sexual assault, educate and engage the community in combating domestic violence, and ensure that offenders are held accountable through formal and informal sanctions. The program has included the training of police, working with local community organizations, engaging faith communities, and assisting victims of violence with immigration issues. The ultimate goals are victim safety and ending domestic violence.

"It is important that victims of Domestic Violence and any kind of violence, know that they are not alone and that there are caring people, services, and organizations available to help them."

The first grant which in the amount of \$398,896, through the Community-Defined Solutions to Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Program, supports the Spring Valley Domestic Court which is presided by Hon. Judge David Fried. It provides funding for a Domestic Violence Court Clerk, a Spring Valley Office for the Rockland Family Shelter that is diversely staffed with African American, Haitian, and Latina advocates and sexual assault counselors. There is a domestic violence class for men that is operated by VCS, Inc., and a consultant who will track cases of domestic violence and sexual assault that are reported to the Police Dept., so as to ensure that victims are benefiting from the services.

The second grant in the amount of \$49,605, was funded under the Court Training and Improvement Program. These funds will be used to develop a training curriculum for all court personnel involved in the adjudication of domestic violence cases throughout Rockland County.



**Mayor
Noramie F. Jasmin**

**Rockland County Family Shelter
Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Advocacy, Counseling, Information / Referrals
24-hour Hotline: 845-634-3344**

In Loving Memory Of:

**Senator
Thomas P. Morahan**
October 11, 1931 - July 12, 2010

**Legislator
William "Bill" Darden**
January 16, 1945 - October 29, 2010



2 Great Leaders... Thank You!

A Life Well Lived....

*Is a precious gift of Hope, Strength, and Grace from someone who
has made our world a brighter, better place.*

A Life Well Lived

*Is a Legacy of Pride and Pleasure,
a loving lasting memory our grateful hearts will treasure.*

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CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY

CAR SEAT INSTALLATIONS & INSPECTIONS



Sgt. Charles Schnaars who is in charge of the operations unit, and Police Officer John Roper who is a certified car seat installer.

The Village of Spring Valley Police Department has received a grant from the New York State Governor's Traffic Safety Committee to help enhance the safety of children riding as passengers in vehicles. Through this grant, we were able to send two police officers to an extensive certification program to learn how to properly install and inspect child safety seats. In addition, we were able to use grant funding to obtain 30 child safety seats for Village of Spring Valley families who can not afford to purchase one on their own.

Village residents who wish to have your child seat properly installed and inspected or need to take advantage of our car seat give away, please contact the Police Department and ask for Officer Laila Proulx or Officer John Roper at 356-7400 to schedule an appointment.

DEMONSTRATION OF PROPER CAR SEAT INSTALLATION

Village of Spring Valley Police Officer Laila Proulx who is a certified installer, demonstrates the proper installation of a car seat to Village employee Nallia Booth who is expecting her first child February 2011.



"My husband and I were just discussing car seats for the baby and I was just clueless! This is our first child and safety is one of our top priorities. After being with officer Proulx and seeing her demonstrate the proper installation of a car seat, I feel better prepared and well informed about my baby's safety."

"THIS IS DEFINITELY A GREAT PROGRAM AND THE OFFICERS ARE WELL TRAINED AND KNOWLEDGEABLE."

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Holiday Greetings

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MAYOR NORAMIE F. JASMIN

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The Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees

May Your Holidays & New Year Be

Filled With

**Family, Friends, Love, Hope, Peace, Happiness,
Health and Prosperity.**