

From The Desk of Mayor Don Ryan

Week of January 21, 2019

Now that colder temperatures are here and knowing that we still have a couple of more months of winter weather ahead I thought it would be a good idea to review the heating regulations established by the Hempstead Village Building Department which owners and superintendents are required to follow:

From September 15 thru May 31 landlords must maintain buildings at a minimum temperature of 68 degrees to all habitable rooms.

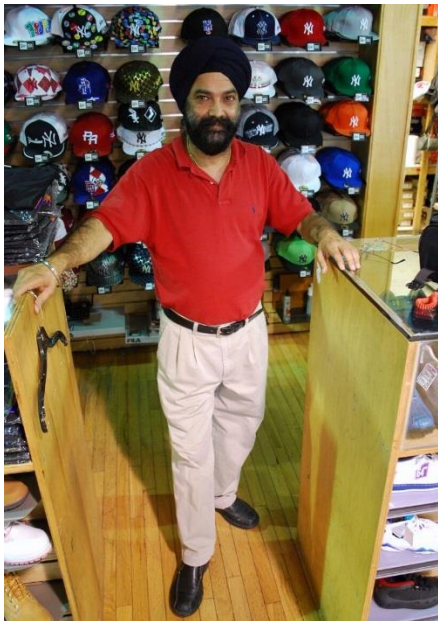
During normal business days, if your heat is not being operated within those guidelines, please call the main switchboard at 516-489-3400 and hit option #5 for the Building Department.

An inspector is available on weekends throughout the heating season and residents may call 516-478-6333. Also, on those extreme frigid days (normal business days) use the same number (516-478-6333) after 4:15 p.m. to report heating issues.

Heat is essential in our lives during the winter months and every tenant should be provided with that basic need. The Village of Hempstead will do everything possible to make sure that landlords meet their responsibility and follow guidelines in supplying this service to tenants in the community.

***** I also wanted to send one last reminder about the upcoming Hempstead Community Land Trust Public Information Session that will be taking place on Thursday, January 31. Residents are invited to join us and learn more about how the Land Trust will help revitalize the community by developing and stewarding affordable housing, community gardens, civic buildings, commercial spaces and other assets in Hempstead Village. The meeting will be held at Kennedy Memorial Park (335 Greenwich Street) starting at 5:30 p.m.

This Week's Best of Hempstead



Papu Sidana is the recipient of this week's Best of Hempstead accolades. A native of New Delhi, India, Papu has been a major asset to the Hempstead Community since 1990 when he opened Sneaker Terminal (now known as GB's Sneakers) on Jackson Street. Papu is one of the most giving, thought provoking and gracious individuals you will ever meet. Not only does he exhibit his kindness daily through his positive and engaging personality, he displays it in the endless humanitarian deeds he performs.

Over the years, he has devoted countless hours of his time and generosity toward helping those in need. His charitable endeavors cover a wide spectrum that includes donating merchandise – sneakers, uniforms, back-to-school supplies, etc., -- as well as financially supporting basketball tournaments, fundraisers, school events and so much more. Nothing brings more joy to Papu than seeing the smile upon the face of someone who has received one of the gifts he has given.

Papu, you are a shining example of goodness in today's world. Your contributions toward the betterment of our community are immeasurable and much appreciated. And so it is with great pleasure for me to bestow upon you the honor of being named one of Hempstead's best. Congratulations.

Sincerely,

Don

Don Ryan
Mayor of the Incorporated Village of Hempstead