



From The Desk of Mayor Don Ryan

Week of June 5, 2017

As the warmer weather continues to arrive with each passing day that means summer is almost here and with it brings a variety of planned activities that I'll be writing to tell you more about in the near future.

One noteworthy event leading into the summer season is the Annual Tyree Curry Memorial 5K Race/Walk that will be taking place on Saturday, June 10 at 9 a.m. The race/walk will start and finish at Village Hall, 99 Nichols Court, Hempstead, NY 11550. All proceeds will benefit the Hempstead Police Athletic League scholarship fund.

Tyree Curry touched the lives of so many in the Hempstead community. He worked for many years as an educator and administrator in the Hempstead Public Schools. He also served as the official photographer for the Village of Hempstead for a number of years as well. Former Mayor Wayne J. Hall, Sr. began the 5K race and named the race in Tyree Curry's honor after Tyree's passing to recognize his achievements and contributions to Hempstead Village. The present Board of Trustees supports the continuation of this event. Wayne J. Hall, Sr. and his wife Derrah Hall will be running in this year's race.

I encourage everyone to participate in this event by running or walking. It's a great way to get in a little exercise, enjoy the weather and raise funds for a great cause. Please visit the village website at www.villageofhempstead.org for more information, including registration forms and other details.

Immediately following the race/walk, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., we will be hosting our Health Fair & Hempstead Community Day at Denton Green Park (across from Village Hall). There will be a free live concert along with a variety of activities for adults and children, including health screenings, fitness classes, face painting, balloon artists, a bouncy house and more.

All in all it promises to be a meaningful and fun filled day for our residents to enjoy so I hope you can join us at either or both events.

This Week's Best of Hempstead



This week's Best of Hempstead honoree is Jonathan Davis, an avid runner who has won the Tyree Curry 5K race for the past five years and six of the past seven. As you can imagine, Jonathan has his sights set on keeping his streak intact again this year.

A lifelong resident of Hempstead Village, Jonathan's interest in running goes back almost 20 years when he took up the sport while attending Uniondale High School. For the past several years he has used his considerable skills as a runner to help raise money for a number of worthwhile causes, including his pre-school and kindergarten alma mater, the School for Language and

Communication Development as part of the Annual Ocean to Sound Relay and the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure, held each year in New York City's Central Park in September.

Jonathan works for the Town of Hempstead's Department of Parks and Recreation and holds degrees from Nassau Community College and Howard University. You can also read Jonathan's personal blog, J-Speaks, at www.JJMDTalks.blogspot.com where he writes mainly about sports, (he's a big basketball fan), along with entertainment and other important current events affecting our country. Congratulations to Jonathan for being recognized as one of Hempstead's best and good luck in this weekend's race.

Sincerely,

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Don Ryan
Mayor of the Incorporated Village of Hempstead