



## From The Desk of Mayor Don Ryan

Week of December 11, 2017

Sanitation collection and recycling are an important part of maintaining a pleasurable quality of life here in Hempstead Village. To help our residents better understand our guidelines and schedules for these two important services, we are currently working on a 2018 Sanitation-Recycling Guide that will soon be mailed to everyone in the Village. This brochure will provide monthly calendars for both trash pickup and recycling along with a holiday schedule indicating any changes from the normal collections cycle. There will also be sections in both English and Spanish that offer guidelines to follow for both trash collection and recycling that should prove useful as well as phone numbers to call should there ever be any questions. The brochure should be hitting your mailbox toward the end of December so please be on the lookout and keep it in a place for easy future reference. Following the guidelines will help ensure that our sanitation and recycling efforts run smoothly and make a positive contribution to our environment.

I also wanted to remind everyone about our Toy Drive & Giveaway in partnership with the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots program. We are still collecting unwrapped toys, which can be dropped off at Village Hall (99 Nichols Ct.) during regular business hours. The toy giveaway will take place on Friday, December 22 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Kennedy Memorial Park (335 Greenwich St.). All recipients must be pre-registered to receive a toy. The deadline for registration is Wednesday, December 20 and must be made in person by visiting Village Hall during regular business hours. Donating a toy is a wonderful way to ensure that children experience the wonder of receiving a gift during the holidays so I hope you will consider participating in this worthwhile program.

### This Week's Best of Hempstead



This week's Best of Hempstead honors go to Barbara Borum. A Village of Hempstead resident for the past 28 years, Barbara is the epitome of volunteerism, spreading her time and considerable skills toward a variety of worthy causes. For the past five years she's served as the Office Manager for the Coordinating Council of Civic Associations (CCOCA), a not-for-profit organization made up of eight Hempstead neighborhoods that help advance the community by monitoring and providing information about important issues affecting our Village as well as coordinate a variety of charitable endeavors. For the past year she has also served as CCOCA Vice President.

In addition, Barbara is on the executive board of the NAACP of Hempstead and is an active member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Nassau Chapter, where she serves as treasurer. Barbara is also the 2nd VP and Treasurer of the Nordstrand Civic Association and volunteers for a number of Hempstead Village programs, including the annual National Night Out and activities involving our seniors.

In the private sector, Barbara has held jobs as a telephone operator and forged a successful career in banking that spanned more than 20 years before she retired back in 2008, a move that led to her ramping up her volunteer activities as a way to give back to the community.

Barbara, a big thank you goes out for your ongoing dedication to our Village and congratulations for being recognized as one of Hempstead's best.

Sincerely,

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Don Ryan  
Mayor of the Incorporated Village of Hempstead