



Week of May 28, 2018

## From The Desk of Mayor Don Ryan

Now that warmer weather has finally arrived, the spring/summer season always brings some great outdoor activities in the Village of Hempstead for residents to enjoy.

One noteworthy event leading into the summer season is the Annual Tyree Curry Memorial 5K Run/Walk that will be taking place on Saturday, June 9. The race/walk will start and finish at Village Hall (99 Nichols Court) and will begin at 9 a.m. This year, all proceeds will benefit the Village of Hempstead 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 is proud to support the continuation of this event in memory Tyree.

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. Awards will be given to the top male and female overall finishers in a variety of age categories ranging from nine and under to 70 plus. Please visit the village website at [www.villageofhempstead.org](http://www.villageofhempstead.org) for more information, including registration forms and other details or call (516) 478-6286 or (516) 478-6247.

Immediately following the run/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, giant slide and more.

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

### This Week's Best of Hempstead



This week's Best of Hempstead honors go to Hempstead High School Senior Courtashia Felton. Born and raised in Hempstead Village, Courtashia is another star athlete who is on a path toward future success. Courtashia's athletic talents focus on track, which she committed to back in 9<sup>th</sup> grade and has been excelling in over the past four years. Her specialty is in the 400 meter intermediate hurdles and 400 meter relay where she has earned many awards, including being named All County, All State and All Federation. Courtashia has competed at state meets, the Penn Relays and the Nationals that attracts high school athletes around the country. In a couple of weeks, she will be running in the Nationals being held at North Carolina A&T in Greensboro.

Besides her achievements in track, Courtashia has followed the advice provided by her Mom to "stay ahead of the books" and has made the high honor roll at Hempstead High School. In the fall, she will attend Clemson University on an athletic scholarship where she will be majoring in Biology.

Courtashia you've made us proud of what you have already accomplished but we know there are even bigger things in store for you in the years ahead. Congratulations on being named one of Hempstead's best.

Sincerely,

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Don Ryan  
Mayor of the Incorporated Village of Hempstead