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2017 Membership Form



Name(s): _____

Street Address: _____

P.O. Box #: _____ Home Phone #: _____ Years in GR: _____

Email Address : _____

Interested in **joining** a GRCA Committee? _____ If yes, please circle committee(s) of interest:

Events Welcoming Beautification Communications

Interested in **donating** to a GRCA Committee? _____ If yes, please circle and write the amount.

\$_____ Events \$_____ Welcoming \$_____ Beautification \$_____ Communications

Suggestions/Ideas for GRCA: _____

Membership Dues

January 2017-December 2017 - \$25 Silver/ \$50 Gold / \$100 Platinum

Membership Option: _____ Silver _____ Gold _____ Platinum

Great River Fire Department Members: Silver Waived / \$25 Gold / \$75 Platinum

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or PAY ONLINE @grca11739@gmail.com



Daylight Savings:

Sunday, November
 5th



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The GRCA would like to announce our newest officer and board member, Bill Vavricka to the appointed position of recording secretary. We thank you for your dedication and commitment to the community!!.

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Next General Meeting:

TBD: Please check the website for Updates and make sure you are on our Eblast list....

**Holiday Lighting committee meeting:
 Sept 27th, 7pm GRFD
 We need your help!!!**

What's coming up in Great River.....

Halloween Event



Sunday, October 29th, 2017
Great River Fire House

Costume Parade starts at 2:00 PM
then we will return to the Fire House

for some creepy crafts, freaky fun and **frightening food!**

Please bring a snack to share!

If you are interested in helping with this event, please contact
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GRCA Annual Paint & Sip Night

No
experience
necessary!



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materials
supplied!

REVERSIBLE WOOD PLANK – SCARECROW & SNOWMAN

Wednesday, October 25th, 2017
Great River Fire House

7:00 PM - Bring Your Own Beverage (BYOB)

\$45 pp for GRCA Members
\$50 pp for non-GRCA Members

21 years+ only/Family & Friends are welcome!

To register, please visit our website: grca11739.com

Payment may be made via paypal or check to:
Great River Community Association PO Box 13.

REGISTRATION WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER OCTOBER 18, 2017

Christmas Tree Lighting

Saturday, December 2, 2017

Emmanuel Episcopal Church

NEW LOCATION FOR 2017!!! Please join the committee, we cannot do this without your help.
Sept 27th, 7PM @ GRFD



Menorah Lighting

Tuesday, December 12, 2017

Memorial Park



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Suffolk County Marathon October 29, 2017



After several neighbors complained about the inconvenience of the marathon route, the County and organizers have agreed to "limit" this inconvenience by allowing residents to leave the neighborhood during the race & also dedicated a phone # (631-852-5119) to facilitate this. Several other measures will be taken such as electronic sign board placement for reminding residents, Target Code messaging & increased patrols on race day. The GRCA will keep everyone informed so that it minimizes the inconvenience

Marathon Command Post has been identified for use by Great River residents on October 29th if they have issues entering or leaving the community that day.

The number is: 631-852-5119

Join a GRCA Committee Today!

One of the best ways to get involved, make a difference and meet new people in our community is to join one of our wonderful committees. These committees are responsible for maintaining a close, friendly and beautiful place to live!

Some of our offered committees:
Welcoming Committee
Membership Committee
Social Events Committee
Beautification Committee

If you are interested in becoming involved in a specific committee within our town, please contact greatriver11739@gmail.com for more information.

Please note this is a volunteer opportunity and you only need to provide your time when you are able to help.

Town of Islip Garbage Pick-Up Regulations

There have been numerous complaints within the Great River Community about neighbors putting garbage out over holiday weekends and several days before the scheduled pick-up date. This not only hinders the appearance of our beautiful community but it also encourages non-residents to drive around our community to "garbage pick" bringing unnecessary attention and jeopardizing the safety our community.

Garbage should not be put out earlier than 4:30PM the day before your scheduled garbage pick-up.

WRAP DAY IS WEDNESDAY, PLEASE RECYCLE...

Should you have any additional questions or wish to report garbage being left out for days, please contact the Department of Environmental Control at 631-224-5645.

PASTA NIGHT Saturday, October 7 @ 5:30 P.M.

Donations to be paid at the door: Adult \$15/
Children \$5

1st Blue Mass Sunday October 8th @ 9:30 A.M.

All law enforcement, firefighters & first responders are invited with families and friends

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For more information, please visit the Great River Fire Department website at www.greatriverfire.com or facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/greatriverfire/>

Street Sweeping
The Town of Islip is planning to start Sweeping the Great River Community on or around:



September 7, 2017.

Town of Islip Noise Ordinance Information

There have also been several complaints within the Great River Community about lawnmowers and other outdoor machinery being used prior to allowed time by the Town of Islip Code. For your convenience and information, we have condensed the information found on the Town of Islip website in regards to this Code to make sure we are all informed and work as a community to abide by these Codes.

**Noise from operation of machinery/construction should take place between the hours of :
7:00AM-8:00PM on weekdays and
10:00AM – 5:00PM on Sundays. State or Federal holidays follow a Sunday schedule.**

If you have any further questions about these Town of Islip Codes you may visit their website <http://www.islipny.gov> and go to E-Services, Town Code. You may also contact the Division of Law Enforcement with any noise complaints and/or questions at (631) 224-5375.

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<http://sagtikosmanor.org/events.html>

Town of Islip Apple Festival
Islip Grange— 10 Broadway Ave-Sayville Oct 21, 10-4:30

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Fall is the perfect time to get all of your home maintenance and winter preparation projects done. It is the time of year when things cool off and it gives you the best opportunity for accomplishing all you need to before the cold winter months.

Help get your home ready for winter with these fall maintenance tips:

- 1. Check windows and doors:** This is one of the easiest ways to save on winter energy bills and keep your house from getting cold. Make sure there are not cracks, leaks or air coming through the window sills or door frames.
- 2. Clean you heating and air conditioning:** Having your air conditioner and heater units cleaned twice a year- spring and fall- will help your family stay healthier and expand the life of your units. A professional cleaning is inexpensive and takes a very short amount of time.
- 3. Check your fireplace:** Many people still use wood burning or gas fireplaces in the winter. Do a visual inspection of your fireplace to make sure that it is in good working order. Give it a test run at some point in the fall, before it gets too cold, to make sure that it will be functioning in the winter.
- 4. Clean your water heater:** You can clean your water heater by simply draining it. Allow all of the water in the tank to come out. This will get rid of any buildup that is in the heater due to sediment and will help prevent it from building up during the winter.
- 5. Protect your hose:** To keep your garden hose from freezing and cracking empty it completely and disconnect it from the spigot. Moving it inside is also a good idea to help prevent your hose from freezing and getting destroyed.
- 6. Check your roof:** When prepping maintaining your home it is important to start from the bottom up. Take a look at your roof- even from the ground- and see if there are any missing shingles or holes in the roof. Make sure your gutters are clear of leaves, sticks and debris.

Should You Choose a Stationary or Portable Generator?

The choice boils down to cost vs. convenience. If you want to be ready for any power outage anytime, nothing beats a stationary generator. Once it's installed, it just fires up automatically when needed. But most people choose a portable generator because it costs far less and is simpler to set up.

Fall is a good time to inspect your car battery, making sure the cables and terminals are snug, and retighten as necessary for good contact. If your connections are dirty or showing a lot of corrosion, disconnect and clean them with a wire brush or cleaning tool. Be aware that when you disconnect the battery, you may have to re-enter a security code in your radio or navigation system. If you have a sealed, maintenance-free battery with no removable caps, there's little else you need to do. If your battery has removable caps, check the water level periodically, and refill with distilled water as needed.



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