

Welcome

It has been an honor and privilege to serve the Village of Wappingers Falls over the last 10 years. A great deal of physical building, program enhancement and community building has taken place during my tenure. I thank the community leaders, residents and the tireless, amazing volunteer recreation committee, without whom none of this would have been possible.

The past few years have taught me the value of having a positive and enthusiastic group of volunteers. I have witnessed them giving tirelessly of their time to enhance the recreation program for a better community. I would like to acknowledge each and everyone of our members as they have played an integral part of making the Village of Wappingers Falls an exceptional place to live. I will truly miss their enthusiasm. I hope I will be able to emulate their commitment in my future endeavors.

That being said, we have another year full of fantastic events. We invite the entire community and their families to come and enjoy our many events, programs and parks. We are a dedicated group of volunteers who strive to enhance our community through arts, parks and programming. We always welcome new members. Recreation meets the third Monday of each month at the Legion Hall, 7 Spring Street, 7pm. Like us on Facebook - Wappingers Falls Events!

Denise Calabrese

Village of Wappingers Falls Trustee and Recreation Liaison

2016 Recreation Committee

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Calendar and Events

Friday, May 13: Wappingers Central School District's Festival of the Arts, Mesier Park Rain date; Saturday, May 14; **Village-wide yard sale** 9-3. Rain date; Saturday, May 14.

Monday, May 30: Memorial Day Service, 9am Mesier Park.

Monday, June 27: Summer camp opens, Veterans' Park.

Friday, July 8: Summer concert, Mesier Park, 7pm

Friday, July 15: Movie at Veterans Park 8pm

Friday, July 22: Concert at Mesier Park 7pm

Friday, July 29: Movie at Veterans Park 8pm

Friday, August 5: Concert at Mesier Park 7pm

Friday, August 12: Movie at Veterans Park 8pm

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Saturday, August 13: Pet Expo, Mesier Park 11-4. This is a new event put together with the VCA Animal Specialty & Emergency Center to benefit the Dutchess County SPCA and the Hudson Valley SPCA. There will be vendors, pet-related items, food, music, car show, motorcycles and much more.

Friday, August 19: Concert at Mesier Park 8pm

Friday, August 26: Movie at Veterans Park 8pm

Saturday, Sept. 3: Family Fun Day, Veterans Park 3pm. Come enjoy an evening with family and neighbors relaxing by the lake. Games, pony rides, face painting, shows, more.

Sunday, Sept. 11: 9-11 Memorial 15th Anniversary of the 9/11 attacks candlelight Ceremony, 6pm Mesier Park.

Friday, Sept. 16: MIA Candlelight Vigil and Memorial at MIA/POW Park, 6pm.

Saturday, Sept. 24: Hudson Valley Ramble, Grinnell Library 1:30, Wappingers Greenway Trail and Village history talk and walk.

Saturday, Oct. 15: Halloween Parade and Festival, Mesier Park 11-4pm. The parade begins at 11am at Elm St. and ends at Mesier Park where vendors will be set up with all your Halloween and fall needs. Costume contest for all ages, wear your Halloween best! To register for the parade, leave a message at 297-8773x7 or email dcalabrese@wappingersfallsny.gov

Friday, Nov. 11: Veterans' Memorial Service at MIA/POW Park, 11am.

Saturday, Nov. 26: 7th Annual Holiday Light Parade, Mesier Park 6:30pm. Parade line up at 6 pm, step-off at 6:30 pm from Elm St. Santa will arrive in Mesier Park by 7pm in time to light the tree. Be a part of this spectacular parade! Floats, boats, bikes, dogs, characters, carriages; the possibilities are endless. Trophies for the best floats will be awarded! To register for the parade, leave a message at 297-8773x7 or email dcalabrese@wappingersfallsny.gov.

For information on all events – leave a message at 297-8773x7 or email dcalabrese@wappingersfallsny.gov.

Our Parks

Mesier Park: In the heart of the Village at the intersections of East Main Street and South Avenue (9D).

Veterans' Memorial Park is along North Mesier Avenue and adjacent to Wappingers Lake.

Temple Memorial Park on Market St near the lower Wappinger Creek

POW-MIA Park at the intersection of Route 9 and East Main Street.

Fisherman's Park is at the end of Liss Road new Route 9.

Canale Park is on Canale Way in front of the new water treatment facility.

Child Safety IDs

The Village of Wappingers Falls Police Department performs Child IDs at our special events. If you cannot make it, arrange for an ID to be done by calling for an appointment at 297-1011.

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Summer Outdoor Concerts at Mesier Park

Fri., Jul 8	7 pm	The Feds
Fri., Jul 22	7 pm	Bubba Classic Rock Band
Fri., Aug. 5	7 pm	The Greyhounds
Fri., Aug 19	7 pm	Matt Jordan - Oldies Pop Band

Summer Movies at Veteran's Park

Fri., Jul 15	8 pm	The Good Dinosaur
Fri., Jul 29	8 pm	Norm of the North
Fri., Aug. 12	8 pm	Lego Movie
Fri., Aug 26	8 pm	Hotel Transylvania

Park Rules

- Parks are open dawn to dusk.
- All dogs must be leashed and cleaned up after.
- No smoking in any of our parks.
- No parking on the grass.

The gazebo in Mesier Park as well as sections of all parks may be rented for special events. Call 297-8773x1 for reservations.

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Summer Camp

A non-profit organization, Abriendo Puertas/Opening Doors, will be hosting camp this summer. The location will remain the same and most of the previous years staff will be returning to enjoy another summer with your children. Camp will open June 27th thru August 5th from 9-3pm. Children ages 5-13 may participate.

Registration: A tuition of \$50/week per child must be made prior to the child's participation in the program. Check should be made to Abriendo Puertas/Opening Doors. Registrations will be held on Saturday, May 14th from 9-3 and Saturday, May 28th from 11-2 at Veterans Park. Registration forms may also be picked up at the Village Hall or downloaded from the website at wappingersfallsny.gov.



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2582 South Ave. - 297-8773

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Zoning Office - 297-5277

Recreation - 297-8773 ext. 7
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Youth Art Program

Create a work of art for permanent display in the village! Work with renowned artists! Learn to express yourself through fine arts! The program is for children 5-17. Free for village residents; a nominal fee for non-residents. July 6-Aug. 3. **Register:** Bring proof of residency to the summer camp during the week of June 29 or by contacting Denise at dcalabrese@wappingersfallsny.gov or 297-8773x7.

Fishing

Fishermen will find a variety of fish including pickerel and largemouth bass. Make sure you have the required fishing license. There is a boat ramp at the end of Spring Street, which can be used by boats powered by engines that do not exceed 7.5 HP. The lake has walking access through Fisherman's Park at the end of Liss Road.

Mesier Homestead

Mesier Homestead is the jewel of Wappingers Falls. Built in 1741 by the Brewer brothers, the Homestead, was one of the first homes in the area. In 1776 a well-to-do, loyalist tea merchant from New York City, Peter Mesier, purchased the home and 750 acres of land. His family lived in the home until it was sold to the village in 1891. Read all about the history at www.wappingershistoricalsociety.org.

The Wappingers Historical Society asks for your support. Members and Volunteers are always needed and welcome. I hope you will come enjoy a tour of the Homestead. We are open the second Sunday of the month from 1 to 4 pm and by appointment. We also have numerous events throughout the year, visit our online calendar or call us for more information.

Beth Devine, President

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