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From the Office of Hon. Paul Leone Peters, Mayor

“Proudly Celebrating Our 87th Year!”

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Dear Neighbors:

As 2018 comes to a close, there are few things we'd like to review about Roslyn Estates happenings. First, we are all very grateful for the job done this year by the entire Village staff, including Clerk/Treasurer Mike Tomicich, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Sandy Yadaie, Buildings Department Superintendent Joe Richardson, Court Clerk Lee Regan, and our DPW stars Bernie Dunn and Tom King. As many of you have noted, our Village is in the best shape in recent memory, and the credit goes to these dedicated and motivated people. Special thanks go to Bernie and Thomas for the great job they have done clearing leaves from Village roads and grounds. With the abundance of beautiful trees all around us, I'm sure you know what a massive undertaking this is each year, and Bernie and Thomas have excelled at their first shot at it.

Home Rentals

Your Board of Trustees has enacted a new local law governing home rentals within the Village. A new Section 200-21 of the Code of the Village of Roslyn Estates has been added in order to prevent abuses resulting from the proliferation of Airbnb and similar operations. Effective immediately, and with only a few specific exceptions, home rentals in Roslyn Estates must be for a minimum of 120 days while the owner does not occupy the premises. Homeowners who violate this law are subject to substantial fines which double with each successive offence. Should you want all the details, the complete text of the regulation with all terms specified is available on our website or at Village Hall. Any resident who becomes aware of a possible violation of this restriction should contact Mike, Sandy or Joe immediately at 516-621-3541.

Fallen Tree on The Birches

The recent wind storm felled a portion of a very large tree across The Birches, taking with it utility lines and damaging two utility poles. Approximately 60 homes suffered a loss of power. Both PSEGLI and our Village staff responded quickly, minimizing the outage and inconvenience. We are again indebted to the work of Bernie, Thomas and Mike in helping to make the street passable, and we are grateful for the efficient actions by PSEGLI service technicians who erected two new poles, repaired the lines and replaced a transformer, restoring power in relatively short order.

Police Presence

The Nassau County Police are continuing their active enforcement of local traffic laws, especially at STOP signs and where left and right turns are prohibited during certain hours of the day. These restrictions are meant to reduce outsider traffic through the Village at times of the day when Village roads can otherwise provide a detour around busy intersections. The incidence of cut-throughs has been substantially reduced, and violators are generating additional income for us, so it's a win-win situation.

Car Theft

Speaking of the police, the Commander of our NCPD Third Precinct has advised that they are seeing a significant increase in the incidence stolen autos in our area. Not surprisingly, many of these incidents involve vehicles that are left unlocked and with the keys inside. Commander Abruzzo explains that once the criminals locate an area where many cars are left unsecured in driveways, they will continue to return. More significantly, remote garage openers in unlocked cars may also be used to gain easy access to the residence. While taking the keys from parked cars and locking the doors (or, better yet, putting them in garages) should be fairly intuitive, it seems we must (again) advise that residents and their guests should always take these precautions. Even increased NCPD patrols in our area are unlikely to prevent further thefts of unlocked cars with the keys inside.

Speed Sign

In an effort to deter speeding on Village roads (the cause of many residents' concerns), Mike's persistence has finally got us a radar-activated speed warning sign. Our plan is to place it, for limited periods of time, in various locations where speeding is occurring most frequently – just long enough, hopefully, to get the message across. If you feel speeding cars are a problem on your street, please let us know.

Landscape Contractor Permits

We remind you once again of Chapter 92 of the Village Code, "Licensing," requiring commercial landscapers to register with the Village. Each residence in the Village was sent an explanatory letter, along with a Landscaper License Application, which is to be presented to your landscaping service company. The License is valid from January 1 through December 31 of each year, beginning with January 1, 2019, and all landscapers working in the Village must be licensed each year. Please be aware that the Village will enforce this new local law beginning January 1, 2019, so please be certain to pass along this information to your contractors. All landscapers who do not possess a valid license as of January 1, 2019, will receive a notice of violation. If you or your landscaper have any questions about this new law, the permit or the application, please feel free to contact the Village staff at Village Hall.

I hope all your holidays were peaceful and rewarding, and I wish everyone a healthy and joyful New Year.

Sincerely,



Paul Leone Peters

Mayor, Village of Roslyn Estates