



Town of
North Castle Westchester County, NY
Supervisor Michael J. Schiliro

Dear Neighbors and Friends,

This is our next **COVID-19 update** installment. ([Click here](#) for our previous emails). This should take you 3-4 minutes to read. And please continue to Be Decent and Civil to each other.

FLATTENING THE CURVE:

- **STOP THE SPREAD!!:** We are sure you're aware by now, the virus is continuing to spread. The science is simple, you cannot get the virus if you are not exposed to it, thus your Model Behaviors are CRITICAL to keeping you, your family, and others safe. **Please Please Please continue to Model Good Behavior**. Separate Need from Want. If you don't need it, don't do it! As always, continue to watch the news for info and check the [Town](#), [Federal](#), and [Governor's](#) websites for info.
- **SOCIAL DISTANCING:** It's not optional anymore folks. If you do not practice this, you are endangering the person near you, and everyone else they come in contact with. **Cases are still increasing at greater than 20% a day!** The numbers are sobering. Our lives feel like a Twilight Zone episode. We can't wait for it to end!
- **MASKS URGENTLY NEEDED!!:** If you have them, I am still collecting at my house in 2 bins on my front lawn, 14 Orchard Drive (first house on right off Main St). If you can sew, consider making masks. [Here are](#) the directions. Several residents are doing this. A brave and courageous front line doctor, a resident, comes at night to pick up the masks you are dropping off and she brings them to the front lines. Here is an incredible picture of homemade cotton masks made by my neighbor Debbie Ledone. Melinda Rolfs emailed me and said "I have a sewing machine, just tell me how to make them!" Unbelievable spirit in our Town residents. Thank you! These homemade masks are used to cover the N95 masks so they last longer. Check out this incredible picture of the homemade masks.



- **CALLING ALL KIDS:** We need help from your children to spread the word about helping the cause. We need signs all over Town, and our children in Town are the perfect artists! Ask your kids to make their own decorated poster-sized signs, with whatever you have in the house, and parents attach them to a stick to plant on your lawn near the street. Use any one of the tag lines "Flatten the Curve", "Pause", "Stop the Spread", etc. Thanks! The Town Board will be viewing them all during our travels around Town.
- **VERY GOOD [ARTICLE](#)** helping you and the cause on tips to fight the spread.
- **WASH YOUR HANDS:** For 20 seconds, with soap, front and back of your hands, and each finger.
- **IF YOU THINK YOU HAVE THE VIRUS:** The County number is (888) 364-3065. They walk you through questions, and progress from there. Do not visit your doctor or the hospital first, just call the number or call your doctor.

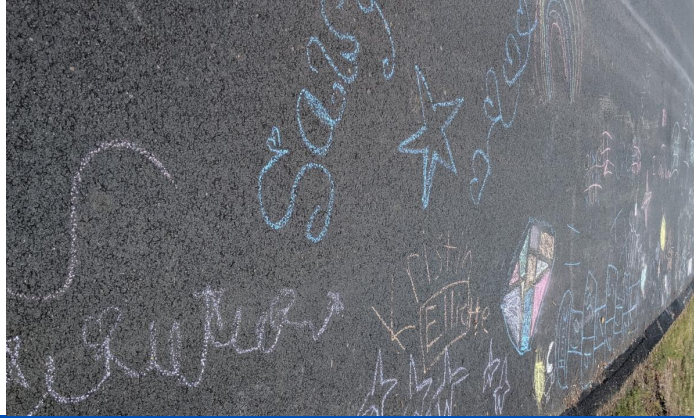
LIFE, HELP, DISTRACTIONS, and GENERAL INFO

- **IMPORTANT SEWER AND SEPTIC INFO - Your toilet is not a trash basket!!!** Don't flush wipes! Even if they say "flush-able", they are causing an issue. We have already had several sewer line clogs due to this. Please DO NOT FLUSH wipes!! Let me repeat, DO NOT FLUSH wipes, otherwise this happens.



- **IF YOU NEED HELP, ASK:** If you need help, let us know. Groceries, health issues, conversation, just reach out. Remember, **We Are Lonely...Together.**

Just call or text my cell at 830-6061 or call our Police Dept if an emergency.
- **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE:** [Click here](#) for a list of many programs for home mortgages, car payments, small business help, etc.
- **KIDS STREET ART:** Check out the beautiful street art created by the kids on my street. They practiced strict social distancing but were able to play, and create something pretty cool. If it is safe for your kids with supervision, perhaps a fun activity to give your kids some fresh air.



- **Easter Egg Hunt:** Canceled for April 4th. Sorry!
- **RESTAURANTS, DELI'S, ETC:** Thank you for continuing to support [our local businesses](#) that are still open. Continue to be safe when you do, and continue to buy gift cards if you can. And remember that revenue is critical for these businesses, so if you think of redeeming your own gift cards, please consider doing so at another time or only if absolutely necessary.
- **EASY WORKOUT IDEA:** Many of you who work out do so at gyms that are closed right now. Here's a simple, inexpensive workout which is great for vacation or sheltering in place. All you need is a deck of cards. Red is push ups, black crunches (or Pilates). The card number represents how many push ups or crunches you do (picture cards are 10, Ace 15), and that same number is how many seconds you wait until the next card. Much more strenuous than you might think. It got Hershel Walker to the NFL!



- **NORTH CASTLE POSITIVE CASES:** NYS establishes specific protocols via each county. We are advised confidentially. We can report that we have been advised that there are now 21

positive cases in North Castle. That is all that we can and will report, thus please understand and appreciate that due to confidentiality laws, emails to us asking for any further info regarding details will not be responded to.

- **GROCERIES:** Stop & Shop and DeCicco & Sons continue to provide us groceries! They are both accommodating our seniors and immunosuppressed with early dedicated hours. And DiCicco's continues with extra efforts to keep you all safe with partitions, maximum customer counts, and dry as well. Yes, that's me behind the mask at DiCicco's.



- **NORTH CASTLE LIBRARY:** As per our last email, the North Castle Library website has terrific offerings. [Click here](#) to check it out!
- **TOWN/COUNTY REAL ESTATE TAXES DUE IN APRIL:** Taxes are still due, with no relief provided by NYS in due date or late fees. This is state law and can only be changed by NYS. Please pay online or by US Mail, see the information that was mailed with your bill.

- **ESSENTIAL BUSINESSES:** The Governor has determined that certain work is considered essential. Refer to the [Governor's website](#) if you want more details on landscapers, blowers, contractors, etc.
- **OUR TOWN EMPLOYEES:** [Check out website](#)
Our Town employees are hard at work for you, despite these challenging times. Town government is considered essential, but we have carefully created alternating shifts with some employees, with some working from home when needed. Keep in mind, many of your Town needs can be accomplished via email, phone, or Town website. And our building department can still handle most of your needs, like issuing permits, C/O's, etc. Kevin Hay is in constant contact with our departments, and I stopped by many offices yesterday and today, knocking on windows as to not enter the buildings, and thank them for their dedication.

Personal for the Supervisor: Wishing my daughter Gina a happy sweet 16th birthday, unfortunately not a typical sweet 16 celebration for her. But for me, unexpectedly, I got to spend her birthday with her as our Town Board meeting was canceled on that night. :)

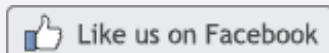
We're all in this together folks. We and the Town Board continue to urge you to stay safe, be smart, practice social distancing, and use common sense. We will all get through this together. And Be Decent and Civil to each other, this is new territory for all of us.

We'll end today's email with some levity passed on by a resident:
"Countless days of self-isolation and it's like Vegas in my house. We're losing money by the minute, cocktails are acceptable at any hour, and nobody knows what time or day it is."

Stay Safe!

Sincerely,
Michael Schiliro - Supervisor Town of North Castle
Kevin Hay - Town Administrator

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Give us a call today!