

Village of Ossining Welcomes New Superintendent of Recreation

Ossining, N.Y. (December 1, 2014) – The Village of Ossining is pleased to announce the appointment of Christopher Soi as Superintendent of Recreation. Mr. Soi, who assumes the role in January, will be responsible for the coordination of all recreational activities for both the Village and the Town of Ossining.

Located in the Joseph G. Caputo Community Center, the Ossining Recreation and Parks Department offers a wide range of programs for all ages – from young children to seniors – and serves approximately 30,000 people each year. The Recreation Superintendent manages the programming in six town-owned parks and eight Village parks, along with the oversight of the Old Croton Aqueduct totaling more than 183 acres with a variety of amenities for residents and visitors.

Prior to accepting his new position in Ossining, Christopher Soi was the Assistant Superintendent for the New Castle Recreation and Parks Department. There he was responsible for year-round recreation programs; a summer day camp with over 250 campers; and assisting in the oversight of nine town-owned parks, a community center, and an arts center.

Mr. Soi also previously served as Recreation Supervisor for the Briarcliff Manor Recreation and Parks Department; Lead Instructor at the New York City Outward Bound Educational Center; and Therapeutic Recreation Program Coordinator at Green Chimneys Children Services, a residential treatment center serving behaviorally challenged youth.

"We are pleased and excited to welcome Christopher as Ossining's new Superintendent of Recreation," said Village Manager Richard Leins. "His considerable experience in the field will make him an asset to our vibrant community. We look forward to his fresh perspective and insight."

Certified as a Park and Recreation Professional and Youth Sports Administrator by the National Recreation and Parks Association and National Association of Youth Sports respectively, Mr. Soi is a member of the Westchester Recreation and Parks Society, New York State Recreation and Parks Society, and the National Recreation and Parks Association. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology from Brown University and a Master of Science in Recreation and Leisure Studies from the State University of New York at Cortland.

The Ossining Recreation and Parks Department is located at the Joseph G. Caputo Community

Center at 95 Broadway in Ossining, N.Y. They can be reached at 914-941-3189 or by visiting <u>www.villageofossining.org</u>. For the latest news, please visit the Recreation and Parks Department on Facebook (<u>www.facebook.com/Ossining.Recreation</u>).

About the Village of Ossining

On April 2, 1813, the Village of Ossining became the first incorporated village in Westchester County to be state-chartered. Today, Ossining is a culturally diverse, affordable place to live, rich in both history and natural beauty. Approximately 25,600 people reside in the three and one half square miles of this historic Village on the Hudson River, which boasts extensive shopping, recreational programs, educational enrichment opportunities, and excellent municipal services. Ossining's role in New York's heritage has been recognized by its inclusion, as one of only 14 areas, in an Urban Cultural Park System designed to attract visitors to the State. Visit www.villageofossining.org for more information.

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