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Mayor's Update



Mayor Ed Lieberman

Welcome to this quarterly edition of the Village Bulletin, the official publication of the Village of Sea Cliff. I am proud and privileged to be your mayor and present this regular report outlining many of our village's programs and endeavors.

The Village Bulletin's volunteer staff and its many reporters contribute to this effort to bring to our citizens a resource of information and services to enhance your life experience in our beloved village. I wish to publicly thank them, as well as the many volunteers throughout our community, who together contribute so much and ask for so little. We are truly blessed by all of our dedicated volunteers throughout our village.

One of the most common issues that we have experienced together is the situation with New York American Water. The current status is that our village's initial litigation against NYAW and the NY Public Service Commission contesting the rate and tax assessment rates of May 2017 is still pending. However, as a result of the initiation of our lawsuit, it has been determined by the PSC that NYAW intentionally misrepresented material facts regarding the

tax assessments when giving sworn testimony to the PSC. Although we have achieved this first crucial acknowledgement of the issue before us, we will continue to pursue our litigation as well as insisting that full restitution be made to our ratepayers. In addition, we will continue to lead the way in fighting this situation that we face with NYAW.

Also, our village's appeal of the decision regarding the Garvies Point development is now scheduled to be heard before the Appellate Division in October. As in the NYAW situation, the village will continue to remain vigilant in all areas concerning our community and environmental inter-

Currently there are many village projects that have been completed or are now in the planning stages ready to be enacted. The village has recently completed the longanticipated renovation of the adult library as well as Village Hall's upstairs meeting room. Soon the remainder of the Village Hall renovations will be completed. Our firehouse has received electric and lighting upgrades that will support both energy efficiency as well as the important emergency response work of our volunteer firefighters and EMS. We are also looking forward to other important improvements to the firehouse in coming months that will preserve the building's unique character and enhance service to the community. We continue to move forward with the sewer connection to the county wastewater treatment plant in Glen Cove, realizing one of the municipality's most sig-(continued on page 2)

Sea Cliff Library and Village Hall Renovations Update







Library Before Renovations

Library After Renovations

With support from state and local sources, the adult library and Village Hall upstairs meeting room were beautifully restored with interior repairs and paint recently. Both areas also received energyefficient lighting upgrades that are both functional and attractive (library before and after lighting pictured). The improvements will serve the community on a daily basis for years to come—stop by to check them out!

Sea Cliff Firehouse Improvements



Photo by Peter Budraitis

Several projects, with support from state, county and local resources, are underway to enhance and preserve the Sea Cliff Fire Dept. Firehouse. Most noticeable will be the exterior windows and masonry restoration which will increase the functionality and efficiency of the building while conserving its landmark status. Other improvements to electric service, lighting and communications will also bring the firehouse into the 21st century and maintain its unique historic characteristics. The Mayor, Village staff, Fire Chiefs and volunteer firefighters welcomed Nassau County Legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitton (pictured) to the Firehouse in recognition of her work to upgrade the department's radio repeater.

Building Department Goes Green



With funding from the NYS Clean Energy Communities grant program, the Building Department recently replaced a gas-fueled vehicle with a hybrid electric Ford Fusion (pictured). The new vehicle is one of several recent projects that enhance the village's commitment to protect our environment—Sea Cliff keeps getting greener!

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Occupant Sea Cliff, NY 11579 nificant infrastructure improvements. Each project's fruition has benefited from funding resources accessed through the state and/or county as well as extensive collaboration on our local level.

Also, the children's library exterior grounds have been improved and beautified thanks to the mutual endeavors of the village and private efforts. We now have many plans in the works to complete additional beautification projects throughout the village, including many road improvements. Along with road paving and other traffic control, we have and will continue to implement traffic calming measures throughout the village, including Littleworth Lane and the roads surrounding our elementary school.

It is important for our village to coordinate with all of the governmental associations and elected officials who can assist us in all of our endeavors to be a better village. To this end, I continue to represent our village in the Nassau County Village Officials Association, the New York Conference of Mayors, as well as attending numerous meetings and conferences with our County Executive, Police Commissioner, County Legislator, state and local officials and grassroots civic groups. By doing our due diligence we will be a more vibrant and vital village.

As always, I remain available to all our citizens. Contact me at any time, either by stopping me on the street or emailing me at elieberman@seacliff-ny.gov. I look forward to hearing from you!

And now, please enjoy this edition of the Village Bulletin and its many interesting and useful articles.

Congratulations 2018 White Cap Award Recipients:

Charles Weinstein, Estelle Moore and Mimi Leipzig

Notes From The Village Board

by Henriette Rohl, Trustee

Summer is winding down in Sea Cliff. As a newly elected Village Trustee, I have had the pleasure of working firsthand with many of the staff and volunteers that make our village so uniquely vibrant. I have the pleasure of being the liaison to Sea Cliff Beach, the Sea Cliff Fire Department, the Beautification Committee and the Village Museum.

The beach enjoyed a successful season of music, yoga, story time, library at the beach and more. Kudos to our well-trained lifeguards for keeping us all safe and the beach immaculate. Our beach is a great example of how we can offer job opportunities for young adults by hiring lifeguards and student sound techs. See you next summer!

The Fire Department, Sea Cliff's finest gem, also had a great summer. Being part of the Fire Department inspection was a true honor. I am so humbled by the selfless volunteers who are always on call. Keep an eye on the firehouse—I am sure you will be pleasantly surprised how we incorporated a youth project into the latest renovations.

Thank you, Beautification, for

coloring our village with flowers and maintaining our precious parks. The Beautification Committee is a group of volunteers who literally get their hands dirty for the good of the village. They warmly embrace Sea Cliff School students to learn about gardening and encourage digging in the dirt. Adults are welcome too.

The Village Museum is closed to the public over the summer; however, the work never ceases. October 12th marks our 135th anniversary of incorporation. We will be celebrating with family activities, including a reenactment of the signing of the documents. Stop by and visit Sea Cliff's best kept secret to learn about our history.

As we embrace fall, I look forward to working with my fellow Trustees, Mayor and Village Staff to continue on our commitment to preserve our environment and community way of life. You may have noticed I am actively looking for opportunities to incorporate the talents of our younger residents into these endeavors. If you have any ideas, please reach out to me any time.

Putting the "Public" in the Department of Public Works

by Bruce Kennedy, Village Administrator and Director of Public Works

Public works is a multidimensional concept that addresses a multiplicity of arenas. In Sea Cliff, being the Director of Public Works includes oversight of ninety-seven roads (totaling twenty-one miles), seventeen parks, one beach, and four buildings. Our Department of Public Works maintains our green space and trees, collects the garbage and recycling, maintains our storm water collection system, plows and cleans our streets, maintains our vehicles and equipment and is always there for us when a storm hits.

Sometimes our efforts are obvious. Everyone loves seeing the village employees out and about during a snowstorm, but did you ever wonder whom to call when there is a wasp nest in the catch basin in front of your house? When the village tree in front of your property is starting to rot, leaving you wondering when the next strong wind is coming? Whom do you call when you can no longer see the stop sign, have to drive around a pothole, or locate a crosswalk?

Whom do you dial when a catch basin is blocked? All of these issues, and countless others, are dealt with daily by the Sea Cliff Department of Public Works.

Whom does the Department of Public Works serve? Of course the answer is—all of our residents. Most of us think that our neighbors are virtually the same as ourselves, but we really are diverse in our population. Let's consider some of the makeup of our approximately 5,000 residents:

220 are under 5 years old, 1,110 are 6-18 years old, 775 are 19-64 years old, and our biggest population is senior citizens with nearly 2,900 residents 65 years or older.

About 73 percent of our residents live in their own Sea Cliff homes, while 27 percent of our residents rent their homes. The average home sale over the past eighteen months is \$780,000, and our median household income is at the \$130,000 level, yet 5.7 percent of our residents live below the poverty level.

87 percent of our population

is white (mostly Irish & Italian), 7 percent is Hispanic or Latino, 3 percent is black or African American, 1 percent is Asian and 2 percent is multiracial. 75 percent of our residents live in a "family household," yet only 61 percent are married couples. 11.4 percent of people who call Sea Cliff home are foreign-born, 19 percent speak a language other than English at home, and 3.3 percent have served in the United States Armed Forces.

These statistics are more than just interesting facts, they are important in identifying what our residents need and prioritizing a public works program. The Department of Public Works has a very clear mission when it comes to servicing the community: it is to enhance the quality of life for all residents through responsible and sound management, innovation, teamwork and vision, and to provide dependable, high quality, responsive public works at reasonable costs. Our much simpler and easier to remember motto is "Getting Things Done."

Recycle For Sea Cliff

by Dina Epstein, Trustee Liaison to Environmental Conservation Commission

Just a reminder that all recyclables, including glass, paper, plastic and metal may be placed in one container for pickup on Wednesday mornings. Single-stream recycling is convenient—no sorting is required. Please note that on holiday weeks the Village is no longer automatically skipping recycling for the week. Our new procedure is that whatever day the holiday falls on, that day's pickup will be skipped. For example, on Labor Day, which is on a Monday, the Monday garbage pickup will be skipped. On Thanksgiving Thursday, that day's garbage pickup will be

The following items are re-

cyclable:

- Metal (except mercury): please clean cans or containers;
- Paper: including newspapers, magazines, books, junk
- Cardboard: including all empty boxes, food and product cartons that are not dirty or greasy;
- Plastics: numbers 1-7 including bottles, cups and clean food containers;
- Rigid plastics: including crates, lawn furniture, empty coolers and drums;
- Milk and OJ cartons rinsed clean:
- Glass: including jars.
 The following items ARE

NOT recyclable:

Plastic bags, styrofoam, light bulbs, hazardous waste, chemicals and dirty, used food containers.

Keep in mind that having recyclables picked up costs the village much less than garbage. We will save your tax dollars by reducing garbage output through recycling. Please also remember to compost your fruit, vegetable and garden waste, bring reusable bags to stores and use your own refillable water bottle. These simple steps can reduce waste (and costs) and will improve the quality of life for everyone.

Volunteer with SCFD – Year-Round Recruitment

Get started in any of these ways:

Stop by the Firehouse first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Email mvitale@seaclifffiredept.org

Stop by the Firehouse any time you see your local volunteer firefighters and emergency medical technicians training or responding to calls for assistance in our community.

Addiction Resources

In Case Of Emergency Call 911

Long Island Crisis Center Hotline: 516-679-1111

NY State HOPEline 1-877-8-HOPENY or 1-877-846-7369 Text: 467369 Long Island Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence (LICADD) licadd.org
Hotline: 631-979-1700

Nassau Alliance For Addiction Services (NAFAS) nassaualliance.org 516-481-4000

Sea Cliff's Beloved Annual Mini Mart Celebrates Its 49th Year on Sunday October 7th

by Lisa Hill

It's coming on that favorite time of year...yes, for parents it is the beginning of school, and for all of Sea Cliff it is the annual Sea Cliff Mini Mart. Celebrating forty-nine years, Mini Mart provides a time and a place that brings people together for a wonderful day to experience and purchase from the terrific local artists; support the local nonprofits by tasting something of their delicious offerings; and get to know the storefront businesses and fantastic restaurants offering a variety of outstanding items,

"tastes" and libations. This year we have quite a number of new vendors.

The North Shore Kiwanians in collaboration with Sea Cliff Town Hall have been managing this outstanding street fair since 1982. The NSK supports local school scholarships, Kamp Kiwanis for children, Kiwanis Pediatric center and numerous community-oriented activities such as children's trauma kits for the local fire department's EMS teams. There is an event page on Facebook, please "like" us at Sea Cliff Mini Mart. There

is a vendor email address of minimartsc@gmail.com to help vendors with questions they may have on Mini Mart. The Mini Mart is a wonderful way to spend a Sunday in October, enjoying delicious foods, listening to great music and snagging real finds in shopping.

Last year was a record attendance with over 12,000 people. *Due to this we are asking please no dogs...* for the safety of the dog and for the safety and care of visitors and children, please be considerate.

Fun With Right-of-Way

by Kelly Talcott, Traffic and Safety Committee

A couple of right-of-way issues have come to the attention of the Traffic and Safety Committee, so we're going to go over some basic points this month.

Here is the situation: You're driving along on one of Sea Cliff's many narrow one-way streets and you come to an intersection with a two-way street. You have no stop sign, and neither does cross traffic. What do you do?

You stop. Wait for the twoway traffic to clear and then continue, whether you're going straight or turning. As the driver on the one-way street, you must yield to the traffic going both ways on the two-way street, which means you should come to a stop and make sure the road is clear before you proceed.

Another situation: You're driving on a street—two-way or one-way—and you come to a "T" intersection with a two-way street. Or you're entering a two-way street from a parking lot. You can only turn right or left. What is the first thing you do?

You first look for pedestrians. Both ways. Only then do you look for your opportunity to safely make your turn. The tendency for many drivers is to immediately pull up as close to the cross street as they can and look to the left first, because that is the lane of traffic they will either enter or cross, depending on which way they're turning. But if you are pulling into the crosswalk and are looking left at traffic, you're not looking right for pedestrians. So stop, look both ways first, then move into the crosswalk so you can safely make your turn.

Enjoy the remainder of your summer, and drivers, please keep your eyes open and your speed down. Remember that we all share the roads, especially in Sea Cliff.

Beautification News

by Sally Davies, President, Beautification Committee

I hope you enjoyed the Sea Cliff Beautification Secret Garden Tour. This year's gardens were secret and spectacular. Thank you to all the docents who "manned" the gardens and the visitors who were impressed by the creativity and beauty of the gardens. And a special thanks to the gardeners who shared their

gardens. The visitors came from all over Long Island and as far away as Massachusetts.

It's not just the secret gardens that have popped this summer. The entire village is lush. It seems everyone has made an extra effort to have a beautiful garden and yard. Sea Cliff looks great!

I continue to love Centennial Garden and the hanging baskets on Sea Cliff Avenue. As SCBC celebrates sixty years of working in Sea Cliff parks, we look forward to our annual luncheon on October 18. And we always welcome new members to our meetings on the third Thursday of the month at St. Luke's.

A Day of Wellness

What's planned for the first North Shore Coalition Against Substance Abuse (NSCASA) community event? Yoga, meditation, martial arts, fishing, basketball, music and more! "We Are CASA: A Day of Wellness" will take place on Saturday, September 29 (rain date September 30) at Tappen Beach in Sea Cliff from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wellness activities will serve as the backdrop for educating the community on what we have lost to substance abuse and how NSCASA is helping.

Come down for great food and to take part in event activities, including a basketball tournament run by North Shore High School coach Keith Freund, the annual Snapper Derby hosted by the Anglers' Club, a flag football skills competition and an art station. Hear live music by Antigone Rising and the SummerStrings! RockFest youth orchestra.

"The North Shore has suffered significant losses in recent years

as a result of substance abuse," said Alison Camardella, sector coordinator for NSCASA's board of directors. "What NSCASA is trying to achieve on September 29th is a commitment from our community to be a part of the solution: to reduce substance abuse right here and right now."

A major component of the event will be an education tent where parents can sign a SAFE Homes pledge, learn about a "lock it up" campaign for narcotic medications, and become a NSCASA partner. Key members of the community and Nassau County have already agreed to attend, including North Shore Schools superintendent Peter Giarrizzo, police commissioner Patrick Ryder, Nassau County legislator Josh Lafazan and our local mayors.

NSCASA hopes that by the end of the day, all neighbors and friends will learn the value of joining the fight against substance abuse. For more information visit nscasa.org.

Records Management— An Ongoing Process

The Village is happy to announce its application to the competitive NYS Archives Local Government Records Management Improvement Fund has been selected for funding to inventory its inactive legal records series. The award will allow clerks specializing in records management to assess and orga-

nize the series for placement in the records storage room renovated in 2017, also funded in part through the NYS Archives. The Village is pleased to continue its records management collaboration with NYS Archives to improve efficiency within our local government.

A Special Thanks to Retiring Mutual Concerns Senior Lunch Staff:

Janette Heurtley, Mary Ann Tuminello and Gen Woods



Sea Cliff Civic Association

Welcome to Sea Cliff Newcomers' party will be held Sunday, September 23rd

For information email: sccivicassociation@gmail.com

The Village Before Sea Cliff

by Sara Reres, Museum Director

The Sea Cliff Village Museum opens on October 12, with "1883...Birth of a Village" bringing village history to life. Before there was Sea Cliff, the area was known as Carpenterville or Carpentersville, and before that, Musketa Cove. Seventeen hundred acres of land that included present day Sea Cliff and Glen Cove were purchased by Joseph Carpenter on May 24, 1668. Musketa was the Native American term for "place of rushes"

A portion of Sea Cliff known as Littleworth was confirmed to be owned by Richard Kirby, Jacob Brookin, George Downing and Robert Godfree in 1681.

The Rhode Island branch of the Carpenter family established the first European settlement in present day Glen Cove and Sea Cliff. The Carpenters engaged in farming, sand and clay mining and coastal trade.

Carpenter sloops were moored at the docks and transported produce and goods throughout the local area. One of these sloops, the Frances Ann, is portrayed in a historic painting at the museum, donated by a Carpenter descendant, Judy Allo.

The exhibit includes original Carpenter documents, photos, artifacts and an 1880s timeline, celebrating the history of the Village from its early beginnings. We will open with a reenactment of the signing of the incorporation papers, which created one of the first village governments in New York State. Please visit our website at seacliffmuseum.org and consider becoming a volunteer docent or member of Friends of the Sea Cliff Village Museum. Call 516-801-3401 for further informa-



James S. Carpenter, son of Latting and Martha Carpenter, fought in the War of 1812 and lived on a small farm in the area

Autumn Happenings at the Sea Cliff Library

by Camille Purcell, Assistant Library Director

Ahhh - September! The weather is turning cooler, school is starting and it's National Library Card Sign-Up Month! Did you know that you can apply for your library card online? Or come inside, and in just five minutes we can sign you up and you'll be ready to take advantage of all the wonderful things that we offer. In-house we have workshops, educational programs, audiobooks, print materials, dvds, bookclubs that offer thoughtful companionship and of course our many programs for the youngest patrons. Your card can also take you Beyond Our Four Walls. You can access our Museum Pass program and head out for a day in Manhattan, Brooklyn or right here on the Island; or take advantage of our downloadable music service-Freegal. Through the Nassau Digital Doorway (Overdrive), you can download ebooks and audiobooks without worrying about returning them. Take advantage of Kanopy, a streaming service which lets you view classic films, documentaries, independent films and children's programs for three days. You

are allowed five movie titles

per month. Can't think what

to read next? Sign up for our NextReads electronic newsletter. You can choose your genre(s) and a weekly newsletter will be sent to you. All this and more is yours, and all you need is a library card.

If you haven't seen our recent renovation, please stop by the Adult Library and let us know what you think. Visit the Children's Library garden, which recently underwent a complete transformation, thanks to the generosity of the Hudak family (in memory of Jacqueline Hudak) and Friends of the Library.

This is your library and we want and hope you take advantage of all the many services we offer to our Sea Cliff residents. We hope to see many of you at our events or using our resources. In the words of Vicki Myron, author and librarian: "A great library doesn't have to be big or beautiful. It doesn't have to have the best facilities. A great library provides. It is enmeshed in the life of a community in a way that makes it indispensable. A great library is one nobody notices because it is always there, and always has what people need."

Are You a Tech-Savvy Senior?

by Karen Montagnese, Senior Outreach

Senior Outreach would like to hear from you. As our senior citizen population grows and changes, so do the accompanying needs. A prior Village survey pointed to concerns surrounding transportation, in-home services and creative activities. Notably I have seen additional needs surface reflecting the importance of embracing technology. Are you looking to cultivate or improve your tech skills? A Pew Poll recently reported that smartphone ownership among seniors has risen over 24 percent in the last five years. Although this number trails general ownership, the number continues to climb. In addition, internet adoption among seniors has risen similarly over the same time periods. The Pew Center reports that 67 percent of adults over sixtyfive go online. This is up from 14 percent in the year 2000. As with the broader population, internet and broadband usage among seniors varies across a number of demographic factors including age, income and level of education.

Access to and competence in technology provides vital information and connection. Seniors have witnessed the tech boom, from landing on the moon to miraculous medical advancements and the rise of an internet-dependent society. Caregiverstress. com describes Five Benefits of Technology to Share With Seniors: Social Connection-video chat and instant messaging; Safety—seniors living alone can get help with the push of a button; Exercise-video games can get bodies and minds moving; Medication Management smartphone applications (apps) can prevent medication errors; Health Tracking—online tools

simplify the process of maintaining and accessing health information.

As illustrated above, technology can expand one's activity, connectivity and safety. How do seniors get online? Sea Cliff Senior Outreach can set you in the right direction. Our own Village Library offers some "formal" classes and does a lot of one-onone teaching and training. Stop in and start your technological adventure. Additionally, the Glen Cove Senior Center offers individual forty-five minute tech training sessions to their members. Membership is free and Sea Cliff residents are always welcome. If you would like to learn more about these services or talk about how you can get connected to the internet, feel free to call Karen Montagnese at Village Hall 516-671-0080 x36.

Important Dates From Senior Outreach

October 16th—FREE Flu Shots
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Mutual Concerns Lunch Program at St Luke's Parish Hall

November 15th—Medicare Open Enrollment Health Insurance counseling information provided by HIICAP. Come get all of your questions answered! 1:00 p.m. Sea Cliff Village Hall on the 2nd floor

For more information call Karen Montagnese 516-671-0080 x 38

Red, White and Blue Fun on Flag Day

by Jane McGilloway, Director, Senior Nutrition & Socialization—Mutual Concerns Committee

Just as the stars of our American flag stand side by side, a group of Sea Cliff fifth graders and the participants of the Sea Cliff Senior Lunch Program came together on Friday, June 15th, at St. Luke's to celebrate Flag Day 2018. As part of the Sea Cliff Elementary School's student volunteer program, fifteen fifth graders helped make the day special, starting with two musical performances of "Star-Spangled Banner," one by members of the fifth grade band, and the other by orchestra members. The seniors sang along in resounding voices and enthusiastically applauded the young musicians. Then the games began. Teams crossing generations began answering questions about Old Glory. While everyone knew of Betsy Ross, there were tougher questions posed. For example, although most fifth graders knew that Hawaii became the fiftieth and last state added to the flag, they had a harder time identifying the year it joined—which the seniors immediately knew. To the fifth graders, the correct answer, 1959, appeared to be as ancient as 1777 (the year Congress officially adopted the flag, by the way)! In the end, it was senior Audrey Pierce of

Sea Cliff who brought in the winning points for her team, answering correctly that the largest free-flying American flag in the U.S. flies over the George Washington Bridge. Based on the positive reviews by all participants, it was obvious that intergenerational events of this sort are great fun for all and have everyone looking forward to more in the upcoming school year. In closing, it is important to note that not a single person's energy "flagged" during this wonderful day of great community spirit!

Veterans Day 2018 — The 100th Anniversary of the End of WWI

by Phil Como

The James F. Brengel American Legion Post will commemorate Veterans Day on Monday, November 12, at 11 a.m. in Clifton Park. This observance will mark the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I.

As part of the ceremony, there will be special recognition of all family of any of Sea Cliff's veterans of the conflict. Accordingly, any relative of any Sea Cliff veteran of WWI is cordially invited to attend and be recognized.

On conclusion of the observance, Post members and invited guests will enjoy a luncheon at Metro Bistro, hosted by the James F. Brengel Post.

All village residents are invited to attend the observance.

A Precious Gem: The Sea Cliff Farmers' Market

by Will Winchester

a farmers' market they think of fresh produce and ingredients. However, here in Sea Cliff, the farmers' market is so much more than that. It is a place where local artisans and craftspeople come together to sell everything from farm fresh organic produce to gourmet pastries. "I feel it is extremely important for folks to know where their food comes from and how it is produced," savs Sea Cliff Farmers' Market founder Amy Peters. "I wanted to bring that opportunity to the community—the opportunity for access to such products and access to the knowledge."

Over the years the Sea Cliff

When many people think of Farmers' Market has morphed from a place where professional artisans and farmers can share their creations to a place where student entrepreneurs like Zoe Malin, who started her business To Be Gluten Free back in 2015, can sell their products as well. "Having kids and teens involved in the market teaches them about entrepreneurship, working with the public, customer service, public speaking and dealing with money," says Peters. "It also is great for other kids to see kids doing these things-it may inspire them!" The farmers' market has given kids like a Zoe a foundation to start their business. Now Zoe

is 18 and plans to continue To Be Gluten Free through college where people will able able to purchase her products at the Evanston Farmers' Market or on her website tobeglutenfree.com.

When the Sea Cliff Farmers' market began in August of 2014 it had only one vendor—Amy Peters, who had the goal of connecting people with farmfresh produce. Over the years it has evolved into a place where many farmers, artisans and kid entrepreneurs can come to share their products and ideas with Sea Cliff, making it truly one of Sea Cliff's most precious gems.

Can You Locate The Newly Planted Trees?

by the Sea Cliff Tree Committee

This spring, the Sea Cliff Tree Commission planted thirty-one new trees throughout the Village. They are marked and identified. Can you find them?

- ☐ 5 "Sunburst" thornless honey locust
- ☐ 5 "Shademaster" thornless honey locust
- ☐ 4 "Princeton" American elm
- ☐ 4 "Sterling" silver linden
- ☐ 4 "Red Sunset" red maple
- ☐ 2 "Presidential Gold" gingko
- ☐ 1 Golden raintree
- ☐ 3 "Tuscarura" crepe myrtle
- ☐ 3 Trident maple



Hempstead Harbor's Wetlands—A Valuable Asset

by Eric Swenson, Executive Director, Hempstead Harbor Protection Committee

We used to call them "swamps" and viewed them as less than worthless (hence "drain the swamp") and too often filled them in to gain extra land. According to the Long Island Sound Study, nearly a third of wetlands around the sound have been lost since the 1880s. We now know that they are a vital and integral part of nature and provide many benefits. Efforts are underway by local municipalities to restore them. Over the last several years, the Town of North Hempstead has restored about five acres of wetlands in the lower harbor and the Town has received a grant to expand them about a mile further. In Sea Cliff, invasive plants in Scudder's Pond were replaced with native wetland vegetation. Here are just some of the benefits of wetlands:

Wildlife Nursery: Because of its unique location between water and land, salt- and freshwater, wetlands shelter more than one-third of the country's threatened and endangered species, according to the U.S. EPA.

Without wetlands, a huge number of songbirds, waterfowl, shellfish and mammals just wouldn't exist.

Flood Control: Wetlands act like nature's sponge, soaking up water that comes in with the tides. In fact, they control floods much more effectively and efficiently than any floodwall.

Pollution Filter: If trees are the lungs of the planet, then wetlands are its kidneys. Studies have shown reductions in nitrates, phosphorus and heavy metals. They not only take up nutrients from the water but filter stormwater running off the land

Storm Buffer: Scientists have estimated that every 2.7 miles of healthy wetland can reduce about one foot off a storm surge, depending on the type of storm. This is one reason why Hempstead Harbor fared better than most during Superstorm Sandy.

Recreation and Tourism: Between bird watching, biking, hiking and kayaking, wetlands provide people with many ways to enjoy nature.

Carbon Sink: Because the soils found in wetlands can store carbon for hundreds of years, they can play an important role in mitigating climate change.

Jobs: U.S. coastal regions provide 40 percent of the country's employment, more than sixty-nine million jobs in sectors like trade, hospitality and commercial fishing. Restoring wetlands also provides many jobs. A study by the Center for American Progress found that for every million invested in coastal restoration, 17.1 jobs were created

Because of their important value to the harbor, the Hempstead Harbor Protection Committee will continue to promote and support the restoration of the harbor's wetlands. Occasionally, volunteers are needed to help restore the areas by assisting with planting. If you are interested, please contact the Hempstead Harbor Protection Committee through its website: www.HempsteadHarbor.org.

The Sea Cliff Gardener

by Donna Kianka, Winter's Edge Micro Farm

Welcome to the month(s) of harvest! September is the time to harvest what we have carefully nurtured over the summer, and it is time to store/can and preserve. There are so many good books out there on storing and preserving your harvest. Check your local library or Amazon for books on this topic.

Here is my challenge over the next few months, when the air is crisp and walking is a pleasure...the glove and bag initiative. There is no glory, no reward, just plain old selfsatisfaction. Tuck a glove (garden, old mitten, plastic surgical) and a paper or plastic bag (they need to be good for something) in your pocket, bag, car or purse and when you see garbage... pick it up and place in your disposable bag. Find a public trash can and throw it out. If we all did that, our communities would gleam. Parking lots also seem to collect a great deal of debris. And yes, I know you did not put it there and neither did I, but think of it as taking one on the chin for a cleaner environment. Please pick up after your dogs and call the police if you find any drug paraphernalia.

The end of September until mid-October is the best time to plant garlic! There are so many places that sell organic garlic seeds, including Fruition (https://www.fruitionseeds. com) and Hudson Valley (http:// hudsonvalleyseed.com/). Make sure your soil is loose and has a high organic component. It will take nine months but you will harvest the following July. You can eat the garlic scapes (the seed head of the plant) in June and research garlic scape pesto

on the internet for a delightful sauce. If you think that is too long, July 2019 will come anyway so it might as well arrive with fresh garlic. Speaking of garlic, there is the Hudson Valley Garlic Festival on September 29 and 30 in Saugerties. Go to http://www HVGF.com for the details. This is THE festival for garlic lovers.

Besides garlic, you can plant crocuses in your lawn for a real springtime pop! Also in September, you can plant lettuces for a tasty autumn.

It is recommended that garden beds be cleaned up of all debris to avoid disease and garden pests next year. An application of mulch is also a good idea after the cleanup. Pack up your garden waste for pickup according to Village policy, or bring it down to the DPW on Saturdays between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Clark Gardens, IU Willets Road, Albertson has a Sip and Stroll on September 22 between 4-6 p.m. There will be wine, music and finger foods as you tour the gardens. Go to: http://www. clarkbotanic.org for details.

And remember the pumpkin patch at the Methodist Church on Downing Avenue during the month of October. The proceeds go to the Navajo Nation tribe.

Deep into November, on the 17th and 18th is the Native American Feast at Garvies Point Museum. There will be native foods, technology and plant information (http://www.garviespointmuseum.com/).

Enjoy the sights and sounds of autumn, and think of next summer and your gardens with the first sip of hot chocolate.

Coalition to Save Hempstead Harbor

International Coastal Cleanup

Tappen Beach Saturday, September 15, 2018 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

The Coalition to Save Hempstead Harbor will be coordinating the efforts of local volunteers to cover parts of the eastern shore of Hempstead Harbor as part of the Annual International Coastal Cleanup, sponsored by the Ocean Conservancy and the American Littoral Society.

Bring gloves- garbage bags and other materials will be provided

Sea Cliff Arts Council Upcoming Events

by Heidi Hunt

The Sea Cliff Arts Council is proud to present the work of Miranda Best at the Sea Cliff Village Library for the months of September and October 2018. Miranda Best is an artist and teacher who has lived in Sea Cliff with her family for the past 20 years. The work included in this exhibition was made within the last year and features a variety of views of parks and public spaces in Sea Cliff. The images are mixed media pieces that include acrylic paint, charcoal and pastel. They explore light and shadow, mark making and color relationships. The Sea Cliff Library is located at 300 Sea Cliff Avenue and the work can be viewed during normal business

The work of local artist Patricia Kaegi Weiss is currently on display at the gallery space at Daniel Gale in Sea Cliff. Patri-

cia has stated, "Since I took art classes in my twenties I wanted to illustrate and paint scenes of people and their personalities. I am drawn to scenes filled with people, some reflecting their everyday activities and others representing the fantastical." Her whimsical paintings and portraits can be viewed during normal business hours at 266 Sea Cliff Avenue.

To become a member and support the Sea Cliff Arts Council, write a check for \$15.00 to Sea Cliff Arts Council, POB 141, Sea Cliff, NY 11579. Membership goes towards exhibits, events, and our scholarship for high school art students.

If you're interested in exhibiting, email images to seacliffartscouncil@gmail.com. Thanks for helping us keep the arts alive in Sea Cliff!

Annual Victorian Bazaar at St. Luke's—November 3, 2018

by Debra Thoet

St Luke's Episcopal Church, 253 Glen Avenue, will be holding its annual Victorian Bazaar on Saturday, November 3, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The Church's renowned Country Kitchen will be offering fine homemade jams and jellies, pickles, barbecue sauce, pasta sauce and herb-infused oils. For your sweet tooth, you will find homemade fudge, their famous peanut brittle, and a variety of pies, cakes and cookies. While you're there, don't forget to take home a slice of Vermont cheddar cheese custom cut from the wheel!

Enjoy a refreshing glass of fresh pressed apple cider made in front of you from a blend of New York State apples (and take a bottle home to enjoy after the bazaar).

What do you get when you put together an experienced marketer, a Wall Street executive, a real estate developer and a top real estate seller? Branch! A new real estate group that Molly Deegan, Christina Volz, John Breen and Steve Buerger opened on Glen Cove Avenue this summer with a "people first" mission. "People are looking to create their stories," says Deegan, "which means everyone is looking for something a little different."

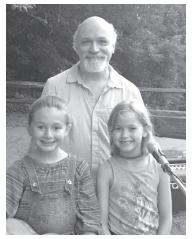
Stock up on a variety of herbs and spices for your kitchen. Start your holiday shopping with handmade wreaths, Christmas items, German advent calendars, bric-a-brac, toys, quilted items, and lovely imported French milled soaps. Take your chances at the gift raffle table—you'll be impressed with the high-quality items for all age groups. The Thrift Shop will be open with a wide variety of items at bargain prices, including fine clothing and articles for the home.

Take a break from shopping and enjoy a delicious lunch with your choice of homemade soups, sandwiches, and apple cake with fresh whipped cream. All fresh foods are prepared on the premises.

So come early and stay late—this is one not-to-miss event!

Following in Frank's Footsteps

by Elizabeth Winchester



Frank and friends: Ferrara with (from left) Ava and Violet

Musician Frank Ferrara grew up in an environment where, even as a teen, he had many opportunities to perform. As a teacher, he makes sure that his students have the same. Ferrara, who gives private guitar, bass, drum and keyboard lessons to nearly fifty students ages 4 to 70, holds regular student showcases and invites students to sit in at some of his own gigs. "Learning an instrument is a wonderful thing," says Ferrara, "but playing with and for other people completes the experience."

Ferrara's student Ava Haining and her friend Violet Schenck, who are only in third grade, have already been gigging for a year! The duo opened Ferrara's Sunset Serenade in Memorial Park on August 2. "He helps you with struggles in a kind way," explains Ava, and "helps me sing the right notes," adds Violet. Following their set, Ferrara sang a Taylor Swift song with sixth grader Caroline Winchester. Ninth grader Mackenzie Olitsky performed three original songs and thanked Ferrara for encouraging her to write them. Ferrara then played guitar and sang with tenth graders Ethan Snyder, on

bass, and Jackson Best, on mandolin. Ferrara played the second half of the show with eleventh grader Griffin Olitsky.

"I am very inspired by witnessing students' performances," shares Ferrara, "and even more when I am playing alongside of them, when they play something amazing or inspired." Ferrara clearly inspires his students as well. Ava and Violet both hope to be musicians when they grow up and "for the world to be inspired by music."

Ferrara credits much of his students' growth to the support for music in Sea Cliff. "The students are learning an art form and a craft that doesn't thrive in a vacuum—the audience is an integral part of any live performance," he explains. "I fully realize that this support is not a given and think about it a lot, so thanks!"

Antique Car and Truck Shows

Benefiting these local churches

September 8th 9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. St. Boniface Martyr Church 145 Glen Avenue October 12th 9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. United Methodist Church 63 Downing Avenue

MUSIC-FOOD-TROPHIES

For show information and vendor opportunities contact Jim O'Donnell 516-671-5199 or 516-322-2980

SCO Kids Enjoy "Christmas in June"

Christmas came early to SCO Family of Services' Robert J. McMahon Children's Center in Sea Cliff. On June 24th, hundreds of motorcycle enthusiasts rumbled into town, bringing more than one thousand toys for the youth with developmental disabilities who reside there. For the twelfth straight year, the Nassau County Fire Riders' "Christmas in June" brought smiles to our kids... and even a visit from Santa! Thank you, Fire Riders and all who participated to create such a special day for our kids! News12 Long Island was there to cover the event.



A New Business Branches Out

by Elizabeth Winchester

Deegan and her husband John Breen often talked about starting a business to help other people discover the beauty of Long Island's North Shore. Enter Volz, a successful agent in a large corporate real estate firm, and Buerger, also a friend from the community, with much experience in real estate investment and development. "Whenever we ran into each other we always ended up having a similar conversation," Deegan

explains, "until one day it was the proverbial light bulb and we said, 'Let's do this for real. Let's open a business."

Volz says that Branch understands the considerations and logistics involved in buying and selling homes. "We've been on both sides of the equation, so we bring that personal experience to every person we do business with," she says. Branch's current focus is Long Island and plans to expand to New York

City down the road.

The group donates 2 percent of gross sales commissions to charity. Branch sponsored the 5th annual Girls Rising Beach-Fest in June, and also supports Island Harvest, Ruff House Rescue and the Coalition to Save Hempstead Harbor. "As parents, animal lovers and compassionate human beings overall, these causes speak to our core beliefs," Volz shares.

Branch's main business goal

is to connect people to the things they need to build a life, including "the best pizza, landscapers and even babysitters!" says Deegan. "Our sincere hope is to be a different type of real estate organization that is guided by a set of principles that can help drive and shape our business for years to come and for the betterment of all who interact with us." Stop in the inviting space to learn more or visit online at branchreg.com.



Animal workshops, funded by The Good of the Village Association (GVA), entertained and educated the children throughout the summer

Photo by Joe Stroppel



Pizza and picturebookers map out their next journey

Photo by Ann DiPietro



Singing by the sea with Jenn Gerrity
Photo by Ann DiPietro

2018 Baseball/Softball Update

by James W. Versocki, Commissioner

Sea Cliff's Junior Baseball & Softball wrapped up another successful season on June 16th with an end-of-year picnic and playoff games at Clifton Park. Hundreds of parents and children attended the opening day parade and end-of-year picnic—both events seem to have become traditions in our community. The league also marched in this year's Memorial Day parade. Though we had a rainy

April and May, the season progressed well and the children's skills—from T-Ball to senior divisions—improved dramatically. Kudos to our senior girls' blue team which made it to the inter-league championship where they lost by a hair!

Our league continues to grow, and we had over 330 children participate—a growth of over 30 percent in the last two years! This growth is due to the dedication of countless parent volunteers (too many to name), but a special thanks to our volunteer board—Matthew Camardella, Chris Hart, David Ludmar, Dan McDermott, Andrew Varasano, Sean Duffy, Brooks Leigh, Mark D'Altorio and Alison Manno.

Parents interested in registering their children for the spring 2019 season or volunteering can get information on our website: www.scbaseballsoftball.com.

TDC...Where Kids of All Ages Can Think, Dream and Create Possibilities!

by Melissa Sornik

Stop by the Talent Development Cooperative (TDC) at 316 Sea Cliff Avenue on a Saturday or Sunday and you're likely to find groups of children and teens engaged in activities that range from strategy, board or role-playing games like Dungeons & Dragons, Magic: the Gathering and Catan, to tinkering in the maker space, building a hydroponic garden, or making slime. Beyond the maker space, where an abundance of arts and crafts supplies is readily available, is a Lego building space and a quiet "lounge" space with books, puzzles and games. TDC also houses a music area where kids can dabble with small percussion instruments, guitars or piano.

Owned and operated by NYS licensed clinical social worker and Sea Cliff resident Melissa Sornik, the TDC is an offshoot of Melissa's clinical practice at

the Sea Cliff Wellness Center. TDC was created to promote talent discovery and development in all kinds of kids, with a special understanding of, and support for, bright and creative kids who think and learn in non-traditional ways.

TDC programs and activities are facilitated and supervised by teachers and social workers and are mentor-supported by teens and adults who teach and share their passions and interests. TDC provides kids with an opportunity to not only share common talents and creativity with skilled mentors, it also offers opportunities for them to collaborate with like-minded peers and build new friendships. Social thinking and collaborative problem-solving skills are supported and encouraged in programs and activities, and mixed age groups provide mentor opportunities for everyone. TDC provides a safe and eclectic creative space where children and adolescents ages 5-18 can explore their interests in art, music, writing, role play, science... and be themselves.

We've built a "community" of kids and families who come from as far away as Greenwich, Connecticut, and as near as around the corner. We'll be expanding and adding some new programming this fall, including a safe and supervised space that will be open throughout the week for the children of our community.

So, what do your kids want to do today? What are their big ideas? And what do you want to do? Let us know. There's a lot of talent and creativity living in our village. Please share it with us...new mentors are always welcome!

Fall at the Children's Library

by Ann DiPietro, Children's Library Coordinator

With the arrival of fall and the beginning of the new school year, come join us at the Children's Library for entertainment, enlightenment and camaraderie! Our story hours meet Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., and Wednesdays from noon to 1 p.m. All these programs feature stories, lots of props, singing and dancing—plus age-appropriate crafts. Our Twilight Story Hour is perfect for all ages and meets Thursdays from 3:30 to 4:15 p.m. Programs run throughout the year, so feel free to join us at any time—and of course, siblings are always welcome!

In addition to our story hours, we have weekly book discussion groups featuring refreshments, Legos, and crafts. Preschoolers entering kindergarten in fall 2019 meet for lunch and book talks on Fridays at noon. First, second and third graders meet Wednesdays right after school at 3 p.m. while kindergartners

and first graders meet Fridays at 3 p.m.

Once a month we host a Family Book Night on Thursdays at 6 p.m. (September 13, October 11 and November 15) where parents and children gather for dinner, dessert and book discussion. Perfect for kindergartners and up!

New to parenting, about to become parents, looking to meet other new parents? We will meet Sunday, October 28 at 1 p.m. for MEET THE PARENTS!

Halloween festivities and parade begin on the front lawn of the library Wednesday, October 31, at 1 p.m., with adults and children joining in.

Email us at scchildrenslibrary@gmail.com or call me at 516-801-3402 to register for any of these programs. Since we are always adding workshops and events, check with us by phone, email, or Facebook's Sea Cliff page.



A Secret Garden Opens at the Children's Library— A Note of Gratitude

by Marc Hudak

Greetings! Through the generosity and hard work of many, we welcomed the formal opening of the "Secret Garden" at the Children's Library on Sunday, August 26th at 11:00 a.m. We are hopeful that this beautiful and tranquil space will become a special place for story time and other library related activities in the warm weather months. I am grateful to the many donors who made gifts to this project in memory of my wife Jackie when she passed almost five years ago, as well as most recently in our follow-up campaign. Thanks to the leadership of project coordinators Madeleine Mahnken and Todd Korte, the support of Village Administrator Bruce Kennedy and the execution of Laderer and Sons Landscaping, the garden has come out exceptionally well! We celebrated the opening of the garden with a book signing by local author Raymond Reinhardt, who signed complimentary copies of his new children's book "An Alien Nose with Alien Toes." Refreshments were provided by Grass Roots and Steiner's Coffee Cake of New York. We had a very nice time. Special thanks to Ms. Ann DiPietro and the Friends of the Sea Cliff Library.

INCORPORATED VILLAGE of SEA CLIFF	day(s) of the month	time	Village Hall meeting room	additional information
				public invited,
Board of Trustees Conference	1st Monday	5:30 P.M.	upstairs	no comment period
				public invited,
Board of Trustees Meeting	2nd Monday	7:00 P.M.	downstairs	comment period
Architectural Review Board	2nd & 4th Mondays	7:30 P.M.	upstairs	
Planning Board	2nd Wednesday	7:30 P.M.	upstairs	
Zoning Board	3rd Tuesday	7:30 P.M.	downstairs	
Environmental Conservation				
Commission	1st Thursday	6:30 P.M.	upstairs	
Landmarks Preservation				
Commission	1st & 3rd Mondays	7:30 P.M.	upstairs	
				Call Nancy Eder at
	2nd & 4th	9:30 A.M.		Village Hall
Tree Commission	Wednesdays	- noon	upstairs	for details

Days, times, and locations subject to change—please check the Village website at www.seacliff-ny.gov or call 516-671-0080 to confirm information.

Recycling, Garbage & Other Refuse Information

Pickup and Drop-Off days and policies are subject to change—please check the Village website at www.seacliff-ny.gov or call 516-671-0080 for more information.

Village of Sea Cliff reserves the right to limit pickup or drop-off quantities

Recycling, Garbage & Other Refuse Pickup Schedule

Pickup Type	North of Glen Avenue	South of Glen Avenue	
Single-Stream Recycling	Wednesday		
Garbage	Monday	Tuesday	
	Thursday	Friday	
Metal Pickup	call 516-671-0080 to schedule		
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Heavy Pickup/Rubbish	call 516-671-0080 for more information		
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Recycling & Garbage Holiday Schedule 2018

Holiday	Date Observed	Change in Schedule
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday 11/22/18	No Garbage Pickup
Christmas	Tuesday 12/25/18	No Garbage Pickup
New Year's Day 2019	Tuesday 1/1/2019	No Garbage Pickup

Dept. of Public Works Garage on Altamont Ave.—"Village Yard"

Open only to Sea Cliff Village residents on days and times below

Drop-Off Type	Day & Time
Single-Stream Recycling	Thursday 7 a.m 2:45 p.m.
Garbage, E-Waste & Other Refuse	Saturday 10 a.m 2 p.m.

IMPORTANT VILLAGE YARD INFORMATION

Please call 516-671-0080 during business hours with questions.

- Village Yard access is limited to Sea Cliff Residents only
- The Village Yard does not accept liquids and various other materials
- -A \$50 fee is required to dispose of construction debris at the Village Yard
- Landscapers are required by law to take yard waste with them and are prohibited from leaving at curbside or taking to the Village Yard

Mayor Lieberman congratulates Paula Guidone, Deputy Village Treasurer, on her 25th anniversary working for the Village.

Fall Calendar 2018

September

8—Antique Car and Truck Show—St. Boniface 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

20—SC Beautification Meeting—St. Luke's Parish Hall 9:00 a.m.

29—North Shore Coalition Against Substance Abuse (NSCASA)—Event at Tappen Beach

October

7—MINIMART

16—Free Flu Shots—Mutual Concerns Senior Lunch Program—St. Luke's Parish Hall 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. 18—SC Beautification Meeting—St. Luke's Parish Hall 9:00 a.m.; Luncheon at The Metropolitan Bistro. 12:00

20—Antique Car and Truck Show—United Methodist Church 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

November

3—St. Luke's—Victorian Bazaar 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. 12—Veterans Day—James F. Brengel American Legion Post—Clifton Park 11:00 a.m.

15—SC Beautification Meeting—St. Luke's Parish Hall 9:00 a.m.

15—Senior Outreach—Medicare Open Enrollment Insurance Counseling provided by HIICAP—Village Hall 2nd floor 1:00 p.m.

20— Mutual Concerns Senior Lunch—Thanksgiving Celebration—11:30 a.m.

December

1—Sea Cliff Holiday House Tour—Benefiting Mutual Concerns—For information contact Peggie Como 516-675-7239

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Join the Sea Cliff Circle—an online semimonthly calendar. Email: seacliffcircle@gmail.com

Village of Sea Cliff Justice Court All Courts Dates are WEDNESDAYS

7:30 P.M.—Village Hall DOWNSTAIRS

_	Arraignment	Conference
2018		
September	5th	12th
October	3rd	24th
November	7th	28th
December	12th only	

Please call the Court during business hours at 516-671-0080 with any questions

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