



VILLAGE OF PORT WASHINGTON NORTH
November 2005



Leaf Pick-up Schedule



BOB WEITZNER

A Message From The Mayor

Dear Neighbors

My first six months in office serving as your Mayor have been challenging and insightful. I have begun to address the initiatives I laid out when elected and continue to learn about how to improve our Village. My initial impression: I love serving as your Mayor and look forward to the future of Port North.

Much has happened since our last newsletter. Of primary importance, we have a new Board of Trustee member. Michael Malatino, who lives on Ave. B with his wife and 2 young children, was appointed in August to fill the vacancy. Being the head of both the Buildings Dept. and the Public Works Dept. of Old Westbury, he brings an invaluable skill set to the board. I expect Mike to jump right in and offer support regarding our roadwork, street signs, snow removal, and other public works items that need addressing. Mike, welcome aboard!

Stop and Shop has come through in adopting our vision for their streetscape and is in the final stages of completing construction. We are also close to finalizing the plans for a safer and more beautiful Shore Road with the grant money we received from the New York Dept. of Transportation.

Many of you have inquired about both trees and sidewalks in our Village. I am pleased to announce that the Village is about to adopt its first official Village Tree Policy. My belief is that this policy will end the confusion surrounding whether a tree should be felled, or what sidewalks will be repaired in our Village.

Trustee Steve Cohen is spearheading our efforts to monitor utilities and has made significant progress having LIPA address our frequent power outages.

Trustee Daria Hoffman has been working on the sale of 2 parcels of land near our old Village Hall, and has been instrumental in creating and helping to implement our Village Street Safety Program.

Trustee Michael Schenkler is continuing to spearhead the building of a new Village Hall and creating plans for a Village Club. The question is where to build it, and when. And he continues to produce and deliver what I believe to be the best municipal newsletter on Long Island.

Our team is capable, driven and loving it.

Sincerely,

Bob Weitzner

Nov. 10, 2005

- Angler Lane
- Bay Drive
- Cow Neck Road
- Marlin Lane
- Port Drive
- Sandy Court
- Schooner Lane
- Seagull Lane
- Steamboat Drive

Nov. 15, 2005

- Cove Lane
- Radcliff Avenue
- Soundview Drive

Nov. 17, 2005

- Avenue B
- Avenue C
- Channel Drive
- Durbyan Street
- Morgan Place
- Old Shore Road
- Pleasant Avenue
- Smull Place
- Valley Road

Nov. 22, 2005

- Boat Lane
- Dock Lane
- Driftwood Drive
- Fishermans Dr.
- Island Court
- Seaview Lane
- Waterview Dr.

SWEEPLEAVES TO THE CURB THE DAY BEFORE

Dec. 6, 2005

- Angler Lane
- Bay Drive
- Boat Lane
- Cow Neck Road
- Dock Lane
- Driftwood Drive
- Fishermans Drive
- Island Court
- Marlin Lane
- Port Drive
- Sandy Court
- Schooner Lane
- Seagull Lane
- Seaview Lane
- Steamboat Drive
- Waterview Drive

Dec. 8, 2005

- Avenue B
- Avenue C
- Channel Drive
- Cove Lane
- Dock Lane
- Durbyan Place
- Morgan Place
- Old Shore Road
- Orchard Street
- Pleasant Avenue
- Smull Place
- Soundview Dr.
- Valley Road

**Enjoy The Season!
Port North
Rejoices In Fall**

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Sign Of The Times



It's a sign of things to come in Port North. The prototype of our new street signs can be seen at the intersection of Radcliff Ave and Soundview Dr. by the Community Garden.

Down the block from the Garden, Publishers Clearing House has removed its old chain-link fence and the street now shines a bit more with the view of their stockade fence. Our thanks to Publishers for improving Radcliff Ave.

The street signs above will be the third phase of our effort to improve Village signage. They're expected by next spring.

New "Stop" signs were installed earlier this month and new, badly-needed "No Parking" and "Speed Limit" signs are on the way. A new law makes the maximum speed limit on all Village streets 25 mph.

Those not adhering to the new signs should read the section on the new Village Court -- page 5.



Port North's newest trustee Mike Malatino

Our Newest Trustee

MICHAEL MALATINO

A lifelong resident of Port Washington, Michael and his wife and three daughters have lived in Port Washington North for the past fifteen years. These Avenue B residents enjoy horseback riding and scuba diving, and are all very active in school and community events.

Michael was the past president of BIANCO (Building Inspector Association of Nassau County) and is presently on the Board of Directors. He is also a delegate on the New York State International Code Council. He was a building inspector for the Town of North Hempstead at a very young age and since 1998 he has held the position of both Superintendent of Buildings and Public Works for the Village of Old Westbury. He has been instrumental in improving building and road conditions.

Michael is looking forward to the challenge of being a Trustee and serving our community. He hopes to utilize his experience and expertise to help perfect the services of our of our Public Works and Buildings Departments.

Angler-Marlin-Soundview Block Party



The September event was organized by Tracey Lehrer, Carrie Lippin, Heide Silverstein, Marion Cohen, Karen and Adam Finklestein, Carrie Diamond and Leigh Feldman and a good time was had by all.

Seagull Lane had a blockparty of its own, organized by Louis E. Bordonaro, Steven Fenton, Melanie Marshak.

Port North: Building The Future Village

By **MICHAEL SCHENKLER**

There's so much to say and so little space to say it.

The Mayor in his front page letter has given you an overview of the endless challenges we face in Port North. We relish each and do our best to plan and provide for the future of the Village.



joined webmaster Darin Langone in keeping the website current, exciting and packed full of good stuff. We are grateful to them.

NEW LAWS

The Board of Trustees has been busy writing new law to pave the way for our future Village. Some of this year's highlights are:

- Rezoning the Village-owned 8-acre parcel to allow for development and enable the swap for our new Village Hall/Club.

- Amending the Residence C Districts by eliminating new two-family homes in the Village.

- Limited the types and numbers of permitted uses in the Business District.

- Created an Economic Development B District and rezoned all properties within the Industrial A District to the Economic Development B to better control future use.

- Amended provisions of the Code to tighten controls on building demolition.

- Created a Village Court by approving the Offices of Village Justice and Acting Village Justice.

VILLAGE HALL & CLUB

The biggest challenge we have been facing is the design and building of a new Village Hall and Village Club. I have

discovered in municipal life, nothing comes quickly. We are presently in the last phase of negotiations in an attempt to acquire the 11-acre Thompson property. We will fund this acquisition by selling or trading our 8-acre parcel off Glamford and allowing the development of up to 45 town house units. We hope to use the existing Woods building on Thompson to house the Village Hall and Village Club, add an Olympic size pool, some tennis courts and more. The remaining large portion of Thompson will be reserved for municipal use and parkland – it will be taken off the development market.

The effort to develop our park is being done in conjunction with Nassau County, the Town of North Hempstead and Residents For A More Beautiful Port Washington, all of whom have been fully supportive and cooperative with our project. Therefore, we are hopeful that the funding needed for our park to become a reality will be forthcoming.

The effort has been somewhat time consuming for me and Trustee Steve Cohen, but we are committed to finalize the location of the Village Hall/Club by the publication of the next newsletter. If all goes well, we'll design this winter and break ground in spring.

See you at the pool!

See you at the park!

See you at the new Village Hall!

WELCOME TO PORT NORTH

The Village is changing. Over 100 families are reading this fall newsletter who did not see our summer issue – they are new to our Village. Largely due to the new Mill Pond Acres, almost 10% of our Village residents are new. We welcome them and hope they find Port North as warm and as comfortable a home as we have. Stop by Village Hall and say hello.

COMMUNICATIONS

For them and for our old-timers – forgive the description -- we believe communications with the Board of Trustees is vital to an effective Village. At least four times a year we publish our newsletter to keep you up to date on our municipal adventure. We also have a website (www.portwashingtonnorth.org) filled with everything you wanted to know about the Village and more. Bob Keane has

Tanto: Asian Cuisine

We're lucky!

In our small Village, we have a wide variety of exciting dining alternatives and one new one you should not miss.

"Tanto, Thai Grill & Japanese Restaurant," housed in the small building nestled between the Thompson great lawn and the car wash -- formerly Chef Tai's -- is a must go. The interior, completely redone, sparkles with beautiful light wood floors and gentle Asian design.

The food, however, is crafted and bold. The Thai kitchen is creative and unique. The four curries – original, green, red and masaman -- rock! Each is available with chicken, beef or shrimp. The green is hot and wonderful, the red spicy and tasty

and the masaman for those who like their spicy food mild.

The Basil and Thai Chile Sauce with chicken or beef and the Grilled Shrimp with Garlic Sauce – don't think Italian — are both perfectly seasoned and with tastes unique to the kitchens of the East.

Although, there is much more on the Thai menu, there is another world inside sharing the place – a Sushi wonderland.

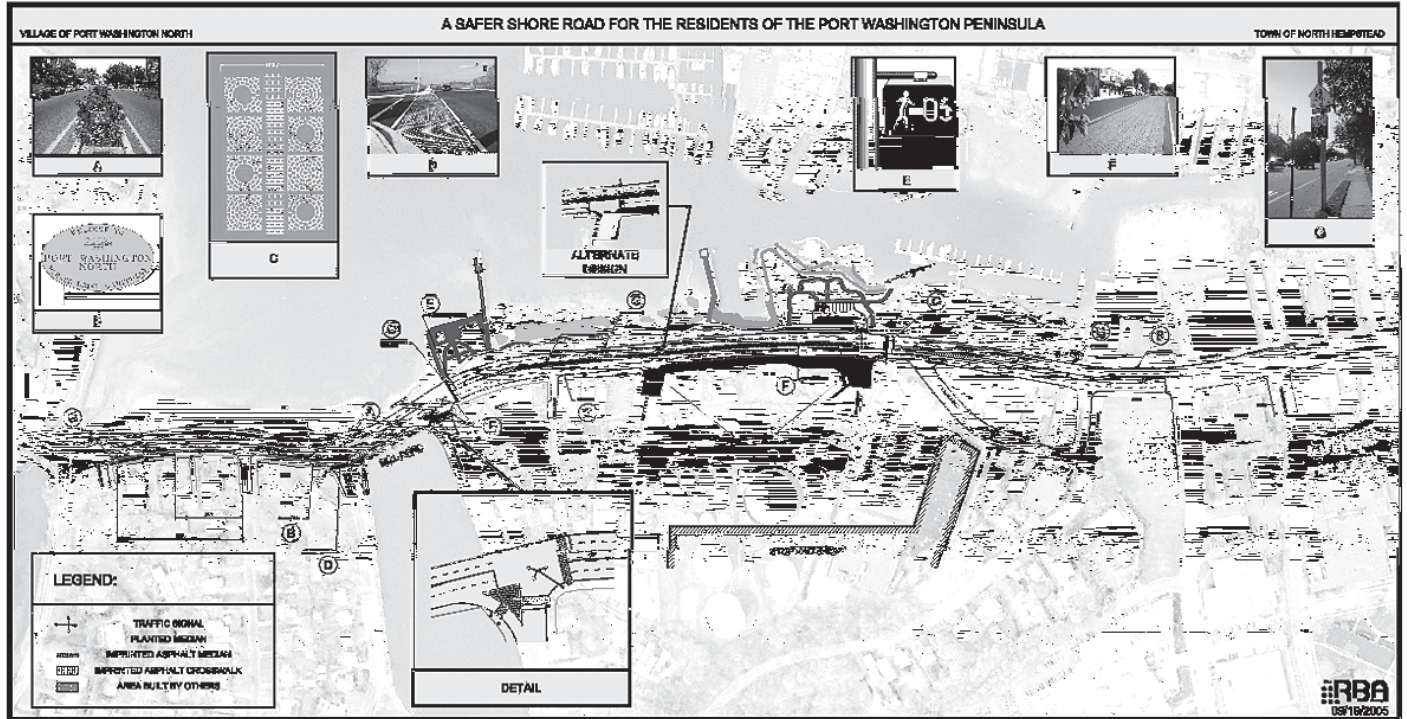
We loved the seared tuna with ponzu sauce and on a number of visits sampled a wide variety of the sushi and sashimi of two master sushi chefs. One visit we feasted upon a three-fish roll with fish eggs wrapped in cucumber with no rice or seaweed. Talk to them – they are inventive and aim to

please.

Service is caring with three charming Asian girls who welcome you in their unique English but understand and respond to every request. The entire staff works hard to make your visit pleasant.

Tanto is open everyday for lunch and dinner at 84 Old Shore Rd. Call (516) 767-7706 – they also deliver. **--MS**

Port North Is Beginning The Shore Road Face Lift



A Safer Shore Rd

Shore Road get ready!

They may be hard to see, but the two plans on this page represent the future Port North Shore Road vision.

The top is the architectural drawing of the Local Safe Streets and Traffic Calming Program -- the results of a NYS \$280,000 grant won by Port North entitled: A Safer Shore Road For The Residents Of The Port Washington Peninsula.

Medians, imprinted crosswalks, countdown traffic signals and car speed readouts will make Shore Rd. safer for all.

Primarily addressing safety, efforts were also taken in this grant to provide visual harmony to the Shore Road streetscape. With planted medians, imprinted, designed, asphalt medians and crosswalks and an eye towards design, Shore Road is about to receive the next phase of its face lift. Planning will shortly give way to bidding for construction contracts.

Stop & Shop has installed its new sidewalk to match the Shore Road imprinted medians as well as the new Baywalk Park walkways on the west side of Shore Road, which will be up to 10 feet wide in order to accommodate strollers, bikes and pedestrians.

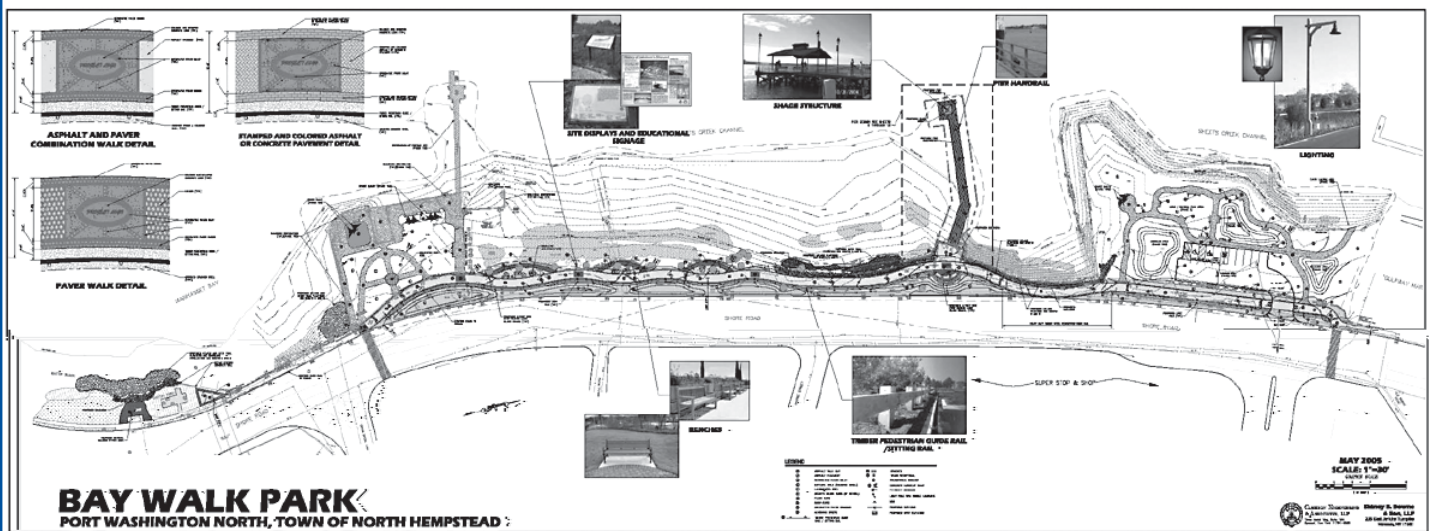
Baywalk Park

Two grants totalling \$550,000 will enable us to implement the first phase of Baywalk Park (below) to be constructed on the west side of Shore Road.

Final design is underway and we anticipate work will begin in the spring.

Under the leadership of Mayor Weitzner, working with the Town and Residents for a More Beautiful Port Washington, additional funding is being sought to complete our Shore Road vision.

You're invited to stop by Village Hall to see the detailed plans close up.



Here Come The Judge

It's almost here!

The Board of Trustees adopted Local Law 8 of 2005 establishing a new Village Court.



**Acting Justice
Howard Krebs**

In order to more effectively enforce the local laws and to obtain a significant share of the revenue from fines that have previously gone to entities outside of the Village, we hope to have the Village Court up and running by year end.

The Offices of Village Justice and Acting Village Justice will be appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Board of Trustees. The position of Village Justice will then be elected for a four- year term at

the next Village election.

The position of Acting Justice is an annual appointment.

Launching our court, the Mayor has announced the appointment of Sheldon Greenbaum as Village Justice and Howard Krebs as Acting Village Justice. Both are longtime Port North residents and practicing attorneys.

Greenbaum has served for many years as Chairperson of the Village's Board of Zoning Appeals – a position he is now relinquishing.

Krebs, with extensive experience in mediation and knowledge of the Village court process in neighboring Villages, will also replace Greenbaum as chair of the BZA.



**Village Justice
Sheldon Greenbaum**

Digitizing - hmm!

The State Commissioner of Education announced NYS Archives grants to improve the care of municipal records .

Under the competitive Local Government Records Management Improvement Fund (LGRMIF) grant, Port Washington North was awarded \$25,337 in the category of Geographic Information Systems and the Village is already in the process of digitizing all of our building records.

In the not too distant future, you will be able to visit Village Hall and access, by computer, all of the building plans, permits and records of your home – and every other building in the Village. Thereafter, the next logical step would be to make these records available online.

It is the ultimate goal of the Board of Trustees of the Village to provide complete online access to all records and proceedings of the Village.

Storm Water

As part of our efforts to comply with the NYSDEC's Storm Water Permit, the Village has now added several useful handouts that describe how to properly dispose of household hazardous wastes, recycling tips, how to stop junk mail, and organic lawn care ideas.

At www.portwashingttonnorth.org/ms4compliance.html you will find guidance as to proper disposal techniques and how to keep the debris out of our storm water that inevitably ends up in Manhasset Bay.

--Bob Keane

New Building Inspector

BARBARA DZIORNEY

Meet Barbara Dzorney, our new building inspector. She comes to us from Great Neck Estates where she has served as Building Inspector for more than 4 years.

Barbara, married with two daughters, 17 and 20, has been a resident of Great Neck for 23 years.

Barabara, a NYS licensed Architect since 1986, is a Barnard ('78) graduate and received her graduate degree from the University of Pennsylvania ('82).

She is a practicing architect predominantly on the North Shore of Long Island.

You'll usually find her in Village Hall on Wednesdays.



**Barbara Dzorney
is sworn as
Building Inspector.**



Ace Hardware is now open in the Soundview Marketplace; (above inset) Mayor Bob Weitzner and the store's proprietor's cut the ribbon using a scissors available in aisle 3.

Little Chefs Is Cooking



The kids will eat up the party atmosphere at Little Chefs -- another new addition to the Soundview Marketplace.

Security And Safety In Your Home

**By: Deputy Chief Ronald DeMeo
Port North Resident**

As you are likely aware, in the past year a rash of home invasions have been reported at an alarming rate in both Nassau and Suffolk Counties. Although none of these break-ins have occurred in Port Washington, it is still distressing news. The Port Washington Police Department would like to remind our residents that there are immediate steps that can be taken to ensure the continued safety and security of your family and home.

. Lock Your doors and Windows - Although this would seem obvious, it is surprising how many homes are left unsecured and vulnerable. Locking your doors while leaving the windows unlocked is a wasted effort. Intruders are not looking to be welcomed at your door; they are looking for any way to gain access to your house. If you are keeping windows open for ventilation, there are inexpensive kits available at your local hardware store that will allow a secure but limited opening. It is also important to remember that basement and upper floor windows and doors are also vulnerable.

. Keep Shrubs and Landscaping Trimmed - Do not block any windows or access areas with shrubs or elaborate landscaping. Keeping your home free of areas where an intruder can remain out of view while attempting to gain access will thwart those attempts.

. Keep Lights On - While you are home or away, lighting is essential for security.

Timers can maintain an impression of activity inside your home, while exterior motion detectors or timed lighting can illuminate your property. Both are deterrents to unwanted trespassers.

. Audible Alarm System - If you do not have an audible alarm system installed in your home, consider having one installed. If you already have an alarm system, be sure it is activated at all times. Use it both while you are away from home and while you are at home.

. Dogs - A family pet or guard dog can be an efficient deterrent to intruders.

. Be Alert In Your Neighborhood - Get to know your neighbors and be alert to strangers. If anyone or anything appears to be out of the ordinary, do not hesitate to call the police. This includes occupied vehicles parked or idling for no apparent reason. Make note of any suspicious vehicles and their license plate numbers, and call the Police immediately. **DO NOT ATTEMPT TO ENGAGE STRANGERS IN ANY DIALOGUE.** Let the Police handle any interaction. Your awareness and detailed information is of tremendous assistance and will be taken seriously.

The PYPD has already increased patrols during peak hours, and continues to be vigilant in its routine patrol. There is no cause for undue alarm but awareness of effective security measures will ensure the continued safety of the residents of our community. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the PYPD at (516) 883-0500.



Civics Lesson

Mayor Bob Weitzner visits Mrs. Hoohah's class at Guggenheim School to teach them about local government -- one of the students, the Mayor's son Scott, is expecting a good grade.



Demolished!

Residents experienced the one-day demolition of the house on the corner of Driftwood and Soundview Drives. Plans for a new house have been reviewed by the Building Inspector and construction should begin shortly. The Board of Trustees is rewriting existing building regs requiring approval of the home before demolition may begin.

EyeSite In Sight



At the ribbon cutting at EyeSite In Sight located in Stop&Shop Plaza North (Delco) are optician John Glavan, store owners Dr. & Mrs. Wallia and their son Sahej with Mayor Bob Weitzner.

Amalfi: A Slice Of Italy



From a gourmet slice of pizza to a wide selection of finely prepared Italian dishes, Amalfi Ristorante & Pizzeria is now open for your pleasure in Stop&Shop Plaza North (Delco).

Color Markings On The Street?

What's with the colored markings all over our streets and sidewalks??

No, we are not under attack from sidewalk graffiti artists.

What are all those different color markings on the streets and sidewalks, and why do they appear.

Much of what you've seen lately has to do with Verizon coming into our Village and laying conduit for their new FIOS (fiber optic service).

When anyone needs to lay cable, conduit, wires, or for that matter, put up a fence, the contractors need to know what lies underneath the earth they are disturbing. By law, any proposed project involving the disturbing of the ground must have markings done. These markings identify that there are wires in the ground, and that the utility company or contractor needs to pay special attention so as not to damage or disturb these lines, especially electric and gas lines! Each color marking has a different meaning.

To make sure all lines are marked, the company performing the construction calls the "One Call Center" which performs the service of making sure all of the utilities go out and mark their lines. Sometimes the utilities know where their lines are, other use a method called a "tone and mark" process. They place a sensor on a particular

WHAT DO THE DIFFERENT

COLORS MEAN?*

Dark red – ELECTRIC

Yellow – GAS-OIL-STEAM

Blue – WATER

Green – SEWER

Pink – TEMPORARY SURVEY

White – PROPOSED EXCAVATION

*a guide to the mysterious Port North street graffiti

line that emits a tone. Then they follow the tone and mark where the line is at the proposed construction site.

The colored numbers, arrows, and lines identify the distance and direction of the utility line. Thus, anyone doing work should know exactly where the lines are, and avoid them.

However, as we have seen with a recent fire on Angler Lane, it is not an exact science. For that reason, utility companies and contractors must always pay special attention when they dig in residential communities.

Are we stuck with utility graffiti forever?

The average life of the paint used to produce these markings is about 4-6 months. So chances are, once spring rolls around, these markings should be fading fast.

Email Your Thoughts

news@portwashingtonnorth.org

Dear Editor,

On a number of occasions I had the need to contact our Village officials. Once because the street light in front of our home was out; another was to comment on the frequency our electricity is out. On these and other instances I elected to make my thoughts known by sending them an e-mail.

My thoughts were, as our Mayor and Trustees were giving their services gratis to residents of Port North, I didn't want them to take the time to answer away from more pressing matters.

I was extremely pleased when they almost immediately responded to my message, apparently taking the time to check for Village messages during their

work day.

My last communication was favorably commenting on the beauty of our mini-park on Radcliff Avenue and Soundview Drive together with our new sign. Needless to say, our Mayor Bob Weitzner, responded within an hour thanking me for my favorable comments.

I most highly recommend using an e-mail as a method of receiving a prompt reply to your questions, problems or even kudos.

--William M. Klein

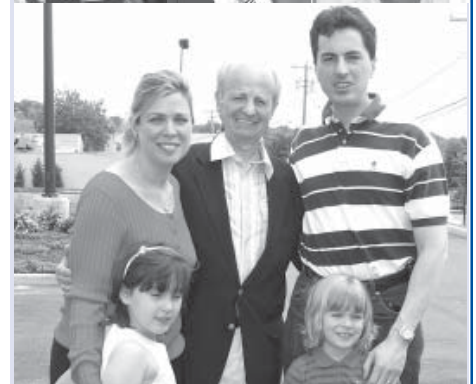
Note: We wish Bill Klein our new email buddy, a quick recovery.

You too can reach us at:
news@portwashingtonnorth.org
Email works!



Thomas J Pellegrino Waterfront Park Is Dedicated

On a beautiful, hot summer day, friends, family and neighbors turned out to salute Tom Pellegrino, Port North's Mayor for 34 years -- the senior Mayor in the State. The Village paid tribute to Tom by naming the Port North Waterfront Park after him.



Some of those who came out to honor Tom: (top, l-r): Congressman Gary Ackerman, Joan Pellegrino, Tom's predecessor as Mayor Joel Joseph; (row 2): some of the grandkids; (row 3): former Supervisor May Neuberger, Assemblyman Tom DiNapoli, Planning Board Chairman Tom Imperatore; (bottom) some of the family.

It Doesn't Get Much Better Than This

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Port North Newsletter

The Port North Newsletter is published by the Village of Port Washington North to keep our residents informed. If you have any ideas, suggestions, contests or submissions, you can reach us at:
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 -Mike Schenkler, editor

Bookkeeper Wanted

Volunteer needed once a month to help monitor Village bookkeeping procedures.
 Interested in helping Port North, email:
news@portwashingtonnorth.com

Board of Trustees Meetings

The Board of Trustees will be meeting at 7:30 PM at Village Hall, 71 Old Shore Rd. on the following dates:
2005: Nov. 28, Dec. 14 (Wednesday).
2006: Jan. 23, Feb. 1, Feb. 27, Mar. 27, Apr. 3, Apr. 24.
 Note: Most meetings are on the last Monday of each month

www.portwashingtonnorth.org

Our Village's website continues to be a work in progress. Commissioner of Internet Services Darin Langone has been joined by the creative and hardworking Bob Keane uniting their efforts in perfecting it.
 The site now includes a photo gallery, past newsletters, Village meeting agendas and minutes, the new fee schedule, a link to the complete Village Code and a whole lot more.
 If the web address: "www.portwashingtonnorth.org" is too hard to remember, try the shortcut: "www.portnorth.com"
 You can reach Darin at: webmaster@portwashingtonnorth.org
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MAXIMUM VILLAGE ROAD SPEED LIMIT
25 M.P.H.
Please Drive Safely

Thanx!

To Good Corporate Neighbors

- Stop & Shop for the new beautiful, cool sidewalk.
- Publisher's Clearinghouse for removing the old Radcliff fence.
- Delco Plaza for the framed Port Washington Poster.

Share The News

Send us your email address and help us update our database.

Please send your birth, wedding & engagement announcements to us! Let us know about your awards, kids, charitable endeavors or other good news! Please inform us if a new family moves to Port North!

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