



VILLAGE OF PORT WASHINGTON NORTH

Fall 2019

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Greetings Port North Residents and Businesses

Bob Weitzner

I hope you had a wonderful summer and the beginning of the school year.

The Board and I are looking forward to what's in store for the Village as the year comes to a close and into 2020 and wanted to share some of the news with you.

We have had a number of new stores, restaurants, and businesses join us this year, including TJ Maxx, Cactus Café, Harbor Deli Too, Danceworks, and Tonsa Automotive. We wish them luck and hope you all are enjoy the convenience and amenities these establishments have to offer our Village. Looking ahead, we have a number of very exciting initiatives taking form. We are entertaining the idea of a six sound stage movie studio to take over the existing 100,000 sq/ft building that was once the home of Publishers Clearinghouse. The Village land swap that has been going on for some time may finally come to fruition by the end of the year, and we are expecting funding from our elected officials to resurface a number of our roads in the near future. We believe that these projects will have an everlasting positive impact on our Village and we look forward to sharing more news as it becomes available.

The Bay Walk Park keeps evolving, with this year's additions being a bicycle service station and a garden clock. A very exciting educational component was installed in October as well.

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The Village urges all residents to register at www.Northshorealert.org or with the Village's Emergency Contact Registry by calling 516-883-5900 to receive timely emergency information and updates from the Village and the PWMOEM.

For additional information go to the Emergency Management tab on the Village's website at www.portwashingtonnorth.org

Please remember that with the beginning of the school year comes added vehicle traffic and pedestrians, especially our children. Obey all traffic signs, coming to a complete stop at all stop signs, and keep your speed down as you are traveling throughout the Village.

I am always eager to hear from our residents. Please feel free to reach me directly at 516-233-9581 with any questions or comments you may have.

Sincerely,



Mayor Bob

A Message from the Manhasset Bay Protection Committee



Manhasset Bay
Protection Committee

The Village is a member of the Manhasset Bay Protection Committee (MBPC) since it started over 20 years ago.

marine ecosystem while balancing and maintaining recreational and commercial uses.

This year the MBPC received three amazing grants

The Manhasset Bay Protection Committee is an inter-municipal organization focused on addressing water quality and coastal issues with a coordinated, watershed-level approach.

1. Water Quality Improvement Grant – the group received \$125,000 from the Department of State to prepare a new master plan for water quality projects around the bay. The existing plan is from 1999.
2. A NYSDEC Water Quality Monitoring Grant to help subsidize the summer water quality sampling program, equipment and time to prepare reports.
3. The MBPC received a \$6,000 grant from the Nassau County Soil and Water Conservation District to purchase and install a Seabin to collect floating debris near Town Dock.

The Committee has 15 member municipalities who all voluntarily entered into an inter-municipal agreement. The Committee is funded through annual dues from these members. The Committee's goals are to protect, restore, and enhance Manhasset Bay to insure a healthy and diverse

Recycling Reminders

Everyone in the Village does a great job with the basic recycling mandates (paper, plastic, metal and glass) however we can all use a couple of friendly reminders:

Cardboard

It is great to see the economy booming and residents making large electronics purchases over the weekends. As I walk my dog on a Sunday night or Monday morning, I notice these large cardboard boxes lining the streets. We are all so conscious about recycling but cannot hold onto these boxes until the recycling days? Please help to prevent cardboard from entering our landfills and hold onto it for Friday.

Yard Waste

Yard waste is collected on Mondays. All big branches and bushes must be cut to 4 feet or smaller pieces and bundled. This is another material that the Village pays less to recycle and is separated from the more expensive landfilling costs associated with normal trash. If you cut your lawn or pick up the leaves during the week, save them for Monday pickup.

Plastics

The Village recycles most plastics except number 3 and 7 plastics. Look at the bottom of the plastic item you are thinking of recycling and if you see a 3 or 7, place it in the trash.

E-Waste

Old TVs, computers, VCRs, laptops, phones and other electronics can be brought to the Town of North Hempstead Facility on West Shore Road on almost all Sundays. Dial 311 for more information.

STOP Program

Please look at the Village or Town of North Hempstead's website for the available STOP (Stop Throwing Out hazardous Pollutants) to properly dispose of household hazardous products such as: oil based paint, old pesticides, fertilizers, household cleaning products. Latex Paints can be left open until they dry out and when hardened, disposed in the normal trash.

Residents Forward and Village of Port Washington North Launch “Every Drop Counts” Campaign and Exhibit to Promote a Sustainable and Plentiful Water Source

Environmental activists in the Port Washington community have teamed up with the Village of Port Washington North to launch an important initiative designed in tandem with elementary and high school students to bolster educational efforts focused on the sustainability of the peninsula’s water source. The “Every Drop Counts” campaign is a collaborative effort between local advocacy groups and town officials aimed to motivate residents to take simple actions that can improve the quality, resiliency and sustainability of their community’s only source of drinking water.



The campaign includes:

- Port Washington residents interacting with the numerous displays featured at the “Every Drop Counts” exhibit.
- Parents and children learning together about the importance of sustainability and environmentally conscious efforts.
- The featured environmental educator instructing an engaging and student-targeted workshop that serves to educate various Port Washington youths about the dangerous and amazing path traveled by water to the aquifer.
- The Port Washington community working together to learn how they can help protect a necessary and precious resource.

We wish to thank the following individuals and organizations for their efforts:

- Residents Forward and Executive Director Mindy Germain
- Representatives from the student committee that worked on project
- Project designers Michelle Shain and Diane Luger
- Dr. Angela Jaggar of the The Jaggar Foundation,
- David Brackett, Chairman of the Port Washington Water District
- REWILD (Raju Rajan)
- Port Washington residents and students



We live on a peninsula surrounded by salt water. We cannot drink it.

The fresh water we drink comes from an aquifer—a below-ground water source. It is threatened daily by industry and pollution.

We all have a role in protecting it. Follow the signs to find out how you can make changes in your own home to help make every drop count.



PW Students and Mayor Bob care about making every drop count!

ANGELA & SCOTT JAGGAR FOUNDATION, INC.



In cooperation with the Port Washington Water District

New at the Bay Walk: The Latest Additions to the Park

New Garden Clock – Ever wonder what time it is? No worries - we added a garden clock to the Bay Walk. Port North resident Rachel Weitzner saw *L'horloge Fleurie*, or “the flower clock” in Geneva, Switzerland, and felt this idea would be a great addition to the park. Our final version was designed by fellow Port North resident Bill Heapps then planted and installed with the expertise of our Parks Maintenance Contractor Anthony Demelas of Bucky Demelas and Sons. The clock is connected to the internet and automatically adjusts for daylight savings time.



New Gazebo and Village Clock - We wish to thank our County Legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitton for securing the funding for our wonderful gazebo and Village Clock. The gazebo features shade, benches, a ceiling fan, and with its accent lighting, a breathtaking view of the waterfront at night. The clock provides another opportunity for residents to check the time while appreciating the beautiful landscapes our waterfront has to offer.

Fixit Bike Repair Station - The Village is concerned with how our avid and recreational bicyclists alike would repair their bikes, especially in an emergency. The Bay Walk Park now has a new Fixit Bicycle Service Station. The device provides you with some of the basic tools you need to fix your bicycle as well as an air pump for bike tires. The station also includes a QR code that takes smartphone users to a comprehensive bike repair web site.



The Kiosk at Bay Walk Park - The Bay Walk Computer Touch-Screen Kiosk is up and running at the Bay Walk Park. It contains a directory listing the businesses within a certain radius of the park, including restaurants, shops and entertainment venues. The kiosk has information for boaters and kayakers as well, including weather and tide information.

Another feature of the Kiosk is a PDF gallery documenting the art along the path at the park. The display of the gallery was coded by Miriam Lozneau, a deaf-blind Computer Science student at The Helen Keller National Center for the Deaf-Blind in Port Washington, NY. We are delighted to have a community member, The Helen Keller Foundation, participate in the project.

The overall design of the kiosk was conceived by local Port North resident Nancy Verdi, owner of Hummingbird Web Design, with the assistance of developer Joe Wong.

Bay Walk Park Phase II Funding - The Village received a grant of \$150,000 from the Town of North Hempstead as part of a commitment to help fund Phase II of the Bay Walk Park. Phase II includes installing a kayak launch, adding amenities along the walkway, and installing additional lighting, among other goals. The Village would like to thank Town of North Hempstead Supervisor Judi Bosworth for her continued support. In addition, the Village received a grant from Nassau County to upgrade the Bay Walk irrigation to a state-of-the-art smart system that includes dedicated iPhone and Android monitoring apps. This funding was made possible with the support of Assemblyman Tony D'Urso's office.

New Businesses in Port

T.J. Maxx

Discount department store T.J. Maxx opened its Port Washington branch on May 5th at Soundview Marketplace. The 21,414 square foot property offers shoes, clothing, home décor, and more to Port North residents. The store is open 9:30 AM to 9:30 PM Monday through Thursday, 8 AM to 10 PM Friday and Saturday, and 8 AM to 8 PM on Sunday. The Village is excited to welcome T.J. Maxx to the area!

Cactus Cafe

February saw the opening of a new Tex-Mex spot in Port North, as Cactus Café opened their doors for business. The local chain has operated several locations on Long Island since 1999. Their Port Washington location at 19 Old Short Road serves breakfast, lunch, and dinner, and represents the diversifying culinary interests of Port North residents.

Danceworks

In September, Danceworks, a studio for young girls and teenagers, opened in the Soundview Marketplace. Previously located in Manorhaven, Danceworks now has a 1,850 square foot property to rehearse and prepare for their performances both in and outside of the Village. Port North residents are encouraged to stop by and support local dancers!

GNC and Ace Hardware Relocate

Following the entrance of T.J. Maxx into the Soundview Shopping Center. GNC and Ace Hardware have moved to other vacant spaces on the same property. The Village is pleased that these businesses can continue serving residents in the Port North area through their new locations.

Harbor Deli Too

Replaced Bayview Deli and offers additional items from their flagship, Harbor Deli.



Gold Coast International Film Festival coming to Soundview Cinemas

The 2019 Gold Coast International Film Festival is November 4 - 13!

This year we're featuring 80 films over 10 days.

With dozens of Q&As with filmmakers and special guests, lots of special events, award-winning spotlights and premiere after premiere after premiere, this year's festival is another one you will not want to miss!

Movies are also being shown at the Great Neck Squire Cinemas and at other north shore locations.

See their website for movies, locations and times.

TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

Hitting the Road: Improvements to Begin Across The Village

The Village received a grant through a joint application with the Town of North Hempstead to inventory all of our street signs, storm drains, fire hydrants, and also access every Village owned road. The resulting data will be added to our existing GIS (Geographical Information System) and will ensure our signs are visible and our roads are rated. The Village would like to thank Supervisor Judi Bosworth and the Town Board for allowing the Village to partner with them and participate in this worthwhile project. Meanwhile, the Village is also working on improvements projects on Radcliffe Avenue, Soundview Drive, Sandy Court, and Pleasant Avenue, the latter of which was made possible thanks to state assemblyman Tony D'Urso's efforts in securing \$125,000 in grants to fund the project.

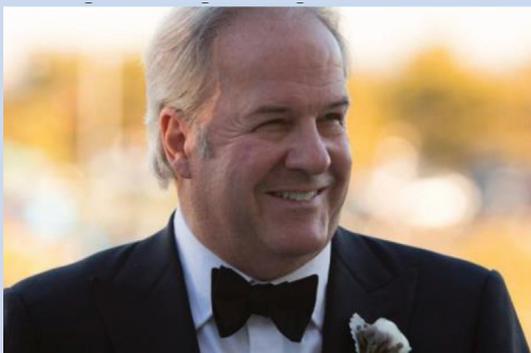


Port North Water Main Replacement Project

Beginning next spring, the Port Washington Water District will be commencing a major water main replacement project within the Village of Port Washington North. The roads being considered for the first phase of water main replacement include Soundview Drive, Driftwood Drive, Steamboat Drive, Fisherman's Drive, Boat Lane and Seaview Lane. This vital project will help to ensure the resiliency of our water infrastructure for the community. Residents potentially impacted by the water main replacement project will be contacted by the Water District prior to construction so you can better prepare for any potential disruptions to water service. For more information, please contact the Port Washington Water District at 516-767-0171.



Remembering The Life and Work of Marc Silbert



The Village would like to extend its heartfelt condolences to Marc Silbert, longtime resident and servant in our neighboring Village of Sands Point, who sadly passed away on June 9th. He played a vital role in the creation of the Port Washington/Manhasset Office of Emergency Management, which continues its efforts today. In his nearly twenty years of service as a trustee, he led various projects and programs to improve the quality of life in the Village. His efforts will long be remembered for their lasting impact not only on Sands Point but on the

greater Port Washington community as a whole. The Village encourages residents to continue on in his memory by helping their neighbors and sharing their love for their community.

NICE Bus Pilot Adds Stop in Soundview

Why wake up early just to get a spot at the train station? With help County Legislator DeRiggi-Whitton, the Town of North Hempstead, and Residents Forward, NICE had created a shuttle service around Soundview Drive in Port North that will take commuters to and from the Port Washington Train Station. The cost per one-way trip is \$2.75 and Metrocards are accepted, included the unlimited trip cards. Visit www.nicebus.com for the latest schedule information.

WEEKDAY SCHEDULE EFFECTIVE MAY 28, 2019							
HORARIO DE SEMANA DEL 28 DE MAYO 2019							
SOUNDVIEW							
	Driftwood	Steambt	Schooner				
AM	6:50	6:52	6:53				
	7:15	7:17	7:18				
	7:45	7:47	7:48				
	Train arr.	Main St	Driftwood	Steambt	Schooner	Sandy	Wildwd
PM	6:04	6:15	6:22	6:24	6:25	6:27	6:28
	6:21	6:35	6:42	6:44	6:45	6:47	6:48
	6:50	7:00	7:07	7:09	7:10	7:12	7:13
	7:06	7:20	7:27	7:29	7:30	7:32	7:33



Lights, Camera, Port North?

The Village has been approached by the current owner of the former Publisher’s Clearing House property regarding the possibility of creating a six soundstage film studio within the existing 100,000 square foot building that currently exists at the site. This is not a new concept for the current owner as he also owns Grumman Studios in Bethpage, and sees Port North as the ideal location for another studio on Long Island. As the process progresses, the Village will be reaching out to the community and providing detailed information about the use and structure at the location.

Friendly Reminders

Trustee meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of every month at Village Hall located at 3 Pleasant Avenue Access and parking is located off of Channel Drive. A schedule of all upcoming meeting dates can be found on the Village website.

Please remember to remove garbage receptacles from the street on pick-up days. Avoid placing receptacles on the curb more than one day prior to scheduled pick-ups.

Please leash and curb your dogs and properly dispose of waste. This time of year typically sees an increase in complaints resulting from improper disposal and we ask that you be respectful of your neighbors and of public property when walking your dogs.

Please sign up to receive emails of our newsletters, Mayor’s Update and to be notified about important information about the village by providing your contact information to clerk@portwashingtongnorth.org or pwnorthcommunications@gmail.com.

Robert Dayton Park Restoration Project

On December 2, Mayor Weitzner joined the Port Washington Fire Department and the family of Captain Robert H. Dayton for the rededication of the Robert H. Dayton Park along Shore Road. The park had, unfortunately, been in some disrepair due to shore erosion and an opportunity arose where the Village of Port North was able to relocate the dedication plaque and improve the grounds in time for the 30th Anniversary of the heroic sacrifice made by Captain Dayton in 1988.

Capt. Dayton was a volunteer firefighter with the Flower Hill Hose Co. 1 who was killed when leading a search and rescue team during a fire at 165 Main St. in Port Washington on Nov. 26, 1988.



Left to right: Mayor Bob Weitzner with Eagle Scout, Gordon Shaub and his father, Gregory Shaub



Renovated Robert Dayton Park

The park restoration project was coordinated by soon-to-be Eagle Scout, Gordon Schaub. Gordon, along with the help of his fellow scouts from Port Washington's Boy Scout Troop 7, spearheaded the project to work with the PWF and Port North to design and restore the park. During his speech at the dedication ceremony, Gordon said that he chose to rehabilitate the park as his Eagle Scout project after experiencing the aid of the Port Washington volunteer firefighters first-hand when, night after Christmas in 2016, Port Washington firefighters were called to his home to extinguish a fire.

Gordon also worked with the Village to prepare a new information sign commemorating the life of Capt. Dayton and the history of the Port Washington Fire Department. The sign also pays tribute to five other firefighters and one police officer who have died in the line of duty in Port Washington. Gordon and Troop 7 raised the money for the informational sign and the restoration of the plaque.

Time and materials were also generously donated by our parks maintenance landscape contractors, Bucky Demelas and Sons.

TRAFFIC SAFETY TIPS AND NEW YORK STATE TRAFFIC LAWS

- Keep sidewalks clear for children and pedestrians to safely walk. Park automobiles completely in the driveway or on the street not on the apron or sidewalk to ensure a clear passage on sidewalks.
- Park and drive on the right side of the road, not facing oncoming traffic. Oncoming traffic and pedestrians do not anticipate cars pulling out in their lane and visibility is hindered.
- Parking in front of stop signs blocks views of stop signs and blocks intersections. This can cause accidents due to blocked sight lines. 30 feet in front of ALL Stop signs is the safe and required buffer.
- Speed limits must be adhered to. Speeding motorists risk the lives and safety of children, pedestrians, and other vehicles on our streets. All vehicles must STOP at all stop signs. Look both ways and then proceed. Just slowing down does not allow for safe intersections and street crossing.

THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND

- Please be aware that all landscapers need to be registered with the Village. In addition, no gas powered equipment can be used by landscapers on weekends and holidays. Homeowners are exempt from this provision.
- As the Winter storm season is here, please remember to register at www.northshorealert.org for important emergency information and updates. By registering with NorthShoreAlert.org, time-sensitive voice messages from the Villages, Town, or Police, Fire, and Water special districts where you live or work may be sent to your home, cell or business phone. Text messages may also be sent to cell phones, e-mail accounts and hearing impaired receiving devices. In addition, the village website contains some tips and recommendations for storm preparation and emergency management. Also please view the emergency management section on our website.
- Please be aware that it is the homeowners responsibility to maintain and care for their sidewalks. This includes repairing your sidewalk and shoveling them to keep them clear of snow. While the Village does on occasion repair sidewalks due to lifting by tree roots, we cannot replace old and worn sidewalks.

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PORT WASHINGTON NORTH 2019 LEAF PICKUP SCHEDULE

November 12 to 14, 2019

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

Boat Lane
Cove Lane
Driftwood Drive
Fishermans Drive
Island Court
Marlin Lane
Seaview Lane
Waterview Drive

November 19 to 21, 2019

Avenue B
Avenue C
Channel Drive
Durbyan Place
Morgan Place
Harbor Road
Mill Pond Road
Orchard Street

Pleasant Avenue
Pulaski Place
Radcliff Avenue
Old Shore Road
Smull Place
Soundview Drive
Valley Road

December 3 to 5, 2019

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

Boat Lane
Dock Lane
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