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Dear Residents of Port Washington North,

As we bid farewell to the year gone by and embrace the opportunities of the new year, I extend my warmest greetings to each and every one of you. It's with great pleasure and hopefulness that I address you as we embark on the journey of 2024 together.

The passing of time brings with it moments of reflection, growth, and renewal. Our community has demonstrated resilience, unity, and unwavering support, especially during times of challenges and uncertainty. The past year tested our resolve, yet it is the spirit of Port Washington North that continues to shine brightly through adversity.

We have witnessed the strength within our community, from neighbors lending a helping hand to local businesses persevering through tough times. It is this collective spirit that reinforces the unique fabric of our village, fostering a sense of belonging and pride among us all.

As we enter this new year, my commitment as your mayor remains steadfast—to serve our community with dedication, transparency, and inclusivity. The village administration will continue to work diligently to enhance the quality of life for all residents, prioritize community needs, and ensure that Port Washington North remains a safe, vibrant, and welcoming place for families to live and businesses to thrive.

May this new year bring you and your loved ones joy, good health, prosperity, and the fulfillment of your aspirations. Let us stand united in our efforts to make 2024 a year of progress, unity, and prosperity for the Village of Port Washington North.

With warm regards,

Mayor Bob Weitzner  
Village of Port Washington North



### Updates to Soundview Marketplace

Exciting new changes are coming to the Soundview Marketplace! We're thrilled to announce the grand opening of not just one, but two new businesses aimed at transforming the way you experience our community.

We are going to be welcome JustSalad and Woof Gang Dog Bakery & Grooming! JustSalad will be located in the new building on the opposite end of the drive thru Starbucks. JustSalad offers 15 chef-designed salads, wraps, warm bowls, avocado toast, soups and smoothies. The chain's Reusable Bowl Program encourages customers to join the company's effort to reduce waste by purchasing a bowl for \$1 and then receive a free salad topping with every reuse.

Woof Gang Bakery & Grooming is at the forefront of professional pet grooming and the leading specialty retailer of pet food and supplies in the country. Our renowned pet grooming services, butt scratches, and nose boops are regarded as the best in the industry! We pride ourselves on creating a warm, loving, and fun environment for pets and their owners to enjoy.

Woof Gang Port Washington will be led by Kyle Hoberman & Julie Schorr, soon-to-be husband and wife. When Kyle and Julie first met, they instantly connected over their love for dogs and animals. Having both grown up with dogs their entire lives, they could not wait for the day when they could bring a dog into their lives. After adopting Betty, a miniature goldendoodle, in January 2022, Kyle and Julie's lives were transformed as her presence brought immeasurable joy, companionship, and a newfound sense of fulfillment into their daily routine. This ultimately led Kyle and Julie to partner with Woof Gang to open their own store in Port Washington at Soundview Marketplace. Woof Gang will be part of the old HSBC bank building.

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## **Port North Vehicle Safety Audit**

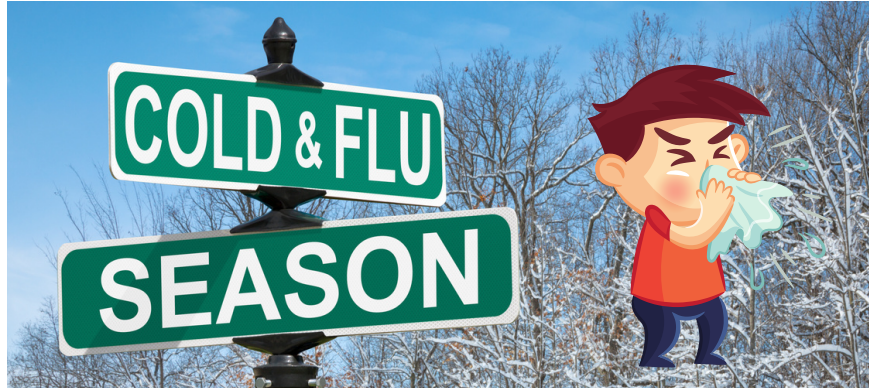
The Village Board has been made aware from various residents that there seems to be safety issue at our intersections. Excessive speed and failing to stop at stop signs appear to be the major concern.

Safety is our utmost importance for our residents and those visiting our Village. In an effort to better understand the concerns being raised, we attempted to perform a safety audit in mid December using cameras at various intersections. We understand that due to lack of notice and camera identification, a number of residents were concerned about the cameras and their intended use. We apologize for the misunderstanding.

We will be conducting another audit at a number of intersections throughout the Village shortly. Signs will be posted identifying why the cameras are there and instructions to call Village Hall if you have any questions or concerns. Please understand the purpose of the cameras is simply to collect data to share with the public in an effort to make our streets as safe as possible.

Once the audit is completed, the cameras will be removed and we will review the data and determine what additional steps are necessary to ensure travelers comply with traffic laws, especially stopping at stop signs. We appreciate your understanding regarding this serious matter and look forward to safer streets throughout Port Washington North.

## Flu Season Safety



During the flu season, respiratory illnesses become more prevalent. The flu is highly contagious and can cause mild to severe symptoms, such as fever, cough, sore throat, body aches, fatigue, and even complications that may lead to hospitalization. Vaccination remains the primary and most effective preventive measure against the flu. Practicing good hand hygiene, covering coughs and sneezes, staying home when sick, and following public health guidelines are crucial steps to minimize the spread of the flu. Being vigilant about these precautions not only protects individuals but also contributes to community-wide efforts in reducing the impact of the flu, ensuring a healthier and more resilient population during this challenging season.

1. **Get Vaccinated:** The flu vaccine is the most effective way to prevent the flu or reduce its severity if you do get sick. It's recommended for everyone, especially high-risk individuals like young children, elderly adults, and those with underlying health conditions.
2. **Practice Good Hand Hygiene:** Wash your hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after coughing, sneezing, using the restroom, or being in public places. If soap and water aren't available, use alcohol-based hand sanitizers.
3. **Cover Your Mouth and Nose:** Use a tissue or the inside of your elbow when coughing or sneezing to prevent the spread of respiratory droplets. Dispose of tissues immediately and wash your hands afterward.
4. **Avoid Touching Your Face:** Try to avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth with unwashed hands, as this can transfer germs from surfaces to your body.
5. **Practice Respiratory Etiquette:** Maintain a safe distance from individuals showing flu-like symptoms, and if you're sick, stay home to prevent spreading the flu to others.
6. **Keep Surfaces Clean:** Regularly clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces at home, work, or school, such as doorknobs, light switches, keyboards, and countertops.
7. **Boost Your Immune System:** A balanced diet, regular exercise, adequate sleep, and managing stress can help strengthen your immune system, making it easier for your body to fight off infections.
8. **Stay Hydrated and Eat Nutritious Foods:** Drink plenty of fluids and consume a variety of fruits, vegetables, and whole grains to provide your body with essential nutrients.
9. **Follow Public Health Guidelines:** Stay updated on health advisories and follow recommendations from local health authorities regarding flu prevention and control measures.
10. **Consult Healthcare Providers:** Seek medical advice promptly if you experience flu-like symptoms. Antiviral medications may be prescribed by healthcare professionals, particularly for those at high risk of complications.