



New Bayville Welcome Signs

The Village of Bayville would like to thank Winter Bros., Inc. for purchasing the two new Welcome To Bayville signs at each end of the Village.

As a reminder, please refrain from putting signs in all the planting islands for garage sales and event advertising.



Bayville Community Little League had a great Summer season with 3 Travel Baseball and 1 Travel Softball team participating in Long Island Hot Stove Events. All of our athletes competed against the best that Long Island has to offer!

Up Next for BCLL - We will have 2 Baseball and 1 softball program competing this Fall. 2024 House League Registration information will be available soon!

American Legion

Robert H. Spittel Post No. 1285, Inc.

The American Legion Robert H. Spittel Post 1285 is a not-for-profit, Veterans service organization. Our mission is to enhance the well-being of our local veterans, their families, our military, and our community by our devotion to mutual helpfulness. The Post is named after PFC Robert H. Spittel, who was killed in action on December 8, 1944. His father, Herman Spittel, was the first Post Commander.

Throughout the year, the Post engages in numerous activities to support our members and local veterans; to support and mentor local young people through school programs and scholarships; and to support the community at large through volunteerism and donations to local charities and civic organizations.

The Post holds ceremonies each year to honor the service of members that were killed in action, along with annual ceremonies to commemorate Veterans Day and Memorial Day. We also fund several yearly scholarship opportunities for graduating seniors that are residents of Bayville, sponsor annual participation in the American Legion's Boys State program, and organize the annual Village of Bayville Memorial Day Parade.

Pickleball at West Harbor Beach

The Village of Bayville would like to thank Assemblyman Levine for securing grant funding for the construction of the new pickleball courts at West Harbor Beach. Pictured – Trustee Nigro, Trustee Walsh, Assemblyman Levine, Mayor Minicozzi, Trustee De Natale, Administrator, Maria Alfano-Hardy



From Left to Right: Trustee Nigro, Trustee Walsh, Assemblyman Levine, Mayor Minicozzi, Trustee De Natale, Maria Alfano-Hardy

Sugar Kelp Project

As the saying goes "a picture says a thousand words!" The above photos clearly show the sugar kelp grown this past Fall and Winter in the Village marina on Creek Road and which was harvested this Spring for use as a compost- like soil amendment placed on the rain garden and native plant garden near Village Hall.

It has been reported to us that Bayville's was a bumper crop, as far as pounds per foot of line deployed, as compared to many similar efforts across Long Island this past year. This is possibly due to the brackish water in which it was grown; the Creek is a mix of salt as well as fresh water from Beaver Lake/Dam. Growing kelp requires no irrigation nor any additives or fertilization. It grows off regular boat dock lines suspended near the surface. It doesn't attach to the bottom and none of it remains in the Creek after it's harvested.

Although this variety of kelp is considered an edible super food, this effort was for purely environmental purposes: the kelp extracts unwanted nitrogen from the water column as it grows and is perfect for use as an organic fertilizer. Using it to help feed our two gardens naturally, after it helped clean the water all winter, was a win-win for the spectacular land/sea ecosystem we all enjoy so much!

Pictured with Mayor Minicozzi are local "farmers" Leo Imperial, his son James and Dave Gugerty as well as volunteers Noreen McCormack, Barbara Garriel and Kathy Golder.



Bayville Historical Museum

William T. Bell: Rumrunner

In the wee hours of the morning on February 19, 1927, the schooner, William T. Bell was trying to make its way down the Long Island Sound during the worst Nor'easter in over a decade with freezing rain and snow and winds gusting over 70 miles an hour. The Bell's steering gear froze leaving her at the mercy of the storm. At approximately two a.m. the Bell came hard aground on the shore of Oak Point at the estate of Winslow Pierce. Several Bayville residents who witnessed the grounding helped the crew off the stricken ship. The wet and freezing crew were quickly whisked away—rumored to be taken in by the driver living in the gate house of the estate. After drying out and warming up the crew quietly slipped out of town never to be seen or heard from again.

By sunrise the storm had subsided and several locals came down to the beach to investigate. What they discovered put the quiet little town of Bayville on the front page of newspapers around the world during the height of prohibition.

Word quickly spread that the Bell, whose manifest stated that they were transporting lumber was in fact packed full

of liquor. Villagers flocked to the beach for the next day and a half off-loading an estimated 125 barrels before the first police officer appeared on the scene and took control of the vessel.

Over the course of the next week a combined effort by police, Coast Guard and revenue agents offloaded an additional 587 barrels of liquor from the ship, transferred it to a revenue ship, inventoried the cargo and later dumped it overboard. The Coast Guard committed 5 vessels and their crews to removing the Bell from the beach, making numerous unsuccessful attempts to drag the Bell from the beach. They eventually resorted to using 100 lbs. of TNT in an attempt to blow the ship to bits. The Bell proved to be a tough old ship—the blast did little more than blow the deck off her.

What happen to the Bell next is unclear and quite speculative—some accounts suggest she was cut up and removed in pieces others suggest she was eventually floated off the beach and towed away.

In total the Bell contained 50 kegs of Whiskey, 200 kegs



of Scotch, 337 kegs of Malt extract and an estimated additional 125 kegs removed by the locals - total cargo estimated to be worth nearly \$500,000 (which would be approximately 7.5 million today).



Photos: H Willis collection



Bayville Water Department

The Village of Bayville officially has the best water in Nassau County!

This May, in honor of National Drinking Water Week, the Long Island Water Conference held its 35th annual drinking water tasting contest at Farmingdale State College. This is the first time the event has been held since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020 (last contest in 2019). After the qualifying rounds, the selected finalists from 16 Long Island water providers competed for the title of best tasting drinking water in both Nassau County and Suffolk County.

This year's winners of the contest were the Incorporated Village of Bayville Water Department for Nassau County and the Greenlawn Water District for Suffolk County. For winning the title of best tasting drinking water, we get to hold onto the coveted trophy for a year and get bragging rights among our fellow water providers.

The Water Department, consisting of Supervisor Andrew Petti and Water Plant Operators Lee Kessler and Salvatore Astuto, will be presenting the trophy to the public at the September 25th board meeting. After that, the trophy will be on display for public viewing in the Water Department office, until next year's competition when we will compete again to retain our title.

If you have not yet done so, the Water Department would like to remind you that backflow tests are required on an annual basis. The first and second reminders for testing

have already been mailed. If you have any questions about backflow devices and testing requirements, please call 516-628-1439 x114.

As always, the Water Department staff is pleased to serve the community and continues to offer the highest quality of water to our residents. If you have any general questions, please contact the Water Department at 516-628-1439 x130 or email us at waterdept@bayvilleny.gov. For any after-hour water emergencies you can reach our 24/7 emergency line at 516-497-5820.



From Left to Right: Lee Kessler, Andrew Petti, and Sal Astuto

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A Message from the Mayor Steve Minicozzi



I hope this newsletter finds you and your family well and that everyone enjoyed their summer here in Beautiful Bayville!

I would like to Congratulate Our Water Department for receiving the "Best tasting Water in Nassau County" award! We all already knew it was THE BEST! but it's certainly nice to be recognized.

I would also like to thank our recycling partners at Winter Brothers for donating two new "Welcome to Bayville" signs at the entrances to our Village.

Our Bayville Recreation Committee just completed our first ever Fall Festival in the Village Commons on Saturday September 9th. The Event was a tremendous success! We are already looking for ways to make it even better for next year. We thank every-

one who came out to enjoy the festival.

Next up for our Recreation Committee is our First Annual "Barktoberfest". An event for Dogs here at Village Hall on the Village Green on Saturday October 29th. Please watch for e-blasts on event details as the date comes closer.

Pickleball at West Harbor has been a tremendous success. It is wonderful to see both courts being used on a regular basis. More improvements are coming to West Harbor beach including basketball hoops, a new Scoreboard for our Bayville little league and the installation of a new Nautical Flagpole.

Our Village Arts Council had an incredible summer of outdoor and indoor musical entertainment at our Beaches and Commu-

nity Center. I would like to thank the Arts Council for their hard work and let you know they are already working on an expanded schedule for next summer.

Lastly, I would like to congratulate all of the entrants into the Bayville Sunset photo contest. We received over 633 submissions and our judges had a very difficult time choosing a winner, but I would like to congratulate Monique Reddington for the winning photo!

Please visit our Village website bayvilleny.gov and sign up for e-blasts to receive important reminders and stay informed.

I encourage residents to call or email me with any questions of concerns. You may reach me at 516-628-1439 (ext 124) or email me at sminicozzi@bayvilleny.gov.

The Incorporated Village of Bayville

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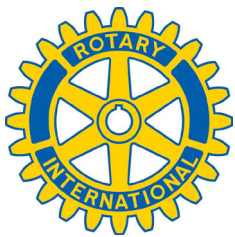
Enjoy Our Sunsets Contest Winner

Monique Reddington submitted the winning photo for the 2023 Sunset contest. Thank you to all who submitted an entry.

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Bayville–Centre Island Rotary Club *Awards Scholarships*

On June 13, 2023, the Bayville – Centre Island Rotary Club awarded seven scholarships, each worth four thousand dollars, to graduating high school seniors, all residents of Bayville, New York and college bound. The criteria for qualification for these scholarships included: accomplished Service Above Self (the Rotary motto), demonstrated leadership, strong academics, and the submission of an essay focused on "how current service offered would benefit the student in the future".

The seven winners, including the college they plan to attend and their area of study are:

Isabella Craft New York Institute of Technology Life Sciences / Osteopathic Medicine	Olivia Del Totto Vassar College Neuroscience and Behavior Physician's Assistant	Ryan Geertgens University of South Carolina Architectural Engineering
Samuel Huysman University at Buffalo Mechanical Engineering	Mollie Murray Catholic University of America Accounting	Juliana Nabet Savannah College of Art & Design Illustration / Concept Design
	Olivia Roedel Adelphi University Childhood Education	

The members of the Bayville – Centre Island Rotary Club congratulate all of the scholarship recipients and wish them well in all of their future endeavors.



Some of the recipients are pictured here. **From Left to Right:** Mollie Murray, Ryan Geertgens, Samuel Hysman, Olivia roedel

Bayville Fire Co. to Host Fire Prevention Day/Open House

The Bayville Fire Company answered the most alarms in its history during 2022. This year is proving to be just as busy if not busier. The number of runs doesn't eliminate our responsibility to educate and welcome the community to our firehouse for Fire Prevention Open House.



There will be plenty of activities for the entire family, including live demos, giveaways, and our leadership will be on hand to answer any questions you have. Open House is always a fun filled day so please look forward to joining us on Saturday, **October 21, 2023 from 11:00 AM until 3:00 PM** at the firehouse.



In case of Fire or Emergency you can always get the Fire Company by calling Firecom at 516.742.3300.

Pine Island HOA

Pine Island Homeowners' Association 100th Anniversary Flagpole dedication September 9, 2023



Mayor Miniccozzi and Pine Island President Bill Hoar

Scouts

In July, Bayville Troop 176 attended a week long summer camp at Boy Scout Camp Yawgoog in Rhode Island. Four of our Scouts attended National Youth Leadership Training in Wading River, NY in August. We had an Eagle Court of Honor for 8 newly awarded Eagle Scouts in July. The scouts have also been continuing with the yearly tradition of Oyster Gardening at West Harbor beach. With School starting next week, everyone please stop for school busses and enjoy the school year.



BAYVILLE VILLAGE ARTS COUNCIL

**Working to Bring the Art of Our
Neighbors to the Neighborhood**

Bayville Village Arts Council (BVAC) has been busy working on fulfilling their motto which is their charge: Working to Bring the Art of our Neighbors to the Neighborhood.

The 2023-2024 season opened on June first and so far the Council has 23 musical events scheduled for this season. There have been 4 performances at the West Harbor Beach combined with 2 more with the perennial favorite Steel Band shows at Soundside Beach. The Community Center transformed into an Arts Center for Visual and Musical Arts has already provided audiences with 3 shows including a tremendously successful DANCE NIGHT that had the entire audience on their feet and featured several encores. Still ahead are 13 Nights in what amounts to Bayville's own nightclub which is showcasing a variety of artists and musical genres. Ahead is an afternoon Opera Aria show and a Broadway show tune evening at our very own mini theatre and nightclub. At least two Open Mic Nights are on the schedule and they bring in a variety of artists from our Village and surrounding area.

As area musicians are learning of the acoustics, ambience and appreciative audiences right here in our Village, BVAC has been receiving requests for bookings.

BVAC has now presented a Sculpture Exhibition featuring three Bayville sculptors on the weekend of June 28,29,30 in the newly renovated space at Soundside Beach. In addition to those who attended due to the village eblasts regular beach goers were invited to step in and take a look at what their neighbors have done with wood and clay.

There is a photography exhibition as well as two shows for Village painters in the works as well.

BVAC assisted the Village with the Bayville Sunset Photo Context that had more than 640 submissions from 124 residents. The Mayor announced the best in show as determined by a panel of three professional photographers. BVAC will be displaying the entries at the Arts Center in the near future.

Starting on June 1, 2023 the Village has accepted contributions to support these events so even more can be presented. More than \$1,000 has been donated up to September 1, 2023 from over a dozen neighbors. Some of the funds have been applied to the securing of musical equipment and furnishings for the Music Center. If you wish to donate in any amount it would be most appreciated. You may place cash or checks into the envelopes that will be provided at the BVAC events and you can mail them or bring them to the Village Office. Make checks payable to: The Incorporated Village of Bayville Please indicate "BVAC" in the memo space.

Info on all of these events is via the Village e-blasts obtained by signing up for them at the Village website through which there is also the Village Calendar of Events and also links to the BVAC calendar of events. Beyond this are announcements in email communications and social media sites and occasionally in the local press. Any questions or suggestions for BVAC contact Phil Pecorino at BVAC11709@aol.com.

Stormwater Tips for the Fall Season

Not only does litter damage the aesthetics of our community, but it also poses a threat to wildlife and human health. Litter can breakdown into microplastics which are difficult to remove and toxic to wildlife.

Trash becomes litter when it falls from an overflowing bin and when it piles up at illegal dumping sites. Improper trash disposal can lead to litter entering our local waterways which pollutes the water and clogs storm sewer pipes.

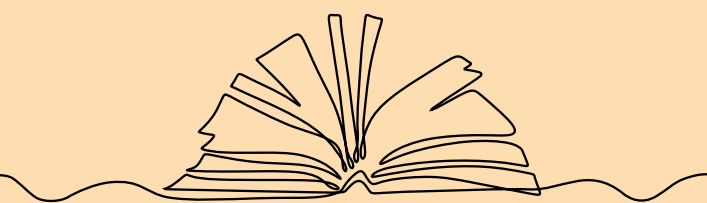
The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) provides the following recommendations for litter management:

- Residents should place trash in appropriate bins and never leave trash next to or on top of an overflowing bin.
- Take steps to prevent trash from escaping from your outdoor trash bins on collection day by not overflowing the trash bin, keeping the lid closed, and by placing trash outside shortly before pickup.

Learn how to properly dispose of recyclables and non-recyclable waste. You can do this by visiting the Village of Bayville's website to view the sanitation schedule, find out what items can be recycled, and learn how to safely dispose of electronic waste (<https://bayvilleny.gov/services/sanitation-recycling>).

Additionally, residents should be aware of specific sources of stormwater pollution unique to the fall season. Leaf litter and yard waste dumped into stormwater drains can cause dangerous pollutants to enter the waterways. Similarly, excess yard fertilizer, not absorbed by the soil, washes away with the rain and can add harsh chemicals to the waterways. Residents should dispose of leaf litter and yard waste properly, never in the street or drain, and should avoid using fertilizer before a rainstorm or in excess.

Sources:
<https://www.epa.gov/trash-free-waters/what-you-can-do-about-trash-pollution>
<https://www.epa.gov/system/files/documents/2023-01/bmp-litter-management.pdf>



Bayville Free Library Renovation Update

The Bayville Free Library will remain closed until the renovation is completed in late September/early October. Our staff and Board of Trustees would like to thank all of our patrons for their patience as we make much needed upgrades to the Library and the Village Complex that we share. We had to close due to unforeseen conditions with an aging building. We want to ensure that when we reopen it is to a safe and beautiful new building for all. We cannot wait to welcome our patrons back and show off what we have been working on!

What are we doing?

The Library will be gaining a quiet Study Room and upgrading our Children's and Nonfiction wings. The Young Adult room will also be getting a makeover. There will be plenty of cozy places to sit and read or study. We are also adding two new bathrooms and making sure that all are ADA-compliant. Most importantly, we are gaining a new Meeting Room where we will be able to host more fantastic programs, including exercise programs, craft programs, lectures, and storytimes, live and in person!

What about programs?

We will have Children's Programs in-person at the Community Center located at 88 Bayville Avenue. Many of our adult programs will remain virtual until we reopen. View the complete schedule here.

Holds placed online through our catalog will not be available for pickup until we reopen. Holds can be placed at any Nassau County Library for pickup at that location. Books can be returned at any Nassau County Library.

Please send any questions to info@bayvillefreelibrary.org. We cannot wait to reopen and have our patrons back inside our new and improved Library. See you soon!

St. Gertrude's Preschool

Serving the North Shore area with our Mommy and Me, 2, 3, and 4 year old programs.



St. Gertrude's Preschool is proud to be an integral part of the essential early childhood years. Our curriculum and facilities are designed to provide a happy, secure place where each child will have a variety of experiences to develop their social-emotional and academic skills.

Goals of our program:

- To make each child's school experience a positive one.
- To encourage positive feelings about self, the school and the environment.
- To stimulate each child's thought processes to bring greater understanding, awareness and curiosity.
- To encourage children to share and cooperate with one another.
- To provide opportunities for self-expression through language, art, dramatics, music, and play.
- To encourage each child to solve problems independently.
- To develop the ability to think logically and make associations.
- To provide experiences with books that will foster a love of reading.
- To foster frequent communication between parents and teachers.
- To provide a basic religious understanding of God.

For more information please contact us at **(516) 628-3710** or visit **www.stgertrudesprek.org**

St. Gertrude's Rosary Guild

St. Gertrude's Rosary Guild supports and encourages the growth of spirituality in our community. We are looking forward to an active fall with many events planned.



Communion Mass at St. Gertrude's Saturday, October 7th, 11:00 am

Luncheon to follow at The View- Glen Cove Golf course. This annual event is a wonderful opportunity for community spirituality and fellowship. A guest speaker will be invited. All are welcome to attend. Tickets for the luncheon are \$45. Please email stgertrudesrosaryguild@gmail.com to reserve.



Community Yard Sale Saturday, October 14th, 9 am–3pm (rain date 10/21)

Please join us in the church parking lot for some shopping fun. The weather was spectacular last year and many interesting and unique items were available for sale. **Vendors spots available. Cost is \$25 for 2 parking spots. We provide the space, permit, and advertising. You provide set up tables and clean up. Please email stgertrudesrosaryguild@gmail.com if you are interested in a vendor spot. We had a full house last year. Reserve your spot early!



November -Thanksgiving Pie Sale

We will once again be taking pre-orders for the award-winning pies from White Post Farms. A wide selection of pies at great prices will be offered. Please look for more information in the St. Gertrude's bulletin, on social media, or email stgertrudesrosaryguild@gmail.com for order information in October.

THE VILLAGE CHURCH OF BAYVILLE

A loving church with outstretched hands and hearts

As Summer nears completion, the Village Church of Bayville is so very thankful for the continued community support on all our endeavors. We know Teamwork makes the dream work and, as can be seen in this photograph, our church is somewhere over the rainbow where dreams really do come true.

Our Vacation Bible School returned this summer with 25 youngsters, youth and adult volunteers. Our Director, Beverly, continues to manage this undertaking with such a positive attitude and the week proved to be incredible.

We continue to worship at Soundside Beach each Sunday at 8 am and in our sanctuary at 10 am. We also bring service to Rosewood on the Sound every first Sunday of the month where the residents participate in a ecumenical experience. In August, we even shared in the "Hail Mary".

Our Food Pantry continues to serve over 500 people each month with donations from many local businesses and many residents in our Village who bring items to us, as they do for our Thrift Store which is opened each Saturday at 10.

We look forward to Back to Church Sunday on September 17 which will also be the day we dedicate our new front doors. It is our hope that those looking for a church home will consider joining us as we truly have Open hearts, Open minds, and Open doors. We thank God for you, our Bayville siblings, with love....

Pastor Sue and The Village Church of Bayville



Oak Neck Athletic Council News

BOCCIE: Under the direction of Carol & John Kennedy bocce is experiencing a banner year with over 160 players. The courts have been renovated by changing the playing surface from HardTru to crushed oyster shells. The season celebration "Prom" will be held on October 3rd at the Crescent Beach Club. Anyone interested in participating next season please contact John Kennedy at 516 628-0003.

FITNESS: The new state-of-the-art outdoor fitness area is open to all. Come down and get a workout while enjoying the view of Oyster Bay.

Field Hockey: Women's youth field hockey is getting underway. Practices are Monday and Wednesday nights and games on Sundays.

RUGBY: Rugby has four home games this fall season. September 23rd & 30th and October 7th & 14th.

CROSS COUNTRY: Registration is open for fall cross country.

FOOTBALL & CHEERLEADING: This fall we are entering into our 27th year, fielding five (5) football and cheer squads. Come down and watch the Generals compete against other Long Island communities on the brand-new turf field.

For more information visit: www.oakneckfalcons.org or www.obbgenerals.com for football and cheer.

"There is no greater contribution to a community than one that benefits its children."

COMEDY NIGHT FUNDRAISER

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This Fundraiser is to support the creation of the Monument to Baymens Heritage in Theodore Roosevelt Memorial Park. This memorial will honor our baymen, who for hundreds of years labored, and at times lost their lives, to bring us the treasured resources of the waters. Donations can be made on their website: baymensheritage.org. Baymen's Heritage Association is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.