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## **Spring 2019 Newsletter**

## Spring has sprung!

## Spring Cleaning

As indicated at the end of our winter newsletter, we are busy with the spring clean-up for Village owned roads. This includes fixing potholes, removing branches and trees on the roadways, picking up roadside litter and restriping roads paved before winter. We are going to be a complimentary beta/demo site for new pothole-repair material and process, which we hope will produce better long-term results. We now have a garbage receptacle at the Village beach.

## Oleg Cassini Personal-Property Viewing

Our police department and clerk's office are working with the Cassini Asset Receiver on the proposed forthcoming pre-auction viewing of the Cassini personal property assets at 49 Sandy Hill Rd. We expect this to be scheduled at the end of June. We anticipate this event to be well attended and will keep you informed of the timing and logistics, once they are finalized.

## New Village Signs

We will be replacing the Village green, metal "thruway" like signs with more tasteful wooden signs, which you may have already observed in most neighboring communities.

#### Inter-Government Relations

It is important to keep abreast of legislative proposals and incentives, including grant opportunities, occurring at other government levels overseeing the Village.

These are our current government initiatives:

#### Federal:

Congressman Tom Suozzi

Along with other Long Island Mayors in his district, I met the Congressman on April 16th. Congressman Suozzi is now on the House Ways and Means Committee, which is generally considered to be the most important committee in Congress (i.e. taxes). Some of the other important issues Congressman Suozzi is focused on include: North Shore airplane traffic patterns and the resultant noise; improving the Oyster Bay LIRR line; and workforce/apprenticeship training for Long Island residents and businesses.

#### New York State:

Senator Jim Gaughran

Senator Gaughran has been highly visible and accessible. We had a chance to speak in person in early April and attended a North Shore Mayors' dinner with him on May 9th. Senator Gaughran has created an LIRR survey, which he has been personally distributing on the Syosset and other local train platforms during peak commuting times. He is concerned with on-time LIRR performance and train cancellations. Senator Gaughran has also proposed legislation, which will further improve the zombie housing legislation recently enacted by our Village.

#### County Legislator Josh Lafazan

It almost goes without saying that Josh is very engaged in our community's opportunities. I have worked with Josh on multiple issues and he gave the recent award presentation to two OBC police officers who resuscitated one of Laurel Hollow's residents while administering Narcan, the narcotic that blocks the effects of opioids. Josh was instrumental in the creation of the Long Island Narcan program and the lives saved can be attributed, in part, to his pioneering efforts.

## School and Lab Physical Security

Our joint OBC/Laurel Hollow police district includes three lab/schools, namely:

- 1. The Cold Spring Harbor Lab,
- 2. West Side Elementary School, and
- 3. East Woods School.

We continue to improve our security-readiness and training related to these facilities. The security requires the coordination of the OBC Police Department, Homeland Security, the Nassau County and Suffolk County police departments, onsite security, and Laurel Hollow and OBC Village mayors.

# This is the time of year to really enjoy our beautiful Village. I hope you do so!

Yours truly,

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