

The New Clock in Bayville



The new working clock at the Bayville Free Library
Photos by Victoria Siegel

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Some things in any community become iconic, and that is what happened with the clock housed in the cupola at the Bayville Free Library. For many years after the clock ceased to function, Bayville resident, Jerry Keating whose hobby was clocks, worked on it to no avail. In 1991 the family of regular library patron Alice Farnell donated in memoriam the necessary funds to have the clock professionally fixed. The clock was finally functioning, and all was well with the world. In a matter of a few years, the clock once again failed to function.

The Village of Bayville in the late 1990s enlisted the services of the Verdin Company to repair the clock which it did, and continued to function until both the Friends of the Library and one of the library employees, Erin, noticed that the faces of the clock was in a state, that made telling time difficult. The Friends of the Library donated some funds which were increased by a donation from the Pinkerton family to replace the face of the clock.

The Library Director, Christine Edwins working in coordination with the Village of Bayville oversaw the project

which included re-enforcing the cupola in order to accommodate the new face of the clock. According to Ms. Edwins the new clock is of a material which will not fade, rust or otherwise change color.

The old face of the clock, which was the original from the 1920s is now housed at the Bayville Historical Museum. The Library as well as the Museum are located at the Village Hall complex which had been the carriage house of the Oak Point Estate of Harrison Williams. The property was donated to the Village of Bayville in 1950s.



Christine Edwins, the Library Director

A Neighborhood Chat with OBCA's Richard LaMarca and Rob Brusca



OBCA president Richard LaMarca (far left) and Legislator Don MacKenzie (second from right) present Osteria Leana's owner Peter Van Der Mije (holding certificate) a citation.

•LORIANN CODY

Note: This is the second in a series of interviews with leaders of local civic and main street associations designed to keep our readers up-to-date on what's happening in their neighborhood.

The Oyster Bay Civic Association (OBCA) is a non-profit, non-partisan, non-sectarian organization whose purpose is to work for a better Oyster Bay (OB) Hamlet. According to former board member and present counsel to the board, Rob Brusca, the OBCA with its current by-laws has been around since about 1998, and he credits Oyster Bay resident Tim Archdeacon (who was OBCA president at the time) as the driving force behind the group's successful reorganization. Brusca is also quick to mention Marie Knight (who passed away in 2013) as a tremendously diligent president as well.

The OBCA is routinely involved in any number of local causes and issues, but is generally focused on issues specific to the local residents, including "quality of life" issues for those who reside in the community. OBCA enjoys a great and valued working relationship with nearly every other similar organization in the Oyster Bay-East Norwich (OBEN) community - working in partnership with the East Norwich Civic Association (ENCA), OBEN Chamber of Commerce, OB Main Street Association, Friends of the Bay (FOB), OBEN Youth Athletic Association (OBENYAA), OB Rotary, Sagamore Hill, and the many other local museums, including Raynham Hall, OB Railroad Museum, and the OB Historical Society.

One such issue was back in 2006, when Avalon Bay planned a 300-unit development on Pine Hollow Road opposite the BMW dealership. The ENCA in partnership with FOB took the lead, but the OBCA hosted community meetings with Avalon Bay. In 2007, Firemans Field (by the LIRR train station) was to be the home of a 100,000 square foot Theodore Roosevelt museum. The OBCA, led by then-president Bill Von Novak, hosted meetings between the public, the Town of Oyster Bay (TOB), the Theodore Roosevelt Association and other groups. But the project was deemed too large, and was never built. Instead, spurred by the leadership of the OBENYAA, improvements were made to Theodore Roosevelt Park,

including an all purpose turf field. At that point, the OBCA similarly hosted community meetings in seeking to get information to the community.

Coordinating between different groups and the public is where the OBCA has the most success. Richard LaMarca, who has been OBCA president since 2014, uses social media to get the word out. Within the last few years, the OBCA has recruited three new board members, one of which has an IT background. Cathy Galatro has helped set up a new website (obca.net) and a facebook page, which is updated frequently. In addition to the cooperative effort and relationship with the many Oyster Bay-East Norwich organizations, the OBCA, in partnership with those many groups, also routinely has the ear of and receives valued response from our local government and elected officials, including the many departments of the Town of Oyster Bay, County Legislator Don Mackenzie, State Assemblymen Mike Montesano and Charles Lavine, and State Senator Carl Marcellino, as well as Nassau County Police second precinct. Through a greater presence on social media, the OBCA continues to seek the collective voice of the residents of the hamlet of Oyster Bay.

Back in 2015, when James Vernon middle school custodian Brian Hulsen was arrested for making threats against the school, and residents were distraught over the situation, the OBCA reached out Dr. Laura Seinfeld, Superintendent of the school district, and quickly set up a public meeting at the High School. When local residents were complaining about home break-ins, the OBCA arranged a public meeting with Legislator MacKenzie and representatives from the second precinct. Both of these events were posted on social media outlets, and well attended by residents.

LaMarca and the OBCA will be reaching out to the new TOB Supervisor, Joseph Saladino, in the upcoming weeks as well.

When asked if anything new is going on in the hamlet, LaMarca notes that Oyster Bay is becoming 'restaurant row,' with two new Italian restaurants, a Japanese-Peruvian restaurant, and the new brewery already open, and several eateries coming soon: an Italian bakery, a coffee shop and a revamped restaurant by town hall. He also is hoping to see

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Obituaries

LAMB, Edward P. of Fort Pierce, FL, formerly of Glen Cove, on February 2nd, at age 94. Beloved husband of Mary nee Fantry. Loving father of Kathryn McCue (the late Jim), Barbara Aledort (David), Edward P. Jr. (Daneal), Patrick J. (Elizabeth) and Thomas R. (Colleen). Proud grandfather of 12. Special great-grandfather of 7. Edward was born in Glen Cove and graduated from Glen Cove High School. He was a dedicated longtime employee of Grumann Aerospace. Edward was a proud WWII Army Air Corp Veteran. Edward was such a wonderful husband and father, he will be dearly missed. Visitation held at Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home. Mass of Christian Burial held at St. Patrick's Church. Interment Locust Valley Cemetery.

MILLIREN, Angela – on Feb. 4th, age 95, of Oyster Bay. Beloved wife of the late Harry. Loving mother of Harry Milliren (the late Christina), Joyce Dester (Hank), Frank Flood (Maureen) and the late Anita Milliren Flood. Cherished grandmother of Lisa Dester, Karen Murphy (Vincent), Linda Shea (William), Michael Dester, Sean Flood (Amanda), Patrick Flood, and Brian Flood. Proud great grandmother of Caitlin Shea, Riley Murphy, Ryan Murphy, Rebecca Shea, Nicole Shea and Francis Flood. Also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, relatives and friends. Funeral Mass St. Dominic RC Chapel, Oyster Bay, NY Wednesday, 10:30 AM. Interment St. Patrick's Cemetery. www.oysterbayfuneralhome.com

PALMER (nee Backstatter), Elizabeth Ann (Berry), of Syosset (formerly of Bayville) died peacefully on February 1st at the age of 85. She will be missed greatly by all and is survived by her children: Randy Berry (Liz), Valerie

Berry, and Lynn Barker (Damian). She is the beloved grandmother of: Steven John Bergano, Michael Bergano, CJ Bergano and Kaila Barker. A memorial service will be held at the Village Church of Bayville on Saturday, March 18th at 11AM with reception to follow. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her memory to the Village Church of Bayville at: 9 Mountain Avenue, Bayville, NY 11709.

WELLINGTON, Charles H. of Locust Valley, July 18, 1947 – February 2, 2017 Beloved son of Patricia B. and Herbert G. Wellington Jr., brother of James F. and William B. Wellington; uncle of Robin C., Michael H., Emily M., and the late James C. Wellington; and devoted friend of Mary Dallas Cole. Charles attended Green Vale School, Glen Head, NY. He graduated from Rectory School, Pomfret, CT, Brooks School, North Andover, MA, Lake Forest College, Lake Forest, IL and University of Washington, Seattle, WA.

A bold and courageous man, never afraid to take chances or venture into new realms. His mix of intelligence and curiosity continually challenged himself and others. He was irascible and loving at the same time. Charlie worked in the oil service industry and later on Wall Street for over 25 years. He was a pilot, a gifted hockey and tennis player, loved to fish, hunt, and shoot skeet and trap. He was a gourmet cook, collector of art and lover of music. His favorite place was the Madison Valley in Montana. In 2014 Charlie was diagnosed with a rare blood disorder and his last years were very difficult. He will be in our hearts and thoughts forever. May he rest in peace. www.DodgeThomas.com Donations in memory of Charles can be made to: Montana Land Reliance, PO Box 355, Helena, MT 59624

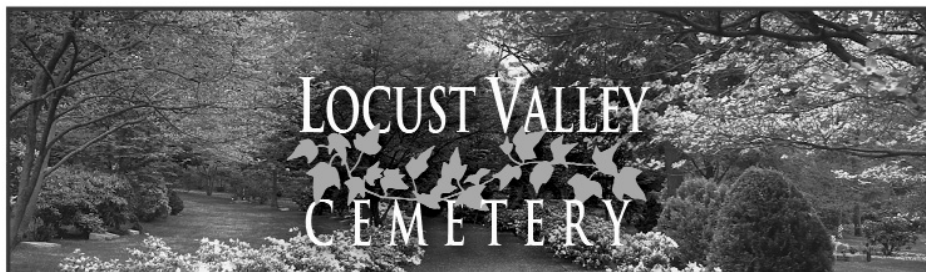
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LVHS: Congress in Action

For the 28th year, Locust Valley High School students took to the podium to lobby for their favorite causes. From anti-fracking to gun control and abortion rights to national healthcare, the social studies students tackled relevant topics that are at the forefront of national politics.

Preparing for weeks in their classrooms, they created a realistic replica of the congressional system during the annual Congress in Action. With the support and guidance of their teachers, members of the Participation in Government and AP United States Government and Politics classes chose the bills that they would present for passage and lobbied their congressmembers to vote in their favor. Participants were given the opportunity to support or oppose each bill presented using facts and opinions.

Social studies department leader David Ethé said the annual event provides students with insight to the inner workings of the government. He added that preparing for Congress in Action reinforces research and public speaking skills as well as keeping students aware of current events.

"In order to be successful in passing a bill, students must know their facts and present them in a professional manner," Mr. Ethé explained. "They will need these same skills to convince college admissions officers and prospective employers that they are the top candidates."

The Rules Committee kept order and collected and tallied votes. The committee was comprised of Christian Ceglia, Isabella Charon, Loretta Grassi, Anastasia Megaloudis, Fizzah Munawar, Abigail Picoli, Alexis Poulos and Julia Villella.

A Neighborhood Chat

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action with the Snouders property, noting that the owner also owns two other properties in the hamlet. Since the Snouders building has historical landmark status, the owner has to be careful how the property is developed, but is open to listening to suggestions that local groups may

have.

Brusca also noted that small changes may have the most positive effect mentioning the entrance to Theodore Roosevelt park was moved to the Gazebo entrance by the Railroad Museum, thereby increasing foot traffic to the hamlet. "It's a small change, but a positive one."

Legal Notices

LEGAL NOTICE VILLAGE OF MILL NECK VILLAGE ELECTION

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the next general election for the Incorporated Village of Mill Neck, Nassau County, New York, shall be held on Tuesday, June 20, 2017. The offices to be filled at such election are as follow:

Trustee for a term of four years
Trustee for a term of four years
Village Justice for a term of four years

By Order of the Board of Trustees
Donna M. Harris
Village Clerk/Treasurer

Dated: February 8, 2017

LEGAL NOTICE VILLAGE OF MATINECOCK VILLAGE ELECTION

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the next general election for the Incorporated Village of Matinecock, Nassau County, New York, shall be held at the Portledge School on Duck Pond Road in said Village on June 20, 2017; that the hours of opening and closing the polls thereof shall be 12:00 noon and 9:00 P.M. respectively and that during such period of nine consecutive hours the polls shall be kept open for the purpose of choosing and electing the following officers:

Mayor for a term of four years
Trustee for a term of four years
Trustee for a term of four years
Trustee for a term of four years

William H. Simonds
Village Clerk

Dated: February 8, 2017

VILLAGE OF BROOKVILLE 18 HORSE HILL ROAD BROOKVILLE, NY11545 516-626-1792

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

PUBLIC NOTICE: Please be advised that the previously scheduled meeting of the Village of Brookville Board of Trustees to be held on Tuesday April 18, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at the AHRC, 189 Wheatley Road, Brookville, New York will now be held April 20, 2017 at Tam O'Shanter Golf Club; 74 Fruitledge Road, Brookville, New York at 6:00 pm.

This notice is pursuant to the requirements of the Open Meeting Law.

Dated: February 6, 2017
Brookville, New York

Winsome Citarella
Clerk Treasurer