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The Town of Eastchester and the Eastchester Historical Society would like to inform you that over the next few months, you may notice clearing, grading and modest construction activities occurring at the Marble School House property located at 388 California Road and at the adjacent vacant lot located at California and New Rochelle Roads.

The primary purpose of these activities is to better integrate the two properties (by removing the overgrown vegetation that separates the lots) and to construct a parking lot to accommodate 20 vehicles during events occurring at the School House. A new and more attractive fence will be installed along the site frontage on California and New Rochelle Roads to continue to provide security for the site. Other modest improvements will include new site sidewalks, site lighting and landscaping. It is anticipated that work will begin this Spring and will be completed in the Summer. Completion of this project will lay the groundwork for future improvements to the site.

Funding for the *initial phase* of this project has been made possible by a \$50,000 State and Municipal Facilities Program grant secured through the joint effort of the Society's Grant Committee and the Town of Eastchester.

The Society will seek additional funding for the *second phase* of the project from our membership and townspeople. The second phase will likely begin in 2018 and will include additional landscaping, benches and paving stones. Individuals will have the opportunity to purchase these items in their name or in memory of loved ones. The Eastchester Historical Society is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation staffed entirely by volunteers who are dedicated to the mission of historical education and preservation for the Town of Eastchester.

We ask not just for your patience during this project, but for you to consider becoming part of *moving history forward* by becoming a 2017 supporting member. If this is not the right time for you to become a member, please *consider being part of the naming opportunity* during our second phase.

Regardless of your decision, we thank you in advance for your patience and ask you to *pardon our appearance while history is in the making*. *If you have any questions regarding the improvements, please feel free to contact Margaret Uhle, Eastchester Director of Planning, at 771-3319.*

Sincerely,
Annmarie Flannery
President, Eastchester Historical Society
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