

The Laurel Hollow Lantern

Late Fall 2018

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



ROAD WORK UPDATE

Phase 1 Laurel Hollow Roadwork—We have been very busy with the new curbing and repaving of roads during Phase One. After Cherry Lane is complete, we will be finished with paving for this season. Please continue to forward any issues such as broken sprinklers, mailboxes, or other problems caused by the contractor to the Village Hall. Thank you for your patience during the disruption. We would again like to thank Assemblyman Lavine for securing State funds that enabled us to pave the potholed area from the West Side triangle to Route 25A.



SHELLFISH GARDENING PROGRAM

Please see Special Edition on Conclusion of 2018 Shellfish Gardening Program below.

CROWN CASTLE HEARINGS

Go to this link to view Mayor DeVita's November 27th letter sent to all residents on the status of the Crown Castle application.

<https://villagelaurelhollow.digitaltowpath.org:10216/content/News/View/332>

SCHOOL TAX APPORTIONMENT

As you know, the Cold Spring Harbor School District is one of the few that consists of municipalities from both Nassau and Suffolk Counties. To determine the correct percentages of the school budget that residents of each County must pay, the State sets an equalization rate each year based on an extensive and complicated analysis based on home sales studies. For many years, our Deputy Mayor Jeff Nemshin has conducted extensive market studies each year and submitted his research and conclusions to the State Office of Real Property Services (ORPS) on behalf of Laurel Hollow residents. Deputy Mayor Nemshin again did so in 2018 and we have received the State's determination. We are happy to report that our portion for 2018/2019 is at 22.43% (Suffolk at 77.57%) of the total school budget of \$63,010,283. This is the fourth year in a row that our portion has declined. Congratulations and thanks again to Deputy Mayor Nemshin.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

On November 26, 2018, Laurel Hollow hosted an emergency management meeting of Mayors in Josh Lafazan's 18th Legislative District. Legislator Lafazan arranged for the Nassau County Office of Emergency Management Commissioner Steven Morelli to speak. Information was disseminated regarding preparation, supplies, and other information in the event of a natural or man-made crisis. Thanks to Commissioner Morelli (left) and Legislator Lafazan (right) for a most informative meeting.



AIRPLANE NOISE

In light of the terrible airplane noise we continue to experience, one of our residents, Christopher Melito, came across the article at the following link, which discusses a commercial product called *Airplanenoise.io*. You press a button to report a plane overhead and it instantly files a complaint. A periodic report is then sent to you compiling the plane type, flight number, altitude, etc.

<https://theislandnow.com/roslyn-109/old-westbury-trustee-fights-plane-noise-with-airnoise-tracking-device/>

However, you can also file a complaint by filling out the online submission form that Laurel Hollow has set up at the following link:

<https://www.planenoise.com/panynj/daPRAbr9/qs114wbt.php>

TOYS FOR TOTS

Laurel Hollow is a U.S. Marine Corps Toys For Tots collection site. If you desire, you can bring new, unwrapped toys for the neediest kids on Long Island to the Village Hall by Wednesday December 12, 2018. The collection is organized by the Long Island Clerks-Treasurers Association. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

POLICE CALLS

Finally, please remember to **call 911 immediately** in the event of any emergency. Whenever you see a suspicious car or need to report suspicious events, **call 911**. Do not call the Village Hall or the Oyster Bay Cove police booth for an event because the police booths, both in Laurel Hollow and in Oyster Bay Cove, are not staffed 24/7 and it will only delay a response. However, if you want to alert the police, for example, that you will be away for the holidays or vacation, then call the police booth at (516) 922-6363.

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SPECIAL EDITION!

SHELLABRATION: 2018 OYSTER PROGRAM A RESOUNDING SUCCESS!

This Summer our Oyster Gardening Program had over 60 people participate in raising, cleaning, and bedding oysters. This year high schools, girls scout groups, church groups, legislative interns and more, in addition to our residents participated. A second location at Eagle Dock under the management of Laurel Hollow resident Joe Croasdale proved very successful. In September, the oysters, which had grown from very small seedlings to a respectable size, were removed from their summer cages, which were cleaned, then placed in winter bag-cages, and kept at the water bottom.



Pictured below are oysters that were overwintered from the 2017 program that have grown tremendously, all the while improving their water filtering qualities.



The program is sponsored by the Oyster Gardener Families of Laurel Hollow, the Oyster Bay Cold Spring Harbor Protection Committee, the Friends of the Bay, and with assistance from the Cornell Cooperative Extension. We would again like to thank Rob Crafa, the Coordinator of the Oyster Bay Cold Spring Harbor Protection Committee, and our two site managers, Harbormaster Jeff Miritello and Joe Croasdale, as well as the many volunteers who gave their time to clean cages, measure and record oyster growth, and contribute in many different ways. The program, like our Oysters, continues to grow and spread to other communities. We are proud to have been a leader in this area. Pictured above is the year end, final clean up.

The Shellabration in October by participants, which took place at Eagle Dock, was a rousing success, well attended by gardeners and other community members.

Pictured from right to left: Laurel Hollow Harbormaster and Site Manager Jeff Miritello; Oyster Bay Cold Spring Harbor Protection Committee Coordinator and Master of Ceremonies Rob Crafa; and Laurel Hollow Resident and Eagle Dock Site Manager Joe Croasdale.



If you are interested in participating in the 2019 oyster gardening season, please contact Jeff Miritello at contactus@laurelhollow.org