

Sands Point Report

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To: Our Residents

I am honored to have been elected mayor and look forward to continuing the legacy of Mayor Leonard Wurzel's twenty-two years of extraordinary leadership. For the last twenty of those years, I have had the benefit and privilege of working with him and learning from him. We shared the euphoria of acquiring the Village Club and weathered the frustrations of dealing with difficult and sometimes contentious issues, large and small.

For the past decade, the four Village trustees, Kay Ullman, Dan Scheyer, Marc Silbert and I, have worked with the Mayor as an effective and efficient team, building a consensus from often diverse points of view, thanks to his leadership. He strived to preserve and maintain the special character of the Village for all residents, yet willingly assisted any single resident seeking to solve a problem.

I am delighted that Mayor Wurzel has agreed to remain a Village official. As Special Assistant to the Mayor, he will continue to serve the Village for what I hope will be a long time to come.

*Ed Adler
Mayor*

Mayor
Edward A. K. Adler

Trustees
Daniel Scheyer
Katharine Ullman
Marc Silbert
Lynn Najman

Treasurer
Jean-Marie Posner

Village Justices
Jerome S. Boros
Alyson K. Adler

Village Clerk
Randy Bond

Police Chief
Mark Mandel

**Special Assistant to
Mayor**
Leonard Wurzel

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July 1, 2011

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I am most appreciative of Mayor Adler's letter.

I wish to assure all that the new village administration is most capable and the Village is in "good hands."

I have the utmost confidence in the Board of Trustees under Ed Adler's guidance.

*Leonard Wurzel
Special Assistant to the Mayor*



Lynn Najman Appointed as Trustee

Mayor Adler appointed Lynn Najman as Trustee to fill the vacancy created by his election as mayor; she will serve the remaining year of his two-year trustee term. She has been an active community member since moving to Sands Point in 1985. She served several terms as President of the Property Owners' Association of Harbor Acres, and was an original member of the Residents' Club Commission of the Village Club of Sands Point. In 2004 she became Treasurer of the Village, and counts the successful refinance of our Village bonds as a highlight of her 6 year tenure.

Lynn is a graduate of Barnard College, to which she still devotes considerable energy, developing an ongoing financial planning course "Financial Fluency". She is also on the advisory board of Virtual Enterprises, an international not-for-profit aimed at encouraging entrepreneurial skills in high school students. Lynn holds a Masters in Economics from SUNY Stony Brook.

Lynn is the President of LRN Associates, an investment advisory firm. She holds the Certified Financial Planner designation, and lectures frequently on financial literacy and education. She lives in Harbor Acres with her husband Lee, an interior designer. They have two grown children.

We welcome Lynn and wish every success in her new role as Trustee!



BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR ...

CALL THE POLICE

Recently, there was an incident in our Village which resulted in the death of a family pet by another resident's dogs. While tragic, this event illustrates an ongoing problem in Sands Point – The Good Neighbor.

It turns out that several other residents in the vicinity had previous violent encounters with the dogs in question. However, they wanted to remain “good neighbors” with the owner of the dogs, and did not report the incident to the Police.

Everyone is now demanding action from the Village. If only the “good neighbors” had come forward sooner.

The Police are here for your safety. That is their job. In fact, they like doing their jobs. If you suspect any type of behavior that might threaten public safety, please be a good neighbor and call the Police immediately.

Clerk Randy Bond
Chief Mark Mandel

Water Talk 2011

Message from the Sands Point Water Department

Irrigate Lawns Only When Needed

Saltwater intrusion is a serious situation that every homeowner in the Village can assist with.

Each homeowner should stop watering lawns after significant rain events. On Friday June 17th, the Village experienced a series of storms that produced over two inches of rain over a few hours. That night between the hours of 9:00 pm and 6:00 am; the well pumps ran for a total of 26 hours and pumped 858,000 gallons of water. The next night it was 29 hours pumping 957,000 gallons and the third night was 38 hours pumping 1,254,000 gallons.

After such rain events, the pumps should run for zero hours between 9:00 pm and 6:00 am. That is what happens in the winter months when no irrigation systems are turned on. The combined total water use for the 3 nights was 3,069,000 gallons, exactly 3,069,000 gallons more water than was needed to provide for lawns and vegetation.

Again on June 23, 2011 another series of storms produced 1.38 inches of rain in the Village. The pumps ran a total of 20 hours and produced 660,000 gallons of water.

On the Manhasset Neck Peninsula, we have concerns about saltwater contaminating our precious water supply, if we all don't take this seriously; the final solutions available to the Village of Sands Point will be extraordinary capital expenses or no lawn watering. We cannot emphasize enough if your rain sensor has not automatically shut off your system, turn it off manually.

Take control of your system and help prevent the saltwater from contaminating your potable water supply. It's up to you.

Brian J. Gunderson
Superintendent of Water

Daniel Scheyer
Trustee & Water Commissioner

Dog Control

Please keep in mind the following (from Village Code Chapter 72 regarding Dogs and other animals):

Running at large prohibited; leashing required ... Dogs must be....effectively restrained in the immediate custody of the owner or custodian of the dog by a chain or leash not exceeding six feet in length.

*Presumptive evidence of failure to restrain...*the presence of any dog which is loose and at large shall be presumptive evidence that the person who owns, possesses or harbors such dog suffers or tolerates it to be loose and at large in violation of this article...

*Seizure of unrestrained dogs...*Any dog, whether or not tagged or licensed, found at large in the Village of Sands Point and not under effective restraint by a chain or leash...may be seized by the duly appointed Dog Warden of the Town of North Hempstead and shall be impounded at the town's animal shelter until redemption, adoption or destruction.

Destruction of vicious dogs... Any vicious dog which bites or attacks a person within the Village of Sands Point must be destroyed at the owner's expense or permanently removed from the Village within three days after said biting or attack. If said dog is not removed from the Village or destroyed within three days after said biting or attack, the dog shall be subject to seizure and/or destruction by the Village or its duly authorized agent.

In response to recent events that have occurred we are strengthening our Village Code please see below re notice of hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF SANDS POINT WILL HOLD A **PUBLIC HEARING ON TUESDAY, JULY 26, 2011 AT 8:00 P.M.** IN THE EVENING AT VILLAGE HALL, 26 TIBBITS LANE, SANDS POINT, NEW YORK TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF THE FOLLOWING PROPOSED LOCAL LAW:

PROPOSED LOCAL LAW REPLACING CHAPTER 72 ENTITLED, "DOGS AND OTHER ANIMALS" OF THE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF SANDS POINT AND ADOPTING A NEW CHAPTER 72 REGULATING DOGS AND OTHER ANIMALS (INCLUDING A PROVISION LIMITING HOUSEHOLDS TO NO MORE THAN FOUR DOGS)

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT AT SAID TIME AND PLACE OF PUBLIC HEARING ALL INTERESTED PERSONS WHO WISH TO BE HEARD WILL BE HEARD. COPIES OF THE PROPOSED LOCAL LAW ARE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC AT THE VILLAGE OFFICE DURING BUSINESS HOURS, MONDAYS THROUGH FRIDAYS BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 9:00 A.M. AND 3:00 P.M.

PARTIES

Now that the warm weather is here – many of us will be hosting parties, please keep in mind the following:

You will need a Parking Permit from the Police Department

Be aware of the Noise Ordinance

Alcohol: Be a good host. Don't let your guests drive under the influence.

TESTING OF

WATER BACKFLOW DEVICES

The New York State Department of Health requires that **all** water back-flow devices be inspected and tested annually to insure continued reliability. Test reports must be filed with the Village Water Department by your licensed tester. This is for all lawn sprinkler systems and swimming pools.

The State Department of Health is insistent that these reports be submitted promptly, to avoid closure of pools and sprinkler systems. If you have any questions, call Brian Gunderson at 883-3491.

Mosquitoes

Due to an unusually wet spring residents are noticing many more mosquitoesPlease keep in mind the following:

- **BE AWARE** of peak mosquito hours- dusk to dawn
- **REMOVE** standing water
- **PLACE TRASH** in a garbage can with a lid
- **KEEP** swimming pools chlorinated and their covers free of stagnant water
- **CLEAN** and change the water in birdbaths every two or three days
- **INSPECT** flower pot drip trays or old tires for developing mosquito larvae
- **CHLORINATE** or circulate water in decorative ponds if they do not contain fish
- **INSTALL** window and door screens and keep them in good repair
- **WEAR** long sleeves, pants, socks and mosquito repellent if outdoors when mosquitoes are active, especially in the late afternoon and evening

SOURCE: NASSAU COUNTY DEPT HEALTH

Be Safe this Summer..

**Drivers...Slow Down ... what's the hurry?
Walkers & Runners ...don't run or walk
two or more across the road when cars
approach—single file until the car passes -
think about the driver ...**

Village Office Summer Hours

June 3rd through September 2nd

Monday to Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

(Office closes to public at 3:00 p.m. but you can call till 5:00 p.m.)

Friday 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

(an Office staff Member will be there till 5:00 p.m.)



WE'RE ON THE WEB!
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CURRENT RESIDENT OR:

PLEASE NOTE:
This newsletter is also being distributed electronically to those who have signed up at **NorthShoreAlert.org** - so if you haven't or know of others who haven't ...
REGISTER NOW - STAY INFORMED!

REPORT ON TRUSTEES MEETING FOR MAY 24TH & JUNE 21ST

REPORT BY BUILDING COMMISSIONER, TRUSTEE SILBERT

APRIL: Permit Applications 5; Permits issued 12; CO's issued 1.
MAY: Permit Applications 3; Permits issued 16; CO's issued 3.

REPORT BY WATER COMMISSIONER, TRUSTEE SCHEYER

<u>GALLONS PUMPED</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
APRIL	15,880,000	23,390,000
MAY	37,250,000	49,010,000

JUSTICE COURT REPORT - JUDGES J. BOROS & A. ADLER

APRIL: No. of Arraignments: 24, No. of Trials: 0, Fines collected: \$2,930.00
MAY: No. of Arraignments: 15, No. of Trials: 0, Fines collected: \$1,395.00