

A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR



We hope everyone had a happy Holiday and a healthy New Year. I would like to thank you for the privilege to serve as your Mayor. I, along with the Village Board of Trustees, strive to improve the quality of life we all expect from living in a Village. The Village of Islandia will continue to provide the best services possible for all our residents, from trash pickup to snow removal, and, when Mother Nature throws us a curve, provide generators to our residents in need when available.

Our Veterans Memorial Triangle continues to be a landmark for our Village. We have completed the expansion of the Village Hall parking lot. This addition, we hope, will eliminate the illegal parking on Old Nichols Road in front of the ball field, and I want to remind everyone that the ball field on Old Nichols Road now belongs to the Village of Islandia. We have started reconstruction of the ball field and I will keep you informed as we continue to make progress. When completed, it will be an enjoyable recreational field for our residents to be proud of.

Residents continue to attend Village events in increasing numbers each year. It's a time for all of us to enjoy the company of our neighbors and to show our children the beauty of living in the Village of Islandia. Our BBQ and Pumpkin Fest have a record number of residents attend each event. Please join me at the Mayor's blueberry pie eating contest during this year's barbecue. You will have a blast.

I would like to congratulate all of our veterans for forming the first VFW post in the history of Islandia. Post #12144 is officially a VFW post and is located at 1250 Old Nichols Road.

In the year 2016, homeowners in the Village will not have to pay a separate fee for their garbage pickup. That means that, if the Town of Islip were responsible for contracting a garbage carter to pick up your waste, you would pay over \$500.00 yearly for that service. This savings is an immediate gain for every homeowner. There will be no property tax increases in the year 2016 in the Village of Islandia. We maintained the line on costs to prevent any increases.

Our Senior Bus service is active and residents are using it. I urge everyone 60 years and older to take advantage of this free service. I will be sending out fliers on my next "Cup of Joe" with the Mayor soon. This is a good time to talk about anything you wish or to learn something new that is going on in the Village. I look forward to seeing everyone at the Village events.

Thank you again for this opportunity and remember: this is only the beginning!

Sincerely,
Allan M. Dorman
Mayor

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Mayor Allan M. Dorman (left) joins village employees and local volunteers to pose with Santa Claus at the Village of Islandia's Christmas tree lighting.

Despite the Warm Weather, Islandia Residents Get into the Holiday Spirit at Village's Christmas Tree Lighting

Islandia Village residents took advantage of the unseasonably warm weather to attend the village's Christmas tree lighting ceremony, which took place on December 12, 2015. Those in attendance had the opportunity to see the decked-out sleigh in front of Village Hall, receive candy canes from Mrs. Claus and get their pictures taken with Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer and the "elves."

After Joe the Singing Bus Driver led the crowd in singing holiday favorites, Mayor Allan M. Dorman and members of the Village Board joined together in the annual lighting of the Christmas tree. Santa Claus later arrived on a fire truck, courtesy of the Central Islip Fire Department, and gave out presents to the good little boys and girls of Islandia.





Get On The Bus!

Mayor Allan M. Dorman is urging senior citizens to take advantage of the village's bus service. The handicapped-accessible bus accommodates up to 20 people and is used to transport seniors who may otherwise have no other means of transportation to their doctor's appointments. On certain days, transportation is also provided to senior citizens who wish to go shopping.

In the summer of 2010, the village purchased a new bus to help senior citizens get to where they need to go. Bus service began on October 18, 2010, but only on a limited schedule. Since then, the village has expanded the program.

"This service is being provided to our senior residents to make life a little easier, and why not?" said Mayor Dorman. "As Mayor of this village, I am proud to offer something that is so needed."

Transportation is available
by reservation only.
To arrange a pickup,
please call
(631) 348-1133.

Village of Islandia Remembers Those Who Served during Veterans Day Ceremony



Mayor Allan M. Dorman (fifth from left) is joined by the members of the Col. Francis S. Midura Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #12144 at the Village of Islandia's Veterans Day ceremony.

Local elected officials, war veterans, members of Col. Francis S. Midura Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #12144 of Islandia and representatives from the Central Islip Fire Department joined Mayor Allan M. Dorman at the Veterans Memorial Triangle to honor those who served and continue to serve in the armed forces at the Village of Islandia's Veterans Day ceremony on November 7, 2015.

There was a musical performance by the Central Islip High School marching band before the ceremony began. Chaplain Tom Brauner of VFW Post #12144 delivered the invocation.

During the ceremony, Mayor Dorman, a former Marine and a Vietnam War veteran, asked those in attendance to remember local residents who served in the military and have since passed on. He also recognized all the local veterans' groups that were in attendance and announced that the village has established the Col. Francis S. Midura Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #12144, located at Islandia Village Commons, and the designation of veterans-only parking spots in the Village Hall's parking lot. The ceremony ended with village officials joining war veterans in placing a wreath and bouquets of roses in front of the memorial.

After the ceremony, members of VFW Post #12144 gave out gift bags to attendees containing an American flag and a green light bulb. Attendees were asked to replace their outdoor lights with the green light bulb on Veterans Week as part of the "Greenlight a Vet" project to honor those who served our country.



More Than 600 Families Come out for Annual Pumpkin Fest



Mayor Allan M. Dorman (back row, center) is joined by the winners of the costume contest at the village's 11th annual Pumpkin Fest. Standing with Mayor Dorman are "Joe the Singing Bus Driver" (left) and Islandia Village Administrator Tony Church (right).

The Village of Islandia held its 11th Annual Pumpkin Fest on the grounds of Village Hall on October 24, 2015 as more than 600 families came down to enjoy the Halloween-themed festivities.

Throughout the event, children decorated pumpkins and took part in a Halloween costume parade and contest. They also joined their families as they went on hayrides and walked through a chilling Haunted Castle that kept everyone on their toes. Islandia's own "Joe the Singing Bus Driver" was there to tell spooky stories and sing Halloween songs for the children.

The village also provided guests with hot cocoa, cider and cookies. Each resident left the event with their very own pumpkin.

Village of Islandia Welcomes Starbucks



Mayor Allan M. Dorman (sixth from left) and Trustees Mike Zaleski (fourth from left) and Patty Peters (fifth from left) and village employees join in the ribbon cutting of the new Starbucks at 3701 Expressway Drive North. Also pictured are Starbucks Store Manager Deborah Gregorio (fifth from right), District Manager Jeff Taussig (fourth from right, holding scissors), and Lindsay Trimarchi (third from right), Starbucks Coffee Company's real estate store development manager for the New York City Metro Region.

On September 25, 2015, Mayor Allan M. Dorman joined village employees and board members in the grand opening of the new Starbucks on 3701 Expressway Drive North. The new Starbucks location features a drive-up window and is conveniently located on the North Service Road off the Long Island Expressway.

"We welcome Starbucks to Islandia and continue to welcome new businesses to our village. It is important to note that Starbucks has recognized this location and the Village of Islandia as an ideal spot to expand its business," said Mayor Dorman.

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Calendar of Events

Community Garden Planting: May 7

Village residents who have a “green thumb” are urged to come down and join village board members and employees for the ninth annual Community Garden Planting on the village hall grounds. During the year, local residents can visit the garden, help take care of the plants and enjoy watching the fruits of their labor grow.

Memorial Day Ceremony/Veterans Memorial Triangle: May 28

The village will host a Memorial Day ceremony in front of the memorial at the Veterans Memorial Triangle, located at the intersection of Old Nichols Road and Johnson Avenue. War veterans and local elected officials will join in an invocation and a ceremonial placing of the wreaths at the memorial.

Ye Old Fashioned Tag Sale: June 4 and September 17

It is said that one man’s junk is another man’s treasure. Residents are being asked to clean out their garages, attics, basements and closets and bring down their unwanted items. Toys, books, clothes, lamps and assorted knick-knacks will be on sale. Spacing is limited, so register early.

Village BBQ: July 9

The 11th Annual BBQ will be held on the grounds of Village Hall. Village employees and local Boy Scouts will be serving hamburgers, hot dogs, ice cream, soda and water. Children will enjoy the day with train rides, games, music, pony rides, a petting zoo, arts and crafts, face painting, piñatas and a hula hoop contest. Don’t miss the mayor’s pie eating contest.

12th Annual Pumpkin Fest: October 22

Children and their parents will come out, dressed up in their favorite costumes. There will be pumpkin decoration stations, a costume parade, cookies and hot cocoa. Prizes will be awarded for best decorated pumpkin and best costume. There will also be a petting zoo and hayrides for the children, as well as live music from “Joe the Singing Bus Driver.”



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