

A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR



The Village of Islandia Commons, located on Old Nichols Road and South Bedford Avenue, was one of a number of recent enhancement projects undertaken by the village.

I would like to take this time to thank you for the privilege to serve as your Mayor. The Village Board and I share in the same vision as all of the residents of Islandia. Every day, we work to improve the quality of life all of us want and expect from living in our Village.

To live in the Village of Islandia is to live in a community where everyone pulls together in a time of need. This became very evident during Hurricane Irene and, most recently, “Sandy.” We spent a lot of time during and after Sandy making sure that falling trees and debris were removed from the streets to make them safe for the residents and emergency units to pass through. I saw neighbors helping neighbors everywhere. We provided generators to our residents in need when we could. By the end of 2012, we purchased additional generators to help even more residents when needed.

Our Village enhancements that include the new fencing on Veterans Memorial Highway and on Old Nichols Road are an eye stopper as people drive through our Village. Our Veterans Memorial Triangle continues to be a landmark for our Village. In 2011, we 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. In 2012, the Village purchased the building at the corner of South Bedford Avenue and Old Nichols Road. This building has been a blight in our Village for some time. With the renovations now completed, you can see the change. This new building will add value to our homes and, at the same time, enhance our community.

Residents continue to attend the Village events at increasing numbers each year. It’s a time for all of us to enjoy the company of our neighbors and to show our children what it is like to live in the Village of Islandia. Our BBQ and Pumpkin Fest had a record of over 800 residents attend each event. This is a great indication that we are united as a Village and our children will benefit from that.

In the year 2013, homeowners in the Village do not have to pay a separate fee for their garbage pickup once again. That means that, if the Town of Islip were responsible for contracting a garbage carter to pick up your garbage, you would pay over \$500.00 yearly for that service. This savings — along with not increasing Village taxes for the year 2013 — will put more money in the homeowners’ pockets in a time when it is much needed. We are able to accomplish this because your Village Board is fiscally responsible.

Our Senior Bus service is active and I urge everyone over the age of 60 to take advantage of this great service. I will be sending out flyers 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

800 People Attend 8th Annual Pumpkin Fest



The Village of Islandia held its 8th Annual Pumpkin Fest on October 20, 2012 on the grounds of Islandia Village Hall. Eight hundred local children and residents came dressed in their favorite costumes, decorated pumpkins, took part in a costume parade and helped themselves to cookies and hot cocoa. Prizes were awarded for best costume.

In addition, there was a petting zoo and hayrides for the children, as well as live music from “Joe the Singing Bus Driver” and an appearance from the Central Islip Fire Department, which offered literature on fire safety and prevention.



Village Honors Those Who Served during Veterans Day Ceremony

On November 10, 2012, the Village of Islandia held its annual Veterans Day ceremony at the Village Memorial Triangle. Mayor Allan M. Dorman, a Vietnam veteran, was joined by local elected officials, war veterans and representatives from the Central Islip, Hauppauge and Lakeland Fire Departments to honor those who served and continue to serve in the armed forces.

There was a musical performance by the Central Islip High School marching band and a presentation of the colors by local members of The United States Marine Corps. Cub Scouts from Troop #270 in Ronkonkoma joined war veterans in placing a wreath and bouquets of roses in front of the memorial.

There was a moment of silence for U.S. Army Chaplain Monsignor Francis Midura, who passed

away on July 30, 2012. Msgr. Midura presided over the village’s Memorial Day and Veteran’s Day ceremonies and the special memorial service on the 10-year anniversary of the September 11 attacks.



Mayor Allan M. Dorman (fourth from right) poses in front of the Islandia Veterans Memorial with local war veterans and members of The United States Marine Corps at the village’s Veterans Day ceremony.

Monsignor Francis Midura Remembered



Monsignor Francis Midura, an Army chaplain who presided over the village's Veterans Day and Memorial Day ceremonies, passed away on July 30, 2012.

The Village of Islandia mourns the passing of Monsignor Francis Midura, who passed away on July 30, 2012. Monsignor Midura was an Army chaplain who officiated at the village's Veterans Day and Memorial Day ceremonies, as well as the special memorial service commemorating the 10th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks.

"We have lost a true friend of the village," Mayor Allan M. Dorman said. "Monsignor Midura will always be remembered in our hearts."

Islandia Hosts Two Ye Olde Fashioned Tag Sales

On August 11, 2012, the Ye Olde Fashioned Tag Sale took place on the grounds of Village Hall. Eight hundred people came out to buy and sell toys, books, games, clothes, furniture and assorted knick-knacks.

Citing the large turnout, the village held a second Tag Sale on October 6, 2012. In addition to browsing the

items on sale, residents had the opportunity to visit the Mini-Health Fair, in which staff members from a local pharmacy offered flu shots and blood pressure screenings to those who had their health insurance cards available.



Warren George Passes Bar Exam

Warren George, a longtime resident of Islandia, received notification on November 1, 2012 that he passed the New York State bar exam and is now licensed to practice law. A graduate of Touro Law School, Warren will be working in the field of Elder Care Law.

While attending law school, Warren worked part-time during the summer with the "Keep Islandia

Clean" crew, helping to beautify the village. In his off time, Warren would study in the quiet of the Islandia Judge's office. He is highly respected by his co-workers and superiors.

Warren is a very responsible young man, and a great example of Islandia's youth. We wish him the greatest success for all his future endeavors.





Islandia Village Mayor Allan M. Dorman (left) poses with Suffolk County Legislator Tom Cilmi (right), who joined Mayor Dorman in the lighting of the tree.

Islandia Village Hosts 7th Annual Christmas Tree Lighting

Islandia residents turned out for the 7th annual Christmas tree lighting ceremony on December 1, 2012 at Village Hall. Children went on hayrides, visited the Christmas cottage and had the opportunity to meet Frosty the Snowman.

Suffolk County Legislator Tom Cilmi joined Mayor Allan M. Dorman in the lighting of the tree. After the ceremony, residents went to the big tent and enjoyed cookies and hot cocoa as “Joe the Singing Bus Driver” played guitar and sang holiday songs. Santa Claus hitched a ride with the Central Islip Fire Department inside their fire truck and came to distribute toys to the good boys and girls, with help from Santa’s elves. Santa also posed for pictures with the children, who also received candy canes, courtesy of Mrs. Claus.



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Calendar of Events

Easter Egg Hunt: Saturday, March 23

Children will have the chance to collect Easter eggs, some of which will contain a ticket allowing the children to redeem it for a special prize. The Easter bunny and Islandia's own "Joe the Singing Bus Driver" will be on hand to entertain the kids.

Community Garden Planting: Saturday, May 11

Village residents who have a "green thumb" are urged to come down and join village board members and employees for the eighth 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 Dedication/ Veterans Triangle: Saturday, May 25

The Village of Islandia is holding a Memorial Day ceremony at the Veteran's Memorial Triangle at Old Nichols Road and Johnson Avenue. After an invocation, the veterans will place wreaths at the memorial. Mayor Allan M. Dorman, a Vietnam War veteran, will be joined by members of the local war veterans and elected officials.

8th Annual Village Bar-B-Que: Saturday, July 20

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.

Ye Olde Fashioned Tag Sale: Saturday, August 10

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.

9th Annual Pumpkin Fest: Saturday, October 26

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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