

# ISLANDIA NEWS

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## Over 1,000 Residents Attend Village BBQ

On July 20, over 1,000 residents attended the Village of Islandia's 19th Annual BBQ at Memorial Recreational Field. Village employees and local Boy Scouts served hamburgers, hot dogs, ice cream, soda, and water. Children enjoyed hay rides, games, music, dancing, pony rides, a petting zoo, a water slide, and a blueberry pie eating contest. This was our biggest and most successful event ever, and we are grateful to our wonderful community for making it such a memorable day.

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## Village Launches "Neighborhood Re-Development Program"



Mayor Dorman joined Village Board Members on May 23 to announce the demolition of a dilapidated five-family structure located at 59 South Bedford Avenue, as the Village launched its Neighborhood Redevelopment Program.

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# Village Launches “Neighborhood Re-Development Program”

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The Village acquired the property and is pleased to announce that it was sold to a developer who is constructing two new single-family homes on the property, which will help enhance local property values. The Village is currently looking to address and redevelop up to five more properties throughout the Village.

As part of the program, the Village seeks to improve available housing and local quality of life throughout the Village. The Village will take action to enforce the Village Code, prevent or remove squatters and find solutions to improve these properties.

## Code Enforcement Team Successfully Rescues Eight Baby Possums

On May 8, a Suffolk County park ranger alerted the Village of Islandia’s Code Enforcement Department to a situation involving a possum killed with an arrow in a trap near Sampson Avenue and S. Shafter Street. Code Enforcement Supervisor Kim Davis and Troy Weeks discovered baby possums in the mother’s pouch and quickly took action, rescuing a total of eight baby possums. The Sweetbriar Nature Center accepted all eight babies, confirming they were healthy.

The Village of Islandia expresses its gratitude to Kim and Troy for their exemplary efforts and commitment to wildlife rescue. Their actions reflect the values and spirit of our community.



## A Warning About English Ivy



We want to make you aware that English ivy has been found in the Village. Its vines can cause trees to die and damage residents’ properties. The invasive plant’s vines kill the trees by climbing up the tree trunks, making their way along the branches and twigs and preventing the trees from receiving sunlight. The dead trees, weighed down by the vines, can fall onto vehicles, homes or people.

To kill the vines, pull them up by hand when the soil is moist. You can also pull them out using a rake, or cut them from the bottom with pruning shears, a hand ax or other cutting tools. Work around the tree until all the vines are clipped. For the remaining vines that are on the ground, use a herbicide.

If you need assistance removing English ivy from your residence, call **Village Hall at (631) 348-1133**.



## Village Invites Andrew T. Morrow Students for Field Day

Mayor Dorman served up hamburgers and hot dogs for students from Andrew T. Morrow Elementary School during the school's Field Day, which took place at Memorial Recreational Field on June 24.



## Mayor Dorman Honors Those Who Sacrificed Their Lives at Memorial Day Wreath Laying Ceremony



*Mayor Dorman (center) is joined by Village officials, veterans from the Col. Francis S. Midura Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post #12144, members of the Islandia Public Safety Department and the Central Islip Fire Department at the Village's Memorial Day ceremony.*

Mayor Dorman hosted a special Memorial Day wreath laying ceremony at the Veterans Memorial Triangle on May 25. The ceremony honored those who sacrificed their lives for this country.

During the ceremony, Mayor Dorman recognized those veterans who were in attendance and asked everyone else to remember those who sacrificed their lives so that this country continues to remain free.

The ceremony also included an invocation by Chaplain Tom Brauner of VFW Post #12144 and ended with a laying of the wreaths by members of the VFW and Village officials.



# OVER 1,000 RESIDENTS CELEBRATE ISLANDIA'S 19TH ANNUAL BBQ!

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS



### PUMPKIN FEST

Saturday, October 19



### VETERANS DAY CEREMONY

Saturday, November 9



### CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING

Saturday, December 7



## Rain Can't Put Stop to Easter Egg Hunt

On March 23, Village officials, volunteers and local Boy Scouts braved the torrential rainstorm to hand out Easter baskets to the children of Islandia.

The Easter eggs contained a voucher which could be redeemed at Village Hall for a special prize.



## Please Help the Village Control Its Feral Cat Population

The Village of Islandia's Feral Cat TNR program was recently launched to help control the feral cat population. This program is open to Village residents only.

*To take part in this program, residents need to follow these five steps:*

**Step 1:** Trap — Use a humane trap to trap the cat.

**Step 2:** Contact Village for Voucher — A valid ID is required to show Village residency.

**Step 3:** Contact Island Rescue — Call (631) 968-8700 to make an appointment. In some cases, appointments are available the same day.

**Step 4:** Bring the trapped cat to Island Rescue — Island Rescue will perform alterations and ear clippings.

**Step 5:** Release — Residents are responsible for releasing the cat back to where they were found.

**FERAL CAT TNR PROGRAM!**  
(TRAP, NEUTER, RETURN)

Call 631-968-8700 to make an appointment  
*\*Appointments required*

Island Rescue  
1500 N. Clinton Avenue  
Bay Shore, NY 11706

For more information about the TNR program, please visit [www.newvillageofislandia.com](http://www.newvillageofislandia.com) or the MyIslandia app.

## Village Reminds Residents Regarding Illegal Apartments

There are a growing number of residents converting parts of their homes into separate apartments or rooms for rent without proper permits, violating Village code. This practice not only undermines public safety and school resources but also burdens our utilities and emergency services.

We are a single-family residential community, and maintaining this status is key to higher property values. Unauthorized rentals negatively affect the Village's sanitation, infrastructure, and environment, inflating our community's population.

For those looking to legally alter or expand residences, please contact our Building Department for a permit application. Protecting our Village's quality of life is our top priority, ensuring a sustainable and thriving environment for all residents.



# Mayor Dorman Honored by the Suffolk County Office of Women's Services and Veterans Services

Theme of the Ceremony: "A Salute to Military Women"

Mayor Dorman was honored at a special ceremony hosted by the Suffolk County Office of Women's Services and Veterans Services on March 23 at Husk and Vine Kitchen and Cocktails in St. James.

The theme of the event was "A Salute to Military Women." Mayor Dorman, a Vietnam veteran and a U.S. Marine, was honored for the work he has done for women veterans. Last December, the Village transferred the deeds and keys of three houses to three female veterans who he considered to be deserving.



*Pictured (left to right): Deputy Suffolk County Executive Dr. Sylvia Diaz, Suffolk County Executive's Office of Women's Services Director Grace Ioaniddis, Mayor Dorman, Suffolk County Veterans Services Director Marcelle Leis, and Suffolk County Legislators Leslie Kennedy and Nick Caracappa.*

## Mayor Dorman Honors Two Central Islip Firefighters for Their Heroism



*Pictured (left to right): Central Islip Fire Department First Assistant Chief Vincent Plotino, Mayor Dorman, Deputy Mayor Tom Annicaro and former Central Islip Fire Captain James McMullen*

During the February 6 Village Board meeting, Mayor Dorman recognized Central Islip firefighters, First Assistant Chief Vincent Plotino and former Captain James McMullen, for their life-saving actions last summer when they responded to a choking incident.

After first responders tried the Heimlich maneuver, Plotino placed the occupant on the floor while McMullen performed rescue breathing, to no avail. McMullen then retrieved a portable resuscitator from his vehicle, which was successfully used to dislodge the obstruction, allowing the victim to breathe independently.

Mayor Dorman praised Plotino and McMullen for their quick thinking and noted how their training and initiative helped save this person's life.

## Village Officials Read to Andrew T. Morrow Students



*Mayor Dorman and Public Safety Code Enforcement Supervisor Kim Davis joined by Ms. Marcela La Cruz and her second-grade students, at the Pick-A-Reading Partner (PARP) event at Andrew T. Morrow Elementary School.*

Mayor Dorman joined Public Safety Code Enforcement Supervisor Kim Davis to take part in the PARP (Pick-A-Reading-Partner) program, which took place at Andrew T. Morrow Elementary School on February 5.

Both Mayor Dorman and Ms. Davis sat with Ms. Marcela La Cruz' second-grade class as Ms. Davis read *The World Needs Who You Were Made to Be* by Joanna Gaines. The book explains how everyone has a unique set of skills and how life is more beautiful and vibrant when everyone's differences are celebrated.





## A GUIDE TO VILLAGE GOVERNMENT

VISIT NEWVILLAGEOFISLANDIA.COM FOR OTHER IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION  
FOR EMERGENCIES, CALL 911

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Village Court is open by appointment only on select Tuesdays and Thursdays. Judgments are heard beginning at 9 a.m. Local Laws are heard beginning at 10 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Traffic Violations are heard beginning at 2 p.m. Please do not bring children to Court.

### VILLAGE BOARD MEETINGS:

In the event of a holiday, meetings will be canceled.

#### Board of Trustees

- Meets the first Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m. at Village Hall.
- Work sessions are held the last Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m. at Village Hall.

The Mayor and Trustees comprise the Village's Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees is the Village's governing and legislative body. The Board of Trustees also handles certain applications for special permits for commercial and institutional uses, and adopts the Village's zoning laws.

## PLACE A FREE HELP WANTED AD

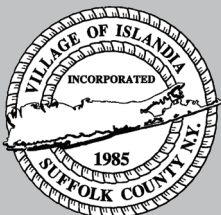
The Village will be adding a help wanted section to its website and newsletters to facilitate connecting residents who are looking for work with residents who need help.

If you have a business or do side work of interest to your fellow village residents, or if you have work you need done at your home (side work, helpers, small jobs, etc.), and would like to place a complimentary ad in our newsletter and on the Village's website, please mail your ad with the completed form below to 1100 Old Nichols Road, Islandia, NY 11749, ATTN: Mayor Allan Dorman.

Name	Job Description
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Phone	<hr/>
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Email	<hr/>
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Ads are for residents of Islandia only. Text ads should be limited to 50 words. Design ads should be 3.5" X 2." All ads are subject to the Village's review and approval. Residents engage workers at their own risk. The Village does not screen, nor does it provide any warranties, for the work being done.

REMEMBER: THIS IS ONLY THE BEGINNING!



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#### VILLAGE OFFICE HOURS

Monday: 8:30AM–4:30PM

Tuesday: 8:30AM–4:30PM

Wednesdays: Closed

Thursday: 8:30AM–4:30PM

Friday: 8:30AM–4:30PM



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