

LLOYD HARBOR *Village Record*

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Contributing articles are invited from residents on:

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Announcements & Events

Comings & Goings

Village Clerk Eileen Schulz has announced her retirement effective mid-September, 2016. Eileen has served Lloyd Harbor under the administrations of Mayors Jerry Pratt, Lee Hairr and Jean Thatcher. She started working at Lloyd Harbor in 1995 as a part-time clerk, was promoted to Deputy Treasurer, and for the last 14 years has served as Village Clerk/Treasurer. There is no aspect of Village operations with which Eileen is not familiar, and her efforts have been an enormous help to the Mayors and Trustees, and a great benefit to the Village. We thank her for her years of dedicated service to our Village, and send with her our very best wishes for her retirement.



Police Lieutenant Ren DiFonzo of the LHPD has announced his retirement effective June 21, 2016. Lt. DiFonzo, over his 35-year career with the LHPD, has been a dedicated and steady hand as he rose through the ranks of our Department. His professional and calm demeanor will be missed, and we wish him all the best in his retirement.

Tracy Lynch has joined us as our new Deputy Clerk at Village Hall. Tracy comes to us from the Village of Upper Brookville where she was Clerk/Treasurer, and prior to that she was Building Dep't Clerk in the Village of Muttontown. One of Tracy's main responsibilities will be as administrator for our Building Department. We are very pleased to welcome Tracy to Village Hall.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

PLEASE KEEP OFF THE GRASS!

Please keep off the grass! The Highway Department is trying to grow grass along the sides of the causeway as an erosion control measure. Please help this effort and do not pull over or try to park along the causeway.



PRIVATE ROADS

Attention Homeowners' Associations! Roadsides on private roads must be kept trimmed and free of overhanging branches, and potholes must be filled to allow for safe passage of Village sanitation trucks. Please attend to these issues so that your refuse can be collected in a timely manner.

SUMMER HIGHWAY WORK

Highway work for Summer 2016, as detailed in the recent Mayor's Message, includes the repaving of Mill Road; repaving of Jennings Road after Suffolk County Water Authority work is complete; and installation of new guide rail at the base of Lloyd Lane.



PUBLIC SAFETY

DOGS & ELECTRIC FENCING

The Village has received a number of complaints about the fact that electric fences run right along the roadside, allowing dogs to harass walkers, joggers and people pushing baby carriages. We have heard from a number of people who are afraid to walk down certain roads due to menacing dogs. It is easy for a determined pet to break through an electric fence, and equally as easy for a fence to be broken or a battery in a collar to be dead. Breaking through an electric fence is both an easy way for your pet to escape into traffic, and a frightening experience for people walking along the road. In response to this situation, the Trustees are considering requiring setbacks for electric fences. As with any ordinance, residents will be notified as to any effective date.



POLICE DEPARTMENT

PHARMACEUTICAL DROP-OFF



Pharmaceutical Drop-off: Unused prescription medicines can be dropped off at the drop-box located at the Lloyd Harbor Police Station. Please do not flush these medications down the toilet or sink, as they ultimately wind up in our drinking water!!

LOCAL TRAFFIC

Summer is here, and with it increased vehicle, bicycle & pedestrian traffic on Village Roads. Village speed limit is 35 MPH. Please observe it and drive carefully!



DREDGE SPOIL DUMPING OFF LLOYD POINT APPROVED FOR NEXT 30 YEARS

Emily S. May – Lloyd Harbor Conservation Board

A new Federal plan approved this past January has authorized the dumping of 30 to 50 million cubic yards of dredge spoil material. It is to be removed from Connecticut rivers and dumped at two disposal sites in Long Island Sound. Unfortunately for Lloyd Harbor residents, one of these sites is right in our aquatic backyard and threatens the efforts made and the billions of dollars spent thus far, on improving the quality of water found in the Long Island Sound.

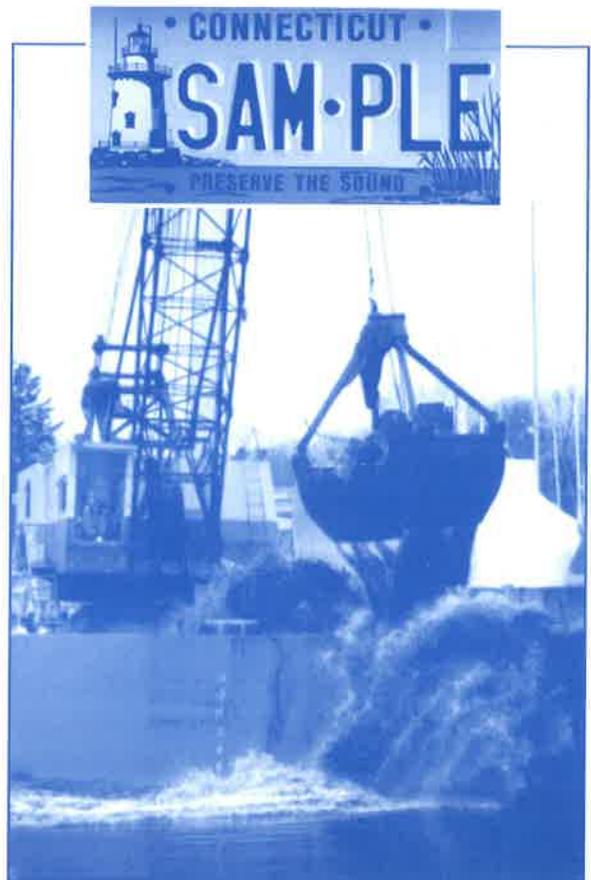
The spoil material is collected through dredging projects carried out to maintain navigability of channels, harbors, and basins in Connecticut. This is considered necessary to support commercial shipping activity. Legacy contaminants, such as heavy metals possibly contained within the sediment from years of industrial activity, are toxic to marine life and vegetation. The “less-toxic” dredge material can also do harm to marine organisms as it falls to the Sound floor.

The planned dumping ground is known as the Western Long Island Sound Disposal Site (WLDS) and is located just 1.9 nautical miles north of Lloyd Point (northern most part of Lloyd Harbor). While within Connecticut state waters, the WLDS is a mere 200 yards north of the New York state border. Since 1982, approximately two million cubic yards of dredged material have already been deposited at the site. That is enough dredge material to fill a cube the length of a football field on each side to a height of 570 feet. The current plan allows for the dumping of up to 25 times that amount over the next 30 years.

Other states have employed more innovative commercial re-use methods for dredge material such as incorporating the material into building bricks, compressed blocks or cement filler. I fully understand that these alternative methods are more expensive, but so is spending billions on clean water projects.

The current plan was enacted despite unanimous opposition from Suffolk County legislators, environmental groups, and thousands of concerned citizens. The Lloyd Harbor Conservation Board would like you to remain aware of this potential threat to our waters and back current efforts by Governor Cuomo and Suffolk Legislators Trotta and Anker in their quest to overturn or lessen the impact of the – now approved - planned dumping.

On a personal note, I find it quite ironic that a state that offers an environmentally themed license plate to its residents with the tag line “Preserve the Sound” would actually be the proponent and main driver of the possible environmental degradation of our precious and fragile Long Island Sound.



RECREATION COMMISSION

VILLAGE PARK

Village Park Tennis Courts - Court 1 has been completely rebuilt, which will stop the flooding problem & provide an excellent court surface.

Beach House - Significant interior improvements, including re-done plumbing and interior partitioning & painting have been made to the Beach House.

Summer Camp - There is still limited availability in some Camp sessions. Please call Jim Barton, Park Director, at 516-501-6950 or email him at jbartonlhvp@aol.com, if you are interested.



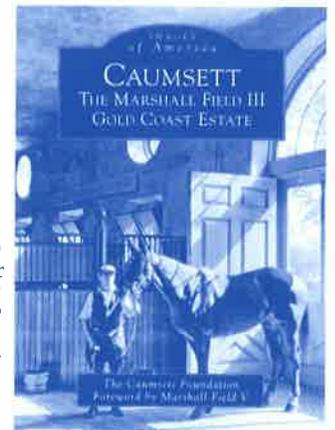
CONSERVATION BOARD



New York State and Connecticut are working on an arrangement where toxic material from Connecticut rivers will once again be dumped in LI Sound. One of the proposed locations is just 1.9 miles from the tip of Lloyd Point.

Please see insert for an excellent article by Emily May on this important subject.

* **NOW AVAILABLE** - John Barone, Chairman of the Lloyd Harbor Conservation Board, has written a wonderful book containing numerous historical photographs, on the history of Caumsett, the Marshall Field III estate. "Caumsett – The Marshall Field III Gold Coast Estate" is available at Book Revue and from all online vendors. Over 100 people attended the very successful book signing recently held at Book Revue.



CODES & MAINTENANCE



***BAMBOO ORDINANCE** - Recognizing that bamboo is invasive, spreads rapidly, is destructive to the natural environment and a serious aggravation to neighbors, the Trustees, at the March 2016 meeting, passed a local ordinance pertaining to bamboo. This local law prohibits the planting of bamboo and regulates existing bamboo. A copy of this ordinance is on file with the Village Clerk.



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*Mayor Thatcher and the Board of Trustees
wish you a Safe & Happy Summer!*

