



BELLE TERRE NEWS

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HAPPY HOLLY-DAYS



TO ONE AND ALL

Notices and Notes



LOST & FOUND

The following items were found in the Village and are available at the Gatehouse;

Ralph Lauren sunglasses, keys and remote for a Ford and a large key ring with miscellaneous keys

WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS:

Han Family	Club Road
Blume Family	Crooked Oak Road
Ioannou Family	Sts. Orchard Road
Shaughnessy Family	Beach Road
Vecchia Family	Quail Run
Perrotta Family	Beach Road
Colucci Family	Sunset Path

CONDOLENCES :

Regretfully, long-time resident Ed Tuthill passed away recently.

Lee Page's mother passed away recently. Lee was Village Clerk, Treasurer for 22 years.

GOOD-MANNERED DOGS

Please keep your dogs on leashes or behind fences.

We all love our dogs, but nature is nature. Most dogs

love to go for a walk with their masters and while some residents have been out walking their dogs, other dogs come running up to play. While this is fun for some dogs, other dogs are bred to protect their masters and problems and conflicts are occurring!

Other dogs are afraid of the new friend and the situation is becoming worse. Because of these problems, many residents are now anxious about walking their dogs.

Belle Terre does have a dog ordinance which reads as follows: Dogs are not "to be at any time on any street, park or other public place in the incorporated area of The Village of Belle Terre unless fully controlled by the owner or some other person by means of a rope, leash or other similar device."

Mayor

Christmas Bonuses

The bonuses were stolen from our garbage pails in 2006.

Please leave your contributions for the refuse collector at the village office for additional security

.Pat

THE BELLE TERRE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE IS LOOKING FOR "NEW BLOOD".

Who we are:

A group of women (with occasional help from willing men) who plant and tend flowerbeds in some of the common areas of Belle Terre.

When we meet:

Once a week for about 2 hours Spring through Fall.

Why we do it...

We like gardening....we enjoy the aesthetics that

plantings and tending bring to Belle Terre...we love the fellowship...we know that we can do this and still do all else in our lives since we don't necessarily have to be at every gardening session...

Think about joining us....

You don't have to be a knowledgeable gardener. Contact committee co-chairs Helene or Ann

helenew@optonline.net annjac@optonline.net
331-3184 Helene 331-1054 Ann

Our daughter Muriel is exhibiting her series of American Flags.

Some of you may have seen these flags when they were exhibited in the Village Center.

The brand new Mali American Flag is among 20 flags currently installed at the LaGuardia Community College Atrium Lobby Showcase Gallery East.

Location:

31-10 Thomson Avenue

Long Island City, NY 11101

Tel: 718.482.6037

Fax: 718.875.6957

Subway: Take the 7 local to 33 St. - Rawson St. Walk back two blocks (West)

For more information email:

cristofaro@lagcc.cuny.edu

The gallery of flags can be browsed at www.epluribus.us. Click on the images to blow them up and see the details but The Mali American Flag is still not yet photographed for the web-site.

Pat & Roy Stockdale

Out and About in Belle Terre

HOLIDAY WISHES FROM MAYOR TED LUCKI

Best Holiday wishes to all. What better way to start thinking about the holiday season than to take a minute and list some of the accomplishments of our neighbors and friends on behalf of our wonderful Village in 2009.

- 1. The Belle Terre Community Association has provided monthly activities that cater to all residents. The Pancake Breakfast, Lobster Fest, Residents Party, Movie Nights, Pumpkin Carving, and now the Belle Terre Railroad Toys for Tots display, are all great events.*
- 2. The Beautification Committee has improved the look of our beautiful Village. Their attention to detail is an inspiration.*
- 3. The beach program is an overwhelming success. The counselors and campers had fun and worked in a very safe environment. It is "cool" to be a camper!*
- 4. The Village Trustees, The Planning Board, The Zoning Board of Appeals and other concerned residents developed a new approach to managing our Village's land development. The Village made code changes and instituted a Site Plan Review Law. This is the most important law the Village has instituted in the past ten years. I want to thank the various committee members for their efforts and especially Terri Elkowitz for her professional expertise.*
- 5. The Village office staff continues to be friendly and accommodating to our requests. We all appreciate their positive approach to all Village activities.*
- 6. The newsletter is great and highlights many diverse aspects of Village Life. I love the human interest stories. Thank you Roy and Pat Stockdale.*



All in all, 2009 was a very productive year for Belle Terre. I look forward to a Happy and Prosperous 2010 for all. Happy Holidays.

Ted Lucki





POT-LUCK SUPPER



Beach season was officially over, but the atmosphere returned for one evening in September to everyone's delight. Pat Stockdale spun her magic for the BTCA- sponsored Pot Luck Supper on September 26th and brought the beach to us.

The Community Center was decked out with arrangements of tall beach grasses, while white paper seagulls soared overhead. For each table, Pat had handcrafted centerpieces made from driftwood, sea glass and shells. Everything looked perfect.

As usual, Belle Terre chefs rose to the occasion and supplied a varied and delicious selection of food. We could have fed an army! This was another opportunity to meet and mingle and it was rewarding to see new faces, some with children in tow.

Many thanks to Pat Stockdale for a job so well done.

Pat Geelan





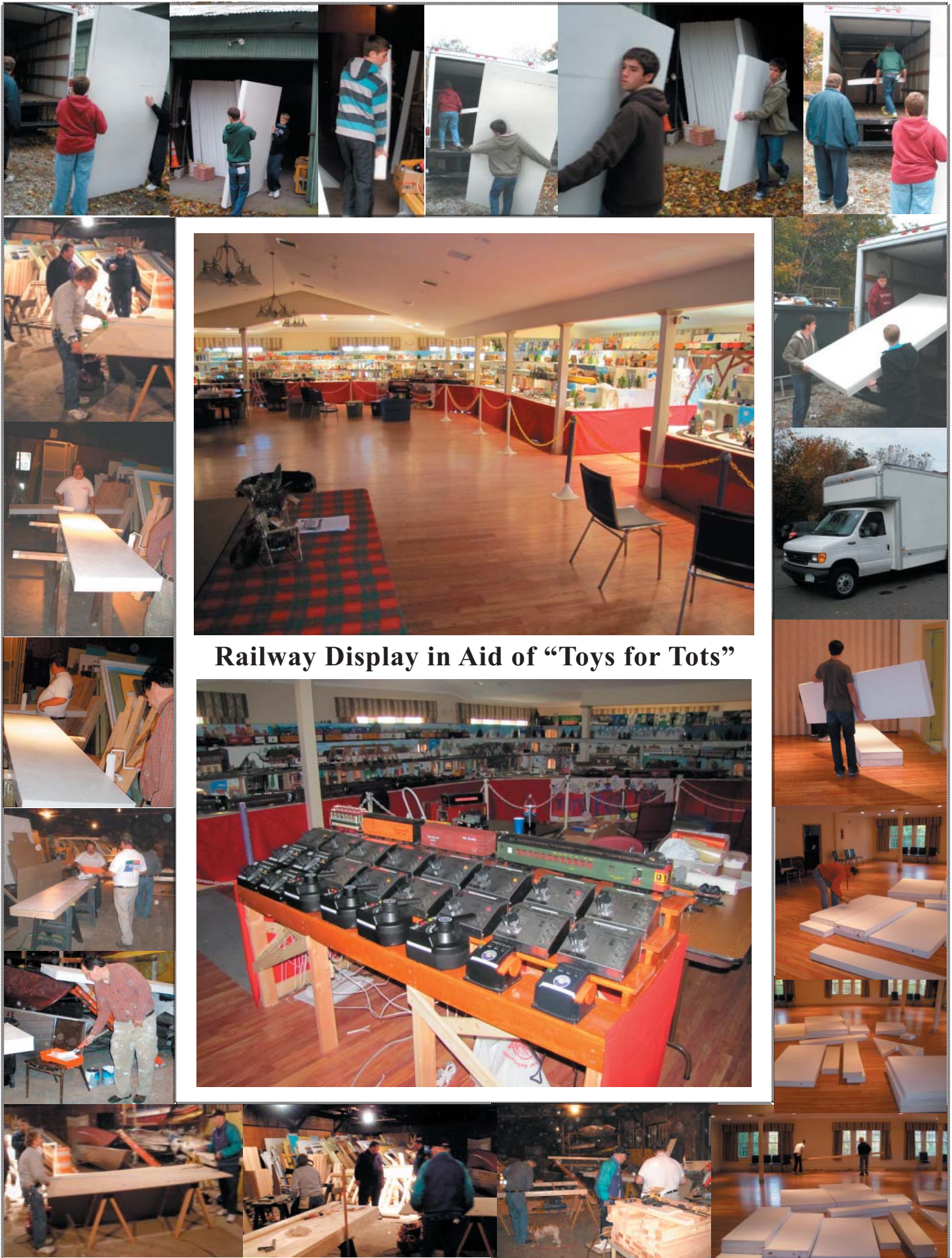
It was good to see so many young residents, with their cute kids, at the party. The Community center was warm and welcoming and beautifully decorated for fall. Carol McAnaney and her crew did a good job.

The tables were decorated with bright autumn leaves and lighted pumpkins, carved out by Lorraine Doganieri. She also made the wreath on the front door.

We are so lucky to have so many talented people in Belle Terre.



THE RESIDENT'S PARTY



Railway Display in Aid of "Toys for Tots"





PUMPKINS

It was a nice event. The Community Hall was happily buzzing with kids of all ages busily carving, as we walked in. There were pumpkins everywhere in various designs.

There was a table with cutout paper pumpkins and stick-ems for the little hands that could not carve.

Lauren Cona, the organizer and her helpers, Mary Bouno and Linda Poirier had done well. The hall was warm and welcoming. There were refreshments available. Pizzas were on order to be delivered at five PM and non scary Halloween movies had been rented to amuse all.

Yes! It was a very nice event.



INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF BELLE TERRE



Belle Terre Community Association 2009

The year in review:

What a year! We met, we scheduled, we budgeted, we worked and worked and had fun and laughs doing it. From the first Football Play-offs in January to the final Cookie Exchange in December, the Community Association Board worked together to make each event a success. The Board members really came through as a team this year, inspiring ideas, supporting one another, and occasionally meeting downtown for more inspiration.

We presented 19 events this year, many especially for kids: Movie Nights, the Easter Egg Hunt, Pumpkin Carving and a grand Holiday Party with Santa driving up in a constable's car with sirens blaring. Trains rumbled down their tracks all around the Community Center during our first Toys for Tots initiative. We hosted family events: a Pancake Breakfast, Yard Sale, Mather Hospital Walk, Concert, Pot- Luck Supper, Residents' Party, and two educational programs - Boating Safety and a historical presentation by Nancy Orth. Adults enjoyed the Garden Tour, and Lobster Bake. What made this year unique was the diversity of the events and the number of residents and new residents in attendance and the detail and effort the board put into each event. This is how the BTCA measures its success. It was a good year!

The members of the Beautification Committee once again outdid themselves with their horticultural enhancements along our roads, at the intersection islands, in front of the old fire bell, and at the Community Center. This group volunteers countless hours to improve the appearance of our village. To fully appreciate their efforts, the next time you drive through our community, take a minute to really look around. Their job is never-ending; they can always use help and support from those of you with green thumbs or those who just like to be outdoors.

In 2010 we will concentrate on both improving the quality of our events and on adding new ones. We also hope to spearhead some major improvements in our community. In Belle Terre we have so many natural resources to protect and enhance. The roadsides are encumbered with vines and littered with dead wood, the park and the beach are in need of repair, and the circle at the end of Cliff Road and the land at the bottom of Anchorage Road are hidden treasures that need our attention. Our community has the talent, insight, and means to accomplish these goals. How can we tap into our own resources to improve the village we live in? This is what the BTCA hopes to focus on.

Please take a look at the 2010 calendar within. We have added some new events and repeated some favorites. We ask you, our neighbors and friends, to seek out a Community Association board member from the names listed below to share any ideas or suggestions for events or activities you would like to propose. We are always interested in your suggestions and can always use your help.

The true uniqueness of living in Belle Terre is found not only in its obvious natural beauty but in the community atmosphere that enables us to enjoy a dinner on the beach or a party with new and old neighbors, to attend a lecture or just enjoy the peace and quiet of nature. I personally have learned so much when speaking with many neighbors at these events. You might be surprised by the backgrounds and stories told by those who have made their homes in Belle Terre since they were children. This is a unique chance to take this opportunity young and old and learn from it. Imagine being able to do all of this in your own back yard. Those gates that we pass through daily are more than just a geographical demarcation; they open the door to a community of neighbors and friends.

Have a wonderful and safe Holiday Season!

Sincerely,

Your Belle Terre Community Association Board

Mike Sampogna
Ken Weiss
Carol McAnaney
Nancy Orth

Mary Buono
Danielle Buonomo
Lauren Cona
Linda Poirier

Kathy Yunger
Judy Zaino

5th Annual Belle Terre Football Play-off Viewing "All BTCA Members & Their Guests Invited"



When: Sunday, January 24, 2010, 3:00pm

Where: Vinny Bove Community Center

Who: BTCA members & their guests **Free**

All other BT residents & their guests, \$5 per person

Featuring: Hot Dogs/Fixins, Chips, Beans, Beverages, Chili!

Chili Cook Off!!! Awards will be given so get your best recipe and sign up!
For more information please call Linda Poirier 474-0456 or email
charismalinda@optonline.net

Dance and Exercise Classes

Please find details on the Village Website: www.belleterre.us or on flyers from the office.

Belle Terre soccer team








The Real Belle Terre soccer team is on their way to the Disney Wide World of Sports Complex to compete in the National 3V3 soccer competition! The team, comprised of 9th grade Belle Terre residents, Blake Bohlen, Conor Crovello and Gerard Racanelli, and Port Jefferson residents, Vincent Antonelli, Gabe Davis and Stanley Klasek had competed locally and won in Massachusetts. The boys then competed in the regional competition in Pennsylvania where they qualified for Disney! The team is being coached by Bobby Bohlen, Penn State student soccer athlete and assistant coach J.D McKinnon. The boys all play on the Port Jefferson school team and they all play for outside club teams as well. Please wish the boys well the weekend of Jan. 15-18 as they strive for the 3V3 National title!

Lynn Bohlen



Mark Your Calendar

BTCA -- 2010 Calendar of Events

JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL
Sun., 24th - Football Playoffs	Mon., 1st - Public Meeting 8:00pm	Sun., 21st - Easter Egg Hunt 	Sat., 10th - Coast Guard Boating Safety Fri., 23rd - Movie/Game Night 
MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST
Sun., 2nd - Mather Hospt. Breast Walk Mon., 3rd - Public Meeting 8:00pm	Fri., 14th - Movie/Game Night Sat., 19th - Garden Tour/Refreshments 	Sun., 4th of July Party! 	Mon., 2nd - Public Meeting 8:00pm
SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
Fri., 3rd - Movie/Game Night Sat., 25th - Pot Luck Dinner 	Sat., 23rd - Pumpkin Carving Party 	*** BTCA Elections *** Mon., 1st - Public Meeting 8:00pm *** BTCA Elections *** Sun., 7th - Resident Fall Party	Fri., 3rd - Toys for Tots Train Display Mon., 6th - Public Meeting 8:00pm Sun., 12th - Holiday Party Sun., 19th - Cookie Exchange Fri., 31st - New Year's Eve 

We encourage all residents to share any thoughts they may have about events with a BTCA board member for possible inclusion. See our Belle Terre website at www.belleterre.us for more information

VILLAGE DIRECTORY

PLEASE RETAIN THIS DIRECTORY NEAR YOUR TELEPHONE

MAYOR.....	Ted Lucki	331-4907	Zoning Board of Appeals	Dave McAnaney	928-0020
Deputy Mayor.....	Sheila Knapp	473-0212	Assessor.....	Ronald Matuza	928-0020
Trustee.....	Grant Geelan	473-6245	Beach Comm.....	Sheila Knapp	473-0212
Trustee.....	Bob Sandak	474-8686	Building Comm.....	Grant Geelan	473-6245
Trustee.....	Joanne Cornell-May	473-3028	Conservation Comm....	Dave McAnaney	928-0020
Clerk-Treasurer.....	Joanne Raso	928-0020	Constable Comm.....	Bob Sandak	474-8686
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer	Louise Smit	928-0020	Constable's Office.....		928-5785
Village Attorney.....	Eileen A. Powers	727-8250	Fire Marshall	James Makarius Jr.	774-3706
Village Justice.....	Charles Russo	265-7200	Historian.....	Nancy Orth	473-1078
Court Clerk.....	Elaine Freda	473-5105	Parks Commissioner....	Joanne Cornell-May	473-3028
Planning Board.....	Vincent DeStefano	928-0020	Road Commissioner...	William Raso	928-0020
Building Inspector.....	Cathy Evans-Masci	928-0020	Youth Program Comm ...	Francoise Schachner	928-0020
Technology Advisor.....	Ken Weiss	928-0020	Newsletter.....	Pat & Roy Stockdale	473-4801

BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETINGS: Third Tuesday of every month unless otherwise posted.
VILLAGE CLERK: 928-0020 * FAX 928-7971. **PASSPORT AGENT HOURS:** Call Office.
VILLAGE WEBSITE: www.belleterre.us **VILLAGE E-MAIL:** btvillageoffice@gmail.com
JUSTICE COURT CLERK: Call 473-5105 to leave message for call-back appt.
NOTARY PUBLIC: Call office. **RECYCLABLES REFUSE PICK-UP:** Alternate Wednesdays.
1.CURBY: Glass, Metal, Plastics (1) & (2). **2.** Newspapers, Cardboard (flattened and tied).



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Belle Terre, Y 11777