

BELLE TERRE NEWS

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OFFICE NOTES



Belle Terre Baby

Introducing Cole Wayne Baxter grandson of Lori and Ted Lucki. Cole is the son their daughter Eva and her husband Matt.



Annual Reminders

1) We have been leaving any tips for our garbage collector, at the office, due to a nasty thief taking the tips a few years ago.

Please do so again this year.

2) Snow season is coming so please make sure that your snow remover does not push snow out onto the road. It leaves a dangerous icy bump.

Lost Backpack

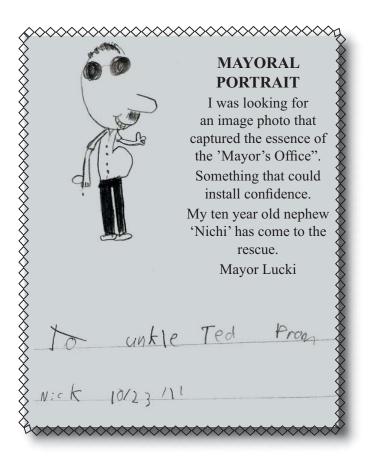
This backpack was found at the beach. We have it in the office.



Academic Honors For two Belle Terre Residents

Jessica Russo, from Learning and Organizational Change and Business Institution.

Kaitlin LaBarbera, Graduate Student, Criminal Justice



CONDOLENCES

To the family of Anne Hart Oaks, who passed away at her home in Belle Terre on Nov 18th. Anne worked for many years as a reservations agent for the Port Jeff Ferry and was very active at Theatre Three.

There will be a remembrance celebration for Anne at Theatre Three on Sunday Jan 15 2012 at 7pm.



The Mayor's Annual Letter to Belle Terre Residents:

I am pleased to announce that Lori and I have reached a level of personal accomplishment that is unprecedented. My daughter Eva and her husband Matt Baxter had their first child. We are now the proud grandparents of a three month old boy named Cole Wayne Baxter. If you say it with a southern twang, you can envision him riding a horse with a cowboy hat. I always dreamed about being a cowboy and used to try riding on my dog often. My kids don't get my enthusiasm but they're not grandparents so what do they know?

"Wow!" My son Mike and his wife Seffi are expecting their first child in May. And finally, my daughter Sonya is ending her marathon engagement and marrying Bill Meehan in June. "So that's it". So when I hear the word congratulations I may look a little confused. However, when it comes to Belle Terre, it's very clear that we are improving in these difficult times.

The beach project came in within budget and on time. Thank you trustees and involved community members. The beach opened two weeks before the beach program started. Whew! During Hurricane Irene, I called Sheila and asked her if the beach wall was still there. She asked me if I was nervous. I told her that if the beach blew away I was moving to Riverhead and hiding in an underground bunker. She said relax- but remember that Irene is not a Nor'easter storm. That will be the real test. So in summary, the beach wall is working and is a significant improvement to Belle Terre.

I know all of the residents were inconvenienced with Hurricane Irene but behind the scenes, the cooperation and coordination between Belle Terre and the Village of Port Jefferson was wonderful! Everyone was on the same team working together. The Port Jefferson Highway Department was ready to aid us in whatever we needed. The Fire Department moved into the Community Center for better coverage of Belle Terre. What great neighbors! What great people to work with!

This coming year, we will be working closely with Port Jefferson Village in trying to resolve the issues concerning the Port Jefferson power plant. The Hurricane Irene experience has drawn both villages closer. This is a really great development.

The Community Association needs to be praised as well. They are continually trying new ideas. I had a great time taking my dog Chu Chu and going to a cool party at the park. We have something new at least once a month. Don't forget the trains are running for the annual "Toys for Tots" Drive.

The Environmental Beautification project at the end of Cliff Road is well underway. It is already so beautiful! The involvement and personal contributions of our wonderful residents is on display. Who said pride and community service are dead? No way!! Not in Belle Terre. Take a walk down Cliff Road and be inspired!

Finally, I want to wish you and your family a happy and healthy holiday and New Year. We live in a beautiful garden. Please join your trustees and your neighbors in enjoying it and making it better. See you at the trains!

Sincerely,

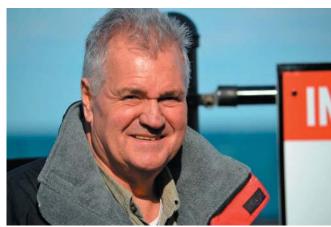












Beach Gates

Magnus Magnuson was the resident who generously donated 75 cases of wine, all with Belle Terre labels for the dedication ceremony of the gate house. He also recently thanked the beautification committee with more wine.

He was not happy with the entrance to the beach. The gates were old and damaged and he approached the Village asking if we would allow him to replace them with new gates. We were delighted. Not only the new steel gates but he replaced all the signs as well.

Magnus had a plan of his own as to the type of gate he was going to erect but when I showed him Dave McAnaney's design he followed Dave's plan. The gates Dave designed are similar to the gates at the entrance of the Village. You will see that's what the beach gates look like now. It was not the cheap way to go but Magnus did it.

Magnus hails from Iceland. We are very fortunate he now calls Belle Terre Home.

Thank you Magnus

Sheila Knapp



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Photograph Circa 1970



From Left to Right (front 4)
Gordon Dick, Kristin Sharma/Dick, Jim von Oiste, Doug von Oiste.
Left to Right in Back
Gloria von Oiste, Diane Hauseman.
in front of the Fire Gong
Dog's name is Shane.

Note: Gordon Dick made the new plaque at the fire Gong.





The Fire Gong

The Ladies of the Beautification Committee preparing to celebrate the installation of the information plaque. The Fire Gong corner is now a welcoming sight as one enters Belle Terre. The Beautification Committee have done a bang-up job on that corner: well done ladies!





Halloween in Belle Terre

Really doesn't need any words except - we all had a good time.



























































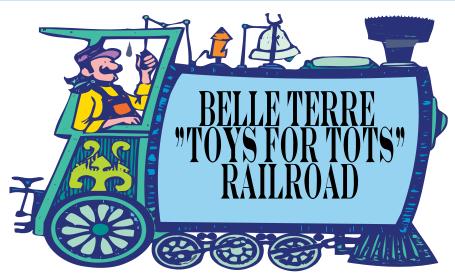
Christmas Tree

The Beautification Elves doing their thing.









Come and See a <u>HUGE</u> Train Display <u>FREE</u> 30+ trains on several different levels.

Just bring an unwrapped new toy for a disadvantaged child 0-12 years old.

December 2nd -December 31st

CLOSED DEC. 18 & 25th

Wednesday-Friday 4-8pm Weekends 12-8pm

Vincent Bove Community Center

55 Cliff Road, Belle Terre, NY 11777

For other info, directions, etc. - visit www.belleterre.us



Yappy Hour

These are photo's taken by Linda Poirier at the park on September 23rd. Good time had by all.







Belle Terre Soccer

Some of the boys from Belle Terre play on the Port Jefferson Varsity Soccer Team that just won the State Championship:

Port Jeff soccer makes history, winning first New York state title



BY ANDREW WINKLER

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For the first time in Port Jefferson boys soccer history, the Royals are state champs.

Port Jefferson made history on Nov. 20 by defeating Maple Hill by a score of 2-1 in Middletown. The state championship is the first for any Earl L. Vandermeulen sport since the mid-6Os, according to head coach john Poulianos. "We were welcomed back to town last night by supportive family and fans., escorted by police escort. The support from the community and the school was just amazing."

Text Copied from The Port Times Record and the

photograph from Newsday.

Some of Belle Terre's other residents















ONE MAN'S TRASH

Large item trash pick-up is not to be missed.

On Friday, we put out:

Six metal framed chairs

Two queen sized air beds

A three shelved shoe chest

Two lamps

An old mop, a broom handle and a moldy old saddle bag.

Saturday morning the chairs, beds and lamps were gone. Not the lamp shades just the bases. The chest had been knocked over, with its top shelf broken. Our mail box was also knocked sideways. We however, carried on and added:

Two boxes of sundry crockery and bathroom items

A large fake plant

A plastic mat that goes under an office chair

While going back and forth with these items somebody slipped by me and dropped of an empty Apple Computer case on our pile. I was annoyed. Roy thought it funny and didn't matter, but,it was my pile of trash, if you know what I mean.

On Sunday the crockery had been well picked over and the mat and plant were gone, so was the trespassing Apple Computer case.

Monday morning the lamp shades went, so did the thingy that goes across the bath to hold the soap. Sometime between my going out to the shops and coming home the shoe chest found a taker. I was pleased it needed a good home.

We were left with a couple of half filled boxes of unwanted crockery, an old mop, a broom handle and a moldy old saddle bag.

As I said "one man's trash"

Pat

The Circle and Bluff at the end of Cliff Road

The Picture of the Bluff was taken from the water by Joanne Raso. The information that we received on the rest of the project is that these last few months they were waiting for the ground to settle. However the road and circle should be back before the end of the year. The tree had been replanted and the grass planted on and around the circle by mid-December. The remaining landscaping will be finished in the spring.













New Year

Here we are at the end of another year and it's time to thank everyone that has contributed to the Newsletter. When we started working on the Newsletter eight years ago it was like pulling teeth trying to get articles. Now Roy and I are very gratified that many of you share your happy times and stories with us all.

Now; To those of you that meant to send in something, but didn't (and you are out there) the next issue is due out in April 2012. So get your photos, announcements and stories ready. E-mail to roystock@optonline.net

A Happy and Healthy New Year ToYou All. Pat and Roy Stockdale (editors)

WHO?

Has been out every year,
DIGGING, RAKING, MULCHING AND
PLANTING SINCE THE ONSET OF THE
BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE?
ORGANIZES DECORATING THE
CHRISTMAS TREE?
IS ALWAYS THERE WITH A HELPING HAND
AND A BIG SMILE

WHO?
PATRICIA GEELAN
OUR GAL OF THE YEAR

VILLAGE DIRECTORY

PLEASE RETAIN THIS DIRECTORY NEAR YOUR TELEPHONE

MAYOR Deputy Mayor Trustee Trustee Trustee Clerk-Treasurer Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Village Attorney Village Justice Court Clerk Planning Board Building Inspector Technology Advisor		331-4907 473-0212 473-6245 474-8686 928-0020 928-0020 727-8250 265-7200 473-5105 928-0020 928-0020 928-0020	Zoning Board of Appeals Assessor Beach Comm Building Comm Conservation Comm Constable Comm Constable's Office Fire Marshall Historians Parks Commissioner Road Commissioner Youth Program Comm Newsletter	Dave McAnaney Ronald Matuza Sheila Knapp Grant Geelan Dave McAnaney Bob Sandak	928-0020 928-0020 473-0212 473-6245 928-0020 474-8686 928-5785 774-3706 473-1078 331-0543 473-3028 928-0020 928-0020 473-4801
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BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETINGS: First Tuesday of every month; work meeting. Third Tuesday of each month, regular public meeting, unless otherwise posted. VILLAGE CLERK: 928-0020 * FAX 928-7971. VILLAGE WEBSITE: www.belleterre.us

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JUSTICE COURT CLERK: Call 473-5105 to leave message for call-back appt. NOTARY PUBLIC: Call office RECYCLABLES REFUSE PICK-UP: Alternate Wednesdays.

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