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During these unprecedented times in our world, we want to update our community with as much pertinent information as possible. Inside this issue you will find listings and information to help support our businesses and each other.

Please abide by the state/city mandated rules and please stay safe and healthy.

Our April 28 GENERAL MEETING is CANCELLED!



Our next GENERAL MEETING will be held on June 23 at 8pm (a week earlier than normal)

Colonial Church of Bayside Located on Bell Blvd., where Luke Place and 216th Street converge



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• PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE •

Welcome sweet Springtime everybody! Have you ever seen Bayside Hills look more beautiful? Early spring flowers are the surest sign that warmer weather is coming. These bulbs, perennials, and trees provide a splash of color before many other plants have started to leaf out after a long winter. Once you spot these blooms, by glancing out your window or even venturing outside, and see our neighborhood blossom in all its glory, you'll know it's soon time to get back to work in your garden.

One particular heart warming sight you can see here. This was taken early April. It is our 9/11 sapling that was planted last September and as you can see, it is looking nice, healthy, and beginning to bloom. The other photo is from our actual sapling planting ceremony, around the time of our annual BHCA 9/11 memorial ceremony.





Just to make everything official, and certainly this should not be a surprise to anyone, except for this online Bayside Hills Beacon, the Bayside Hills Civic Association has cancelled our entire April schedule which includes the April 25th Mall Clean-Up Fest, and our April 28th General Meeting at the Colonial Church. Nevertheless, still scheduled (if it's safe) is our May 23rd Memorial Day Observance 9:30 on our Bell Mall by the flagpole, Bell Boulevard and 53rd Avenue.

Fortunately, thanks to modern day technology, in particular ZOOM Video Conferencing, the BHCA was able to conduct an April Board of Directors' meeting and mid week State Senator John Liu conducted a ZOOM discussion with other civic presidents. Some of the issues included:

Testing: NYS operates a COVID-19 drive-through testing site at Aqueduct Racetrack in Queens. There are also drive-through testing sites in the Bronx at Coop City and Lehman College. To make an appointment for testing, call the NYS Department of Health at 888-364-3065. These sites will prioritize symptomatic individuals who have had close exposure to a positive COVID-19 case, healthcare workers and first responders displaying symptoms, and those working in or having recently visited a nursing home who exhibit COVID-19 symptoms.

Parks and Social Distancing: We will check in with NYC, NYPD and the Parks Department about Little Bay Park and fishing off of 233rd St. If there are other locations in the area where people are not following social distancing guidelines, please let us know.

Census: We have been asked to complete the census, and Senator Liu will continue to encourage the entire community and safety of the occupants, or to continue a project if it would be unsafe to allow it to remain undone until it is safe to shut the site). Please let Senator Liu's office know if there are any construction projects going on and we can check into whether they are happening on an emergency basis.

Gloves and Mask Litter: We have flagged the increase of gloves and masks on the streets for DSNY.

Construction: For your information, the Governor's Executive Order mandates that all non-essential construction must shut down except emergency construction, (e.g. a project necessary to protect health and safety of the occupants, or to continue a project if it would be unsafe to allow it to remain undone until it is safe to shut the site). Please let Senator Liu's office know if there are any construction projects going on and we can check into whether they are happening on an emergency basis.

We trust everybody is following the social distancing rules, covering your mouth and nose when outdoors, staying home if you are not an essential worker, and doing everything possible to "flatten that curve." There are so many people out there who must be in our prayers, such as our first responders, grocers, delivery people, FDNY, NYPD, DSNY, truck drivers, transit workers, and so many others. Here in our city, at 7:00 PM, thousands of people sheltering have been standing on their porches, balconies, near their windows, etc., to applaud first responders and health care workers on the frontlines of the Coronavirus outbreak. Recently, here in Bayside Hills, people have been joining in this observance by applauding to acknowledge these brave caretakers. Hopefully more people can join us each evening. Photo below can be seen on 212th street:



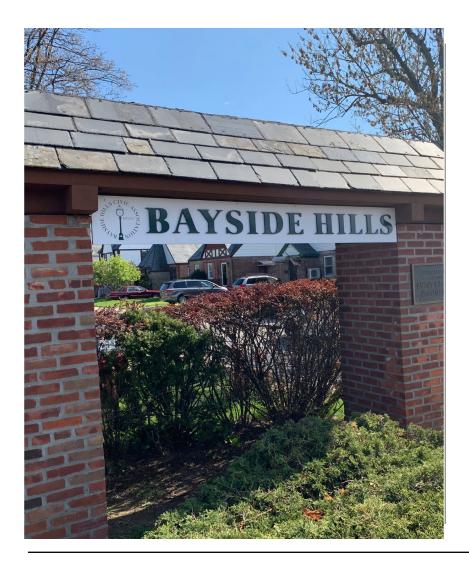
Welcome sweet Springtime! We greet thee in song, Murmurs of gladness fall on the ear, Voices long hushed now their full notes prolong Echoing far and near.

Sunshine now wakes all the flow'rets from sleep, Joy-giving incense floats on the air; Snow-drop and primrose both timidly peep, Hailing the glad new year.

Balmy and life-breathing breezes are blowing, Swiftly to nature new vigor bestowing. Ah, how my heart beats with rapture anew, As earth's fairest beauties again meet my view.

Sing then, ye birds: raise your voices on high; Flow'rets awake ye! Burst into bloom! Springtime is come! and sweet Summer is nigh, Sing then, ye birds, O sing! Voices of the Woods

--also known as: Welcome, Sweet Springtime! w., anon. m., "adapted to Rubinstein's Melody in F" by M. Watson. G. Schirmer [1884]



Bayside Hills Gets a Facelift!

Our new Bayside Hills signs were generously donated by our BHCA Beautification Committee Board member, William Liao. They were designed by Yvonne Wong-Fein and Rita Kashdan and installed by BHCA Vice President Sebastian D'Agostino and his son, Tom. Thank you to our great team! You can see these signs on Bell Boulevard at Horace Harding Expressway and 48th Avenue.

A Note About Our Mailing Address

Return Address



Please remember to always designate all mailings with our proper "Bayside Hills" identification and not "Oakland Gardens" or any other reference.

JOHN SMITH 99-99 Street Name **Bayside Hills**, NY 11364

A Message From Our Precinct

Warmest greetings to all of the 111th Precinct community and happy holidays. My name is Captain John Portalatin, the Commanding Officer of the 111thPrecinct. First, I would like to thank you for allowing me to give you monthly updates in your community newsletter. I think this will be a very beneficial way of keeping in touch with all of you. During the current COVID-19 crisis, I promise you my officers and I are here for you no matter how small or big your emergency is. Do not hesitate to contact us. We are here to help and protect this wonderful community now and for the future. During this crisis we will get through this together! Please stay safe and healthy, wash your hands and continue to adhere to social distancing advice.

Please also be aware of some crime prevention tips

When leaving your vehicle always:

- 1. Close Your Windows
- 2. Turn off the Ignition and REMOVE THE KEYS
- 3.Lock Your Doors!

At home:

- 1. Always secure all doors and windows
- 2. Light up your home
- 3. Don't keep large amounts of cash at home
- 4. Use your alarm, even when home

Most importantly LOCK YOUR DOORS TO KEEP WHATS YOURS.



PLEASE JOIN US!
All are welcome at the
BHCA & Partnership for Parks
MALL CLEAN-UP FEST!
SATURDAY, APRIL 25

CANCELLED!

Assignments will be given out at the meeting area and light refreshements will be served afterwards.

WE WELCOME EVERYONE AND HOPE OUR NEIGHBORS WILL SPREAD THE WORD.

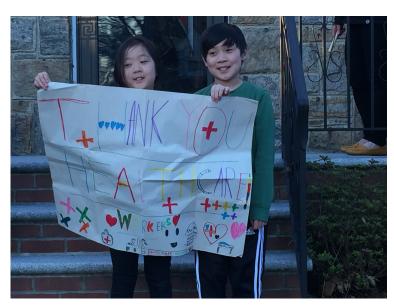
Please email us with questions: baysidehillscivic@gmail.com and check our Facebook page for updates! Facebook.com/baysidehills







Community Support During Covid-19



In the midst of this isolating time the families on 212th Street between 53rd and 56th Avenues have found a way to stay connected while maintaining social distancing. Each night at 7:00pm neighbors clap and bang pots and pans to recognize our city's healthcare workers who put themselves in harms way to save lives. We encourage you do the same on your street. Just stay safe and distanced.



BE SAFE! Don't LITTER!

Littering never had a place in Bayside Hills and it surely doesn't now. For anyone who wear gloves or any protective masks in public, the safest practice is to remove them and dispose of them in a plastic-lined garbage bin that can be tied shut and be tossed out properly. If someone's in public and can't find a proper trash bin, they should take the PPE home and dispose of it in a sealed garbage can.

Advantages of wearing gloves

- •Acts as a barrier and an extra layer over hands that are contaminated with pathogenic organisms
- •Can be useful if someone returns to work and is recovering from a virus
- •Customer reassurance and satisfaction

Disadvantages of wearing gloves

- •Can be contaminated themselves and can cause cross contamination if the glove had touched any other surfaces
- •Can create illusion of false security in mind of wearer
- •May not be changed frequently enough

Guidelines for proper glove use

- •Decontaminate hands before putting on gloves
- •Remove contaminated gloves before touching other surfaces
- •Change gloves immediately after contaminated material is touched
- •Do not reuse disposable gloves
- •Always dispose gloves before using the toilet/restroom



SAVE THE DATE
GREAT NECK/
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MEMORIAL DAY PARADE
ON MAY 25

HOW TO WEAR A MASK?



It should COVER YOUR MOUTH, NOSE AND CHIN, with the coloured side facing outwards.



PINCH THE METAL EDGE OF THE MASK so that it presses gently on your nose bridge.



Remove a used mask by **HOLDING ONLY THE EAR LOOPS**.



WASH YOUR HANDS REGULARLY WITH SOAP AND WATER.

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION "CARES" PROGRAMS

***From Barry Grodenchik's Office

Financial assistance for businesses impacted by COVID-19 is now available through the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA).

SBA loans will be available on a first-come-first-served basis, so it is important to submit your application as soon as possible. You should reach out to the SBA for guidance on how any other financial awards could impact your SBA award. If you have questions related to the SBA programs, <u>find a local</u> SBA partner. More information here.

Economic Injury Disaster Loans and Loan Advance

- A low-interest, fixed rate loan up to \$2 million
- Can be used to pay immediate expenses during an emergency (payroll, bills/accounts payable, fixed debts)
- Advance of up to \$10,000 awarded within three days of application, which can be used keep employees on payroll, to pay for sick leave, meet increased production costs, or pay business obligations

Paycheck Protection Program

- A low-interest, no fee, loan up to \$10 million for small businesses, self-employed individuals, and others to help with cash flow and retain employees; if employers maintain payroll, a portion of the loan will be forgiven
- To apply, reach out to your existing bank and ask if they are a participating lender; if so, your bank can walk you through the application
- If your bank does not offer the program, reach out to a <u>traditional SBA bank</u> or <u>contact your local SBA</u> <u>resource partners</u> for more information
- Please note: If you use the proceeds from the NYC Small Business Continuity Loan Fund for payroll costs, it may compromise your ability to receive loan

forgiveness from the SBA; please check with your local bank or SBA Resource partner for guidance

SBA Express Bridge Loan

- Businesses with existing relationships with an SBA Express Lender can access up to \$25,000 quickly. This loan can be used while applying for the EIDL loan
- This loan must be repaid in full or in part by proceeds from the EIDL loan

SBA Debt Relief

- As part of SBA's debt relief efforts the SBA will automatically pay the principal, interest, and fees of current 7(a), 504, and microloans for a period of six months
- The SBA will also automatically pay the principal, interest, and fees of new 7(a), 504, and microloans issued prior to September 27, 2020

Lastly, please note that scammers are targeting businesses with loan and grant fraud. Beware of phishing emails and robocalls, and double check any web addresses to make sure that they are associated with the correct government agency. For more information and quick tips, follow the NYPD Crime Prevention Division on Twitter using handle @nypdcpd.



RESTAURANTS THAT ARE OPEN FOR TAKE OUT/DELIVERY IN BAYSIDE DURING COVID-19

• Bareburger

42-38 Bell Blvd; 718-279-2273 Take Out & Delivery 12-9PM Everyday

• Bayside Dumpling

42-18 Bell Blvd, 718-224-8818 Take out for frozen dumplings

• Bayside Milk Farm

35-15 Bell Blvd , 718-225-0050 Groceries & Delivery M-F 8-9 Sat 8-7 & Sun 8:30-7

• Bell Grocery & Deli

35-12 Bell Blvd, 718-224-8532 Take Out Open 8:30-5:00

• Ben & Teena's Ice Cream

39-33 Bell Blvd , 718-229-0229 Take Out & Delivery 3-9:30PM

• Bourbon Street

40-12 Bell Blvd 718 224 2200 Take Out & Delivery 12-8 PM

• Cinco de Mayo

42-29 Bell Blvd 718-224-0330 Take Out & Delivery 11:30-8:30

• D'Alessandro's Corner Grill

39-35 Bell Blvd 718-224-7455 Take Out & Delivery until 10

• Domino's Pizza LLC

36-26 Bell Blvd 718-225-7575 Take Out & Delivery 12PM-11PM Everyday

• Donovan's of Bayside

214-16 41st Ave 718-423-5353 Take Out & Delivery 4-8 Fri-Sun

• Dunkin Donuts

40-08 Bell Blvd 718 224 7013 Open regular hours

• Erawan Thai Cuisine

42-31 Bell Blvd 718-428-2112 Take Out & Delivery 12- 8PM

• Fiamma 41

214-26 41st Ave 718-225-5700 Take Out & Delivery 6-10PM Tue-Sun Family Pizza Making Kits available

• Fino Wine & Tappas

39-13 Bell Blvd 718-229-1330 Take Out & Delivery 4-8PM online updates daily

• I < 3 mac & Cheese

41-19 Bell Blvd 347-836-8720 Order online thru app

• Kenta Sushi

39-23 Bell Blvd 718-225-4898 Take Out & Delivery until 9

• Maria's Mediterranean

38-11 Bell Blvd 718-279-1497 Take Out & Delivery 4-8 PM

• Martha's Country Bakery

41-06 Bell Blvd 718-225-5200 Take Out Hours vary

• Masala Box

42-02 Bell Blvd 718-281-2699 Take Out & Delivery 1-9 PM Closed Tues

• Momo Ashi

40-06 Bell Blvd 718-819-8848 Take Out & Delivery 1:30-9:30PM Closed Tues

• Monahan and Fitzgerald

214-17 41st Ave 718-279-4450 Daily menu on Instagram

• Mr. Wasabi

42-32 Bell Blvd 718-224-1133 Take Out & Delivery 12-8PM Closed Mon

• Nippon Cha

39-34 Bell Blvd 718-229-0805 Take Out & Delivery 11AM-9PM (Limited Menu)

• OSP

213-10 41st Ave 718-224-0060 Take Out, Delivery & Curbside Including cocktails 12-8 PM

• Papazzio Restaurant

39-38 Bell Blvd 718-229-1962 Take Out, Curbside or Delivery 4-7PM 15% OFF, \$25 min for delivery

• Pelicana

43-13 Bell Blvd 718-224-2224 Take Out 12-10:30 Delivery 4-10:30

• Red Mango

2-23 Bell Blvd 917-421-0669 Take Out & Delivery Mon-Tues 11:30-8:30 F-Sat-Sun 11:30-9:00 Closed Wed & Thurs

• Sangarita's

40-02 Bell Blvd 718-428-2727 Take Out & Delivery Tue – Sun 4-9PM 15% off & Sangrita available to go!

• Subway

39-27 Bell Blvd 718-225-0888 Take Out & Delivery 10-8

Taverna Kyclades

39-28 Bell Blvd 718-631-2000 Take Out & Delivery 1-7pm

• Thai 101

39-15 Bell Blvd 718-631-8600 Take Out & Delivery til 10:15PM

• The French Workshop

38-39 Bell Blvd 718-224-0700 Take Out M-Th & Sun 8AM-6PM Fri-Sat 8AM-8PM

• VI Pizza

43-02 Bell Blvd 718-229-9311 Pick Up Only (No Delivery) M-Thurs & Sun 11-9PM / Fri-Sat 11-10PM

• White Castle

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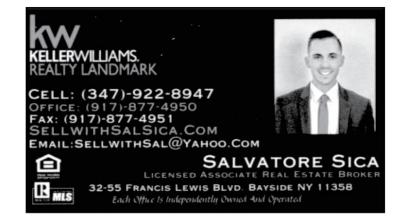
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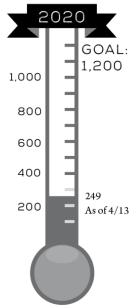
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If you are a business owner who would like to participate and help the Bayside Hills community, please contact us at baysidehillscivic@gmail.com, we'd love to include you!

• MEMBERSHIP DUES •

PLEASE SEND IN YOUR 2020 DUES DONATION TODAY!

We appreciate your generosity. The Bayside Hills Civic Association is an open homeowner membership organization representing over 1,200 households within the boundaries of Bayside Hills. Our mission is to promote a safer, more livable community. The BHCA Board is volunteer-powered and service-driven. Its advocacy, beautification, and communication work rely solely on the support of members, sponsors, *Beacon* advertisers, and participating discount merchants to maintain and improve our neighborhood. **Here is a simple infographic to show how some of our dues were spent in 2019.**





Last year, along with our regular mall cuttings, we took on new projects i.e. renovating the planters in our malls, garbage removal, clock repairs, fixing the cupola and 48th Avenue entrance pillars



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\$1,097

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2020 MEMBERSHIP DUES

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