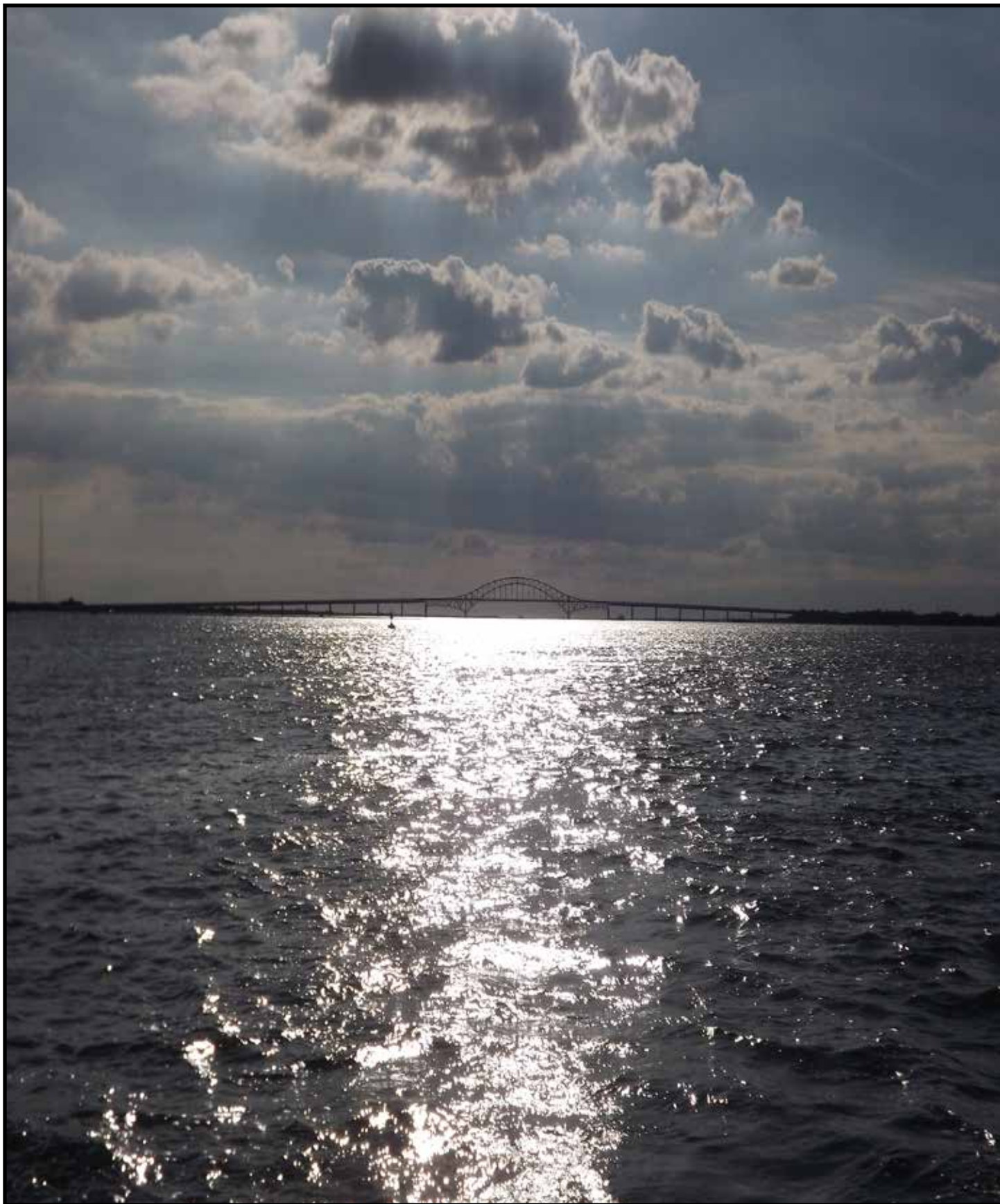




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DEAR RESIDENTS,

Following our warm and dry summer we now enter another beautiful season at the Admiralty. In the coming days almost daily changes should display very picturesque and colorful fall foliage across the property. The landscaping and grounds improvements are sure to yield better vistas. Be adventuresome and explore, or re-explore, some of the more remote parts of the grounds.

Fall also offers opportunities to consider how you can contribute positively to continued improvements in our community and community life: Consider joining a committee, Attend a homeowners meeting, Reach out to new and existing neighbors, Submit an article to the Log.

Regardless, make the best of this season.

The Log welcomes, and encourages, written and pictorial contributions. The winter issue (December-January) contributions should be submitted to theadmiraltylog@gmail.com by November 1st.

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RESPECTFUL PARTICIPATION IN ADMIRALTY HOA GOVERNANCE

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My purpose in writing is to request we conduct the meetings of the Admiralty Homeowners Association with a sense of civility and mutual respect for all the participants. My appeal is based on a report of the acerbic nature of the discussion at the July Board of Directors meeting about proposals for the Northwest Project.

Let's step back a moment and remind ourselves of the purposes and responsibilities of the Admiralty HOA. The Attorney General's Office provides a helpful summary of the HOA statute and regulations in their paper, "How to Handle Problems with your Home Owner Association," which is available on their Website. The HOA was established under the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law of the State of New York. When you purchase a home at the Admiralty, you become a HOA member. Our HOA is governed by a Board of Directors, elected by the membership with a set of rules called By-Laws. Books and records of financial transactions must be kept, taxes paid (if applicable), and prescribed services provided to members. The HOA has an annual budget prepared by the Board of Directors and presented to the members at the annual meeting for approval. Upon approval, the Board assesses each member an equitable share of the annual costs, paid monthly in the HOA fee.

The primary purpose of the HOA is to protect and preserve the value of the privately and commonly used property. Every individual owner at the Admiralty has the opportunity to participate in HOA governance and management, to the extent that they so desire. Depending upon the member's preferences, such involvement may consist of keeping informed of matters of their particular interest, participating in any of the HOA committees, and running

for a Board of Director's position. Alexis de Tocqueville, in his famous work, Democracy in America, originally published in 1835, observed that Americans make extensive use of associations for both public or governmental and private purposes working for a common good. Voluntarily coming together for a common purpose is a very important aspect of American democracy.

I remember at the first HOA meeting I attended with my wife in 2011 when we first moved to the Admiralty was a somewhat jarring experience. While discussing a matter related to the work of a Board member, there was a very heated exchange from the floor in a quite disrespectful and demeaning manner, including personal attacks. I was quite concerned about this exchange. We had recently moved to the Admiralty from Scarsdale, where I had been quite active in civic affairs for more than a decade. I was accustomed to a more civil and collegial exchange in civil affairs. Resorting to personal attacks toward those who disagree with your positions, renders the Admiralty governance apparatus ineffective in addressing important issues.

All homeowners are empowered to participate in the HOA governance, at whatever level they desire. We are all obligated "to protect and preserve" the value of private and common property. Respecting the opinions and beliefs of all involved and seeking common ground through consensus best ensures our success in meeting our common goals and objectives.

Cordially,
Kenneth W. Rodgers, Ed.D.

AT THE END OF THE RAINBOW

BY BARBARA FISHKIND

What could be better than to end the summer with "It's a wrap party" and find yourself at the end of a rainbow! Such was the scene at this summer's Admiralty Labor Day Party. Just as folks were starting to leave the informal wrap party, a rainbow was spotted to the south. Lynne Slovin quickly captured it on her iphone. A great ending to a great summer, a great party and a beautiful sunset!

Many thanks to Dave Obrig for all his hard work with the Marina, Pool, Tennis and now Kayaks and Paddle Boards. It was a safe, fun summer filled with boating, fishing, sailing, clamming, water aerobics, tennis, bocci and friends! We certainly have found our pot of gold at the Admiralty!



JUST SAYIN'

Election Day is around the corner. Whatever your political leanings may be, there is one binding truth.....we are among the most fortunate citizenry, in that we have both the ability and the responsibility to elect our officials.

The modern age of elections began, it seems, with the Kennedy/Nixon election. It was the beginning of the influence of television on our psyche. While some say the televised debates, as well as Joe Kennedy's money, influenced the election, electioneering would never be the same.

We have survived a polarizing and disastrous war; we have survived "Tricky Dick Nixon"; we have survived sex scandals in the White House and we have survived a contested election where the outcome was decided by a state official with questionable ties to a candidate.

Our political system has survived and flourished. The Democrats survived the Michael Dukakis debacle, and the Republicans survived the Barry Goldwater disaster. And.....regardless of who wins this election, our country will survive.

We all have a civic duty to vote in this election. Whether you are registering your vote for the candidate of your choice, or if you are merely voting against the other candidate is immaterial. What is most important is that you vote.

To sit this one out because you do not like either candidate is simply not acceptable.

LUNCH BUNCH

Good friends and neighbors are enjoying a wonderful "Lunch Bunch" Luncheon, at Salvatores in Bay Shore. Great food and conversation, we can't wait for the next one. Another successful luncheon, kudos and thank you to Pat Shahn!





WHAT'S SPECIAL ABOUT SPECIAL EVENTS

BY BARBARA FISHKIND

When we purchased our home at the Admiralty in the late 1990's, we were invited by our sellers to "Tanglewood at the Admiralty"... a musical event featuring several performing groups under a tent overlooking the marina. We decided right then we had purchased a place in Utopia! We also decided we loved the lifestyle and we would do whatever we could to continue the fun and activities at the Admiralty.

Right now we are seeking new ideas! New volunteers! New Energy! The variety of events has been amazing: magic shows, halloween parties, sailaways, apple class, covered dish dinners, movie nights, game nights, mentalist, lunch bunch, dinner cruises, theater parties, progressive dinners, charity fundraisers, mini marathons, and numerous other events.

Many, many people contributed to the planning, implementation and attendance at these events. But you might be surprised to know that we have seen more than 40 new families move into the Admiralty in the last 5 years! It's time to get involved....relieve the "old planners" and bring new ideas and energy to our special events.

You are invited to join in the planning and to contribute your time, your leadership and your energy. Feel free to call me at 631-680-9212 or email me at bsfishkind@gmail.com to show your enthusiasm and ability to volunteer. Help make the lifestyle at the Admiralty as important as the scenery!



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WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS

COX FAMILY – 253 HELM LANE

It's been a fabulous summer and the Cox family at 253 Helm has taken full advantage of the Admiralty. Moving here recently with their three children, Jordan and Jessica have spent much of their summer time on the water. Twins Ethan and Trevor joined sister, Taylor, on the boat at least 4 days a week docked at Fire Island. They spent their time fishing, clamming and swimming. The Cox family truly took advantage of all Long Island has to offer.

In the off season, mom and dad are educators. Jordan is an administrator in Harborfields and Jessica is a 6th grade teacher in Rocky Point as well as a professor at Suffolk Community College. They are thrilled to be at the Admiralty and can't believe they can enjoy all the amenities and beauty of its location.

DIANE AND GLENN HUTNICK – 11 ADMIRALS DRIVE EAST

It was just a short trip west from Bayberry Point and Diane and Glenn found themselves in a beautiful Brigantine at the Admiralty. Glenn is a Prosthetist and Diane is a very creative business woman. Presently she runs a Paint-Night fashion business! Their two sons are grown, ages 20 and 25 so they have plenty of time to travel, play tennis and Glenn goes golfing. They feel very welcome here at the Admiralty and enjoy the pool, tennis and the people they have met. Diane and Glenn attend many of our events and bring family members to enjoy all that the Admiralty offers.

CHRISTY AND VINNIE PURRAZZELLA – 173 ANCHOR LANE

There are several life-changing events in one's life....events that make a difference. Congratulations to Christy and Vinnie for achieving all three at once!!! This past June, the Purrazzella's were fortunate enough to move to the Admiralty. How exciting to be in a Delmar with all the amenities of the Admiralty. At the very same time, Vinnie was starting his position at the new Atlantic Lexus Dealership on Rt. 110. The highlight of the month however was getting word that their new little adopted daughter, Parker, was on her way. Welcome to the Admiralty's newest additions! Hopefully Christy and Vinnie will have time to enjoy all three....Parker, the Admiralty and the new job!

RICHARD AND ANITA VULTAGGIO - 141 ANCHOR LANE

The Vultaggios' are retired Long Island teachers, who moved here from Babylon Village. Both Science teachers, Anita taught intermediate level science in the Bethpage School District until her retirement in 2012. However, her first career was as a nuclear medical technician eventually attaining the position of Director of the Nuclear Medicine Teaching program at Northport VA Hospital.

Richard taught in the Babylon Village Schools for 33 years. He taught mainly Physics at both the regents and AP level. He was also the Director of Science for the district for over 20 years. Richard and Anita have two grown children. Their son, Richard, lives in Clifton Park, NY and is a CNC programmer and daughter Lorraine, is a police officer with the NYPD. Anita enjoys yoga and Richard plays golf. As a couple they are especially drawn to gardens and love to visit them in all their travels. So the Admiralty seemed an obvious choice when deciding to move.

They want to thank the many people they have already met and have been so gracious in welcoming them.

MARYANN AND STEVE DILEO – 51 ADMIRALS DRIVE EAST

They didn't come far, but they are excited to start their new life at the Admiralty. Maryann and Steve DiLeo moved into their new home in September having moved from West Islip. Life has been very busy for them fixing up their new place and it's going to be spectacular! When not working with contractors, Maryann works for the West Babylon Schools. Steve is busy commuting to their business in San Francisco, California. It's there on Mare Island that the DiLeo's own a shipyard repairing large vessels.

Their daughter, Christine an RN, joins them at the Admiralty commuting to Stony Brook Hospital working towards becoming a nurse practitioner. Son, Steven, lives with his wife in New Jersey. The DiLeo's are looking forward to life at the Admiralty and meeting their neighbors and residents. Welcome!



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A HISTORY LESSON BY CAROL BEIGE

This summer the Homeowner Association (HOA) held its bi-monthly meeting. It seems that at every meeting the usual homeowners attend. Actually, there may have been a few more people this time, including a guest, a consultant to the Board of Directors (BOD) regarding the Northwest project.

It would not be fair to discuss the Northwest project without a brief history lesson explaining how this came about. The financial stability of the Admiralty has been, and will continue to be the focus of our BOD. To this end, our Board, as part of their fiduciary responsibility, has worked diligently to provide information and accountability to residents through a variety of communications and at HOA meetings.

Admiralty BODs, in the early years of the HOA, can be characterized by inadvertent financial mismanagement due to lack of vision for short and long term commitments and investments. There were times when the HOA was nearly insolvent of reserves. These BOD actions were apparently taken under the mistaken notion that keeping the maintenance fees low would protect our selling prices. This approach was unsuccessful, resulting in infrastructure disrepair with minimal financial reserves to address near and long term community needs. In order to maintain the basic fiscal integrity of the Admiralty, two special assessments were authorized. These assessments barely raised enough capital to meet the immediate emergency repairs.

In order to ensure the future infrastructure needs of an aging and neglected community, the feasibility of a bank loan was presented to the homeowners. With much discussion at HOA meetings, a measure passed and a loan was negotiated. After the initial repairs were made, and with the establishment of more healthy reserves, discussion ensued proposing an early pay-down of the loan to decrease our maintenance fees. This was opposed by those who felt that the security of a positive financial balance far out-shadowed the cost of the loan.

Fortunately the loan was not re-paid. When disaster struck in the form of Superstorm Sandy, while there was virtually no damage to individual homes, extensive common HOA damage was sustained. Insurance did not cover the complete cost of repairs and/or replacement and, with the loan still in place, a re-financing enabled the HOA to proceed to make prompt repairs and enhancements.

Prior to those events, the feasibility of developing the Northwest property was presented by the BOD and discussed at several HOA meetings. The BOD, following our By-Laws protocol, presented an amendment to homeowners, to increase

the number of permissible homes to 187 from 160. After much additional discussion as to the pro's and con's of the undertaking, the residents approved the measure. Following the economic downturn in 2008, and the accompanying housing market decline, pursuing further development of the property was discontinued.

Today, however, with the resurgence of the housing market, the development of the property has been re-visited via a BOD feasibility study, including engaging a market development consultant. Financially there are many reasons to pursue this. It appears the positive aspects far outweigh the negatives in this case. The BOD is committed to continue to pro-actively communicate with the residents as the project develops and proceeds. This will continue to be discussed at future HOA meetings as the BOD is charged with the responsibility of maintaining the community both financially and structurally.

While it may be true that some homeowners were not aware of the plans to develop this property, this is an instance of Caveat Emptor - Buyer Beware. The vote to amend the By-Laws was taken and passed. It is included in the documents given to every homeowner.

At the July, 2016 meeting there was, unfortunately, much misinformation presented regarding the vote to increase the number of homes. The original vote, to increase the number of homes to a maximum of 187, was passed with more than 87% of homeowners in favor. This is not an inconsequential number, as only 75% is required to pass a By-Laws amendment.

On this matter the Board has acted in accordance with prevailing laws and Admiralty By-Laws. To erroneously state that anything less than a valid and binding vote to amend the By-laws was approved is a disservice and discredit to those who worked, and continue to work, on our behalf.

To also suggest that another vote be taken, by a handful of people who were either not homeowners at the time of the vote, or simply not in the majority at that time, is nothing more than an attempt to thwart the will of the majority for the sake of the minority. None of us were present when our Constitution was adopted, but that doesn't mean it is not binding or should be ratified anew.

Whether or not the Northwest property is developed will depend on many factors yet to be vetted or determined. The final decision is yet to be made, however we can all be sure that our BOD will only progress with this project if it will be beneficial to the community at large.

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Thank you. Thank you for your time and for this beautiful addition to what was once a sleepy, colorless lake. As I passed by one afternoon, the lake was full of white ducks and they were staring at the water spray....."WHOA, WHAT IS THIS???" as they quacked away.

Cheers to Mike Castellano and his sons, and to James Nazzaro ingenuity and time, and for the pleasure and beauty of this addition. I hope it will last for a long time.

Thank you from all.

OF SOUND MIND BY MERYL LEFF LCSW, CASAC

I am a Virgo and I love the idea of having a perfectly neat and organized home. After the fire when many of my possessions were lost, I expected that I would easily learn to curtail the amount of "stuff" I collected. I enjoyed the simplicity for a few weeks, and then began again to visit garage and estate sales to replenish my losses. I later learned that many items that I believed had been lost had really been rescued and restored. Hence, the clutter was reinstated. When I moved back into my new "old" home, I had more to unpack and store than I possibly could have imagined.

Clutter starts when we cannot distinguish between what we want and what we actually need. Clutter also collects when we save items that are no longer useful or practical for our everyday needs. Some things we save because they are mementos or have sentimental value. Other items are saved because we erroneously believe they will have value or importance in the future.

Cluttering can be minimal or extreme. Extreme cluttering is known as hoarding, and can be related to obsessive compulsive disorder. We have all seen those homes on television where the cluttering is so severe that the people no longer have access to entire rooms or sections of their houses.

Some people save things because it gives them a sense of

control over life; ways of holding onto things so that these things will always be there.

The first step in decluttering is to begin throwing away or giving away unneeded objects. Consider each object and ask yourself whether you use this object or article of clothing frequently, seldom or never. It is vital to not tell yourself to keep an object because you might need it someday.

Organization can be improved greatly when similar objects are stored in the same area. Items that are used frequently should be most accessible. Duplicate objects should be thrown away or donated to someone else who needs them.

If your house is currently very cluttered and you are overwhelmed by the idea of decluttering, try using the skill of partialization. Work on one shelf or one drawer at a time. If something is not used and you cannot bear to throw it away, pack it away in a storage container.

Cluttering can be alleviated when we get out of the habit of tossing objects into random spaces. It is vital to decide where a new item is to be stored as soon as it is purchased and brought into the house.

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Give me the space
To find my grace*

By Judith Kertzner



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“Well, yes, I am,” she replied proudly. “I’ll be 97 next month, and I am now old enough that I don’t even need a driver’s license anymore.”

He asked “How do you know?”

“The last time I went to my doctor, he examined me and asked if I had a driver’s license. I told him, yes, and handed it to him.”

“He took scissors out of the draw, cut the license into pieces, and threw them in the waste basket, saying ‘You won’t need this anymore.’”

“So I thanked him and left!”

SAFETY TIP OF THE MONTH

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THE NOT SO SECRET GARDEN

BY PAT VALDEMIRA AND LINDA ZUSMER

"To plant a garden is to believe in tomorrow." - Audrey Hepburn

The Admiralty Farm has had a great season. A big thank you to Jerry Kapalko for paving the paths between the garden parcels! October is the month to plant tulips, daffodils and hyacinths. You can continue until the ground is frozen.

This month is also a good time to plant new trees and shrubs and to divide spring and summer blooming perennials.

A QUICK OVERVIEW OF RECYCLING...

WHEN YOU PUT YOUR RECYCLE CAN ON WEDNESDAY MORNING:

- Acceptable Metal, Glass and Plastic are tin and beverage cans, license plates, glass bottles and jars (without the lids). No 1 and 2 plastic containers that hold soda, detergent, shampoo, mild and water
- Acceptable Paper and Cardboard are newspapers, magazines, junk mail, corrugated cardboard and boxes.
- Do NOT place these items in plastic bags.
- **What is NOT acceptable:** Milk and egg cartons, Food/ Pizza boxes, All plastic bags, toys, buckets, coolers, kitchen utensils, any metal hangers, pots and pans, glass from windows, dishes and drinking or eye glasses, ceramics, mirrors.

HERE IS A RECIPE THAT IS GREAT FOR THE LAST HARVEST OF CHERRY TOMATOES AND CUCUMBERS:

MEDITERRANEAN CHICKPEA SALAD

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 can (15.5 oz) chick peas, drained and rinsed
- 1 ½ cups cherry tomatoes, quartered
- 1 cucumber, seeded and chopped
- 4 oz mozzarella cheese, cubed
- ¼ red onion, finely chopped
- 2 T. coarsely chopped fresh parsley
- 1 T. lemon juice
- Salt and Pepper, to taste
- ¼ cup extra virgin Olive Oil

DIRECTIONS:

- In bowl, gently stir together chick peas, tomatoes, cucumbers cheese, onions and parsley.
- In separate bowl, stir together lemon juice and olive oil
- Toss vegetables and dressing. Season with salt and pepper. Serve chilled or a room temperature

STUFF YOU DIDN'T KNOW YOU DIDN'T KNOW!

JIM GATHARD

YOU KNOW YOU ARE LIVING IN 2016 WHEN...

1. You accidentally enter your PIN on the microwave.
2. You haven't played solitaire with real cards in years.
3. You have a list of 15 phone numbers to reach your family of four.
4. You e-mail the person who works at the desk next to you.
5. Your reason for not staying in touch with friends and family is that they don't have e-mail addresses.
6. You pull up in your own driveway and use your cell phone to see if anyone is home to help you carry in the groceries...
7. Every commercial on television has a web site at the bottom of the screen.
8. Leaving the house without your cell phone, which you didn't even have the first 20 or 30 (or 60) years of your life, is now a cause for panic, and you turn around to go and get it.
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MEET THE NEW ADMIRALTY CREWMATES

BY VINCENT VALDEMIRA

I have been told that for many years our employees have been referred to as crewmates. The term reminds me somewhat of the word teammate and a team is what the Admiralty Board is trying to develop. Our crewmates work very closely with our board members to maintain and improve the Admiralty buildings and grounds. I am sure you have noticed the improvements made to the Admiralty over the past 18 months, proving the team concept works.

Changes to the Admiralty Crew were recently made and announced via email. With the recent departures of Mike and Guy the Admiralty Board of Directors has authorized the following hires.

Don Boss is our new lead crewmate. He brings to the Admiralty extensive experience in the areas of electrical, plumbing and carpentry. He has had a career in managing his own construction business and working for various maintenance and construction entities.

When I first saw his name I couldn't help but think of the Godfather trilogy where the head of the family was referred to as "The Don". Then I thought even if someone missed that how could you get past his last name without wondering if he adopted the name Boss for effect. While his name caused me to think a bit, those thoughts were washed away the minute I met him. A nicer more collegial man would be hard to find for this important position. Not Bossy at all! In fact all he wants to do is blend into our team and work side-by-side with our capable staff. If you see Don in your travels be polite and say hello or you may find yourself "sleeping with the fishes".

Also hired was Alex Kyriacou for all-around general maintenance. I don't even try to pronounce his last name, so to me he is Alex K. What a great find Alex has been. He has worked here part time for the past few years starting with the summer after Sandy. Alex is an expert carpenter and in his part time role has learned a lot about the Admiralty's infrastructure. He also has excellent problem solving skills which demonstrates on a regular basis. There are



a few projects which will soon be addressed that are perfectly suited for Alex one such project is the repair of our kiosks and prepping them for staining. He will also be responsible for tennis court and landscape maintenance.

Much like Mike, his predecessor, Alex is a perfect gentleman. He understands the balance we must strike between technical efficiency and being responsible to 160 homeowners. If you see Alex K. out and about handling the daily work list, wish him well in his new role here as an Admiralty Crewmate.

I would be remiss if I didn't mention Ed Blair, who is responsible for irrigation. While he is not a new hire, with three years under his belt, he is now our field crewmate with the most seniority. Ed has been the go-to-guy for us lately. While we were short-handed Ed made sure all critical and general maintenance items were kept up to date. Even with projects at Mansion Circle, Swans Landing and Birch Alley where maintenance support was required, our general maintenance list never suffered from lack of attention.

Ed's primary responsibility is keeping our grounds green. During extreme

drought conditions we have experienced this year, he has done a very good job. While we may have some brownouts, we are more than 99% green as a percentage of our 100 acres, for which Ed deserves kudos. Our irrigation system is now 40 years old and requires more maintenance than ever before. Ed is planning replacement of outdated system components such as clocks, wiring valves, pipe and irrigation heads. We are also looking into another dedicated water service to alleviate occasional pressure drops that we experience during times of high usage.

In closing a few general reminders - All requests for maintenance should be directed to Evelyn Windsor at 631-666-0242. Our crewmates are busy working from a prioritized list of work orders so please do not attempt to circumvent this process by speaking with them directly. Most importantly, for safety sake, please do not attempt to access electrical or irrigation panels in common areas such as kiosks and the clubhouse.



Dear Residents and Friends, from The Admiralty

After almost 11 years of working as a maintenance worker in this wonderful community with great people, I have decided to retire. I would like to take this opportunity to express myself on how grateful I am for the way I was treated by everyone. Each one of you demonstrated patience and understanding even though English was not my native language.

I am hoping from the bottom of my heart that I did not disappoint you.

I love this community and I will forever remember this as the best place of work I have ever had.

Leaving this place is making me very nostalgic. At the same time, however, I will be happy that I will get to spend the time with my loved ones: my wife, my kids and my grandchildren.

It was a pleasure working with all my colleagues: Eddie, Alex and Don. Best wishes to them and to everyone from the Guard House: Frank, Vinnie, Richie and Craig. I want to express my gratitude for having Evelyn as a special Manager, who is the heart of our crew!

I also want to thank all The Admiralty Residents for their generosity and kindness! I'll miss you all! God bless you!

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PATRIOTS AMONG US

BY BARBARA FISHKIND

It's always a pleasure to celebrate the patriotic holidays at the Admiralty. Memorial Day and Fourth of July are highlights. As we honor and celebrate with all who have served it's easy to forget, however, what our Veterans, including those from the Admiralty, have done for our wonderful country. The Log staff recently received the following letter from long-time resident, Milt Kalin. Not only did he serve this country during World War II, but he continues to offer his services!

Enjoy reading the letter highlighting Milt's military service and feel proud that one of our own received a personal thank you from the President of the United States.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 15, 2016

Mr. Milton Kalin
Bay Shore, New York

Dear Milton:


Thank you for the moving letter you wrote me before my visit to Hiroshima, and for your service to our Nation.

Your story echoes the story of our country, of progress forged by engaged citizens determined to do their part in changing the world for the better. It is clear that, whether in or out of uniform, you've never stopped endeavoring to make our society stronger and more just.

I went to Hiroshima not only in remembrance of the past, but also to call for a more peaceful, more secure future. If we, as an international community, can find the wisdom you wrote of in your message—of seeing the humanity by which we are bound—I know we can realize that future.

Thank you, again, for the thoughtful letter. I wish you the very best.

Sincerely,



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May 11, 2016

The Honorable Barack Obama
President
The White House
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Dear Mr. President:

I was reading the article in the May 11, 2016 New York Times about your upcoming journey to Hiroshima later this month.

I was particularly struck by the quote from Mr. Sunao Tsuboi, 91, "a leading anti-nuclear activist in Hiroshima, who was burned by the (atomic) bomb blast," who welcomed your visit. It struck me because I, too, am 91, and I am a living part of that history.

In early August, 1945, I was in the U.S. Army, on a troopship approaching the Philippines. Having embarked at Marseille France, we had just spent 30 days on a ship carrying troops who had fought their way through Europe, and who were now given to understand that we would be participating in the invasion of the Japanese home islands.

The ship's captain came in and he announced the astounding news that bombs had been dropped and Japan had surrendered.

Up until that moment, we expected a long, continuing, and increasingly bloody conflict. We had read about the Japanese Kamikaze suicide pilots; we knew that of the 21,000 Japanese soldiers on Iwo Jima only 216 were taken prisoner; and we knew of their bushido military code, that mandated no surrender. Some of us used to say "Back to the States in 48!," our estimate of how long the conflict would probably last. Knowing that all Japanese civilians, (even women and elementary school children, and the elderly), were being trained to defend the homeland to the death with improvised weapons and bamboo spears. Many of us were fatalistically cynical about our odds of surviving the war.

And then the world changed, changed utterly.
Japan had surrendered. We would live to return to our families and loved ones.
Yet even then, when we heard about the terrible power of the nuclear bomb, I remember us saying, "How are we possibly going to control this — there has to be some kind of world government to prevent these bombs from being used everywhere!"

I, too, am 91, and a survivor of that conflict. I would like to meet my 91 year old Japanese counterpart, to shake his hand, and to share our common humanity. For that reason I would like to be a small part of your Presidential visit to Hiroshima. Not as an advocate for a particular point of view, but to represent a typical American soldier and veteran.

A little about my background. After being drafted, I was stationed in Texas, I was a mess sergeant at that point. I remember an all black company of soldiers marching into our company area. They were hot and sweaty from a long march. I instinctively went out to them and handed them a container of water. I was reprimanded for serving black troops because whites would not want to drink out of the same container used by blacks. They didn't want me working in the mess anymore because I violated the Jim Crow segregation codes with a simple act of humanity. They told me to find another job. That's when I became a combat medical corpsman instead.

Even at 18, I was becoming active in the Civil Rights Movement. I remember attending meeting of a local NAACP chapter near the base and bringing the members copies of the New York City newspapers of political opinion called P.M. Many years later, in 1963 I would be in Washington D.C. attending Martin Luther King's Lincoln Memorial "I have a dream" speech.

After becoming a combat medic, I was in Germany and our unit came under artillery fire. Later, I would treat injured German civilians, for example, children wounded by stepping on landmines. (See one of the letters sent to me by a German civilian whom I had treated).

After the War ended, I enrolled in Columbia University and got my Masters Degree in Social Work. To this day, at 91, I am still working as the Executive Director of a nonprofit community mental health center providing psychiatric and chemical dependency treatment services in Long Island, N.Y.

So, as I said, and if you think it would be appropriate, it would mean a lot to me if I could represent the typical World War II "G.I.," as a small part of your delegation to Hiroshima. (I would pay for my own expenses.)

In any case, thank you for carrying with you the message of peace, reconciliation, and friendship.

Sincerely,

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Salt & Barrel is a recently opened oyster and craft cocktail bar, located at the corner of West Main and Park Avenue. In the forefront of the culinary renaissance occurring in Bay Shore and the Great South Bay, the Salt & Barrel occupies the ground floor of a new, three-story building, one of the new structures built recently along this section of Main Street. The Salt & Barrel is Bay Shore's first pure oyster bar, complimented by a craft cocktail bar with a creative selection of bourbons, craft beers, other hard liquors, and wine. The new décor inspires a chic bar in the City, that as you get to know it, I am sure will become an on-going part of dining-out repertoire.

The inspiration for this new endeavor came from the Flynn family, who have deep roots in the culinary scene in Bay Shore and the Great South Bay. They are the proprietors of Fire Island's Flynn's at Ocean Bay Park and were the founders of the Lake House when it was located on Main Street. The family includes father, Tim, daughter Ryan and son Morgan. During a trip to the Pacific Northwest, they formed a vision of an oyster bar combined with the popular West Coast version of a whiskey bar. My wife Nancy, daughter Jodi, and I met with Morgan during our Monday night diner this August. Morgan shared with us the background of their design for the interior: the tin ceiling; the marble floored oyster bar; the dining room; and a library lined with books on oysters and bourbon. Outside dining is currently afforded on the side that opens to Park Avenue. Morgan was excited about the plans that the town has approved for closure Park Avenue on the east side of

the restaurant and make a small park, which will facilitate more extensive outdoor dining. The opening this summer met their expectations; and I believe that the Salt& Barrel faces a promising future. Danielle Grosseto, a partner and hostess, shared with us that she kept a boat at the Admiralty Mariana with her former husband for about five years and she deeply enjoyed boating in the Great South Bay. The chef, Alexander Williamson, is a Long Island native with an impressive resume of fine New York restaurants. Alex explains that they offer fresh seafood from through the East and West coasts, sourced from a supplier located in Hawaii.

As such, I believe that the best way to get to know the unique dining and/or drinking experience is to take advantage of their Monday to Friday Happy Hour (from 5:00 to 7:00 PM) when 3 or 4 selected oysters are offered for \$1 each; select taps/wines are \$5; selected craft cocktails are \$6. The oysters are prime selections from both the east and west coasts, periodically relating about 12 different selections. This initial visit will give you plenty of opportunity to initially enjoy the oysters and drinks and to explore the many options for additional seafood selections. Their lobster rolls were recently selected by Newsday as one the best on Long Island, and the chocolate cookies are just purely seductive. Under any event, once you have sampled the fare, your curiosity will lead you to explore the many other options available. Bon appetite!



ADMIRALTY EVENTS CALENDAR

October 2016

A brooding calm in all the air,
A dreamy quiet everywhere...
A golden glow to light the day
That fades in purple mists away—
This soothing calm, this presence bright,
October's sweet and mellow light.
~Phebe A. Holder.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Time to Say Good Bye Snowbirds	2 WE WILL MISS YOU	3	4	5 DOMINOES 7:30 PM PLASTIC, GLASS, METAL RECYCLING	6 canasta 1:00 P.M. YOGA 9:00 A.M.	7 private party
8 2	9 3 Poker 7:00 P.M.	10 4 MAH JONGG 8:00 P.M.	11 5 DOMINOES 7:30 PM PAPER RECYCLING	12 6 YOGA 9:00 A.M.	13 7 canasta 1:00 P.M.	14 8 private party
15 9	16 10 BOD MEETING 7:45 P.M. Poker 7:00 P.M.	17 11 MAH JONGG 8:00 P.M.	18 12 Yom Kippur DOMINOES 7:30 PM PAPER RECYCLING	19 13 Book Club 7:30 P.M. YOGA 9:00 A.M.	20 14 canasta 1:00 P.M.	21 15
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29 23	30 24 Poker 7:00 P.M.	31 25 MAH JONGG 8:00 P.M.	26 26 DOMINOES 7:30 PM PAPER RECYCLING	27 27 YOGA 9:00 A.M.	28 28 canasta 1:00 P.M.	29 National Cat Day
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