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THE MAYOR'S UPDATE

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The Board of Trustees and staff continue to work on numerous projects, including improvements to the Village's infrastructure, the water tank replacement project, the concept plan for the former St. Paul's School building and other matters. I encourage you to attend Village Board of Trustees meetings; the schedule can be found on the Village's website, www.gardencityny.net.

DRONE FLIGHT OVER ST. PAUL'S

Please be advised that on Friday, May 31, the St. Paul's design team will be conducting an FAA-approved drone flight over the St. Paul's Recreational area. The main focus of the flight is to capture views of the existing buildings, however the drone will at times fly over the entire recreational area.

OH WHAT A NIGHT: VILLAGE CELEBRATES CENTENNIAL AND SESQUICENTENNIAL

What a night celebrating two momentous occasions in Garden City's history -- the 150th anniversary of Alexander T. Stewart's land purchase and the 100th anniversary of Garden City's Community Agreement! Hundreds filled the St. Paul's fields to enjoy live music, an array of eats from various food trucks, children's activities, dancing and more. The night was topped off by a fireworks display!

Rock and roll band, Stages, performed all the hits while Kona Ice, Cheezy Pete's, Crepes and Bakes, Neopolitan Pizza, NY Strip Catering Gourmet Food, Roadhouse Empanadas, BK Sweeney's (beer and wine) and John Parks' Good Humor Stand all offered food and beverages.

"I am so very pleased that everything went so well. So many of our residents came over to express their approval. It was a good time for everyone," Mayor Theresa Trouvé said. "I never saw so many people having such a good time and that is people of all ages. An unusual number of people asked if we could do this more often. If that isn't a sign that people were quite satisfied with the day, I don't know what is. By the way, I am wondering when we could do it again."

To see photos of the event, please visit the Village website, www.gardencityny.net.

MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND DWI ENFORCEMENT

During the Memorial Day weekend (May 24-May 27), the Garden City Police Department, along with various other Police Departments throughout Nassau County, participated in the STOP DWI Enforcement Initiative targeting intoxicated and drugged drivers. Commissioner Ken Jackson reported no arrests were made but 64 traffic tickets were issued.

The Department's participation in this effort is made possible through funding provided by the Nassau County Traffic Safety STOP DWI Program with a grant from the New York State STOP DWI Coordinators Association, the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee and the Nassau County Traffic Safety Board. Police Commissioner Ken Jackson states that during this initiative, Police Officers will monitor the Village's roadways, strictly enforcing all DWI and Drugged Driver laws.

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE AND CEREMONY

Residents proudly lined the streets to honor the war dead on Monday, May 27, 2019. Under the auspices of William Bradford Turner Post 265, the American Legion Auxiliary and the Garden City Kiwanis Club, the annual parade and ceremony took place under beautiful skies.

The parade disbanded at the War Memorial on Seventh Street where keynote speakers joined residents in honoring those who made the ultimate sacrifice. Post Commander Frank Tauches, Jr. welcomed all those in attendance, including this year's Grand Marshal, Ian Sage Donley, Petty Officer First Class, United States Navy. Born in the Village, he joined the Navy at the age of 19 and has served for the last 12 years. He served in two combat deployments in 2017 in support of Operation Inherent Resolve and is currently responsible for the upkeep and rework of 12 F/A-18 Super Hornets.

Joan Nedelka, long time president of the American Legion Auxiliary, addressed the crowd, as did Mayor Theresa Trouvé and Legislator Laura Schaefer. Drummers Daniel Hernandez-Arroyo and Ioakim Marinos from the Garden City High School Band assisted Commander Tauches as he read aloud the names of the war dead who served during World Wars I and II, the Korean War, Vietnam and Iraq. Buglers Tyler Glenn and Jimmy Wu, also from the Garden City High School Band, played *Taps*.

To see photos of the parade and ceremony, please visit the Village website, www.gardencityny.net.

REHABILITATION OF WELL NO. 13

The Garden City Water Department is always working to keep the water supply safe and to maintain efficiency in our operations. As part of these goals, each year we schedule a well rehabilitation in order to maintain peak performance of our system, help reduce maintenance costs and to ensure that we maintain a modern water supply system. This year we are scheduled to rehabilitate Well No. 13. This rehabilitation project isn't as large as other well rehabilitation projects because we have just completed a complete electrical upgrade of the well facility as part of a different capital project. Because of this previous work this project will only need to address the well itself. H2M, our water consultants, will be preparing plans for this project in preparation for a public bid. The actual rehabilitation won't take place until the Fall, after the peak summer season.

AMBULANCE SERVICES

Justin Burke, director of external affairs for NYU Winthrop, provided an update on ambulance service in the Village between January 7 and May 17, 2019. During this time period, ambulance crews responded to 658 calls, 71 percent of which were for chest pains, shortness of breath and/or fainting. Secondary calls were trauma-related involving falls and motor vehicle accidents. Crews performed 523 transports to area hospitals during this same time period.

“I think this has been a great partnership. We are very happy with the way things are going and we can only hope the community is as happy as we are,” Mr. Burke said. “We’ve been neighbors for over one hundred years and it’s great to be so entrenched at this point in time.” Mayor Theresa Trouvé agreed, adding, “I think your presence here in the Village makes people feel very secure.”

The two-year agreement with NYU Winthrop provides service 24 hours a day/seven days a week. The contract provides two new ambulances fitted with brand new equipment, each of which has one EMT and one paramedic aboard. Ambulances are stationed at the St. Paul’s campus. The switch to a private service provider was one of the items on the Board’s priority list adopted in 2017. The Village Police Department has radio connectivity with the ambulances. In addition, two microphones/speakers were installed for efficient dispatching between Police Headquarters and each ambulance unit.

Commissioner Ken Jackson, who has firsthand experience with the transition, said his officers are thankful for the support. “We work side by side. My officers have been very appreciative of the help they are getting. I’ve seen the ability they have on serious aided cases and they do a tremendous job.”

JUNE 6 PUBLIC HEARING ON REVISED PROPOSED LOCAL LAW

The Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing Thursday, June 6, beginning at 8:00 p.m. on a revised Local Law to authorize a temporary Pilot Program of restricted parking on the western side of Garden City Parking Field 7 which entails 35 parking spaces which will be designated for a period of up to one year for persons residing in the premises adjacent to Field 7N, at a fee of \$275 for the duration of the Pilot Program. The designated spots would be available to permit holders 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Additional spots may be needed at the discretion of the Village. A copy of the proposed Local Law has been sent to the Nassau County Planning Commission for review.

ORIGINAL PROPERTY FOLDER REQUESTS

Residents may request “original hard copy” property folders of records maintained by the Building Department. Please note that this is the only “original” hard copy that the Village maintains, and (for Village record-keeping purposes) is being completely replaced by an electronic “scanned” copy.

While the Department has made every effort to make its newly scanned electronic copies as clear and “readable” as the originals, we recognize there are some documents (amongst the thousands already scanned) which may be more easily read in “hard copy original” form. As a courtesy, the

Village is offering your original hard copy to you as the current homeowner. If you wish to have the “original file,” you must show proof of ownership of the property requested. We anticipate a high volume of requests for these folders, so please allow staff ample time to retrieve the folder, which will be released in a timely matter. The Department will notify you when your request is ready for pickup. Folder requests will be held for 30 days after a call back is made. If residents do not pick up their request it will be discarded. This “folder request project” will commence June 1, 2019 and end December 31, 2019. After that date, only copies made from the scanned electronic copies will be available.

PSEG TREE TRIMMING IN VILLAGE

Weather permitting, PSEG-Long Island is scheduled to begin a circuit trim on approximately May 30th, a portion of which includes some areas in the Village:

6th Avenue
Adams Street
Euston Road
Garfield Street
Harrison Street
Hayes Street
Jefferson Street
Lincoln Street
LIRR Row
Meadbrook Road
Monroe Street
New Hyde Park Road
North Avenue
Roosevelt Street
Roxbury Road
S 13th Street
S 14th Street
Stewart Avenue
Stratford Avenue
Wilson Street