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A Community Newsletter published by the Farmingville Residents Association, Inc.

Our Mission

To improve and develop community relations for a Unified Farmingville

Our Goals

Improve communication between all residents

Learn to be a good neighbor

Understand and respect cultural differences

Enhance the Beautification of Farmingville

Have an Understanding of Brookhaven Town Codes

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Community Day Celebration

This year, FRA will partner with the Farmingville Historical Society for a combined Community Day celebration. The event will be held at Farmingville Hills County Park on August 22, in conjunction with the opening of the one-room schoolhouse to the public. This historical building sits on the grounds of the park, and has been closed for a number of years. You will be able to visit the



school house, participate in activities during the day, and get to know your neighbors! There will be music, dancing, demonstrations and...Don't miss the big volleyball game at 1:30pm.

The Farmingville Historical Society, along with members of FRA have been working hard to get everything ready for the event. On a recent Saturday, a cleanup was held at the 1850's school house. You can't help but think how far education has come from the 3 "R's"...readin', rithtin' and 'rithmetic!

Upper right: Alexis Grasso, Legislator Tom Muratore and assistant, Jessica Proios Above: FRA members Marisa Pizza, Mike Underhill (Director), and Alexis Grasso Lower right: Bob Guagliardo, VFW, BJ Intini, FHS, FRA member Jennifer Ross

Photos courtesy of Jennifer Ross



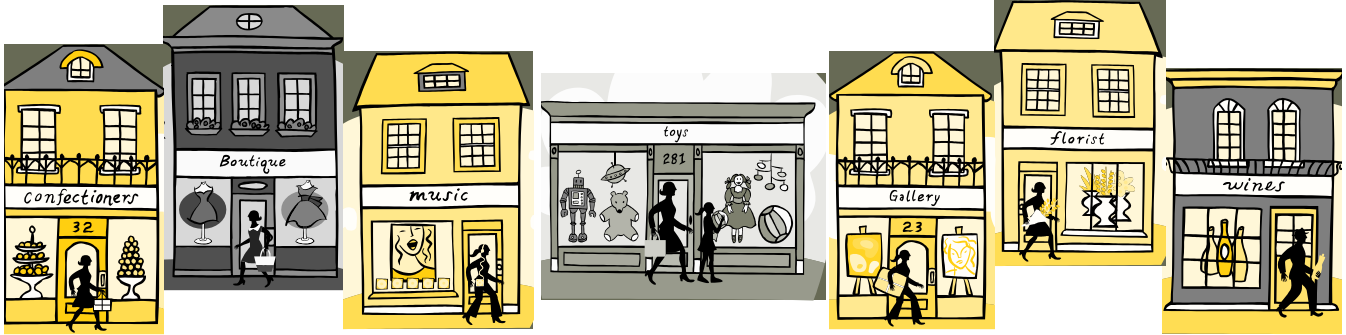
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“Vision for Tomorrow”

The Visioning Process Moves Forward



The Citizens Advisory Committee met on July 29 to review the first draft of the Farmingville “Vision for Tomorrow” plan presented by Sustainable Long Island. They will have an opportunity to review and make their comments and recommendations for any changes to the initial document. After two reviews, the final plan will be presented to the Town of Brookhaven for acceptance. When the final document is accepted by the Town, this Visioning Plan will become the guideline for all future development in Farmingville.

The draft has been long anticipated since the Community Planning

Weekend took place the first week in December of 2009. At that time, the visioning process began. Input from residents of the community outlined what the plan would include; what they wanted to see in their town, and what they did not want as part of the future plan.

According to Tom Chawner of the Town Planning Department, the CAC has begun to work on some of the 67 strategies that the Report identifies in order to implement the Vision. Their comments are due back to the Town on August 27. At that time, the Town will share their comments with the consultant on the project, and make any necessary

adjustments to the Report. Mr. Chawner advised that the next meeting of the Advisory Committee is scheduled for September 23, 2010. At that time, the committee will review the draft document for the second time.

After all changes have been made, the Plan is expected to be presented to the Town Board for approval in November of this year. Everyone involved in the Visioning Project feels a sense of excitement and accomplishment. They know they have a part of the Vision for the future of Farmingville!



FUN FACTS

Did you Know...?

New York was the first state to require license plates on cars!

Community News

Do you have a family member or friend currently serving in a war zone, or who has served in WWI, WWII, the Korean War or Vietnam War? **VFW Post 400** wants you to know they are there to help. Give them a call at 516-480-0662. They are located at 540 College Road in Farmingville.

FRA MEETING DATES

September 21
October 19
November 16

All meetings are on Tuesday at 7-9pm, the Fire House at 780 Horseblock Road, Farmingville
FREE COFFEE AND DONUTS

Fra Accomplishments

- Since its inception in 2006, FRA has organized 8 beautification clean-ups, including Triangle Park, Farmingville Hills County Park, and Horseblock Road business district.
- FRA has celebrated 4 annual Community Celebration Days.
- FRA, after meeting with Town officials, spearheaded the Visioning Project now underway, creating a new future for Farmingville.
- FRA is responsible for helping the owner of Fax Chix get the necessary permits to complete work on the inside and outside of the property that adjoins the restaurant.
- Along with former Legislator Brian Beedenbender, FRA was the driving force behind turning the 103 acre protected area into the Farmingville Hills County Park with usable walking trails open to the public.
- Hearing community concerns, FRA initially opposed the new Bald Hill Beverage Center on Horseblock Road. The NYS Liquor Authority advised the owner that a liquor license would be seriously delayed due to this opposition. After meeting with the owner and being satisfied that he would run a professional, owner-occupied business, FRA rescinded their opposition. The center opened shortly thereafter.
- FRA is responsible for calling attention to the health issue regarding overflowing cesspools at the laundromat in the Compare Shopping center.
- FRA partnered with St. Sylvester's Church to participate in a Health Fair in the spring of both 2009 and 2010.
- FRA initiated a Community Garden at Brookhaven Town Hall, where all residents are welcome to participate in gardening and sharing produce with the community.
- With the help of former Legislator Brian Beedenbender, the bus stop enclosure on the Granny Road extension got much needed repairs. FRA worked with town and county officials to get the Plexiglas panels replaced and the necessary hardware installed to secure the structure.
- FRA was responsible for bringing the drug situation at Radburn Park to the attention of both the SCPD and former Legislator Brian Beedenbender. FRA accompanied Legislator Beedenbender on a walk through the park to assess the situation. As a result, Congresswoman Kathleen Walsh obtained a sizeable grant to renovate the park.
- Due to FRA's ongoing good relationships with local town government, county legislators, and the Suffolk County Police Department, we continue to bring important information to the community, as well as to assist residents with various issues, having gained much respect and cooperation from these organizations.
- FRA has been instrumental in reaching out to the ethnic groups in the community. We are currently working with Officer Lola Quesada, Outreach Community Liaison with the Suffolk County Police Department.
- FRA has enjoyed a good relationship with VFW Post 400 since our existence. Members of the VFW attend FRA meetings and events, and have been invited to set up a table at these events with information and collection of goods for soldiers. We gratefully support their efforts to reach out to veterans both home and abroad.

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Membership Application

Contact Information

Name

Street Address

City ST ZIP Code

Home Phone

Work Phone

E-Mail Address

Availability

What days and hours are you available to volunteer?

Interests

Tell us what are your areas of interest?

Clean-up events, Planting events, Volunteer coordination, Fundraising, Public Relations, Attending meetings, Visioning

Special Skills

Summarize special skills and qualifications you have acquired from employment, previous volunteer experience, through other activities (including hobbies or sports).

Our Policy

It is the policy of this organization to provide equal opportunities without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual preference, age, or disability.

We do not collect any membership fees; however all donations are gratefully accepted.