

MAY 2023

ONE SQUARE MILE

Official Newsletter of The Village of Bronxville

Welcome to One Square Mile

THE LATEST NEWS FROM VILLAGE HALL

Following multiple work sessions and a public hearing on the Village budget the Village Board adopted the 2023-24 budget on April 24th. The budget of \$19,586,740 will result in a tax levy of 11,850,000 and equate to a tax bill increase of \$210.00 (to \$8,972.50) for a median home value of \$2.5 million.

Additional details on the budget can be found in this newsletter and a copy of the entire Village budget can be [viewed here](#).

After the budget process was completed, we focused on several environmental initiatives with the spring weather galvanizing us, so April turned out to be indeed a green month.

Thanks to the efforts of the Green Committee, we had a Bronxville Clean and Green Day on April 15 with scouts, middle school students, green committee members and many of us from Village Hall cleaned up our Village downtown and parks.

We also had a compost give back on Earth Day, April 22nd. We still have some very rich soil adjacent to our food scrap recycling bins, so feel free to take as needed.

On the food scrap front, approximately 200 households are participating in the programs and just based on this modest inaugural effort, we have diverted 40 tons of food scraps from the regular waste stream.

On Arbor Day, April 28th, we planted a Majestic Linden Tree at the intersection of Kensington Road and Beechtree Lane. Going forward, a new signature Beech Tree will grace the location when we can source a disease resistant one.

Our Giving Garden is literally sprouting and already school groups have enjoyed tours.

The Farmers Market will open May 13th and will be in the Maltby parking lot every Saturday going forward from 8:30 AM to 1 PM.

Our 101st Memorial Day parade will kick off at 8:30AM on Parkway Rd., May 29th with Village employee Richard King, a decorated army veteran, as our Grand Marshall.

Finally looking forward, we will kick off June with the annual Sidewalk Sale where good buys are had by all. Happy Spring!!

With admiration and gratitude,
Mary Marvin

April 15, 2023 - TYA Opening Day and Ribbon Cutting of new renovations at Labriola Park. Pictured to the right is Trustee Mary Taylor Behrens (middle) with Residents and TYA Board Members Kristin Smith and Sacha Zarba

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AROUND TOWN

EVENTS IN AND AROUND BRONXVILLE

REFORMED CHURCH OF BRONXVILLE - CLOTHING AND TAG SALE

Saturday, May 13th from 9am to 2pm

The Reformed Church of Bronxville will once again be holding everyone's favorite Spring event - Clothing & Tag Sale - on Saturday, May 13 from 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM. The sale will consist of a wide selection of gently used clothing for all ages, including an expanded Designer Boutique and collection of Eileen Fisher Plus sizes. In addition to maternity & plus sizes, there is an assortment of fashion accessories, costume jewelry and shoes. Home items include linens, decor, housewares and Knick-Knacks, plus plenty of toys & games and sports equipment. Cash and credit cards accepted. No checks. Preview sale items on Instagram @reformedclothingsale and Facebook @reformedchurchsale



FARMERS MARKET

Saturday, May 13th from 8:30am to 1:00pm

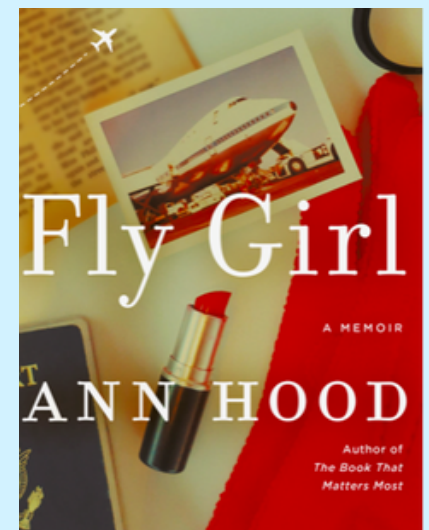
The Farmer's Market will open Saturday, May 13th from 8:30am to 1pm. Come down to the intersection of Paxton Avenue and Stone Place to meet your favorite vendors and to meet some new faces! We are so excited to welcome a new organic farm as well as a new flower farmer, meat vendor and not one, but two, artisanal pasta makers to our rich vendor mix this season. Of course, all your favorites are returning



AUTHOR TALK WITH ANN HOOD AT THE BRONXVILLE LIBRARY

Tuesday, May 23 at 7pm

Featuring Ann Hood & her memoir Flygirls. It's the intriguing account of her days as an airline stewardess in the 1970s, the Golden Age of air travel. From carving Chateaubriand in First Class to picketing for better pay...it's a stylish, sexy, compelling look at the industry as it changed during her career. Come early - First 100 people get free gifts!





MEMORIAL DAY PARADE CELEBRATION - MAY 29TH

Come celebrate with us on May 29th as we kick off our 101st Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony at 8:30am at Leonard Morange Square.

The parade will be led by Village Employee Richard King as Grand Marshal. Rich has a long history of service to our country and also our Village.

- He enlisted to the Marines 3rd Forced Recon B Co in 1967
- 75th Rangers 1969-1974
- 5th Group Special Forces 1976-1989 Vietnam – Grenada – Panama
- Graduated North Carolina State University with a BS in Political Science



He has served the Village of Bronxville since 2010, working for St. Joseph's School from 2010-2022 and currently as a Parking Enforcement Officer for the Village from 2010 to the present.



Mayor Marvin is proud to announce the launch of Bronxville Village’s 125th Anniversary Celebration in 2023. The official event will take place on Sunday, October 1 with an indoor/outdoor daytime party in various locations at Village Hall and Library.

Please kindly save the date.

With the help of our Committee Chairs, Lisa Rao (Village Resident), Mary Taylor Behrens (Village Trustee) and Helen Knapp (Village Trustee), it’s certain to be a day of fun for all ages.

As the months go on, the Committee will announce ways to support the event’s activities. We look forward to your continued partnership for this exciting Village milestone!



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NEWS FROM THE TRUSTEES

On Tuesday, March 21, 2023 Mayor Marvin was re-elected to serve a new two-year term along with both Robert Underhill and William Fredericks, both of whom were re-elected as Trustees to serve two-year terms.

The Annual Meeting of the Village Board was held on Monday, April 10, 2023. The Mayor re-appointed Robert Underhill to serve as Deputy Mayor. Additional appointments made pursuant to Village Law can be found [here](#). The Annual Meeting also included such annual actions as the designation of the Village's official newspaper for legal publications, authorization of the banking institutions the Village will maintain deposits with, procurement policy and the designation of where official Village meetings take place.

The Village Board also held its public hearing on the 2023-24 Village Budget. The Board kept the public hearing open to written comment until Friday, April 21, 2023 and convened on Monday, April 24, 2023 to adopt the budget. The adopted budget included an additional \$100,000 in appropriations for Police Department overtime bringing total appropriations to \$19,586,740. The additional overtime expenditures are being allocated for downtown walking patrols and traffic enforcement during the summer months.

Non real property tax revenues were increased by \$50,000 to \$6,831,740 by increasing downtown dining permitting fees. The use of tax stabilization monies were increased by \$50,000 to \$175,000. The levy of \$11,850,000 and tax rate increase of 2.39% remained unchanged from the proposed budget. A copy of the budget, prior year budgets and financial statements can be found [here](#) or by going to the Treasurer's page on our Village website.

Additional items approved at the April Annual Meeting included authorizing the Village's Consulting Engineer for stormwater and sanitary sewer work to commence a design for improvements to the Midland Valley Drainage Basin outfall channel at Scout Field to further increase the capacity of the existing stormwater conveyance system. Designs will be shared with Westchester County since the improvements are located on Bronx River Reservation land owned by Westchester County. The Village Board also recognized Friday, April 28th as Arbor Day in the Village and commemorated the day and our recognition as a Tree City USA with a tree planting in Bacon Woods Park!

The agenda for the May 8th meeting of the Village Board can be [found here](#).

The Village Board will consider the following resolutions:

1. RESOLUTION – Scheduling a Public Hearing for a Proposed Local Law Concerning Connection Requirements for Wood End Lane Common Force Main
2. RESOLUTION – Awarding Maltby Park Playground Equipment Purchase & Installation Contract
3. RESOLUTION – Awarding Maltby Park Playground Improvements Bid #VA 2023-01
4. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Purchase and Funding of 2022 Dodge Durango
5. RESOLUTION – Approving Schedule of Fees for Parking Meters
6. RESOLUTION – Approving Schedule of Fees for Outdoor Dining
7. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Funding To Have An Engineer Collect Pedestrian Data Along RT 22
8. RESOLUTION – Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Equipment

SAVE THE DATE:

**TAKE BACK DAY
MOBILE SHREDDER**

**Saturday, June 3rd
10:00am to 1:00pm**

MOBILE PASSPORT

**Thursday, June 22
10:00am to 1:00pm**



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INSIDE VILLAGE HALL

GREEN COMMITTEE

This spring the Village plans to replant trees lost to storms in recent years and to trim and feed those that survived. THANK YOU to Mayor Mary Marvin, Village Administrator Jim Palmer and our Village Trustees for their efforts to maintain our area's trees for the character and health of our community.



Beechtree Lane Planting Ceremony - Members of the Green Committee together with Mayor Mary Marvin, Trustee Mary Taylor Behrens and Village Administrator Jim Palmer

SPRING RECREATION PROGRAMS

Tennis and Pickleball season has begun! Permits are still available, applications can be found on our [website](#) and submitted to our main office.

Additionally, you can find both youth and adult clinic registration forms on our [website](#). Our Director of Racquets – Matt Evans – is providing lessons throughout the season and ready to teach anyone who may be interested.

As a reminder, all play at our courts requires use of our online appointment system which helps all permit holders keep track of court availability and ensures adequate access for everyone.

See you on the courts!

PARKING

Electric Vehicle permits are available to be purchased for residents, business owners, and their employees. The permit allows charging from 8 am to 3 pm, Monday to Friday at the charging stations in the Parkway Road Lot and the Kensington Garage. The charging stations are open to the public after 3 pm on weekdays and all day Saturday and Sunday. The permit is valid from 5/1/23 to 4/30/23 and costs \$375.

If you have any questions or are interested in an Electric Vehicle permit, please contact [Janine Marsigliano](#)

PUBLIC LIBRARY

A sellout crowd gathered on Friday, April 21 for the 1920s Prohibition-themed fundraiser sponsored by Friends of the Bronxville Public Library at the Bronxville Library. Proceeds will go in part to the planned improvements for the outdoor space currently under design.

Pictured below are the members of the FOBPL



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FROM CHIEF SATRIALE'S DESK

Spring Training - January to March was an exceptionally busy period for the Police Department training program and highlights include:

- PoliceOne Academy Online Training – officers completed training on arrest, search and seizure (Fourth Amendment)
- Defensive Tactics – topics covered included controlling resisting suspects from a standing and grounded position and various handcuffing techniques
- Mobile Crisis Response Team Training – utilizing the expertise and resources of the Westchester County Mobile Crisis Response Team officers learned about additional assistance for de-escalation and conflict resolution, coordination with medical and behavioral health services among other services
- Firearms Training
- Non-Lethal Training – PepperBall
- Use of Force Refresher Course – Training hosted by the New York State Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS)

You can view the entire quarterly report on the Police Department [website](#)

25 MPH: IT'S NOW LAW

On February 13, 2023 the Village Board adopted legislation reducing the maximum speed limit on all Village streets to 25mph.

The reduced speed limit goes into effect on Sept 1st.

Residents are encouraged to be mindful of their speed as they travel throughout the Village. While a minor speed reduction, pedestrian safety and local quality of life are greatly enhanced.

Pedestrians are also reminded that when walking or running on local streets, always face oncoming traffic. Bicyclists, on the other hand, should ride in the same direction as traffic.



STAY UP TO DATE WITH THE LATEST VILLAGE NEWS,
EMERGENCY ALERTS, AND INFO FROM SPECIFIC VILLAGE HALL DEPARTMENTS.

[SIGN UP HERE](#)

Bronxville Police Officer Matthew Stein started his Community Policing assignment this week. He will be walking and patrolling on a police bicycle in the business district in the afternoon and evenings.

Officer Stein also stopped to talk to a group of Girl Scouts selling cookies.



Village Litter Clean-Up Event: Celebrating Earth Week with a Village Litter Clean Up! On April 15th, members of the Bronxville Green Committee, students, residents and Village officials came together to pick up litter throughout the Village's central business district. Mayor Mary Marvin, Trustee Helen Knapp, Town Administrator Jim Palmer, and County Legislator James Nolan joined their efforts.

