

Bay Shore Beautification Society Newsletter

March 2008

Good news! The crocuses and snowdrops are starting to bloom and daffodil greens are poking through the ground! Could it be that we might escape this winter without a serious snowstorm? Our hanging baskets of geraniums are growing in the greenhouses and the anticipation of having them hung each spring fills us with thoughts of the warm, sunny weather to come.

This year Beautification was requested by Westfield South Shore to help set up the Easter Bunny display. With a designated monetary allowance from Westfield, we had fun stretching their dollars to create a cheery fantasy for the little visitors to the Easter Bunny, and we were happy to pay back Westfield's generosity over the years to Beautification. Thanks are given to Ms. Jennifer Kovarik's students who fashioned the giant eggs. Please make sure to find time to take your little ones to visit our spring garden setting in the Lord and Taylor courtyard.

The Bay Shore-Brightwaters Community Summit will be held Wednesday, April 10. Please plan on attending this popular all-important event to learn of our town's successes over the past year and upcoming plans for the coming year. And don't forget the wonderful fantasy of food offered by dozens of our local restaurants!

The Annual Rail Road Cleanup sponsored by the Summit's Community Forum is scheduled for Saturday, May 10. For many years the community has supported this wonderful event where over 100 students and adult volunteers give this entranceway into our community its spring sprucing up. Encourage the students who need community service, and bring your gloves and tools. This is a great way for everyone to show how important Bay Shore's resurgence really is for us all.

Thank you to The Bay Shore Garden Club which has recently voted to adopt the Community Reflection Garden and has added it as one of its projects. Members will be visiting regularly to make sure that the garden is kept clean and plants are looking their best.

Requests for bluestone pavers and tiles on the Wall of Flora and Fauna at the Reflection Garden continue to come in. If you would like to honor or memorialize a loved one with an engraving, please contact Sue Boudreau at 666-9517.

The Beautification Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, June 25, so please mark this date on your calendar. The theme this year will honor Bay Shore's three hundredth birthday.

Beautification will meet on Thursday, March 27 at Captain Bill's Restaurant at 7:00 P.M. Captain Bill's management is kind enough to provide us with a space to meet, and we are always delighted to have new people with new ideas join us. If you have thought of coming to meetings, make 2008 the year that you become active. If you have questions, please call Sue Boudreau at 666-9517 or Gail Farrell at 665 3237.

Enclosed is a flyer for 2008 dues and our basket program. Thank you for your previous generosity, and we hope you will make the decision to support the work of Beautification and the appearance of our town again this year.