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VALLEY STREAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY

PAGAN-FLETCHER RESTORATION

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NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at 7:15pm

Please note the new location and time.

Fireman's Field
Clubhouse
120 Albermarle Avenue
Valley Stream, New York 11580

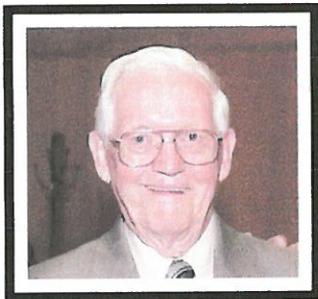
HERE COMES THE JUDGE



Robert G. Bogle, the longest-serving Valley Stream Village Justice, will share stories and anecdotes of his experiences as our Justice. Bogle is the author of McKinney's CPL forms (4

volumes) and *Village Town & District Courts*. He served as President of the NYS Magistrates as well as an adjunct professor of criminal justice at C. W. Post College. He was elected to County Court in 2015.

HONORING JIM BUCKLEY



The Society will honor Jim Buckley, Chairman Emeritus at a ceremony on November 13, 2016. It plans to name its Exhibit Room for him. The ceremony will begin at 2pm.

INSTALLATION OF THE HISTORIC PLAQUE



On November 13, 2016 the Society will dedicate the historic plaque denoting that the Pagan-Fletcher House was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1983. The plaque was procured with a grant from the William J. Pomeroy Foundation of Syracuse, New York.

WINNERS OF THE HALLOWEEN COSTUME CONTEST



First Prize – Giovanna Quagliata as *Frankie-Stein*



Second Prize – Frances Bitz as *Dark Fallen Angel*



Third Prize – Safina Merhai as *Pink Birthday Cake*

GINGERBREAD HOUSE CONTEST



The Society's annual Gingerbread House Contest will be held on December 4, 2016. The Restoration will maintain its regular hours 1-4pm. There will be an icing demonstration at 3pm. Prizes will be awarded. Vote for your favorite!

The Society will also hold its annual Bake Sale on December 4, 2016. We are asking for contributions of small baked goods for our sale.

OPEN HOUSE AT THE RESTORATION

On Friday, December 30, 2016, the Society will hold a Candlelite Tour of the House. Please bring canned food for the Village's food banks.

Angela Schultz, a Board member, has volunteered to take on the duties of Corresponding Secretary in light of Agnes Libath's passing.



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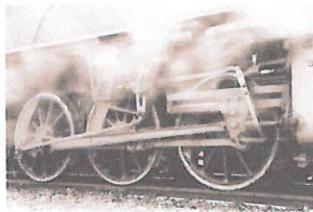
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AMUSING THE COMMUTERS

THEY LAUGH AT THE PRIMITIVE METHODS EMPLOYED ON THE PIPE LINE

Valley Stream, L.I., December 13 – The commuters on the south side trains are entertained by the work of the contractors who are laying the pipes forming the new conduit to supply water to the City of Brooklyn. The work is being done in a most primitive way, by the use of teams and hand labor. A wheezy little dummy goes back and forth drawing the little flat cars carrying the iron pipes, and the water is kept down by hand pumps and a rusty old steam fire engine.

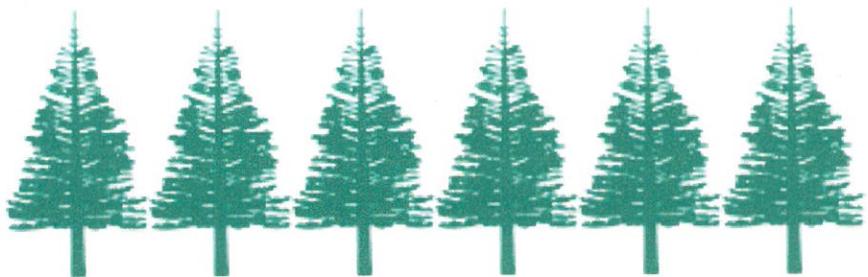
A prominent Brooklyn lawyer, who makes daily trips, watches the work with interest. He said: "Did you ever see a thirsty man in August try to quench his thirst by sucking an orange phosphate through a straw? Well, that's what the City of Brooklyn is trying to do. Just think of those little iron pipes to carry water to a million people? Why, they would only make decent water mains for a good sized country town. And when they are finished where is the water coming from to fill them? Every duck pond between Jamaica and Amityville is drained dry now.

"It seems strange that no one has appreciated the humor of the situation. A score or so of men putting down a lot of iron pipes in December to insure the water supply of a million people. Along will come a blizzard and a freeze up and that will be the last of the new conduit until next spring. I tell you the Mayor-elect will have his hands full as soon as we have a genuine drought. Low water may be good enough for the Prohibitionists, but wait until we get Low water in the reservoirs.

"Then there will be the worst howl you ever heard. It is time the city officials came down out of the mountains and made a visit to the ponds and streams of Long Island."

The Brooklyn Daily Eagle – December 15, 1901

Editor's Note: Seth Low was Mayor of the City of Brooklyn from 1882-1885. In 1901 he became Mayor of Greater New York (after consolidation).



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