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Pagan-Fletcher Restoration

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January 2019

Next Meeting

Tuesday, January 15, 2019

Please note the new day.

Valley Stream Community Center
A. J. Hendrickson Park
123 West Merrick Road, Valley Stream

Commissioner's Community Council



C. William Gaylord III (R), legislator for the 6th Legislative District of which Valley Stream is a part, will report on the benefit to the village of the Council. The Council was formed by Acting Nassau County Police Commissioner, Patrick Ryan. Each of the 19 legislative districts will have a Council with 4 to 6 residents of the community as members. Members will be chosen by their legislative representative.

Passings



Rosanna Clavin, first female Trustee for the Village of Valley Stream. Mother to Donald X. Clavin, Jr., Receiver of Taxes, Town of Hempstead, and Virginia Clavin-Higgins, Esq., Village Justice, Village of Valley

Stream and a former Village Trustee. Survived by three other children and eleven grandchildren.



MaryAnn Cahill, widow of Ed Cahill, Mayor of the Village of Valley Stream, who passed in August of 2010. MaryAnn retired after 25 years as a school crossing guard. The corner of Rockaway and East Jamaica Avenues, where the current Courthouse is located, was named for her.

Robert Presbrey, former President and Trustee of the Valley Stream Historical Society, retired employee of the Long Island Rail Road. Survived by his wife, Ruth and two children.

George Schultz, husband of Corresponding Secretary of the Society, Angela Schultz.

Then and Now



Firemen's Field – July 4, 2018

In April, 1926, the *Brooklyn Daily Eagle* reported in its classified section that "Valley Stream occupies an enviable position as the junction point to Far Rockaway, Long Beach and West Hempstead giving it the best service of any place other than Jamaica. The increase of 200% in its population during the past four years is indicative of its attractiveness as a place to live. Valley Stream has four elementary schools, one high school, numerous churches, fraternal and social organizations. The fire and police protection are of the best, and there is running water, gas and electricity throughout the village."

In 2017, *Money Magazine* conferred upon the village the title of *The Best Place to Live in New York State*.



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Gingerbread House Contest And Icing Demonstration in Photographs



1st Prize – Girl Scout Troop 2259 – *Whoville*

2nd Prize – Tracy Storey – *The Storey Christmas Village*

3rd Prize – Girl Scout Troop 2275 – *Santa's Village*

4th Prize – Melissa Morales – *NASA Command Center*

Three 5th Prize Winners

Alicia & Kevin Tritschler – *Turkey Town*

Girl Scout Troop 2283

Girl Scout Troop 2394

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Tuesday, February 19, 2019

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Village Green

Mike Stanko, a native Valley Streamer, is an incredibly gifted artist as can be seen by his work shown above. Stanko will present a slide show of his art of familiar sites around our village as well as his favorite haunts.

PRESIDENT'S WEEKEND



Would you like to meet George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, among others who shaped the history of the United States? Visit the Pagan-Fletcher Restoration on February 17, 2019 between 1pm through 4pm. Members of the Society will be dressed in period costumes. A piece of Washington memorabilia will also be on display.

Please bring canned goods with you so that we may stock our community's food banks.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

To commemorate the contributions of African-Americans, the Society will host an exhibit each Sunday beginning February 3 and continuing through February 24, 2019 of prominent African-Americans with ties to Long Island.

TUSKEGEE AIRMEN



Before 1940 African-Americans were barred from flying for the military. Civil rights organizations and the black press exerted pressure which led to the formation of an all African-American pursuit squadron in Tuskegee, Alabama. The Tuskegee Institute was chosen to train the fliers because of its commitment to aeronautical training, facilities, engineering and technical instructors. The climate was a factor as well. The Tuskegee Airmen became one of the most highly respected fighter groups of World War II.

JACK ROOSEVELT ROBINSON ONE HUNDRED YEARS 1919-2019



Born to sharecroppers in Cairo, Georgia on January 31, 1919, Jackie Robinson deserves mention not only for his talents on the baseball field but also for having broken the color barrier. At UCLA Robinson won four varsity letters for baseball, football, basketball and track. In 1949 he played in the Negro League with the Kansas City Monarchs and was approached by Branch Rickey in 1947 to play for the Brooklyn Dodgers. At the end of his rookie season he batted .297, had 12 homers and stole 29 bases. He earned the National League's Rookie of the Year award. In 1949 he was named the National League's Most Valuable Player and also earned a batting title with a .342 average. Robinson was inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame in 1962.



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**DECLARATION OF
INDEPENDENCE
TIMELINE**

June 11, 1776 – Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, Roger Sherman and Robert Livingston appointed to a committee to draft a declaration of independence.

June 12-26, 1776 – Jefferson, at the request of the committee, drafts a declaration of which only a fragment exists. Jefferson's clean, or "fair" copy, the "original Rough draught" is reviewed by the committee. Both documents are in the manuscript collections of the Library of Congress.

June 28, 1776 - A fair copy of the committee draft of the Declaration of Independence is read in Congress.

July 1-4, 1776 - Congress debates and revises the Declaration of Independence.

July 2, 1776 - Congress declares independence as the British fleet and army arrive at NY.

July 4, 1776 - Congress adopts the Declaration of Independence in the morning of a bright, sunny, but cool Philadelphia day. John Dunlap prints the Declaration of Independence. These prints are now called "Dunlap Broad sides." Twenty-four copies are known to exist, two of which are in the Library of Congress. One of these was Washington's personal copy.

July 5, 1776 - John Hancock, president of the Continental Congress, dispatches the first of Dunlap's broadsides of the Declaration of Independence to the legislatures of NJ and DE.

July 6, 1776 - Pennsylvania Evening Post of July 6 prints the first newspaper rendition of the Declaration of Independence.

July 8, 1776 - The first public reading of the Declaration is in Philadelphia.

July 9, 1776 - Washington orders that the Declaration of Independence be read before the American army in NY.

July 19, 1776 - Congress orders the Declaration of Independence engrossed (officially inscribed) and signed by members.

August 2, 1776 - Delegates begin to sign engrossed copy of the Declaration of Independence. A large British reinforcement arrives at New York after being repelled at Charleston, SC.

January 18, 1777 - Congress, now sitting in Baltimore, MD, orders that signed copies of the Declaration of Independence printed by Mary Katherine Goddard of Baltimore be sent to the states.

"WHEN in the Course of human Events, it becomes necessary for one People to dissolve the Political Bands which have connected them with another, and to assume the Powers of the Earth, the separate and equal Station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitles them, a decedent Respect to the Opinions of Mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the Separation.

WE hold these Truths to be self-evident, that all Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness – That to secure these Rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just Powers from the Consent of the Governed, that whenever any from of Government becomes destructive of these Ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its Foundation on such Principles, and organizing its Powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness..."

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MARCH 2019

NEXT MEETING

TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 2019

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Art Mattson, Historian for the Village of Lynbrook will be our guest speaker this month. Mattson is the author of "Water and Ice: The Tragic Wrecks of the Bristol and the Mexico off the South Shore of Long Island." Mattson was instrumental in having the cemetery and the marble

monument in the cemetery* located at the corner of Merrick Road and Ocean Avenue in Lynbrook placed on the National Register of Historic Places. The monument represents a portion of maritime, local, state and Irish history. In 2010 he was awarded the Joseph F. Meany Award by the Association of Public Historians of New York State ("APHNYS") for his work on the shipwrecks. In 2005 Mattson published a book on the history of Lynbrook.

*The editor has a personal interest in the cemetery. Her father-in-law, mother-in-law and mother-in-law's sister are interred on its grounds.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH AND GEORGE IS BACK IN PHOTOS



Dave McKean (President Lincoln);
Sue McKean (Mary Todd Lincoln);
Ed Fare (President Washington);
Karen Vitale-Selah (Martha Washington)

Guy Ferrara (General Lafayette) speaking about Jackie Robinson



PASSINGS

Joe Zabatta,
former Village Trustee
and former Valley Stream
School Board Member.

Melanie Czarneta,
former Society Trustee.



HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY

St. Patrick's Day became an official holiday in Ireland in 1903. The day was first celebrated in the US in Boston in 1737. In 1782 Irish soldiers held a parade in New York City as they were missing their country. It is not an official holiday in the US. It is, however, a celebration of Irish culture.

Beware the Ides of March!

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**MARCH IS
WOMEN'S
HISTORY MONTH**



SOME FACTS TO KNOW ABOUT WOMEN

- Working Moms are the norm in the United States.
- More women are breadwinners.
- More older women tend to live alone.
- Women tend to be more philanthropic.
- Women are more likely to have college degrees.
- They dominate the accounting industry.
- Today there is a record high number of female world leaders.
- Women are underrepresented in STEM. (Acronym for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics).
- Women are overlooked in the arts.
- Rarely are women Chief Executive Officers at major companies.
- Heart disease is the leading cause of death for women.
- Most refugees are women.
- Many women in the United States live in poverty.
- Almost half the world's population is female.
- Products exclusively manufactured for women cost more.
- Plus size is the new average for women.
- Women are foregoing marriage.
- Unpaid care falls to women.
- Breastfeeding is on the rise.

"I am only one; but still I am one. I cannot do everything but still I can do something. I will not refuse to do something I can do." Words spoken by Helen Keller.



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April 2019

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, April 16, 2019 at 7:30PM

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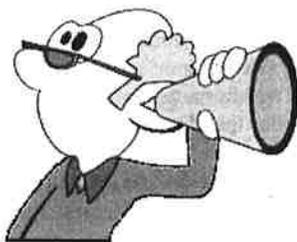
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HISTORY of THE HEARING AID

Lecture
presented by Dr.
Lawrence Cardano,
A.U.D. Dr. Cardano is a graduate of the
University of Florida College of Medicine and
has been practicing for 18 years. He maintains
an office in Valley Stream.



PASSINGS



JOHN "JACK" MAHONEY



CAPTAIN — UNITED STATES NAVY RET.

- Enlisted 1942 in the US Naval V-5 college.
- Flight instructor training pilots to fly combat aircraft.
- In the Naval Reserve learned to pilot helicopters.
- During the Korean Conflict was called to active duty and trained pilots to fly helicopters.

- Commander of the Anti-Submarine Helicopter Squadron 7OR2.
- Squadron won the Noel David Trophy and North Atlantic Award twice for being the most elite Anti-Submarine Squadron.
- Flew Marine One during President Johnson's administration for a short time.
- Taught Marine pilots how to land on discs on the White House lawn with no visibility.
- Flew helicopters for New York Airways and was the first to land and take off from the roof of the PanAm Building at night.
- Flew countless dignitaries (John Rockefeller, JP Morgan, Robert Kennedy, John Glenn) and celebrities (Marilyn Monroe, Elton John, Red Skelton) to name a few.
- Member of the Transportation Safety Board.
- Was employed by British Petroleum and flew to its operations all over the world.
- Employed by the FAA for two decades.

During the depression Mahoney worked for The Gibson Corporation. He was a member of the Valley Stream Historical Society, the Central High School Alumni Association and Valley Stream Fire Department Engine #1.

THE PILOTS PRAYER

Our controller,
Who art in tower,
Hallowed be thy sector,
Thy traffic come,
Thy clearances be done
On the ground as it is in the air,
Give us this day our radar vectors,
And forgive us our poor R/T
As we forgive those who cut us off on final,
And lead us not into adverse weather,
But deliver us our clearances,
For thine is the tower,
the approach and the centre,
for until you disconnect,
for ever and ever...out.



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GIBSON FIRM MAKES RECORD BID FOR VALLEY STREAM BONDS

The Gibson Corporation yesterday made a record bid for the \$250,000 par value highway bonds being sold by the village of Valley Stream, L.I.

W. H. Gibson, president of the Gibson Corporation, stated that their bid was, he believed, the highest that has ever been made for bonds in the village.

"We believe in Valley Stream," said Mr. Gibson, in announcing the bid. "The history and growth of this village have been closely tied up with our own for the past 10 years.

"Our extensive building operations have been so consistently supported and enthusiastically received that we desire to do our part in maintaining the credit of the village, so that its bonds can be sold at a low rate of interest."

Brooklyn Daily Eagle, August 19, 1928

HOME BUYING GAINS IN GIBSON SECTION

The Gibson Corporation of Gibson, Valley Stream, report increased activity in the construction of new homes. There are nine different types to select from. The 20-year Government mortgage plan has brought the purchase of these homes within the reason of the person of limited means and at an expense no greater than the average rent, with a liberal portion of the monthly cost being returned to the buyer by way of mortgage reduction. The monthly carrying charges are \$42.13, which covers principal, interest, taxes, insurance and water, and pays off the mortgage in 20 years. The Gibson homes are of brick and stone construction and built on plots 45 and 50x100, garage attached to home. All modern features are included. Gibson is an ideal residential community with all conveniences close by. The Gibson station of the Long Island Railroad is right on the property.

Brooklyn Daily Eagle, October 6, 1935



Photo of a 1927 Gibson house.

Please note: All Brooklyn Daily Eagle articles are printed as they were originally published.



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May 2019

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at 7:30PM

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NASSAU COUNTY HISTORIC FIREHOUSES

Michael Capozziello, Elmont Fire Historian is this month's speaker.

NASSAU COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENTS

There are 71 fire departments in Nassau County, 69 of which are manned by volunteers, two are combinations. Our own fire department is considered to be a part of the Third Battalion, together with Hewlett, Inwood, Lawrence, Cedarhurst, Meadowmere Park and Woodmere.



Valley Stream's fire department (Nassau Hook & Ladder Company #1) was formed on June 10, 1898. A fire occurred at a bakery which stored coal in its basement. The coal burned for more than a

month. As a consequence, the residents realized that a fire department was needed.



Home of Nassau Hook & Ladder Company #1. The company has been at this location since 1901.

MEMORIAL DAY



MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

On Saturday, May 25, 2019, at 11am a ceremony honoring those who attended Central High School and lost their lives in various wars will take place.

The Village's Annual Memorial Day Parade will take place on Monday, May 27, 2019. Members of the Society who plan on participating in the march should meet at the parking lot of the Wheeler Avenue School at 9am.

Please note that 10 blasts of the fire horn is notification that the parade will not take place.

SUNDAY AT THE RESTORATION



The Restoration will be open on **Sunday, May 26, 2019** with an exhibit by Chris Critchley, Social Studies teacher at Central High School, and John Urgo regarding Valley Streamers who served in the military. Members will recall Critchley spoke at the Society's meeting on September 20, 2017 about Centralites who had lost their lives during the wars in which the United States was involved.

LITTLE KNOWN EVENTS IN AMERICAN HISTORY THAT OCCURRED IN MAY

- 1809 – Mary Kies – 1st woman to be issued a patent for weaving straw.
- 1855 – New York City regains Castle Clinton to be used for immigration.
- 1921 – Arthur L. Schlaw, American physicist shared the 1981 Nobel Prize in Physics for his work with lasers born in Mt. Vernon, NY.

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THESE FIREMEN FAST.

Valley Stream, L.I., May 2 – A false alarm called out the fire department here Wednesday night, and although when the department reached the West Hotel, a mile from the Hook and Ladder Company No. 1 house, no fire was to be found, the men set a fine record in the matter of time. Seven minutes after the alarm started sounding the department was at the West Hotel and ready for action. It was supposed by some of the department members that Chief Hannon had caused a test alarm to be sounded but he denied this, and states that it was just a false alarm and it has not been learned who sounded it.

Brooklyn Daily Eagle – May 2, 1919

Valley Stream Plans Flower Show, Sept. 28

Valley Stream, L.I., Aug. 28 – Garden clubs and dahlia growers from all sections of the south shore are expected to have exhibits at the Valley Stream flower show under the auspices of the Valley Stream Garden and Flower Society for September 28.

The exhibition will be held in Mechanics Hall, and thousands of blossoms of varied hues and types will be viewed by flower lovers of Long Island.

Brooklyn Daily Eagle – August 27, 1929

"SWORN ENEMY" IS NEW SCREEN DRAMA

Teaming with flesh and blood characters from all walks of life, swept up from the city streets into a condition of dramatic circumstances – this is "Sworn Enemy," a story of metropolitan crime operations, coming to the Strand Theater, Rockville Centre, Wednesday through Friday, and the Valley Stream Theater Valley Stream on Friday and Saturday.

Headlining the cast are Robert Young as a son of the city slums endeavoring to go straight in a law career until the gang with whom he was raised kills his brother.

Florence Rust as a surgeon's daughter who proves the best detective on the special force.

Lewis Stone as Dr. Gattle, distinguished surgeon who spends 12 years in the penitentiary on a charge "framed" by Joe Emerald played by Joseph Calleia.

Brooklyn Daily Eagle – November 22, 1936

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JUNE 2019

NEXT MEETING

TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 2019 AT 7:00pm

Municipal Building and Courthouse
195 Rockaway Avenue
Valley Stream, New York
Location has been changed for the
June, 2019 meeting only.

ARCHITECTURE: A SENSE OF PLACE



Kate Sherwood, AIA*, is the guest speaker and the architect who designed certain features of 195 Rockaway Avenue. She will reveal facts about its renovation and the building's adaption from bank to courthouse. Sherwood is an architect with Gensler, a global firm involved in design, planning and architecture. One of Gensler's recent projects, among others, in New York City is the L'Oreal USA building at Hudson Yards.

STRAWBERRY AND ICE CREAM SOCIAL



Please join us for strawberries and ice cream after the tour of the building concludes. Admission: \$5.00 per person. Can be waived upon payment of dues as a new member or membership renewal.

*AIA refers to the American Institute of Architects, a professional organization that offers education, advocacy, community redevelopment and public outreach, whose mission is to support and improve the public's image of the architecture profession.

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75 YEARS AGO

On June 6, 1944 Allied forces landed on Normandy Beach.

50 YEARS AGO

Apollo 11 was the first manned flight to land on the moon on August 20, 1969.

Woodstock a/k/a An Aquarian Exposition: Three Days of Peace and Music took place before an audience of 400,000 in Bethel, NY August 15 through August 18, 1969.

Jets won the Super Bowl on January 12, 1969.

Mets won their first World Series on October 16, 1969.

The 1969-1970 Knicks take on the Lakers and win the NBA title on May 8, 1970.

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WALT WHITMAN
1819-1892



The poet/journalist was born in West Hills, Long Island, on May 31, 1819.

Whitman has been referred to as the “Bard of Democracy” and is considered to be one of our most influential poets. He was the second of eight surviving children born to Louisa Van Velsor and Walter Whitman. Whitman and his family moved to Brooklyn when he was three and at the age of eleven he was taken out of school and began work as an office boy for a law firm. Eventually he found employment in the printing business. At the age of seventeen he turned to teaching. He taught for five years. Thereafter, Whitman set his sights on journalism. In 1838 he started a publication called the *Long Islander* which failed. Whitman returned to New York City. In 1846 he became the editor of the *Brooklyn Daily Eagle*. He served for two years. His jobs did not last for too long as he backed issues that were considered radical, i.e., women’s property rights, immigration and labor. In 1848 he moved to New Orleans for three months. Whitman came face to face with slavery. He returned to Brooklyn and established a publication called the *Brooklyn Freeman*.

In 1855 he self published *Leaves of Grass*. At the time of publication, it was considered highly controversial. It is now treated as a landmark in American literature. After its publication, Ralph Waldo Emerson wrote Whitman and praised the collection as “the most extraordinary piece of wit and wisdom” to come from an American pen. Henry David Thoreau and Bronson Alcott traveled to Brooklyn to meet with him.

Whitman was a volunteer nurse during the Civil War. In 1863, he moved to Washington, DC and found part-time work in the paymaster’s office and spent time visiting wounded soldiers. *Drum Taps* published in 1865 is a collection of writings based on the experiences of soldiers during the Civil War. After the war Whitman met Peter Doyle with whom he developed an instant and intense romantic relationship. Doyle helped nurse him when his health began to fail in the 1860’s. Whitman found steady work as a clerk at the Indian Bureau of the Department of the Interior. In January, 1873 he suffered a stroke and in May traveled to Camden, New Jersey to see his mother who died three days after his arrival. He moved to Camden to be with his family. On March 26, 1892, he passed away. Whitman is buried in Camden’s Harleigh Cemetery.

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NEXT MEETING

TUESDAY, SEPT 17, 2019 AT 7:15 PM

Valley Stream Community Center
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123 West Merrick Road
Valley Stream, New York

HISTORY OF MALVERNE



Donald Pupke will provide us with historic insight into our neighbor, Malverne, which village comprises lands once owned by the Rockaway Indians (a/k/a Rohanowhaha). It was settled in the late 18th and early 19th centuries. The village was incorporated on April 13, 1921. While there are other municipalities called Malvern in the United States, Malverne is the only village that spells its name with an "e" at the end.

PASSINGS



Ruthanne Zwaricò at the age of 92. Was a member and former trustee of the Valley Stream Historical Society. A participant in the Presidents' Weekend festivities for many years.

LONG ISLAND NEWS

quite a little village has sprung up about half-way between the village of Jamaica and Merrick in the vicinity of Pearsall Cornell's Mills on the Merrick and Jamaica Plank Road, Queens County.

A few days since a meeting was called of the residents, when it was

Resolved, that the said locality shall be hereafter known by the name of "Valley Stream."

It was further

Resolved, That "Valley Stream" shall embrace all that portion of said town within a mile and a half of said Pearsall Cornell's Mills.

Brooklyn Evening Star - December 6, 1852

QUEENS COUNTY COURT AND COURT OF SESSIONS

This Court commended its sessions at the Court House on Tuesday, 25th February. His Honor, E. J. Beach, presiding, assisted by Justice Skillman. The following gentlemen were sworn as Grand Jurors, viz: --- Thomas Pearsall, Foreman; Benj. T. Bergen, John P. Rhodes, Daniel Mott, Cornelius Debevoise, Elbert Cox, Wm. P. Miller, Samuel Frost, James M. Onderdonk, Isaac Bloodgood, Stephen Rider, John B. Napier, Elbert Hegeman, Treadwell Davidson, George M. Hyatt, Dow S. Lott, Joseph O. Hegerman, Andrew Fleming. The Judge proceeded to charge the grand inquest in the usual manner, remarking that there were only twenty-eight persons incarcerated in the County Jail --- a much less number than at the opening of any other Court for a number of years past.

The People vs. Jacob Peters, Adam Peters and Charles Malone. The prisoners were indicted upon a charge of assault and batter upon Anthony Graff, at Valley Stream, in the town of Hempstead. Verdict not guilty. District Attorney for the People; Benjamin William Downing, for the prisoners.

Brooklyn Evening Star - March 5, 1862

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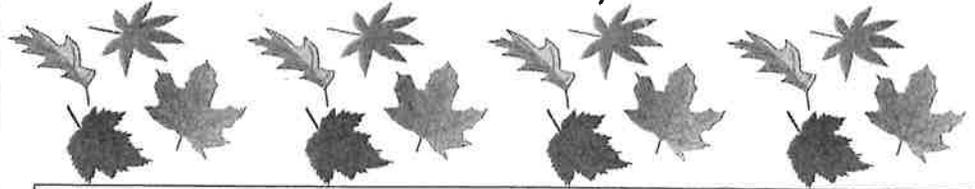
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AUTUMN IN VALLEY STREAM



Valley Stream Community Fest

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Saturday, September 28, 2019

10a.m. to 5p.m.
Rockaway Ave between
Sunrise Hwy & Merrick Rd.

Family Fun Community Groups Food Music Kid Zone

Petting Zoo
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Car Show

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For more information, visit our website at www.VSCommunityFest.com

Come and visit the Valley Stream Historical Society exhibit at the Community Fest on September 28, 2019. Tell us a little bit about yourself. For example, how long have you lived in the Village, what prompted you to move to Valley Stream, etc.? Look for events being held at the Pagan-Fletcher Restoration on www.vsvny.org.

Errata: The June issue of *Panorama* erroneously reported that man landed on the moon on **August** 20, 1969. In fact, the month was **July**.



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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2019 AT
7:30PM

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123 West Merrick Road
Valley Stream, New York

In 1937 Earhart set out with Fred Noonan as her navigator to fly around the world. On June 1, they departed from Miami heading east and on June 29 reached Lae, New Guinea. On July 2, Earhart and Noonan departed for Howland Island. She was in intermittent contact with a US Coast cutter near Howland Island and reported the plane was running out of fuel. That was her last transmission.



FRED NOONAN

Fred Noonan - Earhart's navigator on that final flight was born on April 4, 1893. Noonan worked for Pan American Airways.

**Howard Ehrlich* - Adjunct Instructor at the School of Education, St. John's University. Earned an MA in Educational Administration from Columbia University, an MS and a BA in American History from Queens College, CUNY.

**Harvey Sackowitz* - Adjunct Assistant Professor at the School of Education, St. John's University. Earned an Advanced Certificate in Administration and Supervision from Brooklyn College, an MS and a BA in History from Queens College, CUNY.



WHAT HAPPENED TO AMELIA EARHART?

Lecture by *Howard Ehrlich** and *Harvey Sackowitz**.

Earhart Home - Atchison, Kansas



Amelia Mary Earhart was born July 24, 1897 in Atchison, Kansas.

Earhart bought her first plane in 1921 and two years later earned her pilot's license. In April 1928 she flew across the Atlantic Ocean. Earhart departed from Trepassy, Newfoundland, Canada as a *passenger* and became a celebrity when they landed at Burry Port, Wales. She lectured about the flight and met her future husband, George Palmer Putnam, who handled the publicity for her tour. They married in 1931 and that same year she piloted an autogiro to a record-setting altitude of 18,415 feet. On May 20-21, 1932 Earhart flew from Harbour Grace, Newfoundland to Londonderry, No. Ireland alone.

In 1929, an organization of female pilots known as the Ninety-Nines was formed at Curtiss Field, Valley Stream. Earhart was one of the founders and its first President.

She flew from Hawaii to California - a distance of 2,408 miles in 1935, a first. Earhart became the first person to fly solo from Los Angeles to Mexico City sometime later in 1935.

A WITCHEY HALLOWEEN AT THE RESTORATION



The annual Halloween Costume Contest sponsored by the Society will be held on Sunday, October 27, 2019 at the Pagan-Fletcher Restoration.

Whether you are a child or an adult, please come wearing a costume. Prizes will be awarded for the best children's costume. The annual Ragamuffin Parade will be held at 3pm weather permitting.



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**1 DEAD, 6 HURT WHEN FLAMES
CAUSE \$100,000 DAMAGE TO L.I.
HOTEL; BURNED MAN SAVES SIX**

(Special to The Eagle)

Valley Stream, L. I., Oct. 26—One man was burned to death and six persons were injured shortly after 2 o'clock this morning when the Hoffman Hotel, a well-known road house on Merrick rd. at Central ave, Valley Stream, was gutted by fire. The damage is estimated at more than \$100,000.

The dead man is Michele Giliotti of 2115 Storey ave, Union Point, the Bronx, head chef of the hotel. His charred body was found in an upstairs bedroom. At the time of the fire all the guests had left and there were only about a score of employees in the building. The following are in Mineola Hospital suffering from severe burns.

CHRISTOPHER CONCONCIO, 34. who carried out six persons before he was burned.

CLARA RHODES 44. a maid.

LOUIE BILLET. 30 who fractured his ankle in a jump from a second story window, after being badly burned.

HERMAN BOEDE. 43 of 517 E. 103d st., Manhattan, fractured leg and burns.

William Lindner. 31 a Valley Stream volunteer fireman, received lacerations of the right hand from flying glass, and Mrs. Sophie Hoffman, proprietor of the road house, was slightly burned. She was taken to the home of a neighbor.

According to the police the fire was caused by defective wiring in the kitchen. The blaze was fought by four companies of volunteer firemen directed by Fire Chief Frank Meyer of Valley Stream, assisted by Valley Stream police, under Capt. James Wheelright.

The Brooklyn Daily Eagle — October 26, 1925



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Tuesday, November 19, 2019
 at 7:30pm

*Valley Stream Community Center
 A.J. Hendrickson Park
 123 West Merrick Road
 Valley Stream*

**ZONTA Club of Long Island
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 ZONTA INTERNATIONAL
 1919-2019**



Millicent Danziger Vollono is our guest lecturer at this month's meeting. The subject matter of her lecture is the Zonta Club of Long Island, an affiliate of Zonta

International, which is an organization of professional women numbering around 29,000 in 63 countries whose mission is improving the lives of women and girls.

Vollono earned a B.A. in Music and a Masters in Humanities from Hofstra University and an M.S. in Library Science from Long Island University's Palmer School of Library and Information Science. Prior to her retirement from the Hewlet-Woodmere Public Library, Vollono initially was employed as its Music Librarian and later as its Head of Readers' Advisory and Reference Services. Additionally, she began the task of digitizing its Local History collection.

Vollono is the author of *The Five Towns* published by Arcadia Publishing in 2010 and a pamphlet for the Village of Woodsburgh's Centenary. A chapter on "Robert Burton's Woodmere" appears in *Gardens of Eden: Long Island's Early Twentieth Century Planned Communities* (W.W. Norton, 2015). In collaboration with her daughter, the article "Designing Suburbia: Olive Tjaden on Long Island" appeared in the *Nassau County Historical Society Journal* (December, 2016).



GINGERBREAD HOUSE CONTEST



The Gingerbread House Contest will be held at the Pagan-Fletcher Restoration on Sunday, December 8, 2019. If you wish to enter the contest, please bring your entry to the Restoration between 10:00am and 11:00am on December 8. There will be an icing demonstration at 2pm by Mayor Ed Fare in the Libath Room. Please come and vote for your favorite house. Prizes will be awarded.

The Society will also host its annual bake sale on December 8, 2019. Please support the Society by purchasing baked goods.

CANDLELIGHT TOUR



The annual Candlelight Tour of the Restoration will be held on Sunday, December 29, 2019 from 6pm to 8pm.



Please bring non-perishable goods to be donated to our local food pantries.



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**WHEN WITCHES GO RIDING
AND BLACK CATS ARE SEEN
THE MOON LAUGHS AND WHISPERS
'TIS NEAR HALLOWEEN**

Author Unknown



HALLOWEEN COSTUME CONTEST WINNERS

FIRST PRIZE — Melissa Morales — Miss Liberty

SECOND PRIZE — Sofia Haines — Kutie Kitty Cowgirl

THIRD PRIZE — Alicia Tritschler — Haunted Beauty