



Civic Association of the Setaukets

Upcoming 2006-07 Civic Association Meeting Dates

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Date	Time	Site	Topic
Monday, March 5	7:30PM	Emma Clark Library	Women's History
Tuesday, April 10	7:30PM	Emma Clark Library	C.O.P.E.
Monday, May 7	7:30PM	Emma Clark Library	Light Pollution II
Monday, June 4	7:30PM	Emma Clark Library	Year End Review

Women's History Month

Each March, our Association celebrates Women's History Month by honoring one special individual. At our March meeting, we will recognize the outstanding contributions of Regina Seltzer - environmentalist, activist, and public advocate. Reggie has guided and directed countless civic and environmental initiatives that have positively impacted our Town and community. Join us as we celebrate Reggie's lifetime of achievements. Cake and refreshments will be served!

A Community Leader - Bruce Sullivan

Your Civic Association Board notes with sadness the passing of Bruce Miles Sullivan on January 7, 2007. For 4 decades, Bruce practiced a fine brand of law, with a colorful flourish, from his offices in Stony Brook. He helped this Association pro bono when we incorporated many years ago, and was very helpful in tracking down and getting a copy of our incorporation papers more recently when they were again needed. Bruce recently acted pro bono again for the Association in an "Article 78" action against the Town of Brookhaven. Those who knew him understand our community has lost a very special friend. This Association extends its heartfelt sympathy to his wife Margaret and son Angus.

Those Special Islands - Viewpoints- by Robert deZafra - Board Member

Shortly after work was completed on the resurfacing and renovation of Rt. 25A through Setauket and East Setauket, The Village Times-Herald published an article and letters quoting concerns by some residents about the traffic islands installed in three locations. There was a lot of consultation on these "traffic calming" installations well before the plans were finalized, and the State Department of Transportation engineers were well aware of the needs of emergency responders, as well as the desirability of traffic calming. The general issue of whether installations like these seriously slow down emergency response

Upcoming Events

- Greening of 25A
- Cleanup of the Stony Brook RR Station
- Saturday, May 19, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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PO Box 2432

Setauket, NY 11733



NEXT MEETING:

Monday, March 5, 2007

EMMA CLARK LIBRARY

7:30 P.M.

Women's History Month

Please attend

Keep it Clean and Green!

Our Good Friends - Please remember to patronize our business partners - these businesses have donated good and services to our Association over the past year! We appreciate the work they do for the community!

Starbucks' Coffee of Setauket - Tom Frasca - Manager

King Kullen - Tom Penna - Manager

North Shore Tree and Landscaping (751-2000, 473-0303)

Three Village Lawn and Garden (473-6963) - Keith Stanford - Owner

Setauket Landscape and Design (689-6082) Steve Antos - Owner

Have a specific interest or talent to help the Association?

Interested in being a Friend of the Civics? - Call Herb Mones @ 689-1576

Those Special Islands: *Continued from front*

times has recurred again and again as more communities (starting mainly on the west coast over 20 years ago) have turned to traffic calming devices. Apparently, wherever and whenever installed, concerns have been raised by emergency responders, although interestingly, police nationwide immediately favor traffic calming devices. Much information and experience has developed as a consequence of this. If interested readers try a Google search under "traffic calming," they'll find a sea of information. The Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE), which has both professional experience and no particular ax to grind, offers one of the better sites. Studies to be found at the ITE website indicate that over a test course, traffic calming installations such as traffic platforms, median islands, etc. add no more than 10-15 seconds to an idealized 5-minute (300 sec.) response time. Countering this, one must consider the effects of traffic calming itself, which ideally will lead to fewer emergency responses involving auto accidents along Route 25A. In short, emergency responders apparently raise initial concerns, which are soon dispelled with time and experience. Let's hope that we will have the same experience here. If you're on 25A when the sirens sound behind you, keep those "bottlenecks" clear! We also note that some residents still seem resistant to the current "westbound exit only" from St. James's Church onto Route 25A, and have been seen dangerously cutting across oncoming traffic, dodging the island to go eastward. Please take an extra minute or two to follow the new traffic pattern exiting on Ridgeway - we will all be a good deal safer.