

MANOR MONTHLY

NOTES FROM THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Village of Briarcliff Manor, New York

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VILLAGE MANAGER REPORT

In August the Village will be conducting many public hearings, some of them may be of interest to you.

The hearings are as follows:

BOARD OF TRUSTEES -PUBLIC HEARINGS:

The Garden House Nursery School (for profit nursery school) has petitioned the Village to operate its nursery school in the Briarcliff Congregational Church, South State Road. The operation of this nursery school requires a zoning change, as the Village's Zoning Code only allows not-for-profit nursery schools to operate in a residential district under the Village's Special Use Permit requirements.

Saint Theresa's Church on Pleasantville Road has petitioned the Village Board to amend its Special Use Permit to allow for a "Welcome" sign. Special Use Permits are restrictive and any change to a site plan, etc. will typically trigger a change to the Special Use Permit, thus the change must be approved by the Board of Trustees.

Briarcliff Manor Investors (Old Kings College site) is requesting an amendment to its Special Use Permit. BMI proposes the following changes from its current application:

- Relocate the Health Center from the Lower Village to the Upper Village
- Reduce the size of the Main Building from 613,915 sf to 474,500 sf
- Eliminate the below-building parking
- Eliminate the guest suites
- Provide a new pool spa
- Modify the size of the community room and common space
- Relocate the Stealth Monopole within the Upper Village
- Provide a majority of parking spaces by valet

If you are interested in viewing an updated site plan, please visit the Village's Building Department at Village Hall.

Clearview School is requesting subdivision approval from the Planning Board. The Village Board of Trustees will have to amend Clearview School's Special Use Permit to reflect the subdivision of the property.

If you are interested in the above applications, please attend the next Board of Trustees meeting on **Thursday, August 21, 2008 at 7:30 PM.** We look forward to seeing you at the next meeting.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

The Village's Capital Improvement Plan is on the Village website. If you are interested in the proposed capital projects that may be funded over the next five years, please visit www.briarcliffmanor.org and click on **Village Manager**.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

For fun, the Village Library and Recreation Departments offer many programs that are fun for residents of all ages. To find a list of program offerings please visit the Village website at www.briarcliffmanor.org.

Have a wonderful summer!

Ingrid M. Richards, Interim Village Manager

BRIARCLIFF MANOR PUBLIC LIBRARY **(914) 941-7072**

**August 21—Catch the Reading Bug Congratulations Pizza Party
4:30-5:30pm, Law Park Pavilion**

Everyone who participated in the summer reading program is invited to celebrate our great readers! Registration is requested

**Village Offices will be closed August 29, 2008 and
September 1, 2008 in observance of Labor Day**

MANOR OF SPEAKING

COMMUNITY DAY
Saturday, September 6th

TIME	EVENT
2-6pm	The pool will be open...DJ Music, Big Splash Contest!
4:30pm	Traditional Family Attractions & Activities Begin: Races, Contests, Briefcase & Egg Tosses, Crafts, Face Painting, Free Balloons, Inflatable Attractions, Community Information Booths, Westchester County Mobile Passport Office and more!
6:30pm	Professional Children's Entertainment
7:00pm	Local HS Rock Band Showcase in the Pavilion
8:30pm	Annual Fireworks Show
9-10pm	DJ dancing to all of your favorites

The Briarcliff Manor Rotary Club will be selling food & refreshments...or you may wish to bring your own. In support of the Briarcliff Manor Community Coalition (BMCC), the Village is strongly encouraging all participants to honor our desire to enjoy the day as an alcohol and substance free event. **Rain date: Saturday, September 13th**

SUMMER AIR CONDITIONING AND COOLING TIPS

- Consider window fans, ceiling fans and whole-house fans, which use much less electricity than air conditioners.
- Close your blinds, shades or draperies during the hottest part of the day.
- Set air conditioners to the highest comfortable setting during the day.
- Turn off your air conditioner when you leave home for an extended period of time.
- Air conditioners work to remove humidity from the air, so wait to do moisture-making jobs like dishwashing, laundry and bathing either early in the morning or late at night.
- If you are buying a new central air conditioning system or room air conditioner, make sure to check its Seasonal Energy Efficiency Ratio (SEER) or its Energy Efficiency Rating (EER). Central air conditioning units are graded using SEER and window units by (EER). The higher the ratio or rating the more efficient the unit. Look for an 11.0 or higher ratio or rating.
- Make sure your window air conditioner is sized properly. Window air conditioners are designed to cool one room only. An oversized unit will not dehumidify the room properly and will use more energy than necessary. When figuring the size you need, a rule of thumb is about 20 BTU per square foot of room.
- Shade the outdoor air conditioning unit if possible. A unit in the sun will use up to 5 percent more energy than one in the shade.
- In homes with central air conditioning, don't block air registers with furniture or drapes.
- Keep heat-producing appliances such as lamps and televisions away from the thermostat.
- Clean or replace the central air-conditioning filter monthly. Clean the filter in the window units as well. Its behind the front panel.

*Information courtesy of Westchester County Department of Consumer Protection.

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