



SHOREHAM ITEM

Shoreham Country Club

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EVENT CALENDAR 2012

October 28	Children's Halloween Party	Jen Olsen/Cathy Spier
November 24	Thanksgiving Party	Avidor
December 15	Members Holiday Party	Avidor
December 16	Children's Holiday Party	Jen Olsen/Cathy Spier

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OPEN HOUSE ON THE DECK

Wednesdays: June 20 to September 5 6:00 to 9:00 pm

Fridays: May 25 to September 28 6:00 to 9:00 pm

Sundays: March 4 to further notice 9am to 12 noon

**Shoreham Village Hall—Upper Level
Open To All Village Residents**

*Sponsored By The Shoreham Country Club
check the Village Hall entrance during the week for any cancellations

FURTHER ABOUT THE FOURTH

Barbara Catoggio Kullen

In our last report, we mentioned that Mayor Pijacki had awarded to Bud Siegel a plaque from the Trustees of the Village formally and officially naming him “Mister Fourth of July”. Since that time, with the help of Lee Frei, we have acquired the complete text of that Proclamation as recorded on the plaque, which reads as follows:



PROCLAMATION

Let it be known that on this day, July 4th 2012, the Village of Shoreham Board of Trustees so proclaims the following:

Whereas Bud Siegel, upon the purchase of his current residence many years ago, pledged to the prior owner that he would continue the practice of handing out bunting and other miscellaneous material to be used in the decoration of our Parade floats and vehicles;

And, Whereas he has steadfastly and unwaveringly performed this function for these many years – showing himself to be unquestionably a man of his word;

And, Whereas, at his own personal cost, he has provided prizes to our youth - rewarding and encouraging their efforts - providing joy to those so honored – and elevating the festiveness of our annual celebration;

And, Whereas he has delivered consistently inspirational observations about life in Shoreham – helping us all to better and more fully appreciate that which we have in our community;

And, Whereas he owns the largest tie in the Village of Shoreham;

The Board of Trustees recognizes that he has become an iconic figure in our community - so closely tied to this celebration that he is universally known as Mr. Fourth of July.

Be it known to all that, from this day forth, the appellation *Mr. Fourth of July* shall only and forever be used in reference to Bud Siegel – in respect for all he symbolizes and for all he has done to enrich our community.

So declared on this day by the Village of Shoreham Board of Trustees.

Signed:

Carol Willen, Joseph Falco, Edward Weiss,
Rosemary Connell, Roger Pijacki



The Parade report would also not be complete without noting two omissions in the list of Band Members in the last report.

James Dana, grandson of Peter and Kay Spier, was at the rehearsal and good-naturedly agreed to play the triangle this year, and to consider playing a woodwind next year if his studies at Harvard commencing in the fall permitted.

The other omission was the name of the young man playing oboe. It is still not known, and if possible, we would appreciate that identification so we can give him proper recognition .

This year’s Junior Olympics were, as usual, a great success due to the hard working organizers and the helpful parents who pitched in. As usual, any event involving getting wet was a big hit, but all the events were enjoyed by the participants.

Now, on to the extremely important event of the afternoon of the Fourth, the outcome of which will have serious ramifications in the Village for years to come. Of course, I am referring to the Annual Married Men's-Single Men's Softball Game, or, simply, "**The Game**".



Some things about The Game are always the same, like Umpire Gil Tastrom's special shirt from Karl's Tavern in Elizabeth, New Jersey, passed on to him by his father, the legendary Herb Tastrom, along with Herb's occasional inability to distinguish a ball from a strike. And then there were some outstanding newcomers to The Game, most notably Clint Olsen, (new owner of the house on the former Zarkany property), who hit a bases-loaded home run. Also a great help to the Married Men's cause was a 3 run home run by Charlie Guercia. The married men this year were skillfully captained by John Bates, Jr., who was fortunate to have twenty-five players to rotate, the outstanding pitching of Mike Coogan, and the skillful third base coaching of young Matt Malley. Brad Melius could also be singled out for his fine contribution to The Game. We also applaud the accurate scorekeeping, year after year, of John Bates, Sr. It was also noted that Phil Drower was missing from The Game for the second year.

Of course, The Game would not be The Game without heckling the umpire from time to time about a call, or about anything else at all. A big brouhaha broke out involving Brian McMillan, about whether the runner gets second or third base in the event of an overthrown ball. It seems at times like these that everybody wants to play umpire.

The Married Men won this year by a score of 14 to 10, which means they have a two year winning streak (last year they won 9 to 6). This year, I was introduced to another tradition about The Game. It seems that many years ago (maybe the 80's, or even the 70's), the late Budge Beatty, who descended from a family that loved tradition, created a tradition which still continues today. Budge

initiated the tradition by taking a promotional mini keg of Dinkelaker beer (drained, of course) placing in it the score of that year's Game, and ordaining that each year thereafter, the score of that year's Game would be written on a paper and placed in the keg, to which he gave the name "The Boys of Summer Trophy". This trophy is held in such esteem by the participants in The Game, that it has been suggested (for real?) that the trophy and its contents be placed in a time capsule and buried in connection with the other festivities of next year's Centennial Celebration in the Village.

This year, there was a special ritual engaged in by the Single Men. It seems that one of their number, a person with great softball prowess named Travis Tastrom, is engaged to be married around the time of next year's The Game, thereby assuring the probable outcome of future games. Most Single men will be sorry to see him cross over, except that his brother, Parker, likewise a person of great softball prowess, was heard muttering something under his breath. Did he say: "glad to be rid of him; good riddance?"

Oh well, it's "only" a Game.

NEWS FROM THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Liz Larson-Gursky

Please join the Board of Directors
in welcoming our newest Club members:



Ed and Ilene Brickley
The Formisano Family
The Hamlet Family
The Murphy Family
Kathy Spier
James and Jamie Dana
Diana Fuchs

A LETTER FROM YVETTE

Yvette Malavet/Blum

Hi Dan,

I had such a memorable experience performing at the Veterans Administration Center in Northport, I want to share it with my friends.

I was invited to sing this show last October and I broke my leg, falling from my horse, then they rescheduled me for February, and there was a virus in the center and we rescheduled for August 29th. The third try was a charm.

I was surprised at how large a complex it is and disappointed that we were scheduled to sing in the Atrium not the stage. But, my husband and Bob went to work and set up the Atrium with my equipment, they had a nice piano. It looked great! While Eric was working on setting up the sound equipment, Bob went around and introduced himself to the veterans most of them were in wheelchairs and some in beds. My hostess explained that they had the shows in the Atrium because she couldn't get them in the auditorium with beds and wheelchairs. I had a few friends show up and they found me and made themselves comfortable. One of my neighbors who came to see the show was very moved because her Dad was at the center until he recently passed away.

The show was Awesome!!! I wanted to give them a great time and they were a wonderful audience. I sang all my Spanish Songs and ask them if they had any favorites, there was a Puerto Rican Vet in front who ask for En Mi Viejo San Juan, and Bob and I sang it for him, he was touched. Then Bob surprised me, he had taken down the names of the Vets and called out each one by his name and thanked each one personally for their service. There was a Vet there with 3 Purple Hearts, and vets from "my war" The Viet Name War and young very injured soldiers from Afghanistan War. I ended the show with "God Bless America" and my friend

called me when I got home to tell me how wonderful the show was and that there was a Vet singing along with me with tears coming down his cheeks.

I was moved and touched by this experience, I loved it!! I came home flying. I was so proud of Bob and grateful for the experience. We've sang my Spanish Program all over Suffolk County and we've been going over to Nassau for a number of shows. There have been a number of memorable experiences. This one tops them all.



Thanks for asking Dan ... Yvette

Editors Note: And thank you Yvette

GRADUATION CONGRATS

LaManna

Francesca Lee LaManna, granddaughter of Lee and Tony Pisacano graduated from Pratt Institute with a BFA in Communication Design and Illustration. Francesca had the honor of having her artwork accepted in the Pratt Show in Manhattan last spring. She plans to settle in the Seattle, WA area after she finishes her tour with the U.S.Forest Service which she began in May. She's working on a hand crew putting out forest fires. And yes, Francesca was in Waldo Canyon, Colorado for about 2 and 1/2 weeks. All is inspirational to the aspiring artist!



BOOK CLUB

Skeeter Barnhart



The first meeting will be September 20 Thursday night at 7 PM - We'll plan and talk about books to read.

Open to all villagers.
See you there.

REIKI ANNOUNCEMENT

Sandra Bowman

The Shoreham Reiki Circle takes place every third Tuesday of the month at 7pm at the Village Hall. It is free and open to all village residents. Reiki is a hands-on healing technique that knows where to go in your physical, emotional, mental, and spiritual bodies. If you feel that you have a problem, you don't need to know anything about it and you needn't discuss it unless you want to. If you have no problems, Reiki just feels good. You also meditate while waiting. Meditation is about the only way you can bring your mind to a standstill for some rest. We do meditations that are guided live, recorded, and non-guided (music).



Sandra Bowman is a Reiki Master who administers Reiki while attendees meditate. Anyone who is a Reiki practitioner is invited to do

so as well. Come join us, bring your water bottle, and stop your world for an hour.

FOR SALE:

Flying Turn Sailboat. 14 foot international class sailboat complete with 4 sails, mast, boom, whisker pole, centerboard, rudder, tiller and beach dolly. Hull number 20. Part of the Shoreham Yacht Club original fleet. Sale it in the centennial! \$750.
Charlie Bowman # 821-2007

ARTICLES WANTED FOR ITEM

Some possibilities:

- *Beyond The Bridge: any happenings of interest outside of the Village
- *Gardening Tips: what is working for you
- *In The Community: all the news fit to print
- *For Sale / Barter
- *Youth corner
- *Photos

Send all to thesccitem@gmail.com

Deadlines: the 15th of each month

Final Print/Distribution: the 22nd of each month.

Note: the ITEM takes a vacation February, March & April. Notices for events will continue to be sent all year.