

WELCOME TO SHOREHAM VILLAGE

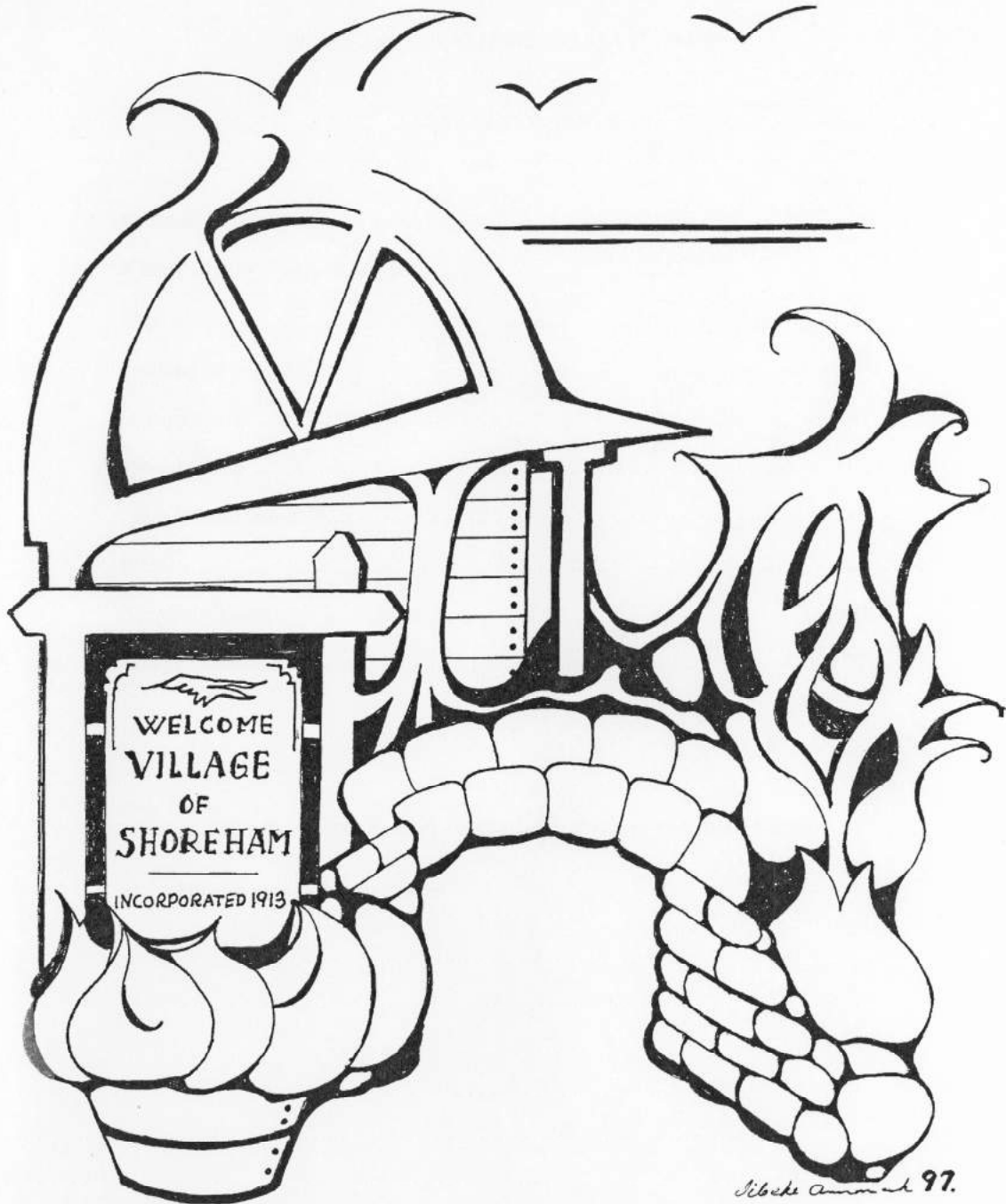


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“About three in the afternoon, almost a whole day after leaving New York, we reached Shoreham.”

“I thought then and still think it is the most beautiful spot in the world. The only possible rival I ever saw is on the Bay of Tunis in North Africa. Scores of visitors have remarked the likeness of our coast to that of the Riviera. Five minutes after I first laid eyes on the place I knew we were going to live and die there – if it didn’t cost too much. ‘Too much,’ I decided, meant more than we could beg, borrow or steal.” (April 1908)

Channing Pollock, Playwright and Essayist
Shoreham Village Resident 1908 – 1946



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Vibeke Arnmark, Artist and Shoreham Village Resident

THE SHOREHAM VILLAGE ASSOCIATION



Dear Neighbors,

Welcome to our Village! We hope that you and your family will quickly meet your neighbors and become familiar with the many activities our beautiful community has to offer. This booklet will help you get acquainted with our history, traditions, facilities and government.

Our beautiful beaches, parkland, ball fields and Village Hall provide many activities for all ages. Inside you will find letters from some of the organizations that contribute to the life of Shoreham, as well as a map of the Village. A list of Village Officials is regularly updated on the Village Website, shorehamvillage.org or villageofshoreham.org (either domain name takes you to the site). The Welcome Booklet was first compiled in 1987, and this is the latest version. We hope that you will find it informative and helpful as you settle into your new home. Once again, welcome to Shoreham Village, a wonderful place to live.

Sincerely,

Members of the Board of Directors
The Shoreham Village Association
"TSVA"

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Dear New Neighbor,

Welcome to the Village of Shoreham! Our Village came into existence over 100 years ago –in 1913 to be exact! We started as a summer community when the Village was more of an oasis on the island and, slowly over the decades, we morphed into a vibrant year-round community of approximately 200 homes. In the older areas of the Village, closer to the beach, you can see evidence of the many original summer bungalows that have been lovingly restored.

But appearances aside, the core of our community is exactly that - community. When I once asked our Village attorney what "reputation" the Village had, he immediately said, "You are known as a very tight-knit community." I thought to myself: *What a wonderful reputation!* -- and it is true. Neighbors help neighbors and we all take care of this lovely place we live in.

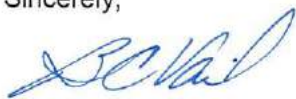
The Village government is basically made up of volunteers who help keep our Village safe, beautiful and enjoyable. I guess you could start with me - I was elected Mayor for a two-year term in June 2018, but I am an unsalaried volunteer, as are all four of our Trustees and the long list of dedicated Village officials and commissioners. They ensure that we maintain our sparkling beach and Village Hall, our tennis courts, playground and other recreational facilities, as well as our parks and roads.

We also have a small compensated staff consisting of our Clerk/Treasurer, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer and Clerk's Assistant. They make sure that the Building Department, PublicWorks projects (roads and drains) and Treasury run smoothly and efficiently. Our Board meetings are at 7:30 pm on the second Tuesday of the month. All residents are welcome to come and participate in small government at work!

I realize I have spent a fair amount of time extolling the virtues of this Village and I certainly hope as you live here, you will feel the same way. Chat with your neighbors, be helpful and friendly, and you too - before you know it - will become a "Shoreham-ite."

See you on the 4th of July!

Sincerely,



Brian C. Vail
Mayor
Village of Shoreham

A BRIEF HISTORY OF SHOREHAM VILLAGE

This is a partial reprinting of **A HISTORY of The Incorporated Village of SHOREHAM in the TOWN OF BROOKHAVEN** by Mervin G. Pallister, Village Historian from 1972-1986.

The work was published on 7/4/1976. The complete account can be found in the NS-Reference section of the North Shore Public Library located next to the Shoreham-Wading River High School, 250 Route 25A, Shoreham, NY. Mervin Pallister's daughter, Kathryn M. (Pallister) Spier has also very graciously granted the Village permission to post the entire history on the Shoreham Village website under "Shoreham Village History."

[Note: In 2013, Shoreham Village celebrated the 100th anniversary of its incorporation as a village.]

Although the outlying farms and settlements date back to Colonial times, the Shoreham of today is essentially the product of the last one hundred years.

As far back as 1650 the east end of Long Island was being settled by New Englanders, and in 1655 colonists from Connecticut settled in the vicinity of Port Jefferson. The latter were instrumental in organizing the Town of Brookhaven in 1664, at which time the Town extended well to the east of Wading River. Sometime around 1670 one Richard Woodhull negotiated a confirmatory deed from the Indians under which the Town acquired full title to the lands along the Sound; in gratitude for this accomplishment the Town deeded to him a large tract of land along the shore which is believed to include the portion of Shoreham to the east of Woodville Road. The earliest owners of the lands west of Woodville Road appear to have been the Miller family of Miller Place.

By the time of the American Revolution the Miller lands belonged to one Peter Skidmore and the Woodhull lands to one Wessell Sells (the latter's name still survives in "Sills Rock"). During the century before 1880 wood chopping was the principal industry in and around Shoreham. Cordwood to fuel the brick kilns along the Hudson River was brought to Shoreham beach by way of a network of trails converging on Woodville Road, whence it was loaded aboard small sailing vessels for transport to New York City. A small cluster of woodcutter's cabins sprang up about a mile inland and was known as "Woodville," the wagon trail to the beach becoming "Woodville Landing Road."

In the early 1800's the Skidmore holdings passed to one Daniel Swezey, who operated a small store near the beach and during whose tenure the beach became known as "Swezey's Landing." Somewhere around the time of the Civil War Swezey's holdings passed to one William Dickerson, under whose family extensive orchards of apples, peaches, pears, and plums were developed in the lowlands along both sides of Woodville Road.

The history of modern Shoreham may be said to date from 1890. In that year the North Shore Branch of the Long Island Railroad terminated at Port Jefferson, but plans were afoot to extend it to Wading River, with way stations at Miller Place, Rocky Point and Shoreham. Appreciating the boost this would give to property values, a far-seeing Ohio banker, James A. Warden, acquired extensive landholdings in and around Shoreham and undertook the development of a residential community there under the name of "Wardenclyffe." When the railroad extension opened in the spring of 1895, the station at Shoreham was officially "Wardenclyffe."



Warden was also instrumental in inducing a syndicate of New York bankers to finance the construction of an experimental laboratory for Nikola Tesla, whose work in the fields of alternating current and high-frequency electronics had aroused worldwide scientific interest. Tesla's plant opened in 1902 and achieved some notable successes, but was short-lived and soon closed for want of adequate financing. While the plant was in operation, Tesla was a part-time resident of the Village.



Shortly thereafter Warden disposed of most of his lands here and Wardenclyffe became "Shoreham."

With the notable exception of a few of the older houses on or near Woodville Road, most of the older houses went up in the first decade of this century. Development of the old village west of Woodville Road and north of Overhill Road was undertaken by the Oak Ridge Company, which was financed through Charles J. Tagliabue. His son-in-law, Herbert Hapgood, handled the engineering and construction work.

By 1913 it had become apparent that the hilly terrain of Shoreham made it necessary to construct a system of streets which would be free of washouts that had plagued the community from the start. It was proposed that the streets be concreted, and that the village be incorporated as an entity to issue bonds to cover the cost of the work.

Incorporation was accomplished in 1913, and the roadwork was undertaken forthwith.

The Suffolk County Land Company, owner of the lands east of Woodville Road, had commenced development of what came to be known as the "Estates." Under its owners, Richard D. Upham and Henry B. Johnson, some dozen large houses had been built along Briarcliff and Tower Hill Roads; the Shoreham Inn, at the site of the present basketball court, was in operation and had achieved considerable success; a "power house" with a pumping station and ice plant had been built east of the Inn and water mains had been laid throughout the Village. Electricity and telephone services were established around 1915.

In 1951 a large portion of the "Estates" east of the village was annexed; in 1957 the "Shoreham Slopes" was added; and in 1966 the lands now occupied by The New York Telephone Company

and the Long Island Lighting Company [now PSEGLI] were also added. There are now about 190 homes in the village and the official census for 2010 was 531.

The Village has from time to time acquired various park and recreational lands. It owns a strip of undeveloped land along the west edge of the Village extending from the Sound almost to Route 25A. Along Woodville Road it owns several recharge basins to take care of surface water runoffs, and also owns park strips along the west side of Woodville Road to limit potential traffic hazards. Opposite the store [now a private residence] it owns a tract of nearly six acres of undeveloped land designated as "Major Hopkins Park," which was given to the Village by Arthur J. Sackett and wife in memory of her brother. At the corner of Woodville and Briarcliff Roads it owns the land on which the tennis courts and ball field are located, and also the lands where the basketball court, the paddle tennis court, and the waterfront bluff lot are located. It also owns the Village Hall property on the waterfront.

The Village Government consists of a Mayor and four Trustees, elected for two-year terms, a police justice elected for a four-year term, and several Commissioners and other officials appointed by the Trustees.

Uniquely, Shoreham has witnessed five generations of the Electronic Age. Firstly, there was Nikola Tesla, mentioned previously. Secondly, Lee DeForest, who was an early resident of the Village and inventor of the "audion" vacuum tube, represents the generation of the radio telephone and all its ramifications. Thirdly, there was the longwave worldwide radio transmission station at Rocky Point. Fourthly, there is Brookhaven National Laboratory.

Shoreham is also notable for two unique qualities of its own: when incorporated, it was the smallest village in New York State, and it is the first municipality in the State to have concrete roads throughout its original incorporated area.

Mervin G. Pallister

Village Historian

1972-1986

Shoreham Village The Recent Years

The late 20th Century was a turbulent time for Shoreham Village, marked by two defining events - the closing of the nearby Shoreham Nuclear Power Plant, and the loss of the Shoreham Country Club to fire and its replacement - the new Village Hall.

As Three Mile Island and Chernobyl raised local residents' concerns about the safety of nuclear power, public and political support for the Shoreham Nuclear Power Plant eroded, and it became the subject of protests and media attention, culminating in its closure in 1989, just 5 years after its completion at a cost of \$6 billion. While the plant was a source of anxiety and concern for many, it had also been the source of property tax revenue that had helped support the Shoreham-Wading River School District, a nationally recognized leader in educational innovation. In addition, it represented a potential source of power to meet Long Island's energy demands.



On a windy autumn night in 1987, the venerable old Shoreham Country Club burned to the ground. This watershed event forced Villagers to reassess the role of traditional institutions in the life of the Village, whether a new Village Hall was needed, and what, if built, its function should be. Finally, after three years of collective soul searching, debate and contributions by Villagers, there arose from the ashes a new and

far grander Village Hall, its construction accompanied by consensus that this new Hall should be for the enjoyment and convenience of all residents.

In 1996, Shorehamites voted in the first female mayor, the late Ginger Tastrom. In addition to blazing the trail for women to hold top positions in Village government, Mayor Tastrom was a champion of volunteerism and respected for her ability to inspire people with diverse points of view to work together towards the common good.

Following in this tradition, in 2012, Mayor Roger Pijacki, along with members of the Board of Trustees, launched a yearlong series of events to prepare for the celebration of the Centennial of the incorporation of Shoreham Village, which would occur, with great fanfare, on October 4th, 2013. All residents were encouraged to participate in some way; committees were formed, ideas were shared and lofty plans were made. Throughout the year, and especially during the summer of 2013, many exciting events took place, due to the talents, cooperation and hard work of the many villagers who offered their time, expertise and energy.

Notwithstanding all the changes that time has brought, Shoreham Village, following its centennial, remains a bastion of beauty and tradition, much beloved by those lucky enough to call it "home."

FACILITIES AND RECREATION

Village Hall

Our “new” Village Hall was completed in 1991. The upper level contains dinner seating for 150, dance floor and stage, kitchen and restrooms. It is available for Village meetings and for rental on a restricted basis. Most of the Shoreham Country Club functions are held there. The lower level consists of Village offices, a garage for Village vehicles, a general-purpose room with large HDTV, table tennis and air hockey, restrooms, a small kitchen, and storage. Both the upstairs and downstairs can be rented by residents for their own affairs. Details, application forms, a rental contract and usage guidelines can be obtained from the Village website. Go to: shorehamvillage.org “Shoreham Village Hall Rental” link, or call the Village Steward (631-849-6479). In the summer, there are regular *Open Houses*. These are casual gatherings, open to all Village residents - bagels and coffee on Sunday mornings and coffee hours on Wednesday and Friday evenings. A schedule of *Open Houses* is posted on the Village bulletin board (at the north end of the Village parking lot) and on the Village website.

Village Beach

The Village beach extends from the foot of the Beach Lane steps on the west side of the Village Hall, across the front of the building, and ends at the east end of the parking lot. The bathing/swimming area is marked by ropes/floats July 1st through Labor Day and controlled by the lifeguard. Children must pass a swim test to be allowed to swim out to the float without adult supervision (see the lifeguard for age requirements or other questions). Swimming lessons are offered some summers. Lifeguard hours are 10 AM to 5 PM weekdays and 10 AM to 6 PM on weekends, from the first weekend school lets out until Labor Day weekend (this may be subject to change). While a lifeguard is on duty, the restrooms on the lower level of the Village Hall are available. For those who would like to rinse off after a swim, a shower is available on the lower level walkway.



The beach area to the west of the Beach Lane steps is private property. Beach activities, such as sunbathing, swimming and picnicking, are restricted to the Village-owned beach area only. During the summer, boats may be kept on the beach, just east of the stair ramp. There is locked storage for paddleboards, windsurfers, kayaks, etc. under the deck of the Village Hall from Memorial Day to October 31st. See the Village Clerk to obtain a key. The removal of sand, gravel and/or pebbles from the beach is prohibited. Dogs are prohibited on the beach from June 1st to September 30th.

Beach fires are only allowed with a permit (call the Village Clerk with inquiries). All beach fires are allowed only in the fire pit towards the west side of the bathing beach.

Recreational Courts

The courts below are located at the corner of Woodville and Briarcliff Roads. Use of the courts and playground is restricted to Village residents and their guests. Play on lighted courts is permitted only until 11pm.

Platform tennis courts have lights for evening play and heat (turned on in the hut to melt the ice off the courts) for winter play. The warming hut is locked when not in use. A key may be obtained from the Recreation Commissioner.

Basketball courts have lights for evening play. Bring your own basketball.

Tennis courts are across from the playground. There are two hard courts and two clay courts available to all residents throughout the day (no lighting at night). Lessons are usually available to Village residents' children during the summer. See the bulletin board at the courts for rules and special activities.

Pickle Ball is played on the basketball court (when it is not in use) and requires racquets, a pickle ball (similar to a wiffle ball) and the simple set-up of a net, which is stored nearby.

The Bocce Ball court is located near the southeast corner of the Village Hall east parking lot.

The above activities are under the umbrella of the Recreation Commissioner for Sports. For further information, contact the Village Clerk.

Playgrounds

There is a children's playground on Briarcliff Road across from the tennis courts. A softball field (*Joe's Field*, named in memory of past Mayor Joe Abata) is located on Woodville Road, just south of the tennis courts. Occasionally other organized sports are offered, but these change from year to year. Check out the green message boards located throughout the Village or the Village website for the latest offerings.

Little Free Library – Take a book...Share a book

TSVA is proud to sponsor a Little Free Library (one of 90,000 throughout the country and internationally). It's located near the playground at the corner of Woodville and Briarcliff Roads. This friendly little gray and green box is accessible to all, children and adults alike. It is stocked with books, old and new, and all are invited to leave books too, for others to enjoy.

And if you're still looking, additional books can be found in the lower level of Village Hall.

Parks

The geographical area of the Village includes nearly 30 acres of parkland. These lands are open to residents for the enjoyment of benign activities such as hiking, walking, bird and nature watching, etc. Contact information for the Parks Commissioner may be obtained from the Village Clerk.

ORGANIZATIONS

As a new resident entering Shoreham Village, please consider joining one or more of the organizations described on the next few pages.



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 - Sunshine Committee
 - Welcome Committee



Shoreham Country Club

P.O. Box 551
Shoreham, New York 11786

Dear Neighbor,

On behalf of the Shoreham Country Club I would like to welcome you to the Village of Shoreham. Your new home is located in a very special Village with wonderful neighbors and beautiful surroundings.

The Shoreham Country Club has been a vital part of our Village for the past 100 years. We sponsor a variety of social events throughout the year. From formal dances to clambakes to beach parties to TGIFs, we strive to offer events for every member to enjoy. We host many traditional events and are interested in trying new ideas each year. The events are organized and run by our members, so it is the perfect way to get involved in the community. The Club is an ideal way to socialize with your friends and neighbors and be so close to home!

The Board of Directors and I encourage you to join the Club. We will be happy to provide more information on our Club, and we look forward to welcoming you as a new member! Please contact Liz Larson Gursky at Elizlarson@aol.com for membership information.

With warm regards,

The President of the Shoreham Country Club



Shoreham Village Hall - venue for Country Club functions



Shoreham Garden Club

PO Box 323, Shoreham, NY 11786-0323

Established 1929

Our Mission Statement

- Promote an interest in the advancement of sustainable gardening.
- Cooperate in the protection of the environment including native plants, trees and birds.
- Encourage home landscaping.
- Further the beautification and conservation of the natural resources of our communities.

The Shoreham Garden Club sponsors the **Shoreham Garden Club Scholarship**, given each year to a graduating senior in Shoreham Wading River High School who meets our criteria.

Events

The Shoreham Garden Club holds numerous events throughout the calendar year. As a member, you can look forward to the following meetings and events:

- Invited speakers on subjects of interest to gardeners.
- Visits to public and private gardens, bird sanctuaries, nurseries, *etc.*
- Member workshops.
- Community service programs.
- An annual plant sale (proceeds used for community, civic and charitable projects).
- A garden party in June and a holiday party in December.

An informative newsletter is distributed to members quarterly.

Membership

The Shoreham Garden Club invites you to become a member of our organization. Membership is open to all people from Shoreham and the surrounding communities who agree with the aims of the organization.

A second member of the same household may be included in Dual Membership or may choose to become an Associate. Associates may participate in all member activities, but do not have voting privileges. When joining after July 1st, new members pay only 50% of the annual membership fee for that year.

Annual dues are:
Single Membership: \$30.00
Dual Membership: \$50.00
Associate Membership: \$10.00

If you would like to join us, please download our Membership Application at <http://shorehamgardenclub.com> and mail it along with a check made out to the Shoreham Garden Club to:

Shoreham Garden Club, PO Box 323, Shoreham NY 11786-0323.

For additional information, contact shorehamgardenclub@gmail.com.

THE SHOREHAM VILLAGE ASSOCIATION

PO Box 678

Shoreham, NY 11786

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Web page: www.shorehamtsva.org



The Shoreham Village Association (TSVA) was founded in 1983 for the purpose of improving and beautifying the appearance of the Village.

Members of TSVA volunteer their time, energy and expertise for a wide variety of projects. Over the years, TSVA has made numerous contributions to the Village. For example, TSVA is responsible for the construction of the stone wall at Major Hopkins Park, planting of roses near the tennis courts and shrubs along the sump,

as well as initiating organic lawn care at Joe's Field and the playground.

With increased participation of our citizens over the years, we have expanded the mission of TSVA, which now is *"to maintain and improve the quality of life of its residents through educational and cultural programs, communication and initiatives that benefit the appearance of the Village as well as the health of its residents and the environment."*

TSVA holds Annual Meetings to update members about on-going projects and to consider new proposals. The group sponsors cleanups and beautification projects to enhance the appearance of the Village. In addition, an Events Committee plans and sponsors educational and entertainment events for the entire Village population.

We have five standing committees: Communications, Environment, Events, Sunshine and Welcome. Descriptions of each can be found on our website: <https://www.shorehamtsva.org>.

Spring daffodils along Briarcliff Road.



TSVA COMMITTEES

[Communications Committee](#)

TSVA's Communications Committee sends a variety of informational messages to all Shoreham Village residents via email.

TSVA*FYI Newsletter (published periodically) will keep you informed of events for and featuring our Village residents with "AROUND THE VILLAGE" and "BEYOND THE BRIDGE." It also provides information about Shoreham Village clubs.

This is YOUR newsletter! Send in Village related or personal articles, photos and other "bits" of information to tsvassoc@gmail.com. (-: Please, no business advertisements. Thank you :-)

TSVA*FYI e-mail blasts are always available for posting time-sensitive information (ex: lost cats & dogs, Village events, and items of local interest).

TSVA*Bulletin Board emails list items for sale or to give away. All Village residents are encouraged to send photos of items, with details, to tsvassoc@gmail.com.

[Environment Committee](#)

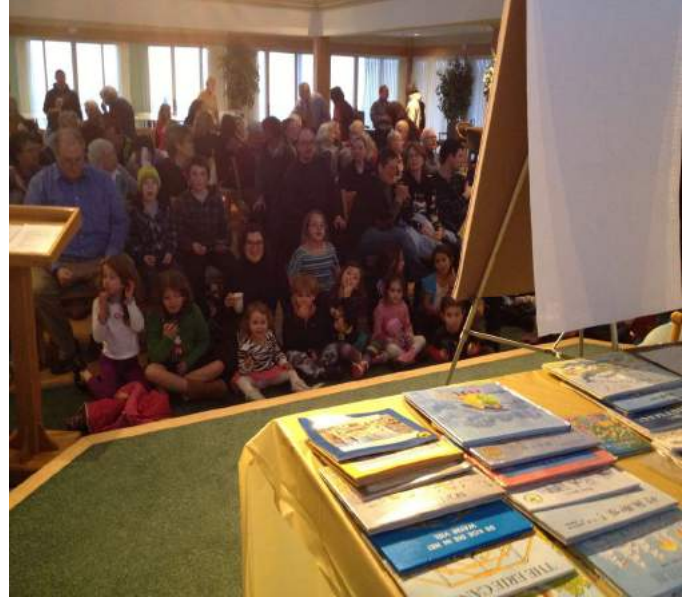
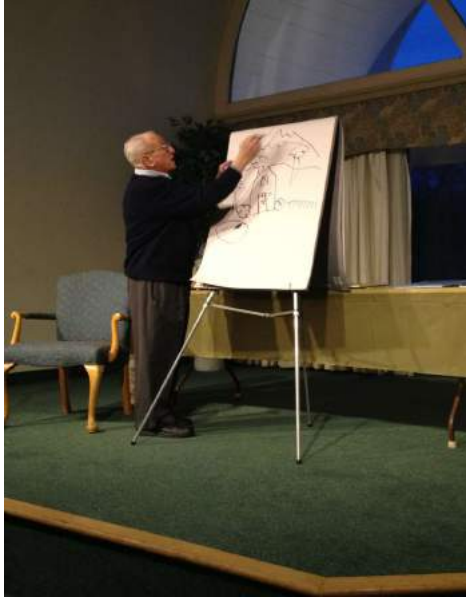
The Environment Committee is concerned with the overall well-being, long term health, and general appearance of the Village and its natural areas.



2019 Beach Cleanup

[Events Committee](#)

TSVA has formed an Events Committee with the purpose of providing educational and cultural programs, open to all village residents, at the Village Hall. These events run each year from the fall through the spring. <https://www.shorehamtsva.org/>



Shoreham's renowned author and illustrator, the late Peter Spier, fascinated young and old at the first Event sponsored by TSVA.

You can find postings of the videos from former Events under 'Events' on our website.

[Sunshine Committee](#)

Our Sunshine Committee was formed to help fellow Village residents in need. We realize that we all need help at one time or another and our Sunshine Volunteers are eager to help. We'll run an errand or give you a ride. Whether it's picking up a prescription, driving you to get your car, giving you a ride to an appointment, or something else, please don't hesitate to call us.



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[Welcome Committee](#)

The Welcome Committee traditionally greets new neighbors with a gift basket, lists of village organizations, and other general information.

SPECIAL EVENTS

The following events are held every year and are open to all residents:

Children's Spring Party: There is an annual Children's Spring Party, sponsored by the Shoreham Country Club, on the parkland by the Village Hall. This event is open to all residents and guests and includes an old - fashioned Easter Egg Hunt.

Fourth of July: This is THE holiday in Shoreham! There is a parade of cars, dignitaries, decorated bikes, strollers, dogs, "floats," a band, etc., up and down Woodville Road beginning at 11:00 a.m. (*children who wish to be in the parade - on bikes, in wagons, or walking - gather on Wardencliff Rd. at 10:30 a.m.*).



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This culminates in speeches, prizes, and afterwards, hot dogs, ice cream and beverages in front of the Village Hall. In the afternoon, various events are held, such as the Junior Olympics for the children, and the single vs. married men's softball game.

Family Barbecue at the beach: Every July, a weekend day is set aside when all Village residents are invited to bring their entrees to barbecue at the beach. The Shoreham Country Club provides the grills, salads, drinks and dessert.

Labor Day: On every Labor Day Sunday since 1924, the Shoreham Village tennis courts have become the venue for the oldest continuous inter-community sports rivalry in the country: *the Shoreham-Wading River Tennis Tournament*. While the after-party is sponsored on alternating years by each community, all participants and spectators are always invited to our Village Hall for trophy presentations and refreshments.

Halloween Party: On the weekend before Halloween each year, there is a party at the Village Hall, open to all village children and their families. Children may dress up in their Halloween costumes; games are played, and refreshments are served.

December Holidays: Each holiday season, there is a party at the Village Hall for the children and their families, which includes a visit from Santa Claus.

GENERAL INFORMATION

If you have additional questions after reading the information on the following pages, call the Village Clerk or visit the Village website.

Village Government

The Incorporated Village of Shoreham is governed by a Mayor and four Trustees. Two trustees are elected for two-year terms on alternate years, and a mayoral vote occurs every two years. Elections are held on the third Tuesday in June. Commissioners and board members are appointed by the Board of Trustees to oversee the various functions of government, such as road maintenance and zoning. There is a list of Village officers, trustees, commissioners and board members available at the Shoreham Village website, listed below. The work of the Village is accomplished in the main through the good efforts of volunteers. You are encouraged to pursue your interests and apply your skills by volunteering for the Village's organizations and projects.

Village Information Sources

The Village website, www.shorehamvillage.org contains information about Shoreham, including rentals for the Village Hall, Laws, Ordinances, trash and recycling and other local topics.

Village Hall phone number: 631-821-0680

Fax number: 631-821-4102

Village website: www.shorehamvillage.org.

Mailing address: P.O. Box 389, Shoreham, NY 11786-0389

E-mail address: ls pillane@shorehamvillage.org.

Village information is primarily conveyed by email. In order to receive Village e-mails, your e-mail address should be given to the Village Clerk (call 631-821-0680.)

Village office hours vary by season. You can call the office at 631-821-0680 to confirm office hours and to make an appointment.

Village Meetings and Notifications

Village Board meetings are held on the lower level of the Village Hall, on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM. All Village residents are encouraged to attend. The content of each meeting is reported on the Village Website.

Notifications of important meetings, elections and activities, as well as other official announcements, are posted on the official bulletin board in the Village Hall parking lot.

In addition, there are green boards at six locations in the Village:

- South end of Circle and Dickerson Drives
- North end of Circle and Dickerson Drives
- Edge of Major Hopkins Park
- Corner of Fitzgerald and Tagliabue Roads
- Corner of Woodville and Briarcliff Roads
- Ashley Lane at Upham Down



Residents may use these boards for their personal *noncommercial / nonpolitical* announcements. If you place a notice, please be sure to remove it at the proper time. Official Village notices that require a public announcement are published in the Times-Beacon Record newspaper.

[Ordinances \(Local Laws\)](#)

The Village has a Code of local laws (ordinances), to be found on the official web site. These include a strict Zoning ordinance. **Most modifications and additions to residences and other structures (including decks, fences and pools) on one's property require a building permit from the Village.** Permits are not required from the Town of Brookhaven. If you are planning any changes to your property, contact the Building Commissioner for details or check the Village website under the link to Permits. The Building Commissioner can be reached through the Village Clerk.

There are also ordinances regarding the cutting of trees on your property and bushes obstructing street corners, as well as restrictions regarding renting out rooms or buildings on residential property.

Please see the web site or contact the Village Clerk for more details.

[Mail](#)

Many Village residents have mail delivered to P.O. boxes at the Shoreham Post Office, just east of the fire station on Route 25A. Mail can be delivered to mail boxes on most streets if this is preferred. The majority of summer residents have P.O. Box numbers in the Shoreham

Post Office so as to receive summer mailings. If you are a summer resident and have changed your permanent address, please notify the Village Clerk at PO Box 389, Shoreham, NY 11786. Residents who intend to rent out their homes must first obtain a home rental permit. The instructions and permit application may be found on the village website, www.shorehamvillage.org.

Garbage Collection

The Village employs a carter to pick up refuse. It is collected on Mondays and Thursdays, except for holidays. If a holiday falls on either of these days, pickup is delayed to the next regular pickup day. A calendar for collection and recycling may be found on the Village website under the Trash and Recycling link. Barrels should be out on the curb by 8 am. Please be aware that raccoons and dogs can easily upset barrels and make a big mess, so secure lids during the week, and don't leave full barrels at the curb overnight.

Brookhaven Town rules are followed for what can be thrown out in regular trash, what should be recycled, and what items (such as hazardous waste) require special arrangements. Refer to the Town's *Throwing It Out* manual, which is available on the web. Use the links provided at shorehamvillage.org/trash/recycling. Hazardous waste should be brought to the Town "STOP" facility on Horseblock Rd. and Woodside Ave. See the town's *Throwing It Out* manual for hours, acceptable materials, and packaging instructions.

Recycling

The same carter used for Shoreham trash collection is also used for recycling. Residents are required to participate in Brookhaven Town's mandatory recycling program (pickup is every Wednesday). Please separate paper from plastic and metal for collection on alternating weeks. Note that no glass can be recycled, and only #1 and #2 plastic is recycled. Each household is provided with a plastic bin for the collection of these *clean* recyclable products. The schedule and details of what can be recycled can be found on the website at shorehamvillage.org/trash/recycling. You may also refer to Brookhaven Township's website for instructions: <https://www.brookhavenny.gov/360/Curbside-Recycling>.

The Brookhaven Town Department of Waste Management can be reached at the following number: 631-451-6222. The Town recycling information line is 631-451-6950.

Old Appliances and Scrap Metal

For information regarding disposal of old appliances and other large objects, or if you have other questions, contact the *Town Waste Management Department* at 631-451-6222 to schedule a pick-up. If the appliance has doors, be sure to remove them to prevent accidents. Oil tanks are not accepted.

Parking

Residents are entitled to a [Village sticker](#) for their car, which identifies you as a resident whenever parking in the Village. A [Village guest pass](#) is provided also, to be used by someone who is visiting you who needs to park in one of the Village lots. An [electronic card](#) is needed to open the gate when going to the beach or the Village Hall.

The electronic card, Village sticker and Guest Pass are obtained from the Village Clerk. You will need your automobile registration to obtain each item. Village residents are entitled to two electronic cards per household (one per vehicle), without charge. These may be obtained from the Village Clerk during business hours or by appointment. An additional electronic opener for a third family car may be purchased. Call the clerk at 631-821-0680 with questions or to make an appointment, as these rules may be subject to change.

Renters (non-homeowners residing in the Village) may purchase up to 2 cards for \$25 each. Renters must present proof of rental - a copy of a current lease or letter from the landlord - as well as vehicle registration for each car. See the Village Clerk during business hours.

Parking for the beach or for Village Hall functions, or to see the Village Clerk, is available in the two parking lots at the north end of Woodville Road. In order to open the gate and enter the parking lot, you will need to swipe your electronic card at the stand, located just before the gate. For security reasons, this gate is generally closed.

How To Keep Shoreham Looking Lovely

Think about composting!

Please do not put garbage out the night before pick-up. It is prey for dogs and raccoons. Garbage collection starts at 8 a.m. If you are a weekend resident and leave town on Sunday, arrange with a neighbor or hire someone to set out your trash barrels. Likewise, bring garbage cans back to your house the same day.

The carter will pick up all household trash and garbage. However, twigs and branches should be bundled and not be more than three feet in length. The Town of Brookhaven does not have an annual pick-up within the Village for large amounts of lawn, shrub and tree clippings, or leaves, as it does in the rest of the Town. Brookhaven Town has a “hotline” number for questions concerning their procedures. That number is 631-451-6222.

Residents may not discard branches, leaves or any other items in the Village parklands, road right-of-ways or easements. Such items must be kept on the resident’s property or taken to the Town dump.

It is the responsibility of each household to keep all of curb areas free of leaves or other debris throughout the year. This is especially true if there is a street drain along the curb in front of your residence. The Village usually sweeps all streets in late spring. Also, keep shrubs and trees trimmed back at roadsides so that street traffic has good visibility, especially at corners and around curbs.

Code Enforcement



The Code Enforcement officers are on patrol seven nights a week during the summer and four nights a week during the off-season. The function of the Code Officer is to enforce Village local laws, which can be found on the Village website under “Code of the Village of Shoreham,” and to protect Village property. All other matters are handled by calling 911.

[A Shoreham Village resident may leave a message at the Village office \(631-821-5287\) for Code Enforcement regarding a code infraction.](#)

Remember, if you have an emergency, dial 911

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