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## SAVE THE DATE

Our next GENERAL MEETING, Candidates Night, will be held on Tuesday, October 26 at 8pm via Zoom.

Simply go to www.zoom.us and click on

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Only the first 100 guests will be admitted due to our account restrictions.

#### Here are some housekeeping rules:

- All participants will be muted upon entering and will remain muted unless they raise their "virtual hand"
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- Once that participant is finished speaking, the host will unmute the next participant with a "virtual hand" raised and will mute the former speaker.
- Depending upon the number of participants who have questions and wish to speak, it may be that not all participants will be able to speak due to time constraints.
- If a participant is not unmuted due to time constraints, please email your question to BHCA at <a href="mailto:baysidehillscivic@gmail.com">baysidehillscivic@gmail.com</a>



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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

# Remembering 9/11—20th Anniversary

We all know, on September 11, 2001, terrorists hijacked four commercial airliners to strike targets in the United States. Nearly 3,000 people died as a result of the attacks, yet what have we learned? Maybe we learned that life can end at any given moment, for the most bizarre of reasons. Evil exists in this world despite the good nature of most people.

On Saturday, September 11th, our community and the Bayside Hills Civic Association will be observing the twentieth anniversary of those attacks; quite a somber thought indeed.

In addition to our usual ceremony, we also plan to acknowledge some of the individuals who are responsible for our beautiful Bayside Hills Memorial Garden as it appears today.

The Boy Scouts of America, as is our tradition, will be in charge of the colors, flags will be distributed, patriotic music will be played, special guest speakers have been invited, and you will be asked to bring glass enclosed candles to place around our Memorial Garden similar to the photo below. (They must be glass enclosed to protect against fire on our mall.)

I would be remiss in not thanking the Lupo family of the L'Italiano Trattoria, located at <u>216-01 Horace Harding Boulevard</u> (at Bell Boulevard) who watch over our Memorial.

In addition, of course, our heartfelt thanks goes out to the BHCA Beautification Committee, co-chaired by Ronald Keil of Keil Bros at Garden World, and BHCA Vice President Sebastian D'Agostino, for maintaining and enhancing the appearance of the Memorial Garden site throughout the year. For obvious reasons a great deal of effort has been taken to make this event very special, so a great turnout is always appreciated. Please take the time to remember and reflect on the tragic events that happened 20 years ago on this date. As always, it will be a poignant, memorable evening. Of course, once again, we ask that you wear a mask and practice social distancing.

To the right appears the lyrics of Lee Greenwood's famous patriotic song, "Proud to be an American." We are asking everybody to please have these words available on your cell phones so you can help us with our ceremony's closing exercises. If you've been to our previous 9/11 ceremonies, you know exactly what we mean. I will email everybody reminders again closer to our event.

One final request to all parents, teachers, and my fellow UFT members: Please tell your children about 9/11 and if at all possible take them to our twentieth anniversary observance of the attacks. We must perpetuate the memory of what occurred that terrible morning forever! Thank you!

Michael Feiner President, BHCA



#### Proud to be an American, Lee Greenwood

If tomorrow all the things were gone, I'd worked for all my life.
And I had to start again, with just my children and my wife.

I'd thank my lucky stars, to be livin here today. 'Cause the flag still stands for freedom, and they can't take that away.

And I'm proud to be an American, where at least I know I'm free.
And I won't forget the men who died, who gave that right to me.

And I gladly stand up, next to you and defend her still today. 'Cause there ain't no doubt I love this land, God bless the USA.

From the lakes of Minnesota, to the hills of Tennessee. Across the plains of Texas, From sea to shining sea.

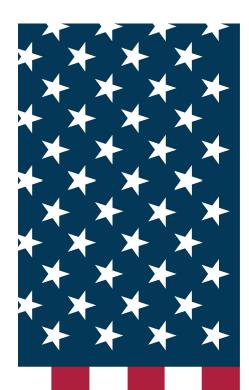
From Detroit down to Houston, and New York to L.A. Well there's pride in every American heart, and its time we stand and say.

That I'm proud to be an American, where at least I know I'm free.
And I won't forget the men who died, who gave that right to me.

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**Bayside Hills Civic Association** 

# 9/11 CEREMONY

**Never Forget** 

Please join us as we commemorate the 20th Anniversary of this tragic day.

# SEPTEMBER 11, 2021 7PM AT MEMORIAL GARDEN

Northside corner of Horace Harding Expressway and Bell Boulevard

If you wish to place candles at the Memorial Garden, please make sure they are glass enclosed.

Please remember to wear masks and practice social distancing.

LET'S STAND STRONG TOGETHER



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# Being A Good Neighbor Tips!

#### **Practice Parking Etiquette**

When you park your vehicle, be sure not to block anyone's access, or make them have to pull out of a very tight spot. Don't over-rev the engine of your car or motorcycle early in the morning or late at night. Park in front of your home, not theirs. Avoid slamming your doors or shining your headlights into your neighbor's windows late at night.

Note that parking commercial vehicles overnight in Bayside Hills is a violation of the NYC code.

The proliferation of commercial vehicle parking and storage on our neighborhood streets is changing the quaint nature of Bayside Hills. This commercialization of the community will inevitably lead to a less attractive neighborhood and lower property values. The Bayside Hills Civic Association is working with Community Board 11 to address this problem.

The City code states that it is illegal to park a commercial vehicle on a residential street between the hours of 9p and 5a and illegal to park a commercial vehicle on a residential street for more than three hours unless doing business within three blocks. Buses may only park in areas permitted by signs.

Visit <a href="www.nyc.gov/html/dot/html/motorist/parktruck.shtml">www.nyc.gov/html/dot/html/motorist/parktruck.shtml</a> for a more complete look at the rules and exceptions. It is not just illegal, it is a hazard. When another vehicle is parked opposite the truck or bus, passage by two cars moving in opposite directions or turning is very difficult and unsafe.

#### Here's what you can do:

- Whenever you notice and illegally parked commercial vehicle, tell us at <a href="mailto:BaysideHillsCivic@gmail.com">BaysideHillsCivic@gmail.com</a>. Please provide as much detail as possible including plate numbers, markings, and hours of illegal parking. We'll ask CB 11 to work with the appropriate agencies to remedy the problem.
- Call NYC **311**, preferably during the hours of illegal parking. Here again, be as specific, as possible with your request.
- Talk to the owner/operator of the vehicle when possible and if you are comfortable doing so. The driver is most likely a resident and BHCA neighbor. Politely remind the operator that it is illegal to park a truck or a bus on a residential zoned street.

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# Please place branches and leaves in front of your home for sanitation pick-up.

It has come to our attention that certain parties are using our beautiful malls as trash/ debris receptacles. In the interest of maintaining the quality of life that we covet, and to which we are all entitled, if you see any individual engaging in such activity, please ask them to refrain and alert our Board at <a href="mailto:baysidehillscivic@gmail.com">baysidehillscivic@gmail.com</a>. Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

# **Back to School.**

# What Can I Do?



It is illegal to pass a school bus that is stopped to load or unload children.



#### Seeing Yellow

School buses use yellow flashing lights to alert motorists that they are preparing to stop to load or unload children.



#### Seeing Red

Red flashing lights and an extended stop sign arm signals to motorists that the bus is stopped and children are getting on or off the bus.



Traffic in both directions stop on undivided roadways when students are entering or exiting a school bus.



#### **Stay Behind**

Traffic behind a school bus (traveling in the same direction) must stop.



Do not block the crosswalk



#### Distance

Stop your car far enough from the bus to allow children the necessary space to safely enter and exit the bus.



**Never Pass on Right** Never pass a school bus on the right.



#### Always stop when directed to do so by a school patrol sign, school patrol officer or designated crossing



#### Stav Alert

Stop

Children are the least predictable pedestrians and the most difficult to see.



# **Don't Honk**

Don't honk your horn, rev your engine or do anything to rush or scare a child in front of your car.





Take extra care to look out for children in school zones, residential areas, playgrounds and parks.



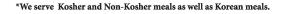
Do you have a family member that is 60+ years old and needs a hot meal each day? The Northeast Queens Home Delivered Meals Program can assist you!

## **Eligibility Requirements for Home Delivered Meals:**

Must be 60 years of age or older

Unable to attend a senior center for a meal

Unable to prepare meals Does not have anyone else to rely on to prepare meals Can live safely at home if services are provided.





Please contact:

#### \*Northeast Queens Home **Delivered Meals Program**

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