



# THE BAYSIDE HILLS BEACON

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## SAVE THE DATE

**Our next GENERAL MEETING,  
will be held on Tuesday, January  
25 at 8pm via Zoom.**

Join meeting using this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89653032112?pwd=Y09GM0NkTEptSW9jL1JuSERvb1hiQT09>

Meeting ID: 896 5303 2112  
Passcode: 152220

**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"
- Once the host sees a "virtual hand" raised, the host will unmute that participant at the appropriate time after the guest speaker is finished.
- 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 [baysidehillscivic@gmail.com](mailto:baysidehillscivic@gmail.com)



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# • PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE •



Recently I received a phone call from our daughter's brother-in-law, who lives near Boston, Massachusetts. We had a pleasant conversation about our families followed by jibes comparing his Patriots and Red Sox to my Jets and Yankees. About a week following this call, I began to remember the reason why it was made. He had a family picture calendar that he wanted to mail to me and he was calling from a post office where he lives. You guessed it, his post office was unable to locate our address in "Bayside Hills" and we had to have it sent to our address in "Oakland Gardens."

**On January 4, 2022 a 311 inquiry was made to the New York City Department of Buildings vis-à-vis apparent violations. Copied here is a portion of the DOB's response and the Oakland Gardens address::**

*Service Request Closed*

*Hello,*

*This Service Request has been closed by the Department of Buildings, DOB.*

*Your request details are:*

*Service Request Number: 311-08911794*

*Type: Construction In Progress - Contrary to Plan*

*Location: [56-24 219 STREET, QUEENS \(OAKLAND GARDENS\), NY, 11364](#)*

*Date Submitted: 1/4/2022 4:11:20 PM*

*DOB provided the following information:*

*The Department of Buildings reviewed this complaint and closed it. If the problem still exists, please call 311 and file a new complaint. If you are outside of New York City, please call (212) NEW-YORK (212-639-9675).*

*Thank you,  
NYC311*

As you can see even our very own New York City agencies cannot recognize our Bayside Hills identity. Therefore as long as our community and civic association exists, we will continue to issue constant reminders. If you walk throughout our town, you can observe clear examples that we are the community of Bayside Hills. In addition we will do our best to be diligent, maintaining our community so it will continue to look beautiful.

A great example of these efforts will be evident on **January 25 at 8:00 PM** when we will be conducting our next BHCA general meeting via Zoom teleconferencing. Our invited featured guests that evening will be representatives from the New York City Department of Parks and their various agencies including Capital Projects and Forestry.. We will update everybody on projects that have been funded and allocated, what the department has been doing lately, and hopefully come up with some timetables for projects to commence. We will also have a report from our treasurers outlining how your valuable dues go a long way in these beautification efforts.

While on the topic of beautification we can address mall maintenance and announce our **next BHCA Mall Clean-Up Fest**, which will be conducted **Saturday, April 30** from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM. We recently learned that we will once again be joined by "Partnership for Parks" so we can display the flier seen below.

I would be remiss in not saying congratulations to our Bayside Hills Civic Association Programs Chair, Eileen Miller NP, for her efforts in officiating our annual Holiday Lighting Festival. As you can see on the following page, thanks to Eileen, along with the collaborative efforts of members of our BHCA Programs Committee, neighborhood volunteers, and the event's participants, it was a huge success!



# • BAYSIDE HILLS CIVIC ASSOCIATION •

## Holiday Lighting Festival

On December 5, 2021, the BHCA held our annual holiday lighting festival and it was a huge success! We had an enormous turnout. A big thank you to Eileen Miller, BHCA board member and former Community Board 11 Chair, without whom there would have been no on-site celebration this year.

Families from our local schools, The CIVIC School of Bayside Hills 390Q and the Bayside Hills School of Excellence PS376Q came. We welcomed our elected officials, State Senator John Liu (who did the honor of lighting our Christmas tree), Rep Grace Meng and her assistant, Maria Di Leone, Assemblyman Ed Braunstein, CM Barry Grodenchik, CM elect Linda Lee, Kathleen Boehme, Rep for Queens D.A. Melinda Katz, and Rabbi Gordon Yaffe of Congregation L'Dor V'Dor who said prayers, sang Hanukkah songs with the community and lit the Hanukkah menorah. Also in attendance were Fr. Lee from St. Roberts Bellarmine Church and the St. Roberts Bellarmine Church Choir, who gave blessings at the manger and sang Christmas carols. Girl Scouts Troop 4279, under the direction of Holly Reed, also sang Christmas songs. The entire event was filmed by Gregg Sullivan and can be seen on the BHCA Facebook page.

### Special thank you to the following:

Mrs. William Lao, William Lao Jr., and Phillip Lao for their wonderful sound and audio programming, Bob Reid, aka Santa Claus, for putting smiles on so many faces. Ron Keil and Garden World for the Christmas tree donation and set up, the Burke family for the beautiful creche, Foodtown for donating cookies and other miscellaneous items, Marianne Downes and Rita Kashdan who never wavered when asked for assistance, Yvonne Fein for her design of our flyer, Justin Argo (Parks department) and his team who take care of our community on a daily basis, the 111 Precinct Officer Galano and the Community Affairs officers, our web master Yang Li, Carole Papadatos' Facebook posts, Ian Z Datny's menorah lighting, Harriet Spilkovitz and the entire CERT team, Rich Kashdan for photographing our event (photos can be seen on our BHCA Facebook page), The Hon. Jerry M. Iannece (past BHCA president) for his continued dedication to our community, our Executive Board: Michael Feiner, Sebastian D'Agostino, Jack Niedermeyer, Rich Kashdan, Tom Louizou (who managed to come even after foot surgery), Robert Aufenanger, Eileen Feiner, Timothy Furey, Ronald Keil, William Liao, Joe Lubomski, Eileen Miller, Nicholas Paolucci, and Ronald Tabano.

Thank You! to our entire Bayside Hills community for their support during the year!



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## Let There Be Lights!

Once again the residents of Bayside Hills have enlightened us with their beautiful displays and decorations for a joyous holiday season. We want to thank everyone who has participated in beautifying our neighborhood this year. These are the winners and those of honorable mention.

### WINNERS

53-48 214th Street  
53-08 214th Street  
213-15 56th Avenue

### HONORABLE MENTION

53-08 211th Street  
58-34 211th Street  
53-08 213th Street  
53-12 213th Street  
50-12 214th Street  
50-28 214th Street  
53-39 214th Street  
53-47 214th Street  
48-11 215th Street  
50-23 215th Street  
53-02 217th Street  
56-51 217th Street  
56-26 218th Street  
58-15 218th Street  
58-59 219th Street  
51-39 Bell Blvd.  
53-47 Bell Blvd.  
56-10 Bell Blvd.

While our roving reporters were making the rounds, it came to our attention that many addresses were either obscured altogether, or poorly illuminated.

In the interest of safety in the event of an emergency, as well as to facilitate deliveries and receiving guests or those who service our homes, please correct this situation should it apply to you. Best wishes for a productive, safe, New Year for us all!

## PLEASE JOIN US! All are welcome at the BHCA & Partnership for Parks MALL CLEAN-UP FEST!

SATURDAY, APRIL 30

10am-1pm

@ 56th Ave & Bell Blvd Mall

Assignments will be given out at the meeting area and  
light refreshments will be served afterwards.

WE WELCOME EVERYONE AND HOPE OUR NEIGHBORS WILL SPREAD THE WORD.

Please email us with questions: [baysidehillscivic@gmail.com](mailto:baysidehillscivic@gmail.com)  
and check our Facebook page for updates! [Facebook.com/baysidehills](https://www.facebook.com/baysidehills)



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## Community Help!

The Samuel Field Y is now "Commonpoint Queens". They offer food delivery, student programming, teletherapy (counseling) services for older adults, emergency cash assistance, early childhood education (Live and on-Demand), job assistance, exercise (Live and On-Demand), and financial counseling.

58-20 Little Neck Parkway, Little Neck, NY 11362.

<https://www.commonpointqueens.org/> 718-225-6750

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## 2022 Alternate Side of the Street Parking Calendar

<b>New Year's Day*</b>	<b>Jan 1, Sat</b>
Three Kings' Day	Jan 6, Thurs
Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday	Jan 17, Mon
Lunar New Year's Eve	Jan 31, Mon
Lunar New Year	Feb 1, Tue
Lincoln's Birthday	Feb 12, Sat
Washington's Birthday (Pres. Day)	Feb 21, Mon
Ash Wednesday	Mar 2, Wed
Purim	Mar 17, Thurs
Holy Thursday	Apr 14, Thurs
Good Friday	Apr 15, Fri
Passover	Apr 16, Sat
Holy Thursday (Orthodox)	Apr 21, Thurs
Passover (7th/8th Days)	Apr 22-23, Fri-Sat
Good Friday (Orthodox)	Apr 22, Fri
Idul-Fitr (Eid Al-Fitr)	May 2-4, Mon-Wed
Solemnity of the Ascension	May 26, Thurs
<b>Memorial Day*</b>	<b>May 30, Mon</b>
Shavuot	June 6, Mon
Juneteenth (observed)	June 20, Mon
<b>Independence Day*</b>	<b>July 4, Mon</b>
Idul-Adha (Eid Al-Adha)	July 9-11 Sat-Mon
Feast of the Assumption	Aug 15, Mon
<b>Labor Day*</b>	<b>Sept 5, Mon</b>
Rosh Hashanah	Sept 26-27, Mon-Tue
Yom Kippur	Oct 5, Wed
Columbus Day	Oct 10, Mon
Succoth (2 Days)	Oct 10-11, Mon-Tue
Shemini Atzereth	Oct 17, Mon
Simchas Torah	Oct 18, Tue
Diwali	Oct 24, Mon
All Saints' Day	Nov 1, Tue
Election Day	Nov 8, Tue
Veterans Day	Nov 11, Fri
<b>Thanksgiving Day*</b>	<b>Nov 24, Thurs</b>
Immaculate Conception	Dec 8, Thurs
<b>Christmas Day (observed)*</b>	<b>Dec 26, Mon</b>

### Information

Alternate Side Parking Regulations may be suspended from time to time because of snow, inclement weather or other emergencies. Please visit our website at [nyc.gov/dot](http://nyc.gov/dot) or dial **311** for further information.

TTY Deaf or Hearing-Impaired, dial (212) 504-4115.

### Did You Know?

What's in a name? Do you know the difference in the meaning of these parking signs?

	NO STOPPING	NO STANDING	NO PARKING
Can I stop to drop off or pick up passengers?	No	Yes	Yes
Can I stop to load or unload a package, or merchandise at curbside?	No	No	Yes
Is waiting allowed?	No	No	No

All of NYC was designated a Tow Away Zone under the State's Vehicle & Traffic law in 1959. This means that any vehicle parked or operated illegally, or with missing or expired registration or inspection stickers may be towed.

On **MAJOR LEGAL HOLIDAYS**, stopping, standing and parking are permitted **except** in areas where stopping, standing and parking rules are in effect seven days a week (for example, "No Standing Anytime"). Accordingly, parking meters will not be in effect on major legal holidays.

Double-parking of passenger vehicles is illegal at all times, including street cleaning days, regardless of location, purpose or duration.

It is illegal to park within 15 feet of either side of a fire hydrant. Painted curbs at hydrant locations **DO NOT** indicate where you can park.

An occupied, illegally parked vehicle causes the same safety hazard and congestion as an unoccupied vehicle. Be responsible and park legally.

\*Major Legal Holiday

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\*We serve Kosher and Non-Kosher meals as well as Korean meals.



Please contact:

**\*Northeast Queens Home  
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168-01 Hillside Avenue  
Jamaica, NY 11432

**718-357-4903**

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**NCO Anthony Anglisano**  
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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 [baysidehillscivic@gmail.com](mailto:baysidehillscivic@gmail.com). Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

# Community Support During Covid-19

## Food Insecurity/ Food Options

### Get Emergency Food NOW

Call 311 Or 866-888-8777

<https://access.nyc.gov/programs/emergency-food-assistance/>

### NYC Food Delivery Assistance Form

<https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dsny/contact/services/COVID-19FoodAssistance.shtml>

**Get Food Today** NYC DOE program Text “Food” or “Comida to 877877. Food banks of NYC Link:

<https://www.foodbanknyc.org>

### Invisible Hands Deliver (Volunteer Program)

Tel: 732-639-1579

### Hunger Free America National Hunger Hotline

1-866-348-6469

<https://www.foodbanknyc.org>

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### Assembly Member Michael Blakes Office

\*Meal Delivery and Pick up Tel: 718-458-5367

<https://wck.org>

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## COVID Testing

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Tel: 1-844-NYC-4NYC or 1-844-692-4692

## Counseling Services

NYC WELL 24/7 Tel: 1-888-692-9355

### COVID- NYS Mental Health Services

Tel: 1-844-863-9314 to schedule an appointment



For the latest news about getting your Covid-19 vaccine or booster, to see if you are eligible and/or to make an appointment please visit:

[vaccinepod.nyc.gov](https://vaccinepod.nyc.gov)

[am-i-eligible.covid19vaccine.health.ny.gov](https://am-i-eligible.covid19vaccine.health.ny.gov)

[ny.gov/vaccine](https://ny.gov/vaccine)



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# • FINANCIAL STATEMENT •

## BHCA annual financial report – December 31, 2021

The Bayside Hills Civic Association represents over 1,200 homes within the boundaries of Bayside Hills. Last year, 344 member households supported the Association through their annual \$25 dues and optional neighborhood beautification donations. Additional funds were collected from the Beacon newsletter advertisers and a non-BHCA resident friend.

Major cost categories included landscaping, printing and distribution of the Beacon post card bulletins and membership letters.

A legislative member grant provided approximately \$5-6,000 worth of grass cutting services for our avenue malls. The NYC Parks Department serviced the Bell Blvd. malls. Due to inconsistent work, contractor services were needed periodically throughout the year. Beautification improvement projects included periodic clock maintenance, mall planter care and fire alarm post painting.

### As of December 31, 2021

#### 2021 Credits

Paid households 2020	Dues	Beautification	Beacon advertising	Friends	Total collected 2021
344	\$8,579	\$8,355	\$1000	\$50	\$17,984
Carryover from 2020					14,944
<b>Total 2020 credits</b>					<b>\$32,928</b>
<b>Escrow</b>					<b>\$5,002</b>

#### 2021 Expenses

Landscaping malls – cuttings, planter renovation, garbage removal, clock repair, flags	\$3537
Beacon e-newsletter, post cards, business letters and general membership mailings; office supplies, member cards and stickers, postage, copies, paper stock, graphic design and mailing services	6,653
liability insurance	815
Bayside Live TV media	250
Web domain fees	377
General membership meeting supplies, rental, refreshments	Due to the pandemic, all meetings were web-based (Zoom) -0-
Student scholarship awards	100
Queens Civic Congress dues, APEC donation	135
PayPal fees	37
<b>TOTAL 2020 debits</b>	<b>&lt;\$11,904&gt;</b>

#### 2021 ending balance (credits – debits)

**\$32,928 – 11,904 = \$21,024**

carry forward to 2022	\$21,024
escrow	5,002
<b>Total liquid assets on January 1, 2022</b>	<b>\$26,026</b>

## • MEMBERSHIP HAS ITS BENEFITS! •

We continue to work with local merchants to offer them increased consumer traffic and offer you discounts on a variety of products/services. Discounts vary by merchant and are subject to change without notice. Minimum purchase may be required. Just remember to show your BHCA Membership card! Enjoy the savings!

### **Amy's Chinese Gourmet**

47-46 Bell Boulevard, 718-225-0010

**Discount:** 5% lunch/ 10% dinner

### **Foodtown of Bayside**

47-33 Bell Boulevard., 718-224-0544

**Discount:** 5%

### **Bayside Hills Shoe Service**

212-01 48th Avenue, 718-423-1606

**Discount:** 10%

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### **Mamma's Pizza & Restaurant**

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**Discount:** 8%

### **Blue Water Fish Market**

47-35 Bell Boulevard, 718-423-5397

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# MEMBERSHIP DUES

PLEASE SEND IN YOUR 2022 DUES DONATION TODAY!

We appreciate your generosity. The Bayside Hills Civic Association is an open homeowner membership organization representing over 1,200 households within the boundaries of Bayside Hills. Our mission is to promote a safer, more livable community. The BHCA Board is volunteer-powered and service-driven. Its advocacy, beautification, and communication work rely solely on the support of members, sponsors, *Beacon* advertisers, and participating discount merchants to maintain and improve our neighborhood. **Here is a simple infographic to show how some of our dues were spent in 2021.**



So, please remember to pay your dues! Your donations help to keep your neighborhood looking beautiful and informed all year-round.

## 2022 MEMBERSHIP DUES

PRINT AND MAIL

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL:  NEW  UPDATED

CHECK HERE IF YOU ARE A NEW MEMBER OF THE BHCA

**ANNUAL DUES: \$25.00**

**BEAUTIFICATION DONATION: \$**

**TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$**

BHCA 의 회비 \$25 을 다음 주소로 보내 주십시오.  
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