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Upcoming Events

Harbor Day
 Sat., Sept. 27th
 West Meadow Beach

Gallery North
Outdoor Art Show
 September 20 - 21
 10am - 5pm
 90 North Country Road,
 Setauket

Fall Clean-up
Stony Brook RR Station
 Saturday, Oct. 11
 8 a.m. - noon

Hello, again! The *Civic Association of the Setauket and Stony Brook* hopes the Summer of '08 was a special, rewarding time for you and your family. Now with everyone back-to-work and back-to-school, our Association will bring you, once again, timely, lively and informative meetings in the months ahead! Below is a clip and save schedule for you with the dates and times for our general membership meetings at the Emma S. Clark Library's Community Room. Please post the schedule on your fridge and join us each month!

Civic Association Meeting Dates

All meetings are scheduled to be held at the Emma S. Clark Library at 7:30 p.m.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Tuesday, September 8	SUNY Stony Brook
Monday, October 6	Meet the Candidates
Monday, November 3	All Things Environmental
Monday, December 1	TBA
Monday, January 5	TBA
Monday, February 2	TBA
Monday, March 2	TBA
Monday, April 6	TBA
Monday, May 4	TVSD Budget
Monday, June 1	Year End Review/Party

Membership Outreach Drive

Throughout the year we will be working to expand our membership - with an emphasis on signing-up new, young families living in the Three Villages. As you know, the Civic Association continually works to preserve and protect our community, and there is strength in numbers. Please help us by encouraging your friends and family living in the area to join our organization.

Greenway

As many of you know, the first phase of the Setauket-Port Jefferson Greenway is almost complete. It is anticipated that this Fall the bike path will be opened to hikers, walkers, bikers, birdwatchers, and naturalists. And over the next few years, the remaining portions of the 3.3-mile public right-of-way will be constructed - creating a pedestrian/bike link from Stony Brook to Port Jefferson Station.

The Friends of the Greenway, an arm of the Three Village Community Trust has been formed to maintain, protect and enhance the Setauket-Port Jefferson Greenway. Please consider becoming active in the Friends of the Greenway! For more information visit the web site: www.threevillagecommunitytrust.org; to join the Friends of the Greenway, please e-mail info@threevillagecommunitytrust.org and leave your name.

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NEXT MEETING:

TUESDAY, September 8, 2008

EMMA CLARK LIBRARY, 7:30 P.M.

All Things University At our next scheduled meeting we will host a special presentation by Stony Brook University officials on their current campus capital improvement programs, the University Hospital and the new Research and Development Park. Stony Brook's Dr. Strongwater and Barbara Chernow will provide us with an update of "all things university." Please join us in the Community Room of the Emma Clark Library.

Fall Clean Up

The days are getting shorter and the nights are cooler. It's Fall! *The Greening of 25A*, a committee of our Civic Association, would like to invite you to a very special event - *The 15th Annual Fall Clean Up at the Stony Brook Rail Road Station!* We like to boast that we have the best looking, best maintained train station on Long Island! And you can help make it even more beautiful! But there is a lot of work to do - trimming bushes, pruning trees, sweeping walkways, weeding beds, and a dozen other 'tasks!' So if you are a gardener, do-it yourselfer, worker-bee, or community-minded volunteer - we need your help!

Bring your tools and gloves to the **Stony Brook Train Station** on **Saturday, October 11, 2008** between **8:00AM -12:00PM**. Help for an hour or all morning! Not only will you get a lot of fresh air, you'll make a lasting contribution to our community!

Put it on your calendar right now!

The 15th Annual Fall Clean Up

Saturday, October 11, 2008 from 8:00AM - 12:00PM

Stony Brook Train Station

Keep in mind that *The Greening of 25A* is continuing to expand its maintenance chores in the Three Village area. We are always looking for both volunteers and professional services. A beautiful, landscaped community is more than a visual delight - it helps to attract shoppers and tourists and enhances home values. Our fund goal for 2008-09 is to raise \$5000. Please use the envelope attached to this month's newsletter to make a generous contribution to the Greening of 25A.

Civics Top 10 List

Want to help build a better Three Village community? Interested in seeing that our area continues to be a great place to live and work? Each year we list the "Top Ten Things You Can Do."

Number 10: *Stay informed!* Educate yourself on the issues affecting the Three Villages. Attend our Association's meetings. Be sure to read the local newspaper, review the mailings from our elected officials, and visit the Town web site: www.brookhaven.org

Number 9: *Be a good neighbor!* Be helpful to your elderly neighbors. Our Association 'hears' numerous noise complaints from community members - are you part of the problem or part of the solution?

Number 8: *Vote!* Vote in the November elections...but don't stop there - remember to vote in the annual school, library, and fire district elections.

Number 7: *Volunteer!* The Civic Association needs you, as do a dozen other community organizations. Make an effort to join the Greening of 25A, the Fire Department, or the PTSA. It's a great way to get to know your neighbors and help the community!

Number 6: *Educate* your friends, family, and neighbors! Discuss the "local scene," encourage them to attend our membership meetings, don't throw away our monthly mailings - pass them on to your neighbor.

Number 5: *Recycle, reuse, and donate.* Stop waste and think "green."

Number 4: *Shop locally!* Each year, our local businesses generously contribute to a host of community organizations. They are our "good neighbors." Give them the opportunity to provide you with goods and services! And by shopping locally you'll save on gas!

Number 3: *Slow Down!* A constant complaint at our membership meetings is the failure of so many drivers to obey the traffic laws! Speed limits and stop signs are there to protect you and your family. If you disobey the law, don't expect your children or neighbors to do any differently!

Number 2: *Support* your Civic Association by paying your dues in a timely fashion and make contributions to our Association's Greening fund and/or Legal Fund. And there are many, many other local organizations that also need and deserve your support!

Number 1: *Be in it for the long-term..* A year from now, three years from now, ten years from now - will you still be an active and involved community member? Being a responsible citizen is not easy or simple - it is a lifelong commitment.



Please Recycle

Don't throw this newsletter away!
Recycle it to a neighborhood resident or friend in the community. And ...mention that we can always use new members!