



Councilwoman Valerie M. Cartright

First Council District, Town of Brookhaven

Council District Update

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Greetings,

I hope you and your family are well. Please enjoy these community highlights from 2018 as well as some 2019 updates.

As always, I encourage you to contact my office with concerns, suggestions, and what you think are the positive aspects of our community. Please continue to work with me to make the First Council District a place we are all proud to call our home.

Best wishes,

Valerie M. Cartright



2018

ABOVE: January 21st: Legislator Hahn & Councilwoman Cartright congratulates Eagle Scouts James Kennedy, Jason Robinson and James Coccaro from Troop 70, Setauket

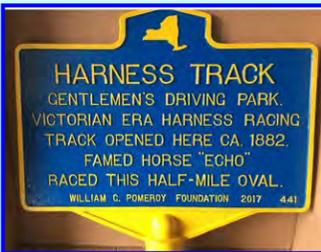
LEFT, CLOCKWISE:

March 29th: Councilwoman Cartright celebrates the launch of the Port Jefferson Station/Terryville Chamber of Commerce

April 13th: Town dedicates 46-acre parcel in Setauket as the *Dr. Lee Koppelman Nature Preserve*

June 21st: Councilwoman Valerie M. Cartright joins residents and staff members of the Emma S. Clark Memorial Library for the re-installation of the Little Free Library, at West Meadow Beach.

April 5th: Parks Department installs sign at Gentlemen's Driving Park obtained by Pomeroy Grant funds applied for by the Cumsewogue Historical Society



ADDRESSING QUALITY OF LIFE ISSUES

Please do not hesitate to bring to my attention any Town related matter that needs to be addressed in the community, such as potholes, street light outages, and Town Code violations, and my office will be happy to report the issue to the relevant department. We are happy to facilitate a connection with Suffolk County Legislator Hahn's office for Police and County issues or Assemblyman Englebright's office for State level issues.

Please contact my office by phone at 631.451.6963 or at www.brookhavenny.gov, and visiting my page under "Elected Officials", and click "[Contact Councilwoman Cartright](#)".

INVESTIGATING HOUSING ISSUES

Questions commonly asked when a report is made

Do you believe you are reporting an "illegal rental"?

- Is there extra occupancy in an attached or detached area?
- Where is the extra occupancy occurring (garage, basement, etc.)?
- What time of day do you notice the extra occupancy?

Do you believe you are reporting an "illegal apartment"?

- Is the home owner occupied?
- Where is the extra entrance?
- What time of day do you notice the extra occupancy?

WEST MEADOW BEACH STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE



Councilwoman Cartright sponsored Resolution 2018-0406 to create the West Meadow Beach Stewardship Committee. The purpose of the Stewardship Committee is to implement the findings of the West Meadow Beach Restoration Master Plan. The Stewardship Committee is comprised of volunteers.

Resolution 2018-0406 was passed unanimously by the Town Board on May 3rd.

DRUG PREVENTION COALITION

Substance use and abuse is on the rise in our country and presents a serious national and local problem within communities. There are many efforts underway to prevent and stop substance use. One effort is the creation of a community coalition. The Drug Prevention Coalition was formed in 2017 and consists of over 12 stakeholder community groups working toward reducing youth substance abuse in Council District One. The coalition sponsors and co-sponsors drug prevention educational events and holds free community events targeted toward youth and their family.

Coalition members and represented community organizations include:

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| Brookhaven Coalition of Chambers | Port Jefferson Station Chamber of Commerce |
| Comsewogue School District | Port Jefferson Station Terryville Civic Association |
| Cornerstone Bible Church | Port Jefferson Village Mayor Garant's Office |
| Councilwoman Valerie Cartright's Office | Stony Brook University |
| The Enjoy Life Community | Suffolk County Police Department |
| Family Service League | TBR News Media |
| Kid's Clubhouse Suffolk County | Three Village Central School District |
| Legislator Kara Hahn's Office | Three Village Civic Association |
| Long Island Prevention Resource Center | Town of Brookhaven Youth Bureau |
| New York National Guard Counterdrug Taskforce | YMCA |

On May 7th, members of the Drug Prevention Coalition, Councilwoman Valerie M. Cartright, and Suffolk County Legislators Kara Hahn and Sarah Anker at the Comsewogue High School (CHS) Opioid Awareness Walk. The walk was organized by the students focusing on the Comsewogue Opioids Project in order to combat the opioid crisis through awareness and education to students and community members. The theme for the Comsewogue Opioids Project is "Be smart, don't start," with strengthening consciousness towards drug prevention in the school. Community organizations such as the YMCA and the Town of Brookhaven Youth Bureau joined the students in efforts to offer services/programs related to drug and substance abuse issues.

On May 14th, 2018, the Drug Prevention Coalition joined Town of Brookhaven Youth Bureau to host "Vaping 101 Facts and Myths" Presented by: Suffolk County Department of Health to educate parents, youth, and other community members about the health risks of vaping.

On March 14, 2019, Councilwoman Cartright sponsored resolution 2019-0283 authorizing the establishment of the Drug Prevention Coalition in Council District One. Future events and initiatives sponsored by the Drug Prevention Coalition will be posted at www.brookhavenny.gov.

2018



March 27th: Councilwoman Cartright joins Three Village Brownie Troop 150 at the Stony Brook Holiday Inn Express to earn their Hospitality Badges.



March 14th: Councilwoman Cartright swears in trustees at Three Village Community Trust annual Meeting during which the legacy of Robert “Bob” deZafra was honored.



August 22nd: Legislator Hahn and Councilwoman Cartright in conjunction with the Port Jefferson Station Chamber of Commerce hold their final 2018 show of the annual Summer Concert Wednesdays. *The Ronald Reagans Big 80s Show* was an outstanding final act for this year’s concert series.



July 10th: Councilwoman Valerie M. Cartright (fifth from right), Port Jefferson Station/Terryville Chamber of Commerce President Jennifer Dzvonar, residents, customers, family and friends, helped launch the grand opening of Margaritas Café located at 4747 Nesconset Highway in Port Jefferson Sta.

October 21st: Councilwoman Valerie M. Cartright, County Legislator Kara Hahn, State Senator John Flanagan and Ward Melville Heritage Organization President Gloria Rocchio celebrate the 25th Annual Walk for Beauty/Hercules Run In Stony Brook to raise funds for Breast Cancer Research at Stony Brook University Hospital. A portion of the funds will help pay for wigs and prosthesis for cancer patients.



For more information about Councilwoman Cartright’s Press, Videos, and Events, visit <https://www.brookhavenny.gov/501/District-1>

SUFFOLK CABLE CORPORATION (ALTICE USA) AUDIT

On November 20th, Councilwoman Cartright cosponsored Resolution 2018-0935 to authorize settlement & release agreement between the Town and Suffolk Cable Corp (Altice USA) to bring revenue to the Town of \$1,600,000 in 2019 and \$1,000,000 in 2020.

At the urging of the Councilwoman, an audit was conducted on behalf of the Town to assess the franchise fee Altice USA is obligated to pay to the Town under the franchise renewal agreement.

Altice USA has agreed to make four installment payments to the Town totaling \$2,600,000 between March, 2019 and September, 2020.

2019

March 14th:

Councilwoman Cartright cosponsors Resolution 2019-0225 for the Establishment of the “Town of Brookhaven Advisory Committee on Recycling” in recognition of the importance of community input in the Town’s recycling process.



Above: February 11th:

Councilwoman Cartright, Association of Towns President Gerry Geist, and Senior Councilwoman Goosby testify at the New York State Joint Legislative Public Hearing advocating for continued AIM funding in the 2019-20 budget.

Right: January 12th:

Councilwoman Cartright and Assemblyman Englebright congratulate Steven Fontana from Boy Scout Troop 377 in East Setauket at his Eagle Scout Ceremony.



For the second year, Councilwoman Cartright's Office is working with Building Bridges Brookhaven to collect **complete** Emergency Cleanup Buckets. These buckets equip people to clean up after a flood, tornado or natural disaster. Collection of completed buckets will kicked off on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, January 21, 2019. For more information contact Councilwoman Cartright or Building Bridges in Brookhaven on their Facebook page.

Contents of a Complete Emergency Cleanup Bucket:

- One five-gallon bucket with resealable lid
(If bucket has been used, clean well but do not use if it has held chemicals of any kind.)
- One 50 oz. or two 25 oz. bottle(s) of liquid laundry detergent
- One 16-28 oz. bottle of liquid disinfectant dish soap
- One 12-16 oz. bottle of household cleaner that can be mixed with water (no spray bottles)
- Two pairs heavy-duty, waterproof dishwashing gloves (latex-free, non-surgical)
- One pair work gloves, cotton with leather palm or all leather
- 24-28 heavy duty or contractor type 30-45 gallon trash bags on a roll and removed from carton
- Four scouring pads
- One scrub brush
- One package of 48-50 clothespins
- One 6-9 oz. bottle of non-aerosol insect repellent
- Seven sponges, including one large
- Eighteen reusable cleaning towels (e.g. Easy Wipes)
- Clothesline, two 50 ft. or one 100 ft.
- Five dust masks

All cleaning items must be new – all liquid items must be capped and securely tightened. Place all items into the bucket, making sure they are packed securely to avoid damage during shipment. Snap the lid on tight and seal with packing tape. For more information about the Emergency Cleanup Buckets visit <https://cwskits.org/>

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