### **PLACES OF INTEREST**

For specific information regarding fees, hours of operation, tours, special events, etc. contact the facilities.

#### **BAILEY ARBORETUM**

Bayville Road/Feeks Lane, Lattingtown......801-1458 43-acre estate setting with magnificent collection of trees, shrubs and plants, many exceedingly rare. Guided walks, Children's Habitat, Eco-Literacy Trail. Bailey family home available for weddings/special events.

#### **BAYVILLE HISTORICAL MUSEUM**

#### **BETHPAGE STATE PARK**

Quaker Meeting House Rd.,

Farmingdale.....249-0701

Park features five golf courses, including the world-renowned Black Course; picnic facilities; playing fields; tennis courts; bridle paths; hiking and biking trails; cross-county skiing trails; restaurant and polo matches.

## C.W. POST COMMUNITY ARBORETUM

LI University, 720 Northern Blvd.,

Brookville.....299-3500

20-acre tract of native trees and nature trails within the C.W. Post Campus features formal gardens, rolling green lawns, and a wide variety of shrubs and flowers. Trail winds past the Tudor mansion that was the home of Post cereal heiress Marjorie Merriweather Post.

# COLD SPRING HARBOR FISH HATCHERY & AQUARIUM

#### **COLD SPRING HARBOR LABORATORY**

I Bungtown Road, Cold Spring Harbor.......367-8800 Private, non-profit institution with research programs in cancer, neuroscience, plant genetics, genomics and bioinformics. Regularly scheduled free community tours spring and fall; reservations required.

#### **EARLE-WIGHTMAN HOUSE AND GARDEN**

20 Summit Street, Oyster Bay......922-5032 Ca. I 720 building restored and maintained by the Town of Oyster Bay houses a collection of Town memorabilia, I 8th century-style garden. Tours by appointment. Home of the Oyster Bay Historical Society.

#### **GARVIES POINT MUSEUM & PRESERVE**

#### **HICKSVILLE GREGORY MUSEUM**

# HOFFMAN CENTER NATURE PRESERVE & WILDLIFE CENTER

6000 Northern Blvd., Muttontown.......922-3290 155-acre nature preserve and wildlife sanctuary with five miles of hiking trails. Open for free guided nature tours 1st and 3rd Saturday each month, 1:00- 2:00 p.m., rain or shine. No pets, no children under 10. Call for info on special walks and programs.

# JOHN F. KENNEDY MEMORIAL WILDLIFE SANCTUARY

500-acre sanctuary on Great South Bay is considered to be one of the most important refuges for waterfowl in the northeast. Owned by the Town of Oyster Bay and managed by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation. Visitors must obtain a pass from Town Parks Department, 797-4110.

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The Long Island Nature Conservancy operates a number of preserves and refuges in the Town of Oyster Bay that offer opportunities to view plants and wildlife. Call for locations.

## MASSAPEQUA PRESERVE......572-0200

423-acre preserve runs from Merrick Road on south to Linden Street on north. Encompasses freshwater swamps, marsh, stream, lake and sandy-bog areas. Nassau-Suffolk Greenbelt Trail runs through the preserve. Hiking, biking, fishing (permit required).

#### **MUTTONTOWN PRESERVE**

#### NASSAU-SUFFOLK GREEBELT TRAIL

20-mile trail runs across Long Island from Massapequa Preserve on the south through Bethpage State Park, Trail View State Park and Stillwell Woods Preserve to northern trailhead in Cold Spring Harbor State Park. Hiking, biking. Contact: Long Island Greenbelt Conference, Inc. 631-360-0753.

#### NORTHROP GRUMMAN HISTORY CENTER

#### **OLD BETHPAGE VILLAGE RESTORATION**

Round Swamp Road, Old Bethpage..................572-8400 Authentic I 9th century village nestled on 209 sprawling acres. Historic buildings were moved here from various parts of Long Island. Arts and crafts demonstrated by "villagers" in traditional period garb using authentic I 9th century implements.

#### **OYSTER BAY RAILROAD MUSEUM**

# PLANTING FIELDS ARBORETUM STATE HISTORIC PARK

1395 Planting Fields Road, Oyster Bay.......922-9200/I 409-acre horticultural showplace features greenhouses, rolling lawns, formal gardens, outstanding plant collections and hiking trails. Supervised tours available. Tudor Revival mansion Coe Hall open for tours.

#### **RAYNHAM HALL MUSEUM**

#### **SAGAMORE HILL NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE**

20 Sagamore Hill Road, Oyster Bay......922-4788 Victorian Mansion completed in 1885, which served as Theodore Roosevelt's summer White House during his presidency. Old Orchard Museum, former residence of Theodore, Jr. and his family, contains Roosevelt memorabilia, including original film clips shown in special narrated program. Easy-walk nature trail. Closed Mondays and Tuesdays.

#### **SEA CLIFF VILLAGE MUSEUM**

#### STILLWELL WOODS PRESERVE

# THEODORE ROOSEVELT SANCTUARY & AUDUBON CENTER

134 Cove Road, Oyster Bay......922-3200 FirstAudubon songbird sanctuary in the nation. Contains 12 acres of unspoiled land and a self-guiding nature trail. Sanctuary is home to a variety of birds of prey and several species of reptiles and amphibians. Center houses Long Island flora and fauna exhibits. Educational programs, guided walks.

#### **TACKAPAUSHA MUSEUM & PRESERVE**

#### THE WATERFRONT CENTER

I West End Avenue, Oyster Bay..............922-SAIL(7245) Center operates several sailing vessels, in addition to smaller boats used for educational purposes. Youth summer programs, marine education programs for schools/Scouts, sailing courses, harbor tours, sunset cruises, private charters, kayak rentals.

#### YOUNGS MEMORIAL CEMETERY

Cove Road, Oyster Bay Cove

Final resting place of President Theodore Roosevelt and his wife, Edith Kermit Roosevelt. Visit TRgravesite. org for information.

For a more extensive listing of historical sites, see A Guide to Historical Places in the Town of Oyster Bay. Copies are available at Town facilities and can be downloaded from the Town's website. A copy can also be obtained by calling the Public Information Office, 624-6380.

#### **BEACHES**

Centre Island Beach, Bayville Charles A. Ransom Beach, Bayville Harry Tappen Beach & Pool, Glenwood Landing Philip B. Healey Beach/Florence Ave, Massapequa (during normal business hours)......797-4110 Tobay Beach, Massapequa (weekdays only)... ..679-3900 **GOLF COURSES** Town of Oyster Bay Golf Course One Southwoods Road, Woodbury.....677-5980 Starter......677-5977 or 677-5978 Pro Shop......364-3600 The Mansion at Oyster Bay Catering Facility and Grill.... Bethpage State Park Golf Course Quaker Meeting House Rd., Farmingdale General Information......249-0700 **BOATING** John J. Burns Town Park, Massapegua (launching ramp)......797-7980 Theodore Roosevelt Memorial Park and Marina, Oyster Bay (seasonal)......797-4110 Harry Tappen Marina, Glenwood Landing (seasonal)......797-4110 Joseph J. Saladino Memorial Marina at TOBAY Beach (transient-seasonal)......679-3900 **ICE SKATING RINKS** Town of Oyster Bay Ice Skating Center, Bethpage (indoor rink, open year round)......433-7465 Marjorie R. Post Outdoor Skating Rink, Massapequa Syosset-Woodbury Outdoor Skating Rink, Syosset (seasonal)...

Town Supervisor

## **JOSEPH SALADINO**



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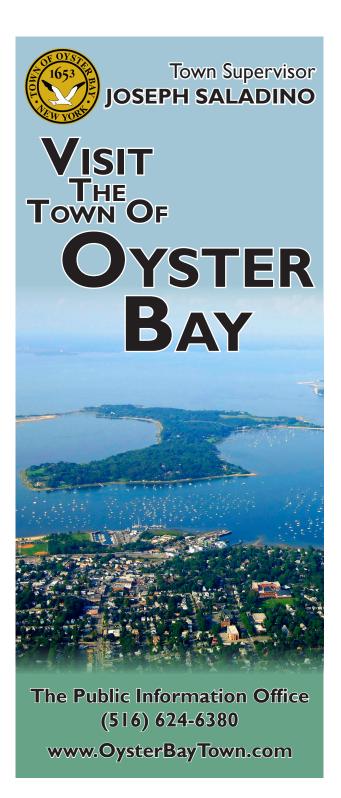
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## **TOWN SUPERVISOR**

# JOSEPH SALADINO invites you to visit our beautiful Town!

The Town of Oyster Bay is often described as Long Island's Pearl. Many of us enjoy living here, working here, and visiting here. However, we may not be aware of all of the wonderful amenities our Town has to offer, particularly from a historic perspective.

Our beautiful Town stretches from the Atlantic Ocean to the Long Island Sound. There are a variety of distinct communities all throughout our Town, which boast diverse resources such as museums, historical sites, shopping, fine dining, nature preserves, hiking trails ... the list goes on and on. I hope this guide will help you to discover some of the amazing things our great Town has to offer.

Best Regards

**IOSEPH SALADINO** 

Town Supervisor



"On lune 4th, I anchored in a commodious haven on the north of Long Island. We found fine oysters there, from which the Dutch call it Oyster Bay."

> Diary of David deVries, voyager 1639

## A brief history...

The Town of Oyster Bay enjoys a rich and well-documented history. The first known European to sail past Long Island's south shore was Giovanni da Verrazzano in 1524. David deVries was the first to record the name of Oyster Bay for the beautiful harbor on the Town's north shore in 1639.

During the Revolutionary War, British troops used Raynham Hall in Oyster Bay hamlet as their headquarters, the hall being the home of patriot Samuel Townsend and currently a museum.

After the Revolution, Oyster Bay continued primarily as an agricultural area through the nineteenth century. It didn't come into national prominence again until the presidency of Theodore Roosevelt, an Oyster Bay resident whose home, Sagamore Hill, served as the "summer White House" from 1902 to 1908. This huge Victorian mansion, with its original furnishings, was dedicated as a national shrine during the administration of President Eisenhower. It has since been completely restored and is open to the public.

With the advent of World Wars I and II, the Town's primarily agricultural economy began changing to one of industry and business, especially in the area of aeronautics. Farmlands gave way to business complexes, factories and new housing. Today, Oyster Bay enjoys a well-balanced blend of commercial, residential and recreational development, making it one of the most revered suburban environments in the country.