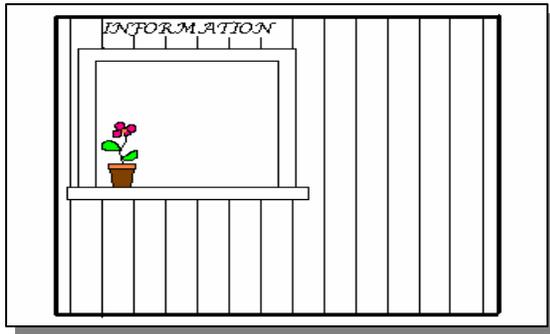


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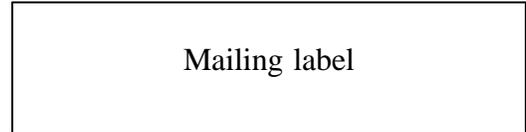
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APRIL 26 MEETING

Our next Membership Meeting will be at the Wantagh Public Library, 8:00 P.M. on Tuesday, April 26. Frank McKenna, President of Kiwanis and Director of the Wantagh Public Library will speak on "Outrageous Women in the American Revolution."

The evening will start with a short business meeting, and then lead into the "Outrageous Women." After the meeting our refreshment committee will provide coffee and suitable spring refreshments. If you'd like to help, call Theresa Donahue at (516) 221-2152. 

COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE

Spring is here at last! – or will be by May, anyway – and part of Spring is the Preservation Society's Annual Community Garage Sale. It will be held as usual on the grounds of the Wantagh Museum on Wantagh Avenue on Saturday, May 14 from 10:00 in the morning til 4:00. Rain date the next day, May 15th. Same times.

There will be all sorts of wonderful things on sale. Ordinary garage sale stuff, of course, but collectibles and craft items as well. All set out to look over and take home for a real bargain price!

We'll have a snack bar set up in the kitchen of the Museum, and a "Hotdog Heaven" on the station platform as well. Y'all come! 

ANN SAPORITO

We are saddened to report the death of the mother of Jeff Saporito, our President, last week. Sympathy notes may be sent to Jeff at 2153 Willoughby Avenue, Wantagh, NY 11793. 

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Since last month's Information Window was distributed, even more of our members have renewed their membership. There are *still* some who haven't, though. If you are one of those, please use the form on page two of this issue.

Check the first line of the mailing label on your copy. The left field ends with a date, "06Jan" for example, which indicates membership expiring in January '06. If your label has a date earlier than "06" you need to renew.

When we receive your renewal, the label date will be updated, and you'll receive a new membership card in the mail. 



Preservation Society Calendar

Tuesday, April 26: Membership Meeting at the Wantagh Public Library, 8:00 P.M.

Saturday, May 7: Museum Grounds Cleanup, 10:00 A.M. until clean.

Tuesday, May 10: Trustees Meeting at the Wantagh Museum, 8:00 P.M.

Saturday, May 14: Community Garage Sale at the Wantagh Museum Campus, 10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. (Rain date is Sunday, May 15.)

Tuesday, May 24: Membership Meeting at the Wantagh Public Library, 8:00 P.M.

Tuesday, June 21: Trustees Meeting at the Wantagh Museum, 8:00 P.M. 



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TO JOIN, OR RENEW MEMBERSHIP

Name _____

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Phone _____ New Renewal

Circle one: Indiv. \$6 Family \$12
 Friend \$25 Patron \$50 Fellow \$100

Send to: Wantagh Preservation Society
P O Box 132, Wantagh, New York 11793

MUSEUM STARTS '05 SEASON

The Wantagh Museum will open for the 2005 season beginning with the Garage Sale event on May 14, with hours of 2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. Sundays.

We will need more volunteers to act as hosts at the museum during the summer months. If you would like to volunteer as a host, call Donald Warner at (516) 826-6631, and he will be glad to pencil you into the schedule.

APRIL'S MIND BENDER

Here's another of those Mind Benders!

"I cannot be felt, seen or touched, yet I can be found in anyone. My existence is always in debate, yet I have my own style of music. What am I?"

Ask for the answer at the May 14 Garage Sale or at the May 24 meeting at the Library – or wait until the next Information Window.

LAST MONTH'S MIND BENDER, UNBENT

Eyelashes are used to bat, but never get a hit, near a ball, but never thrown!

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WANTAGH

In 1939, Wantagh was a quiet suburb with several small local businesses, and a few commuters who worked in the City. An advertising booklet describing the "Wantagh Village," tried to draw visitors and new residents with ads from those who "live in our village, own property here or have business establishments here."

The transportation section lists the old prices for commuters. Let's go back!

Transportation

The Montauk Division of the Long Island Railroad runs from east to west through the approximate middle of the village, and its electric train service includes 33 trains each way daily. The running time is about 55 minutes to Penn Station, or to the Flatbush Avenue terminal. Commuter's trains make it in three or four minutes less, and run at intervals of from 15 minutes to a half-hour.

The regular fare either way to or from Penn Station is 70 cents, and 60 cents to Flatbush Avenue. The monthly commutation rate is \$11.94 to Penn Station and \$9.74 to Flatbush Avenue. The weekly commutation rate is \$3.30 to Penn Station and \$2.70 to Flatbush Avenue.

There are bus line connections to village east and west and to Hempstead. The frequency of service varies with the time of day and the season; the average being about one hour.

Wantagh Avenue at the Station Plaza is the bus terminal for Hempstead and points west of Wantagh, and buses going eastward on the Merrick Road will take on passengers at street intersections. Local taxis meet the regular trains.

During the summer, buses to and from Jones Beach make scheduled connections with regular trains at Wantagh Station, the running time being from 20 to 30 minutes, and bus fare is 15 cents one way and 25 cents round trip. Special holiday and week-end excursion trains transfer their passengers also at Wantagh Station, the round trip fare from the city to Jones Beach and back being \$1.45. The number of week-end excursionists varies from 5,000 to over 10,000 each week.