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SUFFOLK COUNTY BAG LAW TAKES EFFECT JAN 1

Excerpts from an article by Tim Gannon | 12/20/2017 | suffolktimes.timesreview.com

It's not the outright ban on plastic bags that some officials had sought in the past, but come Jan. 1, a bill that Suffolk County passed in 2016 will take effect — and you'll pay a nickel for every non-reusable paper or plastic shopping bag provided by a store.

Shoppers can avoid the fee by bringing their own reusable bags.

The bill was proposed shortly after another 2016 bill, which sought to ban plastic bags altogether, failed to gain enough support in the county Legislature. The legislative intent of the nickel fee bill, says data from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, indicates that between 500 billion and 1 trillion plastic bags are consumed worldwide every year, and that Americans use more than 10 billion paper bags each year. In addition, an estimated 14 million trees are cut down each year to make paper bags. The plastic bags do not biodegrade and are often harmful to birds and sea life, officials said.

Exceptions to the law will be plastic bags without handles that are used to hold “produce, meats, poultry, fish, dairy, dry goods or other non-prepackaged food items” to protect those goods from coming into contact with other items. Bags carrying prescription drugs and garment bags also are exempt. Businesses affected by the legislation include drug stores and pharmacies, grocery stores and supermarkets, convenience stores, food marts, apparel stores, hardware stores, office supply stores, among others. Food service establishments located outside grocery stores, supermarkets and convenience stores also are exempt.

The law defines a reusable carryout bags as “a bag with handles that is specifically designed and manufactured for multiple reuse” and is made of machine-washable cloth or another material other than plastic, or is made of durable plastic that's at least 2.25 mils thick. (A mil equals one thousandth of an inch.)

On the East End, Southampton and East Hampton towns have already banned plastic bags, but Riverhead and Southold have not.

Environmentalist John Turner of the Seatuck Environmental Association, who backed the outright ban, proposed the consolation bill at a July 2016 public hearing before the county Legislature. “Given the fact that a five-cent fee will likely reduce plastic bag use by anywhere from 60 percent to two-thirds, we'll take two-thirds of a loaf over nothing anytime,” he said. In other municipalities, Mr. Turner said, enacting such a fee did result in a reduction of paper and plastic bag use.

The nickel fees go to the retailers, something County Executive Steve Bellone had sought to change when the bill was being considered. He had instead called for a portion of the fee to go toward environmental programs.



WASTE MGMT. DISTRICT GLASS RECYCLING



UPDATE: The Glass Recycling Bins are on island and may be picked up at the FIWMD's main office during regular business hours. There is one bin per household, if you would like one. Please ask for Alan Thibodeau.

As announced in November 2017

The Fishers Island Waste Management District (FIWMD) has been looking for viable solutions to help reduce the amount of waste that is shipped off the island. One of the areas of concern is the amount of bottles and cans that are sent off. While the flow in the off seasons slows down, during the summer months, a thirty-yard dumpster will fill in a day and a half. The bottle and can dumpsters are the highest quantity of dumpsters sent out each month. In an effort to reduce this, the District recently purchased a glass grinding machine. This machine will grind the glass down to both 1/8" and 3/8" particles. The glass can then be used as a clean fill. Taking the glass out of the trash flow will help reduce the quantity of dumpsters leaving the island and also put the glass to good use.

Starting January 1, 2018, all glass containers will have to be collected separately from plastic and metal. The containers are to be **rinsed cleaned (with labels left on)** and will be collected in special "GLASS ONLY" dumpsters at the Transfer Station. The District has purchased 13-gallon recycling totes for each residence on the island. These will be made available for free (one per residence) and can be picked up at the District Office during normal business hours. We will notify you when they are available in early December. Please remember, **any glass container should be rinsed clean before depositing at the Transfer Station.**

FI WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT REORGANIZATION MEETING
Fishers Island Waste Management District (FIWMD) is holding their reorganization meeting on Monday, January 8, 2018 at 5:00 in the big meeting room on the 2nd floor of the Community Center. Community members are welcome to attend.

REMINDER ABOUT FIC GOLF COURSE OFF SEASON ACCESS



The Fishers Island Sportsmen's Club leases the Fishers Island Club golf course and other Club lands from FIDCO for shooting during the off-season, November 1 to March 1.

Fishers Island Club members, their guests, and anyone else **MUST** check with Luis Horn (860) 389-5400 before venturing onto the property for their own safety.

Walking the course without permission is considered trespassing.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

COMMUNITY NOTES

FERRY DISTRICT ISSUES 2018 RESIDENT ID CARDS

Please come in to the Fishers Island Reservation Office for your new Resident ID Card.

Winter Office Hours on Fishers: Tuesday – Saturday: 9 – 1

You will be required to review and sign the Resident ID terms and conditions.

You must have a valid card starting January 1, 2018.



Good Bye to our Wonderful Mrs. Doherty. After 32 years of service to the Fishers Island School, Mrs. Doherty leaves for a well deserved retirement.



Fourteen students of Kapri Thomas performed beautifully at the 5th Annual Piano Recital hosted at the Union Chapel.



Santa stopped in after the pancake breakfast at the American Legion to help the FIFD elves at the Department's Annual Christmas Party. He helped pass out gifts to the younger Island children, just before Christmas.

IN MEMORIAM: ALEXANDER HARVEY, II

ALEXANDER HARVEY II, RETIRED FEDERAL JUDGE, DIES AT 94

Excerpts from an article by Jacques Kelly, Reporter, The Baltimore Sun December 5, 2017

Judge Alexander Harvey II, who served on the Maryland federal bench and was a World War II veteran, died of prostate cancer Monday at his Woodbrook home. He was 94.

Born in Baltimore and known of Zandy, he was raised on Brightside Road in Ruxton. The son of Frederick Barton Harvey, a partner in an insurance firm and his wife, Rose Lindsay Hopkins, a Union Memorial Hospital board president, he attended Calvert and Gilman schools, where he was a football quarterback and graduated from the Hill School in Pottstown, Pa.

He earned a bachelor's degree at Yale University, where he was named to Phi Beta Kappa, after serving in the Army in World War II. He served in the field artillery and boarded small planes — which he described in an oral history as Piper Cubs — and flew 1,500 feet over enemy lines to spot military movements. He flew 70 missions and received the Army Air Medal with a cluster.

After graduating from the Columbia University School of Law, he returned to Baltimore and joined Ober, Grimes & Stimson, a law firm. He briefly served as an assistant state attorney general, then returned to private practice. In 1951 he married Mary Elizabeth Williams.

In the oral history, he recalled being at a party where former Senator Daniel Brewster asked if he would be interested in a federal judgeship which would be coming available...In March 1966, Senator Brewster called him and offered the post. "I was stunned," said Judge Harvey in the interview. The Senate Judiciary Committee approved his nomination in September 1966.

In 1969 Judge Harvey presided over the case of Guido Iozzi, a Baltimore labor leader who was indicted by a federal grand jury on charges of labor racketeering and was accused of seeking bribes from contractors in exchange for labor peace. The case generated considerable publicity and was moved to Alexandria, Va. because of threats of violence here.

Judge Harvey recalled the day Vice President Spiro T. Agnew resigned his office at the old Baltimore Court House on Calvert Street. While Agnew's no contest plea was offered to Judge Walter E. Hoffman, reporters and onlookers made so much noise that Judge Harvey was forced to shut down his own courtroom, where he was hearing a case.

In 1981 Judge Harvey wrote a 49-page opinion saying that the president of the University of Maryland did not deprive Bertell Ollman, a Marxist and history teacher, of his constitutional rights in rejecting his appointment as head of the school's Department of Government and Politics.

In 1985 he accepted the guilty plea of John A. Walker Jr., who had spied for the Soviet Union and passed along military classified documents obtained by his 22-year-old son, a Navy seaman, Michael Lance Walker. In the oral history, Judge Harvey said he would have sentenced the elder Walker to death had the law permitted it. Walker died in 2014 while still in prison.

Judge Harvey sentenced master Baltimore drug distributor Maurice "Peanut" King in 1985 to 50 years without parole and said the sentence was deserved because King was "dealing in human misery."

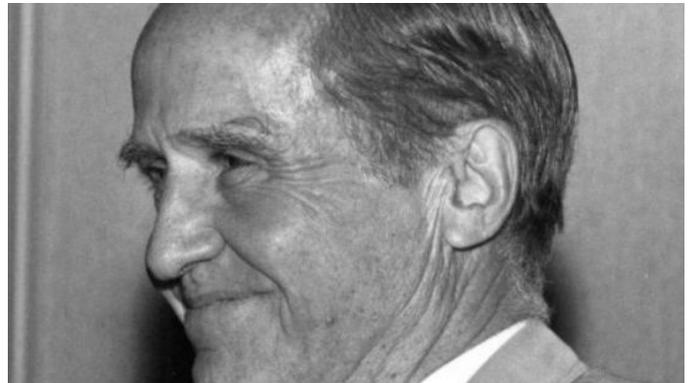
In 1983, The American Lawyer magazine called Judge Harvey the best of 42 federal judges in the 4th U.S. Circuit, which covers the Mid-Atlantic region. The magazine called Harvey "incredibly well organized. He invariably knows the case better than the lawyers involved."

Judge Harvey played tennis, golf and was a past Maryland squash champion. He spent his summers at Fishers Island, N.Y. and went spearfishing in Long Island Sound.

A funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Jan. 6 at the Episcopal Church of the Redeemer, 5600 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, MD.

Survivors include his wife of 66 years, Elizabeth Williams; a son, Alexander "Exie" Harvey IV of Baltimore; a daughter, Elizabeth "Lisa" Harvey Shapiro of Atlanta, Ga.; a stepson, Claude K. "Rip" Williams Jr. of Largo, Fla.; a stepdaughter, Cynthia Collins of North Palm Beach, Fla.; two sisters, Jean H. Baker of Owings Mills and Ellen "Ellie" Kelly of Ruxton; four grandchildren' and six great-grandchildren.

For the full article, please visit fishersisland.net/in-memoriam-alexander-harvey-ii/



IN MEMORIAM: JEANNETTE ‘JAN’ COOK

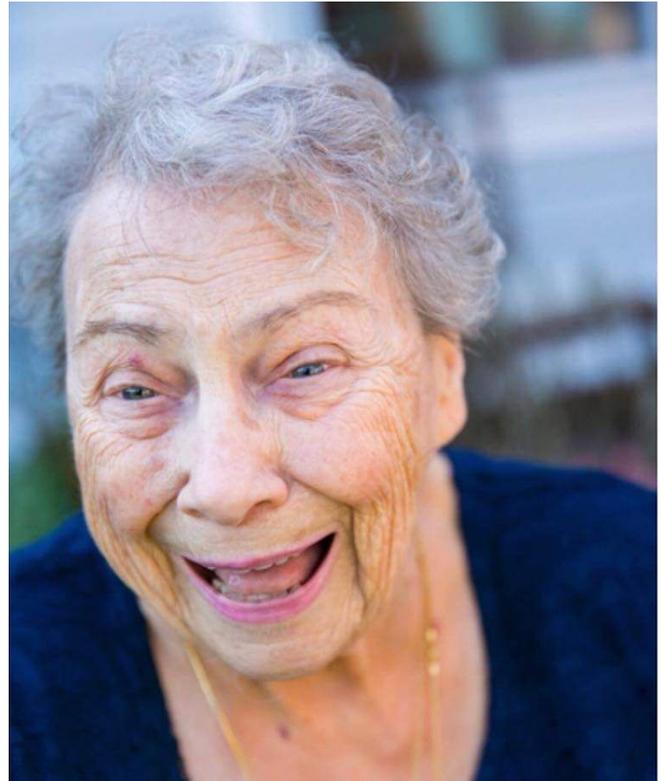
Jeannette Cook, 81, of Fishers Island, New York, passed away unexpectedly on December 1, 2017.

Her family was always first and foremost in her mind and her heart. She leaves behind her daughters, Patricia Cook of Fishers Island, NY; Pamela Schlender and husband Daryl of Griswold, CT; Polly Ford and husband Paul of New London, CT; her son, James Cook and wife Noella of St. Mary's, GA; along with so many well-loved grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She is now reunited with her husband Harold Cook, and two sons, Steven and Casey, all of whom she missed so much.

Jan's beautiful life of giving to others will be missed. A former deaconess at Union Chapel, she was known for her fun and witty raffle baskets and her joyful spirit, always taking time to help and comfort others. Her graceful ability to make friends instantly feel like family was a blessing to so many.

There will be a celebration of Jan's life at Fishers Island's Union Chapel on January 6, 2017, at 12:30. Please feel welcome to come and share your memories of her with the family on that day. The memorial service will be followed by a reception at the Fishers Island American Legion.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to Union Chapel, P.O. Box 192, Fishers Island, NY 06390.



IN MEMORIAM: PAMELA S. PECK



Pamela Stewart Peck, 67, of Simsbury, passed away on November 21, 2017 at the Regional Hospice Center in Danbury, CT.

Pam was born in Chicago, IL on March 23, 1950; a daughter of the late Philip and Mary Elizabeth (Bennett) Peck. Pamela grew up in West Hartford and attended the Renbrook School. She went to The Ethel Walker School in Simsbury and earned her BA From the University of Colorado.

After working for several years in New York City, Pam settled in Simsbury, CT. At Barclays Bank, Cigna, and later as a consultant Pam worked in real estate acquisitions and underwriting. She loved the challenge of assessing properties and determining the viability of putting deals together.

Pam's passion, sanctuary and happy place was the beach; especially Fishers Island. She loved to read, take walks and visit with friends. A wonderful person, Pam will undoubtedly be remembered for her kindness and compassion toward others.

Pam is survived by her sister Elizabeth Peck and brothers, Jeffrey and Philip Peck; her nieces, Arden Sperry, and Allie Peck; and her nephews, Porter Sperry, Graham Peck, and Taft Peck. Funeral services will be held in the spring in Fishers Island. Memorial contributions can be made to Regional Hospice Center of Danbury, CT.

Kane Funeral Home, Ridgefield is in charge of funeral arrangements.

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JANUARY GARDENING

FROM MÉLIE'S GARDEN

No matter how old you are it is always sad to take down the Christmas tree and put the ornaments away for next year. After all the festivities of the holiday, you are now confronted with how to get this large needle-dropping tree out of your house.



A number of years ago, I read an article in the NY Times about recycling Christmas trees. In NYC they are collected on the curb to be shredded and used as mulch in the city parks. In others places, the trees are put into lakes to encourage fish habitats or placed on beaches to help protect sand dunes from winter storms. I remove all the branches from our tree with heavy duty “loppers” and place them outside as mulch in my garden. The fir clippings look quite pretty covering the beds with green during the long dreary months and keep plants from heaving in mid-winter thaws. When spring arrives, I collect the branches and put them on the compost pile. I have been even been known to cut up a tree in New York, if we have had Christmas in our apartment, and bring the branches up to Fishers Island in black garbage bags. But I admit that is a bit obsessive!



Once Christmas has been put to bed, I like to explore all the wonderful plant and seed catalogs that arrive during the month of January. I try to restrain myself from ordering too many things, but I am not always that successful. It is fun to cut out

different varieties of plants and make a small collage of the cuttings to see how planting would look. This is especially helpful when ordering Dahlia tubers to get the right combination of colors and shapes. Nothing is worse than having a garden full of flowers that don't go together once picked. I know people who envision the flower arrangements they want to have in their house and then order the seeds or plants that will accommodate that vision. I have never been that organized, but I admire people who are. This is my attempt at that practice with a collection of Dahlia tubers I am ordering from Swan Island Dahlias, 'Foxy Lady', Macalister's Pride, 'Summers End' and for a bit of a punch 'Dot Com'. I am also going to try 'Moonstruck' and 'White Lightning' and I know that 'Victoria' blue salvia, lavender, and white phlox will also look good with this combination of dahlias in an arrangement. Let your imagination go with thoughts of summer and a Happy Gardening New Year!



ANNUAL COMMISSIONERS ELECTION RESULTS

FISHERS ISLAND FIRE DISTRICT

One Commissioner for a five (5) year term commencing on January 1, 2018 and ending on December 31, 2022.

RESULT: John Klimczak

One Commissioner to fill a vacant one (1) year unexpired term commencing on January 1, 2018 and ending on December 31, 2018. **RESULT: Kathy Dollar**

WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

One Commissioner for a five (5) year term commencing January 1, 2018 and ending on December 31, 2022.

RESULT: Sarah Malinowski

One Commissioner to fill a vacant three (3) year unexpired term commencing January 1, 2018 and ending December 31, 2020. **RESULT: Mere Doyen**

BULLETIN BOARD

Cultivating and honoring the gifts and talents of all students.

Have you ever considered going to school on an island where you can dig your own clay for an art project? The same clay used in the bricks for the New London Train Station!

Ask about small class sizes, cross-curricular authentic learning, student athletics, music, studio art, drama, and community service.

ADMISSIONS OPEN HOUSE

Join us Thursday, January 11 8:00 am-12:30 pm (*Snow date: January 12*)
Fishers Island Ferry leaves the New London dock at 7:00 am and returns at 1:30 pm

FISHERS ISLAND SCHOOL, Fishers Island, NY

Seeking creative and responsible tuition students entering grades 4-9 who love to learn and enjoy being challenged in a unique, student-centered learning community. Meet the principal, have a tour and learn more about Fishers Island School, just across the Sound.

2017-18 Tuition is \$3630 for 4th-6th Grade and \$3850 for 7th-12th Grade commuting students.

Call us and let us know you are coming to visit (631) 788-7444

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SENIOR LUNCHEONS ~ 2017-2018



**Senior
Lunch**

Everyone over 60 is invited to join us!

Luncheons are held on the 3rd Thursday of the month – most are held at the Union Chapel. Enjoy a delicious home cooked meal, monthly door prize/raffle, seasonal table settings, and interesting conversation.

Please call Heather Burnham if you would like to be added to the list at 788-7662.

Save these Upcoming Dates: Jan 18, Feb 15, Mar 15, Apr 19, and May 17

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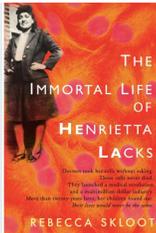


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MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION AND VETERANS
FI Legion Post 1045's new night for meetings is the 1st Thursday of the month @ 5:30 pm

ISLAND COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING
January date TBD @ the Community Center. Community members are welcome and encouraged to attend the ICB meetings.

LIBRARY BOOK GROUP
January 11:
The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks



COMMUNITY LASAGNA DINNER AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER
Wed, Jan. 10 6:30-9:30 (or the lasagna runs out)
All are welcome, RSVP to save a spot, bring a salad, garlic bread or dessert if you like. BYOB.
Donations welcome toward the next FICC Dinner!



Jane Ahrens

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The 3rd-6th Grade Chorus, directed by Music Teacher Chris Dollar
From the photo gallery *Fishers Island School Winter Concert & Art Show* on FishersIsland.net
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