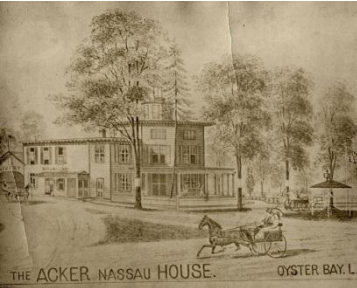


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Report to Members

September 16, 2010



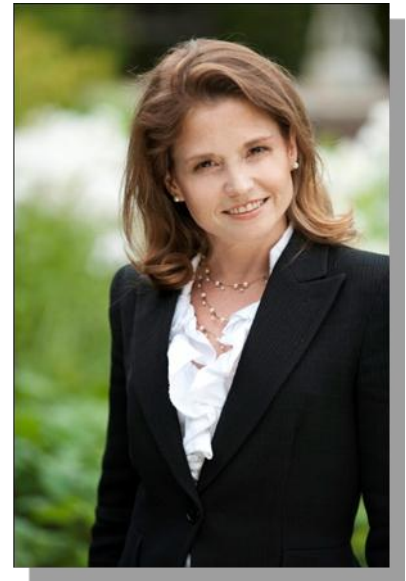
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‘A Year of Amazing Changes’

Thursday, September 16, 2010, 7-9pm
Octagon Hotel, 67 West Main Street, Oyster Bay

with special guest Nancy Melius-Murton,
Oheka Castle & Gold Coast Mansions Historic Long Island Alliance



Nancy Melius-Murton

Agenda

Welcome and Introductions	7:00pm
Election of Board Members	7:15pm
Executive Director's Report	7:20pm
Committee Reports	7:40pm
Keynote Address	8:00pm
Main Street Awards	8:30pm

About Our Keynote Speaker

Nancy Melius-Murton is the Director of Marketing at Oheka Castle in Huntington, New York. This historic home of Otto E. Kahn was built between 1917 and 1919. Following a period of neglect, the home was purchased in 1984 by Gary Melius, and since then the estate and gardens have been lovingly restored. Nancy returned to Long Island a few years ago to spend more time with her family and to develop the family business. This followed a diverse career that included performing in the National Tour of *Cats* and in *Gypsy* on Broadway with Tyne Daly. She also had a career in the fashion industry and interior design, before managing a successful computer company while dividing her time between London and New York.

Nancy and the Melius family have an affinity to ensure that the Gold Coast Mansions and other historic sites on Long Island remain in existence for generations to come. Through her leadership the Gold Coast Mansions Historic Long Island Alliance was formed in 2009. The month of May 2010 was designated "Long Island History Month" by both Nassau and Suffolk counties. A new website has also been created to promote Gold Coast mansions and other historic places on Long Island (www.historiclongisland.com).

In the coming years, Nancy will work to keep the alliance growing while continuing to support her father's vision of completing the restoration of Oheka Castle.

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What a \$200,000 Investment Has Bought

In August 2009 Main Street received a \$200,000 grant from the New York State Housing Trust Fund Corporation for building renovation projects in downtown Oyster. Priority was given to projects that prevent dangers to public health and safety, protect historic buildings, reduce blight and contribute to economic recovery, and include a residential component.

Brower House, 39-41 East Main St

This historic building was built in several pieces during the 19th century, though for the past several decades had been underutilized and vacant. The building was rehabilitated, and now has space for up to 3 retail units on the ground floor, and 2 one-bedroom apartments above.

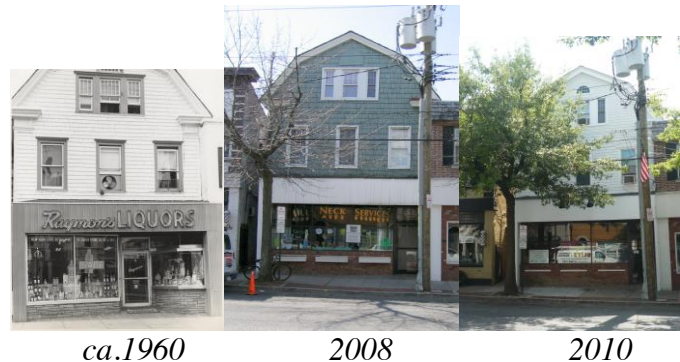


Jack Halyards American Bar & Grill, 62 South St

The existing Fiddleheads Restaurant was expanded to become home of the present Jack Halyards American Bar & Grill. Main Street grant dollars were invested to help stabilize an existing business, and to spur revitalization efforts on the South Street corridor.

Townsend Inn Annex, 9 Audrey Ave

This building was originally constructed in 1906 as an annex to the Townsend Inn on West Main Street. The building had been allowed to deteriorate for many years. Vinyl siding was replaced by cedar shakes, windows revealed and reglazed. Mill Pond Consignment recently opened on the ground floor.



Shangri La Spa, 63 Audrey Ave

This building received new tuck-pointing to correct a water infiltration problem. The vinyl awning from the previous business was removed, and a new historically appropriate fabric awning was added, helping this building and the new business there to stand out. The twin-building next door at 61 Audrey Ave will also be improved with Main Street grant support.

North Shore Bank Building, 90 South St

The North Shore Bank Building was built in 1907. At one time the Theodore Roosevelt Association had its offices on the upper floor. New signs and awnings were installed in July-August 2010. Among these is a reproduction of the coin commissioned by the famed artist and sculptor August St. Gaudens, which hangs over the front door. The Coin Galleries of Oyster Bay presently occupy the building and have reported a substantial increase in business following completion of their sign project.



Needs We Have Identified Moving Forward

Resources are needed to continue momentum gained from completion of the Octagon Hotel and several other building projects supported by the New York Main Street grant. Thanks to a very generous contribution we are pleased to announce creation of the Oyster Bay Revolving Loan Fund capitalized at an initial \$20,000. This will give the resources needed to assist with façade improvement, building renovation, and business development activities.

Priorities of this program will be similar to that of the New York Main Street grant. A special effort will be made to work with building and business owners to:

1. Identify illuminated box signs and temporary vinyl banners, and replace these with historically appropriate signage.
2. To find buildings with vinyl or aluminum siding, and replace this with historically appropriate materials.
3. Assure that any changes made respect the historic character of buildings in question and the downtown as a whole.

Contributions are actively being sought to expand this program. Those with an interest in giving should contact the Oyster Bay Main Street Association office at (516) 922-6982.

The World Is Rediscovering Historic Oyster Bay

A make-over of the space on Audrey Avenue between the U.S. Post Office and the Oyster Bay Railroad Museum was held June 12 and 13, 2010. This community planning event was meant to demonstrate the potential of this area if action was taken. Pop-up stores, a pop-up park by the Oyster Bay Railroad Station, and a farmers' market were among the ideas that were tried out. This event helped to spark people's imagination and lead to a number of spin-off projects to focus on over the next 48 days to follow, including the Farmers' Market.

The first-ever Farmers' Market is held at the Derby-Hall Bandstand in downtown Oyster Bay on Friday, July 30, 2010. Over ten vendors participated, providing a variety of products from produce, to fresh baked goods, bread, cheese, tomatoes, pickles, and honey products. The market was very well-attended. Markets are being planned every Friday for the triangle park between the Town Hall and Post Office. Hours will remain from noon to 6pm.

This year marked the second-annual season of Oyster Bay Sundown concerts that coincided with the Art Walk on the First Thursday of each month. Following our kick-off at the Teaching Studios of Art in May, there were three outdoor concerts at Renaissance Plaza from June-August, and the largest and best attended concert ever at The Homestead on September 2 with Don Anthony.

The Historic Oyster Bay Map has been revised and 30,000 copies printed for distribution throughout Long Island. The map features the Oyster Bay History Walk – an audio tour of 30 historic sites in downtown Oyster Bay. Special efforts are made to highlight sites and attractions including Sagamore Hill National Historic Site, Raynham Hall Museum, and other places. These efforts were recognized in September 2010 when ExploreLI Magazine recognized Oyster Bay as one of “10 Great All-Day Getaways on Long Island.”



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Harvest Regatta Celebration

Friday October 8, 6:30-11pm * 2 South Street, Oyster Bay NY 11771 * Dinner Dancing Fun!

Oakcliff Sailing Center and the Oyster Bay Main Street Association invite you to a wonderfully bountiful Harvest Regatta Celebration, Friday October 8. The evening will begin with a strolling dinner in the quaint clubhouse and grounds at 2 South Street and will continue next door with live music and dancing. A unique silent auction will run throughout the evening and works will be on display by local artists Kirk Larsen and Bill Jonas.

Individual Tickets: \$75 in advance, \$100 at the door

Sponsorships Available: Lead \$2,000, Supporting \$1,000

The following day's Harvest Regatta will showcase Oyster Bay's beautiful classic yachts in their final race of the season as well as the many modern boats that Oakcliff is thankful to have. Join community leaders, competitive sailors and generally all-round-fun people in celebrating a successful inaugural year at Oakcliff Sailing Center and the continuing success of Oyster Bay's Main Street Association.

To purchase a ticket complete this form, and send it to OBMSA / P.O. Box 116 / Oyster Bay, NY 11771

Name (s): _____

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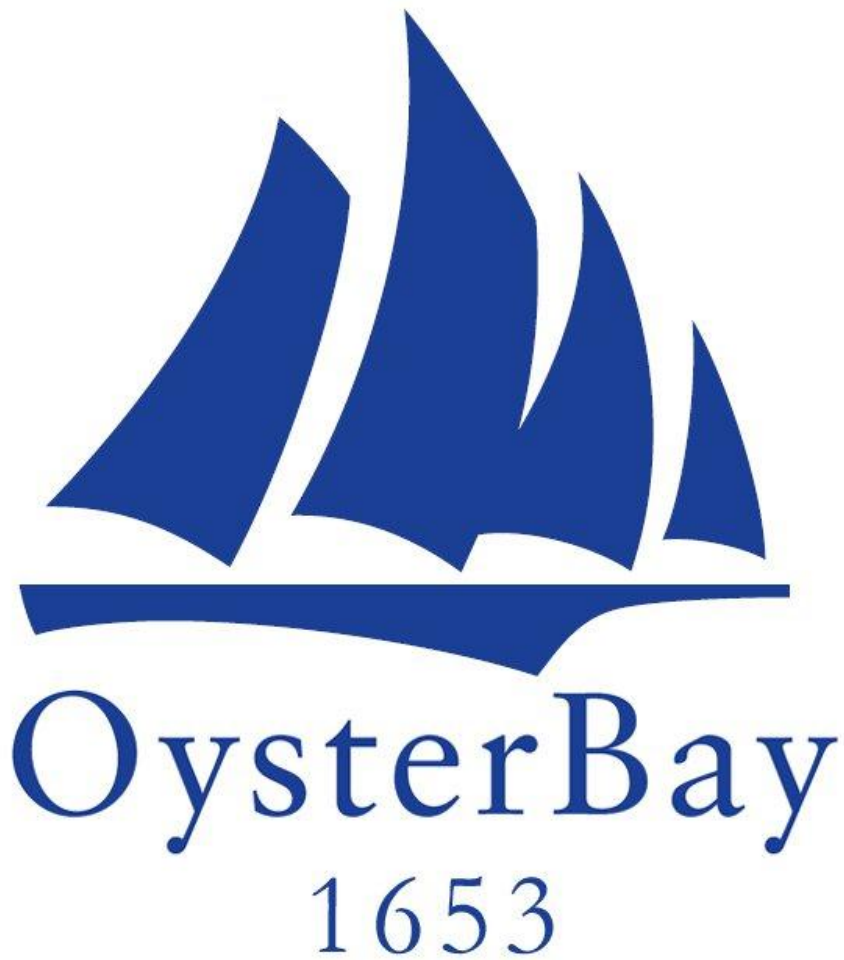
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All proceeds are tax deductible and jointly benefit Oyster Bay Main Street Association & Oakcliff Sailing Center.

Tickets may be purchased on line by going to <http://www.oakcliffsailing.org>



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