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The Post-Morrow Foundation, Inc. is located in the Hamlet of Brookhaven, Suffolk County, New York. Its principal office is at 16 Bay Road, Brookhaven, NY 11719.

Conceived by Thomas and Elisabeth Post Morrow and established in 1969, the Foundation is dedicated to the preservation of the rural countryside character of the Hamlet and the surrounding areas. Through the acquisition of properties, either by gift or purchase, the Foundation seeks to establish a nature preserve and sanctuary for the benefit and enjoyment of the immediate community. The preservation of Beaver Dam Creek, where the Foundation owns over 100 acres, is a priority.

The Post and Morrow families have had a long tradition of philanthropy in the community. James H. Post purchased the land along Carmans River, now known as Squassux Landing, which was later donated to the Brookhaven Village Association for use as a marina. The land upon which the Brookhaven Free Library is situated was another gift. Elisabeth Post Morrow continued the tradition of her father by donating various gifts to community groups, mostly anonymously. It was the hope of the Morrows that this legacy be continued through the establishment of the Post-Morrow Foundation, Inc.

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## BOARDWALK BASH

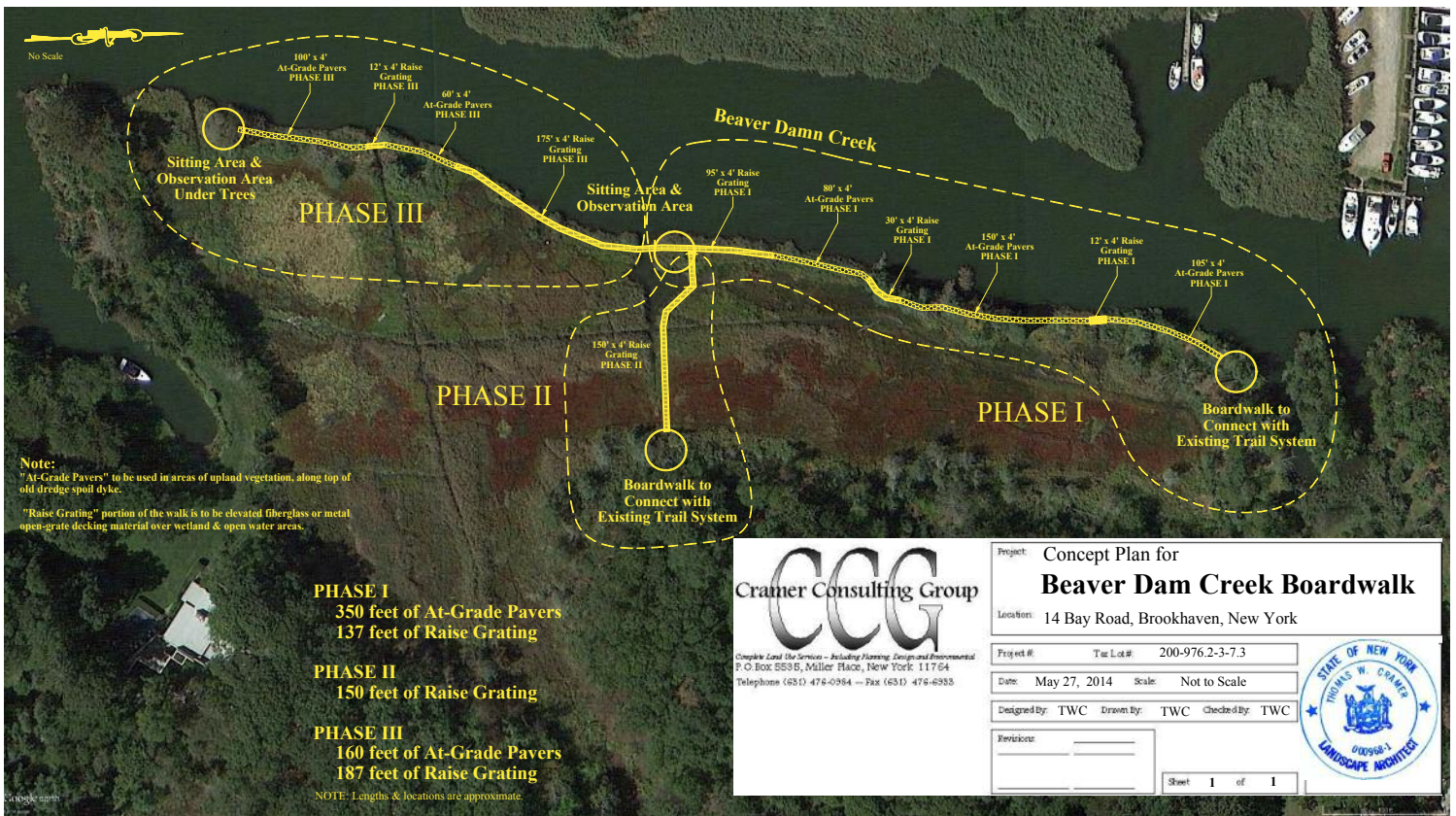


One hour before the Bash...

We truly appreciate all the friends and supporters who turned out for the Boardwalk Bash held at the Post-Morrow Foundation on September 20th. The Foundation will use the funds raised to help build a boardwalk along the east side of Beaver Dam Creek to join the woodland trail which begins at the Foundation headquarters at 16 Bay Road.

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# BOARDWALK BASH *continued*



Concept plan for the trail system along Beaver Dam Creek and across the marshland. We have applied for permits from the Town of Brookhaven and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and hope to start the project this coming spring.



Lynn Brown, Secretary of the Board, was the Chair of the Boardwalk Bash. Her family helped to make the event a great success. She is pictured here with her daughters, Nicole and Erica.



Flowers were donated by the Hamlet Organic Garden and arranged by Jane Tierney and Ginny Everitt.

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# Post-Morrow Foundation

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# BOARDWALK BASH *continued*

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Students for Environmental Quality (SEQ) from Bellport High School assisted at the event. Pictured here are: Leah DeMore, Hannah Pokorny, Anthony Santana and Madison Burbol (President of SEQ).



Art Quilt *Think about your Troubles*  
made and donated by Pauline Hazard



*Ruddy Turnstone* donated  
by Michael Ince



*50th Anniversary of Lincoln Center*  
donated by Malcolm Morley

Here are three of the many original works of art donated to the Boardwalk Bash. The Foundation thanks the many people who donated items for the live and silent auctions.

## STUDENTS FOR ART

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As described in their mission statement, Students for Art is “designed to enrich the lives of students in the South Country School District. The experience of art offers an opportunity for them to experience the visual arts through mediums and techniques that are distinct from, yet complementary to those currently offered through the school district.



The program strives to achieve this goal by offering students the opportunity to create connections with, and draw inspiration from, visiting local artists and to see them at work in their medium as well as to explore a variety of art mediums and techniques and then to create original works of art.”

Please read more about this worthy project at the South Country Education Foundation website <http://www.scefonline.org/students4art.html>

*Students for Art 2014 graced the Post-Morrow grounds this summer as it has for the past several years since its inception.*



## FIREPLACE PARK

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A group of residents have been working hard to beautify the park that is at the heart of Brookhaven Hamlet. Known as Zimmer Park or Fireplace Park after the earliest name of our hamlet, the park was badly damaged by Hurricane Sandy.

An ad hoc committee, which includes Lynn Brown, Helen Geraghty, Jeff Jensen, Deb Love, Jane Tierney and Ellen Williams, has organized the planting of new native trees and other improvements to the Park. The gazebo was cleaned up and painted. The bridge and bench given a new coat of paint, and new picnic tables and a litter can were installed. The committee is hoping eventually to replace invasive plants with native species in accordance with Brookhaven Town Parks Department guidelines.

The committee worked in collaboration with the Brookhaven Village Association, the Fire Department and the Post-Morrow Foundation. We are pleased to be a part of this community improvement project.



# BROOKHAVEN HAMLET

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## WAR MEMORIAL AND WALKING TOUR

Southaven and Brookhaven Hamlet residents have a long and honorable history of serving our nation over the years. Brookhaven Hamlet has an historic Memorial Park dedicated to those residents who have served in the armed forces from World War I through the War on Terror. Soon a new memorial will commemorate those residents who served in the Revolutionary War, The War of 1812, The Civil War and The Spanish American War.

There are many familiar names among those who served in our country's early wars, among them Rose, Hawkins, Ketchum, Barto, Homan, Swezey and Miller. One such patriot was David "Priest" Rose who was pastor at the Old Southaven Church. He and others signed a pledge of loyalty to the Continental Congress in May of 1775 which was very courageous, since the area was occupied by the British during the entire war. Priest Rose's desk was later owned by Mrs. Morrow and can now be seen in the Bellport/Brookhaven Historical Society museum.



*Brookhaven Hamlet Memorial Park,  
beautifully maintained by the Brookhaven Fire Department*

Another distinguished veteran was Richard Corwin, a personal aide to General George Washington. According to local historian Marty Van Lith, Corwin was present at the battle of Yorktown and the surrender of Cornwallis. Washington once tested his fidelity as a guard by attempting to pass him in the night but Corwin would not allow Washington to pass. Corwin's son, Richard Jr was a veteran of the War of 1812.

Recently the Foundation received a grant from Suffolk County Legislator Kate Browning to develop and install a plaque in honor of these veterans in Memorial Park. The unveiling is scheduled for Memorial Day 2015. The grant also will help us to print a walking tour and map of the Fireplace Historic District.

The War Memorial project is a cooperative effort of the Post-Morrow Foundation, the Brookhaven Village Association, Brookhaven Fire Department, and the Fire Place History Club. Members of the History Club John Deitz and Richard Thomas have done the research on the veterans involved in these four wars. Marty Van Lith has led the Fire Place History Club to restore many of our historic cemeteries and has been invaluable in preserving our local history.

The walking tour guide has been edited by Anita Cohen, based on three walking tours that John Deitz organized a few years ago as well as on the Post-Morrow Foundation trail guide. These tours highlight historic houses and sites in the Fireplace Historic District. The Foundation trail guide can be accessed through your cell phone by calling On-Cell at 631-866-7049. Walkers will see the numbered green signs which indicate sites of historic interest throughout the hamlet.

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Bald Eagle on Beaver Dam  
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*A gift of any amount is most welcome and will assist us in our stewardship of lands and resources in the Brookhaven community.*

We have included an envelope for your convenience or you can go to our website, [www.postmorrow.org](http://www.postmorrow.org) and contribute via the “donate now” pay-pal button.



Virginia Creeper, *Parthenocissus quinquefolia*

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