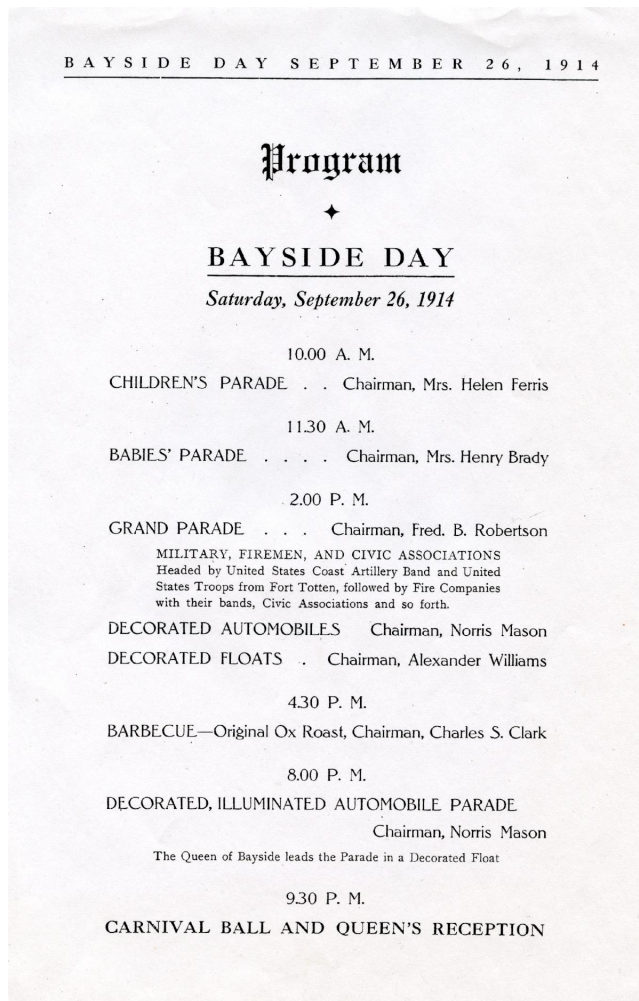




September 2024 Newsletter



Bayside Day Celebrations

A grand celebration took place 110 years ago on September 26, 1914. The event was sponsored by local business leaders, the Bayside Civic Association and politicians. The event included four parades, a bread baking contests, fiddlers contest, a barbeque for 3,000 attendees, dance performances and an inauguration ball for the elected Queen of Bayside Day.

Please help us celebrate both the 60th anniversary of Bayside Historical Society and the 110th anniversary of ***Bayside Day on Saturday, September 14th, at The Castle in Fort Totten from 2pm-5pm.***

To commemorate both anniversaries we will host a fun afternoon of free activities including outdoor lawn games, kids games and crafts, and music from the 60's (when BHS was born) performed by Chicken Head Rocks.

Inside the BHS Castle, explore historical photo exhibits and test your knowledge with Bayside trivia and Watchamacallit (Historic Artifact edition). There will be trivia prizes, books for sale, and food & refreshments served in commemorative keepsake cups.

Check out the link below to access our digital photo archives documenting some of the activities during the original event in 1914.



Getting ready for the Children's Parade (1914)

**Bayside Day
1914**

Upcoming September 2024 Events



Second Sunday Castle Tours

Sun, Sept 8 | 1 PM & 2PM

Come tour The Castle on the Second Sunday of each month. Tours are **free** and last 45 minutes. The landmarked BHS Castle in Fort Totten, which was completed in 1887, is one of the finest surviving examples in New York City of the Gothic Revival castellated style architecture. Come in and find out more about this architectural landmark in Bayside, Queens.

[RSVP](#)



Open Sew at the Castle

Sun, Sept 8 | 1-3PM
The BHS Castle

Join other sewing enthusiasts in an afternoon of creating and socializing. Bring something you are currently working on and enjoy the camaraderie of community sewing! While this is not a sewing class, beginner seamstresses and quilters are most welcome and will find inspiration and guidance.

Cost: \$8 BHS members; \$10 non-members

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Bayside Day 2024

Sat, Sept 14, 2024 | 2-5PM
BHS Castle and Grounds

The Bayside Historical Society, celebrating its 60th anniversary, is holding a very special event to commemorate the 110th anniversary of Bayside Day. Get ready for a fun afternoon of free activities including outdoor lawn games, kids games and crafts, and music from the 60's performed by Chicken Head Rocks! Inside the BHS Castle, explore historical photo exhibits and test your knowledge with Bayside and Historical Artifact trivia. There will be trivia prizes, books for sale, and food & refreshments served in commemorative keepsake cups. We can't wait to see you all there! Please RSVP below.

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Fall Gardening at The Castle

Sat, Sept 28, 2024 | 10AM-12PM



Hot summer days are behind us, and we welcome you to join us for our next phase of autumn gardening at The Castle. All levels of gardening expertise are welcome!

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Coming up in October...



Lawrence Cemetery Tour

Sat, Oct 5 | 11AM – 1PM
215-15 42nd Ave, Bayside, NY

Bayside Historical Society is conducting a free guided tour of the historic Lawrence Cemetery, the burial ground of one of Bayside's founding families. Notable individuals who are interred here include Cornelius Van Wyck Lawrence, New York City's first popularly elected mayor, and Colonel Frederick Newbold Lawrence, former president of the New York Stock Exchange.

This event is free.

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BHS Vintage Car Show 2024

Sun, Oct 6 | 9AM-2PM
BHS Castle Grounds

Ride back in time with Bayside Historical Society's classic car show! A variety of vintage and antique automobiles will be showcased on the lawn of the Castle at Fort Totten.

The event is free for visitors to attend.

The car show is presented by the Long Island Sound Region of the Classic Car Club of America, in conjunction with Bayside Historical Society.

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19th Century Baseball Game

Sat, Oct 12th | 11AM-2PM
Fort Totten Soccer Fields,
Totten Ave. &, 15th Rd, Fort Totten, NY

Watch the New York Mutuals vs. the Brooklyn Atlantics in a historical re-creation of a baseball game the way it was played back in the 1880s. The players will answer questions from the audience and



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invite children to field grounders.

This event is free.

Take a Look Back...

One of four parades that made its way down Bell Avenue (now Boulevard) during Bayside Day 1914.

Fun Fact: Bayside Day celebrations were funded, in part, by souvenir buttons auctioned by Bayside residents, Gentleman Jim Corbett and actor Andrew Mack.



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