



# Gedney Association

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## **Picnic a Success and FASNY Process Continues**

Dear Neighbor-

**Annual Gedney Picnic a Big Success!** - Thanks to the hard work of Gedney board member Anna Fagan, the dedicated members of her committee and some good (enough) weather, more than 100 people enjoyed the Gedney Picnic on Sunday afternoon, June 3. It was touch and go as heavy rains were visited upon the Woman's Club less than an hour before the picnic was scheduled to begin. We took a chance that the rains would move on and were fortunate to have clear skies for the first hour or so. When the rains came again, everyone quickly grabbed the food, tables and benches and moved the fun under the protection of the canopy at the rear of the C.V. Rich Mansion. Soon, the sun came out again and the festivities continued.

A special thanks to The Woman's Club for allowing us to use their grounds (and rear patio); their generosity is greatly appreciated! We also would like to thank Domingo's Pizza and Deli of Gedney Way for supplying their very delicious food.

It was also wonderful to see Joe Villardi ("Good Humor Joe") one last time. Joe passed away unexpectedly a few days after the picnic, on June 11. He was 82. Over the years, we have been graced with his gentle and optimistic presence at many of our picnics and other family oriented events. For those of us who knew Joe when we were children, it was particularly sad to see him go. He will be missed.

**The FASNY Application's Environmental Review Process Continues:** Last week, the Common Council determined that the preliminary draft environmental impact statement (preliminary DEIS), which had been submitted but the French American School, was not complete. The Council unanimously voted to return the preliminary DEIS to FASNY for revision and inclusion of more information. Once FASNY makes the appropriate changes, the Council has 30 from the submission of those changes to decide whether the preliminary DEIS is complete. The first version of the preliminary DEIS is available on the city's website, [www.cityofwhiteplains.com](http://www.cityofwhiteplains.com).

Please note: Completeness is not equivalent to approval. The State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) process calls for FASNY to offer information

in response to the items contained in the Scoping Document. A determination of completeness is not a determination of agreement with the conclusions contained in the Preliminary DEIS, it is only a determination that the DEIS has addressed the matters contained in the adopted Scoping Document.

Enjoy the beautiful weather!

*-Terence*

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