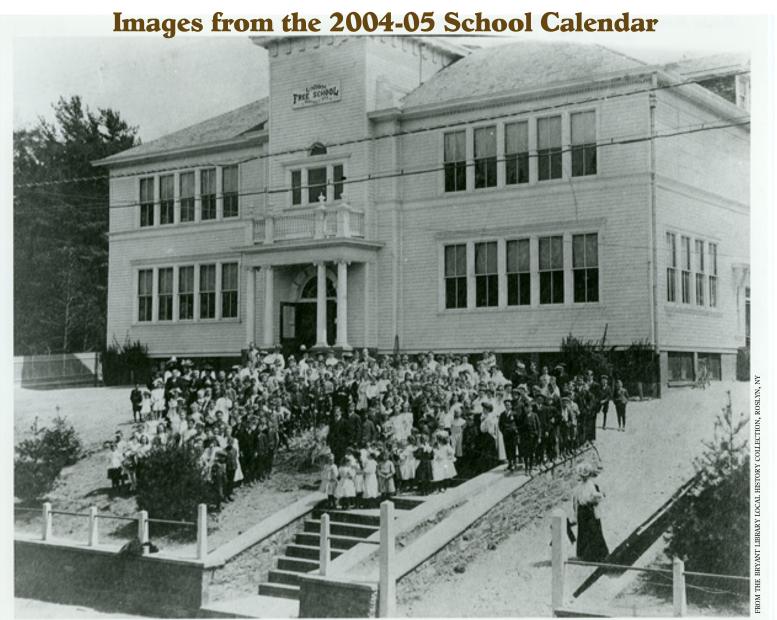
ROSLYN PUBLIC SCHOOLS CENTENNIAL



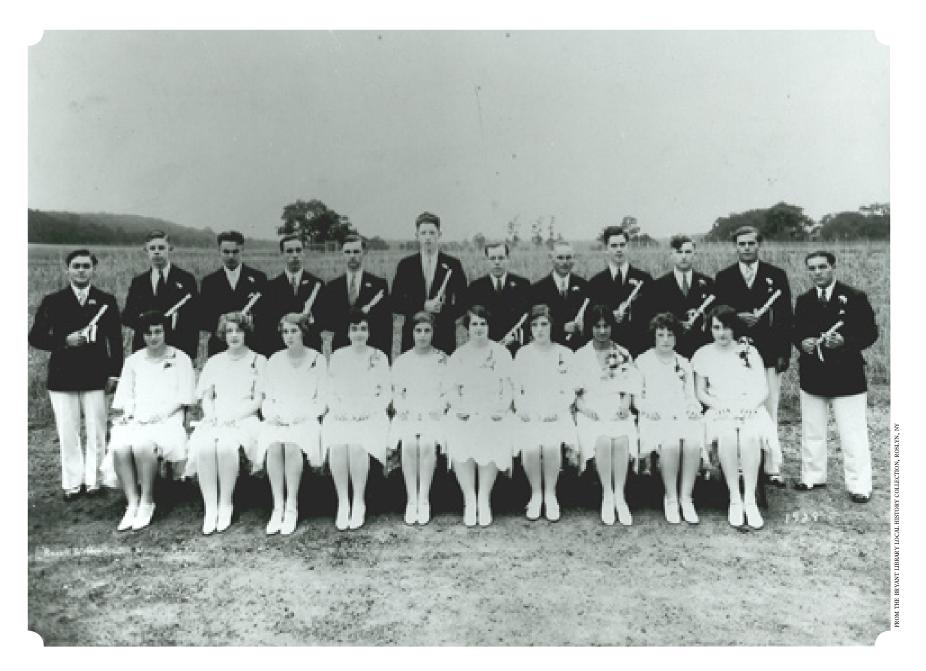
The Village School on Old Northern Boulevard as it appeared in 1905, within a year of the establishment of the Roslyn Union Free School District. This structure, which was destroyed by fire in 1927, had replaced an earlier school which burned down in 1897. The woman standing by herself on the bottom right is Katherine Mackay, who donated the land on which Roslyn High School is now located. She was a school trustee from 1905 to 1910.



This fifth grade class was photographed on May 14, 1909, most likely at the Village School pictured on the cover of the calendar. The teacher standing at the back is identified as Miss O'Leary.



This first-grade class picture from the Village School is from 1915. Standing in the back row, fourth from the right in the large bow-tie, is Roy Moger, a lifetime resident of the community who later became a teacher in the school district and in 1965 published "Roslyn – Then and Now", the most complete history yet written about Roslyn. Mr. Moger was also a peace activist, a member of the Roslyn Committee for Civil Rights, a Village Trustee, a Landmark Society Trustee, and Village Historian from 1974 until his death in 1990.



This is the Roslyn High School Class of 1929. The photo appears to have been taken behind the high school, facing east. In its history, more than 15,000 students have earned diplomas from Roslyn High School. In the district's early decades, students from some neighboring communities that did not yet have high schools of their own sent their students to high school in Roslyn.



1936

The Roslyn High School orchestra as photographed on the stage of the old Roslyn High School auditorium during the 1936-37 school year.



This is a fourth-grade class from 1944. The picture was taken outside the Village School on Remsen Avenue, the last of the three schools that have had that name in the history of Roslyn. The building was in use as a school until 1976. Mirroring a trend across the region, four of Roslyn's elementary schools were closed in the mid-1970s and early 1980s as student enrollment plummeted following the baby-boom years.



The new East Hills Elementary School was dedicated at this ceremony on October 29, 1951. This was near the beginning of a period of extraordinary growth in the schools, as the "baby boom" generation greatly expanded the student population. The Flower Hill and Highlands Schools also opened in the early 1950s, the Junior High School (now the Middle School) was completed in 1956-57, and the district's youngest building, Harbor Hill School, was built in the early 1960s.



Hungry students in the cafeteria of the Roslyn Junior High School in October, 1965. Overall district enrollment reached its historical peak of nearly 4,500 at this time. The junior high became the Roslyn Middle School in 1987.



The Roslyn High School Royalettes demonstrated their coordinated kicking style at the high school pep rally on September 30, 1977 in front of the school.





1995 The home crowd cheers on the varsity football team during the annual Homecoming game on September 30, 1995.









2004

It is a sign of the times that the schools' graduating classes have grown too big for end-of-year ceremonies to be held in their respective buildings. The East Hills and Harbor Hill Moving-Up Ceremonies (top left and right) have been held at Roslyn High School in recent years, the Roslyn Middle School graduation in 2004 was at the sports arena at Hofstra University (lower left), and Roslyn High School has been holding its graduation at C.W. Post for the better part of a decade (lower right). This year's eighth grade class numbered about 260, and several of the classes coming up behind them are even larger. The 2004-05 enrollment at Roslyn High School is the highest in a generation.



These were morning (above) and afternoon (below) kindergarten classes in the North Roslyn School in Greenvale during 1951-52 school year. The building is now used by Nassau BOCES.





Long before there was Title IX, there was a girls' basketball team in Roslyn. Although girls' teams did play competitively against other schools, official interscholastic competition for girls in basketball did not begin until the 1970s. The girls' team holds a ball dated 1923-24, the boys' team one from 1923, so these two squads would have been contemporaries.



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This photo from circa 1908 shows Miss Baldwin's class in front of a one-room school in Roslyn Heights. The building was originally behind a house on Warner Avenue and was later moved to a location near the railroad station. It was replaced by the Heights School after 1912, and the building served as the Roslyn Heights Post Office in the 1920s.

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