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### **Pilot Club of Sayville Makes Donation to Day Haven for Horticulture Project**

(Ronkonkoma, NY)...The Pilot Club of Sayville donated \$300 of gardening supplies to Day Haven Adult Day Services. This donation is just one of many ways the two organizations work together.

Day Haven, with centers in Port Jefferson and Ronkonkoma, provides therapeutic recreation and daytime supervision for frail older adults and individuals with Alzheimer's. Day Haven also provides an array of caregiver support services.

The Pilot Club is an international service organization. Sandy Sacks from the Pilot Club's Sayville chapter explains The Pilot Club focuses much of its attention on brain related disorders so their work with Day Haven, which provides care to those with dementia, fits into the mission of the organization.

Diane Van Velsor, Day Haven's Site Supervisor in Ronkonkoma, says that the gardening project is an important part of the therapeutic recreation program by engaging the senses and providing opportunities for socialization and reminiscence. The participants at Day Haven are growing tomatoes and basil in addition to flowers. Ms. Van Velsor further explained that the participants will harvest the vegetables and herbs they've grown and cook with them at the end of the season.

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