



VILLAGE OF NEW HYDE PARK OFFICIAL REPORT



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Mayor's Letter to the Residents,

As we make that slow transition from Fall to Winter, I would like to take a moment to mention a few housekeeping items. On Saturday, September 15th, the Village managed to have one of its most successful and well-attended street fairs ever, despite the "questionable" weather forecast. Janet, Jim, Pat and the entire Village family worked hard to guarantee a day that our residents can be proud of.

As you may have noticed, we have made some aesthetic improvements to our parking lots on Jericho Turnpike and Lakeville Road. A special word of thanks goes out to Don Barbieri for his dedication and hard work in support of this project. I can't tell you how many people have stopped me to acknowledge what a difference it makes when you are driving through the Village.

I want to give you an update on the LIRR Mainline Corridor Project. I received a phone call several weeks ago requesting a meeting between the new president of the LIRR, Helena Williams and myself. I met with her in Village Hall on Tuesday October 23rd. We had a very open and frank discussion in which she elaborated her vision for the LIRR under her direction. I reiterated our position in opposition to the project commonly known as the "Third Track" in its entirety, due to the adverse environmental impact it will have on our community. Although she seemed to appreciate our concerns, it is the intention of the LIRR to proceed with this project as it is presently designed and, for us, that is an unacceptable outcome. As more information becomes available I will let you know.

In closing, I would like to take a moment to acknowledge the resignation of Joe Troiano, Mayor of the neighboring Village of Stewart Manor. I appreciate all of his work on behalf of our residents through his involvement in the Village Officials Association. I wish him well in all of his future endeavors.

Mayor Dan Petruccio

Operation Main Street



The 2007 work on Operation Main Street was finally completed. The new fencing, plantings and sitting areas around the municipal parking lots at Lakeville Road and at Central Blvd. have helped to brighten up our

commercial areas. Additionally, new garbage receptacles were placed along Jericho Turnpike. The Board thanks the Department of Public Works for their hard work in helping to improve maintenance on Jericho Turnpike. Using funds provided by the Town of North Hempstead, the Village is working with the New Hyde Park/Garden City Park Library Board to construct a sitting park across the street from the Library. The construction will take place in early 2008.

Now for some disappointing news. We were informed that the State will not begin its project on Jericho Tpke. until 2010. This date has been changed numerous times. The Board will be discussing how this will affect the time frame of our project on the Turnpike and report back to the Community.



Privacy in Garbage and Litter Law Amended

In a recent public hearing, the Village Board amended and passed a local law which has become known as the “Can Man Law”. This local law makes it illegal for someone to rummage through the trash or recyclables that are put out at the curb for collection by NHP Department of Public Works (DPW). The Village Code already stated that only DPW workers are authorized to remove waste from the curb, but this new law expands and defines in greater detail the general regulations in solid waste management and removal.

The Village Board cited two reasons for proposing this action. First, the growing concern that valuable personal information can be obtained from discarded documents that might result in identity theft. Secondly, the concern that the quality of life in New Hyde Park is degenerated by the practice of people walking house to house, picking through trash and recyclable cans in order to retrieve nickel deposits or other objects that attract someone’s attention.

The proposed law also asserts that the trash placed at the curb shall remain the property of the owner until it is picked up by DPW or a private sanitation firm. Additionally, it becomes unlawful for someone to place garbage in another property owner’s receptacle without their express permission. This last provision will help with the proliferation of trash in public receptacles on Jericho Turnpike that are wrongly used for household trash.

Despite a well attended public hearing, there were no comments offered by any residents in attendance. The proposal was referred to the Nassau County Planning Board for consideration. After review and approval by the Nassau County Planning Board, the Village Board approved, by unanimous vote, the adoption of this law.

Parks & Recreation Committee Children’s Summer Program

A record number of children participated in this year’s Summer Recreation Program at Memorial Park. Arts and crafts, board games, and field games were some of the fun and engaging activities provided for the children. Patricia Sheridan and Joanne Bartaloni did a fabulous job in organizing the program. Special thanks to our wonderful, energetic, and creative counselors who make this program much more than just a five-week Summer program. Their enthusiasm is contagious and a big reason why so many children participate every year.



The Children’s Summer Program Counselors: Joanne Bartaloni, Program Coordinator, Dina Nicastro, Melissa Montreuil, Katelyn Sheridan and Dawn Weils. In the back from the left are: Michael Bartaloni, Brandon Tibbles and Brian Sheridan.



Some of the happy faces of the morning session. The counselors are pictured in the back.

Petition for McCarthy’s Position on the LIRR Third Track Project

As you may have noticed, one of the inserts in this newsletter is a petition to Congresswoman Carolyn McCarthy. The petition is a coordinated effort spearheaded by C.A.R.E. (Citizens Against Rail Expansion), which is a group comprised of representatives of all of the village governments along the path of the Mainline Corridor Improvement Project being proposed by the LIRR. The purpose of this petition is to solicit Congresswoman McCarthy’s support for our efforts to stop this project from proceeding. To date Congresswoman McCarthy has not made her position public on this issue. This is an excellent opportunity for the residents of New Hyde Park to express their opposition to the project. This is a time-sensitive matter so please return the signed petitions to Patrick Farrell, Village Clerk-Treasurer, New Hyde Park Village Hall, 1420 Jericho Turnpike, as soon as possible.

Building Department Property Maintenance



The Village property maintenance codes were written to encourage homeowners and business owners to maintain their dwelling and/or property to meet Village standards. These codes should be used as a guide for home and business owners in maintaining their property so the Village continues to keep its clean and neat appearance.

Property Maintenance Section 139-33, of the Village code states: “Residential, commercial and industrial premises, whether improved or vacant, shall be maintained in conformity with the provisions of this chapter so as to assure the desirable character of the property.” Some of these responsibilities that both homeowners and business owners need to address according to Section 139-31. are:

- Maintenance of that part of the premises which he occupies or controls in a clean, sanitary, neat and safe condition
- Disposal of garbage and refuse into provided facilities in a clean and sanitary manner in accordance with the provisions of all Village laws, ordinances, codes, rules and regulations.
- Maintaining yards, lawns and courts in a clean, sanitary and safe condition and free from infestation insofar as the occupant occupies or controls the yards, lawns and courts or any parts thereof.
- Keeping domestic animals and pets in an appropriate manner and under control (and cleaning up after them, as necessary.)

Also during the winter months, it is the homeowner’s and business owner’s responsibility to clear the snow and ice off their sidewalks, as stated in Village Code 165-12.

Please be considerate of your neighbor and/or businesses by obeying the above Village codes. If everyone follows these regulations, New Hyde Park Village will continue to be a beautiful place to live.

The Cultural Committee



HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING

Saturday, December 1, 2007

3:30 - 4:30

Marcus Christ Hall

Holiday Music, Children’s Games and Entertainment,

Family Fun, Light Refreshments

Save the Date

Join your Neighbors

The 12th Annual Street Fair! Another Successful Event!!

Despite early morning rain showers, the 12th Annual Village Street Fair went on as planned and the Fair was a success and enjoyed by thousands. What a treat (and a relief!) when the sun emerged from the clouds and shined brightly over the Village. It is estimated that the Village hosted another record-breaking crowd. There were 242 street merchants; 120 Village merchants, charities and service organizations with sidewalk displays; a children's carnival that delighted both young and the young-at-heart; and an extensive food court that satisfied a wide range of palates. Orchestrating the many details of this event begins in early Spring. Jim McCloat and Janet Bevers, Village Street Fair Coordinators, teamed up again this year to recreate the success of last year's Street Fair Event. Special thanks to our partners at Craft-A-Fair: Tony Ciuffo, Ron Chisina, and Mike Ciuffo for successfully registering another record number of street vendors and for coordinating an orderly vendor set-up and closure. Finally, no Village Fair would be complete without the participation and support of the New Hyde Park Fire Department. Their informative displays and exciting exhibits drew a large crowd.



The 2007 Street Fair Organizing Committee: Ron Chisena, Jim McCloat, Janet Bevers, Tony Ciuffo and Mike Ciuffo. This team works together many months prior to Street Fair Day to ensure no detail is left unattended. The early morning rain did not damper their spirit or determination.



Phil Fortuna and Bobby Brinks from Long Island Checker Cab provided a generous and tasty treat for all Street Fair visitors - free ice cream throughout the day. As you can see, there were lots of happy faces at their station.



Jason Pasternack and his team from the Nassau County SPCA Unit proudly display their emergency van and were happy to educate the public about their efforts to prevent animal cruelty.



Deputy Mayor Bob Lofaro; Trustee Montreuil; Janet Bevers, Street Fair Coordinator; and Trustee Coppola are all smiles at the arrival of the sun.



An aerial photograph of the Street Fair taken by Roy Biehayn. Thanks to the NHP Fire Department for their assistance in obtaining this great photo!



That's Rich and Lee Pallisco setting up the Beautification Committee's table.



Milena's Garden Center always has a beautiful arrangement of Fall plants and flowers on sale at the Fair.



Village merchant, Mario Lombardo, proudly shows off his newest venture: Italian ices. Visitors to our Fair were treated to free samples - delicious!!!



Members of the American Legion Ernie Pyle Post 189.

Department of Public Works - Code Enforcement

The Department of Public Works governs code enforcement for parking regulations within the Incorporated Village. Parking restrictions are posted on signs at the entrances to the Village. They are as follows:

- **Speed Limit 30 MPH**
- **4 Hour Parking unless otherwise posted**
- **No Parking 3 AM to 5 AM, year round**
- **No Parking of commercial vehicles on residential streets anytime on Sunday, or from 6 PM to 8 AM Monday through Saturday, or whenever otherwise posted as prohibited**
- **All Village metered parking is in force 8 AM to 7 PM Monday through Saturday**

Parking Facilities

The Village maintains parking facilities for residents and for non-residents as well. Restrictions are as follows:

- Village residents bearing a license and registration with a Village address are entitled to purchase a yearly residential parking permit. This permit entitles the resident to park in the lot at South 12th Street and 3rd Avenue. There are resident parking spots in the Brooklyn Avenue lot, the Central Boulevard lot, the South 10th Street lot, and the Lakeville Road lot, as well.
- Non-residents (and residents who need to) may park at meters in all of these lots, with the exception of the South 12th Street lot, which is open to permit-owning residents ONLY. Voucher parking is available at the LIRR station. Voucher agents throughout the community sell these on a per diem basis, the cost is \$3 per day. Agents who sell vouchers are as follows:

Mike's Convenience Store	812 Jericho Tpke
Station Deli	300 S.12th Street
New Hyde Park Taxi	1201 2nd Avenue
Lakeville Pharmacy	749 Hillside Ave

Special "Class B" Parking Permits

These are permits issued to residents whose homes were constructed before off-street parking requirements became Village law. As such, these residences do not have driveways or garages, and the residents are afforded space on the street to park. They pay a fee of \$50 per year and these spots are marked by signs indicating "Special Parking District".

Meter Parking

There is metered parking throughout the Village to accommodate patrons, visitors, and employees of the business community. It is the users responsibility to ensure that the meter has accepted the money and is functioning. If you suspect the meter is not working accurately, please move your car to another metered parking spot, record the meter number, and call the Village Justice Court at 354-6330.

Overnight Street Parking Accommodation

On a special needs basis, residents can arrange to park their car overnight on the street by calling the DPW/Code Enforcement Unit prior to the event occurring. For emergency situations during non-working hours, residents can contact Village Hall and leave a message.

Parking Violation Fines

Village Justice Court is responsible for the resolution of all traffic and parking summons issued within the Village. Ticket fines can be paid in cash or check by mail or in person at the Village Clerk's office. Alternatively, Village Court is held monthly and residents who wish to plead not-guilty can meet with the Village Judge to resolve the matter.

For any and all questions relative to parking, please call DPW/Code Enforcement Unit at 354-0064 daily from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.



Village Clerk-Treasurer Patrick Farrell, Registered Nurse Frances Risko, X-Ray Technician Alice Bradley and Legislator Richard Nicoletto in front of the Nassau County Mobile Mammography Unit. Thanks to the generosity and support of Rich Nicoletto's Office, the mammography van was made available to our residents on June 25th.

Elimination of Boarders in Single Family Homes

In a recent action, the Village Board approved on a four to one vote, the removal of the section from the Village Code that allows homeowners to take in a boarder in one's home. Trustee Barbieri dissented on the measure that was proposed by Trustee Montreuil.

A boarder is defined in the Village Code as one who rents a room in or a portion of a private residence for living purposes with no cooking facilities in the room or portion rented. The Code had allowed homeowners to take on up to two boarders per home.

The Village Board felt that this law was out of date and no longer required as it was more relevant after World War II when homeowners were encouraged to take in returning war veterans. Moreover, the provision allowing a homeowner to rent out rooms in one's house is contrary to the concept of a single family home.

Resident Parking Permits

Beginning December 10th, the 2008 resident parking permits can be purchased. Residential "R" parking permits can be obtained at the Village Clerk's Office during regular business hours. Residents must present a current driver's license and car registration that reflects their Village address. The 2008 "R" parking permit must be affixed to your car by January 1, 2008 to ensure compliance to Village Parking Codes. The fee remains unchanged at \$50 for the calendar year.

NHP Village Youth Group

The Village's Parks and Recreation Committee are forming a Youth Group under the direction of Annemarie O'Connell and Joan Filippi. The Group is planning to meet every third Friday of the month (Nov. 16th, Dec 14th, Jan 18th, Feb 15th etc.) at 7:30 PM in Village Hall for games, activities, day trips, movies and tournaments. The Village is looking for adult volunteers to chaperone these events. Age specific groups will be formed contingent on enrollment. To register your child and be notified of upcoming fun events, please call 354-0022 or E-Mail (info@vnhp.org) the following information:

- Parent and child's name
- Address
- Phone
- E-Mail

Beautification Committee Fall Clean-Up and Decorating

On Saturday, October 8th, volunteers from the community and Scout members joined forces with the Beautification Committee and planted Fall flowers and decorated Village Hall for Halloween. The grounds of Village Hall look terrific. The next Beautification event is scheduled for Saturday, November 17th at 10:00. Please consider helping out. It's an enjoyable way to make new friends and work together as a Community. The Committee provides all gardening and decorating supplies and light refreshments are typically served throughout the day.

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Mayor: Daniel Petruccio

**Trustees: Richard Coppola, Robert Lofaro
Donald Barbieri, Lawrence Montreuil**

**Village Clerk's Office: 354-0022
(M-F) 8:45AM – 4:15PM**

**Dept of Public Works: 354-0064
(M-F) 9:00AM – 3:00PM**

**Village Court: 354-6330
Building Department: 354-0022
Fire Department & Ambulance: 742-3300**

***Veteran's Affairs
Veteran's Day Observance***

At the 11th hour, on the 11th day of the 11th month of the year, Americans across the Nation will pay honor and tribute to all Veterans who serve heroically in the military to protect our families and preserve our freedoms. The Village will host a ceremony on the front lawn of Village Hall on November 11th at 11:00 AM. All guests are asked to assemble at 10:45 AM. Please always remember the men and women in our armed services, especially the members who are currently serving overseas and at home.



Sanitation Schedule Change

Election Day

Tuesday, November 6, 2007

Garbage Collection for South Side
POSTPONED to Wednesday, November 7.
Newspapers for North Side **POSTPONED** to
Tuesday, November 13.

Wednesday, November 7, 2007

Garbage collection for South Side,
Recycling and Yard Waste for Entire Village.

Veteran's Day

Monday, November 12, 2007

Garbage collection for North Side
POSTPONED to Tuesday, November 13.

Tuesday, November 13, 2007

Garbage collection for the entire Village and
Newspapers for North Side.

Thanksgiving Day

Thursday, November 22, 2007

Garbage collection for North Side and
Newspapers for South Side **POSTPONED** to
Friday, November 23.

Friday, November 23, 2007

Garbage collection for the entire Village and
Newspapers for South Side.

Sanitation Schedule Change

Christmas Day

Tuesday, December 25, 2007

Garbage Collection for South Side and
Newspapers for North Side **POSTPONED**
to Wednesday, December 26.

Wednesday, December 26, 2007

Garbage collection for South Side,
Newspapers for North Side, and Recycling
for entire Village.

New Years Day

Tuesday, January 1, 2008

Garbage collection for South Side and
Newspapers for North Side **POSTPONED**
to Wednesday, January 2.

Wednesday, January 2, 2008

Garbage collection for South Side,
Recycling for entire Village, and
Newspapers for North Side.

Martin Luther King Day

Monday, January 14, 2008

Garbage collection for North Side
POSTPONED to Tuesday, January 15.

Tuesday, January 15, 2008

Garbage collection for entire Village and
Newspapers for North Side.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Tues 11/6 **Election Day** No Garbage
Collection; Village Office Open
- Thur 11/8 Village Board Meeting 8:00 PM
- Sun 11/11 **Veteran's Day Observance** - The
Lawn at Village Hall 10:45 AM
- Mon 11/12 Village Offices Closed
- Wed 11/14 Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting
7:30 PM Village Hall
- Fri 11/16 Youth Night Marcus Christ Hall
- Sat 11/17 Beautification Committee Bulb
Planting Village Hall 10:00 AM
- Tues 11/20 Village Board Meeting 8:00 PM
- Thur 11/22 **Thanksgiving Day** No Garbage
Collection. Village Offices Closed
- Fri 11/23 Village Offices Closed
- Sat 12/1 Holiday Festivities & Tree
Lighting 3:30 – 4:30 PM
Marcus Christ Hall & Village Hall
- Tues 12/4 Village Board Meeting - 8:00 PM
- Mon 12/10 2008 Residential Parking Permits
Can Be Purchased - Village Hall
- Thur 12/13 Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting
7:30 PM Village Hall
- Fri 12/14 Youth Night Marcus Christ Hall
- Tues 12/18 Village Board Meeting - 8:00 PM
- Tues 12/25 **Christmas Day** No Garbage
Collection. Village Offices Closed.
- Tues 1/1 **New Year's Day** No Garbage
Collection. Village Offices Closed.
- Thur 1/3 Village Board Meeting - 8:00 PM
- Thur 1/10 Board of Zoning Appeals
Meeting 7:30PM - Village Hall
- Tues 1/15 Village Board Meeting - 8:00 PM
- Fri 1/18 Youth Night Marcus Christ Hall

CALL DPW 354-0064 FOR LARGE BULK ITEM PICK-UP

YARD WASTE PICK-UP ENDS WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5 AND WILL RESUME IN APRIL 2008
AS PER VILLAGE ORDINANCE, PLEASE DO NOT PLACE GARBAGE, YARD WASTE, RECYCLING OR NEWSPAPERS BY CURB
PRIOR TO 7:00 PM THE NIGHT BEFORE SCHEDULED COLLECTION

