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## SUMMER FUN IN MANORHAVEN



**“IF YOU SEE IT ..REPORT IT!”**

If you see something that you would like to report or if you have suggestions, please let us know via email: [info@manorhaven.org](mailto:info@manorhaven.org), or give us a call: 516-883-7000! Help us to continue to make our community safe.

**IN AN EFFORT TO GO GREEN** and save Village dollars, we will post each newsletter on our website: [www.manorhaven.org](http://www.manorhaven.org) and will move towards emailing our newsletter to as many residents as possible.

If you are willing to provide your email with your full name and address, please submit it via [info@manorhaven.org](mailto:info@manorhaven.org). Emails will be used for Village purposes only. We look forward to hearing from you!



## VILLAGE OF MANORHAVEN NEWSLETTER

SUMMER 2012

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**Village Clerk - Treasurer**  
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**Deputy Village Clerk**  
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Robert N. Rosen

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631-548-8278



### A Message from Mayor Giunta

Dear Residents,

It has been a busy, but very rewarding few weeks since we have taken office. Once again, we would like to express our thanks for your support! We are committed and dedicated to honoring the trust you have put in us. We have already undertaken a number of projects, have addressed many resident concerns, and have created a substantial savings for our Village:

- Eliminated bacterial sewer treatment by Dejana Industries. Treatment is now done “in house.” The road crew began treatment in July. Yearly savings to the Village will be \$63,376.00.
- Updated all old sewer maps from 1956
- Marked out over 300 sewer mains by Village for Port Washington Water District’s water main replacement project
- Inventoried all existing Highway Department equipment and tools
- Repaired Village Hall sprinkler system
- Upgraded Village Hall computer system
- Completed a security update of locks, computer and phone systems
- Moved ‘STOP AHEAD’ sign on Orchard Beach Blvd. to increase visibility and ensure safety
- Completed a preliminary review of all Village contracts
- Hired new personnel and consultants (see ‘Meet the Staff’)
- Formerly paid staff positions were replaced with volunteers, bringing a yearly savings of \$12,000 to the Village:
  - Commissioner of Special Projects, \$250
  - Commissioner of Community Relations, \$250
  - Commissioner of Environmental Affairs, \$250
  - Commissioner of Health and Safety, \$250

We are happy to report that to date, in these few short weeks, we have reduced annual expenses to the Village by \$75,376.00, with additional projected savings in the months ahead. While these few weeks are just the beginning, I feel we are off to a great start!

With my regards,

*Giovanna Giunta*



## MEET OUR NEW STAFF MEMBERS

Manorhaven has been referred to as “The Pearl of Manhasset Bay.” As residents of Manorhaven, we know its natural beauty, caring neighbors and friendly businesses contribute to the special quality of life we enjoy here. It’s important to all of us to ensure this. The new members of our staff have been chosen because they are highly capable, dedicated and responsible. We are so fortunate to have them help us move our Village forward. On behalf of the Village of Manorhaven, we would like to welcome Liz Gaynor, Sharon Natalie, Mike Abramski, Charles Casalaro and Robert Rosen. In upcoming issues, we will be featuring our legal and veteran staff members.



### LIZ GAYNOR, VILLAGE CLERK - TREASURER

Liz comes to us with 12 ½ years experience as The Village of Roslyn Estates Village Clerk- Treasurer, 11 years as their Deputy Clerk Treasurer, and 5 years as their Village Court Clerk. Her prior work experience includes: MTA Long Island Bus, Assistant Court Clerk for the Justice Court of Old Westbury and several administrative positions within the private sector. Liz regularly volunteers her time to the W.T. Clarke Rams Wrestling Team as fundraiser coordinator.



### SHARON NATALIE, DEPUTY VILLAGE CLERK

Sharon comes to the Village Office with over 12 years of office management and administrative experience, in combination with another 20 plus years of experience as a teacher, performer and manager in the music industry. She is happy to have been selected to be part of the new administration and is excited to share her business savvy, design talents, and organizational skills in fulfilling the everyday needs of our residents, the Mayor and her constituents.



### PATRICK “MIKE” ABRAMSKI, BUILDING SUPERINTENDENT/CHIEF CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Mike is no stranger to building, construction, inspections and code enforcement. He’s been in the construction business for over 30 years, with experience ranging from being a builder himself, owning his own residential construction company, more recently, being the site inspector for the beautiful new *Amstersdam at Harborside* in Port Washington, and holding Building Superintendent positions for various companies in Suffok County, Mike is thrilled to be part of the new team here at the Village and is looking forward to getting things done.



### CHARLES J. CASOLARO, ESQ., VILLAGE ATTORNEY

Casalaro began his law career (CUNY Law School, 1995) as a legislative assistant to United States Congresswoman Nita Lowey (representing the 18th congressional district in the US House of Representatives.) After leaving the Congresswoman’s staff, he established his own firm in Garden City, Long Island, concentrating in municipal law and administrative actions, representing Villages in Long Island’s Nassau and Suffolk Counties. Mr. Casolaro has extensive regulatory and municipal experience and is the Village Attorney for two villages, and has been retained as special counsel by a number of other municipalities, particularly on regulatory matters and litigation. He also serves as counsel to the Planning Board for the Village of Rockville Centre, and continues to serve as advisor to other regulatory agencies. Casolaro is a member of the Nassau County and New York State Bar Associations as well as a member of the legal staff of AOPA (Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association), an aviation organization that provides legal advice to pilots accused of violating FAA regulations. In his private time, Mr. Casolaro is a pilot, is married with two children and spent his childhood summers boating on Manhasset Bay.



### ROBERT N. ROSEN, CPA, VILLAGE ACCOUNTANT

The Village of Manorhaven has engaged Rosen & Federico, Certified Public Accountants, to review the Village’s internal bookkeeping system and to establish a definitive set of accounting policies and safeguards to ensure strong financial procedures moving forward. Robert Rosen, CPA, a partner at Rosen & Federico, and his associate Ryan Jablonski, CFE, will be working closely with our Village Clerk.

## STATE AUDIT ADDRESSED

On July 3, 2012, a State Audit of the Village of Manorhaven was conducted for the time period of 6/1/09 through 10/31/10. The Village of Manorhaven was found to be non-compliant regarding how tax dollars were managed and operating procedures were conducted. The State issued the Village twenty recommendations to be addressed. Mayor Giunta and the Board have taken immediate steps to rectify all irregularities and are currently putting together a constructive action plan for submission to the State Controller’s Office.

Rosen & Federico, Certified Public Accountants, based in Woodbury, NY, have been hired to review our Village’s internal bookkeeping system and to establish a definitive set of accounting policies and safeguards to ensure strong financial procedures moving forward.

## HONORING OUR RESIDENTS



Eddie a 72-year resident of Manorhaven, whose father owned Tom’s Point Marina had polio in 1944 and was hospitalized for two years; he has spent the last 21 years assisting mentally and physically challenged adults and children with everyday situations. To name just a few things this nonprofit foundation has done: it has built ramps, refitted bathrooms, repaired a single mom’s car, bought groceries for area group homes, and much much more. Poppy’s Special Friends began over 20 years ago, when six special needs children asked to fish at the Manhasset Isle Sportsman’s Club. The foundation holds its annual fundraiser each year at The Swan Club. Each fundraiser honors one special child and their family with a 10-day trip to Disney World. This trip is donated by one of the foundation supporters. One hundred percent of all donations go to helping special individuals. If you would like to learn more about, request help for projects involving a special needs individual, or donate goods, services, or make a donation, please contact Eddie at 516-297-0583 or [www.poppyspecialfriends.org](http://www.poppyspecialfriends.org). If you know of a resident who deserves to be honored in our newsletter, please let us know!

## Manorhaven Village Calendar

### Upcoming Meetings:

BOARD OF TRUSTEES at 8 pm  
8/23, 9/27, 10/25

VILLAGE COURT at 6 pm:  
8/28, 9/24, 10/23

ZONING at 7 pm  
8/14, 9/11, 10/9

ARCHITECTURAL at 7 pm  
8/27, 9/17, 10/22

Meeting changes will be posted  
to the website:  
[www.manorhaven.org](http://www.manorhaven.org)

## F.Y.I. Manorhaven Festival

Within the next month, we will be planning a Manorhaven Festival on September 23, with a raindate of September 30. We will celebrate our Village spirit with music, crafts, events, games, merchant booths and much, much more. Our Festival will take place in the Preserve on Manorhaven Blvd. and will be open to all! We are so fortunate to have such a vibrant, concerned community! The Festival will give us an opportunity to come together and highlight our special Village!

## Village Notices

### We are closed on:

September 3, Labor Day  
October 8, Columbus Day