

# Newsletter



## Continuing to Improve Our Village



The warm weather is finally here to stay and just in time for a lot of great activities in our Village. I'm very proud of all that we have accomplished and what we have planned for the coming months:

- We are very pleased to inform you that, because of the excellent results from our snow emergency parking pilot program, the Board has decided to **cancel alternate side of the street parking during winter months** except during snow emergencies;
- The Board of Trustees and I are continuing to work on gaining **more public access to our waterfront** and recently decided after an analysis that **Marine zoned property would remain unchanged;**
- **The \$3,000,000 Manorhaven Boulevard project** is finally moving forward. County Legislator DeRiggi-Whitton will speak at the May 10 Work Session, which begins at 6:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend;
- We have begun **renovations to the dog park**, which included a sprinkler system, electricity and lighting, and enhancements to the Long Island Native Plant Garden. The grand opening of the Growing Love Community Garden will take place on May 6 at 1:00 pm;
- We are proud to report that the Village continues to become **cleaner and more attractive**, thanks to our DPW, Code Enforcement and residents;
- We are continuing to assess of our sewers and other **infrastructure issues** and plan to address **damaged roadways** in conjunction with sewer repairs;
- Code Enforcement is continuing to **closely monitor overcrowding;**
- Congratulations to resident **Vivian Moy** who was recently inducted into the Town of North Hempstead May Newburger Women's Roll of Honor;
- **Morgan's Dock** is in its final phases of construction;

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## *Waterfront Property Will Not Be Rezoned*



The Village imposed a moratorium nearly two years ago preventing building-related activity on all waterfront property. In July 2016, Mayor Avena formed a new Manorhaven Waterfront Advisory Committee, which included marine-related businesspeople and residents. Their main goal was to discuss a vision to protect the future of the Village's waterfront.

A waterfront analysis was completed early this year. Its main purpose was

to assess the current zoning of all waterfront property in the Village. Based on resident feedback, Mayor Avena and the Board of Trustees agreed that Marine zoned property would remain unchanged. Aside from maintaining Manorhaven's nautical heritage, the Village also plans to create more public access to the waterfront.

Residents should rest assured that, contrary to false statements being circulated, the Board has

no intention of developing all waterfront property. Public hearings will take place so residents will have plenty of opportunities to listen and voice their opinions on any building applications.

The Avena administration, the Waterfront Advisory Committee, concerned citizens, proven engineers and other professionals, will agree to nothing less than a plan that's best for our community.

*“Rumors being spread about the Village’s plans to build tall condos on all waterfront property are completely untrue. Please rest assured that the entire Village Board and Staff is dedicated to protecting our waterfront. As such, we have no plans to rezone any waterfront property.”*

MAYOR JIM AVENA

## Winter Alternate Side Only During Snow Emergencies

Residents will be pleased to learn that the Board of Trustees is working on a resolution this month to cancel alternate side of the street parking during winter months except during snow emergencies. This decision is based upon the successful four-week trial this past winter.

Mayor Avena wishes to thank residents for being so cooperative with regard to keeping cars on the correct sides of the street until the roads were cleared of snow. It is because of the community's cooperation, that the Village is confident that snow removal during future storms will continue to be completed efficiently.

We are confident that this change will relieve the huge parking headache in winter months!

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- We are planning to hold a ceremony on June 27 to **honor the Village's past mayors.**

Just a reminder that **Village Elections will be held at Village Hall from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 19. Don't forget to vote! Every vote counts!** Enjoy the warm weather!

Sincerely,



Jim Avena, Mayor

## Manorhaven Boulevard Project Underway



A \$3,000,000 project to transform Manorhaven Boulevard has been included in Nassau County's budget since 2016. But, the project was stalled because the Legislative Majority would not approve bonding for this and many other projects. That was the case until December, after Laura Curran was elected as the new County Executive.

A Traffic and Parking Study has been completed and the County's Department of Public Works engineers are beginning a streetscape plan that outlines some general ideas for the Boulevard in preparation for a public meeting, the date and location for which will be announced well in advance.

Now that the project is underway, Nassau County Legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitton and a Department of Public Works Engineer will provide an overview at the Village's May 10 Work Session, which begins at 6:00 p.m. Residents are encouraged to attend this meeting.

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## Resident Spotlight: Vivian Moy



Longtime Manorhaven resident Vivian Moy was recently inducted into the Town of North Hempstead May Newburger Women's Roll of Honor. The fact that Vivian gives so much of herself without ever wanting accolades is why she is so deserving of this and other recent awards for her outstanding service to the community.

Many people know Viv for her excellent photography skills and her willingness to volunteer for numerous nonprofit organizations, including the Port Washington Crisis Relief Team, the Ed. Foundation, Community Chest, the Public Library, Island Harvest and the United Service Organization. Her volunteer time is dwarfed in comparison to her countless hours spent with the American Red Cross. For example, she spent weeks in Houston after the flooding following Hurricane Harvey. After returning home, she was deployed to help victims of the wildfires in California. Earlier this year, she spent time in Maine helping flood victims in the aftermath of a nor'easter.

The Village of Manorhaven is proud and fortunate to have residents like Vivian Moy.

## Continuing to Improve Our Village

Mayor Avena is proud of the joint effort between the Village and residents to improve the appearance of Manorhaven. Our initiative to fix curbs and sidewalks has been a great success. And, enforcing existing regulations regarding garbage pickup and containers is keeping our streets and sidewalks much cleaner.

On the code enforcement side, the Village did not approve a variance request to remove a current Village retaining wall at the end of Juniper Road, and zoning variances approved by the prior administration for the structure at 59 Orchard Beach Boulevard are being revisited.

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## Critical Infrastructure Repairs

As mentioned in the last newsletter, the Mayor and Board have tackled the giant undertaking of assessing sewer lines, reviewing the entire sewer infrastructure, and evaluating our sixty-year-old force main. To date, CCTV camera work, evaluation and cleaning of badly clogged lines along Manorhaven Boulevard have been completed. The Village will soon apply for additional grants to repair damaged sewer lines.

A complete road analysis was done last year to determine street conditions.

Although we each feel that our *own* street is in the worst condition, areas notorious for sewer back-ups will be addressed first. The next phase of evaluation is currently taking place on Orchard Beach Boulevard, Cambridge Avenue, Inwood Road, and Mohegan, Nesaquake and Yennicoek Avenues. Road repaving will occur after sewer repairs are completed.

The capital improvement project of sewer lines and road repaving will take several years, but this administration is determined to get the job done.

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## Village Overcrowding Closely Monitored

In our December newsletter, we reported that the Board passed a local law making it easier to prosecute overcrowding offenders. Since that time, Code Enforcement has greatly increased surveillance efforts to ticket and fine violators. To date the Village has fined 14 owners, inspected a total of 22 homes, and are currently pursuing several others.

If any resident has a *legitimate* reason to suspect overcrowding, visit our website at [manorhaven.org](http://manorhaven.org) to file a concern by clicking on the GovPilot button or call the Building Dept. Be a community watchdog, "If you see something, say something!"

## Earth Day Clean-up

A special thank you to the scouts and volunteers who helped with the Village Clean-up on Saturday, April 21 at Village Hall on Manorhaven Blvd. and Cambridge Ave.



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## Honoring Past Mayors

The Village recently hung a plaque with the names and years of service of all elected mayors since Manorhaven was founded in 1930. To honor the mayors and their families, a dedication ceremony is being planned for Wednesday, June 27 at 5:00 p.m. at Village Hall.



## Morgan's Dock Nearly Complete

Many have noticed progress at the future Community Park at Morgan's Dock on Bowman's Point with extensive clean up and grading, a new retaining wall, the installation of a sewer connection, water pipes and electricity, and moving the gazebo to a more favorable location. The project is taking longer than desired to complete because each subsequent stage of construction can only begin once the Nassau County Community Development Block Grant Program awards its annual grants.

Once completed, Morgan's Dock will provide an area where residents can boat, fish, sit and relax, or just enjoy the Bay. Local restaurants and businesses in the area will also enjoy an increase in customers through transient docking at Morgan's Dock.

Village Clerk Abramski recently submitted a new grant request to



complete the park portion of this project. If approved, a late spring 2019 grand opening is anticipated. We will keep everyone informed of our progress as we move towards the

finish line of this very exciting park for Manorhaven residents.

### Manorhaven Bulk Pickup Day Saturday, June 2

This special collection will begin at 7:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 2. Mattresses and furniture should be placed at the curb no later than 6:00 a.m. on Saturday morning and no earlier than 5:00 p.m. on Friday evening. Items NOT allowed are: paint cans and chemicals; construction items such as fences, cupboards, toilets, sinks; electronic items such as televisions, computers; tires or car batteries. Please note this is NOT a regular trash pickup day. **Call Meadow Carting if you have any questions about what may be left by the curb. 516-338-0121**

### Manorhaven Día Para Recoger Cosas Pesada el sábado, 2 de junio

Esta colección especial comenzara a las 7 a.m. Colchones y muebles deben colocarse en la acera a más tardar a las 6 a.m. el sábado por la mañana o después de las 5 p.m. el viernes en la tarde. NO: latas de pintura o productos químicos; elementos de construcción tales como cercas, armarios, inodoros, lavamanos; artículos electrónicos como televisores, ordenadores; llantas o baterías de automóviles.

Tenga en cuenta: Este NO es un día regular para recoger basura. **Llame a Meadow Carting si tiene alguna pregunta sobre lo que puede dejar en la acera. 516-338-0121**

## Upcoming Village Events

# Save the Date! MANORHAVEN STREET FESTIVAL

On **Saturday, June 23 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**, Manorhaven Boulevard will hold its annual street festival featuring free entertainment for the children, including Annabelle the Clown with balloon sculptures, a face painter and petting zoo! Dozens of great street vendors and your favorite food vendors will also be there!

## ¡GUARDAR LA FECHA!

23 de junio • 11:00 a.m. a 4:00 p.m.

Con entretenimiento gratuito para los niños: Annabelle el Payaso con esculturas de globos, un pintor de rostros y un zoológico de mascotas. ¡Docenas de vendedores ambulantes y sus vendedores de comida favoritos estarán allí!



- **Village Election**  
Tuesday, June 19  
6:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
Manorhaven Village Hall
- **Village Street Festival**  
Saturday, June 23  
11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
Manorhaven Boulevard
- **Honoring Past Mayors**  
Wednesday, June 27  
5:00 – 6:00 p.m.  
Manorhaven Village Hall
- **Village Offices Closed:**  
Tuesday, June 19  
(Village Elections)  
Wednesday, July 4  
(Legal Holiday)

## Toiletries for Troops Collection

The Village will be collecting for our troops. Please donate full size bottles (*sample sizes will not be accepted*) of shampoo, conditioner, soap, body wash, toothpaste, toothbrushes, mouthwash, shaving cream, razors, deodorant, foot powder, toilet wipes and tissue packs. Donations will be accepted at Manorhaven Village Hall until June 15.

## NOTICE:

Please be sure landscapers take lawn clippings with them.



## Manorhaven Nature Preserve Keeps Growing

Last year, longtime resident Pat Valente led a committee in the creation of the Long Island Native Plant Garden. This garden will be added to each year and the plantings will continue to grow larger and more beautiful because of the new sprinkler system the Village recently installed.

On May 6, a ribbon cutting ceremony will officially open the Growing Love Community Garden in the Preserve. Aside from 40 four by eight foot raised beds, this beautiful garden boasts seating areas, irrigation and pathways. The beds were assigned via a lottery to Manorhaven and other Port Washington residents for the 2018 growing season.

We're pleased to report that the dog park is being renovated to include more seating, smooth tumbled stone instead of wood chips corrected the fence issues to protect smaller dogs, and a water fountain to fill dog bowls. The Village is also working on lighting and other electricity throughout the Preserve.



*Long Island Native Plant Garden committee members and other volunteers spent a hot day last summer getting all the plants in.*

Stay tuned for news about more improvements to our Village Preserve!

*Pictured right: Please join Mayor Avena, trustees and staff for the Growing Love Community Garden ribbon cutting ceremony on May 6 at 1:00 p.m. Enter through the Nature Preserve or new gate and path from the Lady of Fatima parking lot.*



## Senior Citizens Celebrate All Year Long

Located at 80 Manorhaven Boulevard, the Port Washington Senior Citizens Center a wonderful place where adults ages 55+ enjoy exercise, art and other classes, as well as games, bingo, trips, socializing and hot lunches. Some members come for one class or lunch, while others attend every day and take advantage of everything the Center has to offer. Annual membership dues are only \$20 and the Town of North Hempstead provides free bus service from seniors' homes to and from the Center.

Mayor Avena and Village Clerk Abramski enjoy visiting Senior Citizens Center during the monthly celebrations and other events. The Center is open Monday – Friday from 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Call 883-6656 for information.

*Pictured left: Village Clerk Sharon Abramski enjoys the Valentine's luncheon with long-time Manorhaven resident Mike Ragusa.*

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## *Village Welcomes La Placita*

Manorhaven welcomes La Placita, a supermarket located at 152 Shore Road where Port Beer & Soda had been. The Manorhaven location is the third store that owners Felix and Justin Diaz have opened in the New York area. Although the store caters to the Hispanic community, there is a good deal of general food items.

*Manorhaven's newest business, La Placita opened earlier this year with a ribbon cutting ceremony.*