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RESIDENTS PLEASE NOTE:

Meetings and Events:

BOARD OF TRUSTEES - 7:30 p.m.
Thurs. 12/11 (Public Hearing at 7 p.m);
1/22; 2/26; 3/26;

VILLAGE COURT - 6 p.m.
Tues. 12/16; 1/27; 2/24; 3/24;

BOARD OF ZONING - 7 p.m.
Tues. 12/9; 1/13; 2/10; 3/10;

PLANNING BOARD - 7 p.m.
12/10; 1/14; 2/11; 3/11

ARCHITECTURAL BOARD - 7 p.m.
Mon., 12/15; 1/26; 2/23; 3/23

Thursday, 12-11 Tree & Menorah Lighting

5:00 p.m. at Village Hall

Food Drive Kick-off - February 7, 12 - 4 p.m. through March 31

GARBAGE COLLECTION INFORMATION:

Please place **regular garbage**, rubbish and trash in watertight metal or plastic containers **with a lid** no earlier than 5 p.m. on the night before a pick-up day; **loose plastic bags of trash will not be picked up; they attract animals!** Recycleables should be left out in recycle bins on regular garbage days. No hazardous waste or construction materials is permitted. **PLEASE NOTE:** Garbage collection may begin as early as 6:30 a.m. and end as late as 4:00 p.m. on collection days. **Please be patient. All garbage complaints**, please call **516-338-0121**. **Large bulk items** must be called in to Meadow Carting - **516-338-0121** to arrange a date and time **BEFORE** placing large items at the curb!

Village Offices Closed on:

December 25 - Christmas
(Closing at noon on 12/24)

January 1 - New Year's
(Closing at noon on 1/1)

January 19 - Martin Luther King Day

February 12 - Lincoln's Birthday

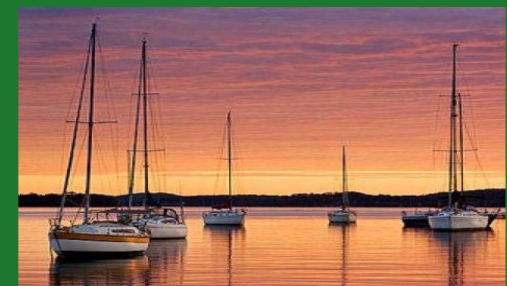
February 16 - Washington's Birthday

Winter Parking Rules begin on
MONDAY, December 1st.

Please check street signs carefully!

TOYS FOR TOTS DRIVE

Unwrapped - December 1 - 14 at Village Hall



VILLAGE OF MANORHAVEN NEWSLETTER WINTER 2014

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**OUR 24-HOUR HOTLINE
FOR REAL EMERGENCIES**
631-548-8278
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516-883-7000 x19



Dear Friends & Neighbors,

Since our last newsletter, it has continued to be a proactive and productive time at Village Hall. I am happy to report to you that we have just **received additional grants for our Village totaling close to \$200,000. In just a little over two years, we have brought into Manorhaven in grant money and reimbursement programs, a total of \$1,066,231.58.** We have also begun a **three year capital plan for Manorhaven** that will bring in new roads, sewers and more.

In response to resident concerns over speeding and parking, we have installed two radar speed signs, and two additional stop signs all paid for by NYS CHIP funding (Capital Highway Improvement Program.) In order to address another important concern, we have scheduled a Public Hearing on **Thursday, December 11 at 7:00 p.m.** to discuss handicap parking and a sign removal. A cold snowy winter is predicted and we are readying our Village. We have purchased a code truck with an additional snow plow, and set up Village storm plans. Also, in this newsletter you will find ways we can all help weather the storms. We hope you attended the important events we've sponsored this Fall, and we will be telling you about other fun-filled, and informative events coming up.

Our Board and our staff have been hard at work. Deputy Mayor Lucretia Steele and the **Business Revitalization Committee** have partnered with Long Island non-profit organizations to secure business improvement projects and grants. In this newsletter, Deputy Steele will be discussing these initiatives. Trustee Rita DiLucia has been working closely with our **Waterways Committee**; they are reviewing all plans and discussing the best utilization of recent grants and other funding to continue work on Morgan's Dock. This important project for our Village was initiated by Trustee DiLucia. Our newly formed Tree Committee and Trustee von Roeschlaub have met to discuss plans.

Additionally, Deputy Mayor Steele, Village Clerk Leslie Gross and I have held several highly productive meetings with Legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitton, Toni Kessel and Jennifer Wilson-Pines. Legislator DeRiggi-Whitton will be instrumental in helping us explore ways to find additional funding for major Manorhaven projects that will involve our waterways, infrastructure and Department of Public Works. We are very grateful for the legislator's help and concern for Manorhaven.

Each of these initiatives is an intrinsic part of a long range plan for Manorhaven. Through responsive government, we will continue to provide for the safety and well-being of our nearly 7,000 residents. In this newsletter, some of these projects will be highlighted with updates.

Please join us for carols, hot cocoa, and candy canes on Thursday, December 11 at 5 p.m. for our annual tree and menorah lighting at Village Hall.

I wish you and your family a Happy, Healthy and Blessed Holiday Season!

Sincerely,

Mayor Giovanna Giunta

Inc. Village of Manorhaven
33 Manorhaven Blvd.
Port Washington, NY 11050



MEET THE STAFF

MICHAEL COLONNA - HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT



Please join us in welcoming Mike Colonna, our newest member of the Highway Department. Mike comes to us with four years of experience with the Town of North Hempstead's Highway Department as well as past experience in tree removal contracting. He attended Nassau Community College and began pursuing a degree in Criminal Justice. Mike noted that he is happy to be working with the wonderful employees at the Village. Mike's friendly, courteous demeanor and hard work have already made him an invaluable part of our staff and we are delighted to have him on board!

JUAN CARLOS BARRERA - COMMISSIONER OF COMMUNITY OUTREACH



Please welcome our Community Outreach Commissioner, Juan Carlos Barrera. Juan Carlos will be working with our community through a number of outreach programs. The first outreach program will take place once a month at Village Hall, 33 Manorhaven Blvd., an Open Community Night will be held from 7-9 PM. During this time you may come to get help with the completion of forms, understanding documents and writing resumes or any translations you may require. The first Open Night will begin tentatively on January 19th. For more information please contact Village Hall 516-883-7000 or contact Juan Carlos at juancb@me.com. *Démosle la bienvenida al enlace de extensión comunitaria, Juan Carlos Barrera nuestro comisionado, Juan se complace en trabajar con nuestra comunidad en numerosos programas al enlace de extensión. El primer programa tomara lugar unavez cada mes en la Alcaldia de Manorhaven Blvd. Una noche comunitaria tomara lugar de 7 - 9 PM, durante estras horas les daremos ayuda para aprender a llenar formas y entender los documentos que llenams, tambien escribir tu carta historial para un trabajo y aprender a traducir cualquier documento que necesites. Esta primera noche sera enero 19 del 2015. Para mas informaciones contactar juan carlos at juancb@me.com.*

HOMETOWN HEROES HONORED AT VILLAGE HALL



On August 20, 2014, the life of Port Washington resident Robert Hogan was lost in a tragic boat fire explosion at Manhasset Bay Marina in Manorhaven. Chief of Code Enforcement Officer Patrick Abramski rushed to the scene, along with rescue workers and staff members of LaMotta's Restaurant. They bravely secured the surrounding property that was at risk of bursting into flames. At the September 17 Board of Trustees Meeting, a moment of silence and prayer was held before the following heroes were honored: **Jose Mauricio Soriano, Thomas Lampus, Kevin Nicoll, Mal Nathan, Kevin Watt, Max Fleming, Michael Widmer and Phil Purcell.** Citations by the Village of Manorhaven, by Councilwoman Dina DeGiorgio, Plandome Mayor Barbara Donno, County Executive Ed Mangano and Senator Jack Martins were presented to our hometown heroes.



WE INVITE YOU TO ATTEND

We are all looking forward to your attendance at Village Hall meetings. This is **YOUR** local government and we want to hear from **YOU!** Your participation and input is important to us and determines the decisions and choices we make for you. We are looking forward to new residents attending as well so that we may welcome you into our community and inform you of the many services and amenities that our Village offers. In the last two years, we have created a friendly, open atmosphere at Village Hall and are looking forward to you being a part of it. Our next four meetings are as follows: **December 11, January 22, February 26, and March 26** at 7:30 p.m. at Village Hall.

PUBLIC NOTICES

- A Public Hearing will be held on December 11th, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss signage and handicap parking. Our regular monthly Board of Trustee Meeting will follow the hearing.
- Unfortunately, from this point forward, we will be opening Village doors to the public and members of the Board of Trustees only five minutes prior to meetings times. We regret any inconvenience this may cause.

SPOTLIGHT ON BUSINESS

A NOTE FROM DEPUTY MAYOR STEELE

Dear Friends & Neighbors,



I reported to you in the last newsletter about eight new initiatives our **Business Revitalization Committee** discussed, ranging from a new residents' packet to a miniature golf course. We have begun work on many of these projects and I, along with Mayor Giunta and Village Clerk Leslie Gross, have met several times with our legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitton to discuss funding for a number of these projects to include solar lighting and cameras for our Dog Park, diagonal parking, and a miniature golf course.

In this newsletter, I would like to report to you about going further afield in our efforts to revitalize our business community. I have contacted and met with several Long Island non-profits, whose mission is to create more livable, economically sustainable and environmentally responsible growth on Long Island. Their projects can be seen throughout the Island from Westbury to Long Beach. They have been an invaluable resource for downtown revitalization in their help with vision planning and grants. These non-profits include **Vision Long Island, Sustainable Long Island** and the **Long Island Business Council**. I am currently working on a **Mainstreet grant** sent to us by Sustainable Long Island. Additionally, a walkthrough of our Village is being planned in January along with a meeting to include our Business Committee.

We will also be holding an open meeting for all of our business community sometime in February, and I hope to have representatives from these Long Island non-profits in attendance. Support of our local businesses keeps our Village fiscally sound, viable and thriving, and I am committed to any effort that does that. I am always available to speak with you and welcome your ideas and input. Please contact me at trusteesteele@manorhaven.org.

Sincerely, *Deputy Mayor Steele*

SHOP LOCAL - SUPPORT MANORHAVEN!

WE ARE PROUD TO WELCOME THREE NEW BUSINESSES TO MANORHAVEN!

FITNESS SYSYTEMS RX - Pain Free Posture NY is a break through fitness program designed to bring the body into its optimal functional state. This is the state natural to the human body that is able to perform efficient movement without pain. We **ALIGN** your body- bringing it into its natural postural design. We **ACTIVATE** your nervous system for optimal movement efficiency. We **PERFORM** functional exercises that stimulate and strengthen your body for optimized performance. Fitness Systems RX-Pain Free Posture NY trains the body to look, feel and perform at its optimal level. **Jim McNamee & Adi Korman** have combined their knowledge of Postural Therapy & Fascia Manipulation to create a unique combination of training modalities, such as *The Egoscue Method, Fascial Manipulation, Patch Fitness, Qi Gong and Functional Patterns*, which helps them train the human body in multiple ways that cater to each individual's health & movement needs. **Fitness Systems Rx-Pain Free Posture NY is located at 121 Manorhaven Blvd, Port Washington, NY 11050 516-944-7200.** Like us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/fitnesssystemsrx>.

BOSPHORUS CAFE & GRILL is a charming indoor/outdoor Mediterranean cafe and restaurant. It prides itself on serving both a delicious and healthy menu prepared by **Chef Paul**. Its wonderful dishes are based on authentic Turkish cuisine. Its specialties include a must try puffy golden hot bread called Lavas. This is best served with a tasty mixed appetizer platter. One of the favorite entrees is a tender and perfectly seasoned Chicken Shish Kebab. Bosphorus's Doner Kebab is one of the best around. The homemade desserts include a scrumptious honey and nut filled baklava and cream caramel. Bosphorus also serves a Sunday Mediterranean style brunch. It is the perfect after movie cafe - Open seven days a week 11a.m. - 10 p.m. with Sunday brunch served from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. **Bosphorus is located at 138 Shore Rd, Port Washington 516-321-9999.**

RENGA BROS. INC specializes in upholstery and drapery. Renga Bros. while new to its location on Manorhaven Blvd. has been serving the trade and public since 1929 with fine workmanship and 85 years of experience. It is located at **107 Manorhaven Blvd. Port Washington, 516 767-0051.**

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT SNOW ❄️❄️

As you know, winter will soon be upon us, and with that comes snow and icy sidewalks. In an effort by Mayor Giunta and the Board of Trustees to make sure our residents remain safe while walking on sidewalks, they have asked the Code Department to remind our residents that every owner of property (home, vacant lot, building, etc.) in the Inc. Village of Manorhaven to keep the sidewalks around their property free from snow, ice and icy conditions. The path cleared shall be a minimum of three feet in width. The Village Code is clear that **it is the “property owners” who are held responsible, even for rental properties.** Any person or corporation who violates any provision of this article or assists in the violation of any provision of this article shall be guilty of a violation punishable by a fine up to \$1,000. If you have a fire hydrant in front of your home, vacant lot, building, etc. **PLEASE TAKE NOTE** that New York State Fire Code requires a 3 foot clearance space around the circumference of all fire hydrants! **BE SURE NOT** to throw snow into the street. This creates hazardous conditions for all motorists and blocks parking spaces. Our DPW will be unable to return to unblock driveways. If you are interested in helping local seniors with shoveling, become part of our *Manorhaven Snow Angels* program by contacting Deputy Clerk Sharon Natalie at 883-7000 x10 for more information.

NEW STORM RECOVERY PROGRAM

Although Storm Sandy was over two years ago, its aftermath continues. At the November 20th Board of Trustees meeting, a consulting firm, DMS did a presentation for the Board and residents detailing the process by which they apply for additional FEMA funding based on current and projected storm damage. While one of a number of storm recovery consulting firms throughout the country, DMS is currently working with North Hempstead, and has done a preliminary assessment of Manorhaven to determine additional storm damage at Morgan’s Dock, Toms Point, the Pump Station, and local roadways. While we have initiated the process by applying, we will carefully consider and investigate any and all ramifications before any final applications for funding are made.

GOOD SAMARITANS RESOLVE GRAFFITI DILEMMA IN MANORHAVEN

Our new handicap ramps installed over the past two years were defaced this fall by graffiti vandals. Our Highway Department tried everything to find a solution to remove the graffiti but with little success. Deputy Mayor Lucretia Steele finally reached out to the media for help in an interview on News 12 and Channel 7 News asking, “If anyone knows of a way to remove the graffiti, please contact Manorhaven Village Hall.” Within days, we received emails and calls from around the country. One company, **EcoQuip**, from Chesapeake, VA, volunteered their services, to remove the graffiti for FREE! These good Samaritans arrived utilizing a special truck that combines water with steam and garnet particles to vapor blast the graffiti. They were able to restore our ramps to their original condition. Our Village was blessed by the kindness and generosity of **EcoQuip** and we are very grateful for their help.

GIVE A GIFT THAT LASTS A LIFETIME

To commemorate a special event or to memorialize a loved one, give a gift of a bench or tree with a personalized, commemorative plaque this holiday. This gift will be one you, your family, friends and neighbors will enjoy and remember. It will be installed or planted in your choice of several select locations in Manorhaven. For more information contact Deputy Clerk Sharon or Deputy Mayor Lucretia Steele at Village Hall 516-883-7000 x10. Manorhaven has also started a tree committee spearheaded by Trustee Priscilla von Roeschlaub. For more information, please contact trusteepriscilla@manorhaven.org.



Clerk Leslie and Deputy Clerk Sharon celebrate Halloween at the Senior Center with Dolores Holliday & Barbara Fatticone.



Our staff LOVES a good party!



Mayor Giunta, Clerk Leslie Gross & Councilwoman Dina DeGiorgio with a Maddi Jester at this year's Turkey Trot!



Mayor Giunta joins Marianne Prince from the Sons of Italy, Clerk Leslie, Deputy Clerk Sharon, Chief Abramski and Nancy to accept the Sons of Italy toy donation for Toys for Tots.

IMPORTANT NEWS
PROGRAMS PAY OFF \$\$\$ FOR MANORHAVEN

Dear Residents,
Two years ago, through the hard work of our staff and Board, we began a grant and reimbursement initiative for Manorhaven. Through this program, we have received **OVER ONE MILLION DOLLARS** in grants and reimbursements for the Village. This money is and will be used to fund new projects, reimburse storm damage, plant trees and improve roads and safety. We are continuing to apply for additional grants, partnering with non-profits and governmental agencies to continue the work we have started in moving Manorhaven forward. We would like to report the following:

GRANT AWARDS:	
Community Block Grant - Morgan’s Dock - 2013	\$ 50,000.00
Community Block Grant - Morgan’s Dock - 2014	\$150,000.00
CCAP Community Capital Assistance Program Grant - 2014 - Village Hall Repairs;	\$ 50,000.00
JCAP - Justice Court Assistance Program Grant - 2013	\$ 1,739.75
JCAP - Justice Court Assistance Program Grant - 2014	\$ 7,050.00
TOTAL	\$258,789.75
REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAMS:	
CHIPS - Consolidated Highway Improvement Program - 2013	\$152,186.42
CHIPS - Consolidated Highway Improvement Program - 2014	\$ 10,115.71
National Grid/PSEG - Tree Program - 2013/2014	\$ 950.00
Parking Amnesty Program - 2014	\$ 14,860.05
Utility Reimbursement Search Program - 2014	\$ 2,293.12
TOTAL	\$180,405.30
FEDERAL ASSISTANCE	
FEMA – Storm Sandy - 2013	\$547,936.58
FEMA – Storm Sandy - 2014	\$ 89,099.95
TOTAL	\$627,036.53
GRAND TOTAL	\$1,066,231.58

WHERE DO YOUR TAX DOLLARS GO?

We are often asked how our Village spends tax dollars. In this issue, we would like to explain just where your hard earned dollars go each year!

- *** A very important part of your tax dollars go toward public safety. Twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, fire and emergency services are provided to insure our communities’ health and safety;
- *** Our residents’ sanitation needs are provided by the excellent work of Meadow Carting, who provide our Village with additional bulk pick-up services and seasonal yard waste pick-up days;
- *** Your tax dollars keep the street lights on and maintained throughout our Village;
- *** A large portion of your tax dollars go toward maintaining and upgrading our sewer systems, pump station and the Port Washington Water District;
- *** The maintenance of our local roads and parks are paid for with your tax dollars. This includes plowing, salting, and sweeping services; and
- *** Our Village government offices and all the services it provides, as well as the maintenance of Village Hall are made possible by your tax dollars.

These are just some of the ways your tax dollars are utilized. We thank our residents. Your property taxes are an important source of income for our Village and we appreciate when they are paid on time.



WHAT AN EVENT FILLED FALL!



We hope you enjoyed this fall's informative and fun events!! This season began with our meaningful commemorative **9-11 Ceremony** at the 9-11 walk way installed in 2012 and ended in Village Hall in front of our 9-11 archival World Trade Center beam cabinet installed in 2013. Two years ago, the ceremony became part of a Manorhaven tradition. A tradition not only of remembrance but pride. Attendance by representatives of the Port Washington Fire and EMT Department, Police Department, the Mounted Police, VFW Post 1819, and Nassau County officials like Jack Martins, Judi Bosworth, Delia DeRiggi-Whitton, Dina DeGiorgio, Wayne Wink and others alongside of our proud residents, added to the solemn dignity and importance of this very special ceremony.

On a beautiful Saturday on September 23rd, we held our third annual **Manorhaven Street Festival**. This year's event was packed with special activities for the children, a face painter, clowns, crafts and a petting zoo. Everyone young and old, enjoyed great vendors, a delicious food court and community booths that brought out families, friends and neighbors. We thank three Manorhaven business owners who helped make the children's activities a reality through their generous donations: **Guy La Motta** of *La Motta's Restaurant*, **Dennis Parisi** of *Riverfish On the Bay Restaurant* and **Donald & Evan Markowitz** of *Country Dry Cleaners*. Manorhaven sincerely thanks you! Some of the most memorable and heartwarming conversations were those with new families who have moved into Manorhaven. They spoke to us of how happy they are to be a part of this beautiful and friendly community and asked how they can help to keep Manorhaven a family friendly place to live.

Longtime residents also reminisced with us about Manorhaven and discussed issues and concerns like speeding and overbuilding. Many of you know Debbie, the owner/operator of Paradices, she noted that "A change has occurred in Manorhaven since the Giunta administration took office. Manorhaven is now a friendlier, more caring community." The Manorhaven Street Fair has become more than just a fun day for our community, it has become a day when we all meet as friends and neighbors to informally discuss and find ways to make our Village better and stronger and to bring us all closer together.

We were very proud to have sponsored two important events in October, the **Smart Senior Forum**, presented by NYS Office of the Attorney General and the **Hurricane Preparedness Forum** presented by the Nassau County Office of Emergency Management. These forums were invaluable for the information provided to seniors and all residents. Prior to the forums, we mailed a flyer to all residents notifying them of the content of the forums, time and date. It was unfortunate that more of our residents could not take advantage of these conveniently located and well planned events. The forms and booklets were both medically and financially beneficial. We look forward to greater resident participation in future forums.

Communities are more than houses and businesses, they are a place where we build together, share memories and support each other. Our events throughout the year do just that! **Please be sure** to attend our upcoming tree lighting and menorah lighting on Thursday, December 11 at 5 p.m., and consider making a local child's Christmas a little brighter by donating a toy to Toys for Tots!



DONATE TO TOYS FOR TOTS

Please join Manorhaven Village Hall and the U.S. Marines

in our quest to give less fortunate children hope this holiday season!

Donate **NEW** unwrapped toys for girls and boys to our drop box in

Village Hall from December 1 through 14

from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays.

We thank you in advance for your kindness to the children and their families!

A special thank you to the Sons of Italy - John Michael Merino 1389 Lodge
& St. Stephen's Church for their assistance!

Questions? Call Sharon at 516. 883.7000 x10 or email deputyclerk@manorhaven.org

HOLIDAY EVENT AT VILLAGE HALL

Light the Tree and Menorah

Thursday, December 11, 5 p.m.

Kick off the holiday season at
Village Hall with Christmas & Chanukah
songs, a candy cane, a cup of hot cocoa
and cookies!

FOOD DRIVE KICK-OFF

For the Benefit of Our Lady of Fatima Food Pantry

Saturday, February 7 - 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.

(Snow date: Sunday, February 8)

Donations accepted at Village Hall thru March 31

NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ONLY

Cans of soup, vegetables, tuna, chicken, salmon,
boxes of pasta, mac & cheese, cereal, rice,
juice cartons, cookies, crackers, and /or

GROCERY GIFT CARDS

**HAVE A SLICE OF PIZZA AND A SODA ON US
WITH EVERY DONATION**

Call Nancy at the Village, 516.883.7000 x12