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VILLAGE NEWS

"The Pearl of Manhasset Bay"

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THE SNOW SEASON IS ABOUT TO BEGIN!!

Please DO NOT shovel snow back into the streets after they have been plowed. This defeats the purpose of snow plowing and causes dangerous icy road conditions. Please shovel snow onto your lawn or devil strip. It will melt!

THIS WILL BE ENFORCED!!!

WE'RE SORRY! THERE WAS AN ERROR IN THE PRIOR NEWSLETTER REGARDING THE ALTERNATE SIDE STREET PARKING.

HERE IS THE CORRECTED VERSION. ALWAYS CHECK YOUR STREET SIGNS AS WELL.

NO PARKING REGULATIONS

December 1-March 31

No parking ODD SIDE of street on EVEN DAYS

Between the Hours of

3:00 AM-10:00 AM

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HAPPY HOLIDAYS



Tidings & Squibs: Mayor Nicholas B. Capozzi

Greetings and Happy Holiday Wishes to all. I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving. The Thanksgiving Turkey Run was a great success again this year with many people from all over the county competing. The Community Chest of Port Washington sponsors the run. We welcome all the runners to our great Village. We hope they had a great time and that we'll see them again next year.

* By now I'm sure you've passed the Village Hall in the evening and noticed the new Holiday decorations. We have also lit up the largest public Spruce Tree in Manorhaven on Manhasset Ave. at the triangle. This year a professional company strung the lights, using more than 1500 bulbs. The display will be seen from the air, (as we were told by the workers who were hanging the bulbs). Years ago when the tree was smaller, the Village would sponsor a decorating contest. The Village children would decorate the tree with bows and ornaments but because there was no electricity, the Tree was not lit. When I moved into the Village 13 years ago I asked the Village Board to have the tree lit. I even explained to the Board that I would donate the lighting for the event since my company dealt with a wholesaler that sold the lights. The Board told me there was no electricity in the area and that they did not want to spend taxpayer monies on the project. The year I was elected to the Board as a Trustee, I again suggested we light the Tree. The answer was the same but I asked the Board to get estimates for the cost of running electric lines and they consented. A group of Manhasset Isle residents and I started to look for a sponsor to pay for the cost to run the electric lines. We started with the phone and lighting companies with no luck. They were not interested. We continued to bring the issue up at the Village Board meetings. Then it happened. Mr. Guy La Motta, owner of the Manhasset Bay Marina and La Motta's Restaurant promised to pay for the cost of putting electric on the site as well as the lighting. That December the tree was lit with a few strings of lights. As you noticed each year since, the tree has been lit with more lights. This year it is in a class of its own because of the hard work of a few residents and a generous man. It is now a sight to behold. A professional crew decorated the tree this year because the Village does not have the equipment for our road crew to do it properly. The Manorhaven Special

Events Committee sponsored the cost, through the generous donations of the Business Community. Now you know the whole story and why lighting the Tree is so special to many of us.

*Last year the Village sponsored a home decorating contest (as the Special Events Committee is doing this year). As always, a group of people drove around the Village to judge the lighting and holiday displays. They chose three winners; the three winning homes were all disqualified because none of the winners had street numbers visible on their houses. Please make sure your home number is clearly displayed on the front of your home. It's the Law.

* Now that we are close to the New Year, our 75th Anniversary year is almost finished. Once again I want to thank the Special Events Committee and those who donated time, money and support for our special year that included our 75th Anniversary Festival in October. Many people had a great time and we are proud of our community that came together to help make a day of fun for all. I hope the Holiday Season brings you and yours much Joy, Health and Peace. In closing, as Dickens wrote well before me:

"GOD BLESS US, EVERYONE"

New York State Conference of
Mayors and Municipal Officials
present 35 year award to Joseph Nittolo:

In recognition of Joe's public service to the Village of Manorhaven for more than 35 years, the Conference of Mayors is pleased and honored to publicly acknowledge his dedication and commitment by awarding him a 35 year certificate.

THANKS TO ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTORS.

In addition to the previous list of sponsors, Manorhaven Special Events Corp would like to thank the following contributors who donated to the 75th Anniversary Festival:

**Bayles Garden Center & Nursery
Concerned Citizens of Manorhaven
Chabad of Port Washington**

Summary of New Legislation

The Board of Trustees enacted **Local Law 14** on October 26th, an amendment to the Vehicle and Traffic Law – Speed Limits.

This law was a reaction to the complaints of many residents on Manhasset Isle who live on Pequot and Mohegan Avenues between Sagamore Hill Drive and Sintsink Drive West. Because there is a hill on those streets, vehicles do not have a clear view of the end of those blocks. There are a large number of children living on those streets so it is in the interest of public safety to reduce the speed limit along the portion of the street that is not visible. The new speed limit is 25 MPH.

Holiday Lighting Contest

Show your spirit for the holiday season. Turn your home into a festive display for our residents to view.

This year's holiday decorating contest will be sponsored by the **Manorhaven Special Events Corp.**, who is donating the funds for the prizes. Therefore, as usual, no funds will have to come from the Village budget.

Winners will receive \$300 for 1st place, \$200 for 2nd place & \$100 for 3rd place. A panel of judges will evaluate the decorated homes based on an overall theme, so it is not necessarily the home with the most lights or decorations that will win. The contest will begin on December 19th and continue through December 31st. **As a reminder, your house number must be clearly displayed and be visible at night from the street.**

**GOOD LUCK
&
HAVE FUN**

Manorhaven Receives \$200,000 Grant

On Friday October 28, Governor Pataki came to Long Island to announce the winners of the New York Main Street Grant Program. Westbury, Freeport and Manorhaven were the only local recipients. The grant was sponsored by the Greater Port Washington Business Improvement District (GPWBID). The outstanding Executive Director of this organization is Roy Smitheimer and the Mayor is an active board member as well. Mr. Smitheimer and Village Clerk Ronnie Shatzkamer were on hand to meet the Governor and accept on the Village's behalf.

The award was the culmination of many hours of work by the Village staff, Roy Smitheimer and Mayor Jean Celender of Great Neck Plaza who operates the independent consulting firm that wrote the grant for us. On recommendation of Mr. Smitheimer, we employed Mayor Celender's firm. The Village and the BID split the cost of the consulting firm. The Village netted \$200,000 for an outlay of only \$1800!

The grant money is for the improvement of Manorhaven's downtown business district along Manorhaven Blvd. and Shore Road. The purpose is to renovate and improve the facades of the commercial buildings and add workforce housing by having apartments built over ground floor retail space. The GPWBID will be the program administrator.

The grant will assist property owners to rehabilitate or adapt existing buildings to reflect the Village's maritime history while also upgrading properties and providing studio and one bedroom apartments. This is consistent with the principles of the "new urbanism" that promotes diverse, walkable, vibrant, mixed-use communities. Property owners who meet all the grant criteria will receive funding to support their renovation/rehabilitation projects.

The Village's Business Overlay District (BOLD) is new zoning legislation (enacted May 25, 2005) that allows second story apartments over commercial space. The BOLD legislation in combination with this grant will be sure to bring a fresh new look to Manorhaven's downtown area. We hope this "new look" will attract more visitors and residents to shop locally.

Village Welcomes New Employee:

Anthony V. Tascarella, Jr. has been hired as our new P/T Code Compliance Official. His extensive background includes law enforcement and security. At this point in time he will begin helping the Building Superintendent with the new rental housing inspections as well as all quality of life issues. Please introduce yourself if you see Tony driving in the Code Truck. He will be glad to help you with any of your concerns.

Fall Clean-Up
December 7 & 14
Christmas Tree Pick-Up
January 4 & 11

We are a U.S. Passport Acceptance Facility and can help you with all your passport needs. Please speak with Kathy or Ronnie for more Information.

VILLAGE HALL HOURS ARE
MONDAY - FRIDAY
8:30am - 4:00pm
The hall we will be closed on
December 26 & January 2 for
scheduled holidays
The Village now accepts
VISA & MASTERCARDS
for ALL payment transactions.

ATTENTION COMMERCIAL
MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATORS
AND/OR OWNERS!

THE VEHICLE & TRAFFIC CODE HAS BEEN REVISED TO INCLUDE NO SUNDAY OR OVERNIGHT PARKING FOR ANY COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLES, INCLUDING SCHOOL BUSES, MUNICIPAL VEHICLES (INCLUDING OFFICIAL PLATES), TAXIS & LIMOUSINES.

IS YOUR TAX ROLL INFORMATION UP TO DATE?

If you are a taxpayer you must notify the Village in writing about address changes, mortgage satisfactions, change of ownership, and changes in the bank or mortgage company paying your taxes, including the new address of that institution. If you do not live at the address you pay taxes for, you must provide an address to send correspondence to. Tax bills are sent out once a year on or about June 1st. Taxes must be paid by July 1st. Taxes received thereafter are subject to a 5% penalty for the month of July and 1% penalty each month thereafter. Please speak with Kathy if you have any questions regarding your Village Tax.

It's against the Village Code to place garbage or yard waste at the curb before dusk.

Please make sure your garbage is in the appropriate containers with secured lids.

VILLAGE MEETING DATES

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

8:00 PM

DECEMBER 21, JANUARY 25, FEBRUARY 22
(7:00 P.M. if Public Hearing is scheduled)

PLANNING BOARD
AS REQUIRED

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

8:00 PM

DECEMBER 19, JANUARY 17, FEBRUARY 27

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

8:00 PM

JANUARY 10, FEBRUARY 14

JUSTICE COURT

7:00 PM

DECEMBER 20, JANUARY 24, FEBRUARY 21

SATURDAY WITH THE MAYOR

10AM - 12PM

DECEMBER 17, JANUARY 21, FEBRUARY 18

Pay your Parking Tickets Promptly to
Avoid Increased Fines!! **NOTE THAT**
ALTERNATE SIDE PARKING
FINES HAVE INCREASED TO \$40.00

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