



The Old Village News

Winter 2014-2015

From the Desk of Mayor Kreitzman



Dear Friends and Neighbors,

It has been a busy year as you will see from this newsletter, and as you have seen from the many articles in our local newspapers.

Each year, at the end of my message, I seek resident input and involvement. I was pleased that many of our residents participated in connection with a number of matters before our boards and, especially, the new zoning of Steamboat and Middle Neck Roads. Your input is critical for us to effectively and properly represent you.

Also, we are excited to have the new communication system described on the following page. Please provide us with your cell number and email address so we can contact you in emergencies and at other appropriate times.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Great Neck I wish you all a happy, healthy and prosperous holiday season and New Year.

Sincerely,

Ralph J. Kreitzman, Mayor

Middle Neck and Steamboat Roads Rezoned



As part of our *Old Village, New Main Street* visioning, the village has rezoned portions of Steamboat Road and most of Middle Neck Road to condense and improve our business district, revitalize and make more walkable our downtown and permit more residential housing, without changing the primarily single-family nature of the Village.

The new zoning incorporates suggestions and input from professional experts, residents, and business and property owners provided during numerous public meetings and hearings held last year and this year. The process started a few years ago with a consensus derived from input from a professional downtown planner and a dozen focus group and public meetings.

Additionally, we are planning further parking lot improvements, sidewalk "bump outs," and other improvements paid for with grants and community benefit funds contributed by AvalonBay.

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Village of Great Neck
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Give us your contact information, so we can contact you!

The Board of Trustees strongly encourages residents and Village businesses to submit their cell phone numbers and email addresses so that we will be able to contact you in the case of an emergency and at other appropriate times.

Please go to our website – www.greatneckvillage.org – and click on the “Swift 911 Notification Box” to provide or update your information. If you do not have internet access, please call 516-482-0019, or stop by Village Hall.



The service is being provided at reduced cost, in cooperation with the Town of North Hempstead.



Do you want a tree?

This fall, Village employees planted 60 trees on Village property. We will be planting an additional 40 trees in the spring. If you would like a tree planted on Village property in front of your house, please contact us as soon as possible. A selection is available.

Other News

- Nassau County has completed the much-delayed flood mitigation project on Middle Neck Road and the installation of a new traffic light at Middle Neck Road and Brokaw Lane. Be sure to press the button when you want to cross. That will afford you additional time. They also repaved Steamboat and East Shore Roads. Middle Neck Road is next.
- The AvalonBay 191-unit, luxury housing project has received the two critical Department of Environmental Conservation permits needed for the removal of the old oil tanks and cleanup of the contaminated soil. Construction should begin by the spring and take approximately two years. That development on East Shore Road will include 20-workforce housing apartments.
- Thanks to Kris Torkan and one of his companies, we have a new police booth at the corner of Middle Neck and Steamboat Roads. It received rave reviews from the County Executive and Acting Commissioner of the Nassau County Police.
- Preliminary planning has begun for the Village to have a new Department of Public Works (DPW) facility and Village Hall at our former sewer site on East Shore Road. The sale of our current DPW site on Middle Neck Road is expected to fund all or most of the cost.
- Standard & Poor's Rating Service has reaffirmed the highest AAA rating and has forecast a stable outlook for the Village's bonds. The rating reflects Standard & Poor's opinion of the Village's "strong financial position," "moderate-to-low debt burden with rapid amortization," "extremely strong property values" and "high income levels." Standard & Poor's considers the Village's financial management practices "good" under its Financial Management Assessment methodology, and it considers the Village's general fund reserve position and general fund expenditures both "very strong."



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2015 Sanitation Pickup Schedule

Monday & Thursday

All residents on the east side of Middle Neck Road except those scheduled for Tuesday and Friday

Tuesday & Friday

All residents on the west side of Middle Neck Road, as well as residents on Apple Tree Lane, Gutheil Lane, North Road, Hayden Avenue, Floyd Place, Forest Lane, Franklin Road, Forest Row (#31, #34 and higher), Ellard Avenue and Middle Neck Road (#707 and higher)

Holiday Collection Schedule

	If your collection day is:	
	Monday/Thursday	Tuesday/Friday
New Year's Day – Thursday, Jan. 1	Monday/Wednesday	Tuesday/Friday
Martin Luther King Jr. Day – Monday, Jan. 19	Tuesday/Thursday	Wednesday/Friday
Presidents' Day – Monday, Feb. 16	Tuesday/Thursday	Wednesday/Friday
Memorial Day – Monday, May 25	Tuesday/Thursday	Wednesday/Friday
Independence Day – Friday, July 3	Monday/Wednesday	Tuesday/Thursday
Labor Day – Monday, Sept. 7	Tuesday/Thursday	Wednesday/Friday
Columbus Day – Monday, Oct. 12	Tuesday/Thursday	Wednesday/Friday
Thanksgiving Day – Thursday, Nov. 26	Monday/Friday	Tuesday/Saturday
Christmas Day – Friday, Dec. 25	Monday/Thursday	Tuesday/Saturday
2016 New Year's Day – Friday, Jan. 1	Monday/Thursday	Tuesday/Saturday

Recycling Schedule

Glass, metal and plastic will be collected every **Wednesday** except **New Year's Day 2015**, when it will be collected on Thursday.

Paper and cardboard will be collected every **Wednesday** except for the weeks that include **New Year's Day 2015, Martin Luther King Day, Presidents' Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day and Columbus Day**. During those weeks, papers will be collected on **Thursdays**.

Other Items

Organic yard waste will be collected Monday or Tuesday, whichever is your regular collection day.

Furniture, carpeting, mattresses, wood, metal and tires will be collected Thursday or Friday, whichever is your regular collection day.

Please Turn Over for Further Important Information

Snow and Ice Alert

Garbage and recyclable collections may be delayed or canceled due to weather conditions. In the event of snow or ice, a clear path free of ice and snow must be made from the street to the collection point. Failure to provide a clear path may result in a non-pickup. **All sidewalks must be cleared of ice and snow within 24 hours.**

Remember: No motor vehicles may be parked on a public street or lot between 3 a.m. and 6 a.m., except where signage otherwise permits. ALSO, no parking is permitted on public streets or lots between midnight and 6 a.m. if, within 15 feet of the vehicle, there is 3 inches or more of snow on the street or lot.

Do Not Place Garbage Cans, Recycling Bins or Other Items in the Street.

Under no condition should the following be put out for collection: gasoline, waste oil, medical waste and pharmaceuticals, oil based paints, flammable liquids or toxic substances. For information on the disposal of these substances, see information on the 2015 S.T.O.P Program below.

Your Contractor is Responsible for All Building Debris Resulting From Work Done on Your Property.

Major appliances and e-Waste (washers, dryers, stoves, refrigerators, computers, televisions, etc) will be collected by appointment only. Call 516-482-0019 ext. 142 at least 24 hours in advance.

2015 S.T.O.P Program

The Town of North Hempstead's S.T.O.P. (Stop Throwing Out Pollutants) program offers residents the opportunity to dispose of their household hazardous waste in an environmentally friendly manner. The 2015 program will take place from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on:

■ Saturday, April 11; Saturday, May 17; and Saturday, September 12

Michael J. Tully Park
1801 Evergreen Ave, New Hyde Park, NY 11040-4050

■ Sunday, June 20 and Sunday, November 8

North Hempstead Beach Park North Lot
175 West Shore Road, Port Washington, NY 11050-3049

For more information, please call the Town of North Hempstead's hotline by dialing 311 or visit www.northhempstead.com.

Recycling Bins and Bags are Available

Available at Village Hall for purchase by Village residents are bins for glass, metal and plastic recyclables (\$12), bins with lids for newspapers (\$10) and biodegradable leaf bags (5 for \$2).

Paper and Cardboard

*Do not put newspapers in plastic bags.
Put them in bins, paper bags or tie them with twine.*

Recycle

- Paper & cardboard
- Newspapers & inserts
- Magazines & newsletters
- Catalogs, junk mail & envelopes
- Construct & wrapping paper
- Index & greeting cards
- Paperback & hardcover books
- Clean pizza boxes
- Telephone books
- Cereal & food boxes (remove plastic bags)

Do Not Recycle

- Paper plates, cups & towels
- Cardboard drink containers
- Cardboard with wax or styrofoam

Glass, Metal and Plastic

Rinse all glass, plastic and metal.

Recycle

- Empty plastic containers with **number 1, 2, 4, 5 or 6** in the recycle symbol on the container
- Empty food cans
- Empty beverage cans
- Clear & colored glass containers
- Clean aluminum pans

Do Not Recycle

- Styrofoam products
- Plastic bags & wraps
- Paint & solvent containers
- Aerosol cans
- Cans contaminated with pesticides or chemicals
- Mirror, window & safety glass
- Light bulbs
- Ceramics
- Drinking glasses & broken glass
- Six pack holders (cut before discharging)