



VILLAGE OF NEW HYDE PARK

OFFICIAL REPORT - SUMMER 2015

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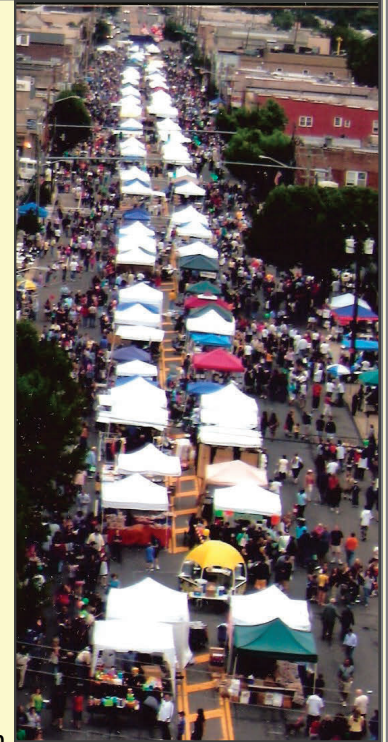
20th Annual Village Street Fair

Saturday, September 19th 10 AM - 4:30 PM

The 20th Annual Village of New Hyde Park Street Fair is approaching fast. The Street Fair is special every year, but this year the Fair will be extra special in many ways.

First, it's the 20th Annual Street Fair! From its inception in 1995, the Street Fair has grown into one of the Premier Street Fairs on Long Island. Residents and merchants have witnessed the transition over the years.

Second, this year we welcome the North Shore - LIJ Health System as the official sponsor of the 20th Annual New Hyde Park Street Fair. As our official sponsor, North Shore - LIJ will transform Lakeville Road into the North Shore - LIJ Health and Wellness Pavilion which will feature activities and information for the entire family. Many departments, including cardiovascular services, women's health, emergency medicine, trauma services and much more will provide important health information and demonstrations in their Health and Wellness Pavilion on Lakeville Road. The Village Board is privileged to have North Shore-LIJ Health System partner with our community. Their support and interest in our community is greatly appreciated. Do yourself and your family a great service by visiting the North Shore - LIJ Health and Wellness Pavilion on Lakeville Road and take advantage of all they have to offer.



Third, we are excited to showcase our diverse Village merchants and restaurants, Chamber members, and community service organizations. The Village of New Hyde Park Street Fair attracts tens of thousands of visitors every year to the Village. For many, it's a family tradition to spend the day on Jericho Turnpike catching up with old friends, former classmates, and neighbors. For others, it's a day to shop local, eat local, and enjoy all that our Fair has to offer. It's a fun day for everyone!

We are expecting over three hundred Village merchants and street vendors selling jewelry, crafts, plants, clothing, and many other items. Village restaurants, specialty shops, and food court vendors will be preparing mouth-watering dishes to satisfy everyone's palate. So, come hungry. The children's carnival, located in the Central Blvd. Parking Lot, will have lots of fun and exciting rides.

Finally, the Village Board will host a brief ceremony on the front lawn of Village Hall to commemorate the Board's recent declaration to recognize New Hyde Park a Purple Heart Village. This is a perfect day to honor the service and sacrifice made by the Veterans in our community and throughout the Country. Please join us at 11:00 am on the front lawn at Village Hall and show your appreciation and support to our brave Veterans.

On Street Fair Day, Jericho Turnpike from New Hyde Park through Covert Avenue and Lakeville Road (south of Lowell Avenue) will be closed from 5:00 AM through 9:00 PM. Everyone can help by being extra cautious and patient as we welcome thousands of visitors into our community.

In case of inclement weather, the Street Fair will be held on the following Saturday, September 26th. For more information about the Street Fair, please call Janet Bevers in the Village Clerk's Office during regular business hours at (516) 354-0022.



Mayor's Letter to the Residents

Dear Neighbors,

Excitement is building around our Village in anticipation of our 20th Annual Street Fair to be held on Saturday September 19th. It's amazing that twenty years have passed by so quickly since our first fair in 1995. This street fair remains one of the most enjoyable community days of the year and has been described as the "premier" Street Fair by many. And this year's event will be even more special with the commitment of a new sponsor, our neighbors from the North Shore-LIJ Health System. On the day of the fair, they are planning to assemble a 300 foot tent to house a Health and Wellness Pavilion on Lakeville Road at Jericho Turnpike. So come enjoy the day with our merchants on Jericho Tpke, other Village businesses, community organizations from the schools and churches, member businesses from the Greater New Hyde Park Chamber of Commerce, and over two hundred vendors, artisans, and crafters.

Additionally, on the morning of the Street Fair, please join the Village Board, guests, and dignitaries as we formally declare our community as a Purple Heart Village, to honor the brave men and women who sustained injury in combat serving our country. This brief ceremony will be held on the front lawn of Village Hall at 11 AM.

And finally, thanks to a grant secured by our State Senator Jack Martins, we will finally begin the long planned drainage improvement project at the intersection of 6th Avenue and South 14th Street.

So as the summer comes to a close, I would like to thank two of our community volunteers who helped make it wonderful. Cultural Committee Chairwoman Lisa Miranda for organizing four very successful summer Concerts in the Park. The weather cooperated and the entertainment was terrific. I would also like to thank our Parks and Recreation Committee Chairman Rich Pallisco for overseeing a very popular Children's Summer Recreation Program and ensuring our parks are properly maintained and available for use.

Speaking of volunteers, I am searching for a few residents that would like to assist me to establish a new committee that will be responsible for tasks and activities relating to the management of Village trees. This committee will help select a tree inventory and management software, craft a tree maintenance and planting program, assist with the selection of new planting locations, and solicit corporate partners that will help with the reforestation of our Village. Please e-mail me at Mayor@vnhp if you are interested in participating.

Best regards,

Mayor Bob Lofaro

Village of New Hyde Park A Purple Heart Community



On July 21st the Village Board passed a resolution that declared the Village of New Hyde Park as a Purple Heart Village. This significant act was taken to honor and remember forever the terrific sacrifices made by the military veterans of New Hyde Park who were wounded in combat. This designation demonstrates the support our community has for our wounded warriors of all generations.

The Village Board will hold a brief ceremony on the lawn in front of Village Hall to commemorate this event. The ceremony will take place at 11:00 am on Saturday, September 19th, the morning of our 20th annual Street Fair. The Village Board has invited community leaders, government representatives, and other local dignitaries to attend. ***Please consider this your cordial invitation to join us in showing support.***

The Village Board will also designate Central Blvd. as ***Memorial Way*** with a street sign suspended below the Central Blvd. sign. This will provide a physical link from our main street to our cherished Memorial Park; a place named for our fallen veterans. Plans are underway to enhance the area around the flag pole and monument at Memorial Park. We are also working on another marker to honor our Purple Heart recipients. This small but respectful area is intended to provide a serene place to reflect on those New Hyde Park residents who gave so much.

The Purple Heart was originally conceived of by George Washington in 1782 when he demanded a medal to soldiers who performed meritoriously in combat. The first recipient earned the Purple Heart during the battle of Long Island in the Revolutionary War. To his further credit, General Washington also insisted that the decoration be given to enlisted men as well as officers; a concept unheard of at that time. During World War II, the Purple Heart became the citation received for injuries sustained in combat.

Please join us on the front lawn of Village Hall, Saturday, September 19 at 11 am. We look forward to seeing you there.



A tree was planted in honor of former Village Park Attendant John Klett, who passed away in September. Members of the NHP Little League donated a plaque in memory of John and for his many years of service and dedication to the Village of New Hyde Park and the children of this community.



Air Traffic Over New Hyde Park



On August 10th, Tr. Donald Barbieri and Director of Environmental Control, Kurt Langjahr, met with representatives of the FAA and the Eastern Regional Helicopter Association. During this meeting, there was a good exchange of information from all parties. We are pleased to report that representatives from the Regional Helicopter Association acknowledge and recognize that the low altitudes that the helicopters fly over the Village is unacceptably loud. Eastern Regional Helicopter Association is asking their helicopter pilots cooperation to use the north shore and south shore water routes and **only use** the LIRR tracks as the route of last resort. Part of the challenge we face is that the helicopter pilots are not legally prohibited from flying over the track route. And, inclement weather and wind conditions often dictate the route chosen. However, the Eastern Regional Helicopter Association has agreed to immediately e-mail and text helicopter pilots and companies requesting that they use the water routes and keep the track route as the "route of last resort." It is our hope and expectation that there will be a decrease in the number of helicopter flights over our Village.

Covert Avenue Road Project

As previously reported, the Nassau County Office of Traffic Engineering has completed an assessment of traffic patterns and traffic flow on the Covert Avenue corridor. Construction is underway by Nassau County to make modifications to Covert Avenue in an effort to improve pedestrian safety and vehicular traffic flow. Based on plans submitted by the County, there will be a physical barrier, instead of a painted barrier, constructed on Covert Avenue. The County also plans to extend the curb lines from Wayne Avenue to 6th Avenue. For more information, please visit the Village website: www.vnhp.org.

6th Avenue Drainage Repairs

We are pleased to announce that a Road and Drainage Improvement Project has begun to correct and update the ineffective drainage system on 6th Avenue at the corner of South 14th Street. At the May 12th meeting of the Village Board, a construction contract was awarded to Pratt Brothers for their bid of \$130,810.

During a meeting to coordinate the logistics of the drainage repair project with the utility companies, including National Grid, DPW Supt. Gannon and the Village Board were able to secure support from National Grid to install new gas mains in order to accommodate the placement of the new drainage system. National Grid expects to have all of the new gas lines installed by the end of September. Once completed, Pratt Brothers will begin the installation of the new drainage system and then complete a full curb to curb restoration. Although weather often plays an important role in the time line, the project is expected to be completed by early November.

During construction, the Department of Public Works and contractors will do its best to minimize disruption to residents who live in and around this area. Residents are asked to be patient as new gas lines and drainage system are installed over the next two months. If you have any questions or would like more information, please call the Department of Public Works during regular business hours.

The Village Board is tremendously grateful to State Senator Jack Martins for his support and efforts in securing a Capital Improvement Grant in the amount of \$150,000 for the Village to use to complete this important and vital project.

CHILDREN'S SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM

A record number of children enrolled this year in the Children's Summer Recreation Program. We were fortunate to have cooperation from the weather as there were only a few sessions that had to be held indoors.

The Children's Summer Recreation Program offers a safe, creative, and happy environment for children. Organized sports, arts and crafts, and table games keep them engaged and involved.

Trustee Donna Squicciarino is very pleased with the Program's success. She credits Rich Pallisco, Parks and Recreation Chairman for bringing a dynamic and dedicated team together. The Program Director, Jennifer DeMaria and all the Counselors work together to provide the right environment for the children to flourish and interact. When asked, Ms. DeMaria stated that she was thrilled for the opportunity this year to direct the Program and she enjoyed working with the Counselors and interacting with the children.

Finally, we want to acknowledge and thank the hard working Park Attendants and DPW crew for keeping the Park grounds clean and well maintained.

The Children's Summer Recreation Program is offered free to Village residents. If your child is interested in participating and meets the age requirements, we urge you to take advantage of this Program next year. Look for program and registration information in the 2016 Spring Newsletter or on the Village website.



The 2015 Children's Summer Recreation Program Team

Front left to right: Program Director Jennifer DeMaria, with Counselors Alexandra Kalosinis, Marie Angelica Ruffino, and Ariana Puram. **Back Row:** Kiera Mulhall, Hannah Pipa, Parks & Recreation Chairman Rich Pallisco, Mike DeMaria, and Dillon Savarese.



Enthusiastic children in the morning session said they loved playing tennis, basketball, and whiffle ball. But, the water balloon games were overwhelmingly their favorite.



Children in the afternoon session take a break from playing soccer and gather on the home base line to pose for this group picture.

Cultural Commission

We hope you were able to enjoy the great shows held this summer at Memorial Park. Lisa Miranda, the Village Cultural Commissioner always puts together a great line-up of entertaining and family-friendly shows. This year, we were fortunate to have Mother Nature's cooperation with good weather for all of the shows.

The Village Board wishes to thank Maspeth Bank for their generosity in, once again, sponsoring the June 17th show ***Precisions***, a great band playing vintage rock music. The young and ole' came out in force to enjoy a Plaza Theatrical Production of ***Shrek***. Local favorite, ***Cold Spring Harbor Band*** got the crowd on its feet playing the music of Long Island native, Billy Joel. Finally, ***Marty G & The "G" Men*** closed out the summer series playing some of the best music from the 50's, 60's and 70's.

Finally, we want to acknowledge the contribution from the DPW crew. They maintain the Park grounds throughout the year and help set up and clean up after each event.



Warm summer nights and great family entertainment brought the crowds out for each show.



The Cold Spring Harbor Band had the crowd singing along to the songs of Billy Joel.



The reconstructed basketball and tennis courts are officially unveiled. Thanks to the support of Senator Jack Martins, the Village secured \$200,000 in NYS Grant funding to pay for the reconstruction at Memorial Park, including the reconstruction of the tennis and basketball courts and the walking path. Pictured above from the left are: Tr. Donna Squicciarino, Deputy Mayor Lawrence Montreuil, Mayor Robert Lofaro, NY State Senator Jack Martins, Tr. Donald Barbieri, and Parks and Recreation Chairman Richard Pallisco.

Parks and Recreation

Long and Lean - Adult Exercise Class

The Parks & Recreation Committee is pleased to present adult exercise class held in the William Gill Theatre at Village Hall.

Classes run every Tuesday in October and November from 9:30 am to 10:30 am. These classes are designed to strengthen arms, legs, and stomach through gentle stretching, Pilates exercise, and light weights.

This program is free to Village residents. Non-residents will be charged a \$20 fee.

Pre-registration is recommended, although not required, and can be done in the Village Clerk's Office during regular business hours. For more information, please call Village Hall at 516 354-0022 or www.vnhp.org.

SANITATION SCHEDULE CHANGE**Columbus Day****Monday, October 12**

Garbage for North side POSTPONED and rescheduled to Tuesday, October 13.

Tuesday, October 13

Garbage collection for entire Village
Newspapers for North side

Election Day**Tuesday, November 3**

Garbage for South side POSTPONED
Newspaper for North side POSTPONED and rescheduled to Wednesday, November 4

Wednesday, November 4

Garbage for South side
Newspapers for North side
Tin, glass and yard waste for entire Village

Veterans Day**Wednesday, November 11**

Tin, glass, and yard waste POSTPONED and rescheduled to Thursday, November 12

Thursday, November 12

Garbage for North side
Newspapers for South side
Tin, glass and yard water for entire Village

Garbage, newspapers, and recyclables cannot be put out before 7 pm on the day prior to pick up.

The DPW provides two bulk pick-up operations per week, excluding holidays, on an appointment basis. Please call DPW at 354-0064 to arrange for a special bulk or e-waste pick up.

Yard waste pick up continues through Wednesday, December 2nd.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Tues. 9/15 Village Board Meeting
8:00 PM Village Hall
- Sat. 9/19 **20th Annual Village Street Fair**
10 AM - 4:30 PM
Jericho Tpke. from New Hyde Park Road to Covert Avenue, plus Lakeville Road
11 AM Purple Heart Ceremony
Front Lawn Village Hall
- Wed. 9/23 Architectural Review Board
7:30 PM Village Hall
- Sat. 9/26 **Rain Date 20th Annual Street Fair**
Homecoming Day Parade 12 Noon
Assembly at Lakeville Road Parking Lot.
If Street Fair rain date is utilized, assembly at Leonard Blvd & Jericho Tpke.
- Tues. 10/6 Village Board Meeting
8:00 PM Village Hall
- Mon. 10/12 **Columbus Day Holiday**
Village Hall Closed
No Sanitation Pick Up
- Wed. 10/14 Zoning Board of Appeals
7:30 PM Village Hall
- Tues. 10/20 Village Board Meeting
8:00 PM Village Hall
- Wed. 10/28 Architectural Review Board
7:30 PM Village Hall
- Tues. 11/3 **Election Day**
Village Hall Open
No Sanitation Pick Up
- Thurs. 11/5 Village Board Meeting
8:00 PM Village Hall
- Wed. 11/11 **Veterans Day**
Village Hall Closed
No Sanitation Pick Up
- Thurs. 11/12 Zoning Board of Appeals
7:30 PM Village Hall



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Zoning Board, Architectural Review Board, and Village Board Public Hearings***Zoning Board of Appeals:******June***

- **1524 Gilford Avenue** - A request was granted to construct a full second floor over the existing first floor with a 1' encroachment on the east side of the home.
- **535 7th Avenue** - A request was granted to close an open garage permit with a .7' encroachment on the west and a .3' on the north side of the garage.

August 12

- **112 North 6th Street** - A request was granted to construct a full second floor directly over the existing 1st floor with insufficient north and south side yard setbacks and exceeding maximum floor area ratio by 78.89 square feet.

Architectural Review Board:***June***

- **1500 Jericho Tpke.** - The Shell Gas Station re-appeared with revised plans for a new electronic sign that will be retrofitted into the existing pole with a Shell logo and Self Service Gasoline sign over the digital gas price sign.
- **15 Jericho Tpke.** - An application from Push Fitness to paint the façade of the building Roasted Almond with black trim was granted. A request for a new sign will be submitted to the Building Department at a later date.
- **14 Herkomer Street** - At the previous hearing, the Board asked the owner to submit a new rendering to avoid identical homes next to each other. The owner proposed changes to the roof style, the garage door, and the stone façade and the siding on the front of the house. These changes were accepted.
- **1441 Jericho Tpke.** - A modification to plans previously submitted to eliminate the quoins on the corners of the building and install identical columns on both sides of the building was granted.
- **1501 Jericho Tpke.** - Ultra Mini Mart. A request was granted to install two canopies with a 9" white border on the top and bottom with an 18" red stripe, which will match the color of the existing sign, centered on the canopy.

July

- **600 New Hyde Park Road** - Gloria Dei Evangelical Lutheran Church. A request for a new sign, green lettering on a white background with white PVC sign posts was granted.

Planning Board:***June***

- **1604 Highland Avenue** - A subdivision request to split a 80' x 100' lot into two 40' x 100' lots and construct two new 2 1/2 story one family homes, each with detached garage, was granted pending final approval from Nassau County Planning Commission.
- **16 South 1st Street** - A subdivision request to split a 160' x 110' lot into four 40' x 110' lots and construct two new 2 1/2 story one family homes, each with a detached garage, was granted. This application was approved by Nassau County Planning Commission. Due to its location, the Village of Floral Park will review the application.

Village Board:***August***

- **1335 Jericho Tpke.** - An application to convert usage to an adult day care center on the west side and a medical facility on the east side. The applicant did not have sufficient information on the medical facility, therefore, the Board heard only the application for the adult day care center. The Board reserved decision and has referred the application to the Nassau County Planning Commission for review. This application will go before the Zoning Board for parking consideration.
- **1218 Jericho Tpke.** - An application to renovate the existing 2nd floor apartments, construct 2 new apartments on the 2nd floor and renovate and expand the existing kitchen. The Board reserved decision and has referred the application to the Nassau County Planning Commission for review. This application will go before the Zoning Board for parking consideration.

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Mayor: Robert A. Lofaro

Deputy Mayor: Lawrence Montreuil

Trustees: Richard Coppola

Donald Barbieri

Donna Squicciarino

**Village Clerk's Office: 354-0022
(M-F) 8:45AM– 4:15PM**

**Dept of Public Works: 354-0064
(M-F) 9:00AM– 3:00PM**

Village Court: 354-6330

Building Department: 354-0022

Fire Department & Ambulance: 742-3300

New Curbside Trees Available

Residents are urged to call the Department of Public Works to request a new curbside tree. Trees will be ready for planting in the early Fall. Please help us to maintain and to improve our community's green landscape.

Trees not only add beauty to your property, but they clean the air, cool the street, help combat the greenhouse effect and reduce storm water runoff, and helps block dangerous ultra-violet rays, just to name a few!

Please call DPW at 354-0064 to request your new curbside tree.

